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Commissioners concerned about health insurance

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Although no action was taken on the agenda item, the Bailey County Commissioner's Court briefly discussed the possibility of changing from its current system of partial self insurance to a fully insured health insurance system during Monday's regular meeting.

According to County Judge Sherri Harrison, there have been numerous problems that have arisen during the past year with the county's third party administrator, and while she believes the commissioners court should look at proposals from other administrators, she said Monday that action should probably be postponed until some existing claims are cleared up.

"The insurance has been a nightmare this year," Harrison told the commissioners in attendance.

In other business, the commissioners court:

- Approved minutes from the Oct. 27 and Oct. 31 special meetings.
- Approved county treasurer's reports, in-county travel forms and payment of county bills.
- Authorized the county judge to request \$20,559 in road materials from the Texas Department of Transportation.



Veterans Day

Veterans Day in Muleshoe was a busy time as local veterans, their families and their friends gathered to honor our Armed Forces and the men and women who have served in them. Pictured above, members of the Canon AFB Honor Guard perform a flag ceremony at Park View Nursing Home, while local veterans gather for breakfast at Muleshoe's Earl Ladd Fire Station. Among the other locations which honored veterans Friday was the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center.



Tempers flare over Ballet Folklorico reimbursement

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Tempers were getting short at one point during Monday's regular meeting of the Muleshoe City Council as Juan Chavez — Bailey County commissioner and president of the Comite Patriotico — argued with council members over a reimbursement for expenses from the Sept. 16 Celebration.

At issue was whether the city should reimburse the committee for a \$300 expense incurred from the performance of the Ballet Folklorico Guadalupano during the celebration from the city's motel and hotel tax funds.

Chavez position was that state law allowed the reimbursement for "promotion of the arts;" however, the majority of the city council and City Manager David Brunson

contended that there was a difference between funds being used to promote the event — which they said would have been permissible — and funds being used to pay for entertainment.

"I perceive this as entertainment for your

"I want to know what you guys are going to approve or not approve,"

— Juan Chavez

event," James R. Jones, Muleshoe's vice mayor, said.

"I want to know what you guys are going to approve or not approve," Chavez said, holding up papers which which he said included a Texas Attorney General's opinion that he believed supported his position.

And when Chavez suggested that he might take the council's decision not to reimburse the \$300 to a higher authority, such as the attorney general's office or the judicial system, he drew sharp words from Councilman Earl Behrends, who asked, "Is that a threat?"

"No, that's a procedure," Chavez replied.

Behrends also voiced his disapproval of the receipt Chavez turned in being in Spanish rather than English.

Later, when Chavez brought up the issue of the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation and the money it has been receiving from the motel and hotel tax fund, Slater Elza of Underwood Attorneys and Counselors — the city's legal counsel — shut him down, stating that discussion was restricted to the specific agenda item.

At one point a minute later when Chavez continued his address to the council, Elza suggested that Chavez could be held criminally liable if he didn't restrict his presentation to a request for the reimbursement to be reconsidered — effectively chilling Chavez's discussion of the agenda item.

According to the attorney, the issue wasn't whether the Ballet Folklorico receipt could be approved under state law, but whether it could be approved under the policy the council approved approximately 13

Sheets says legislative claims are misleading

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

State financing continues to present serious problems for the Muleshoe Independent School District, Superintendent Gene Sheets said during his report to the school board during Monday's regular meeting.

"We need to go back to Austin and solve this funding problem," Sheets said.

Sheets said the state legislators don't want to solve the education funding issue, adding that

the legislators were more interested in solving the issues surrounding property taxes.

Sheets reported that legislative leaders were claiming to have funded education during the last year at a higher rate, but that their claims were at best misleading.

The superintendent pointed out that a large percentage of the funds the legislators said were being spent was for textbooks, the result of legislative action that took place a couple of years ago and is only now being sent to the state's

school districts, while other monies were part of an accounting shuffle.

Also included in the administrative report to the school board, the superintendent noted that the school board should be receiving information about the district's master plan update in January from the architects.

In other business, the school board:

- Recognized the achievements of the Lady Mule cross-country team, which recently captured its fifth straight district championship recently, and

the members of the high school choir, several of whom earned places in the All-Region Choir at Levelland, and five of whom will be auditioning for the All-State Choir.

"They just got down and got after it," Principal David Jenkins said about the cross country team. While the superintendent voiced his approval of all the students in attendance at the board meeting, thanking them for representing the school district in the manner they have.

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School officials talk about TAKS

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Representatives from Muleshoe ISD traveled to Lubbock recently to discuss concerns about the TAKS tests with Texas State Board of Education member Bob Craig.

During Monday's MISD board meeting, Assistant Superintendent Don Wood reported on the meeting with Craig, which addressed specific problems with several areas related to the state-mandated tests.

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Lazbuddie robotics headed to state competition

The Lazbuddie ISD Robotics team is headed back to state competition after capturing second place in the BEST Team competition recently in Lubbock. Pictured above, Ryan Mason and Brianna Sanchez drive the team's robot. Turn to page 12 for additional information.

Local Weather

Thurs.
Sunny..... 61/27

Fri.
Sunny..... 60/30

Sat.
Sunny..... 62/26

Sun.
Sunny..... 61/29

Mon.
Sunny..... 62/28

Tue.
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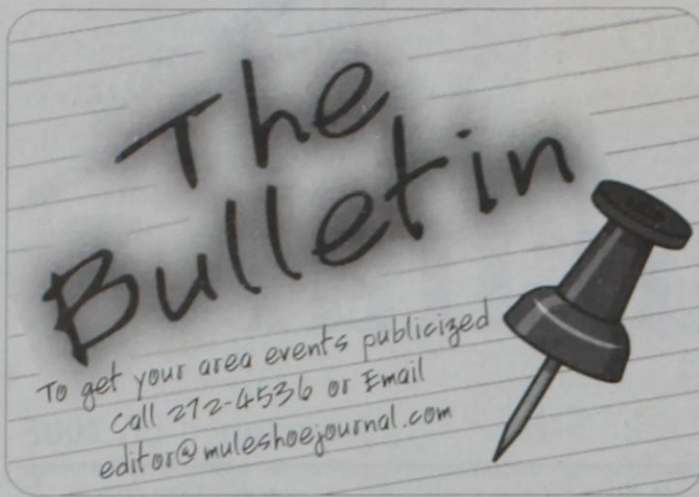
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EMT classes to be offered

Bailey County EMS will be holding EMT-B classes beginning Jan. 23, 2006. Students must be registered by Jan. 13. For more information contact Chris Thompson at 272-4390.

