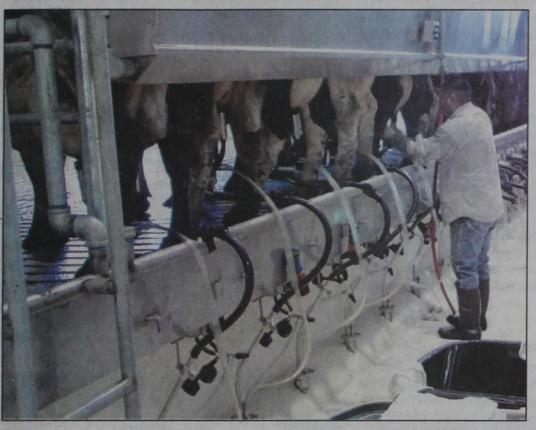
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Milk... it does a county good

By Larry Thornton

Managing Editor

County, there has always a day. been more interest in the cotton, and now there is

Hwy. 84, a new dairy that by around 15 head a day. brings jobs to Bailey County, revenue, and more of the liquid white stuff than a growing football team could consume in a year has be milked at one time. started operation.

The 3-H Progress Dairy, owned and operated by cows," he said.

Pete Hettinga and his move from the Oakdale, "Black gold" may have the capacity to milk up to

color white. First there was said in an interview which had been built in Tuesday, the dairy is milking about 1,350 cows a day, but necessary to expand. West of Muleshoe on the herd continues to grow

along with the related other half," Hettinga said, explaining that the milking barn is a "double-50." meaning that 100 cows can years before urban sprawl

He also said the dairy is operating with the number of employees here." will probably be around 20.

According to Hettinga, there are a lot of things that brought his family to the Muleshoe area, including the price of land, the ready labor and a good market for another in Arizona.

hospitable accommodating.

It was a family decision to

brother Hein Hettinga, has Calif., area to West Texas.

Hettinga explained that sent the hillbillies to 3,500 cows, producing as he had three sons who California, but in Bailey much as five tankers of milk wanted to stay in the dairy business, and that his 900-Currently, Pete Hettinga cow operation in California, 1981, didn't have the room

"We were maxed out on space," Hettinga said, "and "We've just opened the couldn't milk any more

Although the Oakdale dairy still had at least 10 affected it, Hettinga said it "You've got to build the was only a matter of time, place to accommodate the and he wasn't getting any younger.

"This was a good 17 opportunity for my sons," employees, and that when Hettinga said. "We made a it's operating at full capacity family decision to come

> The Hettinga's have decades of experience in the dairy and dairy-related industry.

Hein Hettinga, who has been in the dairy business availability of feed, since about 1971, also owns veterinary services, and a dairy in California and

Prior to building the dairy He also said the people with his brother Hein in of Bailey County have been Bailey County, Pete and Hettinga said he'd owned

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Annual chamber banquet to honor Muleshoe's heroes

By Larry Thornton Managing Editor

or pulled a broken body from greater. a car wreck knows the service.

in many instances a tenacious spirit to before them.

recorded statistics, in 2004, reasons behind enforcement officers died in the Chamber's largest fund the line of duty, and 107 raising event. tiretignters.

Local Weather

Thurs. Pt. Cloudy... 50/23

Fri. Sunny...... 62/30

Sunny...... 74/37

Sun.

Pt. Cloudy... 77/43

Mon. Pt. Cloudy... 77/39

Tue. Mt. Sunny... 70/36

Wed. Sunny...... 71/41

Give It A Thought

Honest criticism is hard to take, particularly from a relative, a friend, an acquaintance or a stranger.

Words to ponder from Beverly

Missed your paper? Call Yolanda Martinez at 272-4536, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

But the physical and emotional injuries suffered All who have worn a by the members of these badge, dragged a firehose service professions are far

Because of this, the paycheck they receive isn't Muleshoe Chamber of the reason they've taken on Commerce and Agriculture the challenge of public is gearing up to recognize Bailey County's "Unsung It takes courage, Heroes" during the 55th specialized knowledge, and annual chamber banquet on April 16.

"They don't get a lot of accomplish the tasks set recognition," Chamber Manager Jan Thompson According to nationally said as she explained the total of 154 law selection of the theme for

> Speakers at this year's festivities will include representatives from Muleshoe's police and fire departments, Muleshoe Emergency Medical Services, Bailey County Sheriff's Department, and local military hero Eddie Alvarado.

> Along with a much anticipated steak and shrimp feast, which is not limited to Chamber of Commerce members, local chamber officials will be honoring individuals and businesses that have made a difference in the community during 2004.

At last year's event, Cong. Randy Neugebauer spoke on the importance of small-town America, noting that Chambers Commerce were the

James L. Wedel family.

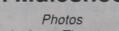
Pictured above, Ralph Cabrera prepares a cow for milking at 3-H Progress Dairy Tuesday. Below, is a view of the dairy's underground milk collection system.





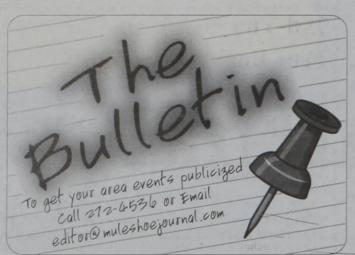
Egg huntin' time in Muleshoe

Thursday was the time for foundation of a community. hunting Easter eggs in Among the individuals Muleshoe. Pictured on the honored last year were far right, elementary James "Granny" Elder of students get ready for the Dent & Co. who received signal to begin the hunt in the award for Employee of the afternoon at the Bailey the Year; Burton Service County Courthouse. On the Center which received the immediate right, a award for Business of the youngster from the Texas Year; David Tipps of Migrant Council joins in the Hereford Feed Ingredients hunt held at Roger Miller who received the award for Ball Park during the Man of the Year; and Kay morning. Pictured above, Mardis, who garnered the the students who were Woman of the Year award. waiting as patiently as Last year's Farm Family possible get the signal for of the Year went to the the fun to begin. Additional photographs on page 12.









Fine Arts Night To Shine

Fine Arts Night To Shine is tonight, March 31, at 6:30 p.m. 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 afterwards

Banquet tickets on sale

Tickets for the 55th Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet are available now from any Chamber Board member: Kent Bradley, Heather Foley, Mark Beard, Stacy M. Thompson, Jim Ella Clemmons, Carolyn Johnson, Jake Davis, Steve Credle, Tadd Young, Freddy Santos, Terral King, Leah Bell, Shorty Flores, Robert Nichols or Lynn Moore.

Cost is \$40 per ticket or \$35 per ticket when purchasing eight or more tickets.

The banquet will be held Sat., April 16, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. All-you-can-eat steak and peeled shrimp will served with potatoes and all the trimmings. This year's banquet theme is "Unsung Heroes."

For your enjoyment, have Stacy Thompson take your "date night" pictures to commemorate the event (can be purchased), bid on donated items at the silent auction and join your friends in the Kerry Moore Auditorium for the songs and sounds of Texas Crossroads from Sham- by the American Diabetes Association. rock.

"Carrying On" County history

Pre-orders for the reprint of the Bailey County history book "Early Bailey County History" are being taken now by members of the "Carrying On" Committee of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

The price for the pre-ordered hardback books is \$45. After July 1, the price will be \$50 per book.

The book, originally printed in 1978, was compiled in two years by seventh and eighth grade students in the Old yearbooks wanted Muleshoe Junior High Historical Society.

ompson at 272-3652 or send your checks to: Muleshoe books, are invited to contribute them to the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, "Carrying On Heritage Center. They will be placed in the Depot for Committee," P.O. Box 356, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

Support sought for Project Graduation

Parents of the Muleshoe Senior Class of 2005 need your help to make Project Graduation safe, fun and memorable for our graduates.

