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Benton named County Clerk

By Davie Browder
For the Journal
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Bailey County Commissioners voted 4-1 Monday to appoint Paula Benton to fill the unexpired term of County Clerk, effective March 1. That office becomes vacant on that date because last week commissioners appointed County Clerk Sherri Harrison to fill County Judge Marilyn Cox's unexpired term when she retires March 1.

Juan Chavez voted against Benton's appointment. He was also the only "nay" vote against Harrison last week.

Benton was one of three applicants for the position. Commissioners listened to all three and questioned them before taking about 20 minutes in a closed door meeting to discuss the appointment. When the executive session ended and the public was invited back into the meeting, Chavez nominated Elisa Baca for the job, but his motion died for lack of a second. Butch Vandiver nominated Benton, got a second and Benton was

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A 'monumental' occurrence



Record rainfall reinvigorates local lake

Kay Cole's most vivid memory of Monument Lake is water skiing on it in the summer of 1957.

After many arid years, the lake is full to the brim and its owner, Cecil David, plans to open it up on March 1 for water skiing.

Adjacent to Monument Lake on Cole's property is what she refers to as "Daddy's Lake," since it was built by her father, Cecil David, sometime between 1957 and 1965. It too, like Monument Lake, is full of water, held in by a man-made dam.

Both lakes are south and west of Muleshoe off CR 1731, with access to Monument Lake off CR 298.

Monument Lake encompasses 169 acres and is about

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Local Weather

Thurs.
Few Shwrs... 48/33

Fri.
Few Shwrs... 61/39

Sat.
Pt. Cloudy ... 61/35

Sun.
Pt. Cloudy....60/29

Mon.
Pt. Cloudy... 58/32

Tue.
Scat Shwrs .. 54/29

Wed.
Pt. Cloudy... 57/31

Give It A Thought

Tell the negative committee that meets in your head to sit down and be quiet. Courage is the Power to let go of the familiar.

Words to ponder from Beverly

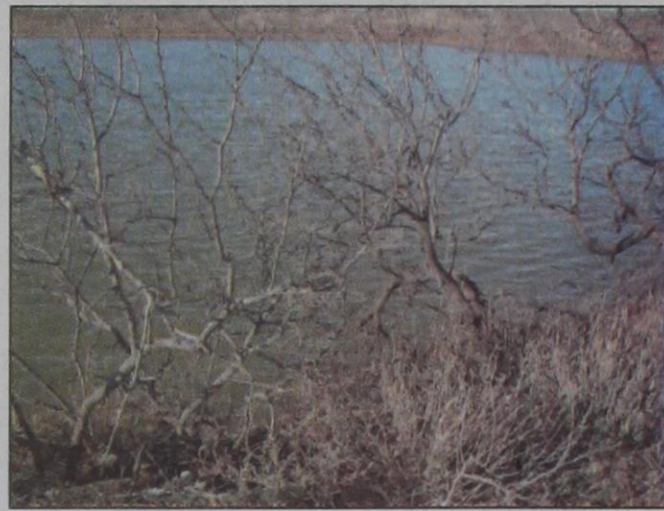
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Photos by Leah Bell

Story by Davie Ann Browder

From directly above, clockwise: One of the winding roads on Kay Cole's side of the lake that winds down toward Monument Lake; Cole stands on the man-made dirt dam that was built to make Daddy's Lake to the west of Monument Lake; a long-short of Monument Lake with the sun glistening off the water; and Daddy's Lake, partially obscured by the bushes that have grown up in the area when the seasons are wet enough to warrant it.



Community advocate, businesswoman gone

Muleshoe lost a community advocate, leader and friend this week as Arline Phelps succumbed to cancer Feb. 14, 2005.

Her life had been a testimony to hard work, enthusiasm and love for her family, friends and the communities where she lived.

She was a home economics graduate from Texas Tech University and taught at Haskell High School prior to her marriage to Bernard Phelps Oct. 26, 1945 in Lubbock.

The Phelps made their home in Haskell until moving to Muleshoe in 1950.



ARLINE PHELPS

Arline and Bernard raised all three of their children in Muleshoe where she was an active advocate for the community.

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Who wants to kill Robin Hood?

(Editor's Note: In Part I of this three-part series, MISD superintendent Gene Sheets explains the sometimes controversial - and often misunderstood "Robin Hood" funding plan used for Texas schools. Next week, Sheets gets into an in-depth discussion of "Robin Hood.")

By Gene Sheets
MISD Superintendent

We've heard for several years that "Robin Hood" is the villain in the school finance system.

People have said that we must get rid of "Robin Hood." Politicians have run on the platform of "Vote for me. I will vote to get rid of Robin Hood." It just sounded like the thing to do—kill Robin Hood. I would agree that the system needs to be fixed, but the "Robin Hood" part of the school finance system is not what's broken. Please allow me to explain.

The "Robin Hood" part of the system is the state's attempt at equalizing the funding between wealthy districts and

poor districts across the state. For years, the wealthy districts had been able to tax their property at very low levels and raise an enormous amount of money to fund their schools as compared to poor school districts. The wealthy districts could provide many more advantages than could the poor school districts. Their children had the advantage of state-of-the-art facilities, higher paid teachers and other employees, and could offer a broader range of curriculum—all because there happened to be higher-valued property in their district. Who wouldn't want to move to a community where the schools could provide everything the community wanted and the taxes were lower than almost anywhere else in the state?

Most people came to realize that this inequity in the school districts across the state was not right. The state was not fulfilling its constitutional obligation to

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BC Extension Office offers diabetes program

Bailey County Extension Office and the Bailey County Diabetes Coalition will sponsor a six-week series of educational programs on diabetes beginning March 15, 2005 called "Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes," which will address feelings of worry about what the disease really is and what it means for those who are afflicted with diabetes, concerns about health problems that might develop and frustrations about lack of information.

In the Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes classes, attendants will get the facts from diabetes experts and professional educators, be allowed to ask often unanswered questions, learn in a supportive, caring environment and take home recipes and references that can be shared with friends and family. Those attending will get the encouragement they need to make positive life changes and learn how to do well and be well with diabetes.

For more information contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension Agent—FCS, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347 or call her office at 806-272-4583.

Pep Homecoming slated

The Pep Ex-Students Association will hold their 44th homecoming on Saturday, Feb. 26, 2005, in the PEP school cafeteria. The Ex-Students Assoc. extends an invitation to all former students, teachers, patrons and friends to attend.

Those attending are asked to bring their yearbooks and photos of bygone days and share in the food and fellowship. All former students are encouraged to host reunions regardless of the year and classrooms will be available for reunions.

Pep High School will be open for tours during the reunion. Registration will start at 3 p.m. with a casual meal and meeting following. Cost is a \$5 donation per person which will benefit the scholarship fund.

One \$500 scholarship, to the college of choice, will be awarded to a 2004 or 2005 high school graduate who plans to attend college in the fall.

If there are five or more nominated seniors, two \$250 scholarships will be awarded. To be eligible, at least one parent must be an ex-student of Pep schools and said

parent and/or senior must attend Homecoming to register for the scholarship.

Old yearbooks wanted

Muleshoe Ex-students or anyone with old yearbooks, including parents who still have their kids' old yearbooks, are invited to contribute them to the Muleshoe Heritage Center. They will be placed in the Depot for people to take a mental stroll down memory lane.

To donate, call the Depot, Monday through Friday, from 1 to 5 p.m. and ask for Delores. The number is (806) 272-5873. So far, yearbooks from 1953, 1954, 1955, 1969 and 1971 have been donated.

Planning continues for MHS ex-students reunion

Continued work and planning are scheduled for the 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 24, at the Senior Citizens Center, 319 S. Main.

Work is needed to complete a few committees and to bring registration addresses up to date. If you are a graduate, parent of a graduate or friends of a MHS graduate between 1975 and 1985, please drop us a line.

We have graduate lists but no current addresses. We need the name, mailing address and year of graduation to complete our registration and invitations to the July 2005 MHS Ex-students Reunion.

Mail addresses to: Muleshoe Ex-students Association, P.O. Box 100, Muleshoe, TX. 79347.

Muleshoe graduates sought

The Ex-Student Association is looking for 1924 - 1985 graduates and former students for an all school reunion to be held on July 2, 2005.

Call 806-272-3233 or send name, address and phone numbers in by March 15, 2005, to Muleshoe Ex-Student Association, P.O. Box 100, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

The next meeting is Feb. 24, at 6:30 p.m. at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center.

Fine Arts Night to Shine

Fine Arts Night will be at 6:30 p.m., March 31, at the High School auditorium. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$1 for students. The choir will perform at 6:30 p.m. There will be a live auction and the band will perform afterward.

Shattered Dreams meetings set

These last two meetings are crucial to the success of our program. Please plan to attend. Feb. 24 and March 1, both days at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Volunteer training

Women's Protective Services of Lubbock is holding free

volunteer training Feb. 22, 24, and 26 at the First Christian Church located at 2306 13th St. Training will be 6 - 9 p.m. on Feb. 22 and 24, and 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Feb. 26. For more information please call Lindsay Olson at (806) 748-5292.

Attention MHS students

Applications for the Kristy M. Landers Memorial Scholarship are available from the MHS counselor. Final day to apply is March 16.

Fire department plans chili supper fund-raiser

Muleshoe Fire Department volunteers have planned an all-you-can-eat chili, beans and cornbread supper to be held at the Earl Ladd Fire Station, East 5th Street and American Blvd., on Saturday, Feb. 26 from 6-9 p.m.

The cost is a \$5 donation to the department. Tickets are available from any firefighter or can be purchased at the door the night of the event.

Muleshoe AA meetings set

Those looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Saturday at 121 W. Ave. C (next door to the Mental Health Mental Retardation [MHMR] near Main Street). For information about these meetings or AA in general, call Bobby F. at 272-8948 or 272-4433.

Judge's scholarship

The Texas Justice Court Judges Association (TJCJA) has created a scholarship in the name of Judge Herman Morrison who passed away unexpectedly. His memory is being honored with this educational subsidy.

He had been a charter member of the organization and served as the regional director of TJCJA. To be eligible for the Judge Herman Morrison Memorial Scholarship, students must be related to a member of the Texas Justice Court Judges Association.

For more information, contact Gayla Gear at Muleshoe High School 272-7304 or call the office of the Justice of the Peace at 272-4300.

Trinity Baptist sets revival, Feb. 20-23

Trinity Baptist Church of Muleshoe will hold a Spiritual Renewal Rally from Feb. 20-23. Rick Ingle will be guest evangelist. Paul and Christy Newberry will be guest singers.

Meeting times are: Sunday, 6 p.m.; Monday, 6 p.m. children and 7 p.m., worship; Tuesday, 6 p.m. youth and 7 p.m. worship; Wednesday, 7 p.m., children choir special.

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provide an equitable education to all the children in the state.

The children from wealthy districts were benefiting from this system, while children from poor districts, like Muleshoe ISD, did not have access to the same kinds of educational advantages.

The Texas Supreme Court ruled back in the early 1990s that all children should receive a quality education, not just the ones from wealthy school districts. All children deserve a quality education, regardless of their zip code. The legislature enacted a new school finance system in response to this court ruling. One part of this new system was the "Robin Hood" system. This required the wealthy schools to send part of their local tax revenue out of their districts. This "recapture" of the tax revenue from wealthy districts was sent to poor districts to make up for the low property values in the poorer districts. That way, all children could receive a quality education regardless of where they lived. This was the state's attempt to put "equity" into the school finance system.