Sudan seniors to hold dinner

The Sudan Area Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Dinner is set for Nov. 17, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call before 10:30 a.m. for carryout or delivery. Suggested donation is \$6.

Olton church to hold bazaar

The First United Methodist Church of Olton has planned their annual fall bazaar for Saturday, Nov. 19, at the church, located at 312 Ave. D.

Country store hours are 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.. The store will feature crafts, baked and canned goods and frozen casseroles.

The women of the church will be serving a stew and chili lunch, complete with homemade pie.

Serving hours are 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., and will cost \$5.50 for adults and \$3 for children under 10 years of age.

A "Lucky Star" queen or king size quilt, made by the ladies of the church, will be given away at 1:30 p.m.

Tickets for the drawing are \$2 or six for \$10, and are available from the ladies of the church or at the bazaar.

For additional information, call the First United Methodist Church at 806-285-2777. Or contact bazaar chairperson Bobbye Dennis at 285-2755.

Boy Scout food drive begins

The Boy Scouts will be delivering plastic sacks so that Muleshoe residents may donate non-perishable food for the local food bank on Dec. 3 at 8 a.m. Scout leaders ask that everyone out driving that morning to please watch for the scouts. The sacks will be picked up on Dec. 10 at 8 a.m.

Dimmitt to host Christmas gathering

Plans are underway for the 2005 Christmas Open House in Dimmitt on Saturday, Dec. 3. The Retail Merchants' Committee of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce selected "Bringing Christmas Home" as the theme for this year's Christmas promotion which offers shoppers the opportunity to win more than \$1,000 in Dimmitt Dollars, merchandise and gift certificates during the holiday season, with Lowe's Grocery Store providing free carriage rides for the community.

The Open House will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. with Santa visiting the gazebo at 2:30 p.m. A big-screen TV with built-in DVD player will be raffled off on Dec. 23, with tickets available for purchase during the open house.

For more information or to purchase tickets contact the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce at 115 W. Bedford by calling 806-647-2524.

Newspaper is going online

Keep an eye on the internet as the Muleshoe Journal joins the "information highway" in the near future with an online edition.

Among the features of the website will be the availability for subscribers to download their newspaper, putting the problems and delays of out-of-state postal delivery behind them.

Other features will include:

- On-line viewing of classified ads.
- subscriptions and ads may be placed online.
- Sports highlights
- Opportunities for advertisers to purchase a link to their websites at a low monthly fee.

At this time, the Journal's website is scheduled to open during the first weeks of December.

Hospital Report

The Muleshoe Area Medical Center had released the following list of admissions:

- Nov. 3 — Margarito Hernandez Jr.
- Nov. 4 — No report.
- Nov. 5 — No report.
- Nov. 6 — Earl Finley.
- Nov. 7 — David Bock.
- Nov. 8 — Maria Campos, Shelton Gable.
- Nov. 9 — No report.

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Medicare Part D enrollment set

Nov. 15 is the first enrollment date for Medicare Part D, according to Debbie Crabtree of the Bailey County Office on Aging. County residents wishing to apply for assistance may call her office at 272-3647 to set up an appointment on Nov. 15-17, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Individuals wishing to enroll may do so at the Oneida Wagnon Senior Citizens Center.

Personality workshop slated

Dr. Gail Platt, Ph.D., of South Plains College will be conducting a workshop entitled "Personalities in the Workplace" at the Bailey County Coliseum on Thursday, Nov. 17, from 9-11:30 a.m. The event is being sponsored by South Plains College and WorkSource. There is a \$15 admission fee, and CEU credits are available. For additional information, contact Jeff Coffman at 806-272-7540 or email jeffery.coffman@twc.state.tx.us.

Project MAP meeting

The next meeting of Project MAP (Migrant Acceleration Program), sponsored by Muleshoe ISD Migrant Department, is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 10, at 6 p.m. at the MHS cafeteria.

The purpose of Project MAP is to help students who need additional or accelerated instruction. Parents are encouraged to attend with their child and become more involved with their child's academic growth. Communication will be strongly emphasized.

Contact Margie Alarcon, 272-7325, if you have questions.

La siguiente junta de Proyecto MAP (Programa Migrante Acelerado) patrocinado por el Departamento Emigrante del Distrito Escolar de Muleshoe, será el jueves, 10 de nov., 6 p.m. en la cafetería de la High School.

El propósito de Proyecto MAP es de ayudar los estudiantes que necesitan más instrucción adicional o acelerada. Se le anima a los padres que traigan a su/sus hijo/hijos y que se envuelvan más en el crecimiento académico. El énfasis será en la comunicación. Por favor de ponerse en contacto con Margie Alarcon, 272-7325, si necesitan información.

Pheasant hunt breakfast planned

The annual Bailey County EMS Pheasant Hunt breakfast is set for Saturday, Dec. 3, with the doors opening at 5 a.m. Tickets are \$5 per person. Scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy will be served. The organization is also raffling a Browning BPS shotgun with the drawing to be held during the breakfast. Raffle tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5. Call 272-4390 for additional information.

Annual Christmas Bazaar scheduled

The Bailey County Extension Education Club and Texas Cooperative Extension have announced their 27th annual Christmas Bazaar will be held Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.. at the Bailey County Civic Center, 2200 W. American Blvd. Admission is free.

Christmas concert set for Dec. 1

The sixth annual performance of "Christmas in the Country" is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 1, at 7 p.m., at Trinity Christian Center Church.

