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Council Holds At Effective Tax Rate

By Larry Thornton
Editor
The Muleshoe City Council set the city's proposed tax rate at the effective rate of .7481 per \$100 of valuation for FY 2014-15 during a special meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 26. The 5-0 vote of approval followed an earlier motion and vote the split 3-2, made by

Mayor Pro Tem Irene Mason — seconded by Councilman Gary Parker to increase the rate by three percent. Although the proposed rate increase — the first since 2008, according to City Manager David Brunson, would have only raised an estimated \$23,000 in additional revenue for

the city, and increased the property tax on a residence valued at \$100,000 by \$20.31, Mayor Cliff Black, along with Councilmen Eric McElroy and Colt Ellis strongly opposed the increase. Ellis noted that when he received a loan to pay for a house from a bank in Lubbock, the loan officers were surprised

by the current tax rate in Muleshoe, and said he would prefer increasing revenues for the city by raising municipal rates for water and sewage rates instead. According to Ellis, the city's already high tax rate could discourage new residents, especially younger couples and families, from moving to Muleshoe.

"You've got to find that middle line," he said. "As for water rates, we could easily go up," he added, noting that he would much prefer increasing utility rates to increasing the local property tax. As for McElroy, he suggested that municipal expenses could still be reduced,

and suggested the city look into combining municipal and Bailey County positions where possible. In her defense of the proposed tax rate increase, Mason said she'd spoken with several Muleshoe residents who didn't like the idea of paying additional taxes, but **Continued on A3**

Varsity Mules Open Season With Victory

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter
At the end of the first half the Mules could have chosen to hang it up and just call in the second half as they trailed the Levelland Lobos 28-7. But being as stubborn as the beast they have as a mascot, the Mules returned to the field and began to whittle away at the Lobo lead. Just 22 minutes and 42 seconds later the Mules had not only erased the Lobo lead but had claimed the lead, 48-46, for the first time of the night. "Tonight was the biggest comeback of my

head coaching career," said Mule Coach David Wood. "We have been behind at times in the past but over coming 21 points in the second half was huge." "We not only learned a lot about ourselves tonight but we also grew up as a team. We made no changes in our game plan at half time. We just challenged the kids to execute like we know they can," he said. "They rallied around and met the challenge. If tonight is a sign of things to come with this team, I will take it." Nick Gerber, the Lobo quarterback took **Continued on B1**



Photograph by Gabby Perez

Hospital District's Proposed Budget Is Nearly \$13 Million

By Larry Thornton
Editor
The Muleshoe Area Hospital District's board of directors adopted a proposed budget for FY 2015 of almost \$13 million during Thursday's regular meeting. The budget, which includes total projected revenues and expenses for both the Muleshoe Area Medical Center and Park View Nursing Care Center, is an increase of about \$684,000 from the FY 2015 budget. The proposed budget includes projected revenues for the hospital of \$9,654,582.81 and expenses of \$9,656,220.91, and projected revenues of \$3,294,053.51 and expenses of

\$3,289,490.41 for the nursing home. With CEO David Burke's resignation being accepted, and his being relieved immediately at the beginning of the meeting, there was little discussion about the contents of the budget prior to its adoption other than a question raised by board member Zona Gatewood regarding the budget for the hospital's IT department. According to documents received from the hospital district, the IT department's proposed budget is set at \$236,657, an increase of about \$5,000 from the previous year. Gatewood asked why the **Continued on A3**

Reaching New Heights

In football, you have your passing game and your running game, and your slobberknocker game. The football isn't always the only thing to spend a bit of time in the air. Pictured above, the Mule defense

takes the feet out from under the Lobo's quarterback during Friday's varsity game. The question remains... is the slobberknocker recorded for the Lobo's journey upwards, or when he hits the ground?

MAHD Board Accepts CEO Resignation

By Larry Thornton
Editor
Thursday's meeting of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District's board of directors began and ended with changes

resignation, effective Sept. 30. This was followed by a motion and vote to go into closed session to discuss the acceptance of the resignation.

date, he could take administrative leave until that severance date. Burke noted that he also had some PTO or paid time off owed, and after it was clarified that he would receive that also, Burke agreed to meet Smyer at an attorney's office Friday, Aug. 28, to sign an agreement regarding the resignation.

Resignation Letter...
I, David Burke, CEO of the Muleshoe Hospital District do submit my resignation from the hospital district. This notice has been verbally submitted to the board president as of Monday, 25th of August. The notice, as submitted in writing, is a 30 day notice and, therefore, my last day shall be September 23rd, 2014.

Hospital Business Manager Appointed As Interim Administrator

in the administration of the Muleshoe Area Medical Center. Board president Allen Smyer opened the meeting with the reading of MAMC Administrator and hospital district CEO David Burke's

The board returned to open session about 10 minutes later, at which time not only was the resignation accepted, but Smyer announced that while Burke would receive the 30 days pay he was due until the resignation's effective

The remainder of the regular meeting was conducted without Burke's presence or assistance. The last item listed on the MAHD board's **Continued on A3**

OPINION

Progress, Thy Name Is Junk Mail



Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

To post an announcement send an email to editor@muleshoejournal.com

Reserved Football Tickets

Reserved seat tickets for the 2014 Muleshoe Mules football season are on sale. All remaining tickets will go on sale on a first come, first serve basis at a cost of \$8 per game and may be purchased at the MISD Administration office on game day.

If you have questions concerning the ticket sales, contact Dana Rasco at 272-7400.

Library Events

The Muleshoe Public Library will be hosting storytime and a movie matinee the library.

Storytime is for children 2 years up to Pre-K.

