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# Muleshoe Journal

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## When it rains, it pours

### • Lightning strikes, local family loses home, memories

By Leah Bell  
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The old saying is true, lives change "in the blink of an eye"—or in Mac Brown's case, the flash of a lightning bolt.

Brown's family home was utterly demolished by lightning which struck during the turbulent storm that ripped through Parmer and Bailey Counties Tuesday, July 20.

"I sat on my tractor watching it burn for nine hours," Brown said in an interview with the *Journal* on Saturday.

The rubble smoldered in some areas of the foundation as he spoke.

"I couldn't do anything to save it," he said with a sad tremble in his voice. Brown got out of the house with only the clothes on his back and a cell phone, which he used to call the Lazbuddie and Muleshoe Fire Departments. Neither were able to get to the scene due to the torrential downpour and

muddy roads.

Brown's son, B.J., had flown in that very night from

California to pick up memorabilia stored at his father's home. There were items

from Iraq, Kosovo, Vietnam and Japan among others—items he had col-

lected during his tour of duty with the U.S. Marines.

"He was one day too

late," his distraught father said.

"I wasn't even one day too



**Nine lives**—These ceramic kitty-cat kitchen accessories are all that is left after a house caught on fire late Tuesday night during a lightning storm. Mac Brown got out safely, but watched the house he grew up in burn to the ground when local fire officials had difficulty responding due to excessive rains and washed out roads northwest of Muleshoe. Some of Brown's family came to Muleshoe to help him sift through the rubble and stumbled upon these items. No one knows where they came from or how they withstood the fire.

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### Local Weather

Thu .. PC..... 87/57

Fri .... Iso. T-storms  
(30%) ..... 86/58

Sat ... Iso. T-storms  
(30%) ..... 88/58

Sun .. Iso. T-storms  
(40%) ..... 92/61

Mon .. Iso. T-storms  
(30%) ..... 93/62

Tue... PC..... 95/61

Wed . PC..... 94/63

### Give It A Thought

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Words to ponder from Beverly

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**Shattered**—Mac Brown (front) and his family sift through the ruins of the family home in Parmer County northwest of Muleshoe Saturday afternoon. Very few items survived the blaze set by lightning, but what was recovered, Brown intends to implement in the home he will build next door.

## Thefts at Texaco station an inside job

By Leslie Radford  
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A couple of weeks ago, Texaco in Muleshoe was thieved while two employees watched. But what most didn't know was it had been going on for months.

Over the last few months, store Manager Rosa Davis noticed more and more inventory disappearing without explanation. "I didn't understand where it was going," she said. Then, on Tuesday, July 13, everything fell into place. Ramon Martinez was training Jessica Rubio for a clerk's po-

sition when a few teen-aged girls came in.

As the teenagers proceeded to take candy, sodas, several cartons of cigarettes, among other things, Rubio's mother came through the drive-through window. Rubio got her mother a drink from the fountain and told her to call the cops, the store was being robbed. Her mother did as she asked.

Lt. Otis Carpenter with the Muleshoe Police Department said officers responded and were able to recover a few cartons of the

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## Cowboy whips hats into shape

### • Full steam ahead on a lost art

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Some cowboys live to rodeo, some to ranch and others to ride. But Michael Dean is a different kind of cowboy. He lives to steam—and tell a joke or two.

"The Hat Doctor," as he's been called since his days at Cavender's Western Wear in Amarillo now makes his home inside Williams General Store in Muleshoe. Doc's Hat Shoppe is the culmination of his 21 years in the business.

Rodeo cowboys used to show up every Monday at Cavender's telling me how sick their hats looked. They eventually gave me the name 'Hat Doctor,'" said Dean. It's a name that's stuck with him over the years.

Dean stumbled into hat shaping by accident, but doesn't regret one minute of his career choice.

"I started out working as a stock boy at Tony Lama in Ruidoso in 1983," said Dean, now 39. "One day they fired the hat shaper and said you're it. So, I put down what I was carrying and started steaming."

Dean has worked all over Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Colorado. He's creased hats at the Ft. Worth Stockyards and even built a spur or two in Sil-



**The doctor is in**—Michael Dean (a.k.a. The Hat Doctor) creases a felt hat at his shop inside Williams General Store on American Blvd. Dean has fixed hats all over the southwest for several years and brought the dying art of hat-shaping to Muleshoe several years ago.

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## Prairie Festival to be held in Lubbock

The Llano Estacado Audubon Society presents the first Prairie Festival in Lubbock, scheduled for Aug. 21-22. Saturday's events are from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. with booths, displays, activities, live music, food and entertainment at the Municipal Garden and Arts Center, 4215 South University; on Aug. 22 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., field trips to various prairie destinations.

The two-day event includes indoor booths featuring merchandise and information, food, drinks and music, speakers and displays on prairie science, ecology and restoration on Saturday, Aug. 21; Sunday will feature field trips to several sites around Lubbock to view the prairie and its inhabitants, such as Black-tailed Prairie Dogs, Burrowing Owls and Ferruginous Hawks. The festival, to be held annually, is to celebrate the importance of the prairie and raise awareness of its critical role in the ecosystems. For more information, call the Arts Center at (806) 767-3724, or see [www.leas.bizland.com/prairiefest.htm](http://www.leas.bizland.com/prairiefest.htm).

## Flag football tourney planned

According to event organizer Woody Villa, Muleshoe's Third Annual Four-on-Four Flag Football Tournament is set for Saturday, Aug. 7. Details are still being worked out at this time, but Villa has provided the following tournament information: The entry fee is \$150 per team and each team entering should have a six man roster of players age 16 and up. The entry deadline is Monday, Aug. 2. First and second place finishers will receive a trophy and T-shirt while the third place finisher will receive a wall plaque. For more information, contact Villa after 6 p.m. at 272-5398.

## Public forum on various issues scheduled

United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development has hosted public forums across Texas to offer information on many rural community, business, and housing programs. Two such forums are to be held nearby in August. They are Aug. 3 in Plainview at the Nunn Auditorium, Wayland Baptist University (corner of Harry Igo Blvd. and Sixth St.) and Aug. 4 in Brownfield at the Alamo, 302 E. Broadway. Both events begin at 10 a.m.

## FACT to offer ITV classes locally

The Five-Area Community Telecommunications Consortium (FACT), made up of Lazbuddie, Muleshoe, Olton, Springlake-Earth, and Sudan I.S.D.s, will provide night college courses through interactive television classrooms held at these schools. The courses begin offered for the fall semester are available through South Plains College and Texas Tech University. To find out what classes are being offered (graduate and undergrad), call Patsy Fisher at (806) 227-2554.

## Breast cancer screening clinic in Muleshoe

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 S. First St., on Aug. 2. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

## North to visit Lubbock in September

Retired Marine Lieutenant Colonel Oliver North will speak this fall in Lubbock about faith, family and freedom. Southcrest Baptist Church is the title sponsor for the September 12 event. Tickets are available at all Select-A-Seat locations beginning July 5. For more information, please contact Select-A-Seat at 770-2000. Money raised for the event will benefit My Father's House - Lubbock, a nonprofit, faith-based organization dedicated to helping women in times of need.

## Girl Scouts fund-raiser on-line

Girl Scouts of Caprock Council has launched its first on-line fund-raising initiative. The three-year "Commit to a Girl" campaign features a new website with information on the challenges girls face locally and nationally, as well

as opportunities to support Girl Scouting in the South Plains. Visit [www.committoagirl.kintera.org/caprock](http://www.committoagirl.kintera.org/caprock). Visitors can donate directly or create their own "Commit to a Girl" page that can be customized to honor a loved one, contact old friends or host a virtual fund-raising party. For more information, call Caprock Council at (806) 745-2855 or (800) 530-4957.

## Birthday party for local includes book signing and support to museum

Kay Cole will be presented with a 65th birthday party at the Dallas Women's Museum in Dallas on Saturday, Aug. 14. At the event, Angela Hayden will discuss her new book, *Dead Wrong—The Truth About Domestic Violence, Incest, and Child Abuse*. Followed by a book signing and the birthday party with wine, cheese and cake. There will also be a tour of the Museum featuring and exhibit by photographer Annie Leibovitz. Those interested in attending should R.S.V.P. to Angela Hayden at (972) 690-5140 or e-mail [Angela@angelahayden.net](mailto:Angela@angelahayden.net). Cole requests no gifts, just a ticket to support the museum and a card with a note about the first time you met her.

## Lingo community reunion set

The annual reunion of the Lingo, N.M., community is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 1 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center, 501 N. Industrial Dr., Portales. The event is open to all former and current residents of the community, their friends and family. A covered dish luncheon will be served at noon, bring a dish to share. Lingo is located south of Causey, N.M. on Highway 114. Those attending are encouraged to bring photos or memorabilia to display for the day. For additional information, call Joe Beakley at (806) 797-6735, e-mail at [beakley1@cox.net](mailto:beakley1@cox.net) or write to 1004 Kewanee Ave., Lubbock, TX 79416-5922.

## Annual Iris sale in Lubbock

The South Plains Iris Society's Annual Iris Sale is Saturday, July 31 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Lubbock Gar-

den and Arts Center, 4215 University Ave. For more information, call Louise Palermo at (806) 797-6913.

## Fall Festival seeks vendors

The Lubbock Municipal Garden Arts Center, located at 4215 University Ave., is seeking artists and craftsmen to participate in the 34th Annual Fall Arts and Crafts Festival, a one day arts and crafts fair on Saturday, Sept. 11. For more information on the Festival, call the Garden and

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Applicants must be a certified surgical technologist, certified surgical assistant, certified first assistant or certified nurse - operating room and have current CPR or BLS certification. Applicants must also have an associate degree or higher in an allied health field or the equivalent from an accredited institution.

For more information and other eligibility requirements, contact Stacey May at (806) 885-3048, ext. 4642 or e-mail her at [smay@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:smay@southplainscollege.edu).



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## Theft, from front pg.

cigarettes. "The rest they had probably already sold," he said. "He (Martinez) was probably trying to get in good with the girls."