This year's program will include classic Christmas music and Southern Gospel music featuring Reydon Stanford, Kenneth Richards and Sandy Watson of the Anchor Brothers.

Admission is free, but donations will be accepted for Muleshoe's Meals on Wheels. Refreshments will be served during intermission. For more information, call 272-3877.

Memory course set for Nov. 22

The next "Master of Memory" lesson will be Tuesday, Nov. 22, at 12:30 p.m. In this lesson, you will learn about medical conditions that may affect your memory but are partially or completely reversible. This lesson will also discuss how grief, depression, stress, lack of sleep, and other disorders may affect your ability to learn and remember things. The six-lesson "Master of Memory" series is sponsored by Oneita Wagnon Senior Center. For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent, Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

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Council declines ballet reimbursement request... Continued from page 1

months ago.

It was explained during the meeting that the city council had decided it needed to narrow the permissible reimbursement categories to insure that adequate funds would be available for the many events that take place annually in Muleshoe.

Mayor Cliff Black said the decision was made to focus reimbursement funds on things that promoted Muleshoe and the events, such as advertisement of the events.

In the end, Mayor Black's motion to decline the reimbursement request

received a 3-2 vote, with Behrends and Councilman Richard Orozco casting the dissenting votes.

In other business, the council:

- Presented LeeAnn Gallman with a certificate of appreciation.

- Approved an ordinance concerning the agreement in which the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation would issue tax exempt revenue bonds for the construction of a waste system at the Visser Dairy, east of Muleshoe.

During the discussion, the city's attorney said, "You get

the benefit of providing the incentive without the downside, referring to the fact that municipal or MEDC funds won't be involved, and because the city and the MEDC can't be held financially liable for any loss related to the bond issuance.

- Approved a reimbursement for the Rotary Club's Labor Day Roping event in the amount of \$1,745.65.

- Approved a request for motel and hotel tax funds by the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture in the amount of \$10,000.

The city manager explained that this was part of a negotiated agreement which the council had authorized him to reach with chamber officials, and that it included the \$5,000 the chamber received annually for payment on its headquarters and tourist information center, \$4,000 which the organization would be using for advertising and promotion of the city.

Another \$7,500 for advertising and promoting the city's annual Fourth of July events, including the fireworks display was also approved. Brunson explained

that it was required that the city be the actual purchasing agent for the fireworks used in the annual display, and that the remaining funds would be used by the chamber to promote the events:

- Approved a similar agreement with the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation in the amount of \$10,000 for

"rehabilitation and preservation of historic structures, advertising and conducting solicitations and promotional programs to encourage tourists to visit the preserved historic sites.

- Noted that Anthony Nunley has been hired in the public works department.

Muleshoe school board takes action ... Continued from page 1

- Approved the minutes from the Oct. 17 meeting.

- Approved the school district's technology plan as presented by Assistant Superintendent Don Wood. "We're trying to keep things as updated as we can," Wood said, noting that technology was still the fastest changing area in education.

- Approved both a District Improvement Plan and a Campus Improvement plan. "This is an ongoing process," Wood said.

- Received an enrollment report that lists the school district as having 1,500 students enrolled.

- Received a report from Trae McNeill, the district's business manager, which

listed the year-to-date tax collections for maintenance and operations at 34 percent, or \$1,012,875.76, and noted that the school district received \$89,633 in investment interest during FY 2005-06.

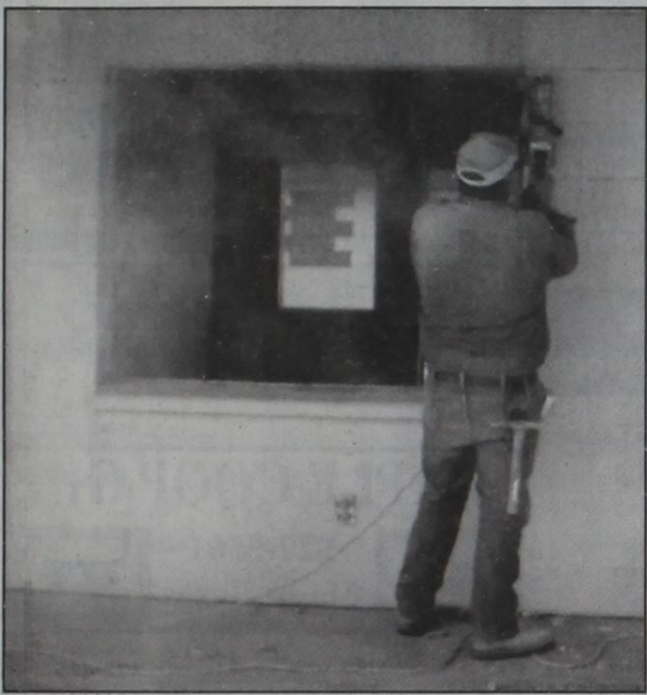
- Received a food services report which listed the profits for the month at \$9,874.15.

Hard at work

Construction crews have been hard at work at the Muleshoe Housing Authority, where according to Jim Hartline, a \$1.8 million renovation project is under way at 301 E. Sixth.

Pictured on the left, a construction crew member works on a window in one of the 25 units that are part of the project.

According to Hartline, when the project is completed the authority will soon return to full occupancy, housing approximately 10 percent of Muleshoe's total population.



- Approved a three-year contract with the accounting firm of Robison Johnston & Patton for auditing services.

- Set the next regular meeting for Dec. 19, at noon.

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AND THE ISRAELITES PUT ALL THE BLAME ON MOSES...

HAST THOU COME AMONG US TO CAUSE PHARAOH TO KILL US ALL?!

AND MOSES SPEAKS TO THE LORD WITH A HEAVY HEART. ... SINCE I CAME, PHARAOH HATH DONE EVIL UNTO THY PEOPLE... NEITHER HAST THOU SAVED THY PEOPLE AT ALL!