September's Storytime is "Animal Guessing Games" and it will be held on Sept. 8 at 10:30 a.m. We will be reading the books: *Dancing Feet* by Lindsey Craig and Marc Brown, *Hello Day* by Anita Lobel, *Who Says Woof?* by John Butler, and *Whose Nose and Toes?* by John Butler.

We will also be learning a new song, *Tooty Ta*, to go along with the songs *Hello Everybody* and *Skinnamirink* we have learned the last few years.

The first 10 children to sign in will receive a free book!

Movie Matinee @ the Library will be Sept. 8 and 10, at 3:45 pm.

This is for junior high, high school and adults. September's movie is *God's Not Dead*.

One of the things modern technology, and especially the internet, has blessed us with in the last three decades is email and more specifically unsolicited email.

At the *Muleshoe Journal*, it's not unusual for me to receive a large number of such communications, but one I received last week caught my attention and instead of being summarily dragged to the trash icon received a reply.

The email in question came from an individual from the Dallas metroplex who — knowing how concerned I was about the reported possible connection between "fracking" and earthquakes, offered to enlighten me.

For those here in Bailey County with little or no experience with fracking, it's a term used in the oil and natural gas industry, slang actually for "hydraulic fracturing," in which liquid is pumped into cracks in rock formations to free up oil and gas for extraction.

In some areas, such as central Oklahoma, many geologists — both professional and amateur, are of the opinion that such practices are to blame for the earthquakes that have been plaguing the

region in recent years. And then, there are others — such as the individual from the Dallas area offering to provide me with more accurate information, who believe otherwise. Incidentally, should I add that this individual — based upon the name of the company he represented, was apparently part of the aforementioned oil and natural gas industry. Go figure!

As for my response, well it went something like this:

Dear Mr. Oil Company Representative (actual name withheld to protect the mentally challenged),

If you'd bothered to do a little research before sending me your email, you would have known that we in Bailey County have few if any concerns with fracking and the possibility of it causing earthquakes... primarily because "we don't have any oil wells in the county."

I remember an instructor from years ago who said it was important for an individual speaking to a group to "know your audience."

In other words, you don't go to the Grand Ol' Opry and expect a

rousing response to "La Traviata."

It's probably just as important for someone sending out mass communications.

In a similar manner, I've been receiving a fax specifically addressed to me at the *Journal* stating that I have "been considered for inclusion in *The Latin American Who's Who*." An honor for which I don't meet even the smallest requirements.

"This is our second attempt to recognize you as a leading Latino Professional," the most recent offer states.

Offers such as this

is why I've never taken such publications as "Who's Who Among American Social Climbers," or whatever group seeking to list you and yours in their publication if you will only purchase one of the editions, seriously.

Some may recall that I had a similar response, including raised eyebrows, to a letter and brochure I received a few years ago urging me to join the US Army. As if drill instructors don't have enough problems whipping young men into shape.

Yes, modern technology has blessed us with 24-hour a day television, computers we carry around in our pockets for telephone calls, and an ever increasing variety of junk mail.

"Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine."

Proverbs 3:9-10, NIV



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Weather Whys: Hottest U.S. Cities

Q: Which U.S. city has the warmest year-round temperature?

A: The top four are in the state of Florida, not surprisingly, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University.



"Because of its southern location and large coastline with

warm waters that surround the state, Florida is the warmest state in the country," McRoberts says.

"The city of Marathon in the Florida Keys has an average year-round temperature of 78.5 degrees while Key West comes in second at 77.8 degrees," he adds.

"Interestingly, the Florida Keys and Miami Beach are the only locations in the continental United States that have never had a frost or freeze. The all-time lowest temperature at Key West is 41 degrees. The others warm cities in South Florida are Miami (77.2), West Palm Beach (75.4) and Fort Myers (74.4)."

Q: What about other states?

A: "If you've ever been to Arizona, you know it's very warm there, and the city of Yuma also has a year-round temperature average of 76.0 degrees," McRoberts says.

"Brownsville, Texas is right behind at 74.5 degrees, while Corpus Christi and the Florida cities of Orlando and Vero Beach all average around 73 degrees. Other Florida cities near these temperature averages include Tampa and Daytona Beach."



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- County Probation Office**
300 S. First
(Old county jail building, next to courthouse)
- Muleshoe Public Library**
322 W. Second
- First United Methodist Church**
507 W. Second

Please note that if the shelter is deemed "full," newly arriving individuals will be sent to another location.

Also, animals — other than certified service animals, are prohibited in the shelters.

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MAHD Board... Continued From A1

posted agenda involved receipt and discussion of the hospital's Q&A report, which is regularly posted for closed session.

As usual, the board members went into closed session regarding the item, returning 30 minutes later to announce no action was needed regarding the report and adjourned the regular meeting.

Smyer then announced that he was calling an emergency meeting — against the Journal's advice that such a meeting should be postponed until the following day — adding, "We've decided to appoint Lela Ann (Smith) as the interim administrator."

Smith is the hospital's business manager.

This was followed by a motion by board member Zona Gatewood, seconded by Dusty Clayton,

to appoint Smith as the temporary administrator.

In reference to a question by Smith, Smyer clarified that the appointment was for administrator of the hospital, and not as CEO of the hospital district.

According to Smyer, Smith was one of two individuals recommended by Burke to take over administration of the hospital until the board could decide how and by whom Burke would be replaced, a comment that drew a remark from hospital employee Diane Brunson that Burke had not made such a recommendation.

"You weren't in there," Smyer replied.