Donations are being accepted to help with expenses such as games, food and prizes for a celebration in Amarillo. Transportation and sponsors will be provided. This will be a substance-free, non-alcohol, drug-free event.

Donations will be acknowledged in the newspaper in one of three levels: Gold Sponsor — donation of at least \$100; Silver Sponsor — donation of at least \$50; Bronze Sponsor — donation of at least \$25. Donations of any amounts will be appreciated.

Donations for "2005 Project Graduation" or questions may be addressed to: Lavon Hunt, The Donut Hole, 1106 W American Blvd. Muleshoe, Texas 79347, or by calling 272-3668; Jody Wood, 1502 W. Ave. C, Muleshoe, Texas 7934, or by calling 272-7549; or Tom Ladd, Earl Ladd & Sons, 602 W. American Blvd., Muleshoe, Texas 79347, or by calling 272-3308.

Singer showcase to be held

The Roxy's Singers Showcase will be April 16, at 7 p.m. in Olton. All area vocalists are invited to come and perform. To perform, contact the Olton City Hall at (806)285-2611 or email your entry to oltonpwd@amaonline.com. The deadline to enter is Friday, April 15.

Major, minor tryouts and final Little League sign-up

Major and minor league tryouts for Muleshoe Little teams League scheduled for April 2 at the Roger Miller Ball Park.

Major league tryouts will be held from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m., and minor league tryouts will be from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

For additional information, contact Adrian Perez at 272-5650, or Jorge Barron at 272-3577.

The final sign up period for Little league will also be on April 2, at the Roger Miller Ball Park, from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Talent show

Muleshoe High School is hosting a Talent Show on April

If you would like to show your talent and be a part of the show you can sign-up now. Simply fill-out the form available at the DeShazo Elementary, Watson Junior High or Muleshoe High School and return it to one of the locations. The last day to sign-up is April 12. Auditions will be held after school on April 14. There is no cost for entering the show. First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded. For additional information, contact Annette Escobar or Raquel Mata at 272-7303.

Scholarship donations sought

The Muleshoe Independent School District would like to make sure that every Muleshoe High School graduate has the opportunity to pursue an education beyond the high school level. Four years ago, the Muleshoe ISD Board of Trustees took a bold step toward this goal by establishing the Muleshoe Opportunity Scholarship Trust.

The MOST scholarship funded is through contributions, honorariums, gifts, and memorials. "We are inviting you to be a part of offering a successful beginning to our seniors by making certain that every individual who graduates from MHS has a scholarship," MISD Superintendent Gene Sheets said. "Your donation of any amount, large or small. will be appreciated. Even a small amount, when pooled with others, can make a difference in the lives of our graduates.'

A fully tax-deductible donation can be made to: MOST Scholarship, c/o Muleshoe ISD, 514 West Ave. G, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

Diabetes management program offered

Bailey County Extension and the Bailey County Diabetes Coalition will be sponsoring a diabetes educational series called Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes. The primary goal of this program is to help participants learn how to manage their meal plan and self-care to maintain their blood glucose in the ranges recommended

Presenters include Dr. Thomas Smith, Kay Swint, Linda Bullock, Kristi Spies, Amanda Shelton and Jennifer Gregory. The program will be held from 7-9 p.m. on April 5, 12 and 19, at the Bailey County Coliseum Meeting Room. Participants who attend all six sessions will receive a free glucometer. For more information or to register for the program, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

Former Muleshoe students or anyone with old year-If you would like to order a book, contact Stacy M. Th- books, including parents who still have their kids' old year-

people to take a mental stroll down memory lane.

To donate, call the Depot, (806) 272-5873, Monday through Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. and ask for Dolores. Or mail them to the Heritage Depot, P.O. Box 201, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. At this time, yearbooks from 1950, 1951, 1952, 1962, 1970 and 1975-1979 are still needed.

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.

Also, the next meeting of the Ex-Student Association has been set for April 5, at 6:30 p.m., at the Five Area Telephone meeting room.

Pioneer history book available.

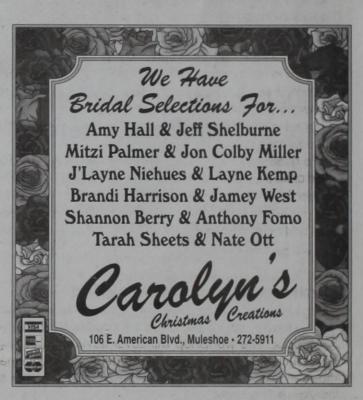
The Muleshoe Senior Citizens' Pioneer History book is now available at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center. The cost is \$25 per copy.

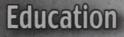
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King graduates

Toni King, pictured above, graduated from Wayland Baptist University of Clovis with honors on March 4 with a bachelor of science in Interdisciplinary Studies. The ceremony was held at Central Baptist Church in Clovis.

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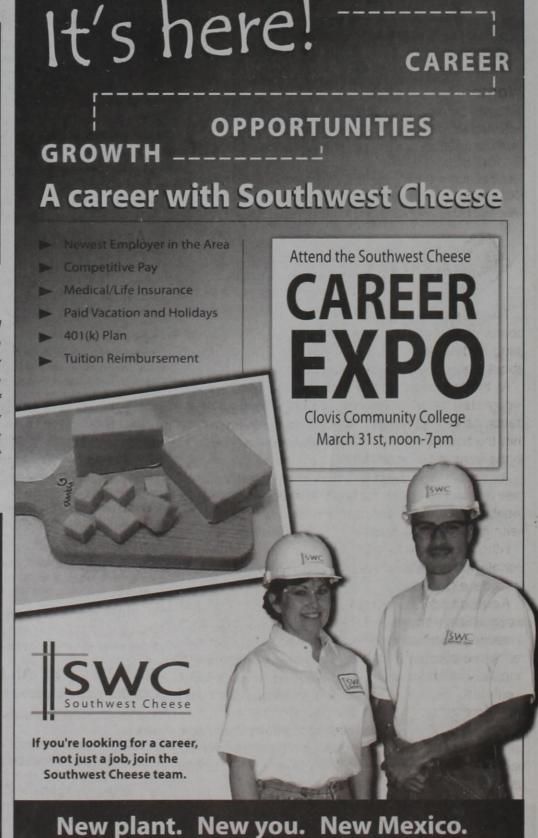
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Muleshoe AA meetings set

Those looking for help with problem drinking can do so Saturday, March 26, a blood their "floating laminate 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 has created a scholarship in the name of Judge Herman Morrison, whose memory is being honored with this educational subsidy.

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.

Chamber seeks event information

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture through, even on a "snowy seniors." 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 thompson@fivearea.com.

Wild at Heart' offering free oil changes

"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 dis- draw crowds numbering abled or be a single mother with children living at home. The more than 50 from around the oil change will be provided by a local business and will be area. Twenty Muleshoe 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.

Gardening workshop scheduled

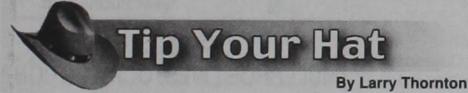
A gardening, mini-farming workshop has been scheduled for April 5, 12, 19 and 26, at the Garden & Art Center in Lubbock. The workshop will cover several gardening topics including organic, no-till and beds. For additional information call 767-3724, or email Ken Hargesheiner at "minifarms@aol.com".

German sausage is available

St. Ann's Catholic Church is selling German sausage, regular or with jalapeno, at \$3.50 a pound. Contact Tami Schilling, 806-825-3031, for additional information or to place an order.

