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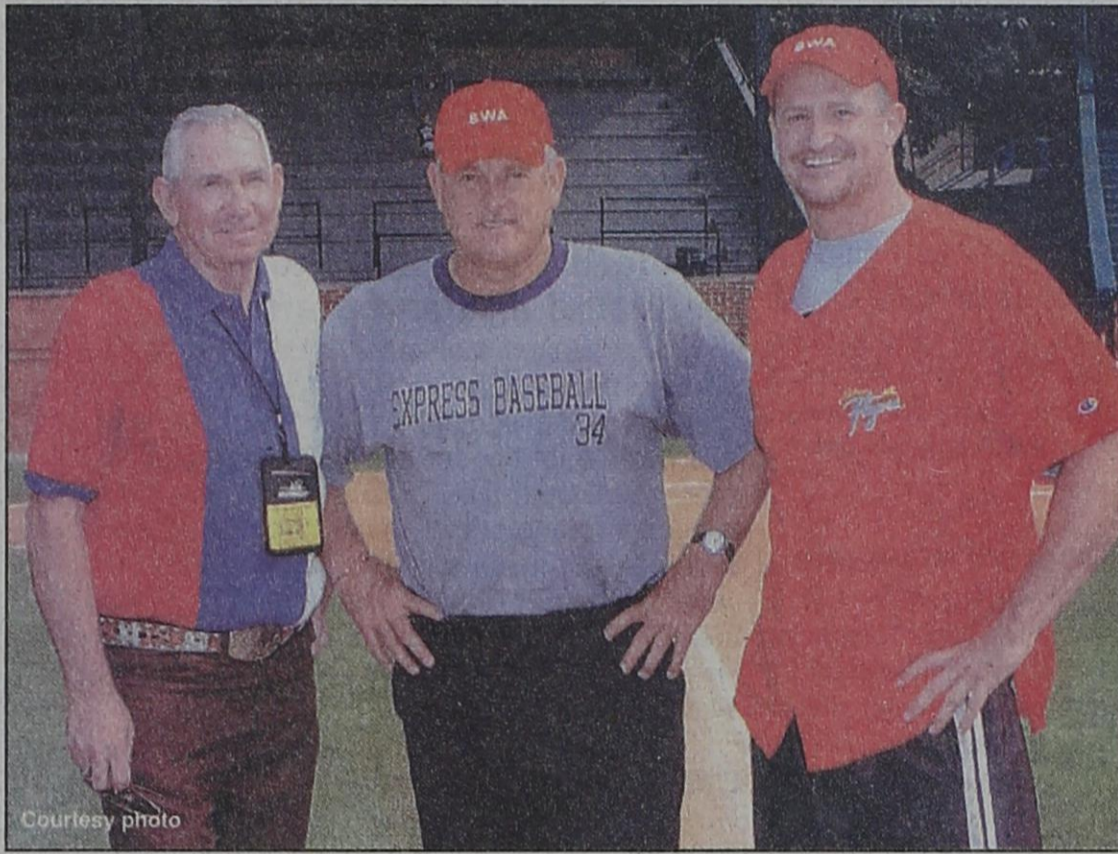
Let's play ball

By Leah Bell
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Ryan Express," named after the former Astros star. "It was awesome. Nolan is a great guy and he gave all his attention to us and the game this weekend," said Van Leuven, who took his father, Grant Van Leuven of Safford, Ariz., with him. "Dad is more of a baseball fan than I am."

The group of winners plus their guests were treated to top-notch dining and accommodations (Crown Plaza) during the three-day event. In addition to the game, they toured the Baseball Hall of Fame and watched slideshows about baseball's greatest players.

Van Leuven was just one of ten who got this amazing opportunity. Southwest



Grant Van Leuven, Nolan Ryan and Randy Van Leuven

Airlines officials estimated more than 37,000 people entered to win.

Airline employees made up the group's opposing

team and each had to write an essay to win a spot on the "blue" team. Randy's "red" team was contest winners coming from all

walks of life and areas of the country. Ryan's wife,

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EMS director dies; fund established to help family

By Leslie Radford
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Last Thursday, Bailey County lost its Emergency Medical Services director, Scott Murray, due to a fatal self-inflicted injury.

Preliminary pathology reports point to suicide as the cause of death, according to Bailey County Judge Marilyn Cox. "The final autopsy is not back yet," she said during a phone interview with the *Journal* Tuesday afternoon.

"Our EMS is very fragile right now," said Cox who was not allowed to go into details of the incident. She did say, however, that the local EMS "has stepped up to the plate" to carry on with the program to do the "outstanding job they've always done."

Interim Director Chris Thompson said EMS has "pulled together as a family, a team" and that "no one is handling this (situation) alone."

Both Cox and Thompson express their appreciation for surrounding community EMS teams who took over for three days to allow service volunteers and employees time to mourn. Thomp-

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Portion control:

Complaints of cafeteria food received by the Board have them looking for options

By Leslie Radford
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The Muleshoe Independent School District Board of Trustees met Monday evening, Sept. 27 at the Administration Building for regular session.

One topic that seemed to

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Float a boat



Courtesy photo

Needmore doesn't need more water — Mark Beard with Bailey County Electric provided the *Journal* with photos he took of two linemen having to use a boat to disconnect a transformer bank due to the flooding that occurred over the weekend. The photos were taken one mile north of Needmore on the east side of Hwy. 214. Pictured here are first class lineman Tony Fullen and second class lineman Stacy Smith. Beard said the water level at the highline poles was approximately 4 1/2 - 5 ft. and deeper at the actual road. According to "weatherman" J.K. Adams, Muleshoe received approximately 8 in. of rain as of Monday afternoon. Scattered thunderstorms are expected for the rest of the week.

Local Weather

Thu .. Scat. T-storms (40%) 72/48

Fri Iso. T-storms (30%) 74/43

Sat ... PC..... 65/44

Sun .. Iso. T-storms (30%) 69/47

Mon .. Iso. T-storms (30%) 70/45

Tue... PC..... 68/46

Wed . PC..... 68/46

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 Words to ponder from Beverly

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Leah Bell

Spouting off — Members of the Board of Directors of the Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation District stand in front of one of 130 sprinklers Wes-Tex Feed Yards, Inc. has installed to help control dust. Last Tuesday, feedyard manager Lonnie McDonald gave a tour of Wes-Tex to: (top, left) Nick Bamert, Larry Clawson, Ronnie Barrett, Ernest Ramm; (bottom left) Manuel DeLeon, McDonald, Johnny Furgeson and Sharon Dale.

Sprinkler system at local feedyard aids in dust control

By Leah Bell
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Last Tuesday proved to be very educational for members of the Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) Board of Directors as they toured Wes-Tex Feed Yards, Inc., west of Muleshoe, to learn more about a system of sprinklers installed in May designed to help control airborne dust typically created by the cows' evening movements.

Board President Johnny Furgeson along with Vice President of the Board Nick Bamert, with District Clerk Sharon Dale, directors

Ernest Ramm and Larry Clawson, Board Secretary Ronnie Barrett and District Conservationist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Manuel DeLeon listened as Lonnie McDonald, Wes-Tex manager, explained just some of what the new system is capable of doing, including saving time, money and water.

This state-of-the-art system was designed to address the Air Quality Resource Concern (AQRC) on beef feedyards. The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), administered by the United

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Regional Round-up

Annual Christmas Bazaar slated

The Moonlight Extension Education Club announces its 26th Annual Christmas Bazaar Dec. 4 at the Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum in Muleshoe. Applications for booth space are being accepted until Nov. 31. To request an application contact: Linda (806) 272-3463 or Gail (806) 272-3024.

Gun and Collectibles Show in Clovis

The Clovis Lions Club will hold their Second Annual Gun and Collectibles Show Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 9 and 10 at the Clovis National Guard Armory, 601 S. Norris St. Saturday's show is from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Admission is \$4 and ages 12 and under get in free with adult. For more information call Stacy Hodges at (505) 439-9738 or Merle Terry at (505) 769-8977.

Muleshoe vs. Levelland tickets on sale Oct. 5

MISD has advance ticket sales for the Levelland vs. Muleshoe game on Oct. 8. Prices for tickets sold before the game as well as at the gate are: Adults \$3, students \$2. These are available at MHS or the Administration office as of Oct. 5.

AARP Safety Driving Program available

There is an AARP Safety Driving Program on Oct. 6 and 7 from 8 a.m. - noon at the Five-Area Telephone meeting room. This is an eight-hour driving program for ages 50 and over to renew driving skills and take advantage of a vehicle insurance discount. The cost is \$10. For more information or to preregister, call Charlene Treider at 272-5738.

Antique tractor and engine show in Lubbock

The South Plains Antique Tractor Association will hold an antique tractor and engine show on Oct. 16 and 17 on the grounds of the American Museum of Agriculture in Lubbock. Activities begin at 9 a.m. Saturday. Interactive displays will be available all weekend. Tractor games begin at 10:30 a.m., followed by the Parade of Power at 1:30 p.m. Another round of games will conclude the afternoon's activities at 2:30 p.m. A Sunday morning worship service will kick off the day's events at 10 a.m. The tractor parade begins at 1:30 p.m., with awards being presented at 2 p.m. Concessions are available both days.

Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children, and those under 10 years old are free. Proceeds will benefit the American Museum of Agriculture. The museum is located at 1501 Canyon Lake Drive (one mile east of I-27, between Broadway and 19th Street).

For more information or to register for the show, call Gale Thompson at (806) 245-6571, Rodney Randolph at (806) 675-8096, Roy Howard at (806) 684-2211, or Chester Harth at (505) 273-4396.

Corrections

A few corrections and additions need to be made to the voting reminder printed in the Sept. 23 edition of the *Journal*.

The first day of early voting by personal appearance will be Oct. 18. The last day voters can vote early and Oct 29.

The last day to apply for ballot by mail is Oct. 26.

And Bailey County Clerk Sherri Harrison reminds voters that "curbside" service is available for those who have difficulty climbing the stairs at the courthouse.



Leah Bell

Signing on the dotted line — Cassie Crandell (left) was sworn in as a Muleshoe Police Department peace officer on Friday, Sept. 24 at City Hall. She is seen here signing the oath with Municipal Judge Juana Shelburne. Crandell is formerly a dispatcher for the MPD.

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4-H meat sale has kicked off

The Bailey County 4-H Club is selling meat product for a fund-raiser project to start off this year. There are several items including smoked sausage kolaches, smoked bacon, pork sausage patties, chicken tenders, pork tamales, chicken and beef fajitas, smoked peppered turkey breast and hickory smoked turkey and home-style pit ham — all will be delivered before Thanksgiving. For more information call the Extension office at 272-4583.