In other business, the MAHD board:

- Adopted the hospital district's proposed tax rate for FY 2015, along with the

proposed budget for the same period.

Regarding the proposed tax rate — the total of which is capped at 40 cents per \$100 in valuation — is .2809 for the hospital's operation, .0338 for Park View Nursing Care Center's operation, and .0853 for Park View's debt service.

The hospital district's valuation is set at \$335,645,080, and at the proposed tax rates is expected to raise a total of \$1,248,677, of which \$982,331 will go to the district's for use by the hospital and nursing home's operation, and \$255,346 will be for the nursing home's debt service.

Public hearings regarding the proposed tax rate are set for Sept. 4 and Sept. 11. Final approval of the budget and tax rates are set for the Sept. 25 regular meeting.

- Discussed a contract proposal received from Concord Medical Group for emergency room coverage with Chief Operating Officer Landon Sheets and Ashley Boazman.

Originally, Concord's proposed contract rate was \$105 per hour, however, during Thursday's discussion it was noted that the company — which was founded by then local physician Dr. Kyle Sheets, had reduced it's proposal to \$90 per hour.

At the hospital district board's July 24 meeting, proposed contracts with Concord and Southwest Medical Group, which proposed a rate of \$110 per hour, were discussed.

It was also noted that several problems had arisen concerning the credentialing of some physicians provided by the company, resulting

in a large amount of money from Medicare reimbursements having to be written off by the hospital.

When asked why Concord didn't handle the credentialing of the physicians it provided, Boazman said it was a service Burke declined, choosing for the procedure to be handled by a MAMC employee.

"We have a vested interest in your collecting your money," Sheets said.

"We want to be here because we're doing a great job for you all," he added later.

At the July 24 meeting, Rasco — referring to

some problems that had arisen with some physicians provided for ER coverage by Concord suggested that it might be time for the board to consider contracting with another company.

"I think it's time we tried something new," she said at that time.

At Thursday's meeting, Director of Nursing Lucy Garcia indicated the situation had improved.

No action was taken regarding the proposed contract Thursday to give the board members time to consider the agreement. However, it was to be included on the district's Sept. 4 posted agenda.

City Council... Continued From A1

liked the idea of restriction or decreasing city services even less. "What's wrong with raising our taxes to meet our needs?" Parker asked.

While raising the tax rate would only bring in a minimal amount of additional revenue for the city, Brunson indicated it was more important that the city begin to build its general

fund for future projects and expenses — such as a federal requirement that the city's street signs be replaced with an estimated cost of \$300,000, or the city's match on the municipal airport project, expected in the not to distant future.

As was noted in a previous *Muleshoe Journal* story, the slight increase in the

municipal tax rate would also place the city in better position to receive a \$275,000 grant to be used to pave some of the city's unpaved streets.

Brunson also said he didn't see an increase ahead from other revenue sources such as sales tax and franchise taxes.

With the municipal tax rate remaining

at the effective rate, City Secretary LeAnn Gallman noted that only one additional public hearing needed to be held — this one concerning the FY 2014-15 budget, and its approval on Sept. 15

The city council will be postponing it's regular September meeting to the same date.

MAHD Budget...

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associated with the new department's proposed budget didn't include the fees budgeted for computer consultants, which apparently raised the total to about \$258,000.

It was explained by Controller Vickie Groneman that part of the projected consultant fees were associated with the hospital's implementation of federally mandated software, while the remainder was

associated with the new computer hardware being installed.

The two largest expenses listed in the proposed budget are for administration at \$1,225,926, and the Family Clinic at \$1,353,581.67, followed by the Medical Clinic at \$789,105.

The largest project expense at Park View is for nursing services at \$1,234,607, followed by administration at \$570,796, and physical therapy at \$399,916.

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Proverbs 3:5, NIV



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Monday,
September 8th
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Electric meeting room
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door prizes will be given.

Senior Citizen News

You have ask about it. Several of you had thought that it was past time.
Well, Saturday, Sept. 6, is the day for the Oneida Wagnon Senior Center's Pancake Breakfast.
That's right, this coming Saturday, from 7 to 11 a.m., some of the best pancakes in town will be hot and ready for you at the senior center.

center to review and sign their 2014-15 intake forms.
The center needs to complete the signing of the intakes by Friday, Sept. 12, in order to forward the completed information to SPAG by Monday, Sept. 15.
Please drop by the center to sign your intake form.
Now that school has started, be careful when you are coming to the senior center.
When driving, watch out for youngsters, not only in the school area, but in all areas of Muleshoe.
For those of you who left before the Muleshoe football game was over... sorry, you missed a great finish.
A "well done" to the Muleshoe football team and coaches.

Sept. 8-12 menus:
Monday, Sept. 8 - Hot dog on bun, mustard, baked potato with sour cream, seasoned broccoli and pineapple gelatin.
Tuesday, Sept. 9 - Oven-fried chicken, bow tied pasta, broccoli raisin salad, and fruit cocktail.
Wednesday, Sept 10 - Chicken-fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn and a pumpkin square.
Thursday, Sept. 11 - Taco salad, refried beans, Spanish rice, broccoli and cauliflower salad, corn or flour tortilla and apricot halves.
Friday, Sept. 12 - Fish or chicken strips, borracho beans, green peas, tossed vegetable salad, French dressing, whole wheat roll and tropical fruit mix.

Bridal Shower

Black Feted With Shower

Shonah Black, the prospective bride of Daniel Driver of Ft. Worth and the daughter of Ricky and Sarah Black of Lazbuddie, was honored with a shower on Saturday, Aug. 9, in the home of Jana St. Clair.