Wealthy school districts began to say that we must do away with "recapture" (or Robin Hood) because they were giving so much money away to the state that they had to lay off employees and cut back on services to students. As a property-poor school superintendent, I believe the property wealthy school districts do need more money due to the increased expectations and demands placed on

schools by the state (more on that later).

What most people don't realize is that even after the state "recaptures" part of the tax revenue from wealthy districts, they still have more money than poor districts. So if the wealthy schools need more money, what does that mean for the poor school districts in the state? After recapture, wealthy districts still have about \$1,000 more per student than poor districts. Consider what would happen if this \$1,000 per student "gap" between the wealthy and poor districts were completely eliminated. A school with 1,500 students would receive over \$1 million more PER YEAR! This is if they just had the same money that wealthy schools get to keep AFTER the state "recaptures" part of their money. Poor schools should receive at least the

same funding as wealthy schools.

Just think what Muleshoe ISD could do with another \$1 million per year for our students? We could fully fund our full-day Pre-Kindergarten program. We could provide the extra help needed for students with limited English ability so they could learn English more quickly and not get behind in their classes. We could raise enough money locally to provide state-of-the-art facilities in which our community could be proud. We could pay salaries that are competitive with larger metropolitan areas so that we could attract and retain employees instead of losing them to these larger areas.

Did you know that 90 percent of the schools in Texas would have less money if "Robin Hood" was killed? Who is it that wants to kill Robin Hood?

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Government-In-Action Youth Tour

Be the successful candidate during "The Youth Tour Interview" and you could win an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., with other winners from across the State of Texas. The trip is June 16-24, 2005. We will select two winners from the area high schools.

Eligibility:
 ★ You must have completed your sophomore year or be a junior or senior and not older than 19 by June 16, 2005.

Contest Rules:
 ★ Participants will be required to appear before an independent panel of judges to discuss the following topics:
 (1) Why should I be chosen as Bailey County Electric Cooperative's delegate to the 2005 Youth Tour;
 (2) What going to my nation's Capital would mean to me;
 (3) What I would most like to gain from the experience;
 (4) What it means to me to have Bailey County Electric Cooperative make this trip available.
 ★ Participants will have 5-7 minutes of interview time.
 ★ Judges will have the opportunity to ask questions (hint: know and understand cooperatives)

Judging:
 Participants will be chosen based on how well they "sell themselves" to the judges by answering the four questions listed above (80 percent) and on their speaking ability, appearance and poise (20 percent).

Contests Date, Time and Location:

Bailey County Electric Cooperative
 305 East Avenue B, Muleshoe
 March 3, 2005
 6:30 P.M.

Questions:
 ★ Questions should be addressed to Rickie Warren at (806) 272-4504 or toll free at (800) 869-7049.
 ★ Entry forms must be received by **February 23, 2005.**

First Baptist, Muleshoe sends help for victims of tsunami

Recently the members of First Baptist Church, Muleshoe, became aware of a pressing need along the east coast of Sri Lanka. In mid-January, Texas Baptists arrived in Sri Lanka with water purifiers in tow expecting to attach these purifiers to the heads of contaminated water wells.

What the Texas Baptist Men discovered was that most of the villages and farm homes along the coast were retrieving water from wells by the use of buckets.

On Feb. 9, the membership of First Baptist Church, Muleshoe voted to purchase two pumps to assist in the effort to clean out the contaminated water from the wells, which would allow fresh water to return.

"This is a small attempt on our part to give that cup of cool water in Jesus' name," said Pastor Stacy Conner. "While it would be difficult for us to travel to Sri Lanka, we can participate in something that we hope genuinely helps others."

Bob Finney, chairman of the church's Finance Committee, said he had seldom seen the committee members more excited about a project than this one.

These small wells were generally 12-feet in depth. They were contaminated not only from sea water pouring in over the sides of the well, but also from tidal pressures below ground. The incoming waves pressed the salt water below ground into these open wells.

In consultation with government officials and geologists, the Texas Baptist Men discovered that if the well site could be pumped clean of the contaminated water, fresh "sweet" water would filter back into the well, allowing local residents access to clean drinking water.

There are literally thousands of contaminated wells along the east coast of Sri Lanka. Recognizing the size of the task, Texas Baptist Men began trying to place portable submersible pumps into the hands of local pastors and churches. These pumps enable local pastors to move from well to well, pumping out the contaminated water and allow fresh water to return.



Thirty-three years of service — After 33 years with Great Plains Ag Credit, formerly Plainview Production Credit Association, Ronda Spies has retired. On Friday, she was honored with a steak dinner and reception at the Bailey County coliseum. Helping Spies mark her retirement were her husband, Ronnie, and children, Kristi, a pharmacist at United in Muleshoe; and Scott, who came from Las Vegas, Nev., where he is head of the nuclear medicine department at Sunrise Mountain View Hospital. Spies said she enjoyed all 33 years of working with the public, especially the relationships she developed with her customers. "It's been a most rewarding job," she said. "In some cases, I've loaned to three generations. With some of my younger customers, I've loaned to their dad and granddad, too. The customers have become my friends and they're a wonderful bunch of people." On Friday, she arrived at her party in the red Corvette her husband had just bought her. Although she's retired, her husband will continue his job at Excel Energy-Tolk Station, but she said she'll still find time to "have fun" without the daily grind of a job. "I told the people at the party that I'm not really retiring, I'm adding five days to my weekend," she said. Above, Spies greets life-long friends who made the drive from out-of-town to be part of her special day.

Bridal Shower



CHRISTIE HEWITT

The home of Judy Wilbanks was the setting of a bridal shower honoring Christie Hewitt, bride-elect of Scott Miller, on Saturday, Jan. 29.

Special guests included

Jan Hewitt, mother of the bride-elect; Pam Miller, mother of the prospective groom; Dorothy St.Clair, grandmother of the groom; Kristine Isaacson and Valinda Miller, sister and sister-in-law of the prospective groom; nieces Lauren Isaacson and Kyndal Miller; and Becky Miller, aunt of the bride-elect.

Other special guests were Mitzi Palmer, Raina Roden, Stephanie Roden and Kami Parish, friends of the bride-elect.

Guests were treated to refreshments of orange juice, sausage balls, breakfast muffins and ham roll-ups.

The hostess' gift included a selection of home decor pieces from the Art Loft and

Trés Chic. Hostesses were Nancy Barrier, Judy Brockman, Vickie Burch, Sandi Chitwood, Jan Crawford, Donna Green, Sammie Hall, Diana Harrison, Coralynn Jarman, Patti Kent, Melba King, Christie Whitt, Judy Wilbanks, Linda Wood and Terri Young.

Christie is the daughter of Bill and Jan Hewitt of Odessa. Scott is the son of Mike and Pam Miller of Lazbuddie.

The couple will be married Saturday, Feb. 12, and will make their home at Lazbuddie.

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Births

SEBASTIAN SERGIO STILES

John and Tommie Stiles announce the birth of their son, Sebastian Sergio Stiles, born Feb. 6, 2005, at 12:33 p.m. in Muleshoe Area Medical Center. He weighed 9-pounds and 7-ounces and was 22-inches long.

Grandparents are the late John and Darlene Stiles of Olton and Tomas and Rosa Rey of Muleshoe.



SEBASTIAN SERGIO STILES

KARA BROOKE SPRADLING

Roddy Spradling and Keri Copley are the parents of a daughter, Kara Brooke Spradling, born Jan. 13, 2005, at 10 p.m. in University Medical Center, Lubbock. She weighed 2.2 lbs. and was 13 and 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Doug Spradling of Waco, Becky Spradling and Jerry and Karen Copley, all of Muleshoe. She is the great-granddaughter of Joe-Dean and Betty Smith of Possum Kingdom, Ray and JoAnn Clark of Muleshoe and W.T. Copley of Farwell. She is the great-great-granddaughter of Lee Kizer of Portales and Ruby Clark of Muleshoe.

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Sports



Norm Brantley

Going for two — Muleshoe's No. 15 Trevor Turnbow shoots against Littlefield while No. 55 Tyler Sheets is ready to rebound if needed.

Mules secure playoff spot

By Delton Wilhite
Sports Writer

The Mules clinched an opportunity for a playoff berth by sinking the Lubbock Cooper Pirates 46-31 on Tuesday night. The Littlefield Wildcats stood between the Mules and at least a tie for the second spot in the playoffs with the Brownfield Cubs.

Littlefield is always a tough opponent for the Mules as the rivalry between the two schools is a long but friendly one. The Mules downed the Wildcats 58-53 on Littlefield's home floor.

The Mules quickly scuttled the Pirates with a 10-5 opening period. Tyler Sheets drained a trey with just over a minute left in the period to put the Mules on top 7-5.

Sheets added a free throw with under a minute remaining and Brady Black put back Sheets miss to widen the scoring gap.

The Mules padded the distance between the two teams by out scoring the Pirates 12-10 in the second frame. The Mules made 6-of-8 from the line in the period and Arsenio Geter established himself as an inside force with two buckets.

Chris Kindle was a perfect 4-for-4 from the line in the final quarter and Trevor Turnbow hit a pair from the line and two buckets as the Mules out scored Cooper 15-9 in the final eight minutes.

"We were a lot more focused than we had been against Brownfield and Leveland," said Brad Henry. "We played a lot better defense tonight, especially in the fourth quarter. We were able to take care of the ball and made free throws. It was a big win for us."

The Mules were 16-of-23 from the line and Turnbow and Sheets had the two 3-pointers.

Geter paced the Mules with 17 points and Turnbow dropped in 11. Sheets added six points; Kory Atwood, Kindle and B. Black chipped four points apiece.

The Mules and Littlefield were hot in the opening period. The Mules race out to an 8-2 lead in the first two minutes, with Turnbow draining a trey from the corner.

Jake Mendez hit his first of five 3's from the top of the key to rally the Wildcats. Littlefield added back-to-back buckets before Atwood hit Geter with the high-low feed. Mendez knocked down his second trey to give the Wildcats a brief one-point lead.

Kindle had three assists in the first four minutes of the contest and then took the ball strong to hole with a drive from the left wing. Myles James pulled down a defensive rebound and hit Kindle with a three-quarter-court pass to give the Mules the lead for good with 1:30 left in the period.

James stole the Wildcat in-bound pass after Kindle's basket and dished to B. Black for an easy deuce. The Mules led 20-19 going into the second quarter.

Sheets stepped in a passing lane and grabbed a Wildcat pass.

Turnbow finished the Mule break with a trey from the corner. Turnbow added his third trey of the night on the Mules, next possession. Turnbow's trey pushed the Mule lead to 26-19.

The Wildcats answered with a 3 but could only make three more points before the inter-

mission. Both teams, offenses cooled in the final four minutes before the half. Turnbow canned an eight-footer and B. Black, Landon Wilson and Trent Black made 4-of-6 from the line to push the Mule lead to 32-25 at the half.

Kindle dropped in a 3 from the corner to crank the Mules in the second half and added a short jumper after a Littlefield bucket. The Mules out score Littlefield 11-7 in the third period to take a 43-32 cushion into the final period.