Wheels-for-Life Bike-a-thon in Oct.

There is a Wheels-for-life Bike-a-thon on Saturday, Oct. 2 at the Muleshoe City Park beginning at 9 a.m. Prizes will be given for money raised. For more information, call Belle Kelley, coordinator, at 272-4455.

Hereford Methodist Church to host festival of arts and crafts

Wesley United Methodist Church will host its 24th Annual Festival of Arts and Crafts, Dec. 4, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., at the Community Center in Hereford. There is a number of booths available. Applications will be screened. Booth fee is \$10. Applications may be obtained by writing or calling the following: Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St. Hereford, TX. 79045, (806) 364-0774; Jane Egan 126 Aspen, Hereford, TX. 79045. (806) 364-5789; Wesley Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1743, Hereford, TX. 79045, leave a message at (806) 364-4419.

CASA needs volunteers

Court Appointed Special Advocate volunteers are needed in the area. CASA volunteers are trained and committed adults who have been appointed by a judge to watch over their case and advocate for their best interests. Training for these positions are Oct. 15, 16, 17, 22 and 23 at Amarillo Area CASA. For more information about becoming a CASA volunteer or the training, please contact Jackie Francis at (806) 363-1211.

Salvation Army needs donations

The Salvation Army in Texas has deployed ten canteens and mobile feeding units to respond to hurricane disaster zones. Canteens and personnel going to the relief operation are from Lubbock, Midland, Odessa, Sherman, Wichita Falls, Tyler and Lufkin, and others are on standby. To make a donation in support of these services, contact the Salvation Army at 1-800-SAL-ARMY or visit www.salvationarmyusa.org. For more information on disaster relief operations, call (214) 956-6000.

Ball, from front pg.

Ruth, played alongside Van Leuven in the outfield.

"Nolan pitched for both teams. I scored one run and had three hits off of him," said Van Leuven. "I hit the ball every time I was at bat" he said proudly. Ryan pitched the seven-inning game underhanded, not bringing too much "high heat." The final score was Blue 10, Red 2.

"My dad filmed the game and got so excited that at times, the camera wasn't even on the field," joked Van Leuven. "I think he forgot he was filming." Players got to keep their jerseys and hats and had exclusive autograph sessions with Ryan before the game. Each was given a photograph with Ryan and photo packages are being made available on-line to the participants. Professional photographers shot photos of every person and event which took place.

Off the field, Van Leuven took in some of the historic museums the town has to offer although only having a day to do so.

"Cooperstown has lots of history other than baseball," he said. "It was just a great experience."

Van Leuven hopes to get lucky again as Southwest is gearing up to send one winner with nine of his or her friends to the Super Bowl. "I wouldn't mind winning that one, too."

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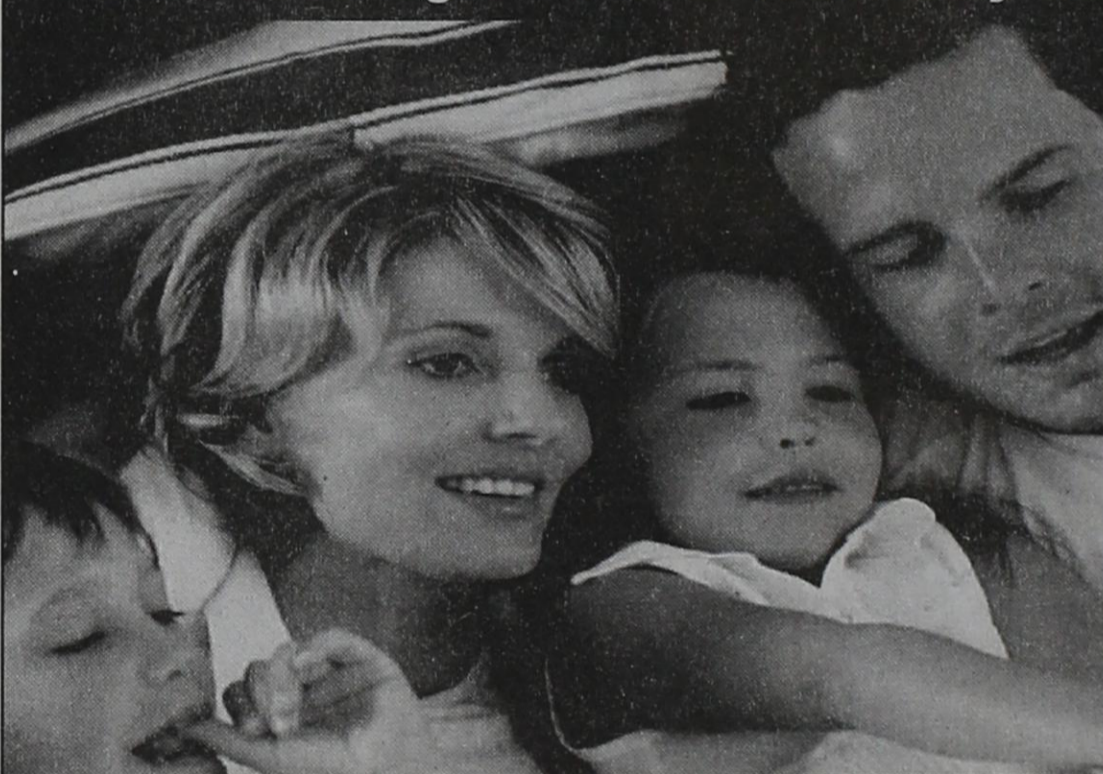
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CCRC discusses upcoming holiday happenings

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Four of the five members of the Chamber of Commerce Retail Committee (CCRC) met Wednesday morning last week to discuss upcoming holiday events in Muleshoe.

Members had in previous meetings started finalizing schedules for Muleshoe After Hours and Muleshoe's Christmas Open House. Both are an-

nual events.

Muleshoe's Christmas Open House will take place on Halloween, Sunday, Oct. 31. Participating retailers are being asked to stay open from 2-5 p.m. with each business given the opportunity to stay open any optional extra hours they would like. A traveling door prize will be drawn for from each business. This is not a Chamber sponsored event.

Though there was some discussion of moving the

date to Nov. 7, Committee members voted on the approved date to avoid a back-to-back situation with the first of four Muleshoe After Hours events scheduled to begin Nov. 13.

Muleshoe After Hours, once called Moonlight Madness, is set to take place two evenings each in November and December. In addition to the first date of Nov. 13, businesses will be open late and have special savings

on Nov. 27, Dec. 4 and Dec. 18.

As was the case last year, a grand prize will be drawn for after Dec. 18. This year's grand prize will be \$1,000 in Mule Bucks which can be spent at over 80 Chamber member businesses in Muleshoe. For each \$10 spent at participating businesses, patrons can sign up to win the \$1,000 prize. The Mule Bucks will be printed in \$20 increments and will be good one year from the date of issue. In addition, every participating merchant will be donating a \$50 gift certificate from their business, increasing the chances of winning a prize.

Committee members discussed making the grand prize a travel voucher but opted to award the Mule Bucks instead with keeping the money in Muleshoe as their main goal.

CCRC members also discussed expanding advertising for both events and will be writing a pro-Muleshoe "letter to the editor" intended to rally support for the coming holiday season.

The Committee will go before the City Council Oct. 11 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss these upcoming

events and seek money from hotel/motel funds.

City Manager David Brunson hopes to get approved a onetime sum given to the Chamber to be dispersed as needed rather than having the CCRC come back several times to get financial help. Committee members expressed their approval of this onetime total sum idea.

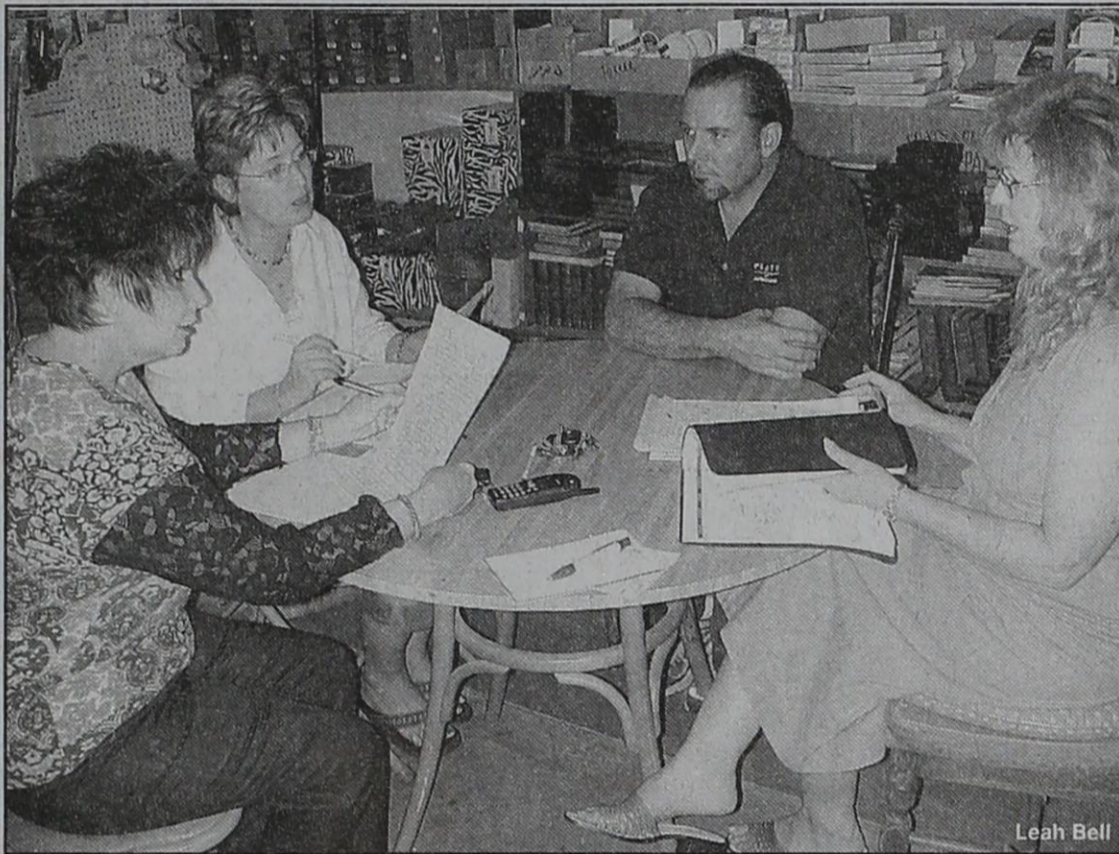
CCRC member and Chamber Board president Terral King will ask Chamber Manager Jan Thompson to call every retail business in Muleshoe to

give each the opportunity to be involved in the holiday festivities and inform them of upcoming projects. CCRC members will contact businesses themselves regarding the open house.