The teenagers (because they are minors, their names are not allowed to be published) were arrested along with Martinez who confessed to allowing the teens to take whatever they wanted.

According to Davis, Martinez had given the girls free sodas in the past. "He told me it just started with a few sodas and escalated from there," Davis said.

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## Catholic Church gets new priest

Father Leonardo Pahamtang comes from the Philippines to serve as pastor of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Muleshoe.

Although he has been in the states for years (since late 1994), he still remembers growing up in the Philippines. "I remember telling my mother in grade one that I wanted to become a priest," he said. He served as an alter servant but lost interest in the priesthood in sixth grade. He said he made up his mind in high school that he wanted to become a priest. He spent his high school and college years studying theology at a seminary back home. "I spent most of my young adult years there," he said. "Thirteen years at the seminary."

After college, Pahamtang taught Spanish, English and Religion at a private school in the Philippines. Ordained in 1977, Pahamtang spent three years in an organization in his country that promoted peace, the disarming of nuclear weapons, and freedom from dictatorship.

He said he's done missionary work in the U.S., it's his way of giving back to the country who sent American missionaries to his country to help the Catholic Churches there.



PAHAMTANG

After serving churches in California and New Mexico, Pahamtang was appointed to the church in Muleshoe. "I like it here," he said. "I like the pace here. It's not like in San Francisco where everything is so fast."

He came to the Catholic Church at the beginning of July and will serve a six-year term. When asked what he wanted to accomplish while he was here, he said "I will give service to the people. I will learn from them. They are the ones in contact with reality." He said he will make plans for the church according to the congregation.

Aside from the golf course here, the father said he enjoys the people in Muleshoe. "I have found Texans are warm, respectable and welcoming people, more so than anywhere I have worked."

## Health

### State urges compliance with school vaccination requirements

State health and education officials say parents should make sure their children are in compliance with school-enrollment vaccination requirements before school starts or the students will not be allowed to attend school.

In the past, some schools have allowed out-of-compliance students a 30-day grace period to start getting the required vaccinations. But this school year, that provisional enrollment will not be granted unless the student has received at least one dose of each required vaccine series and is not overdue for a vaccine dose.

Homeless students and certain students transferring from other Texas schools will be granted the temporary enrollment regardless of vaccination status.

State immunization requirements dictate that school students be vaccinated against nine illnesses: diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough), polio, measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis B and varicella (chicken pox).

Vaccination against a tenth illness, hepatitis A, is also required in 39 Texas counties for students in kindergarten through third grade. Some students are exempt from vaccination requirements for medical or religious reasons or for reasons of conscience.

"We strongly encourage parents and guardians to make sure their school-age children are as fully vaccinated as possible before the first day of school," said Shirley Neeley, Texas commissioner of education. "We don't want any students to miss valuable learning time."

Eduardo Sanchez,

Texas commissioner of health, said, "The fact that these vaccinations are required for school attendance underscores their value in preventing illness."

He encouraged parents taking their school-age children for vaccinations to also make sure younger siblings are up-to-date in their vaccinations. "It's crucial that infants and toddlers are protected, too," Sanchez said.

Routine vaccination recommendations call for most of the vaccine doses required for school attendance to be given by age two. But catch up schedules are available for students who did not receive the vaccines when younger. Some vaccines are given in combination forms that cover multiple illnesses. Most of the vaccines are given in multiple doses over time. Exact requirements vary with grade level.

Specific vaccination requirements for school attendance are available from schools, physicians' offices and local public health departments. The information also is available on-line at [www.ImmunizeTexas.com](http://www.ImmunizeTexas.com) or by calling the Texas Department of Health at 1-800-252-9152. The re-

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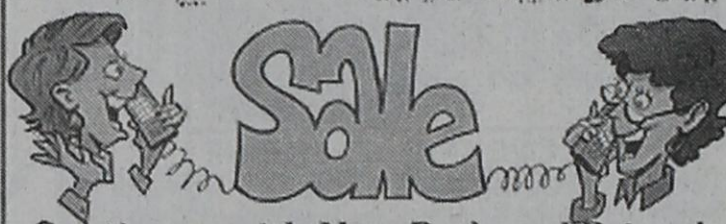
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### Four-H golf tourney scheduled

The South Plains Four-H program will host a one-day golf tournament at the Plainview Country Club. The tournament is open to everyone. The format is a four-person scramble and requires an entry fee. Entries are due Aug. 6. Sign up at the local County Extension Office or call the Pro Shop at the Plainview Country Club (806) 296-6148.

### Community-wide garage sale planned

Area citizens are asked to clean out their garages, empty spare rooms and open up storage buildings for the community garage sale at the Assembly of God building scheduled for July 31. For information on how to rent a low cost spot for the event, call David Pollard at (806) 965-2912 and leave a message.

### Slaton to host HarvestFest

The Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Women's Division will host the annual HarvestFest, Saturday, September 25, 2004 on the lawn of the City Square from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Scheduled events: 7 - 10 a.m. pancake breakfast, 10:30 a.m. Slaton Tiger Band and cheerleaders, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. hamburgers and homemade ice cream. There will be live entertainment all day. Art and crafts exhibitors are needed. For additional information, please contact the Slaton Chamber of Commerce office at (806) 828-6238 or P.O. Box 400, Slaton, TX 79364.



Leslie Radford

**Ribbon cutting**— Muleshoe Feed Barn is under new ownership. In celebration, the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce honored Kelly Harrison (right, back row) with a ribbon cutting ceremony Friday afternoon during their customer appreciation event. Joining him are: (front, l-r) Terral King (Chamber), Heather Foley (Chamber), Jerry Shields (Hi-Pro representative), Judd Baker, Logan Harrison and Jan Thompson; (back, l-r) Rodey Baker (manager), Kaleb Baker and new owner, Harrison.

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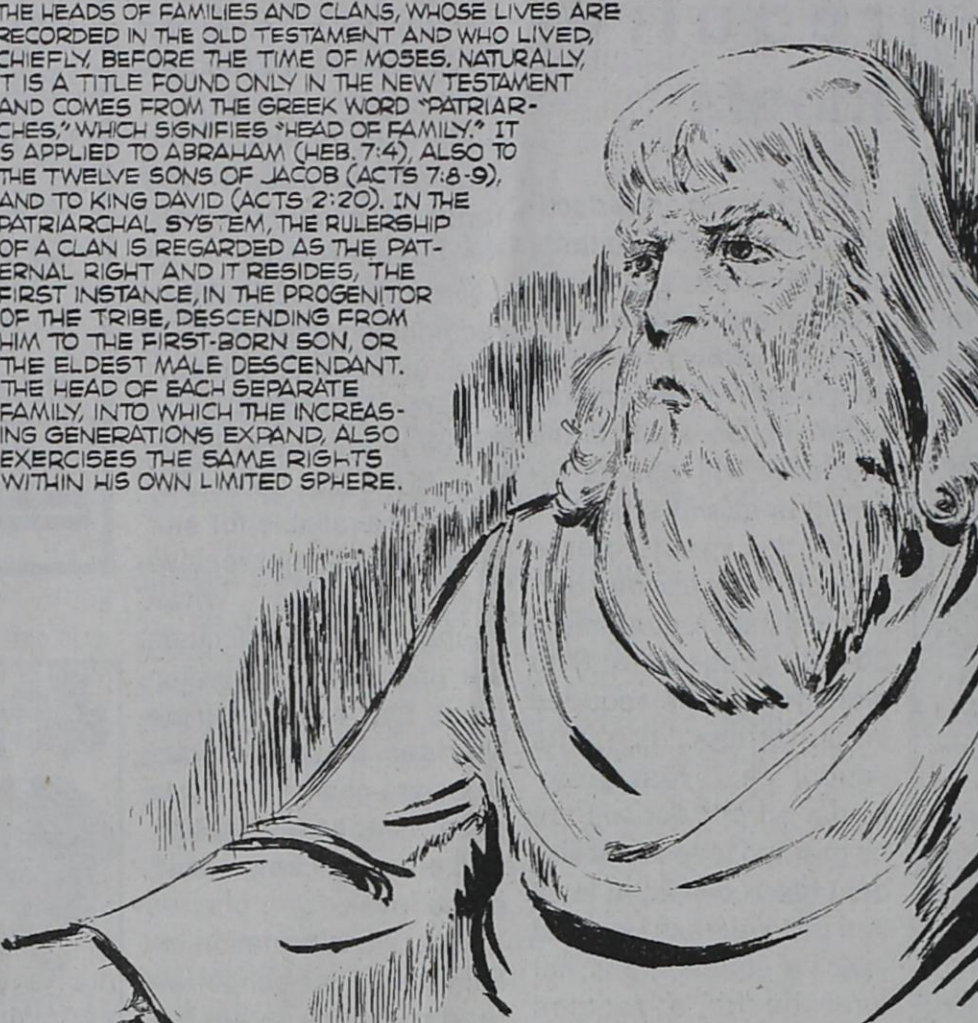
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# Education

## WJHS science teacher gets next to the Red Planet

By Leslie Radford  
Managing Editor  
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Sandi Chitwood, a Watson Junior High science teacher, got the experience of a lifetime when she attended the LiftOff Summer Institute, July 12-16.

"It was just awesome," said Chitwood. "I can't believe they chose me."

Thirty teachers from seven states were selected to participate. The LiftOff program gave teachers knowledge they took back to their classrooms. They explored such things as

math, science and technology applied to the realm of outer space.

This month marked the fifteenth year of the educational program. The theme, "Journey to the Red Planet," included workshops, hands-on activities, field trips, presentations by NASA scientists and astronauts working on various missions.

A couple of the astronauts gave Chitwood autographs. "They made us feel so special," she said. She also had her picture taken with them.

Their week began with Dr. John Gruener of NASA

Johnson Space Center and his presentation about the National Space Exploration Vision. Astronauts Dominic Gorie and Peggy Whitson shared their experience during space flight. Scientists and engineers spoke on the search for life on Mars, human life support for missions to Mars and the importance of Robotics in Space Exploration.