Women's workshop set for April 1

Clovis Community College is excited to offer a one day educational women's workshop entitled Women: Inspiring Hope and Creating Change. The conference will be held at CCC on Friday, April 1, from 8:15 a.m. until 3 p.m. Registration will begin at 8:15 in the gymnasium area of CCC. A \$10 fee is required, which includes lunch. Call 769-4929 to learn more about registering for the workshop.



This week, I'd like to "tip my hat" to the MISD school board. While it may not seem like much, they did something at the March 21 board meeting that said much about them as well as the superintendent.

At the beginning of the meeting, the school board recognized the achievements of a large number of students, as well as school district employees. But to do this, the board got out of their chairs and walked around to the front of the board table.

As simple as it sounds, I was very impressed with their action. I've covered a large number of public board meetings over the years, and this was the first time I've seen it done in this manner.

I don't know how long the board has been doing this. For all I know it's become a local tradition, but no matter... it's a good thing.

A public body's meeting table is often more than just a convenient work place. Like a judge's black robe, such a meeting table can become a symbol of authority, separating the officials from the public they represent and hopefully increase the weight of their spoken word. But it can also be used as a barrier, fostering an "us and them" mentality.

When the school board stepped around their table as they did on March 21 it was as if they were telling each individual being recognized "you're important to

us." Yes, the certificates the students and employees received are nice. They can be hung on the wall and cherished in the years ahead. But I tend to think the honor and respect they received from the school board and the superintendent is much more valuable.

Senior Citizen News

drive was conducted at the Oneita Wagnon Senior 27, of Levelland, who had percent of his body.

Ten pints were collected at Wednesday. the senior center. The United stationed at Supermarket Saturday where they collected 18 pints.

Saturday before Easter."

played the piano for our first group about nutrition. sing-along while her the singing very well indeed and gave some history on some favorite songs.

have excellent singing voices — and the rest of us just sang along and had a great time. The fourth Wednesday noon upcoming week is as follows: is set for our sing-along, so mark your calendar.

On Tuesdays at 7 p.m. the senior dance continues to Seniors joined others from Clovis, Portales, Broadview, NM. Sudan, Friona, Earth, Farwell, Levelland, Morton, Brownwood, Springlake and Lazbuddie.

The bring-a-dish potluck is always a taste treat and the music is a variety of countryissue of "Feed Yards" complemented the Oneita

Amid snow flurries, on Wagnon Senior Center on exercise floor.'

The responsibilities of the Center by United Blood Director of the senior center Services for Cody Jackson, is shared by two employees - Nelda Merriott is the suffered burns over 80 Program-Activities Director and Laverne Winn is the The Senior Citizens were Bookkeeper-Director. Winn is pleased to offer the center to responsible for Monday, be of service in this tragedy. Tuesday and until noon on

Merriott is responsible for Blood Services lab truck was Wednesday afternoon, United Thursday and Friday.

Both ladies came out of retirement to work at the United Blood Services center and both spend more officials say the 28 pints of time than their regular hours blood from Muleshoe is at the senior center helping greatly appreciated, and to make it interesting and Muleshoe always comes enjoyable for all of our

On April 12 at noon, our On Wednesday at noon at extension agent, Mandi the senior center, Ann Sinclair Seaton, will speak to the

The April birthdays will be husband, James Sinclair, led celebrated at noon on Thursday, April 14.

On Friday, April 15, at 10 a.m. Jim Milner, with It was discovered that Rightway Medical, will be at many of our Senior Citizens the senior center to help diabetics obtain special shoes.

> The menu for the Monday, April 4 — Green chili chicken, red beans, lettuce, tomato salad, tortilla

> and fruit salad. Tuesday, April 5 — Chicken fried steak, baked potato, green beans, white gravy,

> wheat roll and apricots. Wednesday, April 6 -Baked chicken, black-eyed peas, Brussel sprouts,

> cornbread and cherry cobbler. Thursday, April 7 — Polish sausage, sauerkraut or cabbage, corn and pickles,

cornbread and pumpkin pie. Friday, April 8 — Baked fish, western favorites. A recent tossed salad with ranch dressing, cornbread, purple

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Are there other exemptions available? If you're disabled-or if you're 65 years old or older-you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (Starting this year, the county, city or junior college may adopt a tax ceiling to lock in 2005 taxes as the highest amount for over-65 or disabled homeowners.) The over-65 or disabled homeowner's school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home. These homeowners (or their surviving spouses 55 years of age or older) also may transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their former home's school tax ceiling, to a new home.

Do I have a apply each year? No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 2004, you won't need to reapply for 2005 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—or if you've moved to a new home-you'll need to file for an exemption for 2005. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you became disabled, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

When and where should I file? File applications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at:

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Did You Get Your Free Book in the Mail?

Good news/bad news.

The good news is that I got a free book in the mail yesterday.

The bad news is that it is obviously worth every penny I paid.

I don't know how many shillings were shelled out to mail copies of this erudite volume to churches all over the country, but a note inside the front cover indicates that 46,816 of these books hit the



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mail. Assemblies of God got almost 13,000 of them. Churches of Christ were next with almost 10,000. Independent Christian Churches got 5,500. I don't know whether to feel honored or put down. And I guess it's my sad duty to inform you that if you are folks! I guess it's worth it. You Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian, Disciples of Christ, etc., you'll just have to buy your own copy.

Actually, I've seen this book in an earlier edition a few years ago. I got that one free and in the mail, too. But this one is better. It is a "Second Edition, corrected and revised."

The fact is that this edition, like the first, actually includes two books in one. The main body of the work is entitled, A Geocentric Primer. It's followed by a somewhat shorter but equally important work, The Geocentric Bible.

So what's the point? Why would somebody dole out the denarii to send out absolutely free and without obligation almost 47,000 copies of this two-in-one book?

Because they think it is important that you realize that the earth does not revolve around the sun. Actually, I've just skimmed a bit of the book and haven't spent too much time on the various charts, but if I understand what they're saying, they believe that the sun and the whole universe revolve around the earth which is the center of everything. And they firmly believe the Bible teaches exactly that. Just be sure to read it in the King James Version or you'll be led astray, they say.

I shouldn't make fun of these people. I'm probably just jealous. Nobody's ever even inquired about printing 46,000 of my books, much less expressed serious interest in paying to mail them all over the country and beyond.

And, mind you, this is the second time around for these don't want wrong information floating about out there. Did I mention that this edition is "corrected and revised."

I guess I better admit that I just can't find it in myself to care much about Geocentrism.

Maybe I'm missing the point. And it's probably my own fault. I admit that I've strayed from the King James and been led away into "modern" translations of the Bible. I could be wrong, but it seems to me that all of them are pretty clear that the main point of the Christian life is to be Christ-ocentric.

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

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¿Hay otras exenciónes? Si Ud. es incapacitado—o si tiene 65 años o más—tiene derecho a una exención adicional de \$10,000 en sus impuestos escolares de propiedad. Y si Ud. califica para la exención para los que ya cumplieron 65 años o está incapacitado, tambien tiene derecho a un "tope" permanente en sus impuestos escolares de residencia. (Comenzando éste año, el condado, la ciudad or una universidad de dos años puede adoptar un tope de impuestos en los impuestos del 2005 como la cantidad más grande para los dueños de hogar de 65 años o más o incapacitados.) La exención para los que ya cumplieron 65 años o éstan incapacitados y el tope máximo se pueden transferir al esposo/ esposa sobreviviente si el o ella tiene 55 ó más años de edad y es dueño/dueña de la casa en donde vive. Tambien el dueño de una casa nueva que tiene más de 65 años puede transladar un porcentaje de tope máximo del los impuestos escolares que le tocaron en su domicilio anterior.