The group then planned another meeting for Oct. 7, just prior to their Oct. 11 meeting with the City Council.

MISD bonuses (Mule Bucks) will be handed out Nov. 20 and Committee members agreed to once

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Leah Bell

Makin' a list and checkin' it twice — Members of the Chamber of Commerce Retail Committee (from left) Sheree Hunt, Dawn Williams, Terral King and Chairperson Carolyn Johnson met last Wednesday to tie up loose ends concerning upcoming holiday events in Muleshoe. The group has almost finalized every detail of Muleshoe's Open House and Muleshoe After Hours, both big sales events leading up to Christmas. Economically, all are anticipating the best holiday retail season Muleshoe has seen in a while. Not present was the fifth member of the committee, Eddy Morris.

Sprinkler, from front page

State Department of Agriculture (USDA) and NRCS, provided an avenue for Wes-Tex to pursue the project to reduce "particulate emissions" (dust) both on and off-site from the beef feedyard. The program, "Texas Beef Cattle Air Quality Emphasis Concern," was developed through EQIP in partnership with the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, Texas A&M University and NRCS to specifically address the air quality aspects on confined animal feeding operations.

Currently, 130 patented, solid-set sprinklers are electrically wired to run, in dry conditions, up to five times a day. Each sprinkler placement has been engineered to a specific position based on sprinkling diameter and pen depth by Feedlot Environmental Systems of Picabo, Id., system installer. According to McDonald, about 80 percent of the pens are covered by 1/8 inch of water each time the sprinklers run.

DeWayne Christensen of Feedlot Environmental Systems said, "The goal is the maximum amount of dust control with the minimum number of sprinklers."

Though the weather has made its use limited thus far, McDonald is confident the system will work well for Wes-Tex's needs.

"We're always conscious of our effect on our neighbors and we know that dust can be a real annoyance for everyone around us," he said. "This system should help that situation tremendously."

The sprinklers are designed to overlap each other from 50-75 percent to limit water waste by keeping the

ground 20-30 percent dampened at all times. The cattle pack down the moist dirt, keeping the ground from drying out and causing dust.

The exact number of times the system waters each day will depend on the wind and humidity.

Elevated humidity and winds will alert the central computer system to shut the system down via a weather station connected to the intricate system "mother board."

"The maximum output of water is only about a quarter inch of water in a 24-hour application," said Christensen. Thus far, 35,000 plus feet of pipeline have been installed at Wes-Tex covering 92.6 acres of land. There are still more sprinklers to install to cover Wes-Tex's entire acreage.

The system will be used in winter if conditions warrant its use. The sprinkler riser stands well above ground and due to water pressure, the water stands right against the control valve.

"The system is subject to freezing so it has to be winterized," said Christensen.

"Every feedyard in the world would have one of these systems if they could afford it," McDonald said. "It easily pays for itself. The problem is if you feed for other people, you can't break even." Most feedyards that do have the system feed their own cattle.

"Incredibly, only two wires are run between each sprinkler. Feedlot Environmental Systems designed the system by adapting the Rainbird Golf Course System to fit the feedyard environment," said McDonald.

"The central computer is programmed to run five programs daily which are adjusted by the weather station to judiciously use the available water supply," said Christensen. "Each sprinkler is controlled individually and each has its own operating time and pressure. The control valve is controlled by a decoder which has a unique address much like a phone number when turned on and off by the central computer," he explained.

"The whole idea behind the dust control system is environmental stewardship," Christensen added.

Currently, Feedlot Environmental Systems is installing a similar system at Bar G in Hereford and A-2 in Dimmitt. So far, 11 such dust control systems have been approved with the technical and financial help of NRCS. Four have already been completed and seven are under contract to be completed by the Picabo based company.

EMS, from front page

son said the Lubbock EMS covered ambulance services the day of the incident as well as Aerocare out of Lubbock. The day of the memorial, Thompson said services from Bovina were provided.

"Numerous others offered their services as well," said Thompson, such as Dimmitt, Farwell, Levelland and Littlefield. "We appreciate every one of them."

A memorial fund has been established by the Bailey County EMS at First Bank, 202 S. 1st. St. in Muleshoe, for the family of Mr. Murray.

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Education

MHS drum and flag lines take auxiliary competition in Lubbock

By Becky Jones
For the Journal

The Mighty "M" Band drumline, flagline and drum majors travelled to Coronado High School in Lubbock Sept. 18 to compete at the annual West Texas Auxiliary Competition

(WTAC). This was the group's fifth time to enter this competition and they experienced the "best showing they've ever had" at the 2004 event.

The preliminary competitions were held in the morning and the drum and flag lines all received first

divisions and advanced into the finals.

J.C. Orozco also entered a snare drum solo and received a first division rating. Cristobal Almanza and Janice Pacheco also entered a drum major ensemble and received a first division.

After lunch and an after-

noon at South Plains Mall, the kids returned to compete in the finals. The competition continued until 9:30 p.m. with many schools of all sizes there to compete. The awards ceremony started at 9:45 p.m. and the Muleshoe drumline and flagline were both awarded a second place trophy in Class 3-A.

"This is the best showing we have ever had at this highly competitive contest," said Becky Jones, director. "We are very proud of these students who started entering this competition five years ago when the seniors were in the eighth grade."

The drumline consists of seniors J.C. Orozco, Dal Grumbles, Cristobal Almanza, Brant Wedel, Shanna Rempe, Anna Symm, Charissa Conner and Shalisa Ladd; junior Lorenzo Nuñez; sophomores Alyssa Lopez, Jameson Skipworth, Nicklas Brewster; and freshmen Creston Standard and Eli Symm.

The flagline sponsor is Pam Hancock and the line consists of: seniors and captains, Kelsey and Ashley Beggs, Morgan Burton, Jennifer Heredia and Shalisa Ladd; junior Erika Perez; and sophomores Brittni Carter, Calli Hancock, Molly Perez and Laura Cogliandro.

Band directors are Becky Jones and Steve Ballenger.



Leah Bell

Flagline



Leah Bell

Drumline

MISD, from front page

have the Board looking for answers was the quality and quantity of the meals students receive at school. During food service reports Board trustee Cindy Purdy said she had received many complaints from parents about the serving sizes and taste of the food their children eat at school.

New law states each school in the state of Texas will offer nutritious foods at recommended serving sizes. Parents have told Purdy their child comes homes hungrier than ever.

While the Board does not think they have any control over portion sizes, they said they would look into offering tastier foods. They also considered sending out information from the Texas Department of Agriculture explaining the new policy to parents.

Superintendent Gene Sheets said enrollment is still increasing and plans to do so even more in January when a new dairy will start production bringing in new families to the MISD.

The Board also reviewed how new testing require-

ments would affect MISD at the state and federal level. IT was explained by Assistant Superintendent Don Wood how the District would be held accountable for the percentage of students passing the TAKS tests to start soon within the school system and how over the next few years, the schools would be held to higher standards within the student groups of testing.

Financial reports show the District having used 10 percent of their budget as of Aug. 31 with their biggest expenses being in the departments of instruction and maintenance and operation.

MISD had submitted their Annual Financial Accountability Management Report for the year ending Aug. 31, 2003. The report received a "superior achievement" rating. Trae McNeill, business

manager, said this was the highest rating a district could receive. Indicators were that the total fund balance was greater than zero, according to an overview of worksheet handed out to the Board at the meeting. MISD also had a "clean" audit, tax collection

was at 98.8 percent, exceeding the requirement of 96 percent.

The report also said, "This indicator assures that districts are spending money on education rather than extravagant buildings...", as well as other positive indicators.

A budget amendment was approved to add salaries for four new teachers, two teacher assistants, network computer equipment, facility planner, high jump pit and the PLATO Contract. The Amendment also added gifts and requests from the Wes-Tex Grant and Band Boosters.

Special education also requested an increased budget due to the increase of students in that department. The fund balance was reduced to \$145,824.

The Board also approved the purchase of two new school buses. The proposed price after their trade-in allowance was \$109,900 for both busses.

The Board adjourned after having set their next meeting for Oct. 25 at 7 p.m.

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Sports

Mules dehorn Lockney

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules trailed for the first time this season after a miscue on offense set the Lockney Longhorns up on the Mule 10-yard line. The Mules responded with four TDs and a field goal in the next 18 minutes.

"In Seminole we knew we had to defend against the pass and our kids responded well," said Mule coach David Wood. "Tonight, we knew Lockney preferred to run the ball. I told the kids before the game that if Lockney threw more

than seven passes this game that we had them out of what they like to do."

Following the fumble and ensuing TD the Mules dominated the highly touted Longhorns. The 32-7 win kept the Mule's perfect season in tact at 5-0.

Mark Ford, Lockney's premier running back, blasted over from the two to put Lockney on top 7-0 with 8:26 left in the first period. At the 4:54 mark in the opening frame Danny Bonilla returned the favor by recovering a Lockney fumble 24 yards from pay dirt.

Erwin Lewis got the call and blasted into the end zone from the three. Lewis carried not only the football but also Lockney defenders the final two yards for the score. Ely Villa tacked on the point after to knot the game at 7-7.

The Mule defense forced the Longhorns to punt on the final play of the first period. Brant Hamilton faked the hand off to Brady Black and connected with Tyler Wood for a 22-yard toss. Wood avoided a tackler and raced to the Lockney 23 for a 51-yard gain.

"I got open and Brant got me the ball," said T. Wood. "Our offensive line was just blowing them off the ball tonight. I can not say enough good things about those guys up front."

Juan Reyes went through the left side of the Mule line for 11 yards and a first down. Black had two carries for short yardage before Hamilton rolled to his left and found all his receivers covered. Hamilton tucked the ball away and out raced the defense to the end zone with 9:13 left in the half.

The Mule defense again forced Lockney to go three and out. Jarad Flores, Rudy Gonzales, Juan Nunez and Lewis made back to back stops to hold the 'Horns short of a first.

Lockney's punt rolled dead on the Mule 27. Black picked his way through the middle of the Horn defense for 13 yards. Reyes picked up two yards before Black again went up the middle for 58 yards and the Mule's third TD of the night with 6:06 left before half.

The Mule defense pushed Lockney back two yards and forced the CEHorns to punt from their own 10. Juan Nunez got a hand on the punt and the ball rolled out of bounds on the Lockney 17.