The NASA Johnson Space Center Astronomy Club hosted a viewing of the night sky star party. Solar System educator Carol Lutsinger informed the participants of upcoming planetary missions and conducted inquiry based activities. Pat McGovern and Beck Nelson from the Lunar

and Planetary Institute provided background information and activities related to Mars geology.

"It was so cool," Chitwood said. "We got to try on space gloves and they taught us what each layer of the glove was used for. There are 13 layers. They're very heavy. But, of course, in space, you're weightless."

Chitwood, along with other participants, visited the Houston Museum of Natural Science to conduct a simulated mission to Mars in the Challenger Center and conduct education activities related to Mars and general science. "I could have stayed there all day had they let me,"

Chitwood said.

"I got to see mission control and lots of neat things," she said. "They also gave us materials to use in our classroom."

Chitwood received a CD with education elements she plans to incorporate in her science classes next year and share the information she learned from the

LiftOff program with other teachers at the junior high.

She said she probably won't apply for the program next year because she wants to give the opportunity to other educators to have the chance to visit the space center. She encourages all teachers to apply for the program because "it is an experience of a lifetime."

### School Notes

#### Vandiver makes dean's list at TWU

Cyndi Vandiver of Muleshoe made the Texas woman's University dean's list for the spring 2004 semester. To qualify for the dean's list, students must complete at least nine hours with a minimum grade point average of 3.5. Vandiver is majoring in music.

#### A&M announces Kaltwasser to honor roll

Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 2004 spring semester, recognizing students for outstanding academic performance. Chelsi Anne Kaltwasser of Farwell made Dean's Honor Roll which recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours or first semester students taking least 12 semester hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR). Kaltwasser is working on a Bachelor Of Science in Engineering Technology.

#### A&M commencement includes locals

Diplomas were awarded to approximately 5,047 Texas A&M University graduates during spring commencement ceremonies. Among those recognized were: Blanca Elia Saenz of Farwell, Bachelor Of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies; Kelsey Quay Monk of Farwell, Bachelor Of Science in Agronomy; Leslee Scott Brown of Muleshoe, Bachelor Of Arts in English; and Robin Marie Cowart of Muleshoe, Bachelor Of Science in Psychology.

#### Olvera, Proctor attend band camp

Klarissa Olvera and Erica Proctor of Springlake-Earth participated in Southwestern Oklahoma State University's 49th annual band camp held July 11-16 on the Weatherford campus. It attracted 416 students from four states who auditioned for placement in one



PROCTOR



OLVERA

of five concert bands and participated in rehearsals as well as a variety of recreational activities. The camp ended with a final concert featuring all five bands.

#### SPC spring honor lists names locals

Students from the Muleshoe area are among those named to the President and Dean's Honor Lists for the spring 2004 semester at South Plains College. To qualify for the President's Honor List, students must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while carrying a minimum of 12 hours of college-level work. To qualify for the Dean's Honor List, students must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while carrying at least 12 hours of college-level work with no failing grades.

John Cowart of Muleshoe was named to the President's Honor List.

Muleshoe residents named to the Dean's Honor List are Jessica Carpenter, Denise Lopez, Toby Martinez and Leigh Thomason, along with Tim Arington of Maple.

#### L.I.S.D. free- and reduced-price meals

Your children may qualify for free or for reduced-price meals. To apply at Lazbuddie I.S.D., the Free and Reduced-Price School Meals application will need to be filled out. Incomplete applications will not be approved, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: Alicia Pacheco, P.O. Box 9 Lazbuddie, TX 79053 (806) 965-2152. Children in households receiving Food Stamps, TANF and most foster children can get free meals regardless of household income. Also, if your household income is within the limits on the Federal Income Chart, your children can receive free or reduced-price meals. If you disagree with the school's decision about your application, contact school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: Alicia Pacheco, P.O. Box 9 Lazbuddie, TX 79053 (806) 965-2152. If you have other questions or need help, call (806) 965-2152. Si necesitas ayuda, por favor llame al telefono, (806) 965-2152.

#### Mission autograph—

Sandi Chitwood receives an autograph from astronaut Dominic L. Pudwill Gorie who is a Captain at NASA. Chitwood recently attended a program at NASA (Johnson Space Center - Houston) called LiftOff Summer Institute which is geared toward educating teachers on space exploration. Gorie is currently assigned as the chief of the Astronaut Safety Branch and was one of several NASA employees to participate in the LiftOff Summer Institute. He has worked in mission control and is considered a veteran of three space flights, logging 32 days in space.



Courtesy photo

#### Summer musical at CCC's town hall

Clovis Community College's drama department will present its summer musical, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" on July 29, 30, 31 at 7 p.m. and on Aug. 1 at 2 p.m. in CCC's Town Hall. Tickets are available now.

The musical "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" takes the audience through a series of three-dimensional cartoon strips featuring six favorite characters from Charles Schulz's Peanuts cartoon strip. "Charlie Brown" is a musical appropriate for all age groups.

#### Child care center hosts food program

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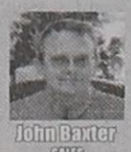
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# Police Report

Muleshoe Police Department Reports the following incidents:

**July 26-** A subject was stopped for a traffic violation in the 600 block of American Blvd. Subject found to be driving on a revoked license. Subject arrested for

driving while license suspended /invalid.

**July 24-** A 42 year old male was arrested in the 100 block of East Avenue B and charged with driving while intoxicated.

**July 23-** Someone reported that someone had

cut the gas lines on one of the company trucks at the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Office at 710 N. First Street, and took approximately 15 gallons of gas from the tank.

An officer initiated a traffic stop on American Blvd. and arrested a man for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

**July 22-** Someone reported that someone removed a purse from the inside of his vehicle at 906 W. Seventh St.

An officer investigated an accident at 100 N. First St. An officer initiated traffic stop on juvenile male riding ATV in roadway at 300 E. Birch St. ATV found to be entered as stolen from Lubbock. It was impounded pending further investigation.

A subject came into the MPD stating that they had a warrant and wanted to take care of it. Subject found to be wanted out of California and was arrested.

**July 21-** Vehicle "A" was parked next to the curb in front of 1425 W. Ave. C when vehicle "B" ran into the left rear of vehicle "A."

Officers responded to a fight in progress at 214 E. Fir St. that resulted in the arrested of a man and woman.

**July 19-** Someone reported that someone had sprayed spraypaint on a vehicle at 800 W. Birch.

**July 18-** An officer stopped a subject knowing the subject's drivers license had been suspended. The subject was arrested in the 300 block of Ave. C.

Officers responded to a local dance in reference to a fight in progress where three men were arrested. The incident occurred at 200 E. Ave. D.

An officer arrested a woman for operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated.

A female citizen reported her daughter missing on July 18. The daughter had not returned home, 303 E.

Sixth St., the night before. The daughter was located later that evening.

A male subject stopped for no seat belt in the 200 block of East Ithica. The driver did not to possess a valid driver's license and arrested. The subject had

also been warned before and also issued a citation on previous a occasion.

A subject was stopped for registration violation in the 300 block of Ash St. The driver was intoxicated and arrested on their third or more offense.

# Expanding the reach of emergency treatment

By Patti Patterson, M.D., Vice President for Rural and Community Health Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

There is no question West Texas relies heavily on agriculture for much of its economy. As a result of this many live and work on farms or ranches away from the crowded cities. But what happens when disaster strikes these rural communities? In most cases — waiting.

need of more emergency medical personnel in order to cut down the amount of time between an accident and the start of treatment. Too often patients must wait for EMS to get to their location. Then, the long drive into a hospital capable of handling the emergency begins, which often results in more waiting.

The Golden Hour is the first hour after an accident in a rural community. The

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Rural communities are in

# Weddings

## PURDY—WARREN

Kacey Purdy and Dr. Josh Warren were wed in a double-ring ceremony on Saturday, June 12, at the Church of Horseshoe Bay.

The bride is the daughter of Gerald and Nancy Purdy of Waco. She is a graduate of Waco Midway High School in Waco and is a 2004 graduate of Texas Tech University. The groom is the son of Phil and Gwen Warren of Shallowater, formerly of Lazbuddie. He is a 1996 graduate of Lazbuddie High School, a 2000 graduate of Texas Tech and a 2004 graduate of Texas Tech University Medical School.

The father of the bride and Rev. Robert Jones officiated the ceremony. Matron of honor was Angie Purdy, sister of the bride. Bride's matrons were Caryn Smith, sister of the bride, and Roxann St.Clair, sister of the groom. The best man was Travis Barber, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Stacey Smith and Mark Wood, brothers-in-law of the bride.

Honorary bridesmaids were: Kathryn Davis, Kelly King, Annesa Lindsey, Jessica Pryor, Lindsey Reeves, Shawna Salazar and Whitney Wilkins. Honorary groomsmen were: Dr. Chris Baker, Brandon Rogers, Dr. Jason Craig, Justin St.Clair, Dr. Joe Sullivan and Shane Zant.

Ushers were: Cody and Eric Stark, Kris Espino, and Miles and Robert Tanner. Reagan Maxfield, daughter of Kyle and Stephanie Maxfield and granddaughter of Reagan and Marilyn Cox, was the flower girl. Tanner Stark and Ryan Wood were ring bearers.

Vocal selections for the wedding were performed by Baker. Pianist was Karen Carson and violinist was Strelsa Burk.

For something old, the bride wore the wedding ring of the groom's great-grandmother, Lossie Dean. She carried a handkerchief borrowed from the groom's uncle, Aubrey Stark, and the ring pillow was the one used for the wedding of the the groom's aunt and uncle, Aubrey and Jacque Stark, who share the same wedding date.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the lake-front home of the bride's grandmother, Elizabeth Purdy, of Kingsland. Vocal selections for the reception were provided by Baker and the groom's sister, Roxann.

Following the ceremony, the couple left the reception in a boat driven by Tommy St.Clair of Lazbuddie. They honeymooned in Cancun, Mexico and currently make their home in Houston where the groom will complete his residency at Herman Memorial Hospital.



PURDY—WARREN

# Hospital Report

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reports the following patients:

**July 15** - Margaret Adams, Brenda Ceballos, Nancy Cigarroa, Maria Galvan, Jaquiline Garcia, Andrea Juarez, Douglas Landrum, Brandy Martinez, baby Ortiz, Martin Rangel, Salia Salas, Lorado Servatius and Ernest Toscano.