¿Debo solicitarla cada año? No. Si Ud. recibió una exención de residencia en 2004, no hay necesidad de solicitarla de nuevo en el 2005-al menos que se lo pida su jefe de valoraciones. Sin embargo, si no has recibido un exención en su residencia actual-o si ha cambiado de domicilio tendrá que solicitar una exención para el 2005. Si Ud. cumplierá los 65 años durante este año, tiene hasta un año de esa fecha para solicitar una nueva exención. Y si cumplió los 65 años o resultó incapacitado, tendrá que solicitar las exenciónes adicionales.

¿Donde y cuando debo solicitar mis exenciónes?

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Fort Benton, located on native

Obituaries

A funeral service for

Virginia Hines Drager, 81,

of Farwell was held

Tuesday, March 29, 2005,

at St. John Lutheran

Church in Lariat, with the

Burial followed at Texico

Cemetery in Texico, N.M.

Rev.

officiating.

Virginia Hines Drager

it's not the only community hides were bringing top invincibility of the fort and its

Believed by many to be and however, at the time of this itself might become a target; mule. particular incident beaver it was the objective of its

While Muleshoe has Pete, had lost its value and buffalo leaders to demonstrate the firepower.

Picture this, tribal leaders Benton was built on the the most fearsome tribe in and Fort Benton officials Missouri River in the middle Montana, the Blackfoot bedecked in all their finery of what would become the furiously defended their standing in front of the gates hunting lands from both next to the bank of the white Missouri River. The chiefs the edge of the hunting encroachment. It was have already seen how thick Bible, God demonstrated lands claimed by the mighty because of this reputation, and formidable are the walls Blackfoot Nation, was a that the tribal leaders were of the fort, now the fort's commercial trading post invited to the festivities when newest acquisition is initially established for the the fort's adobe walls were brought out - a cannon -Rocky Mountain fur trade; finished. Fearing the fort mounted on the back of a

As the Blackfoot watched, the cannon was aimed at the opposite bank of the river without removing it from the mule's packsaddle. Then, the wick used in the cannon is lit. While the fort's officials knew what to expect, the tribal leaders didn't... and neither did the mule, which started turning around to see what was causing the hissing noise on his back.

Pandemonium ruled as people from the fort run for cover, many diving off the bank and into the river. At the same time, the puzzled Blackfoot stood watching the antics of the white men, and the frantically turning mule... until the cannon

Fortunately, no one was injured by this ill-thought demonstration of power. In fact, the only damage from the shot loaded in the cannon was to the fort's wall and the sign of a buffalo that had been hung above the gates.

In the Old Testament, God were proud of their wall and the protection it afforded them. In the Book of Joshua, we're told how Joshua led Memorial contributions may be made to St. John the Israelites across the Jordan River and eventually to the walls of Jericho.

God had promised the Israelite's victory over this land to which they'd come, but he also wanted the Israelites to understand that such victory was on his terms, and that it wasn't because of their human efforts. Therefore, he commanded them to march around the walls for seven days, giving a mighty shout



VIRGINIA HINES DRAGER

Drager died on March 25, 2005, at Muleshoe Area Medical Center in

David Symm

Muleshoe. She was born on Dec. 1, 1923, at Crosbyton to Bob and Nannie Hines.

Drager moved to Farwell with her family in 1929, and married John P. A. Drager on April 12, 1943.

She was a member of the Farwell Convalescent Center Auxiliary and of St. John Lutheran Church in Lariat, where she served as a Braille Worker. She also served in the Lutheran Women's Missionary League.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband - John Drager; three brothers - Robert Hines, Lynn Westbrook and Walter Westbrook; and two sisters Rose Gattis and Ethlene Bell.

Drager is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law - Aaron and Ginger Drager, and Samuel and Carrie tells us about others who Drager, all of Clovis, N.M.; a daughter and son-in-law — Elizabeth and Wayne Jesko of Lazbuddie; a brother — Sam Hines of California; eight grandchildren, nine greatgrandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Lutheran Church Pre-School and EMS.

Don Taylor

Services were held for Don Taylor, 60, of Dumas, on Friday, March 25, 2005, at Boxwell Brothers Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Doug Harris officiating. Burial followed in Lane Memorial Cemetery in Sunray.

Taylor died Tuesday, March 22, 2005, in Dumas. He was born May 17, 1944, in Muleshoe to Ozell and

Tommy Taylor. He was a truck driver and hide-room fore-

He is survived by two sons — David McGuire of Dumas and Johnny Taylor of Darien, Wis.; one daughter -Michelle Demsky of Dumas; three sisters — Linda White of Farwell, Janie Phillips of the Causey/Rogers, N.M. area; and Reba Thompson of Newkirk, Okla.; and nine grandchildren.

Robbie Biggs Nowlin

A church service for Robbie Biggs Nowlin, 89, of Muleshoe, was held March 29, 2005, at Primitive Baptist Church, with her grandsons Elder David Montgomery and Elder Dwayne Shafer officiating. Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Nowlin died Sunday, March 27, 2005, in Park View Nursing Home of Muleshoe. She was born on March 5, 1916, in Hillsboros, and married Morris Nowlin on Oct. 9, 1937.

She moved to the Muleshoe area in 1946 from Gatesville, and was a homemaker and a member of the Primitive Baptist Church, Muleshoe.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters and sons-in-law - Patsy Ann and Ronnie Shafer of Jimmie Stephenville, Darrene and James Collins of Dimmitt, and Carolyn and John Roberts, also of Dimmitt; a sister - Lilly Pearl Bennett of Hillsboro; seven grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Primitive Baptist Church, 2244 F.M. 1524, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, or Park View Nursing Home, 1100 W. Ave. J. Muleshoe, Texas 79347.



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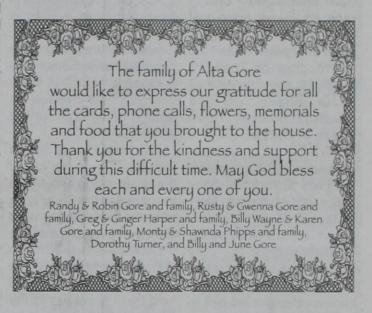
"When the trumpets sounded, the people shouted, and at the sound of the trumpet, when the people gave a loud shout, the wall collapsed ... " -Joshua 6:20, NIV.

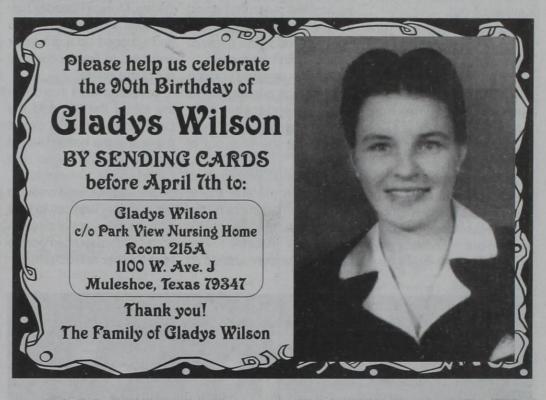
On many occasions in the that more strength is found in a relationship with him than in the mightiest of walls or man-made armor or weaponry.

Ephesians 6:10-11, NIV, tells us, "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes."

When you find yourself facing what appear to be "unbeatable" adversaries or "insurmountable" obstacles, turn to the Lord, the source of all strength.

2000 The Brady Byrd family wishes to express our appreciation to all and say thank you for your calls, cards and visits during our time of loss. Your acts of kindness were our refuge and your prayers, our shield. We know that he's looking down right now, smiling at all of his family and friends, eternally grateful for your love. L. Sonny Byrd Family







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Sports

Lady Mules open district race against tough softball teams

By Delton Wilhite Sports Writer

The Lady Mules may Lady Mules. have opened their district fell to the Lady Pirates 13-0 Lawrence threw a ground home opener to the the grab and stepped on Friday, March 25.