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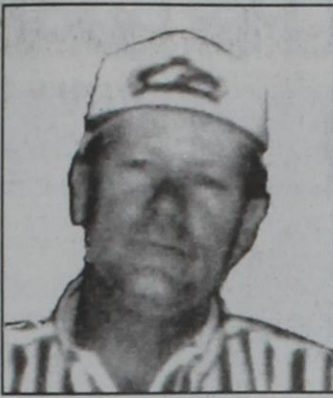
Charles Howard

A memorial service for Charles Lee Howard, 54, of Muleshoe was held Nov. 13, at the First Assembly of God Church with the Rev. Jack Stone officiating.

Howard died on Nov. 5, 2005, at the Lamb County Health Centerfield in Littlefield. He was born to Marion and Margie Howard of Muleshoe on May 22, 1951.

Preceding him in death were his father, his brother Leslie Howard and his wife Debra Ann Howard.

Howard is survived by his mother; a brother — Oren Howard of Montgomery, Ala.; a sister and brother-in-law — Tearsi and Roy



Charles Lee Howard

Warwick of Muleshoe; a sister — Kay Van Leer of Clovis, N.M., and a brother-in-law Billy Ray Van Leer of Muleshoe; a son — Jason Howard of Lazbuddie; and a daughter — Nicole Howard of Muleshoe.

Margie Kemp

A church service for Margie Kemp, 86, of Muleshoe, was held Friday, Nov. 11, at the Trinity Christian Center with the Rev. Reydon Stanford officiating. Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Kemp died Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2005, in Lubbock. She was born on Oct. 5, 1919, in Paris, and married Frank Kemp in Clovis, N.M., on June 11, 1938. He preceded her in death on Aug. 14, 1996.

She was also preceded in death by a son, James Elbert Kemp, a sister and three brothers.

Kemp moved from Needmore to Muleshoe in 1946. She was a homemaker and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe.

Survivors include: Two sons and daughters-in-law — Jimmie Don and Cheri Kemp of Las Cruces, N.M., and



Margie Kemp

Danny Frank and Trad Kemp of Wylie; a daughter — Deborah Yvonne Kemp of Lubbock; a daughter and son-in-law — Vicki Lynn and Clyde Smith of Lubbock; three sisters — Odie Sitzes of Tyler, Betty Casteel of Plano and Hazel Ball of Muleshoe; a brother — E. J. Sterling Jr. of Littlefield; 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Hospice of Lubbock, P.O. Box 16800, Lubbock, TX 79490.

Reynaldo Garcia

Funeral services for Reynaldo A. Garcia, 67, of San Angelo on Monday, Nov. 14, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with the Rev. Quirino Cornejo officiating. Burial followed at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Rosary was held Sunday, Nov. 13, at Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel.

Garcia died on Nov. 10, 2005, in San Angelo.

He met and later married Eufemia Rodriguez on Jan. 15, 1963, in Brownfield. They had nine children.

Garcia operated and managed a Texaco and a Phillips Gas Station for more than 18 years, and later established Ray Garcia & Son's Custom Hauling. He retired from his company after 35 years.

Garcia was preceded in death by his father —

Ramon Garcia.

He is survived by his wife Eufemia Garcia of San Angelo; nine children and their spouses — Ray Jr. and Susan Garcia of Abilene, Leo and Lupita Garcia of Denver City, Linda and Joe Flores of Muleshoe, Yolanda and Oscar Agundis of San Angelo, Irma and Daniel Soto of San Angelo, Eddie and Josie Garcia of San Angelo, Tina and James Sosa of San Angelo, Lena and Mark Rivera of Crowley, La., and Christopher Ray Garcia of San Angelo; 30 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; his mother — Ramona Garcia of San Angelo; brothers — Carlos, Raymond, Richard, Joe, Freddy and Marcos Garcia; sisters — Lupe, Irene, Ruby, Dora, Carolyn, Rosemary and Maria Christina.

William Davis

A church service for William Everett Davis, 77, of Morton, was held Tuesday, Nov. 15, at the First Missionary Baptist Church of Morton with the Rev. Bob Baldree officiating. Burial followed in Cochran County Memorial Cemetery.

Davis died Nov. 12, 2005, in Lubbock. He was born on Nov. 3, 1928, in Erick, Okla., and married Nelda Jeanne Erskine in Fredrick, Okla., on Feb. 28, 1955.

Davis moved to Morton on Jan. 1, 1956, from Manitou, Okla. He worked for the Texas State Department of Highway and Public Transportation as a heavy equipment operator, and retired in 1990. He was a veteran of the Korean war, serving in the U.S. Army. Everett was a member of

the First Missionary Baptist Church in Morton.

He was preceded in death by four sisters and one brother.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter — Shelia Grinsteiner of Valliant, Okla.; a sister — Wynona Watson of Manitou, Okla.; A brother — Floyd Davis of Del City, Okla.; three grandsons and two great-grandchildren.

County Questions

A series of flats while enroute to Muleshoe in June 1927, could have delayed the wedding of this couple if it hadn't been for the kind heart of C.C. Mardis. What were the names of the prospective bride and groom?

Answer on last page.

Wildlife Refuge News

On Nov. 9, Muleshoe National Wildlife Refuge had 16,000 sandhill cranes and approximately 3,100 ducks, mainly pintails, shovelers and gadwalls. Birds are heavily favoring using Goose Lake. Lower White Lake has completely evaporated at this time. Grulla National Wildlife Refuge has an estimated 65,000 sandhill cranes.