**July 16** - Nancy Cigarroa, Maria Galvan, Douglas Landrum, Marsha Lewis, Brandy Martinez, baby Ortiz and Lorado Servatius.

**July 17** - Lisa Aufdenkamp, Orvdie Burris, Maria Galvan, baby girl Hernandez, Marisela Hernandez, Nick Jurecek, Adan Quezada and Lorado Servatius.

**July 18** - Lisa Aufdenkamp, Orvdie Burris, Maria Galvan, baby girl Hernandez, Marisela Hernandez, Nick Jurecek, Adan Quezada and Lorado Servatius.

**July 19** - Lisa Aufdenkamp, Orvdie Burris, Maria Galvan, baby girl Hernandez, Marisela Hernandez, Nick Jurecek,

Adan Quezada and Lorado Servatius.

**July 20** - Maria Alrado, Tatom Heathington, Andrea Jaramillo, Nick Jurecek, Jose Lopez, Biolinda Rodriguez and Tyler Roland.

**July 21** - Maria Alvarado, Andrea Jaramillo, Aline Locke, Jose Lopez, Biolinda Rodriguez and Tyler Roland.

# Births

## WILLS

Sheriff Richard and Leann Wills of Muleshoe announce the birth of a daughter, Macy Marie Wills, born June 28, 2004 at 5:17 p.m. at University Medical Center in Lubbock. She weighed seven pounds and two ounces and was 20 in. long.

Her grandparents are Ronnie and Gloria Wills and Mary Landers, all of Lubbock and Buddy and Susan Landers of Canyon. Great-grandparents are Lois Dunlap and Willis and Jean Landers, all of Lubbock.



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Byron West, Brownfield	3 Mxd. str	767 lbs.	at \$111.00
Five C, Inc., Plains	Char. str	655 lbs.	at \$118.00
Joe Roberts, Levelland	Char. str	685 lbs.	at \$114.50
JCL, Inc., Sudan	3 Blk. str	672 lbs.	at \$119.00
JCL, Inc., Sudan	9 Blk. str	934 lbs.	at \$95.00
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KP Farms, Lubbock	2 Mxd. hfrs	295 lbs.	at \$145.00
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Glen Neil, Texico	Blk. hfr	530 lbs.	at \$129.00
NM Ranch, NM	10 Blk. hfrs	338 lbs.	at \$150.00
NM Ranch, NM	21 Blk. hfrs	404 lbs.	at \$145.00
NM Ranch, NM	9 Blk. hfrs	469 lbs.	at \$134.00
Byron West, Brownfield	2 Char. hfrs	448 lbs.	at \$136.00
Byron West, Brownfield	3 Mxd. hfrs	580 lbs.	at \$118.00
Five C, Inc., Plains	8 Blk. hfrs	478 lbs.	at \$128.00
Five C, Inc., Plains	7 Mxd. hfrs	504 lbs.	at \$125.00
James Synatschk, Sudan	12 Mxd. hfrs	566 lbs.	at \$115.00
S&K Cattle, Lubbock	8 BWF hfrs	609 lbs.	at \$116.00
Ismael Bueno, Hereford	3 Mxd. hfrs	618 lbs.	at \$113.50
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Dan Bowman, Morton	Red pair		\$950.00
D&L Livestock, Farwell	7 Blk. pair		\$1210.00
D&L Livestock, Farwell	9 Blk. pair		\$1175.00
D&L Livestock, Farwell	7 Blk. cows P7		\$1060.00
D&L Livestock, Farwell	2 RWF cows P7		\$1100.00
Doug Walden, Littlefield	Red cow P7		\$940.00
Dan Day, Jr., Meadow	RMF cow	1080 lbs.	at \$67.00
Byron West, Brownfield	Red cow	1300 lbs.	at \$66.50
Ike Wilcox, Muleshoe	Blk. cow	1535 lbs.	at \$65.75
7-X Cattle, Pep	Blk. cow	1375 lbs.	at \$65.25
C&M Cattle, Muleshoe	2 Brang. cows	1415 lbs.	at \$64.75
ACU, Morton	Char. cow	1135 lbs.	at \$64.50
R&G Goats, Littlefield	2 Red cows	1380 lbs.	at \$64.00
R&G Goats, Littlefield	Red bull	2020 lbs.	at \$78.00
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## Nursing Home News

Thursday morning, Anita Johnson directed the craft class. The group added special designs to ceramic piggy banks. Residents participating were: Diane Copley, Ruby Riley, Delphine Gruda, Juanita Teague, Letha Patterson, Jim Kee, Gladys Wright and Aliene Lasiter.

Zona Gatewood came Thursday morning and played the piano for music and song time.

Thursday afternoon, Dana Heathington, Dolores Garrett, Pat Clark, Mary Jo Burge and Beckye Conklin volunteered their time and talents as they shampooed and set the ladies hair.

Sunday morning the Muleshoe Church of Christ

directed a communion service. Buster Kittrell or Harold Burge taught the Bible study Sunday morning.

The Calvary Baptist Church came for church services Sunday afternoon.

The residents played bingo Saturday afternoon. Monday morning, they took an imaginary trip via bus to Taos, N.M. with several stops between Taos and Muleshoe. 1) Fort Sumner, N.M., to visit the Billy the Kid Museum, 2) Santa Rosa, N.M., to see the Blue Hail and picked plums, 3) Las Vegas, N.M., to see the Montezuma castle, and then on to Mora and the Alpaca Ranch, Raspberry Farm; next, Tres Titos, Sepia and stopping in Taos to visit Kit

Carson Park, lunch at Taos Plaza, then a tour of the Taos Pueblo.

Rick Hunter spent the weekend with his mom, Joyce Hunter, at her home.

Clifton Finley's daughter, Nelda, and his granddaughter, Suzann from Kansas, visited.

Ken Angeley was visited recently by Robert Hunt, Tub Angeley, Phyllis Angeley and other guests. Morris and Robbie Nowlin attended church services Sunday at the Primitive Baptist Church.

Tuesday morning, Bro. Gary and Judy Hubbard from the First Methodist Church of Earth directed a music and song devotional. The beauty shop volun-

teers came Tuesday to give our ladies fresh "hair-dos". Volunteers that worked were Pat Clark, Dolores Garrett, Beckye Conklin, Mary Jo Burge and Eva Nell Dale.

Nancy Kidd hosted a birthday party for Cari Kidd Monday afternoon. Flo Jones, Becky Jones and grandson, Hubert Kidd, along with the residents and staff, all joined in the celebration. Cari received gifts, cards and many good wishes on "her day".

Laverne James visited Vergie Perry, Ruth Clements, Jewel Peeler, Joline Franklin and others on Tuesday morning.

Nell Magby visited her mother, Winnie Jacops, Tuesday afternoon.

Aliene Lasiter was visited by Anita Black and her daughter, Joan Lewis, Tuesday.

J.C. Shanks was visited by his son and daughter-in-law, Gerald and Lula Maye Shanks, Tuesday.

Iva Littlefield is visited by her daughters Betty Smith and Shirley Steinbock daily. Edmund Burmea was visited several times this week by his family.

Sally Vargas was visited on Wednesday by her new granddaughter, Sara. Sara lives in Lubbock.

Aline Locke returned to Park View Wednesday after spending the night in the lo-

cal hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bass visited Robbie and Morris Nowlin Wednesday.

Morris Nowlin directed the devotional at our "singspiration"/devotional time Wednesday morning. Loyce Killingworth and Buster Kittrell also directed the service.

Jackie Scoggin played the piano for our sing-along Wednesday afternoon. Jackie has been sick and unable to come for a while.

Jane Reeder and her granddaughter, Skyler, visited Park View Monday.



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## Senior Citizen News

Activities continue at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center. A good group of walkers enjoy their morning exercise. Two bridge clubs are meeting regularly. Puzzles, computers and the library are attracting others. Relaxing over coffee is a pleasant pastime at the Center that has begun a new exercise video for seniors at 10 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

The seniors appreciate those who have brought squash, cucumbers and onions to share with the Center. We also appreciate those who donate time and gifts to the Senior Center. Several have cho-

sen to make donations in lieu of gifts for birthdays, anniversaries and other occasions. Memorials have been made in memory of many area residents.

Only two more monthly potluck luncheons remain before starting a daily congregate noon meal on Oct. 1 at the Senior Center. The next potluck is Thursday, Aug. 12. There is a fun surprise in store, so mark your calendar.

A kitchen shower is being discussed as the Center begins to equip the kitchen to serve a large number of people. A city-wide pancake breakfast and a parking lot party are

being scheduled as fundraisers next month.

Bids are being taken for a contractor to build the new handicap accessible restrooms. The Senior Center is taking applications for a lunch cook. Applications and other information are available at the director's office in the Senior Center.

The Center is open each morning at 8 a.m. during the week. After Oct. 1, the hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. The phone number is (806) 272-4969 and is listed under Bailey County Senior Citizens.

— courtesy Nelda Merriott, Center Director

## Ladies Golf Assn. News

The Muleshoe Country Club Ladies Association met Wednesday, July 21 for their monthly luncheon and business meeting. Laverne Winn, president, headed the meeting.

Winn wished July birthdays to Pat Kirk, Darlene Henry and Marlene Martin. Plans for the annual partnership Jennyslippers tournament for Aug. 21 were made.

The High Plains Playday was in Tulia this month and will be in Farwell Aug. 11. Helen Templeton, Playday

chairman, gave out awards to: June 23 - closest to pin, Helen Templeton; June 30 - scramble, Pat Kirk, Claudine Elliott and Helen Templeton; July 7 - best score on No. Three, Analita Haley. The door prize was won by Deborah Noble.

After the luncheons, the ladies divided into teams and played a scramble. The winning team was Jeanetta Precure, Neats Foster and Jerie Flowers.