Norm Brantley

Ahead of the game — Senior Mule Tyler Wood runs the ball after a 22-yard toss from Brady Black. Wood avoided a tackler and raced to the Lockney 23 for a 51-yard gain. The Mules added one to the win column against Lockney Friday night, 32-7.

Lockney's defense stiffened and forced the Mules to try a field goal. Villa split the up-rights from 25 yards out to give the Mules a 24-7 cushion at intermission.

"I am so proud of our defense," said T. Wood. "We knew coming in that they were big and that Ford had gained over 2,000 yards last season. Our guys were able shut him down before he could get started."

Nunez got a hand on a second Lockney punt in the third period to set the Mules up at mid-field. Hamilton found Reyes coming out of the backfield on back-to-

back plays. Reyes first grab was for 16 yards and he gained 13 on the second.

Reyes finished the drive with a two-yard blast up the middle. Hamilton ran over for the two-point conversion and completed the night's scoring.

The Mules had 151-yards rushing with Black leading all rushers with 79 yards. Hamilton had 42 rushing and connected on five-of-six passing for 99 more. The Mules added 130 yards through the air with T. Wood making three grabs for 87 yards.

The Mules held Lockney

to 181 yards of total offense. The Longhorns had 124 yards rushing and threw 16 times for 57 yards.

"They started the second half with three straight passes," said Coach Wood. "We knew they had to go to game plan number two. That speaks well for our forcing unit. Our kids never lost their intensity tonight. Even after they scored first, we came right back. No matter what combination we have on the field they stay focused and get it done."

The Mules travel to River Road to tangle with Wildcats Friday night a 7:30.

J.H. Mules win in final seconds

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The seventh grade Mules were 70 yards from paydirt in a 6-6 deadlock with the Lockney Longhorns Thursday night and had only 30 ticks left in the game. Jared Skipworth and Larry Richardson lined up in the shotgun formation.

Richardson got the direct snap from center and ran around right end. Caleb Conner and Tyler Steinbock made key

blocks that set Richardson free for a 70-yard scoring scamper. Austin Bamert carried in the two-point conversion to seal the deal for the Mules 13-7.

"These seventh graders really worked hard in practice in order to be successful and get a victory," said Mule junior high coach Jeff Whithrow. "We had some people step up and make some key blocks and runs. It was really big for these kids to be able to win on the final play of the game."

The Mules first tally came on a 40-yard pass and run from Skipworth to Brett Poynor. Steinbock peeled back for a block that paved the way for Poynor to score.

Other big offensive plays for the Mules were a 40-yard catch and run from Skipworth to Justin Griswold and Richardson had a 30-yard jaunt.

Leading tacklers for the Mules were their inside

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Gonzales racks up second win of the contest

By Leah Bell
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For the second time in just three weeks, Veronica Gonzales has taken the first place prize in the *Journal's* weekly football contest. This time, she narrowly outplayed a family member, Phillip Gonzales, who missed winning the \$25 prize by a tiebreaker (TB) guess.

This week's win garners V. Gonzales another 10 points toward the \$200 grand prize, making her total points 20 and giving her the point lead. But players, don't despair. All is not lost, yet. Mathematically, it's still possible

for anyone to still win the grand prize. The Mules still have six games to play — meaning there are still a lot of points to be won.

The TB game proved to be the deciding factor this week as Phillip Gonzales' guess of 35 total points was four points off the actual 39 combined score of the Muleshoe vs. Lockney game. V. Gonzales guessed slightly closer, 37. Phillip will get nine points for his efforts.

Both players tripped up on most of the same games everyone busted a kneecap on — Lubbock Coronado's win over Permian's loss to Monterey, Eastern Illinois' win over Eastern Michi-

gan, Miami's loss to the Steelers and Houston's win over the Chiefs.

Just behind the Gonzales gang was Bob Graves, missing only six games and almost hitting the nail on the head with his TB guess of 40. Graves added Carlsbad's win over Artesia to his flubber reel, denying him the first place award and allowing Gonzales to pocket the "kitty." Graves

gets eight points toward the \$200 final prize.

Rounding out the top ten finishers in week three were: Carl Jacobs (7 pts.); Richard Orozco (6 pts.); Alene Bryant (5 pts.); Raymond Villalobos (4 pts.); Shonda L. Black (3 pts.); Larry E. Taylor, Jr. (2 pts.); Scott Brown (1 pt.); and tied for tenth, J.C. Orozco (1 pt.).

Just out of the points were Francisco Torres,

Patty Polando, Israel Mata, William Orozco, Johnny M. Gonzales and Retha Tigue.

Percentage-wise, 73.5 percent of the field missed eight games or more and 35 plus percent missed ten or more games.

This week's contest brings the cumulative total for individual players as follows: Veronica Gonzales, 20; Raymond Villalobos, 13; Shonda L. Black, 12;

Larry E. Taylor, Jr., 11; Carl Jacobs, 10; James Buie, 10; Phillip Gonzales, 9; Gabriel Acevedo, 9; Brandon Acevedo, 8; Bob Graves, 8; Israel Mata, 8; Sherri Harrison, 7; Scott Brown, 7; Richard Orozco, 6; Alene Bryant, 6; Angela Arreola, 6; Felipe Gonzales, 6; Jimmie Crawford, 5; Mandy Garner, 4; Raul Lozano, 3; Retha Tigue, 2; Ed Dabrowski, 1; and J.C. Orozco, 1.

Eighth grade Mules beat Longhorns 46-12

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Mules rallied for six TDs Thursday night to pound the Lockney Longhorns 46-12. Victor Vasquez had scoring runs of 65, 50 and 15 yards and Austin Wright plunged in from two-yards out.

Brian Poynor caught a 15-yard scoring toss from Wes Wood and Jose Sital scooted 70-yards for the Mules final tally of the night. Lane Wood and Wes Wood carried over for two-point conversions and Poynor caught a pass from W. Wood two points of the night.

Poynor had three catches during the contest and Dillon Gallman made a grab. W. Wood was 5-5 through the air that included a TD toss and a two-point conver-

sion. Vasquez, L. Wood and Jose Sital were the leading rushers for the Mules and were also the leading tacklers on defense.

Late in the contest Mitchell Forti along with Juan Vidana plugged up the middle for the Mules. John Salinas picked off a Longhorn pass to end

J.H. Mules, from pg 6

linebackers Adrian Chacon and Bamert. Adrian Muniz ran down Lockney's fastest running back after a 50-yard gain and tackled him on the Mule 10.

Two plays later Muniz jarred the ball loose from a Longhorn and fell on it for the Mules. Conner recovered a fumble late in the third period to stop a Lockney drive.

The Mules travel to Plainview to tangle with the Bulldogs Thursday.

Lockney's hopes of a third TD.

"The eighth grade offensive line had a great game against Lockney," said Mule junior high coach Greg Poynor. "One of our running backs came over and we could have

driven a truck through that hole. It is a new system this year and it has taken the kids a little while to adjust, but they did a great job tonight."

The Mules travel to Plainview Thursday to meet the Bulldogs.

Retail, from page 3

again offer coupons to teachers and staff as an incentive to spend their bonuses at businesses offering these coupons. King said it best, "The more who do it, the better it is."

In other business, the Committee discussed the possibility of a "Hwy. 84" tour of some kind, but made no definite plans for the event. Members are still researching the feasibility of the event for Muleshoe.

Chairperson Carolyn Johnson agreed to contact

local media about advertising rates for all upcoming events and will get back to the group with the final total to present to retailers.

Sheree Hunt asked the group for their opinions on special promotions for the open house and Muleshoe After Hours. The group collectively decided that each business had to come up with something "uniquely yours" to attract the after-hours business required to make the event a success.

District results

Due to bad weather there was no cross-country competitions this past week.

Fresh. Mules defeated Denver City 27-0

JV Mules defeated Lockney 19-8

Muleshoe (5-0) defeated Lockney 32-7

Levelland (3-2) lost to Canyon 14-42

Lbk. Cooper (4-1) defeated Seminole 50-3

Brownfield (3-2) lost to Monohans 14-36

Littlefield (3-2) defeated Lamesa 47-22

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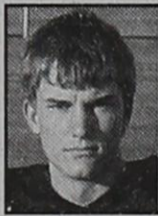



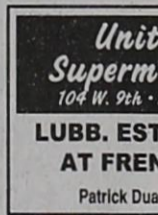

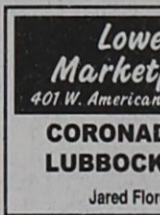




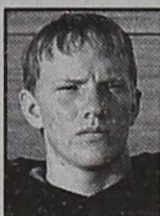







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Heritage Foundation holds annual meeting at Center

By Leah Bell
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An overflowing crowd was treated to some old-time gospel music and homemade ice cream at the Heritage Foundation Annual Membership Meeting held Saturday, Sept. 25 inside the Depot at the Heritage Center.

Due to the weather, what was scheduled to be an outdoor meeting and free concert was moved inside. Though crowded, everyone was accommodated and the meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance led by the Student-Community Action Club (SCAC) followed by the invocation led by Gary Hooten.

Outgoing Heritage Board President Dustin Wilhite welcomed visitors to the event and recognized people and businesses who support the Heritage Center throughout the year, including Center Hostess Dolores Harvey, Judge Gordon Green, Judge Marilyn Cox, Mayor Cliff Black, former Judge Glen Wil-

liams, R.A. and Marie Bradley, Chamber President Terral King, Chamber Manager Jan Thompson, City Manager David Brunson, Superintendent Gene Sheets, Principal David Jenkins, Asst. Superintendent Don Woods and local media, Channel 6 and the *Muleshoe Journal*.

Publicity Chairperson Jean Allison then recognized Muleshoe businesses and individuals who do "unusual" things to support the Center. A plaque was presented to those who supported Tour de Muleshoe. They were: Muleshoe State Bank, First Bank of Muleshoe and United Supermarket, Leal's, Minsa, Carolyn's, Five Area Telephone, Muleshoe City Council, Heritage Thrift Shop volunteers (Peggy Bates, Ladene Spears, Mary Jo and Harold Burge, Ruby Henderson, Janet Fine and Vivian White) and Dustin Wilhite.

Allison then introduced Niclas Green, president of Student Community Action Club. Other SCAC officers present were: Anna Symm -

vice president, Jordan Bonds - treasurer, Barry Morris - chaplain and Brady Black - parliamentarian. There were many other SCAC members present.

Symm gave some history on the club followed by a short explanation of the Citizen of the Month award presented by Morris. According to Morris, over the 21 years the club has been in existence, 165 citizens and four organizations have been given the Citizen of the Month award. Next, Bonds explained to the captive crowd where SCAC members donate their time, including helping at the Fall Festival and sacking goods at the food pantry. Green then presented a \$1,500 check to Wilhite from the club.