Hostesses for the event included Tammy Turner, April coker, Debbie Weir, Ladonna Scott, Gina Wilkerson, Paulette Foster, Diane Saylor, Terri Louder, Marca Morris, Donna Locker, Debbie Hutto, Stephanie Foster, Terry Thomas, Susan Sudduth, Ceili Parham, Vicki Morris, Dani Heathington, Linda Martin, Debra Redwine and Jana St. Clair.

A gift card with money was presented as a hostess gift. Special guests included Sarah Black, Leatha Gammon of Friona, Savannah Cornelius of Bay City, Cindy King of Amarillo, Tammy Gammon of Friona, and Brenda Black and Donna Black, both of Muleshoe. The wedding is set for Friday, Oct. 10, in downtown Ft. Worth. The couple plan to reside in Ft. Worth.

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Obituaries

Cheryl Wills

After a lengthy illness, endured bravely, Cheryl Kay (Trice) Wills, 57, passed into heaven on Aug. 25, 2014, at her home in Muleshoe.

She was born on Nov. 29, 1956, in Hobbs, N.M., to Betty and Calvin Trice.

Cheryl is survived by her husband — Quentin Wills of Muleshoe, her daughters — Meghan Williamson and husband Matthew of San Antonio, and Caitlin Wills of Austin; her mother — Betty (Owens) Trice of Clovis, N.M.; and two brothers — Richard and wife Linda of Raton, N.M., and their children — Nathan, Lauren, and Jillian and their families, and Jeffrey and wife Tammy and their daughter Rebekah of North Richland Hills. Also surviving is an extended family of aunts, uncles, cousins, and loving friends.

Cheryl was preceded in death by her father — Calvin Trice of Clovis, N.M.; her grandparents — Jesse and Virgie Owens and Ralph and Mabel Trice; and her father and mother-in-



law — Ray and Lucille Wills.

Cheryl's abiding interests and loves were her family, her home, and her faith in Jesus Christ in her life.

She will be so dearly missed by all of those who knew and loved her.

A memorial service was held at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Muleshoe, on Thursday, Aug. 28, with private graveside services following in Lubbock.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Cancer Research in Cheryl's name, through the University Medical Center, 602 Indiana, Lubbock, Texas, 79415, or to a charity of choice.

Online condolences can be made at www.ellisfuneralhomes.com.

Bobbye Mimms

Funeral services for Bobbye Bratton Mimms, 89, of Lubbock, were held on Monday, Sept. 1, at the Lazbuddie Church of Christ with Otho Rogers of Melrose, N.M., officiating.

Burial was in Lazbuddie Cemetery. Bobbye died on Aug. 29, in Lubbock. She was born on July 12, 1925, in Paducah to Robert D. and Eva R. (Stennitt) Bratton, and married Glenn W. "Pete" Mimms in Crosbyton, on Jan. 24, 1945.

Bobbye moved to Lubbock from Lazbuddie in 1999. She taught Bible school for many years and was an avid reader.

She was a member of the Lazbuddie Church of Christ for 46 years, before transferring her membership to the Shallowater Church of

Christ, 12 years ago.

She was preceded in death by her husband — Pete, and her parents.

Survivors include three sons — Kelly Mimms and wife Judy of Clovis, N.M., Clay Mimms and wife Reta of McAlister, N.M., and Tracy Mimms and wife Andrea of Weed, N.M.; a daughter — Jill Moudy and husband Alvin of Shallowater; a sister — Cherye Dean of Ft. Worth; 18 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Memorials can be sent to the Childrens Home of Lubbock, PO Box 2824, Lubbock, Texas, 79408.

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Joe Del Toro

Funeral services for Joe Del Toro, 78, of Muleshoe were held on Saturday, Aug. 30, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Father Leo Pahamtang of Muleshoe officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Visitation was held on Friday, Aug. 29, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel.

Joe died on Aug. 27, 2014, at his home in Muleshoe. He was born on Aug. 2, 1936, in Menard to Armando and Aurora (Garcia) Del Toro, and married Francis Bryand in Muleshoe on June 1, 1996.

Joe moved from Hereford to Muleshoe in 1990. He owned and operated Joe's Trading Post.



He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents and one sister — Alicia Ramirez.

Survivors include his wife — Francis; four sons — Herbey Del Toro and Albert Del Toro, both of Madera, Calif., Bobby Perez and wife Dolores of McKinney, and Eddie Perez and wife Sandra of Lubbock; two daughters — Sandra Antenore and husband Matt of San Diego, Calif., and Sally Maldonado of Visalia, Calif.; a sister — Aurora Flores of Hereford; five brothers — Adolfo Del Toro of Hereford, Rey Del Toro of Muleshoe, Salvador Del Toro of Del Rio, Armando Del Toro of Lubbock, and Eleo Del Toro of Grand Prairie; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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News about your college student

If your college student is graduating or has made the Dean's or President's List, in order for that information to appear in the *Muleshoe Journal*, we must receive notice from the respective educational institution.

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Have them visit their bursar's office to sign a form indicating they wish to share their good news!

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The Muleshoe City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday Sept. 15, at 5:30 p.m., in the city council chambers on the FY 2014-15 budget.

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The event is open to US veterans and their spouses.

The post is also seeking new members. Contact Jerry Bruton for additional information.

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Superintendent Talks About First Week

The Muleshoe Independent School District had a great start to the school year last week!

The rooms were cleaned, the floors were waxed, the school buses were ready, teachers were ready to teach, and students were ready to learn.

One of the things I love about school is the way both students and staff show random acts of kindness to each other. I observed students helping other students several times this week, especially those who were new to Muleshoe.