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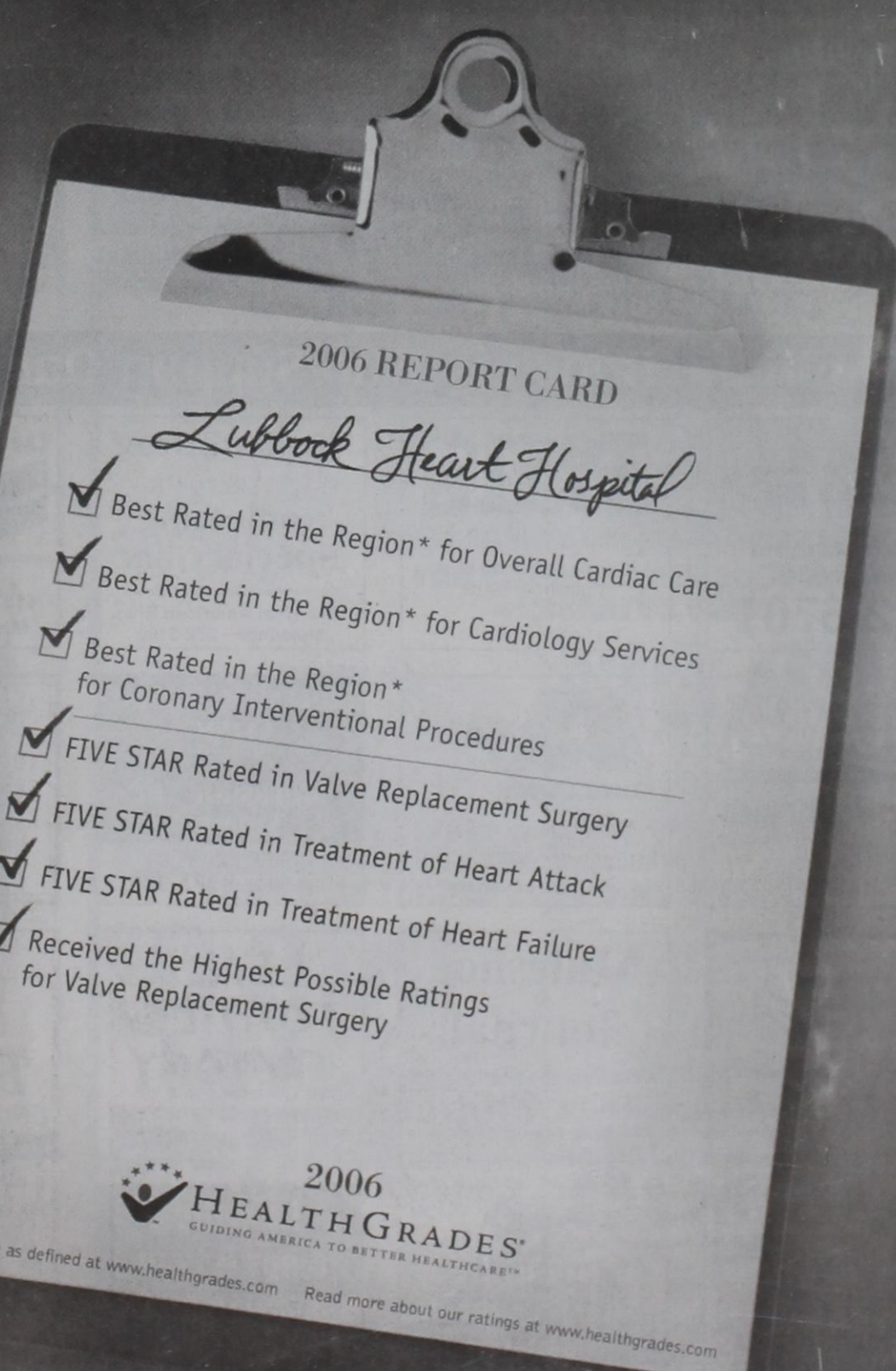


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Sports

Mules end the season with loss against Perryton Rangers

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules could not extend their season Friday night and fell to the Perryton Rangers in the refurbished Dick Bivens Stadium in Amarillo. Each bounce of the football seemed to go against the Mules.

Perryton scored and in-your-face TD after recovering a Mule miscue on their three with 19 seconds left in the game to down the Mules 41-22.

A five-yard penalty stalled the Mules opening drive just inside the Rangers end of the field.

The Mule defense bottled up Perryton and forced a punt from the Ranger 20. Jay Blasingame booted a punt that hit the artificial turf on the Mule 40.

The stiff South wind pushed the ball to the Mule 2, a 40-yard punt and 38-yard roll.

Garrett Riley connected with Rudy Gonzales to get the Mules off their own goal line. Juan Reyes had enough yards for a first down but was held up and had the ball stripped away at the Mule 15.

Perryton converted to lead 7-0 with 30 seconds remaining in the opening



Photo by Norm Brantley

Mule Garrett Riley rears back for a throw during Friday's final game.

period.

Mann returned a Mule punt early in the second frame to the Mule 10. Zachary Mills got outside the Mule defense to score and Braden Bush's kick gave the Rangers a 14-0 lead.

Geoff Sirkel, Rigo Mendoza and Caleb Heinrich teamed up to stop the Rangers for a single yard gain. Juan Reyes saved a TD at the Mule 19 after Mann got loose on a 46-yard scamper.

The Rangers drove to the Mule six before Mills lost the handle on an option pitch. Logan Caddell jumped on the loose ball for the Mules at the 11.

The Mules quickly took advantage of the miscue with Riley connecting with Gonzales at the 45. Gonzales was finally pulled down from behind at the Ranger 14. Two plays later Riley found Caleb Heinrich all alone in the end zone for the Mule's first TD.

Eddie Alvarado tacked on

the extra point to cut the Ranger lead 14-7.

Late in the half the Mule defense forced the Rangers to punt. The kick rolled dead on the Mule 20.

Facing third-and-eight on the Mule 33, Riley found Reyes open over the middle. Reyes was covered but managed to get his hands on the ball for a 36-yard reception. Riley waited for Gonzales to come open in the end zone to deliver a 21-yard strike.

Riley did not see the

reception as he was blasted as he delivered the ball. Alvarado tied the game at 14-14 with just 1:08 left in the half. The Mules had ridden Riley's arm for 186 yards in the second period and two TD's to go in at the intermission knotted at 14-14.

The Mules could not take advantage of the wind to their backs and good field position in the third period. Perryton escaped their end of the field late in the period with a throwback screen from Blasingame to Mann.