The Wildcats did not quit and made a final run at the Mules with Mendez knocking down his final two treys. The Mules held on as Littlefield sent them to the line. The Mules were 7-of-13 from the line as Littlefield out scored the Mules 15-19 in the final period.

"It was a big game for us tonight," said Landon Wilson. "We worked extra hard on Wednesday to get ready for this one. The extra running and practiced really helped out. We got on them early and were able to hold them down. We want to take this momentum with us into the playoffs and see how far we can go."

Turnbow led the Mules in scoring with three treys and 19 points. Kindle dropped in 13 points and B. Black added nine.

Geter had six points, Trent Black five, Sheets, Atwood and Wilson each chipped in two points.

"It feels good to be back in the playoffs," said Mule coach Ralph Mason. "We went back-to-back years in 1999 and 2000 but have not been able to get back in since then."

"Coach Kimball did a good job of getting his kids ready to

play tonight and it is always a tough game when these two teams get together. We had a chance to put them away in the second half but they did not allow that to happen.

"I am really proud of these kids and we got quality minutes off the bench tonight. Myles (James) had a big night and this was his kind of game."

The Mules must wait until Tuesday night and see if the Wildcats can knock off the Cubs in Brownfield. A Wildcat win would put the Mules in

second place but a Cub win would leave the Mules and Cubs tied for second.

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Seventh-grade Mules sweep Pirates

By Delton Wilhite
Sports Writer

The seventh grade Mules finished their basketball season with a sweep of the Lubbock Cooper Pirates 32-14. Earlier in the season the Mules had out lasted the Pirates 22-19.

Brett Poynor drained a 15-foot jumper to end the first period. Poynor was fouled on the shot and completed the three-point play to put the Mules on top 5-4.

DJ Atwood pulled the trigger on an in-bound pass to Larry Richardson to get the Mules on the board first in the second frame. Tyler Steinbock picked a Pirates pocket with the Mules in a full-court press. Steinbock beat the defense to the bucket for an easy layup.

Poynor dropped in the last bucket of the half

from just inside the 3-point arc. Cooper only managed one point in the second period and trailed the Mules 11-5 at the half.

The Pirates scored first to open the second half. Poynor got the in-bound pass after the Cooper basket and went coast-to-coast for two. Austin Bamert made a free throw after being fouled shooting.

The Mules continued to pressure the ball and Richardson grabbed a pass intended for a Pirate and flew to the Mule bucket for a layup.

Poynor got a shooter's bounce on his last shot of the period. His shot bounced high off the rim and took one bounce off the top of the glass before falling through. Richardson com-

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Sports

Lady Mules win third district title

By Delton Wilhite
Sports Writer

The Lady Mules won their third district title in as many years with a 47-41 win over the Lady Pirates of Lubbock Cooper in the final regular season game. The win clinched a tie for the district title with the Levelland Loboettes.

The Lady Mules and Levelland played for the top seed in District 2-3A Friday night in Littlefield. The Lady Mules recovered from being down 6-17 at the half to take the game to over time on a clutch shot by Kelsy Friskup.

Levelland was in foul trouble going into the extra period and could not stand up to the intense defensive pressure the Lady Mules applied. The Lady Mules out scored the Loboettes 7-3 to take the win and the top seed in the district 38-34.

The Lady Mules only led for 21 seconds in the opening period against Cooper and did not regain the lead until the 5:21 mark of the fourth quarter. The Lady Pirates led 8-13 at the end of the opening period.

Jamie Carpenter stole an offensive rebound from a Lady Pirate as the second period began and dished to Lindsey Wood for the basket. L. Wood found Friskup running on a break and delivered a half court pass to cut the Cooper lead to 12-13.

The Lady Mules, guns went silent for the next four minutes as Cooper pushed their advantage back to 12-19. Ashley Dickson broke the scoring drought with a pair of free throws with 1:17 left in the half.

The Lady Mules trailed 16-19 to start the third period. The scoring drought deepened in the period and the Lady Mules fell behind 25-30.

Brandi Wood got her offensive game untracked in the final eight minutes and hit a turn around jumper in the lane. L. Wood found B. Wood on the break on the Lady Mules next possession to cut the Cooper lead to 29-30.

Cooper added a free throw before L. Wood and B. Wood teamed up a second time on a fast break to tie the game at 31-31. Kasey Wood dropped in a 3-point cannon ball from the wing that staggered the Pirates ship and gave the Lady Mules only their second lead of the game.

B. Wood picked off a Cooper in-bound pass and Friskup put back an offensive rebound and was fouled. She added the charity toss as the Lady Mules began to take over the game.

The Lady Pirates did not fold and found a way to score and then added a pair from the charity line to hang close. K. Wood hit her second trey of the period on a delayed break. She ran to the corner on the break and waited for the ball to come out.

The Lady Pirates fired one last salvo and cut the Lady Mule lead to 40-39 with 1:50 left in the game.

L. Wood and Friskup made 5-of-6 from the line in the final minute and B. Wood launched a baseball pass to L. Wood as Cooper went to full court pressure. L. Wood's lay up was the final bucket of the game.

"We came into the game with Cooper with the pressure on us," said Jamie Carpenter. "We had to win to force a play-off with Levelland. We struggle early in the game and Cooper had the momentum."

"We seemed to have different people step up each game and tonight it was Ashley Dickson. She provided the spark off the bench for us and tonight she was our hero." "We never doubt that we can pull a game out and so we never pressure up. We believe in each other and know the defense will spark our offense."

B. Wood and L. Wood each had 14 points against the Lady Pirates and Friskup dropped in nine. K. Wood added eight points and Dickson chipped in two.

B. Wood drained a trey from the top of the key before the first period ended against



Scrambling — Muleshoe's No.10 Brandi Wood and 24 Ashley Dickson go after a ball.

Levelland. That was the only bucket the Lady Mules would make in the first half. They only had six points in the half as the Loboettes ran out to a 6-17 lead.

"I believe that only six points in the first half qualifies as a slow start," said Brandi Wood. "It is probably a record low for a Lady Mule team. Once we begin to play together as a team then everything seems to work out for us. There was never a doubt that we could not pull the game out tonight."

"We had worked on our post defense because they had hurt us inside. We knew they liked to stuff every shot and we used that to get them in foul trouble by going right at them."

The Lady Mules had played tough defense in the first half to hold the potent Loboettes to only 17 points but had committed 17 turnovers to give Levelland scoring opportunities.

The Lady Mules cut their turnovers to only seven in the last two periods and over time. They also cranked up their defensive pressure that forced Levelland to turn the ball over in the second half.

The extra heat on defense cut the Loboette cushion to 19-25 to open the final frame of regulation. B. Wood drove the base line and was fouled

before she shot. The foul put B. Wood on the line as the Loboettes had seven team fouls.

B. Wood knocked down both shots from the line with the Levelland student body doing all they could to distract her from the stands behind the basket.

The Lady Mule defensive pressure forced a walk by Levelland. Carpenter found Friskup open down low for a short jumper.

Carpenter and L. Wood trapped Tana Lockett along the base line as the Loboettes in bound the ball after Friskup's basket. Lockett tossed the ball back out of bounds to give the Lady Mules a scoring opportunity.

The Lady Mules were patient on offense and L. Wood cut through the lane with out the ball and lost her defender on a double screen. She popped out on the right wing and sank a trey to give the Lady Mules their first lead since early in the game.

Lockett answered with back-to-back buckets that pushed Levelland back in the lead 26-29 with just under three minutes left. L. Wood took the ball and blew down the floor and was fouled shooting by Chelsea Blackshear. It was Blackshear's fourth foul. L. Wood made one from the line.

Lady Mule coach Shana Simms called time out to give her troops a short rest and discuss strategy. Levelland chose to drain the clock and took over a minute off the clock before Blackshear was called for a walk.

B. Wood put the ball in her left hand and drove the left side of the lane.

She was fouled on the drive and made both free throws to tie the game at 29-29 with 1:06 showing on the clock.

The Loboettes decided to go for the final shot and ran the clock down to five seconds before Kayla Gerstenberger was fouled shooting by Friskup. She made her first shot from the line and the Lady Mules called time-out.

"I did not call time out to try to ice Gerstenberger," Simms said. "I assumed she would make it, I just wanted us all to be on the same page and get off a good shot."

B. Wood triggered the in-bound pass to L. Wood near mid court. L. Wood trotted down the right side of the floor and was looking underneath for Friskup. Friskup was open on the far side of the lane 10 feet from the bucket.

L. Wood delivered a perfect strike and Friskup squared up

District Results

Girls Tuesday
Lady Mules (21-8, 7-1) defeated Lubbock Cooper (10-19, 3-5) 47-41
Levelland (22-7, 7-1) defeated Brownfield (n/a, 0-8) 77-36
Littlefield (8-18, 3-5) Open

Boys
Mules (16-12, 4-3) defeated Lubbock Cooper (10-19, 0-6) 46-31
Levelland (20-10, 7-0) defeated Brownfield (16-12, 3-3) 77-36
Littlefield (11-17, 2-4) Open

Friday Girls
Lady Mules (22-8, 7-1) defeated Levelland (22-8, 7-1) 38-34 seeding game for 1st and 2nd
Littlefield (9-18, 3-5) defeated Lubbock Cooper (10-20, 3-5) 42-36 seeding game for 3rd

Boys
Mules (17-12, 5-3) defeated Littlefield (11-18, 2-5) 58-53
Brownfield (17-12, 4-3) defeated Lubbock Cooper (10-20, 0-7) 72-68
Levelland (20-10, 7-0) Open

District Standings in order of seeding

Girls
Lady Mules (7-1)
Levelland (7-1)
Littlefield (3-5)
Lubbock Cooper (3-5)
Brownfield (0-8)

Boys
Levelland (7-0)
Mules (5-3) (wait for results of Littlefield-Brownfield game for possible playoff with Brownfield for 2nd and 3rd)
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Littlefield (2-5)
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Sports

JV Lady Mules fall to Lubbock Cooper

By Delton Wilhite
Sports Writer

The Lady Mules could not find their rhythm on offense against Lubbock Cooper's zone defense. The Lady Mules dropped their final game of the season 45-27.

Cholov Hernandez got the Lady Mules on the board with her patented left-handed jumper. Monica Posadas used Hernandez, screen to get open for an eight-foot jumper. Cooper knotted the game at 4-4 with a pair from the line.

Gini Sheets stop her drive 10 feet from the basket and dropped in a soft jump shot. The Lady Pirates took the lead with a trey and extended that lead with a 9-1 run in the final three minutes of the period. Shayla Hall made a free throw to interrupt the Cooper run.

The Lady Mules trailed 7-13 going into the second period. Irma Torres and Kyra Kimbrough each blocked a shot as the second period began. Cooper scored before Kimbrough grabbed a defensive rebound and went coast-to-coast.

Kimbrough was hammered on the lay up attempt and made one shot from the line. The Lady Pirates out scored the Lady Mules 3-7 in the period to take a 10-20 cushion into the intermission.

Sheets grabbed an offensive rebound and put it back to round out the scoring in the first half.

Hernandez canned two buckets and Posadas added one as the second half got under way. Irma Torres hit from behind the arc as the Lady Mules held their own in a 9-9 tie with Cooper in the third period.

The Lady Pirates were not to be denied as they out ran the Lady Mules 8-16 in the final quarter. Posadas and Hall had the only buckets for Muleshoe.