Students were helping other students find their way to classes, helping each other with their lockers, and sitting with students at lunch that were new to school.

At Watson Junior

Super news from MISD

By
Superintendent
Dr. Gene Sheets

High, one teacher observed a special act of kindness.

She was walking her special education students to lunch when they passed by a group of high school football players.

One of her students said "hello" to the players as he does to everyone he meets. He doesn't always get a response from everyone.

When he said "hello" today, the players immediately stopped and each one of them replied "hello" or "hello,

buddy," and shook his hand.

The teacher nearly cried, because her student was so happy that they said "hello" to him and that they were his friend.

To the football players, it may not seem like a big deal. But to that one student, it made his day!

The students in the junior high student council wanted to let their teachers know how much they appreciated them this first week.

These students delivered apples to all

the faculty and staff at the junior high with a note that said, "Teachers shape tomorrow, one curious mind at a time."

They signed it, "Thank you for our future."

What a great idea to begin the year.

We are very blessed to have our student council sponsors, coaches, and all of our faculty and staff who are teaching and modeling to our students how to be appreciative and compassionate.

It's going to be a great year!



Christie Montiel's Pre-Kindergarten Class at the end of the first week of school:

"Our first week was awesome!"



"We had tons of fun, and learned a lot."



"We can't wait to do it again next week!"

Where Are They Now?



Liles Named Assistant Principal

AJ Liles, 1990 graduate of Muleshoe High School, is the new assistant principal at Ralph Pfluger Elementary School in Buda.

Pfluger Elementary is in the Hays CISD system and serves 650 students from grades K-5.

Liles graduated from Texas State University (then Southwest Texas University) in 2001, and graduated with honors from Concordia University, Austin, in 2013, earning his master in education in administration.

Prior to this appointment, Liles had been teaching physical education at Creedmore Elementary in the Del-Valle ISD near Austin.

Liles and his wife Erin and children Maya and Ben live in Kyle.

He is the son of Bill and Alice Liles of Muleshoe.

As I write, it's the first day of school in our community. Do you ever forget how you felt on your own first days of school?

I had great parents, but I am still a little irritated about a bit of a misunderstanding on my first day of kindergarten.

It was a private kindergarten. Back then, the school had no real need and even less desire to pick up kids at hospital neonatal units.

But Mom and Dad thought kindergarten would be good for me. They didn't have any extra money lying around, so they must've thought this was important. I think they were right.

To my dying day, though, I'll swear they told me that we were going to visit the kindergarten, but I didn't have to stay that day unless I wanted to.

We went. It seemed fine. But I decided that, all things considered, I had better things to do. I would, of course, consider the kindergarten option as I had time and opportunity, but, for the present, I figured I'd just go home and play with my little brother, thank you very much.

You see the train coming, don't you? Yes, my parents left me right there on the tracks. I mean, at the kindergarten. I remember some tears on both sides.



Focus On Faith

Curtis Shelburne

I also remember, later, growing seedlings in cardboard milk cartons, coloring pictures, molding clay, etc. Months later, I graduated with honors.

Honestly, I don't know how I ranked in the class. We didn't learn the alphabet in kindergarten then, and I don't remember any algebra. (Not really either. I pretty much sang my way through secondary school, but that's another story.)

I do remember my sweet kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Marvine Francis. And she remembers me! I was thrilled to get a note from her just a few years ago. She must've started teaching when she was 12.

Mrs. Francis got me off to a great start and then promoted me up to Mr. Birchfield and Mrs. Carmody at Amarillo's San Jacinto Elementary School the next fall. They, too, were amazing.

You'd have to work hard to find parents who loved kids more than my earliest teachers did. Ah, great teachers have always been one of God's very finest blessings!

My wife and I talked

to our three school-age granddaughters yesterday. Two were pretty excited; one, about half-excited. I was always more than halfway like her not-so-excited half. I always deeply mourned the loss of summer. It felt like my parole was being revoked.

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Enroll Now In Dairy Risk Management Program

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack has announced that starting Sept. 2, farmers can enroll in the new Dairy Margin Protection Program.

The voluntary program, established by the 2014 Farm Bill, provides financial assistance to participating farmers when the margin — the difference between the price of milk and feed costs — falls below the coverage level selected by the farmer.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) also launched a new Web tool to help producers determine the level of coverage under the Margin Protection Program that will provide them with the strongest safety net under a variety of conditions.

The online resource, available at www.fsa.usda.gov/mpptool, allows dairy farmers to quickly and easily combine unique operation data and other key variables to calculate their coverage needs based on price projections.

Producers can also review historical data or estimate future coverage based on data

projections. The secure site can be accessed via computer, Smartphone, tablet or any other platform, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"We've made tremendous progress in implementing new risk management programs since the Farm Bill was signed over six months ago," said Vilsack. "This new program is another example of this Administration's commitment to provide effective safety net programs that allow farmers and ranchers to manage economic risks beyond their control. And the supplemental Web tool will empower the nation's 46,000 dairy producers to make decisions that make sense for them."

The Margin Protection Program, which replaces the Milk Income Loss Contract program, gives participating dairy producers the flexibility to select coverage levels best suited for their operation.

Enrollment begins Sept. 2 and ends on Nov. 28 for 2014 and 2015. Participating farmers must remain in the program through 2018 and pay a minimum \$100 administrative fee each year. Producers have

the option of selecting a different coverage level during open enrollment each year.

Dairy operations enrolling in the new program must comply with conservation compliance provisions and cannot participate in the Livestock Gross Margin dairy insurance program.