Heritage Board member Dianne Brown then presented lifetime member awards to Vivian White, Jenne McVicker and Jean Allison, citing their "tireless" work to promote the Center, keeping it growing and prospering.

Dan Throckmorton gave a short update on current Heri-

tage Foundation projects, including an update on Lonnie Adrian who recently underwent heart surgery. Adrian is the "architect of the Tour de Muleshoe" in Throckmorton's words. This year's Tour de Muleshoe was "the best ever" according to his report. Work continues on the Figure 4 Ranch House and the Virginia City Hotel was moved in this year. Throckmorton told the crowd their money was a big help to get projects underway and thanked them for their support.

Gary Hooten addressed those present, explaining just some of the organization's future plans. Hooten joked with the crowd that the main change would be to move the ice cream so that Gene Sheets wouldn't be able to eat it all before the rest of the crowd was able to get any. He then spoke about the Virginia City Hotel's journey to the Center—starting out in Bovina, moving to Stegall and finally settling in Muleshoe. Once completely restored, the Figure 4 will become a museum.

The Heritage Foundation will continue to maintain buildings already on site, work on increasing the size of the Tour de Muleshoe, organize the Christmas Open House and will continue to work toward becoming a stop on the Texas Plains Trail.

Sammie Simpson briefly talked about the Plains Trail and encouraged those present to support Muleshoe's inclusion in the brochure featuring 52 Texas counties.

Following Simpson's report, Ann McElroy was elected to the Board and Adrian was re-elected to his position as trustee.

Finally, five groups enter-

tained the crowd with some old-time hymns and humor. Performing were: The Sandhills Trio-Lanny Trussell, Gary Hooten and Tony Holmans, James, Ann and Joel Sinclair, A Song Group with Guitars featuring Jay and Sally Messenger and Monty and Mary Lou Leavell, Community Quartet featuring Curtis and Josh Shelburne, Brady Mason and Jay Messenger, and Jack Stone accompanied by his wife Deb.

Originally, after the entertainment, a tour of the Center was scheduled. But due to the drizzling conditions of Saturday evening, was cancelled.



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A look at the Muleshoe Heritage Center Song Fest held Saturday, Sept. 25

Club News

The Student Community Action Club met at the Muleshoe Heritage Center Santa Fe Depot on Sept. 20 to open the new school year. President Nic Green called the meeting to order and asked Chaplain Barry Morris to open with prayer.

It was then announced that the SCAC would be writing a check to the Heritage Foundation for \$1,500 presented Saturday

evening.

New members were introduced as well as club sponsors. Old business included the Tour de Muleshoe and Food Pantry volunteers from this summer.

The Saturday, Sept. 25, meeting of the Heritage Foundation members was discussed, particularly tours of the James Ranch House. Citizens of the month were chosen for

both September and October, and a sign-up sheet for food pantry workers was passed around.

The last vote was to raise club dues to better be able to serve the Heritage Foundation from \$3 to \$5. This is the first increase in dues since the club's inception in 1983.

The next meeting is Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. in the home of Charissa Conner.



On the money — The Student-Community Action Club presented the Heritage Foundation a check for \$1,500 on Saturday night. Niclas Green, Anna Symm, Jordan Bonds, Barry Morris, and Brady Black were on hand to present the check to Heritage Foundation Board President Dustin Wilhite on Saturday, Sept. 25 at the Heritage Center's annual meeting.

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Obituaries

PEGGIE HICKS

Church services for Peggie Hicks, 76, of Muleshoe were held Friday, Sept. 24, 2004 at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Father Leonardo Pahamtang officiating. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Mrs. Hicks was born June 25, 1928 in Clovis. She died Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2004 in Muleshoe Area Medical Center. She married Alfred Hicks in Muleshoe April 24, 1957. He preceded her in death March 29, 1991.

Mrs. Hicks had been living in Muleshoe for the past three years, moving from Lazbuddie. She was a nurse, homemaker and a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Muleshoe.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by a sister, Lucille Tharp, and a brother, Leonard Fly.

She is survived by a son, Keith Hicks of Lazbuddie; a daughter, Jody Winders of Elida, N.M.; two sisters, Betty Bell of Miami, Ariz. and Viola Higgins of Farmington, N.M.; a brother, Jack Fly of Las Cruces, N.M.; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to one's favorite charity.

SYLVIA SOLIZ

Church services for Sylvia Soliz, 31, of Hereford were held Friday, Sept. 24, 2004 at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Muleshoe with Father Leonardo Pahamtang officiating. A rosary was said Wednesday and Thursday evenings at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Ms. Soliz was born Jan. 2, 1973 in Morton. She died Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2004 in Amarillo.

She had moved to Hereford from Muleshoe in 2003. Ms. Soliz worked at the United Spirit Arena and at the Uni-First Uniform Company, both in Lubbock. She was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Muleshoe.

She was preceded in death by her father, Juan M. Soliz, Sr., in 1991 and a brother, Tony Soliz, in 1987.

Ms. Soliz is survived by her mother, Guadalupe Soliz of Hondo; four sisters, Vangie Leal and Maria Castorena and Annabelle Soliz, all of Muleshoe, and Velma Soliz of Fresno, Calif.; seven brothers, Juan Soliz, Jr., Rudy Soliz, Ricky and Martin Soliz, all of Hondo, Leo Soliz of Seminole, Javier Soliz of Huntsville and Romero Soliz of Hereford; and numerous nieces and nephews.

DONNA NICKELS

Church services for Donna Nickels, 70, of Muleshoe were held Monday, Sept. 27, 2004 at First Baptist Church of Muleshoe with Dr. Stacy Conner officiating. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Mrs. Nickels was born Feb. 25, 1934 in Clovis. She died Friday, Sept. 24, 2004 in Lubbock. She married Ed Nickels in Muleshoe June 14, 1952.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Muleshoe where she sang in the church choir. Mrs. Nickels

had been a lifelong resident of the Muleshoe area. She worked as a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her father, Finis Kimbrough on May 5, 1994; and a brother, Joe "Sig" Kimbrough on Dec. 14, 1972.

She is survived by her husband of Muleshoe; a son and daughter-in-law, Nicky and Debrah Nickels of Lazbuddie; a daughter and son-in-law, Pattie and Dickie Hunter of Plano; her mother, Johnnie Kimbrough of Muleshoe; a sister, Wanda Houk of Lubbock; four grandchildren, Chad, Guy Wayne and Trey Nick-

els and Durrel Hunter; and two great-grandchildren, Kennedi and Jaegan Nickels.

The family suggests memorials be made to First Baptist Church, 220 W. Ave. E, Muleshoe, TX 79347 or to Park View Nursing Home, 1100 W. Ave. J, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

VERA NEER

A graveside service for Vera Neer, 83, of Muleshoe was held Monday, Sept. 27, 2004 at Bailey County Cemetery with Rev. Reydon Stanford officiating.

Mrs. Neer was born April 14, 1921 in Mountain View,

Okla. She died Friday, Sept. 24, 2004 in Park View Nursing Home in Muleshoe. She married Harold Neer in 1964. He preceded her in death in July 1977.

Mrs. Neer moved to Muleshoe in 1978 from Greenville, Ill. She was a cook for various restaurants and she enjoyed painting. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Neer was preceded in death by two sons, one daughter and four grandsons.

She is survived by two sons, Jack Miller and Bill Nelson of Muleshoe; two

daughters, Johnnie Weaver of Lazbuddie and Terri Brewster of Muleshoe; a sister, Margaret Manning of Skellytown; three brothers, Charlie Christian, Glen Christian and Alfred Christian, all of Dumas; 12 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

RUSSELL WAYNE BRYANT

Funeral services for Russell Wayne Bryant, 78, of Las Cruces, N.M. were held Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2004 at Getz Funeral Home with Rev. Loyd Cain officiating. Burial was in the Masonic Cemetery. The U.S. Navy and the Marine Corp

League of Las Cruces provided military honors and

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Bridal Selections for
Brandy Whitt
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at Debbie Hutto's house
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Nursing Home News

Thursday morning Nancy Lemons delivered ceramics that she had prepared for the residents to paint in craft class. Residents participating were: Alliene Lasiter, Delphine Gruda, Jim Kee, Letha Patterson, Diane Copley, Ruby Riley, Ardith Long, Gladys Wright and Gladys Wilson.

The residents directed a devotional and singing of hymns time Thursday morning.

The "Home Cook'n" class made Rice Krispie treats that will be given to Claire Brown and Mrs. Lackey's third grade classes this Friday.

A group of 20 residents participated in the "chair dancing" class Friday morning.

Mrs. Brown's and Mrs. Lackey's third grade class from Mary DeShazo Elementary visited and inter-

acted with the residents for Grandparents Day Friday afternoon. The 34 students found a grandparent to read to and also presented them with a Grandparent's Day card. The group visited with the residents in the day room as well as the Special Care unit.

June Gore and Dorothy Turner visited Alta Gore Friday afternoon.

The TOPS Club met in the Sun Room on hall one Thursday afternoon.

The residents council met Thursday afternoon. President Jim Kee and Assistant Vice President Alliene Lasiter directed the meeting.

Buck Campbell visited the residents and staff Thursday afternoon.

Monday afternoon, Brenda Guzman's Family and Community Service class from Muleshoe High School visited and played

games with the residents.

Tuesday morning Bro. Gary and Judy Hubbard directed a music and praise devotional and visited with the residents.

Tuesday afternoon the volunteers came to shampoo, set and comb out the ladies hair. Those that volunteered their time and talents were: Jan Crawford, Pat Clark, Beverly Wagnon, Iva Nell Dale, Josie Ovalle, Mary Jo Burge, Pat Clark, Josie Ovalle and Beverly Wagnon.

Rusty Whitt, Joy Whitt, Jearl James, Arlene Phelps, Julie Cage, Melba King and Juan Chavez were among our friendly visitors this week.

Delphine Gruda had several visitors this week. Among those visiting were her daughter, Shary Jenkins, and Joyce Hunter.

Rick Hunter has received many visits from his mom, Joyce Hunter, this week.

Morris and Robbie Nowlin were visited by Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bass Tuesday.

Johnnie Kimbrough was

visited by Joy Whitt, Debbie Nickels and Theron Eubanks Tuesday.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes to the family and friends of Vere Fox.

Mollie Johnston was given a haircut by Pat Young Sunday.

Herbert Elliott and Gloria Elliott were visited by Linda Elliott Tuesday.

Sharon Dale visits her mom, Vada Alexander, every day.

Buster and Wanda Kittrell and Harold and Mary Jo Burge served coffee and donuts to the residents at coffee time Wednesday morning.