Kimbrough dropped in a pair of charity tosses and Posadas and Hall made one each.

Posadas led the Lady Mules in scoring with seven points and Hernandez had six. Sheets and Hall each added four points and Kimbrough and Torres chipped in three apiece.

Torres, Hall and Posadas have been moved to the varsity for the playoffs.

JV Mules split pair of road games

By Delton Wilhite
Sports Writer

The JV Mules finished the season with a split on the road in their final week of the season. The Mules dropped a 41-43 heart breaker to the Lubbock Cooper Pirates on Tuesday. They bounced back on Friday night with a 54-49 over time win over the Wildcats in Littlefield.

The Mules strung together back-to-back 11-6 periods in the first half in Cooper. Brant Hamilton provided much of the offensive punch with eight points in the half. TJ Brantley made 7-of-8 from the charity line and Riley drained a trey.

The Mules led 22-12 going into the third frame. The Pirates cut the Mule lead to 25-22 with a 10-3 run in the first seven minutes of the quarter.

Cade Smith picked off a Pirate pass and drove to the arc, stopped and popped the net for 3.

Dustin Barker added a free throw and Kirby Kimbrough committed larceny and drove the floor. Kimbrough drew the defense and dished to Eddie Alvarado for an eight-foot jumper to beat the buzzer.

The Mules led 31-22 as

the final period began. Brantley put the Mules on the board first and Hamilton dropped in a 15 footer to push the Mule margin to 35-23 in the first three minutes of the quarter.

The Pirates sandwiched a charity toss between two 3-pointers to trim the lead to 35-30. Cory Wallace broke to the bucket on an in-bound play and dropped in the lay up. Eric Washington found Rudy Gonzales running on a break after a Cooper miss.

The Pirates out ran the Mules 11-3 in the final three minutes. Riley stuck back a rebound to keep the Mules close at 41-42 with 3 seconds left.

The Mules fouled on the

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with the basket and hit the jumper before the final buzzer sounded to send the game to over time.

The foul count weighed heavy on the Loboettes in the four-minute over time.

Carpenter had six rebounds in the game and grabbed the ball after a Loboette miss. Carpenter was plowed under and went to the line.

She broke the tie with a free throw and the rest is history. L. Wood and B. Wood trapped Lockett near mid court and tied up the ball. The possession arrow was in favor of Levelland. The Lady Mule defense forced a second turnover as the Loboettes chunked the ball into the backcourt.

Friskup got the ball on the base line and did a double

move to get open for an eight-foot jumper. Friskup took a drop step to get spacing, gave a head fake and got her defender off her feet and then moved around her to put the Lady Mules up by three.

L. Wood pushed the lead to four with a charity toss before the Loboettes drained a deep trey. With a one-point lead the Lady Mules spread the floor and B. Wood was fouled out front. B. Wood made 3-of-4 from the line in the final minute to ice the game.

"How much heart can one team have?" Simms said. "These girls have a heart the size of Texas and proved it tonight. We may not have as much talent on our team as they do, but the best TEAM definitely won tonight.

"I cannot say enough good things about these kids. They could have folded their tent at the half and said 'Let's go play Tuesday.' But they didn't; they

did not want to play Tuesday."

B. Wood scored 13 points in the second half and 16 in the game to set the scoring pace for the Lady Mules. Friskup added eight, Carpenter 6, L. Wood five and K. Wood three.

Stats not normally seen are on the defensive side of the ball. Carpenter had 10 defensive assists in the game, B. Wood five and L. Wood added four. A defensive assist is when a player forces the other team to turn the ball over.

The first place seed gives the Lady Mules a bye in the first round of the state playoffs. They are in the top half of the bracket and will face the winner of the Merkel-Lamesa bi-district game.

Merkel and Lamesa met Tuesday night in Post. The time and place has yet to be determined for the Lady Mules' area game.

Corrections

A story in the Muleshoe Journal printed Jan. 27 mistakenly said John Tucker's Soothing Formula Spray from Three Natives "cures" various ailments (including arthritis). The product actually "helps with the pain," according to Mr. Tucker.

When the story broke, the company Web site (www.threenatives.com) was being worked on and wasn't available for viewing. It is now "up and running" and contains new updated material.

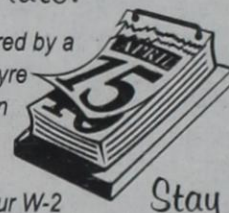


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"Teacher," John the Apostle said to Jesus, "we saw a man driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us" (see Mark 9:38).

The disciples were royally ticked. They were absolutely indignant, and who can blame them? They'd discovered a fellow casting out demons without a license. They'd uncovered a do-gooder doing good without a permit. Now

gion motivates them to be absolutely proud of small-minded divisiveness and who expect an "Attaboy!" from Christ for doggedly clinging to incredibly stunted and spirit-withering views of the folks they barely acknowledge on the other sides of the unholy walls they've built.

But John didn't get a pat on the back. Instead he got a word of correction: "Don't stop him!" Jesus said, and (I'm paraphrasing here), here's why:

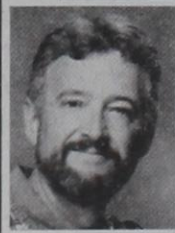
- 1) No one who does good works in my name is likely to say anything bad about me in the next breath.
- 2) Anyone who is not against us is for us, and that's a very good thing!
- 3) And, in fact, anyone who does good to my people will be sure to be rewarded.

"Don't stop him!" Be glad for the good being done.

John learned a lesson that day, and he seems to have learned it well because it is in John's Gospel that Jesus' beautiful prayer, truly "the Lord's Prayer," a prayer that Christ's modern disciples have largely ignored, is recorded. John recalls Jesus' deep desire for his disciples as He prays to the Father, "May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me" (John 17:23).

What is Christ's attitude toward any group of his people outside of our own doing good in his name?

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Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

John was reporting the infraction and evidently looking for an "Attaboy!" from the Lord for putting a stop to this unlicensed demon-removal.

One thing about John: he was absolutely ahead of his time and thoroughly modern. How could he have known that one day Christians would take morbid delight in dividing and subdividing, walling themselves off, separating one group from another behind ponderous walls built of bricks and mortar of hatred and ignorance, walls that largely obscure their view of the good being done by folks on the other side of the particular wall obscuring their own field of vision? With that attitude, John should have become the patron saint of any number of modern folks whose toxic approach to reli-

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mitted larceny and ended the period with a layup to give the Mules a 20-7 margin.

Atwood flew to the ball from the press and picked off a Pirate in-bound pass. He only needed one dribble to lay the ball on the glass to crank the Mules offense in the final period.

Richardson dropped in a shot from the elbow before the Pirates added a pair of free throws. Steinbock and Richardson teamed up on an in-bounds play to add two points for the Mules.

Juan Quezada got into the score book for the Mules with a drive down the base line and hit a running jumper. Quezada drained a 15-foot jumper with 47 seconds on the clock. Bamert rounded out the scoring with a short shot in the lane.

Richardson led the Mules in scoring with 12 points and Poyner added nine.

Quezada had four points, Bamert three and Steinbock and Atwood chipped in two points each.

The seventh grade Mule athletes will open their track and field season soon.

Sports

Freshman Mules plundered by Pirates

By Delton Wilhite
Sports Writer

The freshman Mules dropped a heart breaker to the Lubbock Cooper Pirates in their final game of the season. The Mules held a 10-9 lead after the first period and were tied 14-14 at the half. Cooper out scored the Mules 22-18 in the second half to take the contest 32-36.

Colby Carpenter answered a Pirate Trey with a 3-pointer as the game got under way Monday night. Cooper broke the tie with a deuce and added a trey before Elias Alvarado followed his shot and put it back in the hoop.

The Pirates added a free throw to push their advantage to 5-9 with 1:40 to go in the period. Patrick Precure dropped in a trey from the corner on an in-bounds play and on the Mules next possession Carpenter drove the left side of the lane, crossed under the bucket and made a reverse

layup to give the Mules their first lead of the game. Carpenter opened the second period with a 3-point shot from the top of the key that bounced off the front of the rim, kissed the glass and fell through the net. The Pirates answered with a trey and the Mules only made one-of-four from the charity line as the period wound down.

The Pirates caught the Mules with a pair of charity tosses before the half ended. The game was tied 14-14 at the half.

Cooper opened the second half with a seven point scoring run. Alvarado finally broke the drought for the Mules with a free throw and Carpenter added a charity toss.

Dusty Clayton slashed to the basket with out the ball and Carpenter delivered him the goods. Clayton went up strong on the lay up and was fouled. He added the free throw to complete the three-point

play and cut the Pirate lead to 19-21.

Cooper added two buckets before the period ended. Carpenter made one of two free throws and Precure knocked down a deuce to keep the Pirate lead at 22-25.

Carpenter cut the Pirate cushion to 24-26 with a short jumper in the lane. Alvarado knotted the score at 26 with a drive down the base line.

Cooper broke the tie with a free throw and Mules retook the lead when Alvarado drove the base line and dished to Carpenter in the lane. Carpenter would push the Mule lead to 29-27 with a free throw with just over three minutes left in the game. The Pirates quickly over took the Mules with a bucket and a charity toss.

The two teams traded a pair of free throws to swap the lead back and forth.

Adam Zamora made a free throw in the final seconds but the Pirates hung

on for the win. The Mules will move their emphasis to the track and field area for their spring competition.

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Eighth-grade mules overwhelm Pirates

By Delton Wilhite
Sports Writer

The eighth grade Mules wrapped up their basketball season by swabbing the deck with the Lubbock Cooper Pirates 49-20.

The Mules quickly jumped in front of the floundering Pirates 7-0. Brian Poynor got the melee started by picking off a Cooper pass and pushed the ball down the floor to Victor Vasquez running on the break.

Vasquez was fouled on the shot and completed the three-point play. Vasquez then grabbed a long Pirate carom and found Ray Ramirez down court on the fast break.

Poynor finished the seven-point run with a pair of charity tosses after being fouled on a put-back attempt. Cooper got on the board with a trey at the 2:36 mark of the first period.

Wes Wood drove down the center of the deck for a lay up to end the period with the Mules on top 9-5.

Nathaniel Chavez was fouled trying to complete a break to open the second frame. Chavez dropped in one of his free throws. On the Mules next possession, Poynor drained a mast high 3 from the corner.

Vasquez drove to the bucket and drew the defense and dished the ball in the lane to Dillon Gallman for a short jumper. Chavez got the assist when he drove the base line and passed off to Gallman for an easy deuce.

Wood ended the half with a pair from the charity line to push the Mule lead to 24-8.

The Mules picked up in the third period right where they left off at the half. Vasquez scored five fast-break buckets in the period. Wood launched a half court pass to Gallman running on a break.

Poynor hit his second tall trey of the game and added a put back. The Mules had set fire to the Pirates poop deck with a 17-7 third period and led 41-15 going into the final quarter.

Wood took over the scoring for the Mules in the final period with a charity toss, a deuce and 3-pointer from the top of the key. The Mules out scored the Pirates 8-5 in the final frame.

Vasquez set the scoring pace for the Mules with 17 points and Wood added 12.

Poynor dropped in 10 points, Gallman six; Ramirez four and Chavez chipped in one.

The Mules now move into the track and field season.