Farmers already participating in the Livestock Gross Margin program may register for the Margin Protection Program, but the new margin program will only begin once their Livestock Gross Margin coverage has ended.

The 2014 Farm Bill also established the Dairy Product Donation Program.

The program authorizes USDA to

purchase and donate dairy products to nonprofit organizations that provide nutrition assistance to low-income families.

Purchases only occur during periods of low dairy margins. Dairy operators do not need to enroll to benefit from the Dairy Product Donation Program.

For more information, visit www.usda.gov/farmbill.

Visit FSA online at www.fsa.usda.gov/factsheets, or stop by a local FSA office to learn more about the Margin Protection Program or the Dairy Product Donation Program

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Focus On Faith...

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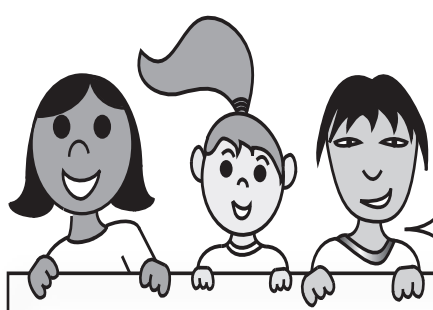
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4. take _____ of you
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8. tell how things today are different from when they were _____
9. talk about family _____
10. show you a map and talk about their _____ experiences
11. _____ to everything you want to say
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2. play shuffleboard, _____
3. put on music and _____
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9. ride _____ on the trail
10. _____ at the lake or pool
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12. mini _____ - many items stand in the way

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table
game

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12 Ideas for Extra Fun

Grandparents and grandkids can do many fun activities together. Sometimes it's nice to just relax and enjoy each other's company, too. **Match each idea below to the second part that finishes the idea:**



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| 1. read | A. Go Fish, Old Maid, and Star |
| 2. have a scavenger hunt; make a list of items to find | B. and enjoy new technology |
| 3. bake | C. cookies, cakes or pies |
| 4. play card games | D. search the house and yard for the items |
| 5. play video games | E. books, magazines and comics |
| 6. fill in, solve | F. crossword and word search puzzles |
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| 1. piece together | A. jigsaw puzzles |
| 2. sing | B. fill it with candy |
| 3. dress up | C. to cool off with water |
| 4. make a piñata | D. colorful pictures and hang them to show |
| 5. use water balloons and squirt guns | E. in old clothing and jewelry |
| 6. paint and draw | F. songs both new and old |

Family Bulletin Board!

Bulletin boards are a great way for a family to communicate. **Can you fill in the blanks in each word to spell things that families can pin up on their board to share?** (Hint: Use letters from the word "grandparents" to fill in the blanks - g, r, a, n, d, p, e, n, t, s).

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SPORTS NEWS

Mules Slip By Lobos To Win In Second Half

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the deep snap at mid field. He seemed to have greasy palms as he could not get a firm grip on the ball while attempting to hand it off to his big running back, Kegan Dent.

The ball hit the ground and Nate Rosas, the Mules outside linebacker, beat both Dent and Gerber to the ball to secure it for the Mules at the Mule 46 yard line.

The Mule offense sputtered and lost nine yards before regaining traction. A penalty and four-yard loss pushed the Mules back to their 36.

Danny Campos then dropped back five yards and stepped up in the pocket. He fired a strike down field to Keagan Gonzales crossing over the middle at the Lobo 46.



Photograph by Gabby Perez

A delay penalty cost the Mules five yards and pushed them back one yard across mid field.

Jason Florez ran an out route and Campos delivered the ball at the Lobo 43.

Florez turned up field, broke an arm tackle and raced passed a defender.

He was finally bumped out of bounds at the Lobo 17.

Josh Lopez battle up the middle for five yards. Tony Castillo lined up as the outside receiver, took a couple of stutter steps to allow

the inside receiver to race down field first and then ran a delayed post

route.

Campos delivered Castillo the ball at the four-yard line. No defender was close to Castillo as he sailed untouched into the end zone for the go ahead touchdown.

Gonzales booted to point after to put the Mules up 48-46.

Gonzales kicked off high and short to the Lobo sideline and the Mules were down field to prevent a return.

An incomplete pass and a sack by Gonzales set the Lobos back to the Levelland 22.

The deep snap went in and out of the hands of Gerber and Kevin Mendoza raced to cover the ball at the Lobo 15 with just less than minute remaining in the game.

Campos had to run Coach David Wood's favorite play, the Victory Knee, three times to extinguish the clock.

The Mules only score in the first half came on a 53-yard pass and run from Campos to Saul Sanchez with 9:40 left in the first half.

The Mules trailed 13-7. Levelland add two more touchdowns to go up 28-7 by the intermission.

The Mules took the opening kick of the second half and marched 68 yards on eight plays. Campos tossed to Castillo for four-yard TD.

But Levelland answered quickly when Gerber broke loose for a 62-yard jaunt to give the Lobos a 34-13 lead.

The Mules would not go away and scored 27 seconds later with a Campos to Gonzales pass and run that went 57 yards for a touchdown.

Gonzales collected the point after to cut the Lobo lead to 34-20.

The Lobos fumbled the ensuing kickoff at

the Mule 43.

The Mules covered the 57 yards in seven plays with Florez catching an 11 yard TD toss from Campos.

Gonzales made it a seven-point game at 34-27.

A questionable call on a possible offensive pass interference allowed the Lobos to score on a 42-yard pass and run for a 40-27 Lobo lead with 1:11 left in the third period.

The Mules cut the lead to six points when Lopez blasted in from one-yard out to cap a 75-yard 15-play drive.