Lorin Duff of Cooper pitched a no-hitter against their final run in the top of second batter was hit by a the Lady Mules. Muleshoe the fourth inning and ended pitch and went to second on only sent 16 batters to plate the game on the 10-run rule a passed ball. The base to face Duff and 12 went after the Lady Mules went runner did not stop at down on strikes. Abby in order in the top of the fifth. second and tried to scurry Lawrence drew the only walk and Erica Sanchez pitcher's circle against the reached base on a fielder's Loboettes of Levelland and throw back to the pitcher's choice on a ground ball to held them scoreless in the circle and Smith made the that second Lawrence out.

in the first inning and six in bunt and made the throw to and scooped up a grounder the second to jump in front Rasco at first for the out. of the Lady Mules early. The Lady Mules held Cooper to pop fly in the pitcher's circle just one run in the third for the second out and Kelly the top of the fifth and the inning as Lawrence got Duff Dale snagged a line drive at Lady Mules could not mount to pop out to Sanchez in foul second for the final out of a threat in the bottom half of territory.

Ashley Dickson scooped up a ground ball at third and got a hit in the first inning

a series of errors by the Lady Mule bats.

race against the top two gave the Lady a Pirates and six in the third to end all teams in the district. They another base runner. March 22, and dropped their to range to her left to make inning Levelland Loboettes 11-0 on second for the force out and grounder at second in the end the inning.

Dickson started in the to third forced first inning. Sanchez throw to Dickson at third for Cooper scored five runs the plate to field a sacrifice replaced Smith at short stop

> Dickson camped under a out of the inning. the inning.

Cooper turned into a run on after that and cooled off the

Levelland scored five A second base-on-balls runs in the second inning

Smith relieved Dickson in Woodrow on Tuesday, ball that Madison Smith had after two outs in the third

> Kendra Pruitt fielded a top of the fourth and threw The Lady Pirates scored to first for the first out. The

Sanchez had made the scrambled out from behind the tag. Monica Posadas had and went to first for the final

Levelland went in order in the inning. The game was Rasco and Sanchez each halted on the 10-run rule.

The Lady Mules traveled to fired across the diamond to and that turned out to be the Littlefield on Tuesday to take Jenna Rasco on first for the only two hits of the game for on the Lady Cats and return up a base-on-balls that Loboette pitcher settled in host Cooper at 6:30 p.m.



Eddie Alvarado sets up to swing during the March 19 game against River Road.

Mules fall to Littlefield in district opener

By Delton Wilhite Sports Writer

Eddie Alvarado led off for stranded on base. the Mules in their district

The Wildcats scored three hits. three runs on three hits in

Landon Wilson started on opener in Littlefield Friday the mound for the Mules afternoon. He hit a line drive and gave up six runs in five single up the middle for the innings. Zane Johnson only Mule hit until the sixth came on in relief in the sixth and gave up two runs on

Jarad Flores led off the the bottom of the first inning. sixth inning for the Mules Littlefield scored a run in with a single to right field. He the second inning and two went to second on a wild runs in the fifth and sixth pitch before Robby Bomer innings to drop the Mules 8- walked on four straight Pirates at 1 p.m.

1. Littlefield out hit the Mules pitches. Geoff Sirkel singled nine to three and left five to right to score Flores from second.

> The Mules will host the Brownfield Cubs on April 2 at 6:30 p.m.. The Cubs lost their district opener to the Lubbock Cooper Pirates 11-

> The Mules travel to Levelland on April 5 to meet the Lobos at 7 p.m. and return home on April 9 for a meeting with the Cooper

Letter to the Editor

second out. Lawrence gave the Lady Mules. The home Saturday afternoon to Resident extends appreciation for SCAC support

To the Editor:

Community Action Club of almost 100 percent (SCAC) of Muleshoe High School held its annual TV auction be as successful as former years?"

scratch" bake items of showing their support. casseroles. For the past two

How great it is to observe in the community, could this morning to the students for young people doing be possible this year? constructive things in the Great... great... great! The community. The Student- students had another year participation.

You have never seen so Channel 6 Bake-Auction many beautiful cakes, pies, Saturday morning March 19 cookies, cinnamon rolls and from 8:30 a.m. until 1:30 casseroles. However the p.m. This is a yearly activity students and sponsors with a long history of realized that the auction success. So many activities could not be a success were going on this particular without bidders. And again Saturday at the High area citizens supported the School, the sponsors students and the Muleshoe wondered, "Could this Heritage Center as all History Notes proceeds are donated by the students to the center. Each club member is And once again area Pictured above are the Muleshoe High School students who took part in the Shattered asked to bring two "from-citizens called over and over

With so many things going auction for years, including what would become Texas.

on at high school as well as Channel 6, which gives the this auction every year, and the Muleshoe Journal which publishes news of the event.

> It is impossible to express much the club members of SCAC and sponsors appreciate the loyal community support, Channel 6, the Journal, as as mothers. grandmothers and friends who baked for the auction.

Jean Allison, Muleshoe

Moscoso Luis Alvarado assumed leadership of Hernando de Soto's expeditionary force How very gratifying to when the famous explorer died, and traveled east from

Month, which is a time for parents, schools, communities, organizations and all of years, students had a 100 hear the names of people America to take a stand against the problem costing the United States \$185 billion percent participation record. who have supported the the Mississippi River into dollars per year, alcohol abuse and alcoholism.



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Students of the Week announced

The Watson Junior High School Students of the Week for March 28 are, from left to right: Front Row - Jose Quezada, Jeffrey Vasquez and Kelsie King; back row -Cassie Steinbock, Steven Richards and Tiffany Standard.

Feeder cattle, calves numbers are unchanged from last year

Cattle and calves on feed ruary total for slaughter market in totaled 2.69 million head on 20 percent from the Janu-

According to the monthly last month to 298,000 head. report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Serone percent from the Feb. 1 level.

Producers placed 340,000 head in commercial feedlots during February, down three percent from a year ago, and 20 percent below the January 2005 to-

Texas commercial feeders marketed 360,000 head during February, down 14 percent from last year and down nine percent from the January 2005 total.

On March 1, there were 2.24 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 83 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was up two percent from last year, and down million head, four percent one percent from the Feb- below 2004.

February placements in Texas feedlots with capac- the Northern High Plains ity of 1,000 head or more totaled 279,000 head, down March 1, unchanged from a ary total. Marketing were down seven percent from

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the vice, the estimate was down United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 11.2 million head on March 1, 2005. This inventory was two percent above March 1,

> Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.52 million head, six percent below February 2004. February placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 277,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 308,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 526,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 412,000 head

Marketing of fed cattle during February totaled 1.63

Plains Cotton growers annual meeting set for April

Growers 48th Annual D.C.; and, Ted Peabody, Jr., Meeting has been set for Commodity/Compliance Thursday, April 7, at division chief for the Texas Lubbock Memorial Civic State Farm Service Agency Center.

and the program will begin President's Address from at 9 a.m. in the Civic Center PCG president Rickey Banquet Hall.

1:30 p.m. in Civic Center Cotton Room 107.

meeting Dr. Mark Lange, research conducted by the president and CEO of the Plains Cotton Improvement National Cotton Council; Program and a 2005 Crop agriculture journalist and Boman, Texas Cooperative

The Plains Cotton Economics in Washington, will be speaking.