Perryton scored three times in the first five minutes of the final period to take a 34-14 advantage.

The Mules crashed in to block a Blasingame punt. Jarad Flores picked up the loose ball and scrambled to the Perryton two. A low snap cost the Mules nine yards but on the next play Riley hit Caddell over the middle for

an 11-yard TD.

Brant Hamilton scored the two-point conversion on the Swinging Gate to cut the Ranger lead to 34-22.

"It is hard to see these seniors walk off the field for their last time," said Mule coach David Wood. "I have watched them come through the ranks, grow and mature into young men. I am so proud of them and how they have performed this year."

"My life is better for having had the opportunity to work with them. Some of these kids have turned into leaders that many never thought would have any success. That makes what I do worth while."

"I learned as much or more from them than they did from me."

"Every team but one ends the season on a loss but that does not make it any easier to take," concluded Wood.

Lady Mules sink Dimmitt's ship in 54-52 battle

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Frenship Lady Tigers ran away from the JV Lady Mules in their season opener Tuesday night 51-30. The Lady Mules righted their ship and sank the Bobbies in Dimmitt Saturday 54-52.

The more experienced Lady Tigers out scored the Lady Mules 17-8 in the opening period as the Lady Mules searched for their offense.

Morgan Smith dropped in a trey off the weave to start the final quarter. Amy Withrow answered a Frenship bucket with a drive down the lane. The Lady Mules held the Tigers to

only seven points in the final period.

Smith led the Lady Mules with 11 points, Withrow dropped in eight and Cecilia Reyna added five. Jacy Lawrence had a trey for three points, Kelsey Tipps chipped in two and Heather Barker had one.

Smith picked off a Dimmitt pass and drove the floor to start the game against the Bobbies. She added a 15-foot jumper from the elbow to answer a Bobbie basket. Dimmitt put 10 unanswered points on the board before Reyna scored off an inbound play.

Withrow completed a fast break to end the first period with the Lady Mules trailing

14-9.

Reyna came alive in the second period with a trey, two buckets and free throw to lead the Lady Mules to a 16-point quarter. Janae Pyle blocked a shot, scored and dropped in a pair of free throws. The Lady Mules led at intermission 25-22.

Withrow grabbed a defensive rebound and found Smith running the floor on a fast break. Renya led Smith with a pass as she broke down the lane for an easy two. Heather Barker muscled her way down the baseline for a short jumper and put the Lady Mules up 31-24.

The Bobbies went on a 10-point run. Withrow ended the run with a charity

toss and the Lady Mules trailed 34-32 after three quarters.

Reyna knotted the game with a pair of free throws as the final frame began. Reyna exploded for eight more points in the period. Barker tacked on six and Smith dropped in four as the Lady Mules out scored the Bobbies 22-18 in the final eight minutes.

Reyna set the scoring pace with 20 points and Smith had 15. Barker had eight points, Withrow made seven and Pyle chipped in four.

The Lady Mules hosted the Shallowater Fillies Tuesday and compete in the Nazareth Tournament Thursday and Saturday.

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Sports

Lady Mules fall to Lady Tigers

By Delton Wilhite
Sports writer

The Lady Mules split their opening week games. They fell to the class 4-A Frenship Lady Tigers 53-37 Tuesday night in the Muleshoe Athletic and Convocation Center. They bounced back Saturday against the Bobbies at Dimmitt 36-35.

The Lady Mules hung tough against the much taller Lady Tigers for three quarters. Kasey Wood gave the Lady Mules the lead with a 3-pointer at the end of the opening period 13-12.

Frenship over took the Lady Mules in the second period with an eight point run to take a 21-13 advantage. Brandi Wood broke the scoring streak with a drive down the lane.

B. Wood went to the floor on defense to take the ball away from a Lady Tiger and found Ashlie Dickson open for a short jumper to cut the Frenship lead to four. Kyra Kimbrough drove the lane to answer a fast break bucket by the Lady Tigers.

Dickson and Kate Lepard pushed the much taller Lady Tiger post players off the blocks and out of their comfort zone for three periods. The lady Mules trailed 36-32 after three periods.

The Lady Tigers got more physical with the Lady Mules in the final period and were allowed to use their hands to get separation in the final eight minutes.

B. Wood set the scoring pace for the Lady Mules with a pair of treys and 14 points. Kimbrough had a single 3-pointer and 10 points, K. Wood had all seven of her points in the opening frame. Cholov Hernandez, Dickson and Lepard each chipped two points each.

The Lady Mules met a much improved Bobbie team Saturday afternoon. Dickson got the show started by winding her way through the defense for the opening bucket and then followed by shooting over a pair of defenders from the baseline.

Gabby Agundis drove to draw the defense and dished to B. Wood in the corner for a long two-pointer. Hernandez turned in the lane and dropped in a short jumper to give the Lady Mules an 8-1 lead.

The Bobbies went on a six-point scoring run in the final two minutes. B. Wood canned a trey from the wing before the buzzer sounded to give the Lady Mules an 11-7 advantage.

Dimmitt came out of the quarter break and out scored the Lady Mules 14-7 to carry a 21-18 lead to the locker room at the intermission.

The Lady Mules only put six on the board in the third period but their tenacious defense held Dimmitt to four.

Kimbrough drove the wing to open the period. Dickson scored on a put back and added a baseline jumper as the period wound down with the Lady Mules trailing 24-25.

The Lady Mules had turned up the intensity in the third quarter and contested for the ball on every pass, the floor and every rebound. That intensity carried over



Ashley Dickson shoots during the game against Dimmitt.

into the final frame.

Lepard found B. Wood with a baseline pass and she sunk a short jumper to give the Lady Mules the lead for good. Ashly Grumbles hit Dickson with a half-court pass for a fast break bucket. Lepard dropped in a trey from the corner to put the Lady Mules up 31-25.

The Bobbies bounced back and cut the Lady Mule margin to a single point. Neither defense would allow a bucket for two minutes and left less than a minute on the clock.