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Cooper in-bound pass. The Pirate dropped in the first free throw but a lane violation prevented the second attempt. Riley completed a long pass to Hamilton and Hamilton's shot bounced on the rim and fell off the side of hoop.

Hamilton led the Mules in scoring with 12 points and Brantley dropped in seven. Gonzales and Riley added five each and Wallace had four. Smith made three points, Alvarado and Washington had two each and Barker chipped in one.

The Mules shook off the defeat by Cooper and rallied in Littlefield. The Mules owned an 11-10 advantage at the intermission of the low scoring game.

The Mules hit three treys in the third period and out scored Littlefield 19-14 to take a 30-24 lead into the final quarter.

Kimbrough saw Wallace open on the wing and hit him with the pass to begin the final eight minutes. Wallace drained the trey. A Wildcat turnover gave Gonzales an open shot from the elbow.

Gonzales added a charity toss to push the Mule lead to 36-24 with less than six minutes to play.

Littlefield went on 13-point scoring run to take the lead 36-37 with just over two minutes left. Brantley scored inside the lane to put the Mules back on top. The Wild-

cats made a charity toss with 8 seconds on the clock to knot the game at 38-38.

The Mules could not break the tie before time expired.

Hamilton was mugged on a defensive rebound and made both shots from the line to begin the four-minute overtime period. Littlefield answered with a bucket and took the lead with a deuce.

Wallace drove the base line and drew in the defense. He found Smith open in corner and Smith dropped in the trey to give the Mules a one-point advantage. Hamilton grabbed an offensive rebound and put the ball back on the glass to give the Mules some breathing room.

Littlefield stayed close with a bucket and the foul-fest was on in the final one and half minutes. Hamilton was 4-for-4 from the line, Riley made two charity tosses and Barker made a pair to open a 54-46 Mule lead.

The Wildcats hit a desperation 3 with eight seconds left but was out of time outs to stop the clock and set their defense.

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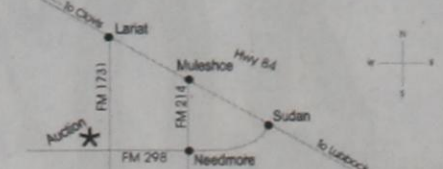
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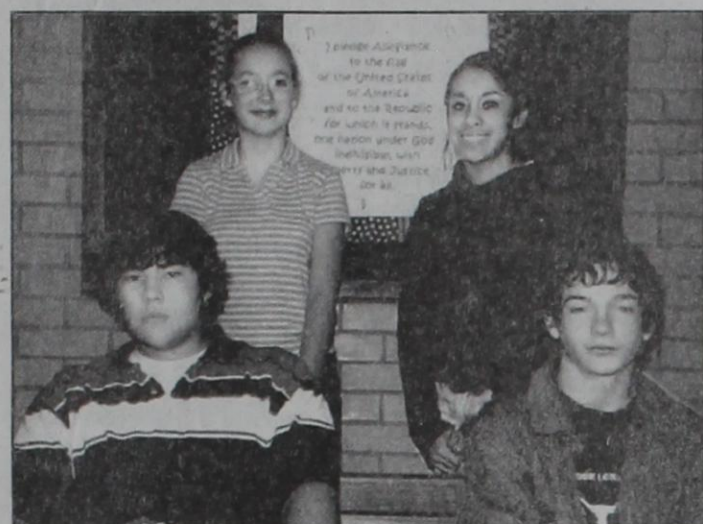
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Lazbuddie names Students of the Month for December



Back row: Lacy Russell and Ana Hernandez. Front: Joaquin Campos and Trevor Coker.

High School: Joaquin Campos is the 15-year-old son of Mike Jonas and Taffy. He has not made a decision where he will attend college. Dogs creep him out. He doesn't know why he was chosen as student of the month, but his teachers say he is polite and does what he is asked to do. Ana Hernandez is the 18-year-old daughter of Ramon and Carmela Hernandez. She likes Ashley Simpson and snickers. She will be attending South Plains College and majoring in respiratory therapy. Guy's feet creep her out. She was chosen as student of the month because she is awesome. Her teachers agree.

Junior High: Trevor Coker is the 14-year-old son of Donnie and April Coker. He likes Lil John and Snickers. Trevor wants to attend West Texas A&M University. Having to think too hard creeps him out. He was chosen by his teachers as student of the month because he is willing to do what his teachers ask him to do.

Lacy Russell is the 12-year-old daughter of Clint and Holly Russell. She likes Shania Twain and Caramel. She has not decided where she will attend college, but she would like to go into nursing. Anything scary creeps her out. She doesn't know why she was chosen as student of the month, but her teachers say she works hard.



Elementary: Elementary students pictured from left to right: Front row, Tatum Hood, Wyatt Jones, Micah Vera, Haldon Ivy. Back row, Ashton Mason, Cutter Clover, Shea Scott, Colten Ingram, Jordan Mason. Prekindergarten: Tatum Hood, daughter of Teresa Hood and Jose Marquez. Kindergarten: Wyatt Jones, son of Jeromie and Robin Jones. First grade: Micah Vera, daughter of Oracio and Teresa Vera. Second grade: Haldon Ivy, son of Lance and Shelly Ivy. Third grade: Cutter Glover, son of Brian and Shanna Glover; and Ashton Mason, daughter of Shane and LaShea Mason. Fourth grade: Shea Scott, daughter of Lee and Carolyn Scott; and Colten Ingram, son of Buster Ingram and Sherli Decker. Fifth grade: Jordan Mason, daughter of Sheldon and Debbie Mason.

Nursing Home News

Clifton Finley's son, Neil Finley, visited him Tuesday and took him out for lunch.

Tuesday morning Bro. Gary and Judy Hubbard from the United Methodist Church in Earth directed a memorial service for Vivian Morris. Bro. Bennie Wright, Rose Sain, Johnnie Park and Jim and Frankie Carpenter attended and participated in the service.

Beverly Wagner, Pat Clark, Dolores Garrett, Jan Crawford and Mary Jo Burge volunteered their time and talent in the volunteer beauty shop on Tuesday afternoon. Beverly treated the volunteers and residents to her home-baked chocolate chip cake. Angie Babcock gave manicures.

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

The Followers Sunday school class of First Baptist Church gave a devotion to Park View this week.

Thursday morning Anita Johnson assisted the residents in making Valentine boxes and necklaces in craft class.

Coaches Wood, Wright and Lassiter and a group of athletes from Muleshoe High School visited Park View Thursday afternoon, for the Super Bowl. The Mules are "super" athletes as well as "super" individuals. The Mules were served hot dogs with all the trimmings, prepared by the dietary department and brownies-baked by the residents in cooking class.

Friday afternoon Harold and Avis Carpenter came to visit and entertain the residents.

Saturday Buster Kittrell came and volunteered his time and talent and gave the men haircuts.

Sunday morning, the Muleshoe Church of Christ directed a communion service.

Buster Kittrell and Harold Burge taught the bible study/Sunday morning.

Elton Bass and Darene Callis came Sunday after lunch and filled our "home" with bluegrass music and singing.

Later in the afternoon, Bro. and Mrs. Monty Leavell, and Sally Messenger and Joan Lewis from the United Methodist Church of Muleshoe directed church services and communion service.

Gerald and Lula Maye Shanks visited J.C. Shanks after attending church Sunday.

Hattie Heathington had a visit from A.W. and Margaret Heathington on Sunday following church services.

James Brown and Earl Behrends visited the residents early afternoon Sunday.

Gladys Wilson and Cathy were visited by James and Dianne Brown, and Pat and Stanley Wilson Sunday afternoon.

Wilma Hughes attended church services with her daughter, Peggy Burnett, at 16th and D Church of Christ Sunday.

Wednesday following coffee time, Loyce Killingsworth, Buster Kittrell and David Hardin directed the "Singspiration"/devotional time.

Gladys Jennings and her puppets entertained the residents at the sing-along Wednesday afternoon.

Jo Ellen Cowart and Anna B. Lane visited Park View Wednesday and participated in the "Singspiration"/devotional time.

Peggy Dent spent the day visiting the residents Tuesday.

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The citation read: "For superior performance while serving as OE Division Leading Petty Officer in USS Pearl Harbor from October 2004 to December 2004. Petty Officer Curtis consistently performed her duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner. She coordinated and completed highly complex upgrades to vital electronic equipment during a pier-side maintenance availability.

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cent, which contributed to the upgrade of assessment to a certification.

"Curtis singularly developed and checked 16 new electronic systems casualty control drills. These drills are used to train four underway watch teams and improved operator proficiency in combat scenarios. Her tireless efforts culminated in her selection as "Sailor of the Quarter" for the fourth calendar quarter of 2004.

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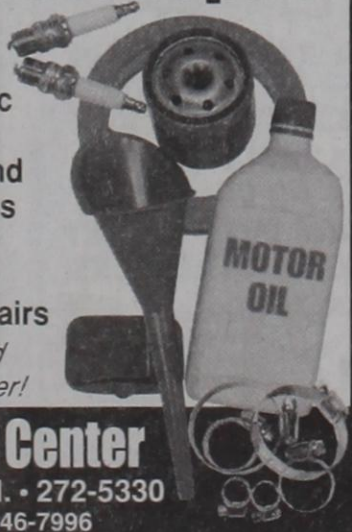
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Purdy travels to Austin for workshop

MISD trustee Cindy Purdy was in Austin on Feb. 9 to learn first-hand what lawmakers are doing in the Texas Legislature that will have an impact on public schools. She attended the Capitol Conference sponsored by the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB).

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and Senator Todd Staples, who chairs the Senate Transportation and Homeland Security Committee, discussed school funding and other important legislative concerns related to public schools. Also invited were Sen. Flores Shapiro, Senate Education Committee chair; Reps. Kent Grusendorf - House Public Education Committee chair and Jim Keffer - House Ways and Means Committee chair.

While school finance dominated the conference, other issues discussed included trustee and administrator personal financial disclosure, school personnel, vouchers and school choice, special education and student matters.

After the conference, attendees went to the Capitol to visit legislators.

Hospital Report

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reports the following patients:

Feb. 3 - Marquita Adamson, Lela Allison, Anita Alonzo, Calvin Embry, Carroll Hunton and Frances Purdy.

Feb. 4 - Marquita Adamson, Lela Allison, Gerardo Carrillo, Calvin Embry, Carroll Hunton, Frances Purdy and Rickie Seaton.

Feb. 5 - No report available.

Feb. 6 - No report available.

Feb. 7 - Lela Allison, Liana Eccles, Calvin Embry, Frances Purdy, Ruby Riley, Sabastian Stiles, Tommie Stiles and Lillian Street.

Feb. 8 - Lela Allison, Brady Byrd, Kaylee Eccles, Liana Eccles, Calvin Embry, Jose Estrada, Drusilla Faudoa, Frances Purdy, Ruby Riley, Sabastian Stiles and Tommie Stiles.

Feb. 9 - Gregoria Arredondo, Janice Burks, Brady Byrd, Kaylea Eccles, Liana Eccles, Calvin Embry, Jose Estrada, Frances Purdy and Ruby Riley.

Feb. 10 - Gregoria Arredondo, Janice Burks, Brady Byrd, Kaylea Eccles, Liana Eccles, Calvin Embry, Jose Estrada, Elaine Herring, Esmeralda Romley and Adysan Toscano.