The meeting will begin Other annual meeting with registration at 8:30 a.m. agenda items include the Bearden, a report on PCG Following the annual operations from executive meeting the PCG board will vice president Steve Verett, conduct its April meeting at and a report from Plains decisions need to be made in Improvement Committee chairman Dale For this year's annual Swinburn on the status of Wiesemeyer, Preview from Dr. Randy

Agricultural News

Marketing strategies critical for cotton in times of uncertainty

management strategies for cotton farmers more important this

The World Trade Organization has challenged key provisions of the farm program as not being in compliance with the agency's guidelines for international trade. Currently, two out of three bales of U.S. cotton are exported and are subject to these guidelines.

President Bush has proposed cuts in the budget deficit program safety net.

Each could knock several cents off the price of cotton, said Dr. Carl Anderson, a recently retired Regents Fellow, professor and Texas Cooperative Extension cotton marketing economist in College Station.

Anderson advises producers to get a marketing plan in place

"We're using all of the policy and supply and demand uncertainties to substantiate and point out that future crop producers need to use marketing strategies to enhance their income, because we see the farm program payments being more limited than they are today," Ander-

Anderson spoke here at a one-day Advanced Topic Series course on "Developing this year's marketing plan - cotton," sponsored by Extension.

"What we talk about is maximizing income under the farm program," he said. "We emphasize the importance of understanding the markets, keeping up with them and knowing when there are opportunities to pick up some extra income.'

Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension economist in Amarillo, said that's particularly important in the northern Panhandle, where cotton has started growing in acreage, but the producers are at square one on the learning

"We're starting to get a lot of requests for basic outlook and marketing information on cotton, Amosson said. Most of these producers are new, and until you understand cotton, it's difficult to develop a marketing

Time is growing short for making those plans. Like most crops, the best prices for cotton are before planting or soon after, Amosson said. That means the next 45 days or so, he said.

Anderson said last year some producers reaped the benefits of advanced planning. They were able to set a price floor at 60 cents on the December 2004 futures last March. Those futures dropped to 44 cents by August, but those who

Uncertainty beyond the nor- had locked in the floor price of mal planting questions makes 60 cents, using a put option, had price insurance.

In 2003, the situation was the opposite. The price was low. Anderson said when the price gets around 40 cents, producers should buy calls to "hedge" the counter-cyclical payment.

"We no longer just hedge against lower prices. We hedge against lower government payments, because the price goes up and the payment goes down," he said.

With December futures typiand reductions to the U.S. farm cally ranging from 39 cents a pound to 70 cents a pound, buying price insurance makes sense, Anderson said.

> It provides an opportunity for income in addition to the farm program payment.

> This year, prices are in the middle — in the 50- to 60-cent range — for December futures, but they could easily drop into the 40-cent range, Anderson

Producers should work on

putting on some price floors at 52 cents or higher, which could very possibly yield six to 10 cents net gain given the expected price at harvest, he said.

"It's standard procedure when you buy a nice new car, you take out insurance and hope you'll never need it. It's quite comfortable to have it," he said. "With cotton, you spend two cents and get back about eight cents net. Anyone who can get five cents out of this market will have been success-

While many producers use a pool to market their cotton, the economists said the producers of the future are aware of the opportunity to use the futures market, and are learning when to implement the pricing strate-

"The key is not to wait until you see the top of the market, because it's already gone by the time you see it," Anderson said. "We just want to find a favorable pricing opportunity."



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policy analyst with Informal Extension Cotton specialist. Some city residents asked to get mail boxes

because of health issues

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Patty Alaman is asking the physical requirements for Wagnon, Legion, Stewart, local residents on City foot delivery could cause him Highland, Obenhaus, Route 3 to voluntarily put up to have to quit the route he's Highland-Richland Hills #1 a "curb-side" mail box carried for the past six years. and #2, and Parkridge.

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Wedding Announcements

Gear, Polasek united in marriage

Twyla Gear of Lubbock became the bride of James Polasek of Ropesville on Feb. 19, 2005, in the First United Methodist Church in Muleshoe. Officiating at the double-ring ceremony was the Rev. Monty Leavell, pastor of the church.

The bride is the daughter of Joe and Gayla Gear of Muleshoe. Parents of the groom are Gene and Loretta Polasek of Ropesville.

Traditional wedding music was played by Mrs. W.T. Watson. Gary Hooten, uncle of the bride, sang "Household of Faith." During the ceremony the couple was served Holy Communion by Rev. Leavell after which the bride sang "The Lord's Prayer."

A bouquet of white roses enhanced with snow branches adorned the alter table. White column candles was her garter; and atop tree candelabras something new was her entwined with snow green ivy completed the alter the windows.

Presented in marriage by escorted to the alter by her matron white roses.

crystal necklace belonging from Wolfforth. maternal

Engagement



MRS. JAMES POLASEK

Groomsmen were — Bryan

Jeffcoat of Lubbock, Miguel

Castillo of Levelland and

Tyrel Gear, brother of the

bride, of Muleshoe. Serving

as ring bearer was Noah

Kelley of Las Vegas, Nev.

Ushers were Cade Hooten,

cousin of the bride, of

Muleshoe, and Doug Casey,

brother-in-law of the groom,

of Wolfforth. The groom and

his attendants were attired

in black tuxedos with cobalt

blue cumber buns and ties.

created a winter wonderland

in the fellowship hall of the

church for a reception

honoring the wedding

couple. Tiny lights wrapped

in tulle bordered the room

completing the winter

scene. White floor-length

cloths covered the serving

tables adorned with crystal

and silver appointments and

Heather Boyd of Dallas

and Amy Turner of Lubbock,

cousins of the bride,

serving a three-tiered

white roses snowflakes and

Wedding punch was served

from a silver bowl by

The groom's table was

attended by Daria Smith of

Ropesville serving a variety

of miniature cheesecakes.

The couple departed to the

sound of tiny silver bells for

a wedding trip to San

Antonio. Other members of

the house party were Hellen

Lubbock attended the

bride's book at the

registration table adorned

with column candles, crystal

A bar-b-que rehearsal

Mahaney

Michele Barton.

Jade

and snow.

Castillo

ribbons.

candlelight.

cascading

Jennifer

Levelland.

Snow-covered trees

Hooten: something blue bridal gown and veil.

Mikayla Polasek, setting. The pews were daughter of the groom, marked with clusters of served as flower girl and snow branches and ivy. stood with her father during White column candles the ceremony. Mikayla wore surrounded with snow a white formal length chiffon branches and ivy glowed dress and white ballet sanctuary slippers and carried a white satin basket.

Yolanda Kelley of Las her parents, the bride was Vegas, Nev., served as of father, Joe Gear. She wore Bridesmaids were - Jacki a traditional gown of white Bulls of Lubbock, Kellee satin with a beaded crystal McCraw of Abilene, Kansas, bodice and inset on an and Susan Casey, sister of asymmetrical drape skirt. the groom of Wolfforth. They Twyla wore a cathedral veil wore formal length gowns of and blush on a silver, crystal cobalt blue satin accented and beaded tiara designed with crystal drop necklaces and made by Hellen Adrian. and earrings given them by Twyla carried a bouquet of the bride. Each carried a long-stemmed white rose. Keeping with the bridal Candles were lit by Anna tradition, Twyla wore a Casey, niece of the groom

Tate Melton of Ropesville grandmother, Maurine served as best man.

community room.

a.m. until 3 p.m.

All members of the perpainting. Association 2005 Art Show Muleshoe Art Association member's entry fee of \$5

Muleshoe Art show set for April 4-5

There is no limit on has been set for April 4-5 may enter. Nonmembers entries. However, entries in the Muleshoe State Bank may pay an entry fee of \$10 should not have been for each painting or join the shown, previously, in the Entries will be accepted art association, paying the Muleshoe Art competition on Monday, April 4, from 10 \$20 dues, and pay the shows. Artists are to bring easels to display their paintings, and reminded that paintings which are still wet should not be submitted.