It was reported that 10 of the ladies went golfing in Ruidoso, N.M. They were

guests in the vacation homes of Judy Wilbanks, Jerie Flowers and Lynne Box. They enjoyed golfing, horse racing, cards and shopping. Laverne Winn, Helen Templeton, Analita Haley, Claudine Elliott, Kay Field, Elinor Yerby, Pat Kirk, Deborah Noble, Jenny Bamert, Jeanetta Precure, Judy Wilbanks, Jerie Flowers and Lynne Box were those who participated in the three-day weekend.



Leah Bell

**Special recognition** — Employees of Carolyn's Christmas Creations surprised their boss, Carolyn Johnson (seated on the left), with a cake and special presentation Tuesday, July 27 to celebrate the store's entry in the "Retailer of the Year Contest" sponsored by quarterly magazine *Country Sampler*. Johnson's sister, Elaine Case, secretly compiled the information and this surprise get-together was Johnson's first chance to see the finished product. The entry was mailed this week and winners will be announced in Sept. If Johnson wins, she will receive thousands of dollars worth of merchandise from magazine advertisers and a layout story in the Oct. edition of *Country Sampler*. Pictured with Johnson are (l-r top): Erin Gallman, Carolyn's husband Buck Johnson, Manager David Dominguez, sister Elaine Case, Jackie Buckner (seated) and Josh Ramirez.

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# Obituaries

## REGINA ADAME SALAS

Church services for Regina Adame Salas, 91, of Sudan were Thursday, July 22, 2004 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Littlefield with Father Patrick Maher officiating. Burial was in Amherst Cemetery.

Rosary was said on Tuesday, July 20, and Wednesday, July 21, at Head Family Funeral Home Chapel.

Mrs. Salas died July 20 in Littlefield. She was born Sept. 5, 1912 in Ronge to Victoria Espriquita and Tiodoso Adame. She married Manuel Salas in 1929 at Ronge.

She was a long time resident of Texan, moving from Morton in 1965 to Sudan. She was a homemaker and a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Littlefield.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

Mrs. Salas is survived by four daughters, Refugia Morin of Amarillo, Audelia Salas of Sudan, Estefana Sisneros of Earth, and Ignacia Jurado of Dimmitt; three sons, Lee Salas of

Morton, Manuel Salas of Michigan, and Miguel Salas of Littlefield; one sister, Belena Adame of Kennedy; 23 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren.

## JOHN T. ORTIZ, SR.

Church services for John T. "Gramps" Ortiz, 57, of Clovis, N.M. were Thursday, July 22, 2004 at Our Lady of Guadalupe with Father Sotero Sena officiating. Burial was in Mission Garden of Memories.

Rosary was said Wednesday, July 21 at Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Mr. Ortiz died Saturday, July 17 at Methodist Transplant and Speciality Hospital in San Antonio. He was born Dec. 27, 1946 to Benito and Domicilia Gomez Ortiz in Las Vegas, N.M. He married Rose Lucero Aug. 2, 1969 in Muleshoe.

He was in the U.S. Army serving in the Vietnam War. He was a driver for United Parcel Services in Clovis for 29 years, retiring in 2002. He was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Parish Council, VFW Post 315, and the American Le-

gion Post 25. He was a Boy Scout Leader for many years and loved woodworking and traveling. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Mr. Ortiz is survived by his wife of the home; two sons, John (Rosamond), Jr. and Frankie (Don Mills) Ortiz, both of San Antonio; one daughter, Lupe (J.J.) Lozoya of Keller; one brother, William Ortiz of Lubbock; five grandchildren; and numerous other relatives

## JEANE MCGEEHEE MILLS

Church services for Jeane McGehee Mills, 49, of Lubbock, formerly of Muleshoe and Lazbuddie, were Saturday, July 24, 2004 at the Lazbuddie Church of Christ with



MILLS

Andy Rogers of Anders, Okla. officiating. Burial was in the Lazbuddie Cemetery.

Ms. Mills died July 22 in Lubbock. She was born June 15, 1955 in Lubbock.

Ms. Mills was a member of the Lazbuddie Church of Christ. She was a 1973 graduate of Lazbuddie High School. While living in Muleshoe, she was employed by Summit Savings and First Bank. She was an avid sports fan, especially of Muleshoe High School and the Lady Raiders. She worked at American Commercial College while attending classes, graduating in 2001. Upon graduation, she continued to work for the college. She had worked for the Department of Extended Studies of Texas Tech upon her death.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Tommie Jean McGeehee, in 2001.

Ms. Mills is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Scotty and Sarah Mills of Brownfield; and her father, Raymond McGehee of Lazbuddie.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Diabetes Association, 8008 Slide Road, Lubbock, TX 79424.

## ROY AKIN

Church services for Roy Akin, 76, of Levelland were Monday, July 26, 2004 at First United Methodist Church of Morton with Rev. Harold Harrison of Whiteface officiating. Burial was in the City of Levelland Cemetery.

Mr. Akin died Saturday, July 24 in his residence in Levelland. He was born

April 22, 1928 in Wellington. He married Bette Lou Hoffman in Clovis, N.M. on Oct. 11, 1954.

Mr. Akin was a resident of Cochran County in New Mexico from 1939 to 1994. He moved to Levelland in 1994. He was an Army Veteran of the Korean War serving as Sgt. First Class. He was a member of the Morton Color Guard, leading a parade in Washington, D.C. on July 4, 1954. He farmed the Cal Farley's Girl's Town land for 30 years. He was member of the Whiteface School Board, Whiteface Lions Club and the First United Methodist Church of Morton. On May 25, 2004, the Morton School Board issued him his honorary high school diploma.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Mildred Canova, in 1931 and a brother, Hershel Earl Akin, in 1992.

Mr. Akin is survived by his wife of the home; a son, John Bradley Akin of Lubbock; a daughter, Glynnis C. Akin of San Marcos; his mother-in-law, Ruth Reed Hoffman of Lubbock; three sisters, Dorothy and husband, Dan Newsom, of Chandler, and Barbara and Dannie Petree, both of Lubbock; two brothers, Elmer and wife, Betty Akin, of Morton and Don Akin of Abilene; and eight nephews and

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Thanks for reading!



**A bear of a deal**—The All-star Convenience Store (Texaco) on American Blvd. in Muleshoe celebrated customer appreciation this past weekend to thank their loyal shoppers. The store advertised they were under new management and offered special promotions and prices. The Lazbuddie cheerleaders had a dunking booth Saturday afternoon and the Lazbuddie FFA served hamburgers. KMUL also had live remotes all day Saturday. This representative with Grizzly chewing tobacco set up a booth outside the store during the customer appreciation days.



**Tailgatin'**—Muleshoe Feed Barn on American Blvd. celebrated customer appreciation day Friday afternoon. They served hamburgers, hot dogs and ice cream to those who stopped by the store. The Feed Barn was recently taken over by Kelly Harrison. New manager is Rodney Baker.

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# Tips on preparing summer fruits and veggies

**By Mandi Seaton**  
Bailey County Extension  
Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences

Whether you grow them or purchase them, fresh fruits and vegetables are an important part of the summer scene. Health experts recommend eating five or more servings a day of colorful fruits and vegetables.

The following tips were compiled by Alice Henneman, MS, RD, Extension Educator and Registered Dietitian and Joyce Jensen, Registered Environmental Health Specialist, to help everyone enjoy fruits and vegetables at their most flavorful.

1. Apricots, bananas, cantaloupe, kiwi, mangoes, nectarines, peaches, pears, plantains, and plums continue to ripen at room temperature after they're picked. To speed their ripening, put them in a loosely closed brown paper bag at room temperature.

2. Keep cut fruits, such as apples, pears, bananas, and peaches, from turning brown by coating them with an acidic juice such as lemon, orange, or pineapple juice. Or use a commercial anti-darkening preparation, frequently called a "fruit protector" such as Ever-Fresh (TM) or Fruit-Fresh®. Follow the manufacturer's directions. Cut fruits as close to serving time as possible. Cover and refrigerate cut fruit until ready to serve. Avoid leaving cut fruit at

room temperature for more than two hours.

3. Peppers are one of those foods that can be quickly frozen without blanching them first. The National Center for Home Food Preservation (NCHFP), housed by the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, offers these guidelines on freezing bell and sweet peppers raw:

\* Select crisp, tender, green or bright red pods. Wash, cut out stems, cut in half and remove seeds.

Good for use in uncooked foods because they have a crisper texture, or in cooked foods. Package raw, leaving no head space. Seal and freeze. (To make it easier to remove only the amount of frozen bell or sweet peppers needed at one time, freeze sliced or diced peppers in a single layer on a cookie sheet with sides. Transfer to a "freezer" bag when frozen.)

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Mrs. Rice is survived by three sons, Dale of Sudan, Doug and his wife, Katherine, of Dallas, and Norman and his wife, Sharon, of Colleyville; three daughters, Willie Mae of Sudan, Wanda Holt and her husband, Jim, of Muleshoe, and Kathy Gatewood and her husband, Gary, of Sudan; 24 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

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The family moved by

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**HAZEL DYER HAMILTON**  
Church services for Hazel Dyer Hamilton, 82, of Muleshoe were Monday, July 26, 2004 at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe with Rev. Steve Venable of Canyon officiating. Burial was in the Plainview Cemetery and Memorial Park in Plainview.

Mrs. Hamilton died July 24 in Lubbock. She was born May 17, 1922 in Fayetteville, Ark. She married Roy C. Dyer in Yuma, Ariz. on April 13, 1941. He preceded her in death on July 28, 1981. Mrs. Hamilton then married Delbert V. Hamilton on Jan. 6, 1984 in Albuquerque, N.M.

She lived in Muleshoe since 1946 moving from Los Angeles, Calif. and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Muleshoe. Mrs. Hamilton and the late Roy Dyers owned and operated the Corral Restaurant in

nieces.

The family suggests memorials be made to Hospice of Lubbock, 1201 Slide Rd., Ste. 3, Lubbock, TX 79407 or Cal Farley's Girls Town, P.O. Box 135, Whiteface, TX 79339.

Muleshoe from 1954 to 1975.

Aside from her first husband, Mrs. Hamilton was preceded in death by her parents and five brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Hamilton is survived by her second husband of the home; one daughter, Renee and husband, Hal Anderson, of Shallowater; one sister, Fama Mae Bond of Bridgeport; and a granddaughter.