The Lobos managed to hang on a while longer with one final touchdown.

Gerber scored from four-yards out to cap a 72-yard drive to extend the Lobo lead to 46-34 as the two-point conversion failed.

Campos showed his speed and agility as he broke for a 61-yard scamper to end a three-play 77-yard drive.

Gonzales kick trimmed the Lobo lead to 46-41.

Campos ran 19 times for 128 yards and Lopez carried 13 times for 58. Campos attempted 52 passes and connected with eight different receivers for 372 yards.

Florez had five catches for 92 yards and Gonzales caught three for 91. The Mules had a total of 558 yards.

The Mules' season does not get any easier as they will host the Sweetwater Mustangs Friday night.

JV Wins After Tough Start

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Mules got off to a tough start Thursday in Levelland against the Lobos. The Mules received the opening kickoff but lost a fumble on their second offensive play of the game.

It took the Lobos just three plays to score and take a 6-0 lead. Brandon Chavez got in the Lobo backfield to stop the conversion attempt.

The Lobos booted the ball to the Mule 25 where Jesse Easley grabbed the ball and flew down the field for a 75-yard kickoff return for a touchdown to tie the game.

Jose Angel Mendoza put the Mules ahead to stay with 8:06 left in the first period.

The Mules won the night with a 39-20 score.

The Mules raced toward the ball in a group and rather than stopping and reforming into the normal kickoff formation they kicked the ball forward. A scramble for the ball ensued and the Mules claimed it.

The Mules second



Photograph by Gabby Perez

drive started on the Lobo 46. A middle screen from Mendoza to Easley was good for nine yards. The Mules were forced to turn the ball over on downs at the Lobo 41.

Blake Parker put pressure on the Lobo quarterback and forced the pass down field. Mendoza stepped in front of the ball for the interception and raced to the Lobo 42 before being bumped out of bounds.

Mendoza scampered around the right end for a 42-yard touchdown

with 5:29 left in the first period. The kick was good and the Mules led 15-6.

The two teams exchanged punts before the Mules stopped a Lobo screen pass five yards behind the line of scrimmage on fourth down. The Mules took over on downs at the Mule 35.

Mendoza pitched to Javy Perez for a nine-yard gain. A penalty sent the Mules back to the 35 as the first quarter ended. Mendoza connected with Bryce Mauricio at

the Levelland 40 and raced to the Lobo 19 for a 49-yard gain.

Mendoza tossed to Tre Villa on the sideline. Villa juked the defender out of his shoes and raced to the end zone for a touchdown with 9:08 left in the first half. The kick was no good and the Mules led 21-6.

The two teams exchanged punts. Levelland was knocking on the Mule's door with a first and goal at the Mule 12. The ball popped out of the hands of the Lobo running

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A Lobo attempts to strip the ball from a freshman Mule.

Freshmen Fall To Lobos

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The freshmen Mules spotted the Levelland Lobos a 30-8 lead in the first half and were not able to make up all the difference in the second half.

The Mules fell to the Lobos 30-22 in the opening game of the season.

Levelland took the opening kick and marched 57 yards in four plays. A 38-yard run up the middle put the lobos ahead. 8-0 with 8:53 left in the first period.

Neither team could sustain a drive until the first quarter ended. Levelland scored a

second time on a two yard run to take a 16-0 lead with 8:49 left in the first half.

The Mules covered the Lobo kickoff on the Mule 35. The Mules were forced to punt but a roughing the kicker penalty on Levelland moved the Mules to the Levelland 47.

Issac Mendoza went wide left, set up a block and raced down the sideline for the Mules first score.

Mendoza tossed to Arnulfo Hernandez with an inside screen for the two point conversion. The Mules trailed 16-8 with 5:50 left in the first half.

The Lobos answered with an 88-yard drive for a touchdown. The two-point conversion was good for a 24-8 lead with just under three minutes remaining in the first half.

Levelland intercepted a Mule pass and

returned it for the final touchdown of the first half with just a minute and half left in the half. The Lobos led 30-8.

Cesar Olvera and Joe Waggoner chased down the Lobo quarterback and force a Levelland punt.

The Mules returned to the Lobo 46. Hernandez broke up the middle for 21 yards. A holding penalty cost the Mules 10 yards.

Mendoza went wide right and a personal foul cost the Lobos big yardage to the Levelland 11. Hernandez went up the middle for a TD with 2:08 left in the third period. The Mules trailed the Lobos 30-14. Parker forced his way into the Lobo backfield for a one-yard loss. Waggoner was in the backfield for a two-yard loss on the next play and an incomplete pass forced

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Junior Varsity Defeats Lobos

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back. Dominik Hasley grabbed the loose ball and took off down field.

The Mules blocked down any Lobo close to Hasley as he scooted down field for an 88-yard touchdown. The kick was off the mark but the Mules led 27-6.

The Lobos scored with 25 second remaining in the first half to trail the Mules 27-12.

Levelland returned the second half kick off to the Mule 49. The Mules recovered

a Lobo fumble on the Mule 40. Villa took over at quarterback and connected with Mauricio for 20 yards.

Villa kept for 11 yards. Levelland was called for roughing the passer and moved the ball to the Lobo 14. Evan Paez carried for six yards and a pass interference penalty was called against the Lobos and gave the Mules a first and goal at the Lobo four.

Villa scampered wide right for the touchdown to give the Mules a

33-12 lead with 5:50 remaining in the third period.

The Mules ran an onside kick and Mario Flores recovered on the Lobo 49. The Mules fumbled and the Lobos recovered near mid field. The Mule defense held and forced a Lobo punt that rolled dead on the Mule 14.