> Paintings should be wired for hanging. Attach a card to the back stating the artist's name, address, media and price. Entries not for sale must be so designated.

> Paintings will be handled and displayed at the artist's risk. Neither the art association nor the bank will be responsible for any loss or damage to the

> Entries not available for purchase award must be so labeled. Any artist will be limited to one cash award other than the purchase award.

> Jon Birdsong of Portales, N.M., will be the judge for judging is set for April 5, from 10 a.m until 2 p.m.

> After the judging, Birdsong will critique the paintings and awards will be presented.

Winning paintings will be on display in the bank until April 15, and should be picked up before 3 p.m. on that day.

Engagement

Muleshoe Art



Duckworth, Burton engaged

Linda Duckworth of Springlake is pleased to announce the engagement of her daughter, Shelia Jeannette Duckworth, to Randy L. Burton of Amarillo.

The prospective groom is the son of Gary and Victoria Burton of Amarillo.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Springlake- this year's show. The Earth High School. She is employed at Quality Wholesale and Dillards. The prospective groom is a graduate of Caprock High School. He is a sales representative for Glazers Wholesale.

The couple will marry June 24, 2005, at the Wedding Chapel in Amarillo.

Hospital Report

Muleshoe Area Medical Johnson, Jacob Lara and Center reports the following Jimmie Seaton. patients:

Mar. 17 — Jay Brown, Pedro Deleon, Jimmy Dutton, Johnie Eubank, Freddie Ford, Mary Johnson, Jim Kee, Marion Logsdon and Irene Purser.

Mar. 18 - Jay Brown, Pedro Deleon, Jimmy Dutton, Johnie Eubank, Jessie Gray, Kathleen Hickey, Marion Logsdon, Jesus Lopez and attended the bride's table Irene Purser.

Mar. 19 - No Report wedding cake covered with Available.

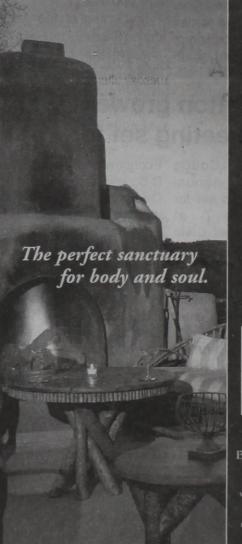
Mar. 20 - No Report Available.

Mar. 21 — Marisa Ceballos, Gerardo Cisneros, Virginia Drager, Johnie Eubank, Wanda Griffin, Kathleen Hickey, Baby Linares, Jesus Lopez, Ruben Lopez and Jimmie Seaton.

Mar. 22 - Marisa Ceballos, Gerardo Cisneros, Virginia Drager, Johnie Eubank, Juan Garcia, Kathleen Hickey, William Kendall, Baby Linares, Jesus Lopez, Ruben Lopez and Adrian, Lanelle Skaggs and Jimmy Seaton.

> Mar. 23 — Gerardo of Cisneros, Virginia Drager, Johnie Eubank, Juan Garcia, Kathleen Hickey, Ora





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Tonti, Conklin engaged Ross Eugene Tonti and Anna Marie Koepke announce the engagement of their daughter, Dominique Felicia Tonti of Allen, to Matthew Joseph Conklin of Muleshoe, son of Garland and Susan Conklin of Muleshoe.

The prospective bride is a junior at Texas Tech Univer- dinner was hosted by the sity, majoring in Early Education. The prospective groom is a graduate student in the School of Architecture at Texas Tech University.

The couple will marry Aug. 27, 2005, in Dallas, with the ceremony and reception being held at the Dallas Arboretum Botanical Gardens.

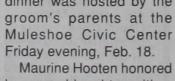
Muleshoe High School teachers resign

meeting, the Muleshoe Journal. Independent School District Board of Trustees accepted the resignations of two teachers.

These teachers were agriculture instructor Sid Morris, and high school English teacher Alice Liles.

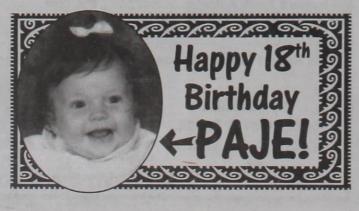
The school board also hired Kay Lepard, who will be replacing Mike Richardson, whose

Following an executive resignation was reported in session at its March 21 last week's issue of the



her granddaughter with a bridal luncheon in her home Saturday. She was assisted by Mrs. Gary Hooten and Wanda Hooten, aunts of the

The couple will reside in Ropesville, Texas.





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Nursing Home News

craft class, Thursday morning. The residents made Easter pins perm. and decorations

piano and sang for the residents Thursday morning. Virginia also Ft. Worth, Mark Winter directed played songs with a St. Paddy's Day Flair and showed her travels to Ireland.

residents won a "Pot of Gold" playing bingo. Joan Lewis and Pat Prather assisted with bingo.

Friday morning W.T. and Pat Watson played the steel guitar and piano for the residents in the day room. Janis Morrison and the residents sang along as the Watsons played Marita.

bash!

Christ directed a Communion Service Sunday morning.

Buster Kittrell and Harold Burge taught the Bible study Sunday morning.

Jearl James came to visit the residents Monday morning.

Nelda Mayse is here visiting her dad, Clifton Finley, Nelda lives in Kansas.

Peggy Dent spent the afternoon in Park View visiting the residents and doing special things for them. She also visited Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mary Johnson returned to Park View last week after spending some time in the local hospital.

Gladys Black visited Frances Purdy Monday also Cindy Purdy. Mary Crane visited Mrs. Purdy Friday.

The Seniors Citizens came Friday afternoon and sang songs of the past as well as the present. The group is from Clovis, N.M. Josie Ovalle came Monday

MISD teachers attend TCTA convention

Debbie Jo Kemp, Terri Bohler. Alice Liles Diana Harrison and Donna Green, all of the Muleshoe Classroom Teachers Association, were among the area teaching professionals who traveled to Austin on March 3-5 to participate in the 50th Annual Convention of the Texas Classroom Teachers Association

At the convention, they attended professional development seminars, went to the Texas Capitol to share public education concerns with lawmakers, and heard a keynote address from Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst.

During the convention, a special resolution was passed honoring Liles, past TCTA president, for her contributions to the organization.

Also, Green was elected as District Director representing Region 17.

On March 3, many TCTA members gathered for a briefing on education issues being discussed in the current session of the Texas Legislature. Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn delivered the legislative briefing, sharing information on funding available for Texas public schools. Following the briefing, members traveled to the Capitol to meet with lawmakers.

TCTA's 50th Annual Convention opened Friday afternoon, where members serving as voting delegates discussed education policy issues and elected TCTA's 2005-06 statewide officers and district directors.

Dairy...

continued from page1.

the dairy previously mentioned at Oakdale since 1990, and had operated his brother's dairy in California for several years. He also raised dairy calves for about 10 years.

and Gladys and Cathy Wilson a

Tuesday morning Pastor Gary Virginia Bowers played the and Judy Hubbard from Earth and their visiting evangelist from our praise and devotional time.

Gary Johnson visited Mary Johnson Monday, Mary was also Thursday afternoon the visited by Frankie Carpenter and granddaughters.

Joyce Hunter visited her son Rick Hunter Monday.

Pauline Chappell's daughter Diane Wiedebush visited her Monday.

Morris and Robbie Nowlin had a visitor from Dallas Monday.