The family suggests memorials be made to Ceta Canyon Camp and Retreat Center, 37201 FM 1721, Happy, TX 79042.

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## Volunteers Needed For First Annual AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY Relay For Life!

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Relay For Life is a unique fund-raising event that allows participants from all walks of life — including patients, medical support staff, corporations, civic organizations, churches and community volunteers — to join together in the fight against cancer. Relay For Life is a team event where participants walk or run around a track relay style for 12 hours. Teams of walking and running enthusiasts from all walks of like will gather to show their support in the fight against cancer. Dedicated volunteers from the Muleshoe community are needed to begin planning now for this event.

"Relay For Life is as much an awareness raiser about the progress against cancer as it is a fund-raiser," said Kim Cook, chairperson. "Individuals who are willing to give their time and energy to this exciting event, as a volunteer or participant, have made a commitment to fight back against this disease and let the community know that you can beat cancer!"

Volunteers are needed to organize and recruit teams, seek community support and underwriting, coordinate logistics, find refreshments and prizes, plan entertainment and lend their support in any way. If you would like to join the first Relay For Life in Muleshoe as a volunteer or team participant, join us at 7 pm. on Monday, August 9, 2004 at the Bailey County Coliseum, 2206 W. American Blvd. or contact by telephone Kim Cook, 806-241-0083; Angela Morris, 806-272-4056; or the American Cancer Society, 806-792-7126.

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## Agricultural News

# USDA meeting in Muleshoe to discuss housing assistance

The USDA Rural Development Local Office in Lubbock serves the Texas Panhandle area including Bailey County, will hold an office day Tuesday, Aug. 10 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

A staff member will be available to discuss housing program for low- and moderate-income families, various community program loans and grants, as well as business and industry loans and to provide guidance in applying for USDA Rural Development assistance. The USDA Rural Development office day is at the Bailey County Courthouse, in the new court room, at 405 W. Second St.

There are several pro-

grams available to provide assistance to low- and moderate-income applicants. Loans are available depending on repayable credit and the location of the home or building site.

The direct home ownership loan is designed to provide low-income applicants with financing to build, purchase, or repair homes to provide adequate affordable housing. Funds may also be used to modernize or repair a home already owned by an applicant. For moderate-income applicants, there is the Guaranteed Rural Housing Program.

Two significant advantages of the direct home

ownership loan program are that no down payment is required, and there is no requirement for mortgage insurance. Loans may be made for up to 100 percent of the appraised market value. The loan term is typically 33 years. The interest rate is fixed and is currently 6.375 percent.

Payment assistance is available, based on family size and income, which may reduce the monthly interest payment to as low as one percent.

There are also home repair loans and grants for low income homeowners. Grant funds area available to homeowners age 62 and over who cannot repay a loan. Grant funds are used to remove health and safety hazards such as repairing floors, heating, electrical, plumbing, water and waste disposal, handicapped accessibility, etc.

The home repair loan amount cannot exceed

\$20,000, and grant assistance may not exceed \$7,500. Loans under this program are made with a one percent interest rate and have a maximum term of 20 years.

Home improvement loans may include similar purposes, but may also be used to modernize and bring a home up to standards, make changes for convenience, add a room, remodel and make overall improvements to the home.

All applicants must meet basic eligibility requirements such as being unable to obtain a loan from other conventional lending sources on terms they can afford; being without ownership of decent, safe and sanitary housing; have sufficient and dependable income for loan repayment, taxes, insurance, living expenses and other existing debts; possess the legal capacity to incur debt; and have an acceptable

credit history.

For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, please contact the Lubbock Local Office at (806) 785-5644, ext. 4.

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### Ag Briefs

#### Stocker cattle/wheat meeting in Dimmitt

Texas Cooperative Extension offices in Castro, Parker, Bailey and Lamb Counties will conduct a stocker cattle/wheat meeting on Aug. 6 at the Senior Citizen Center in Dimmitt, 218 W. Jones.

Registration is from 10-10:30 a.m. Lunch is provided. CEU's are offered for the meeting. The program topics will include national animal identification legislation and its implications for stocker operators, market and profitability outlooks for wheat and stocker cattle operations, wheat varieties identity preservation, production of small grains, maximizing forage production from small grain pastures, small grain silage productions, and managing stocker cattle performance on small grain pastures. Speakers for the group include Drs. Brent Bean, Calvin Trostle, Gaylon Morgan, Ted McCollum and Steve Amosson. Reservations need to be made by Aug. 4, for meal purposes. For reservations, call Castro County Extension Office (806) 647-4115 or e-mail r-auckerman@tam.u.edu.

#### Neugebauer on crop insurance bill

Congressman Randy Neugebauer is encouraged by remarks made by a U.S. Department of Agriculture official regarding his recently introduced crop insurance bill.

Ross Davidson, Administrator of the Risk Management Agency (RMA) at USDA, said although RMA has only given Neugebauer's Risk Management Enhancement Act a preliminary review, it contains some "very positive elements." Davidson made his comments during a House Agriculture Subcommittee on General Commodities and Risk Management hearing on Wednesday.

"This [Neugebauer's] bill is a good faith effort to address a sticky problem," Davidson said. "Because it uses existing programs, it could be implemented effectively and efficiently."

Neugebauer introduced the Risk Management Enhancement Act in June to allow greater crop insurance coverage for farmers. The proposal would allow farmers to stack Group Risk Protection (GRP) coverage on top of an individual Multi-Peril Crop Insurance (MPCI) policy. Farmers can choose to purchase GRP coverage up to the deductible portion of the individual policy, not to exceed 100 percent. The enhanced insurance coverage provided by this legislation would help reduce the need for Congress to pass emergency assistance packages in the future.

"Disaster aid can sometimes take up to two or three years to work its way through Congress," Neugebauer said. "Two years is too late. My bill removes the politics from disaster assistance and replaces it with good business policy."

Neugebauer also requested during Wednesday's hearing that USDA review its requirement that farmers select a single coverage level for both irrigated and dryland acreage. Neugebauer feels by limiting coverage options, USDA is hamstringing producers with an unnecessary requirement.

#### Veggie, weed control field day Aug. 10

The Second Annual High Plains Vegetable and Weed Control Field Day at Texas A&M's Agricultural Research and Extension Center is Aug. 10. The center is just north of the Lubbock International Airport off of Interstate Highway 27; take exit 11 on I-27 and drive east approximately one-half mile.

Those who attend can qualify for three general Continuing Education Units (CEU's) approved by the Texas Department of Agriculture. The field day will begin at 9 a.m. and includes lunch. Those who plan to attend should RSVP by contacting Wendy Durrett at (806) 746-6101 by Aug. 3.

For more information on the Second Annual High Plains Vegetable and Weed Control Field Day, call the Lubbock Center, at (806) 746-6101, or 746-4052.

Thanks to everyone who participated in our Customer Appreciation Day at Muleshoe Feed Barn. Rodney and I are planning some exciting changes and we appreciate the support of the community and our former and new customers. Stop by and see us, even if it's just to sit a spell!

**Kelly Harrison**

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**Cowboys hats, from front page**

down what I was carrying and started steaming." Dean has worked all over Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Colorado. He's creased hats at the Ft. Worth Stockyards and even built a spur or two in Silver City, N.M. But mostly, he's tried to perfect his craft.

"I'm still learning the business," he said. "There wasn't anyone who taught me to crease and shape hats. I've had to teach myself and I've messed up a lot of really nice hats along the way" he chuckled. "The Doc" doesn't make many mistakes these days.

Folks in West Texas figured out who Dean was via his 10-year "off and on" relationship with Joe's Boot Shop, a western wear, boot and hat store once located in Muleshoe that has now settled across the state line in Clovis, N.M.

"No one in and around

West Texas hasn't heard of 'The Hat Doctor' Michael Dean," said Dawn Williams, owner of Williams General Store. Husband and co-owner Roger agreed.

"There's a little old man in his 80s who drives in from Ft. Worth just to have 'The Doc' crease his hat," said R. Williams.

"He's brought in lots of people who may have not normally shopped with us," said D. Williams. "Cowboys just usually don't come to town much."

Dean has dug in his spurs and stayed with his craft even though his profession is a dying art. Besides being good at what he does, when the dust settles Dean admits he "just plain likes hats."

"The key to being good at creasing is liking hats. It feels good when customers know they look better because of their hat," he said. Professional hat shapers are so rare that Dean

doesn't personally know of another who goes into the depth and detail of shaping a hat like himself.

"Most hat companies won't even make an open crown hat anymore because there are very few people who can shape them," he said. "It's a dying craft, art, skill - whatever you want to call it."

"I like a hat to be personal and I crease it depending on the person, where he or she is from and what they're planning to do with it. A guy from Denver won't be wearing his hat to the same places a West Texas cowboy will," said Dean.

He not only custom builds and shapes hats, he cleans, blocks, cuts brims, builds custom hat blocks to the exact size and shape of a person's head and stretches or shrinks hats, all done for men, women and children.

"Cowboys in this part of the country are more cre-

ative and personal with their style than any place I've ever been," he said. This gives Dean an opportunity to flex his creative muscles. Something he also can do while playing music. Dean plays piano for Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship Church, but can also jam on the bass, lead and rhythm guitar, harmonica and drums.

Though all cowboy on the outside, Dean admits his favorite kind of music is classic rock and roll. He also listens to classic country and Christian Western swing.

Musical talent runs in the family. His sister Shauna Chanda lives in Colorado Springs, Colo., but tours with Terry Macalmon, a gospel singer who just recently had a number five album on the gospel charts.

His parents, Malcolm and Betty Dean, live in Irving and he has a sister and brother-in-law, Kathy and Joe Strawn, who also reside in

Irving.

When Dean isn't at Doc's Hat Shoppe, he can be found at horse sales, symposiums and conventions or he might be in his shop at home, build-

ing spurs, buckles, conchos and custom oxbow stirrups.

"As long as there's a cowboy in need of service, I'll be there in whatever way I can," said Dean.