Buster Kittrell and Loyce Killingsworth directed the devotional/"singspiration" time following coffee Wednesday morning.

Park View residents scheduled a Fall Fair inside the facility. The residents and anyone interested had their items on display for "looking pleasure" Sept. 27, 28 and 29.

Aubrey Heathington and Dimples visited Hattie Heathington and others Monday.

Senior Citizen News

The Oneita Wagon Senior Center had over 200 guests on Sunday for the Mexican food lunch prepared by Freddie and Mariann Anzaldua who volunteered to cater the lunch as a fund-raiser for the Senior Center. Waitresses were: Monica Toscano, Beatrice Garcia, and Felicia and Ashley Mumau. Kitchen appliances will be purchased with the proceeds.

Ruby Green tells us that our fall quilt, called "Maple Leaf," will be in the frames this week and ready for quilting.

Computer classes begin Oct. 12 at 2 p.m. with Cam Johnson, instructor.

Noon meals begin Oct. 1, Friday. Please stop by the Center and check those days that you plan to eat for the first week, so we can tell the approximate number to prepare for. The

menu is available. You may call 272-4969. Meals will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and consist of a meat, vegetables, dessert and drink of choice.

The new restrooms will be completed by Oct. 1.

A nice wooden game table was brought for the Center by Joe Bob and Sheila Stevenson. Margaret Collins donated kitchen items. Larry Winkler donated a large supply of spices and canned items for the Center. Joe Zuinga donated cucumbers.

The Center is deeply grateful for the generosity shown by so many.

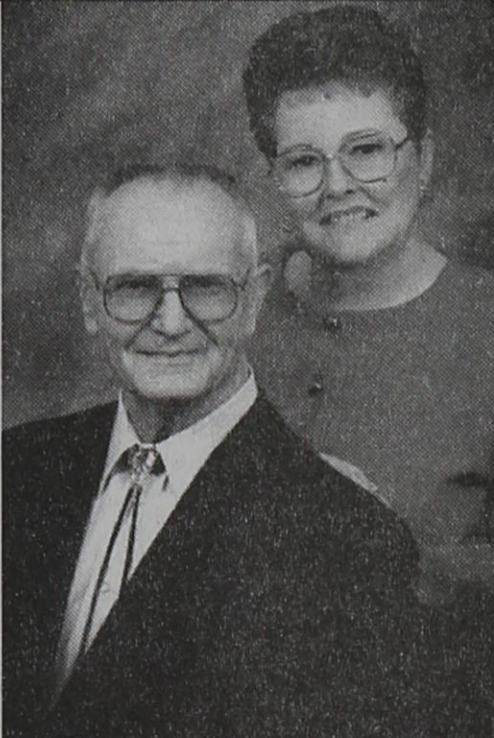
A donation to the Senior Center can be given as a memorial or honorarium or in lieu of gifts for anniversaries, birthdays and other occasions. Send your request to: Oneita Wagon Senior Center, P.O. Box 292, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

*Robert L. "Pete" and
Norma Phillips*
*will be honored with a reception celebrating
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Sunday, October 10, 2004
2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
First Baptist Church in Sudan*

The event is being hosted by their children, Deanna and Kevin Humphreys and Bobby and Tanna Phillips, all of Sudan, and Chyrel and Corey Mitchell of Lubbock.

The couple was united in marriage Oct. 8, 1954 in Clovis. Mrs. Phillips is the former Norma Humphrey. She is currently the office manager at Harmonee House in Amherst. Mr. Phillips retired from the City of Sudan in 1995 after working there for 32 years. They moved from Amarillo to Sudan in 1959.

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Weddings



ENGELKING — SCHMUCKER

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Heather Annette Engelking and Brian Stanley Schmucker were married Saturday, May 1, 2004 at Lazbuddie United Methodist Church of Lazbuddie. Rev. Al Jennings officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Dave and Sheryl Engelking of Lazbuddie. The groom is the son of Dan and Ethel Schmucker of Nazareth.

The music was provided by Faith Lewis (harpist) and Jonessa Brockman (vocalist).

The bridesmaids were Paige Grissom, Regina Jones, and Dawn Weir. Junior bridesmaids were Amber Allen, Candace Schmucker, Bailee Barber and flower girl was Abby Schmucker. The groomsmen were Travis Schulte, Heath Schulte and Trampass Ball. Junior groomsmen were Collin Schmucker, Carson Barber, Mason Loflin and ring bearer was Cameron Schmucker.

The ushers were Dustin Weir, Josh Warren, Jason Rasco, Jason Weese, Bubba Edwards, Kolten Morris and Jett Black. The maid of honor was Holly Engelking, sister of the bride. The best man was Michael Schmucker, cousin of the groom.

The bride carried a wedding tradition by carrying something old, an antique wedding band belonging to the bride's maternal great-grandmother. It was the same band her mother carried in her wedding. Something new was the bride's wedding attire; something borrowed was

a gold and diamond bracelet belonging to the bride's mother; something blue was the garter. She also wore pennies in her shoes minted in the year of the couple's births for good luck. A dinner was held in the Nazareth Community Hall followed by a reception and dance.

The bride graduated from Lazbuddie High School, Texas Tech University and Salon Professional Academy. She is currently working at Body Works for Women in Lubbock as an esthetician and endermologist.

The groom graduated from Nazareth High School and Texas Tech University. He is currently working at Friendship Independent School District as a high school girl's basketball coach.

For their honeymoon, the Schmuckers went to Playa Del Carmen, Mexico. The couple will reside in Lubbock.

Engagement



JOHNSON—BURTON

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Janice Johnson and Dewitt Burton, both of Muleshoe, announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

Johnson is the daughter of Glen Shot of Clovis and Blanche Schattschneider of Portales. Burton is the son of Earl Burton of Missouri and Loyce Burton, deceased.

Johnson graduated from Dora High School in New Mexico and works at United Supermarket checking, sacking and ordering supplies. Burton is self-employed.

The couple will wed Oct. 16, 2004 at Shot's Tree Trimming, 3314 Cherry Drive in Clovis. The ceremony is from 3 - 6 p.m.

A reception will immediately follow the ceremony at the same location.



CARPENTER — ROBINSON

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Brandi Nichole Carpenter and Jeffrey Scott Robinson, both of Amarillo, were married Saturday, Sept. 25 at J.A. Hill Chapel on the campus of West Texas A&M University in Canyon. The Rev. Wayne Aiken officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Joie and Mickey Hutchens of Amarillo. Grandmother of the bride is Betty Carpenter, who attended the wedding. Great-grandmother of the bride is Dot Leavitt, who attended the wedding.

Parents of the groom are Carol Robinson and Worlan Robinson, both of Amarillo. Grandparents of the groom are Leroy Robinson and D.C. Warner, both of whom attended the wedding.

Bridal attendants were Piper Hutchens, Chancey Hutchens, Morgan Burris, Tessa Burris and Kelsey Howard. Groom's attendants were Benny Lumpkins and Blue Debord. Flower girl was Bralee Inman. Ring bearer was Drake Railsback. Ushers were Brian Hutchens and Tanner Howard.

The wedding reception was held at the Clarion Hotel. Reception attendants were Nicole Bevington, Carrie Nemeode and Tiffie Nation.

The bride is a graduate of Randall High School. She graduated from Amarillo College with a certificate in surgical technology. She is pursuing a nursing degree from West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She works as a clinical instructor for the surgical technology department at AC.

The groom is a graduate of Randall High School. He graduated from Johnson County Community College in Kansas City, Kan., with a certificate in metal fabrication. He works as a conductor for Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway.

The couple will reside in Amarillo.

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Births

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Tadd and Antoinette Young of Muleshoe announce the birth of their son, Tyler James, born Aug. 4, 2004 at 12:56 a.m. at Covenant Hospital of Lubbock. He weighed 6 lbs. and 14 oz. and was 19 3/4 in. long.

He has two siblings, a brother, Ethan Riley, and a sister, Bethany Renae.

Grandparents are Pat Young of Muleshoe and Jay and Andrea Ridolfo of New Orleans.

Great-grandparents are Bertie Purcel of Muleshoe, Cleon Ridolfo of New Orleans; Melvin Young of Gretni, La., and Waltraud Lowrey of New Orleans.



YOUNG

AGUIRRE

Jessica and Ernesto Aguirre of Farwell announce the birth of their daughter, Cyria Judith, born Sept. 15, 2004 at 5:14 a.m. at Muleshoe Area Medical Center. She weighed 7 lbs. and 10 oz. and was 19 in. long.

AVILA

Luis Enrique Avila Fuentes and Rosalva Zamora Avila of Bovina announce the birth of their daughter Daisy Denise Avila, born Sept. 20, 2004 at 4:16 a.m. at Muleshoe Area Medical Center. She weighed 6 lbs

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Obituaries, from page 9

members of Mr. Bryant's family served as pallbearers.

He was born March 2, 1926 in Burkburnett to E.T. and Lola Barker Bryant. He died Saturday, Sept. 18, 2004.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. He had retired as a farmer in Muleshoe where he had also sold cars and was an insurance agent for Farm Bureau. Mr. Bryant enjoyed golf and fishing and was a member of the Christian community for most of his life.

He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Bettie Bryant, of the home; one son and daughter-in-law, Michael Bryant and wife, Vicki, of Graford; four daughters and sons-in-law, Debbie Hurt and husband, Steve, of Lubbock, Diane Actkinson and husband, Johnny, of Farwell, Kim Shelton and husband, Wade, of San Antonio, and Janice Harrison and husband, Dr. Norman Harrison, of Las Cruces; a brother and sister-in-law, Don and Mary Anna Bryant of Muleshoe; 13 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

EDWARD MURRAY

Memorial services for Edward "Scott" Murray, 39, were Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004 at the First United Methodist Church in Spur with Rev. Larry Burton officiating.



MURRAY

He was born Feb. 27, 1965 in Post to Dr. Edward and Joan Burke Murray. Mr. Murray died Thursday, Sept. 23, 2004 at his residence. He married Susan Sartor on July 1, 1989.

Mr. Murray graduated from Spur High School in 1983 and attended Western Texas College and Texas Tech University. He attained his EMS Paramedic certificate in 1986 and had served as a volunteer for Dickens Co. EMS, as well as serving as director for Dickens Co. EMS, Crosbyton Hospital EMS and Bailey Co. EMS. He had been an active member in South Plains Emergency Medical Service (SPEMS) and was on the Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Board of Directors and was Chairman of the Critical Incident Stress Management Team (CISM).