Tuesday afternoon Beverly Saturday afternoon Iris Wagnon, Pat Clark, Pat Watson, Clements directed the bingo Eva Nell Dale, Mary Jo Burge and Beckye Conklin came to The Muleshoe Church of shampoo and set the ladies hair. Angela Babcock gave nail care.

Floy Henson received visits from her son James Henson and Glenda Jennings Wednesday.

The Muleshoe Roadriders Motorcyclist, paraded up to Park View though the breeze way and back again Saturday afternoon. Wednesday morning, Melvin

Griffin, Mike Griffin and Edward Orozco cooked a man-size breakfast for the men, in the activity room of Park View.

Harold and Mary Jo Burge, Buster and Wanda Kittrell served Jim Kee, Jimmie Dutton and coffee, juice and donuts to the residents at coffee time Wednesday morning.

> Buster Kittrell, James an Ann Sinclair, Anna B Lane, Loyce Killingsworth, Jo Ellen Cowart and Brady Mason (Park View Singers) sang for and with the residents and ""Singspiration"", devotional time Wednesday morning.

Glenda Jennings directed the Wednesday sing-a-long afternoon. Peggy Dent also participated.

Beckye Conklin and Jo Ella Flowers visited Louise Agee Tuesday afternoon.

Lona Mosley's son Ronnie Gustin gave her a large decorated birthday cake, which she shared with the residents and staff Thursday afternoon.

On Thursday, March 3, Minnie Newsom, Park View CNA was

Herb and Betty Ramage were nominated for Service Value, were honored at a "Values in Action" luncheon at Covenant Kendall, his daughter Darla Hoyl Hospital in Lubbock.

Wednesday afternoon. Among

Anita Johnson directed our morning and gave Jewell Peeler nominated for Justice Value and those she visited were Frances Purdy and Jewel Peeler.

> Guy Kendall was visited Wednesday by his wife Elsie and her son; his son and Joy Whitt visited Park View daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Terry Kendall.

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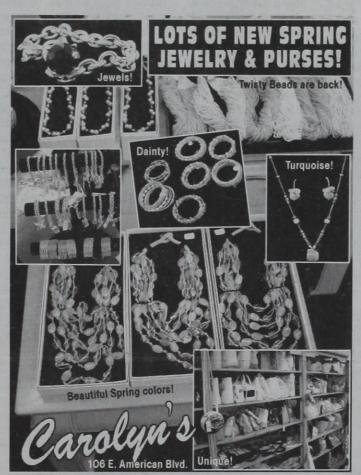


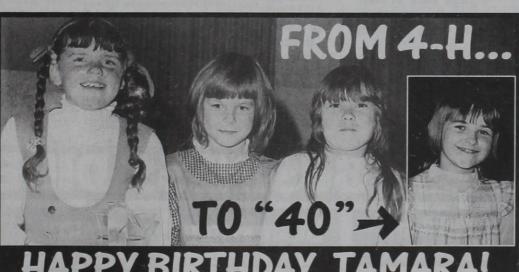
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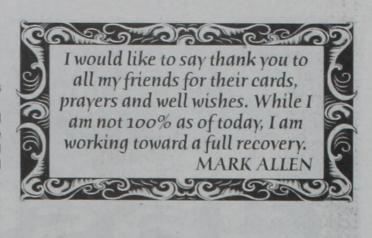
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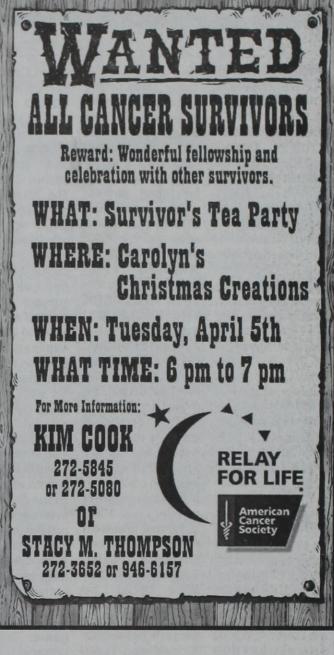
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Births

Noah Gonzalez

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at Baylor Children's Hospital Glenna Preston and Jimmy of Dallas.

Sergio and Jennifer ounces at birth and was 20 Muleshoe. inches long.

Mercedes and Sergio Jr.

Preston, both of Paris, and Noah was 6 pounds, 8 Ana M. Gonzalez of

Great-grandparents are He has two siblings, Elzie Bazar of Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. Aurelio Noah is the grandson of Cuevas of Muleshoe.



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the application is available for inspection at the address listed above. The Commission has assigned Control Number 30836 to this application. Persons who wish to formally participate in the commission's proceedings concerning this application or wish to express their comments concerning this application should contact the Utility Public Commission's Office of Customer Protection at (512) 936-7120 or toll free, at (888) 782-8477. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136 or reach the commission's toll free number through Relay Texas at (800) 735-2988. Requests to participate in the proceedings and comments should reach the commission no later than April 19, 2005. Published in the Muleshoe Journal, March 31, 2005.

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Heritage Board Report

the area were invited to thing like the Alamo. come and give suggestions community as a center for ten suggested idea was to

by saying the Muleshoe est mule shoe closer to the Rangers. Heritage Center has been highway?" an important part of the community for more than 20 the center was another sub- guests for coming and for years. With the support of ject discussed. City Man- giving so many tremendous the community, it has pre- ager David Brunson said, ideas. He concluded, "Hopeserved a number of impor- "Ask citizens to perform spe- fully, many of the ideas will tant structures, provided a cific jobs and citizens of the soon be instigated at the place for recreation and en- area will respond." Another center. tertainment and have at- idea was having a partnertracted tourists to town. ship with other area groups Joe Bob and Sheila Now, he noted, the center is such as the Boy Scouts and Stevenson, ready for the next phase. A Girl Scouts, the Muleshoe Chitwood, Jennifer Givens, lively discussion followed Chamber of Commerce, the Barbara Mutschler, Robert with an abundance of ideas Senior Citizens and many Nichols, Kenneth Henry, from area citizens attending.

The president first asked what kind of activities or entertainment should be offered at the center. Some of the suggestions offered included: Having a dance and music festival with such groups as the Ballet Folklorico, an old fiddlers competition, or as Barbara Mutschler suggested, even foot-stomping dancers.

Another guest said to bring the square dancers back and also western groups. LeAnn Gallman suggested having a classic car show, while another suggested an old tractor show. Still another guest remarked, "Why not a classic car show combined with blue grass music using Levelland's South Plains College as a source?"

When the president asked for ideas about how to have educational programs of interest to children from pre-schoolers through college age, Sandy

Center can best serve the area, the first and most of- tools and farm equipment. The president of the Heriing appropriate to the area.

The Muleshoe Heritage Chitwood and Jennifer Giv- board member, explained Santa Fe Depot was the ens contributed ideas such how the anticipated muscene Tuesday, March 22, as having hands-on activi- seum in the old Figure 4 for a town hall-type of meet- ties like branding, making Ranch House could illusing with Heritage Founda- and collecting arrowheads trate the early Hispanic contion board members and in- and knife throwing, or hav- tributions to this area. terested citizens. Citizens of ing students build some- Someone suggested involving farmers and ranchers When Allison asked how who can teach techniques about how the Heritage to attract more tourists to the such as irrigation, using old

Then someone said. entertainment, educat on have a showy entrance with "How about a program and cultural advancement. a large sign and landscap- about the Texas Rangers?" Immediately tage Foundation board, Jim Someone asked, "Why not Precure's name came up as Allison, began the meeting move the huge world's larg- a source about the Texas

To conclude the meeting, Involving more people at Allison thanked all of the

Guests attending included Sandy Marilyn Young, LeAnn Sammie Simpson, a Gallman and David Brunson.

More eggs...

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