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**Fruit, from pg. 9**

4. Like peppers, tomatoes can be frozen raw. Frozen tomatoes are best used in cooked foods such as soups, sauces, and stews as they become mushy when they are thawed. NCHFP offers these guidelines for freezing tomatoes: Select firm, ripe tomatoes with deep red color. Wash and dip in boiling water for 30 seconds to loosen skins. Core and peel. Freeze whole or in pieces. Pack into containers, leaving one-inch head space. Seal and freeze. Use only for cooking or seasoning as tomatoes will not be solid when thawed.

5. A general guideline when using fresh herbs in a recipe is to use three times as much as you would use a dried herb. When substituting, you'll often be more successful substituting fresh herbs for dried herbs, rather than the other way around.

6. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advises that we wash our fresh fruits and vegetables when ready to eat them rather than when they're first purchased or picked. Thoroughly rinse raw fruits and vegetables under running water before eating them. Don't use soap, detergents, or bleach solutions. Try to cut away damaged or bruised areas as bacteria can thrive in these places.

7. Don't give tomatoes the cold shoulder. Store them at room temperature until they have fully ripened. This will allow them to ripen properly and develop good flavor and aroma. The

Florida Tomato committee recommends storing tomatoes with their stem end up. Try to store tomatoes out of direct sunlight, because sunlight will cause them to ripen unevenly.

Visit these websites that represent government, non-profit and trade organizations that promote the Five-A-Day program to encourage daily consumption of five or more fruits and veg-

etables: National Cancer Institute Five-A-Day Program, <http://www.5aday.gov>; The Produce for Better Health Foundation, <http://www.5aday.org>; Produce Marketing Association, <http://www.aboutproduce.com>.

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**You Can Be Strong and Christian at the Same Time**

Regular readers of this column, know that I've been reading Winston Churchill's *The Second World War*. I don't like abridged versions of books that I care about, so I'm on my way through the entire six volumes. I want the whole load! I still find the opportunity that the written word affords us to get into the head of a man like Churchill to be well nigh miraculous.

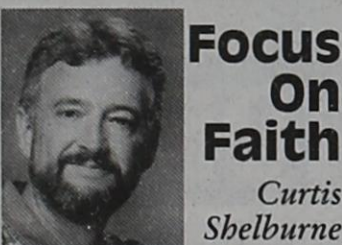
As for World War II, the story of which we'd best not

Russians were selling the Germans millions of gallons of oil, and Stalin would have been quite happy to divide the spoils with Hitler if Germany had invaded and conquered England. Hitler invaded Russia instead. His reach exceeded his grasp and that invasion became the death-knell for the Nazis.

In one of Churchill's meetings with Stalin, the Russian misleader was ranting along about his opinion that "if the British Army had been fighting the Germans as much as the Russian Army it would not be so frightened of them." Churchill, who understood the very real Russian suffering but who also knew what England had done and was doing, finally became "somewhat animated" himself, at which point "Uncle Joe" softened a bit and real communication began to happen.

Stalin equated gentleness and common courtesy with weakness. All bullies do. Most of the people you deal with and even differ with are people of good will. You can hardly show them too much mercy and gentleness and kindness. Bullies are different. Whether they're found on the playground, across the pond in a dictatorship, or down the pew (wolves in sheeps' clothing), they only understand and respect strength. You can be strong and Christian at the same time, and, if you're a leader, you'd better be. If you're not, the people who will pay the bill for your weakness are the gentle people under your care who shouldn't have to.

A true bully may have a heart, but you make a truly big mistake if you think (unless you're a true bully) that it beats the same as yours.



forget, who better to tell the story than the single man most responsible for helping to win it? I've written several columns that have been motivated by my reading of Churchill; it's been tempting to write a bunch more, but I'm afraid that not everybody enjoys this kind of stuff as much as I do, so I've resisted—well, mostly.

Among the most interesting of Churchill's reflections are his recollections of his relationship with the USA's Franklin Roosevelt and the USSR's Joseph Stalin. I've been listening to a book on CD about *Franklin and Winston*, but I just read Winston's account of one of his face to face visits with "Uncle Joe" (Stalin). That relationship is fascinating in its own way.

During the tough year in which Churchill and England were standing alone in all the world against Hitler and his Nazis, Stalin and his Communists were busy making pacts with the Germans. The

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## Letters to the Editor

### Don't mess with Bailey County

Dear Editor,

Did I miss the memo that said it was OK for anyone to dump trash in someone else's front yard?

I admit, the county road I live on is not technically my "front yard," but this desolate back road has become a dumping ground for anyone and everybody and I've just about had it. For the past several months, usually on Saturdays, or sometimes like thieves in the night, these people feel compelled to bring their unwanted items such as old appliances, wood scraps, couches, old air conditioners, and used oil (not just in quart containers, oh no, we have five gallon buckets full or even very large trash barrels full of Texas T) just casually dumped along the side of the road.

And if that's not enough, somebody takes great pleasure in slaughtering their own beef (or maybe it's some kind of a voodoo sacrifice—I'm not sure), and then bringing the entrails, dumping them in the flowerbeds of the roadside (I'm referring to the ditches) of my county road.

What makes these people think that I want these eyesores at my home if they don't want them at theirs? I'll make you a deal: you don't dump your trash in my yard and I won't dump mine in yours.

Not only are all these items an eyesore, most of these things are potentially

dangerous to our environment. The public has a city maintained "legal" dump site for a small fee or no fee at all, you can dispose of unwanted items properly. So, it costs a little pocket change—this money is put to good use for our community and our environment so our children and grandchildren will have a safe and healthy place to grow up and live.

I am a native Texan. As your typical Texan, I am proud of where I live. I take great pride in knowing that Texans are proud of their homeland and will defend it to the very end. I know that I will die in this great state. And I refuse to be buried in a dump-site.

I am ashamed to say I have even been so fortunate (or unfortunate) to actually see with my own eyes, fellow Texans, dumping junk on my county road. And, as any respectful, red blooded Texan, I reported them. I have been through the local government chain of command: sheriff's office, commissioner's, Judge Cox's office. I have even been so far as to call Austin.

The "Keep Texas Beautiful" office was able to advise me on some resource material. Their website is [www.ktb.org](http://www.ktb.org). The Environmental Protection Agency is also on-line with information on illegal dumping.

After speaking with local officials, I am pleased to report: I believe I have made a difference. Bless all of our local officials' ever-loving

hearts. They all took the time to listen to my griping and complaining and took my suggestions into consideration. They informed me there were other "hot" spots in our county with similar problems, but they are making an effort to do everything they can to put an end to illegal dumping.

As a proud Texan and citizen of Bailey County, I tip my hat to you, Judge Cox, all the commissioners, and Sheriff Wills.

The values I have instilled in my children, I share with you: I encourage you to make a difference. Be proud of who you are and where you live. Be respectful. Be courteous. Remember the Golden Rule.

To illegal dumpers: "The eye's of Texas are upon you" and I will *not* tolerate this problem any more.

God bless Texas,  
**Terry Richards**  
Muleshoe

### A gift from the heart

Dear Editor,

As I sit to write this letter to the paper and to the wonderful residents of Bailey County, I ponder the vastness of what this community has accomplished over the past 20 years my family and I have lived here.

Some of my fondest memories and brightest recollections are of the wonderful faces that I have had privilege to see working toward the betterment of society. Some of the first "community

involvements" I was a part of were the local blood drives. They came for one reason only — to help out with a much needed service: the giving of themselves to others who were unknown to them except for their need of blood and blood products.

Recently, I have had opportunity to see in a very real and personal way the great good that people do as they decide to give blood. I received four units of blood in April, thanks to folks who decided that giving blood was a good thing to do, and did so.

As I have moved to the next stage of my life, I have witnessed, yet again, the goodness of people donating

blood. While sitting in the chemo-treatment center in Lubbock this week, I saw many units of blood flowing into patients who were in need. This is only possible because of caring and giving

folks who take time out of their busy lives and give what is truly the gift of life.

I would just like to take this opportunity to acknowl-

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### House fire, from front page

his distraught father said.

"I wasn't even one day too late," B.J. said. "I was in Lubbock. I was just hours late,"

Another son, Russell Brown, came from Granbury to help salvage belongings. He used a window screen to sift through the rubble, looking for coins in B.J.'s collection that might have survived, finding only a few; except for their shape, most were unrecognizable.

Jana Finke, Brown's niece from Houston, also came to help. "I've always been nosy," she said. "This is my chance to be nosy with a purpose." Finke rummaged through the soot looking for the Hummel collection passed down to her uncle from his mother and father, Dorothy and Dee Brown, the original owners of the home. The original dwelling was

70 years old, with three additions that had been made by his parents over the years.

James Brown, Mac's brother, stopped by during the family interview. Obviously upset, he didn't stay long. "I lost my letter jacket, 4-H ribbons and stuff that wouldn't mean much to anyone," he said.

Brown is currently living in a motel, but does have plans to rebuild another house next to the original home-site. "I had been thinking about remodeling before the fire."

The interior of the home remained just as it was when his parents were alive. He also has plans to use some of the Arizona sandstone from the original structure as a walkway or fence.

"It's too brittle to use as wall material, but I'll find a place to use what's left," he said.

Brown also plans to do something with the two chimneys still standing, despite the evasive flames that destroyed everything around them. He doesn't have any definite ideas, yet.

"Grandmother wouldn't want anything to go to waste," said Finke. "That's why we're salvaging all we can."

Among heirlooms and collectible items was a large assortment of original Fiesta Wear dishes that Brown's mother loved. Though they're in pieces now, they will not be thrown away, one of Brown's nieces will make mosaic tables for the family.

"No matter how much insurance there is, it's not enough," said Brown. "Some of the things we lost were valuable and some weren't, but they all held priceless memories."

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Letter, from pg. 12

edge each person who has given blood in this community so that others may live.

There just isn't any way to express my gratitude except to say that you have blessed many lives by taking the initiative to give and give generously. I hold it as an

honor to be a member of this little "family" of Bailey County.

I have been richly blessed by the loving and caring nature of the citizens here as they take the time and opportunity to do things that perhaps have no tangible rewards other than

knowing it was a good and right thing to do.