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WJHS names Students of the Week



Tops this week — The Watson Junior High School "Students of the Week" for the week of Feb. 14 have been announced. They are: front row, l-r: Eddie Herrera, Sarah Johnson, Bradley Lennon; back row, l-r: Mindy Hamilton, Gabriela Perez, Jordan Faires.

Senior Citizen News

The Oneita Wagon Senior Center hosted the Tuesday evening Senior dance on Feb. 8, with 77 Seniors in attendance. Numerous surrounding towns were represented. Many were seen on the floor for "Put Your Little Foot" and polkas as well as waltzes and two-steps. All also enjoyed the array of food, visiting with old friends and just listening to the great music. Hostesses were Ladene Spears and Peggy Bates.

Daryle Stephens of Clovis was the DJ for the evening. A get-well card was signed for his wife, Bobbie, as she was unable to attend. Daryle and Bobbie will be DJs for the next dance. Mary Nell Bleeker will be the next hostess.

The Senior dance will be held at 7 p.m. and continue until 10 p.m. every Tuesday evening at the Oneita Wagon Senior Center on South Main Street in Muleshoe. Bring a covered dish of food. Admission is \$4 per person.

The Foot Care Program scheduled for Feb. 28 has been moved to March 9. Kathy Payne, LVN of Calvert Home

Health Care, Inc. and four assistants will present the program and assess foot care needs.

The Men's Bridge Club has moved to Monday nights. Many are coming each morning for walking. New faces are seen at our "gym" and especially on the exercise bikes.

Several have had knee replacements and this form of exercise therapy is being recommended. Some like the treadmills.

One lady who comes to the 10 a.m. "Walk Away the Pounds" exercise video said that she had reduced her blood pressure from 240 to 130 and her doctor was very pleased and recommended that she continue with the exercises.

Tuesday games begin at 9 a.m. and attendance is good. Our hostesses bring great snacks for game morning. We now average 70 for our noon meals, which is in addition to the 46 or so meals which go out on "Meals on Wheels."

Seniors are beginning to stay after lunch and enjoy "42" and its variations, as well as playing pool, computer games,

puzzles and the library.

Some enjoy relaxing in recliners before the T.V. (and a few take a nap occasionally.)

The menu for next week is: Suggested donation is \$3 for Seniors, \$5 for guests.)

Monday, Feb. 21: Chicken fried steak, white gravy, peas and carrots, corn, wheat roll, pineapple

Tuesday, Feb. 22: Brisket, au gratin potatoes, fried okra or squash, pickles, wheat roll and apricot cobbler

Wednesday, Feb. 23: Turkey, cornbread dressing, cranberry sauce, green beans, tossed salad with 1000 Island dressing, hot roll, apple cobbler

Thursday, Feb. 24: Taco salad, picante sauce, pinto beans, tortilla chips, apricots

Friday, Feb. 25: Pork chops, baby limas, Harvard beets, tossed salad with ranch dressing, hot roll, pumpkin pie

Senior Citizens are considered to be 60 and above and the Center was created just for you. Visitors are always welcome at the Center and we hope you will bring a friend, make new friends, enjoy yourselves and come back often.

Honors

Two from Sudan honored by military

Major Robbie Kent and Major John Harlan were recently honored at the Annual Awards Ceremony at Kadena Air Force Base, Okinawa, Japan. Kent received Flight Surgeon of the Year Award and Harlan received the Assistant Director of Operations of the year Award.

Both of these Air Force Officers are graduates of Sudan High School, Kent graduated in 1983 and Harlan graduated in 1987, and are both stationed with the Air Force in Okinawa.

Kent is the son of Tim and Pat Kent of Maryland, formerly of Sudan.

His uncle and aunt, Joe and Lucy Kent still live in Sudan. Harlan is the son of Nolan Harlan (deceased) and Betty Harlan of Sudan.

His wife, Tearsa and their three children are also in Okinawa.

His sister Ann Nixon, formerly of Sudan, now lives in El Paso.

The two ran into each other a couple of years ago when Harlan went in for his flight physical and saw Kent going down the hall in the hospital. Since that time they have kept in touch with one another, and now they have more in common than before and wanted to let their friends back home know about their honor.

They appreciate the support of their friends and family and send their greetings.



Major Robbie Kent, left, and Major John Harlan display their awards.

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Obituaries

FLOSSIE EDWARDS

Services for Flossie "Sue" Edwards, 69, of Sudan were held Saturday, Feb. 12, 2005, at First Baptist Church of Sudan with the Rev. Robert Roecker officiating. Burial was in Sudan Cemetery.

Mrs. Edwards died Feb. 10, 2005, in the Lamb County Healthcare Center in Littlefield. She was born July 27, 1935, in Levelland. She married Bobby Edwards in Clovis on Nov. 18, 1954.

She had lived in the Sudan area for the past 47 years and was a member of First Baptist Church in Sudan. She attended Littlefield schools. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Bobby Edwards, of Sudan; a son, Pete Edwards of Sudan; two daughters, Debra Lopez of Sudan and Linda Jackson of Llano; one sister, Eloise Ward of Tyler; one brother, James Bolton of Tyler; and five grandchildren, Brandon Anderson, Anthony and Stacy Lopez, and Johnathan and Nicholas Edwards.

The family suggests memorials to Sudan EMS, P.O. Box 491, Sudan, TX. 79371, or to the Sudan Scholarship Fund.

JAMES B. 'SUGAR' GLAZE

Services James B. "Sugar" Glaze, 78, of Muleshoe, were Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2005, at First Baptist Church, Muleshoe with Dr. Stacy Conner of Muleshoe officiating. Burial was at Muleshoe Memorial Park

Cemetery, Muleshoe.

Mr. Glaze died Feb. 12, 2005, in Lubbock. He was born Jan. 8, 1927, in Muleshoe. He married Betty Tarter in Lazbuddie on April 13, 1949.

Mr. Glaze was preceded in death by his parents, Ross M. and Ida Glaze; one brother, Ross M. Glaze Jr.; and a sister, Ida Lou White.

He was a member of First Baptist Church, Muleshoe, where he was a lifelong resident. He was also a member of the Jaycees, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, New Mexico Cattle Growers, Independent Cattleman's Association and Elk's Lodge No. 1348 in Lubbock. He was a director for the Federal Land Bank and the First Bank of Muleshoe. He also served in the Merchant Marines and in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a farmer, rancher and insurance/real estate agent.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Glaze of Muleshoe; a son and daughter-in-law, James Benton Jr. and Susan Glaze of Twin Falls, Idaho; daughters and sons-in-law Harriet and Eddie Bynum of Lubbock and Sonnie and Sam Feagley of College Station; a sister, Hester Branham of Amarillo; and six grandchildren, Sylvia Zuber, Michelle Jedlicka, Alicia Feagley, Hanna, Rachael and Victoria Glaze.



GLAZE

Community/Phelps from front page

Mrs. Phelps served as a Brownie and Girl Scout leader, PTA president and was a bridge player/teacher, charter member of the Area Hospital Auxiliary and was a member of the Muleshoe Country Club.

As a member of the First United Methodist Church, she served as Sunday school teacher and was active on many church committees. In recent years, she served as Lay Shepherd.

In the 1960s, Mrs. Phelps and three of her artist friends opened the Muleshoe Art Loft to serve as an outlet for their artwork. The business grew into and became a well-known antiques, art and gift store for people from all over the United States.

As a renowned and respected area artist, her paintings are hung throughout Texas and beyond.

Mrs. Phelps also served on the Muleshoe Area Hospital District Board for the past six years, acting as secretary and being instrumental in the development and decorating of Park View Nursing Home in Muleshoe.

A memorial service for Arline Phelps, 80, was held Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2005, at the First United Methodist Church in Muleshoe with Rev. Monty Leavell officiating. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery at a private graveside service.

Mrs. Phelps was born Aug. 8, 1924 in Ralls. She married Bernard Phelps Oct. 26, 1945 in Lubbock.

She was preceded in death by a brother, two sisters and a granddaughter.

She is survived by her husband of Muleshoe; a son, Matt Phelps and his wife Carol of Austin; two

daughters, Ann Campbell and her husband Jay and Rebecca Srygley, all of Waco; a sister, Christine Keeney of Lubbock; five grandchildren, Catherine and Peter Campbell, Tyler Srygley, and Ches and Christina Phelps.

The family suggests memorials to Park View Nursing Home, 1100 W. Ave. J, Muleshoe, Texas 79347, to Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 S. 1st St., Muleshoe, Texas 79347 or to one's favorite charity.

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MHS team dominates District C-X Debate

The Muleshoe High School C-X Debate team obliterated their competition at the District 2-3A C-X Debate meet in Brownfield last Thursday, Feb. 3. Ashley Beggs and Jessica Hall placed first, Franklin Piland and Cami Jo Vandiver placed second, and Harley Davidis and Courtney Mardis placed third. Their debate coach is Marsha Wiseman.



The winners — The MHS Cross-Examination Debate team swept the top three spots in district competition at Brownfield Feb. 3. Clockwise from left: Harley Davidson and Courtney Mardis, third place; Franklin Piland and Cami Jo Vandiver, second place; Jessica Hall and Ashley Beggs, first place.

The rest of the district UIL academic events will take place April 1-2 here at MHS.

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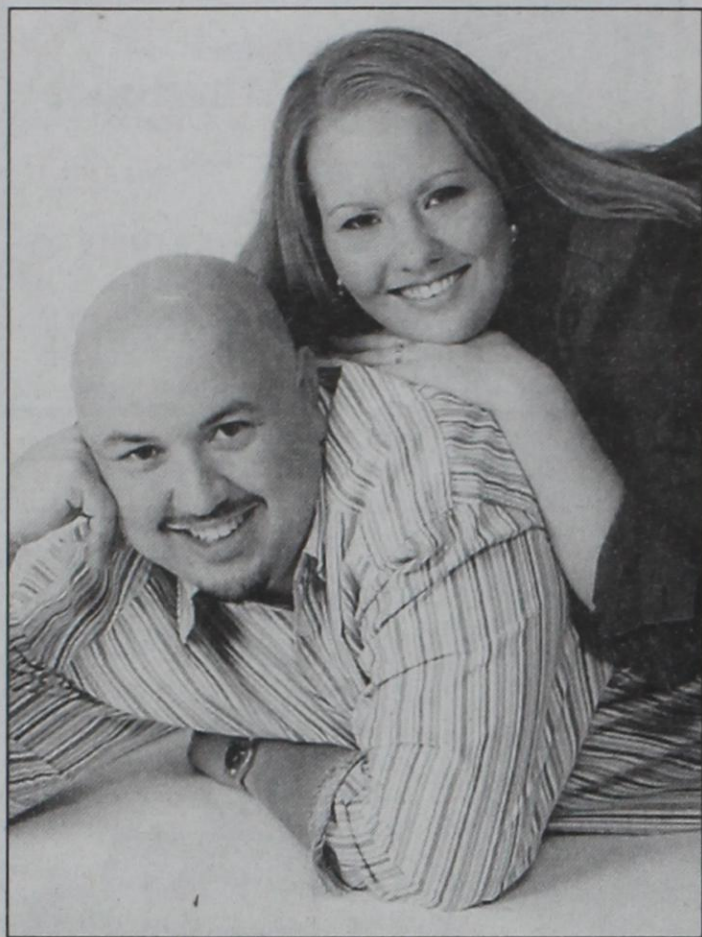
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Engagement



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Kara Rachelle Heinrich of Muleshoe, daughter of Cliff and Kelly Heinrich of Muleshoe and granddaughter of Bob and Paula Foley of Maple, will wed Michael Ray Jeffers Jr. of Maple, son of Ray and Tomi Jeffers of Forney, at 6:00 p.m. on May 7, 2005, at the First Baptist Church in Muleshoe.