He is survived by his wife; a son, Evan of Nazareth; a daughter, Erin of Nazareth; his parents, Dr. Ed and Joan Murray of

Spur; a brother, Clay Murray and wife, Tara, of Ft. Worth; and two nieces.

The family requests in lieu of flowers, remembrances be given to "Murray Children's Educational Trust" c/o Spur Security Bank, P.O. Box 549, Spur, TX 79370; SPEMS, or a favorite charity.

HENRY JACKSON LOGAN

Funeral services for Henry Jackson Logan, 71, of Ingram and formerly of Muleshoe, were Tuesday, Sept. 28 in the chapel of the Kerrville Funeral Home in Kerrville. A second service was held Wednesday morning at First Baptist Church in Muleshoe. Graveside services were at the Dreamland Cemetery in Turkey.

Mr. Logan was born December 23, 1932 in Briscoe County near Turkey to Bertha (Jacobs) and Henry Otto Logan. He died Sept. 24, 2004 in Kerrville.

He graduated from Turkey High School in 1950, where he had been a track and football star. He fought in the Korean War as part of the Navy. He was discharged from the Navy in December 1956. He worked for Southwestern Public Service for 25 years in Denver City where he raised his family. Mr. Logan was a member of First Baptist Church in Denver City for 25 years where he taught several Sunday school classes. He was president of Little League, president of football booster club, chairman of County Youth Committee, and chairman of the County Youth Welfare Board. In the late 1970s and early 1980s S.P.S. started constructing a large coal fired power plant between Muleshoe and Earth where he was selected to be the operations superintendent. He retired from Tolk Station Jan. 4, 1994 after 37 years of service. When he moved to Muleshoe permanently after the death of his first wife, Genice, in 1986, he joined First Baptist Church of Muleshoe where he served on the building and grounds committee and as head of the finance committee during a major church renovation.

Mr. Logan was preceded in death by his first wife, a daughter, parents, a brother, and a sister.

He is survived by his wife Rae of the home; a son, Jeff of Long Beach, Calif.; a

daughter, Laura Dishman and husband, Charley, of Midland; two sisters, Ruth Brunson of Quitaque and Bettie Harrison of Muleshoe; two grandsons and numerous nieces and nephews.

Donations may be made in his memory to the Trinity Baptist Church Building Fund in Kerrville, TX or to The Opportunity Plan, Inc. P.O. Box 1035, Canyon, TX 79015 Attention: Colvin Fund Div. (806) 655-2528.

FRED LYNN

Graveside services for Fred Lynn, 80, of Olton were Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2004 at the Idalou Cemetery with Rev. Jack Stone of Muleshoe officiating. Burial was in the Idalou Cemetery.

Mr. Lynn was born Feb. 29, 1924 in Lubbock. He died Monday, Sept. 27, 2004 in Plainview.

Mr. Lynn moved to Olton from Lubbock in 2001. He graduated from Clarendon

High School and was a salesman, most recently selling real estate in Lubbock. He was a veteran of WWII, serving in the U.S. Navy. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of the Shriners. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a son, Gentry Lynn in 2000.

Mr. Lynn is survived by a son, Andre Lynn of Olton;

seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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Hospital District News

The Muleshoe Area Hospital District has a program which has been in place for several years to assist district residents in getting needed prescriptions that they might not be able to afford otherwise.

The Patient Assistance Program is operated under the guidance to Marian Wilson, who took over about a year and half ago from Missy Royal.

The program under Royal's guidance grew to such a size as to require someone to devote exclusive attention to taking care of the patients who were eligible for participation.

Wilson was willing to assume the responsibility. At the present 457 people are in the Patient Assistance Program, or approximately five percent of the district population. A number of these eligible participants receive two or more prescriptions.

Twenty-eight pharmaceutical companies are involved with providing free medications prescribed for the eligible participants. To be eligible, an application must complete the application form required by the pharmaceutical company which is to fill the prescription.

The prescription must

be written by active member of the Muleshoe Area Medical Center Staff. There must also be provision of proof of income status.

New applications are accepted on Monday, and orders, when received, are disbursed on Thursday and Friday of each week. The patient continues to receive medication as long as the medicine is needed, and the patient maintains eligibility.

Wilson describes the program as a very necessary program for indigent and low income residents; "A wonderful program which I hope remains available for a long time. The reward is being able to provide assistance to our area citizens when it is needed."

New members to the Hospital District: Yessenia Regalado, nursing home; Donita Behrends, nursing home; Mariella Caballos, nursing home; Alicia Soto, nursing home; Dalia Verlod, nursing home; Dora Torres, nursing home; Christal Richards, nursing home and hospital; Teresa Marques, nursing home; Judy Olquin, nursing home; Sheila Sanchez, nursing home; Rebecca Guadarrama, nursing home; Tina Varner, nursing home; Sa-

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Grief Is a Strange and Powerful Thing

Grief is a strange thing. In its acute form it's like a growling and potentially vicious dog. It's far too loud and dangerous to ignore, and so you deal with it head-on. But then, about the time you begin to feel that you're dealing pretty well with grief (and you probably are), the wretched cur, evidently rigged for silent running because you heard not a single growl of warning, bites you in the tail section. And here we go again. It's probably neither quite as bad or as long-lived as the first fight with the beast. Maybe, in fact, it's just back for a melancholy moment or two. But you still recognize the snarling pup. It's from the same untamed family as the

little original family circle. It won't be easy, but we'll learn something through this that will help us help others."

As usual, Dad was right. When Mom died, we weren't ready—you're never ready—but we knew it was coming. And we drank the whole bitter cup. We walked the whole path and didn't dodge anything. (Hospice was a huge help in making a difficult experience one of the most meaningful of our lives.) It does no good, you see, to dodge grief. It will come. Better just to look it in the eye and let it.

Then Dad died in 2000. It was much the same as Mom's death in some ways and much different in others. He was 87, and so how unexpected could it be? But it still caught us by surprise. It was a "good" death. No regrets. Nothing left unsaid. No bitterness in the background. And, again, we didn't dodge the grief. But the whirlwind of our lives makes precious little time for the work of grief. It comes anyway and is one untamed and unruly visitor you've no choice but to make time for, one way or another.

Dad was the best man I've ever known. Four years later, I still don't feel like he's that far away. He had a wonderful life and was granted a good death. When he preached on the Sunday before his death, his text was Psalm 90: "Lord, teach us to number our days that we may gain a heart of wisdom." It was a good time to go (though he was scheduled to preach on the next Sunday, too!).

So much was right about his life and his death—and his faith. So much good. So much for which to be thankful.

But I miss him deeply. No surprise. Dad is the one who told me from his own experience with his own parents that it would be this way.

Curtis Shelburne is minister of the 16th & D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.

Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

first one. It's grief. Round two or five or twenty. And it's not even, by any means all bad. It's not always bad to feel more tender than usual, a bit more vulnerable. It just surprises you when that feeling shows up.

I don't know how many people I've walked with through their own grief experiences. A bunch. And so have my brothers—all pastors who've stood beside many a grave.

So did my father. I can only imagine how many funerals Dad performed, though, knowing Dad, I'm sure we could easily find records of every one and the exact number of services—when, where, etc.

When Mom died in 1992, I remember Dad telling us something like this: "Fellows, we've all helped with countless funerals. But this is the first time death has touched our

Dewitt Precure Family

We wish to thank the wonderful, responsive friends of Lazbuddie, Muleshoe, Plainview and those who are distant for all the wonderful gestures of love, for the food, cards, flowers and donations made to the Lazbuddie Fire Department and the First Methodist Church of Lazbuddie in memory of Dewitt Precure, my beloved husband. He is greatly missed.

Lovingly,
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A Note of Thanks

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Girl Scouts to camp at Mule-Putt Oct. 1

The Girl Scout program has begun and a big camp-out is planned for all Girl Scouts, Daisies through Juniors.

The camp-out is at the Jennyslipper Mule-Putt Golf Course Friday, Oct. 1 at 6 p.m. until 9:30 a.m. Saturday morning. A hot-dog cookout is planned as well as games and golf. The girls plan to pitch tents and have pancakes for breakfast.

It isn't too late to join a Girl Scout troop, camp out and begin a year of fun, said Nelda Merriott, Service Unit Chairman. Just attend a meeting of your age group. Membership is \$10 per year and financial aid is available.

Meetings are held at the Girl Scout Hut, 815 W. 2nd St. Interested persons may call 272-

5210.

Daisies (kindergarten) meet on Mondays from 4 - 5:30 p.m. The leader of that group is Carrie Morris with assistant leader Crystal Casto.

Brownies (first and second grade) meet on Fridays from 4 - 5:30 p.m. Their leader is Linda Harp.

Brownies (third grade) meets Wednesdays from 5 - 6 p.m. with Kristy Cortez and her assistants are Vivian Cortez and Cecelia Flores.

Junior Girl Scouts (grades 4, 5 and 6) meet on Tuesdays from 4:30 - 6 p.m. with Janette Kube and assistants Jennifer DeLeon and Martina Quintana.

A Girl Scout Association meeting of all leaders and assistants is scheduled at the Girl Scout Hut for Oct. 12 at 6:30 p.m. and will include "nut sales training."



Leslie Radford

Newly remodeled — The Muleshoe Hospital Auxiliary has updated and remodeled the maternity suites at Muleshoe Area Medical Center. Total cost for new recliners for the fathers, new bed linens, paint and room decor was around \$2,000 according to Julie Cage, Auxiliary president. Cage said the Auxiliary has also purchased a \$500 paper folding machine for the Administration office, reupholstered furniture in the x-ray waiting room, and given two \$500 scholarships to 2004 graduates in Muleshoe and Lazbuddie. The Auxiliary raises funds for such projects through scrub shows such as the one to be held tomorrow at the hospital and breakfast bars every Friday morning at the hospital.



Leslie Radford

The donor chair — The Muleshoe Area Medical District held a blood drive for their staff and volunteers Monday afternoon in the old nursing home edition of MAMC. Anita Johnson is seen here getting ready to donate blood as a United Blood Services phlebotomist prepares her arm for the needle. The Hospital Auxiliary was on hand to register participants. Auxiliary President Julie Cage said as of Monday afternoon, 91 donors were signed-up.

Births, from pg. 10

and 11 oz. and was 19 1/2 in. long.

Daisy Denise Avila has one sister, Yessenia Avila Zamora.

Grandparents are Eliseo Avila Araujo and Manuela Fuentes de Avila of Albuquerque, N.M. and Humberto Zamora Fernandes and Rosa Lopez Rocha of Bovina.

REYES

Gerardo and Olimpica Reyes of Muleshoe announce the birth of their son, Gilberto Nicolas Reyes, born Sept. 5, 2004 at 7:47 a.m. at UMC in Lubbock. He weighed 9 lbs. and 3 oz. and was 20 in. long.