An 87-yard TD run by Villa was called back on a penalty on the last play of the third quarter. Villa connected with Mauricio at the Lobo 40 and then out

ran the defense to the end zone.

The pass and run cover 85 yards to give the Mules a 39-12 lead with 9:43 remaining in the game.


The Mule defense held the Lobos and forced a punt. The Mules fumbled the punt and Levelland recovered on the Mule 20. It took the Lobos only one play to score the final touchdown of the game.

The Mules will make the long trip to Sweetwater Thursday to play the Mustangs.

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FOOTBALL CONTEST 2014

By Rhea Gonzales

I hope everyone had a good weekend and got a chance to go to the Mules game this past Friday. That game was full of surprises and I enjoyed every minute!

The Muleshoe Journal Football Contest had a total of 40 entries that were submitted last week!

I think we all had some surprises with the outcome of some of the games, don't you think?

We had seven contestants choose five out of the five games correctly: Ramon Bustillos, Belen Garza, Freddy Santos, John Villalobos, Butch Green, Diana Rodriguez and Ricky Rodriguez.

Congrat's to Freddy Santos for winning this weeks contest. You may come and pick up your \$25 on or after Wednesday, Sept. 3.

I will post the top leaders in next week's edition of the Muleshoe Journal.

You don't have to be a football expert to play this game, the odds of guessing correct on each of the games are 50/50, so we encourage you, your family and friends to participate each week for the \$25 weekly prize.

It is free to play and free to enter.

Your score for the week will be the amount of games you guessed correctly.

The person who has the most correct guesses at the end of the contest will win \$200.

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There are lots of ways to enter the football contest.

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breaker game.

You can send a fax to 806-272-3567 or you can mail your entry to the Muleshoe Journal, P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

(Entries must be postmarked by Thursday to be in office by Friday) or if we are not here, you can put it in the black contest entry box on the front of the building.

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Pet Talk: Amphibians as Pets

Good pets come in all shapes and sizes. Unique to the pet realm, but still wildly popular, are amphibians.

For those pet owners who enjoy the company of frogs, salamanders, and other slimy friends, here are the ins and outs of owning amphibians as pets.

"Owners should educate themselves regarding the specific species or type of amphibian they are considering as a pet prior to purchasing them," said Dr. Laura Kleinschmidt, veterinary intern instructor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences (CVM).

"Depending on the species, they may have species specific requirements or traits that would be important to know."

For example, some species secrete toxins from their skin or special glands that would make them a

less than ideal pet. Amphibians can also have very delicate skin that functions in breathing and absorption and should not be handled more than absolutely necessary.

However, if handling is necessary, recommendations include wearing disposable gloves that have any powder rinsed off prior to handling.

It is also important to keep in mind that amphibians are dependent on their environment for temperature regulation, and the preferred optimal temperature zone may vary depending on the species and part of the world they originated from.

"Temperate species usually require at least 60-70 degrees F, tropical species will require higher at least 75-80 degrees F," said Dr. Kleinschmidt.

"Humidity requirements for temperate amphibians usually range from 75-80 percent, whereas tropical species may require upwards of 85-90 percent, which could also require misting, waterfalls, humidifiers, etc. to maintain an appropriate range."

To regulate this, owners should have an appropriate thermostat to determine the temperature and temperature gradients should be maintained to allow the animal thermoregulation.

Providing a type of water source will vary depending upon if the amphibian is aquatic or mainly terrestrial. "Water should always be free of chlorine, ammonia, nitrite, nitrate, pesticides, heavy metals, etc.," said Dr. Kleinschmidt.

"In captive settings, deionized bottled water is usually used,

insects may not want to have an amphibian as a pet. The food and water you've provided must be changed daily, as well as the amphibian's excrement.

"Make sure the species is being fed the appropriate diet to prevent disease," said Dr. Kleinschmidt.

"Most captive amphibians will need mineral and vitamin supplementation to prevent nutritional-deficiency diseases."

It is imperative that first time amphibian owners thoroughly educate themselves on the prospective species prior to bringing one home.

"I would not recommend an amphibian as a pet for young children (especially without adult supervision) as they should not be handled regularly, and when they are handled, special considerations apply. They also can suffer trauma if handled too brusquely."

Amphibians are higher maintenance pets that have species-specific requirements for ideal care.

If you are willing to put in the effort to properly educate yourself on the species and their specific requirements, as well as spend the money and time to take good care of them, they can be a great addition to your home.

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the Lobos to punt. The Mules were facing fourth down and 15 yards needed for a first down at the mid field. Mendoza connected with Jeremiah Smith

with a screen pass. The Mule blockers mowed down the Lobos and Smith raced 49 yards for the final TD of the night. Mendoza hit Jacob

Kettner for the two-point conversion with six seconds left in the game.

The Mules will make the long bus ride to Sweetwater to play the Mustangs Thursday.

Publications In The Muleshoe Journal

The *Muleshoe Journal* invites your news of weddings, engagements, showers, anniversaries and births.

But, in order to be fair to everyone, we must limit the amount of space for certain events.

For weddings, 25 column inches, which includes a photo if desired, is the limit. If the photo and announcement runs longer, we reserve the right to eliminate parts of the story.

However, if a longer write-up is desired, it may be placed in purchased space.

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Birth announcements with one-column photos are run free of charge with the names of the immediate family, including grandparents. Great-grandparents, etc., will not be included.

The permission of both parents is required for a birth announcement to be published.

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It is the responsibility of the party providing the information to provide all of the information.

News releases in which names were left out by the party providing the information will not be re-published free of charge.

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