The bride-to-be is a 2002 graduate of Three Way High School and is attending the South Plains College School of Nursing.

The prospective groom is a 1996 graduate of Forney High School and is the director of technology for the Morton Independent School District.

All friends and family are invited to the ceremony and reception to be held in the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall following the ceremony.

Health

Dr. Smith to serve as "Family Physician of the Day" during 79th Legislative session

Thomas E. Smith, MD, of Muleshoe volunteered to serve as the "Family Physician of the Day" for the Texas Legislature on Feb. 28, 2005. Dr. Smith is a member of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians (TAFP), which coordinates and directs the program. This year marks the 34th anniversary of the program, which has provided a volunteer family physician for every Texas Legislature since 1971. More than 2,500 family physicians have traveled to Austin to serve the Legislature since the program's inception.

The program is coordinated and organized by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians an co-

sponsored by the Travis County Medical Society, Texas Medical Association, Texas Osteopathic Medical Association and Texas State Department of Health Services.

Family physicians participating in the program volunteer time away from their practice to staff the Capitol First Aid Station. A volunteer member from TAFP is scheduled to serve in the Capitol First Aid Station each day of the 79th Legislature.

As the "Family Physician of the Day," Dr. Smith will be available to treat emergencies in the Capitol building or on the grounds. The primary concern, however, for the "Family Physician of the Day" is the

care and well-being of the Texas Legislators and their staff. Dr. Smith will be introduced in the House and the Senate by legislators and his name will be recorded as part of the official legislative record.

Family physicians like Dr. Smith are qualified to work in all major medical areas and trained to treat more than 90 percent of all cases they encounter. Family physicians care for family members of all ages.

TAFP is the largest medical society in Texas with more than 5,500 members. The Academy works to preserve and promote quality, cost-effective health care and to ensure an optimum supply of well-trained family physicians.

Cox to be honored with retirement reception



Cox

Friends, colleagues and family of former County Judge Marilyn Cox are invited to a retirement reception planned for Friday, Feb. 25, 2005, from 1:30-4:00 p.m. in the Bailey County Courthouse.

Cox, who served over 14 years as the county judge, retired last week leaving the position open for Sherri Harrison who won the Commissioners' Court vote by a 4-to-1 margin.

Commentary

Trees, landscapes have monetary value so insure them

By Sonia Abney
Marketing Coordinator
International Society of Arboriculture (ISA)

How much are your trees worth? Most likely more than you think. Homeowners invest a lot of time, care, and money into landscaping their property, expecting beauty and shade in return. But the unexpected "return" on that investment is that trees have monetary value as well.

When you stop to consider that landscaping can be worth up to 20 percent of your home's total property value, you'll understand why it's worthwhile to protect the investment you've made in your greenery.

According to the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA), a tree's value is based on four factors: tree size, tree type, tree condition, and overall tree location based on its functional and aesthetic purposes. A professional tree and landscape appraiser can determine where your trees or plants fall under these categories.

While it's impossible to prevent storms, accidents, and air pollution from causing damage to your trees and plants, it is possible to recapture your landscape losses through an insurance claim, or as a deduction from federal income taxes, advises ISA.

If your trees and landscape are damaged, ISA recommends that you:

- Contact your homeowner's insurance company.
- Have the insurance company send a professional tree and landscaping appraiser out to your property immediately after the damage has occurred.
- Have the appraiser determine your financial loss, including the cost of removal and repair.
- Contact a local ISA Certified Arborist if repair or replacement is needed.

Just as you would with any other valuable asset, document your investment in landscaping to help establish its worth. ISA suggests taking pictures of trees and plants while they are healthy to make insurance processing simpler with "before and after" examples.

The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA), headquartered in Champaign, Ill., is a nonprofit organization supporting tree care research around the world.

As part of ISA's dedication to the care and preservation of shade and ornamental trees, it offers the only internationally-recognized certification program in the industry. For more information, contact a local ISA Certified Arborist or visit www.treesaregood.com < h t t p : / / www.treesaregood.com / >.

High school art students find success at Wayland



Winners, every one — Wayland Baptist University Scholastic Arts Competition winners are: back row, l-r, Tyler Wood, Andrew Padilla, Jessica Hall and Alyssa Lopez; front row, l-r, Jordan Bonds and Madison Smith. Not pictured is Tyler Davis, who won the gold key.

High school art teacher Hellen Adrian announces the following winning students and their winning pieces:

Honorable Mention — Alyssa Lopez- "Me and Thee;" Madison Smith- "Wild Side;" Jordan Bonds- "Flip Side;" and Tyler Wood- "True Reflections."

Silver Key Awards — Andrew Padilla- "Family Ties;" and Jessica Hall - "Fairies."

Gold Key Award — Tyler Davis- "Self- Portrait."

Health

Controlling risk factors key to avoiding cardiovascular disease

By Patti J. Patterson, M.D.

Although cardiovascular disease is often believed to primarily affect men and older people, it is also a major killer of women and people in the prime of life.

February is American Heart Month, and this year the American Heart Association hopes to bring more awareness to the fact that cardiovascular disease is the No. 1 killer of American women. In fact, in 2001, more women than men died of cardiovascular disease in Texas, according to the Texas Department of Health. And sudden cardiac death in women ages 35 to 44 has increased more than 20 percent in the last decade.

Cardiovascular disease refers to a group of diseases including heart disease, stroke and congestive heart failure. Heart attack and stroke are caused in part by narrowed or blocked arteries resulting in decreased blood supply to the heart and brain. Several factors increase the risk of heart disease and stroke. Some are changeable, and others, including age, heredity and gender, are not.

Some of the changeable risk factors for heart disease and stroke include high blood cholesterol, high blood pressure, cigarette smoking, physical inactivity, obesity or being overweight and diabetes.

It is imperative to know the warning signs of a heart attack or stroke. Signs of heart attack include: chest discomfort, discomfort in other areas of upper body, such as one or both arms, neck, back or stomach, shortness of breath, cold sweat, nau-

sea or lightheadedness.

Signs of stroke may include: Numbness/weakness of face, arm or leg, especially if it's on one side of the body, confusion, trouble speaking or understanding, trouble seeing in one or both eyes, trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination severe headache with no known cause.

More than 260,000 women each year die from sudden cardiac arrest. Heart attack, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases claim the lives of more than half a million women each year - about a death a minute, according to the American Heart Association. That's more lives than the next seven causes of death combined, and nearly twice as many as all forms of cancer, including breast cancer.

Patti J. Patterson, M.D., is V-president of rural and community health at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

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Agricultural News



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A cowboy's life — On Friday, February 4, the Pre-Kindergarten classes at Dillman Elementary enjoyed a rodeo on their school grounds. They participated in barrel racing, roping and many other events. They were visited by Deon Gallman from Lazbuddie. Mr. Gallman showed his saddle and discussed various gear and clothing a working cowboy uses. The Pre-Kindergarten classes at Dillman Elementary are taught by Mrs. Gloria Agundiz, Mrs. Lynn Cain, Mrs. Desirae Gallman, Mrs. Kathleen Hamilton and Mrs. Gaylene Whitworth.

Friskup named Rodeo Association Wrangler All-Star Team co-captain

DENVER — The National High School Rodeo Association (NHSRA), the oldest and largest youth rodeo organization in North America, has named Kelsy Friskup, a senior at Muleshoe High School as a co-captain of the prestigious Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team.

Friskup was selected to the team by a vote of her fellow Wrangler All-Star team members. She is the daughter of Steve and Robin Friskup of Muleshoe.

The NHSRA and Wrangler created the Wrangler High School All-Star Team in 1998 to recognize over 1,200 high school student athletes across the United States, Canada and Australia for their leadership qualities, academic performance and athletic achievements. The Wrangler High school All-Star Team is fashioned after the prestigious



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Wrangler Champion Pro Rodeo Team, which includes rodeo superstars like Ty Murray, Joe Beaver, Charmayne James, Dan Mortensen, Speed Williams, and hall-of-famer Jim Shoulders.

"We are extremely proud to have this fine group of young athletes lead the Wrangler High School rodeo team," said Karl Stressman, Wrangler special events manager. "Their impressive accomplishments will no doubt serve them well as representativeness of the sport of rodeo in the coming year."

The National High School Rodeo Association is the world's largest rodeo organization with over 10,000 members in 39 states and five

Canadian Provinces and Australia. The NHSRA originated more than 50 years ago to promote education, North America's great western heritage and the sport of rodeo

2004 crop counter-cyclical payments announced

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced that it will begin issuing second partial counter-cyclical payments for 2004-crop wheat, corn, grain sorghum, barley, oats, upland cotton, rice, soybeans and peanuts under the Direct and Counter-cyclical Payment Program (DCP).

Second partial counter-cyclical payments are not available to wheat DCP participants who received first partial payments. However, wheat DCP participants who did not receive first partial payments may request a \$0.014 per bushel second partial payment rate. Wheat market prices have increased since first partial payments were made in October 2004 and, as a result, the first partial payment rate exceeds the revised second partial payment rate.

Counter-cyclical payments are available to producers who participate in the DCP authorized by the 2002 Farm Bill. Producers are eligible for counter-cyclical payments when effective prices are less than the target prices specified in the 2002 Farm Bill. The effective price equals the direct payment rate plus the higher of: (1) the national average market price received by producers during the marketing year or (2) the national loan rate for the commodity.

Second advance 2004-crop counter-cyclical payment rates

The 2002 Farm Bill allows producers to receive counter-cyclical payments in three installments:

- A first in October (up to 35 percent of the total projected rate);
- A second in February (up to 70 percent of the total projected rate, less any amount received under the first payment); and
- The final payment after the end of the marketing year, which varies by commodity.

The first 2004 counter-cyclical payment was available in October 2004.

Based on the Feb. 9, 2005, supply, demand and price forecasts released in USDA's report, World Agriculture Supply and Demand Estimates, the total projected and second partial payment rates for 2004 are:

Total Projected Commodity Unit followed by Second Partial Rate in dollars per unit:

Wheat bushel 0.02 0.0140
Corn bushel

0.40	0.2800
Sorghum bushel	0.27 0.1890
Barley bushel	0.15 0.1050
Oats bushel	0.016 0.0112
Soybeans bushel	0.26 0.1820
Upland cotton pound	0.1373 0.0961
Rice hundredweight (cwt)	0:75 0.5250
Peanuts short ton	59.00 41.30

2004 final counter-cyclical payments

Final counter-cyclical payments will be determined after the end of the 2004-05 marketing year for each commodity:

- Wheat, barley and oats - May 31, 2005
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- Corn, grain sorghum and soybeans - August 31, 2005

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Heritage Board Report



Special event — The McGuire families celebrated the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Don and Joann McGuire in the Heritage Depot parlor recently. The facility is available to rent for a variety of occasions.

At the monthly Heritage Foundation Board meeting held Monday, Feb. 7, members discussed the varied activities going on at the Center.