Kimbrough took an elbow to the nose defending the Bobbies low post. The turnover allowed Kimbrough to drive to pull the defense off Lepard. A perfect pass gave Lepard an easy bucket.

The Lady Mule defense blanketed the Bobbie 3-point shooters as the clock

wound down. Dimmitt scored to cut the Lady Mules lead to 34-33 with 38 seconds left.

Kimbrough missed the front end of a one-and-one but Lepard muscled the Bobbies out of way and grabbed the rebound. B. Wood was fouled in the corner. She sank both charity tosses with 17 seconds left in the game.

The Lady Mules allowed the Bobbies to score from just inside the ark as the buzzer sounded.

B. Wood had a trey and 14 points for the Lady Mules. Dickson had 11 points and Lepard had a 3-pointer and five points. Kimbrough, Hernandez and K. Wood each dropped in two points for the Lady Mules.

The Lady Mules hosted Shallowater Tuesday night and Nazareth comes to town Friday night.



Lady Mules take fifth consecutive championship

The Lady Mules cross country team recently captured its fifth consecutive district championship. Pictured above, from left to right, are: Amy Withrow, Sarah Sexton, Renessia Hernandez, Lupita Grumbles and Kelsey Tipps.

Nursing Home News

Saturday, the residents played Bingo. Butch Vandiver called the game.

Amber Fuller's FCS class of Muleshoe High School came Monday morning and afternoon to play games with the residents and call Bingo.

Pastor Gary and Judy Hubbard of Earth, directed the praise, music and devotional time Tuesday morning.

The beauty shop volunteers came Tuesday to shampoo and set the ladies hair.

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

Bro. Bennie Wright, Buster Kittrell, Loyce Killingsworth, Anna B. Lane and Jo Ellen Couvert directed the devotional singspiration time Wednesday morning.

Glenda Jennings and Jackie Scoggins came to direct a sing-along for the residents Wednesday afternoon.

Zona Gatewood played the piano for the residents in the

Day Room as well as in the Special Care Thursday.

Bro. Jack Stone came Monday to sing to the residents and to minister to them.

Our sincere sympathy goes to the family and friends of Nan Gatlin. We too, shall miss her.

Our thanks to Ed Nickles for the donation of useful items for the residents.

Clan Long from Vernon and Charlene Moore from Plainview visited Ardith Long recently.

Joyce Hunter visited the residents of Park View along with her son, Rick Hunter, Sunday.

The United Methodist Church directed a communion and church service Sunday. Bro. Monty Leavell is the pastor of the church.

The Followers Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church gave a donation to Park View recently.

Nancy Lemons delivered ceramics for the residents to paint in craft class Thursday morning.

The Spartan Van was chartered Thursday via Clovis, N.M., to Furr's Cafeteria. Among the residents who were able to attend were: Marlin and Loma Mosley, Argilee Miller, Gladys and Cathy Wilson, Gladys Wright, Louise Agee, Alliene Lasiter, Ruth Clements, Ruby Clark, Rick Hunter, G.R. Lasiter, Earl Talkington and Arnold Prater. Pat and Melody Jones met us at the cafeteria and ate with us.

Escorts for the outing were Peggy Dent, who used her pickup to carry the wheel chairs, Dianne Brown, Marita Thomas, Olan Clements, Zona Gatewood, Joy Radford, Donita Behrends and Ruthann Kitchens.

Harold and Avis Carpenter came Friday afternoon to play on the piano and sing the residents' favorite songs of yesteryear.

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Giving Thanks!

I'm thankful for:

- a loving family (a hot cup of tea)
- a cozy home (my brush and comb)
- feeling well (chocolate and caramel)
- peace (honking geese)
- excellent schools (swimming pools)
- warm coat (a friendly note)
- a caring friend (a coin to spend)
- good food (a happy mood)
- quiet time (the end of this rhyme.)

Honk!

Shhhhh! Don't give away my hiding place. Help me to find my way back to the woods!

There are two paths to follow, but only one leads to the woods. Start here:

You can make many words mean "more than one" by simply adding an "s" to them.

plurals by simply adding "s" to them?

Can you find and circle 10 words that were made into plurals by simply adding "s" to them?

Do me a great favor and don't find me! I would be very thankful.

Okay, where's the turkey?

The Pilgrims battled hunger, illness and death during their voyage. Their first years were very hard in the New World, yet they found time to give thanks and things to be thankful for on their first...

The Pilgrims were probably thankful for:

- fresh _____
- buildings they lived in _____
- the ship they sailed on _____
- deer meat _____
- orange vegetables _____
- Native American friend _____
- freedom of _____
- Indian corn _____
- gathered crops _____
- game bird (duck) _____
- safe arrival here _____
- John Carver, their first _____

Color in the cornucopia while I take an after-dinner nap. Then, use it as a decoration.

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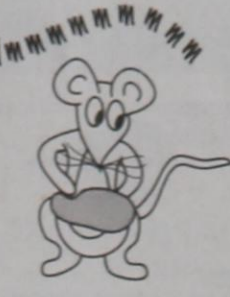
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Hartline, Garcia honored

Jim Hartline, executive director and manager of the Muleshoe Housing Authority, and Beatrice Garcia, assistant manager, were recognized for their efforts Thursday, Nov. 10, by USDA - Texas Rural Development. Pictured above are the people Hartline credited as having part in the award, from left to right: Antonio Garcia, MHA maintenance, Bill James, MHA chairman of the board, Jim Hartline, Buck Campbell, director, Beatrice Garcia, Noe Anzaldua, director, Terome Clemmons, director, and Joe Bara, MHA maintenance. Not pictured is Max King, director. This is the fourth plaque Hartline has received the ward for Site Manager of the Year. He received them in 1999, 2002, 2004 and 2005. Hartline has been with the Muleshoe Housing Authority for 28 years. Beatrice Garcia has been with the Muleshoe Housing Authority for 10 years.