I thank God for each of you...and ask that He continue to bless us in the community, that we may continue to do His work — giving ourselves for others.

Richest blessings,  
**Kay Graves Muleshoe**

Emergency, from pg. 6

goal is to have the patient to a treatment center or hospital within an hour of calling EMS. Because of a lack of rural trauma centers and EMS, many areas within this region are outside the reach of the Golden Hour. The arms of the Golden Hour need to be expanded so we can better serve our rural neighbors when they are in

need of emergency health care.

Many times the volunteer services within a community falls short of a fast response because of a lack of personnel. The answer is to get more volunteers and to continue training them with the latest technology and lifesaving skills. Another option is to get training to the workers in these rural communities. When an accident occurs, the chances of the accident victim drastically improve if someone on the scene can provide basic first aid before EMS arrives. This could be enough to stretch the arms of the Golden Hour and help it reach farther across the South Plains.

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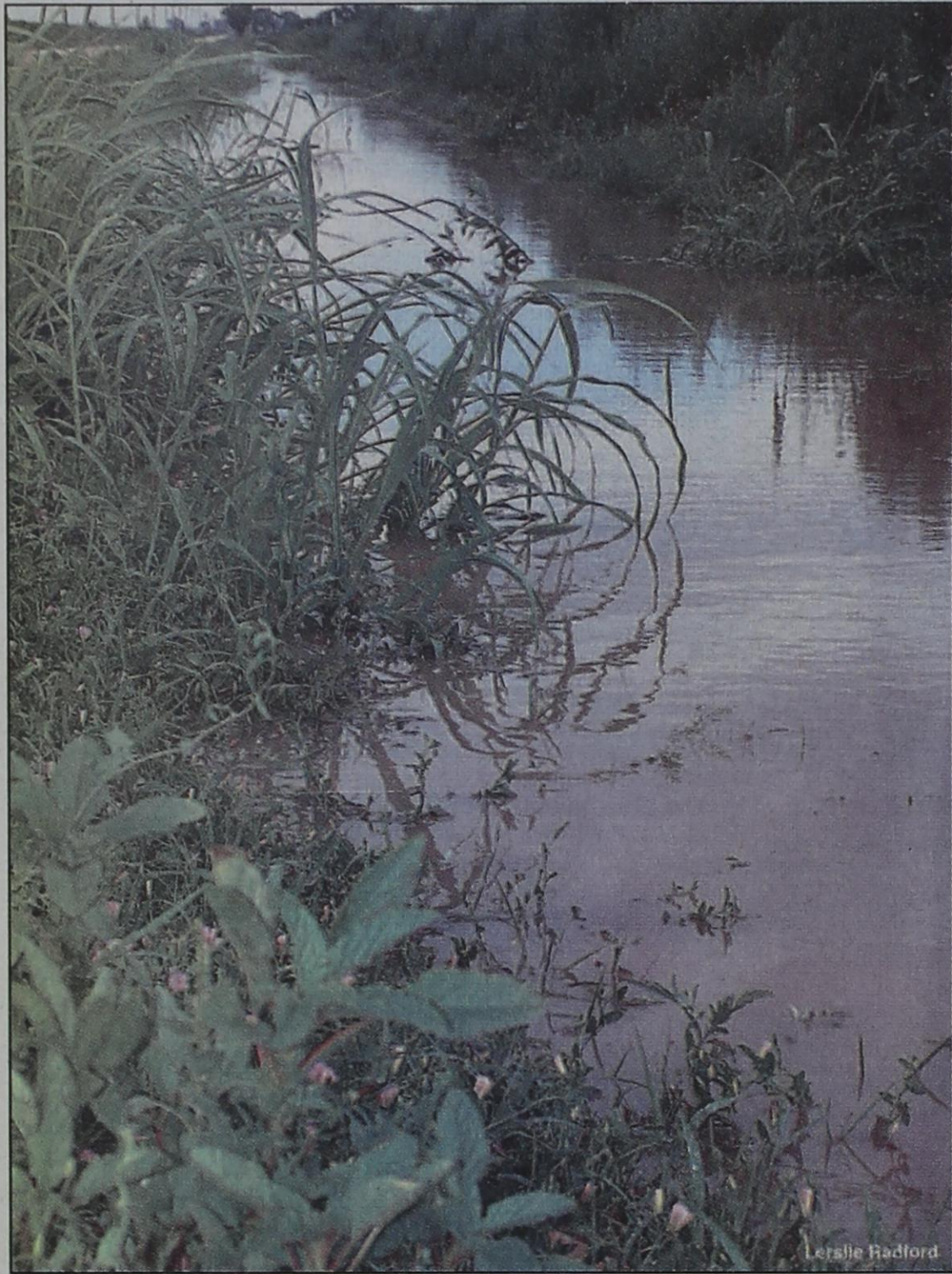
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**Flood closes road**— Rain Tuesday night, July 20, sent the county afloat with flash floods. This ditch, by the CO<sub>2</sub> plant on County Road 1760, still had standing water Wednesday morning. Officials with the Bailey County Sheriff's Department said an officer responded to a call that evening on CR 1760 (aka: Cacahuatate road) when the officer was halted by impassable depths of water over the road. The county closed the cutoff to Portales until rains let up earlier Wednesday morning. Some county residents claim to have received as much as five inches of precipitation that night.

## Commentary

### Letter from the Editor

#### "And now... The Editor with a State of the Journal"



By Leslie Radford  
Managing Editor  
editor@muleshoejournal.com

It never ceases to amaze me how this community is so encouraging. As a kid, you never appreciate or understand the support that people give you. When I was in high school working at the *Journal*, I never received so many compliments as I have this second go 'round. I would like to express my appreciation for all the support and encouragement Muleshoe has given to all the girls at the paper. And not only this community, but several people who receive our paper out-of-town give constructive criticism as well. We enjoy every letter we get saying how great the

paper is, every e-mail commenting on how much we have improved and every phone call telling us how much someone has enjoyed something in last week's edition of the *Journal*. This kind of feedback is always welcome and we encourage any- and everyone to let us know how we can improve the paper. Your calls on newsworthy subjects have led us to great and interesting stories— keep them coming. We appreciate all who advertise with us. They are vital in our survival allowing us to bring our readers their weekly paper. Their comments and suggestions have also helped us in succeeding, together. As always, we strive to bring you local news. This is *your* paper. This is *Muleshoe's* local news source. We want elements in the paper that interest you, our reader. So, anything you can provide to us to help us improve and

grow, we are grateful. Let us know what's going on with your business, your life. Maybe you went on a trip that no one in the area has ever experienced— share your memories, travels, tragedies with us— they are stories everyone can enjoy. Maybe your child, brother, mom, etc., did something outstanding— we want to know. As the editor, I also encourage our readers to submit letters to the editor on any topic (especially those rebutting or otherwise acknowledging our articles and commentaries!) We are the *Muleshoe Journal*. We cater to the Muleshoe community and anyone who has any connection to this area. Without our readers, our customers, our friends, we would have no news. And while they say "no news is good news," it's just bad business for us! Now, go out there and read the *Journal* like there's no tomorrow!

## Shopping tour set for Aug. 14

Shop-a-holics are invited to shop "87 on 87", a seven city, 87 mile shopping tour stretching from Abernathy to Canyon on Hwy. 87, scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 14 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Included on the tour are retail businesses in Abernathy, Hale Center, Plainview, Kress, Tulia, Happy and Canyon. Shoppers will find woodworks, jewelry, electronics, home decor, clothes, crafts, antiques, food, toys and more according to event organizers. For more information about "87 on 87," contact Beth Gage at (806) 584-4069. The following is specific info about what and where the tour can be found in each town:

**Abernathy** - From I-27, Exit 20/21 North and 21 South to find over 40 vendors on the corner of Main Street and Ave. D; **Hale Center** - Exit 36 North or 38 South and take Main Street to hunt for the perfect treasure; **Plainview** - Exit 45/49 North or 53 South to find over 40 vendors Downtown and on Broadway St.; **Kress** - Stop and shop for great garage

sales right on Hwy. 87 next to Jeff's Restaurant; **Tulia** - From I-27 exit 77 North and 74 South. Go the the Train Depot to find your treasures; **Happy** - Stop and shop for a large selection of crafts and garage sales on Main Street; **Canyon** - From I-27 Exit 106 to find great shopping and events around the courthouse square.



# Vega returns from Iraq

U.S. Marines Lance Corporal Jim Eric Vega has just returned to the U.S. from serving his country in Faluja from Feb. 2004 to July 2004.

Upon his return, Vega will be stationed in San Diego, Calif. at Marimar until March when he may possibly be deployed back to Iraq.

Vega is a panel technician working on helicopters and is currently serving his second year in the Marines. He graduated from boot camp in Oct. 2003 and was deployed to Okinawa, Japan for three months before being sent to Iraq in Jan. 2004.

He was born in Muleshoe, living here for seven years before moving to Breckenridge for 10 years where he graduated from high school in May 2000. His parents are Sandy and her husband, Gilbert Olivarez, of Breckenridge, and Carmen Vega, Jr. of Houston; grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Vega, Sr. and Mrs. Maria Matilda Reyna and the late Roman Reyna, all of Muleshoe. His great-grandparent is Juan Berlanga of Abilene, formerly of Muleshoe.

Vega has one daughter, Abigail Vega, and several siblings, including two brothers, Matthew Vega and Gilbert Olivarez, Jr., both of Breckenridge; two sisters, Crystal Vega and Kathleen Olivarez, both of Breckenridge; and two stepsisters, Amy Salazar of Spur and Eilene Taylor of Gorman.

He was welcomed home by his Muleshoe family. They are Julio and Bea Garcia; Michael and Bridget Reyna and their

children, Christian, Sophie and Mia'Kayla Reyna; Charlie and Cheryl Reyna; Angel, Pat, Ray and Pete Vega; Roy Johnathan Garcia, Yvette Villa, Chloe Villa and Mati Garcia; Joni Garcia, Alfonso Marrufo and Libby and Noah Marrufo.



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