Board members present were President Jim Allison, Betty Kerby, Sammie Simpson, Gary Hooten, Dan Throckmorton, Jenne McVicker, Vivian White, Ladene Spears, Larry Nickels, LaVonne McKillip, Jean Allison, Lonnie Adrian and center hostess Dolores Harvey.

President Jim Allison conducted the business meeting which began with prayer. Minutes were read by the secretary, McVicker, and the financial report was given by Hooten, the treasurer.

Guests Ruby Green, Stacy Thompson, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and

Wells Hall of Bob Stovall Printing came to the discuss the feasibility of republishing the history book about the heritage of Bailey County done by Mrs. McKillip's students in 1976-77. No action was taken at this time.

Board members discussed the *Lubbock Avalanche Journal* article about the Heritage Center which was in the Tuesday, Feb. 1, paper.

The article was written by P. Christine Smith after her visit at the Center on Jan. 29 with Heritage Board members and students who belong to the Student-Community Action Club.

Also interviewed by Smith was a former student of Mrs. McKillip, Laura Leal, as well as Todd Holt, a former student. Leal and Holt were instrumen-

tal in getting their government teacher, Jean Allison, involved in "saving the depot" in 1983.

Smith said she was very impressed with the Heritage Center and the role Mrs. McKillip's students played in saving the Muleshoe Santa Fe Depot.

Several SCAC students who are members of the club today were also interviewed by Smith. The article did a great job of showing how early seeds sown produce flourishing fruit.

Center hostess Harvey gave a report about the many activities held at the Center during the holidays.

She noted that there were two 50th anniversary celebrations recently. Family members at these occasions said this area is very fortunate to have facilities of this caliber for such parties.

Harvey also read some of the recommendations made by the Texas Plains Trail Tour group, which came earlier and were sent with an evaluation.

She noted that some of the recommendations have already been done.

She read some of the positive comments made by this group about the Heritage Center.

Simpson, Kerby and Throckmorton reported on the Figure-4 Ranch House is now in the restoration phase. Window and other repairs will continue soon. Board members expressed appreciation to these board members for all of the work done at the Figure-4.

Adrian gave a report on the Tour de Muleshoe Bike Ride. He said due to conflicts, the date this year will be June 11, rather than on the Father's Day weekend. The ride will begin and finish this year at the Assembly of God Activity Center on 1st Street.

A committee consisting of Je. Allison, Throckmorton, Ji. Allison, Gene Rogers, Dustin Wilhite and Harvey was appointed to work out details of the ride.

The landscaping to be done on the highway frontage area was discussed. It was decided that those interested in doing this landscaping should submit plans for the landscaping and with final decision to be made soon. Hooten was appointed chairman of the landscaping committee.

A discussion was held about creating a master plan for the Center, which is necessary when applying for grants. Further action will be taken on this in the near future.

The last item of business concerned the raising of the old windmill now being restored. Members decided that this special day will be held early in the summer. Nickels and Throckmorton will continue doing repairs on the windmill so it will be ready for this activity.

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appointed on the 4-1 vote. Also applying for the job was Raygena Barrett.

All three women had extensive experience in the courthouse. Barrett had worked for 3 and a half years in the County Clerk's office and Baca had four years experience there. Benton's experience included eight years as the secretary for the county judge, two years for the police department, seven years working for Gordon Green and from 1997 to the present working in the district clerk's office.

After her appointment Benton expressed said: "I'm excited and a little scared. I've got a

lot of learning, but I have people that will help and with God's help I can do it."

Cox said her vote for Benton hinged on her work background.

"I've been working with her for the past eight or 10 years that she's been in the District Clerk's office," Cox said. "She's very knowledgeable about the things in the county clerk's office. Some of the duties are similar. She worked for Gordon Green in his law firm before he became district judge, so she's familiar with much in the County Clerk's office. I think she'll learn that job really fast."

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Thanks for reading. Call 272-4536 to subscribe.

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House for Sale: Owner will finance, 3 BR/2 Bath, CH&A, 2 car detachable garage, den w/ fireplace, on corner lot. 700 N.E. 2nd Place, Earth. Call Milton 806-790-0827.

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3BR/2BA/2car garage. Stucco home sitting on acre lot in Earth. This house is located at 806 N. FM 1055 in Earth. Includes central heat & air and lots of storage space. House living area almost 2000 sq. ft. **SOLD**

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• 525' frontage on S. Hwy. 214, 24' x 50' shop, 24' x 30' office, chain link fence!! \$21K!

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Monument Lake from front page

a mile long and half that wide. David measured its depth at 9-feet recently, plenty deep enough to allow boats to pull skiers.

David said he'll be opening Circle D. Recreation Park for skiing on March 1. He's going to limit the number of boats to 15. Cost will be \$20 per boat and \$5 per head.

Cole's dream, she said, is to see people get interested enough in the lakes that they are maintained through the years, not just when the

county has an extra-rainy year. Cole, who moved back home about four years ago from Dallas, yearns to learn who built the earthen dam that makes "Daddy's Lake" possible.

"I want to know who helped my dad build the dam and lake," she said. "I think it was the Corps of Engineers, but they have no record of it. Back then, some agency was offering to do projects like this if the owner would provide 10 percent of the financing."

Daddy's Lake, which lays on Cole's land a bit above Monument Lake, covers about 20 acres.

However, the dam has seen better days. There is evidence of erosion when you stand on the dam, which is more than wide enough for a car to drive across (although that wouldn't be a good idea right now). About 100 yards beyond the dam, between the two lakes, is a huge willow, which has been fed from the runoff during rainy years and other sources, perhaps underground water, in the dry years.

In an arid county like Bailey, two lakes should attract some attention. And Cole said she welcomes anyone who'd like to come visit, although the lake isn't stocked with fish anymore.

"I've talked to a lot of people who went fishing here, but they didn't remember who built the lake," she said. "People who want to see it can call me (946-3634) and I'll meet them at the gate to the entrance and let them in. They need to have a hardy vehicle, all-terrain or something of that sort, to navigate the rough country."

To better envision where her lake is, it's quite near the remains of Virginia City. And coincidentally, Monument Lake was apparently the reason Matthew C. Vaughn established the town where he did.

David, who came to Bailey County three years ago from Louisiana bought a dry lake-bed at the time.

"It was popcorn dry," he said, noting that he decided to open the lake up for water sports as a revenue-making venture.

"Well, you know up here in the Panhandle, you have to have a lot of land to raise a cow," he said. "I can't put many cows on this land, so I figured I had to try and get me some revenue some way or another. I thought we'd try some water skiing. I've gotten quite a good response from it so far. People I've talked to have been encouraging."

As well as allowing boats and water skiing, David said he'll have jet skis for rent. And if it's a success, who knows what's next?

"If this looks like it will get off the ground, I plan on having someone from the people who dig water wells come and look at it and see if it might be feasible to dig me a well to furnish water to it," he said. "I don't know if it would work, it's something I'm thinking about. If it would work, it's something I could keep doing every year."

"The first year like this will be a little rough. I don't know what to plan for, but I hope that the people, the local people, take advantage of it. I figure you dry land people might just appreciate it. I don't know if I'll get any comers that early, the water will still be mighty cold."

According to historical notes, "When he (Matthew C. Vaughn) went to Monument Lake and saw how beautiful it was, he knew this would be the very best place to build a town. It had water, the prospect of a railroad, an established trail and because it was

in the center of Bailey County, it would most likely become the county seat."

At that time, Hurley was the only town in Bailey County and it was in the far north part of the county.

Records show that the railroad let a contract to build a track from Texaco to Virginia City and the grade was built the entire 35 miles. Lot sales were brisk throughout 1909 and 1910. But no rain came in 1910 and work on the rail stopped. People began leav-

ing. There was no rain in 1911. It was the most severe drought ever known in Bailey County.

When in 1912 there was no rain, there was a mass exodus. The post office was discontinued in August 1912 and moved to Arch, N.M. The buildings were moved to other locations. By the end of 1912, Virginia City had become a ghost town and Vaughn, many believe unfairly, was blamed for the town's failure.

Bulletin from pg. 2

Noon Bible studies will be held Monday through Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. Light lunches will be served.

A nursery will be provided for all services.

Ingle was a teen-age gang leader in the ghettos of Philadelphia, Penn., before his conversion. He has conducted more than 1,300 crusades. In 1973 the Rick Ingle story, "From a Ghetto Gang Leader to the Pulpit," was broadcast worldwide on every continent and beamed over the former Iron and Bamboo curtains on more than 400 radio stations.

He graduated from Eastern and Immanuel Baptist Colleges and also from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He holds both doctor of divinity and doctor of literature degrees and is the author of six books and numerous magazine articles.

Music evangelists Paul and Christy Newberry are from Dallas and will direct the congregational singing as well as providing special music nightly.

Since entering full-time music evangelism in 1981, the couple have ministered in more than 1,000 churches throughout the United States, singing in revivals, concerts, conferences and camps.

Chamber seeks event information

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture website is being developed and needs the help of community members. Site designer Stacy Thompson needs local and area people to let her know about upcoming events of any nature in Muleshoe. Thompson suggests that events should be called in at least one month in advance for the calendar to be effective. Churches, organizations, clubs, schools, business, individual, etc. events will be publicized on the site if received in time to do so. Call your events in to Thompson at 272-3652 or email thompsn@fivearea.com.

'Wild at Heart' offering free oil changes to the elderly

"Wild at Heart" men's ministry of New Covenant Church is offering free oil changes to the elderly, disabled and single mothers with children this holiday season. The ministry is designed to fulfill the gospel's call to take care of those less fortunate than ourselves.

To qualify, one must be over 60 years of age, be disabled or be a single mother with children living at home. The oil change will be provided by a local business and will be free. If you, or anyone you know of needs their vehicle services and meet the criteria, call (806) 965-2787 and a certificate will be sent to them.



Reading is fun — Every student at Kinder Steps preschool Valentine's Day received a book as part of the Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) program. This was the third of three book distributions scheduled for the children this class year. They also received gift bags filled with treats, supplies and a "Winnie the Pooh" stuffed animal.

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It's Time for the Muleshoe Journal's 11TH ANNUAL CUTEST BABY CONTEST

Enter any child born in 2004 who you fell in love with at first sight - children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends, etc...

This year's contestant will appear in the March 24 edition of the Muleshoe Journal. A panel of unbiased judges will pick the MOST ATTRACTIVE PICTURE to be the 2004 Cutest Baby. All baby pictures will be printed in this Easter edition of the paper. Babies need not be born in this area.

Bring your favorite photo along with \$13 to the Muleshoe Journal office at 201 W. Ave. C, Monday-Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or mail the coupon below along with your child's photo and \$13 to Cutest Baby Contest, c/o Muleshoe Journal, P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. You may pick up your baby's picture during office hours after Monday, March 28, 2005. NOTE: Arrangements must be made to return photos by mail.

ENTRY DEADLINE
Friday, March 18 at 5 pm

Winner will receive a \$50 Savings Bond for being selected 2004's Cutest Baby!

Please provide phone number or address (it will not be published) so that we may contact you if we need additional information.

Baby's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Weight at Birth: _____

Length at Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Mom & Dad's Name: _____

Grandparent's Name: _____

Contact Info: _____

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If you haven't been by the Muleshoe Journal's old office to look through 50 years of photos... Your time is running out!

Feb. 25 is the last day to rummage through and claim these photos.