Grandparents are Maria and the late Gilberto Reyes and Oscar and Liberty Hernandez, all of Muleshoe. Great-grandparents are Epifanio and Delia Hernandez and Juan Antonio and Justa Flores, all of Muleshoe.



Leslie Radford

Anyone need ice? — The Muleshoe Hospital Auxiliary recently purchased a new ice machine for Muleshoe Area Medical Center. Pictured here are four grateful staff members taking advantage of the new machine (l-r) Veronica Toscano, Jessica Carpenter, Ashley Reneau and Sonya Flores. The hospital's old ice machine had been out of commission and in need of an upgrade for quite some time according to Auxiliary President Julie Cage. Nurses said they were having to keep bags of ice in the freezer for patient use. The new machine is in accordance with health regulations and is appreciated by everyone at the hospital. It cost the Auxiliary approximately \$5,000.

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Carwash offers more services

By Leslie Radford
Managing Editor
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About four weeks ago, Scott's Car Wash on American Boulevard in Muleshoe installed a couple of "newfangled" machines. Before, customers could wash their car and then vacuum it. Now, they can wash their car, vacuum it and shampoo the carpets and, af-

ter they're done, give their car one of three fresh new scents.

Ronald Scott, owner, said he's owned this carwash for about eight years—the last time the vacuums were replaced. "These work really well," said Scott who thought his business could use some updating. He said he wanted to give his customers more options. One can choose from

three scents for .75; receive four minutes of vacuuming for three quarters as well; and the spot-remover is only \$1.50 and accessible at any time, day or night.

A lighted awning being built over the two machines located on the west side of the carwash where the old vacuums used to be. This project should be completed soon according to Scott.



Leslie Radford

Mean, lean cleaning machine — Pictured on the right is Jesus Tafolla of Muleshoe using one of the new machines at Scott's Car Wash to vacuum his pickup. The machines also provide spot-removal and fresh scents.

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Muleshoe Independent School District has an immediate opening for a Recruiter for the Migrant Service Program. Applicants should have a high school diploma or equivalent, and knowledge of the Spanish language. To apply, please contact Margie Alarcon, Migrant Service Director, at Muleshoe ISD, 272-7325.

Muleshoe I.S.D. is accepting applications for a maintenance position. Applications may be picked up at the M.I.S.D. Administration building at 514 W. Ave. G., information on the positions can be obtained by calling, Sam Whalin at (806) 272-7330 between the hours of 8 am - 4 pm Monday through Friday. Muleshoe I.S.D. is an equal opportunity employer.

SERVICES

Loans up to \$500. No Credit? No Problem! FREE rolling backpack with approved new loan or former borrowers, \$200 and over loan. Call 806-272-3673 or come by **Continental Credit**, 206 S. Main, Muleshoe. ¡Se Habla Espanol!

FOR RENT

For Rent: 516 W Ave E. 2 bedroom house, \$400 mo. \$375 deposit. Move-in date: Nov. 1. Call: (210) 867-8911.

HELP WANTED

Help Wanted!

TWO CHURCH NURSERY WORKERS NEEDED, Sundays 9:15 - 11:30 am & 5:45 - 7:00 pm. Hourly + mileage. Apply at First Baptist Church, 101 NE 1st, Earth, TX. Office hours Mon - Fri 9-12 & 1-3.

Five persons needed immediately! Customer service positions in Muleshoe, Clovis and Portales area. Call (505) 359-0442.

Agro Distribution is accepting applications for a delivery person for chemicals and fertilizer. CDL preferred. Call 272-4203, ask for Bruce.

Sonic Drive-In is now accepting applications for dependable, mature, enthusiastic, friendly crew members for day shift carhops and night cooks. Apply in person at 1633 American Blvd. EOE

Plant Warehouseman - Earth, TX
Xcel Energy is seeking a Plant Warehouseman to be responsible for performing all duties of warehousing and material handling at an electric utility power plant. For information about requirements, and to apply, please view posting number UN-TX-0029 in Career Opportunities at www.xcelenergy.com. Deadline for application is 9/29/04, at 5 pm CST, EOE/AA
Xcel Energy

A Great Opportunity To Make \$\$\$!
The Muleshoe Journal is seeking a regional salesperson with an outgoing personality. No experience necessary but background in sales would be helpful. Hourly wage, commission and mileage paid. Mail resume to: P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

Production position available. Now accepting applications for production position at Hi-Pro Feeds. Company insurance, 401K, paid holidays. Must pass drug screen. Apply in person at **Hi-Pro Feeds** in Friona.

Harvest Help Needed
The AGP Grain Marketing elevators are in need of harvest help for this fall harvest. We will be needing scale operators at the Bovina and Rhea locations and elevator help at various locations. If you are interested in any of these positions, please apply at any AGP Elevator or call 806-251-1521.

LOTS FOR SALE
Two plots for sale in Garden 3 at the Memorial Park Cemetery. \$450 each plot. Call 806-272-4580.

Misc. For Sale
Wanted: Responsible party to take on small monthly payments on High Definition Big Screen TV. Call 1-800-398-3970.

Silverhawk Security has positions open for security guards. Must be 18, have diploma or GED, with no criminal record. Pays \$7.00/hr. Call 295-8357 or come by security office at Excel in Friona, Texas.

NOW HIRING
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MINSA HAS SEVERAL POSITIONS AVAILABLE IN OUR PRODUCTION FACILITY.
We are looking for hardworking individuals to fill these positions. If interested, please come to the main office at Minsa, 1 1/2 miles east of Muleshoe and fill out an application. EOE

NOW HIRING!
MINSA IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR FULL-TIME POSITIONS IN THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT.
Some previous maintenance or welding experience preferred. Pick up applications at Minsa's Main Office, 1 and 1/2 miles east of Muleshoe. EOE
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GARAGE SALE
Garage Sale, Saturday, Oct. 2, 703 W. Ave. J., 9 am - 3 pm. Glassware, clothes, furniture, books and video.

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- Back on Market:** 13 acres, domestic well, mobile home, metal barn, hwy. frontage. Priced for Immediate Sale.
 - Price Reduced:** Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath Home, large living room, utility, built-ins, refrigerated A/C heat, fenced back! Call for more details.
 - New Listing Lazbuddie:** Very nice large 3 bedroom, 2 3/4 bath, brick home, built-ins, refrig. air & central heat, hot tub, patio decking, swimming pool, large garage, nice 40x50 insulated metal shop, sprinkler system are on approx. 7 acres.
 - HAVE BUYERS!! NEED MORE MULESHOE HOME LISTINGS!!**
 - Just Listed:** 320 acres NE of Muleshoe, 2 sprinklers systems, 4-wells, mobile home, priced for immediate sale! Call for details.
 - 168 acres dryland. Priced at \$250 per acre.**
 - New Listing in Country:** very nice, remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath, brick home, refrigerated A/C, central heat, concrete slab poured for add on, 30x50 insulated shop, 2 car garage, all on .7 acres. This house has great potential. Call for more details.
 - New Listing:** Nice 2 bedroom, 1 bath home, wood burning fireplace, central heat, 2 living area or can be a 3 bedroom, 20x35 shop, 12x24 shop, plus alot more all on corner lot.
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RICHLAND HILLS - PARKRIDGE AREA

- NICE LOTS AVAILABLE. CALL FOR DETAILS!!!!
- HIGHLAND AREA
- MAKE OFFER!! 2-1-1 Carport home, cent. A&H, storm shell, MORE!! \$19,5K!! HL-3
- 3-2-1 Carport home, wall furnace heat, evap. air, nice cellar, workshop/storage, fenced yd.!! \$38K!! HL-4

LENAU - COUNTRY CLUB AREA

- VERY NICE 4-3-2 Home (2-story), 4,000 + lv. area, built-ins, 2 fireplaces, 2 lv. areas, study, Cent. A&H, separate bldg. with Cent. A&H & 1/2 bath for studio, office, etc., auto spktr. with well, nicely landscaped & well maintained!! Numerous amenities!! SHOWN BY APPOINTMENT!! \$185,000!! L-3
- 3-1-1 Brick, cent. heat, nice carpet, vinyl, & roof, fenced yd.!! NEEDS REPAIR!! PRICE REDUCTION \$26,000 CC-1

HIGH SCHOOL AREA

- 2-1-1 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, nice carpet & tile, 2 fans, fenced yd.!! MORE!! \$39,500 HS-3
- 4-2-1 carport brick home, corner lot, cent. A&H, metal roof & trim, thermal win. & doors, fenced yd., stor. bldg.!! MORE!! \$52,500!! HS-7
- 3-2-1 Brick, new cent. A&H, built-ins, some remodeling, 1835' lv. area, cov. patio fenced yd.!! \$59K!! HS-6
- 3-1-1 Brick, cent. heat, new paint, carpet, vinyl, & roof, fenced yd.!! \$49,5K!! HS-4
- 3-1-1 carport home, cm lot, cent. A&H, therm win & drs, metal trim. More!! \$47K!! HS-8
- 3-2 Mobile home, cent. heat, win. refrig. air, stove, W/D, corner lot!! \$16K!! HS-1
- 3-2-1 carport Home, corner lot, cent. heat, cent. evap. air, 5 fans, basement, stor. bldg., fenced yd.!! \$43K HS-2

COMMERCIAL

- IRRIGATION SUPPLY - Bldgs., land, equip, inventory!! PRICED TO SELL!!!

RURAL

- 4-3-4 car garage, cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 4190' lv. area, many amenities, nice trees and shrubs, 2 acre tract on Hwy. 70!! \$195,000!! SHOWN BY APPOINTMENT!!
- PARMER CO. -340 ac. tract & 163 ac. tract, good soil, allotments, & yields, lays good, 2 wells & 2 circle spktr. on 340 & 2 wells & 1 circle spktr. on 163!! PRICED TO SELL!!
- 3-1 Home on 3.1 acre tract, heat!! \$35K!!
- PRICE REDUCED - 108 acres or 7 acre tract on Hwy. 70, approx. 2100' off area, 16,900' comm bldg. w/ loading dock, 3,400' warehouse, new well, 2,800' runway!!
- Earth - 2-1-1 Home, cent. heat, stove, DW, fenced yd., cm lot! PRICE REDUCED \$29,440!!
- OFF FARWELL - 4-3-2 Brick Home, 69.6 acre tract, cent. A&H, built-ins, 4560' lv. area, 350' basement w/ vault, 2940' garage/workshop, 2000' loft over garage, 6' well, barns, & corral!! MORE!! \$339K!!

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