Education

DeShazo Elementary honor rolls released

DeShazo Elementary's honor rolls for the second six-week period were recently received. Among the students honored were:

"A" Honor Roll

Third Grade — Ruby Andrade, Braden Bessire, Gaby Chavez, Michelle Chavez, Idali Cruz, Miranda DeBruin, Daniela Diaz, Celeste Flores, Ashton Hunt, Grey Johnson, Adriana Loya and Blayne Shipman.

Fourth Grade — Isaac Ballenger, Johnny DeBruin, Eli Leal, Adrienne Precure, DonAnn Rempe, Elliot Reyes, Diana Salcido and Shaylee Winchell.

Watson Junior High releases second six-week honor roll

Watson Junior High's honor roll for the second six-week period were recently received. Among the students honored were:

Sixth Grade — Matthew Ambriz, Luis Avila, Douglas Bartholf, Baylee Bessire, Lucia Bustillos, Tyler Cain, Marielena Campos, Mateo Castillo, Sabrina Chavez, Adrienne Fulton, Louis Guzman, Jodee Hall, Rashelle Hall, Halley Hatch, Alyssa Leal, Brianna Long, Araceli Macias, Maria Mata, Patricia Mendoza, Marissa Ramirez, Norma Ronquillo, Carlos Sosa, Caitlin Sowder, Ashley Thomas, Cassandra Torres and Belinda Pacheco.

Seventh Grade — Victoria Alvarado, Erik Avila, Shayla Carpenter, Britney Crandell, Yvonne Gardea, Alejandra Gomez, Ryan Hall, Mindy Hamilton, Natalie Head, Amy Howard, Bradley Lennon, Sterling Leopard, Cassidy Lowe, Matthew Martinez, Lindsay Meeves, Ivone Mendoza, Sandy Mojica, Sergio Montejano, Brad Poyner, Joshua Quiroz, Amy Regalado, Adelene Rivas, Vivian Ronquillo, Alvaro

Fifth Grade — B'anca DeLeon, David Flores, Alexa Fuentes, Marissa Hernandez, Stephanie Infante, Ryan Johnson, Chris Lozano, Daniela Mendoza, Garrison Myers, Carlos Nunez, Frank Recio, Aaron Reyes, Cas Stevens, Sheridan White, Sarah Whitworth and Elisa Wiseman.

"AB" Honor Roll

Third Grade — Josue Acosta, Brittney Cabrera, Paul Castillo, Noah DelToro, Brandi Drennan, Thomas Eagle, Colton Fulton, Juan Gandara, James Gruben, Jasmyn Guerra, Jonathan

Sanchez, Skyler Smith, Megan Mumau, Dameon Snell, Justin Strawn, Tyson Turnbow, Cooper Washington, Jenna Whitworth, Raenee Wildman and Matthew Wiseman.

Eighth Grade — Daniel Aburto, Mari Andrade, Austi Bamert, Jessica Behrends, Tessa Burris, Miranda Camarillo, Adrian Chacon, Caleb Conner, Jose Cuevas, Caitlyn Durben, Alexandria Eagle, Mackenzie Elledge, Amber Fuentes, Stephanie Garcia, Lucera Granados, Dustin Hawkins, Eddie Herrera, Jessica Howard, Alyssa Martinez, Melissa Mendoza, Xavier Mora, Christopher Ortega, Michael Precure, Amanda Ritter, Sarah Johnson, Michael Olivas, Brenda Rodriguez, Angel Salcido, Angela Saldana, Veronica Soliz, Jasmine Toscano, Erika Tovar, Andrew Villarreal and Arturo Zubia.

Jesko, Jose Martinez, Hunter Mastroberti, Tristin McCollough, Kari Mendoza, Cristian Mora, Kaylie Morris, Astrid Nunez, William Pacheco, Angelina Perez, Bethany Prater, Juanita Ramirez, Shawn Rejino, Christain Reyna, Shanice Rosas, Lyzette Trevino and Garrett Welch.

Fourth Grade — Judd Baker, Bailey Bales, Britton Beall, Rosa Burciaga, Christian Campos, Alixis Cortez, Marissa Cortez, Edwin Delgado, Daniel Diaz, Matthew Dickerson, McKenna Dunham, Hadlea Geissler, Clayton Glover, Valerie Godinez, Marion Gutierrez, Victoria Guzman, Savana Hanaway, John Isaacson, Madison Jesko, Kalie Lovell, Anthony Mendoza, James Mendoza, Emanuel Morales, Mercedes Morin, Miriam Ramos, Arthur Recio, Diana Ruiz, Erica Strawn, Liliana Vasquez, Javier Velasquez, Keelee Whitaker, Keenan Wilson, Brendon Wright and Cristian Zaragoza.

Fifth Grade — Alexia Acosta, Abril Aldana, Luis Barcenias, Morgan Burris, Leslie Carlile, Brenda Ceballos, Skylar Davidson, Osmar Diaz, Jessica Elizarraraz, Felipe Espinoza, Adrian Estrada, Mason Gable, Tessa Garner, Autumn Heller, Micheal King, Jessica Kube, Stefani Lopez, Stephanie Martinez, Alejandro Mendoza, Ramon Mendoza, Matthew Olivarez, Priya Patel, Manuel Quezada, Brenna Quiroz, Sam Sirkel, Jesus Torres, Jose Vargas, Alondra Villarreal and Caleb Wood.

Heritage Thrift Store needs donations

Last month, hundreds of people shopped at the Heritage Thrift Store and bought thousands of articles. The articles they bought came from your generous donations.

"Because the needs of our community have recently been so great, the store is extremely low on inventory. We need everything but, in particular, there is a need children's clothes — especially sleepwear, shoes and warm clothing," a Heritage Center representative says.

Bring donations to the Heritage Thrift Shop, at 402 S. Main in Muleshoe, on Friday or Saturday, from 9 a.m. — 4 p.m.

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Seller, City	#	Type	Wt.	CWT or PH
Coli Hunt, Muleshoe	1	Blk. bull	210 lbs.	at \$162.50
JT Cattle, Bovina	2	Mxd. bulls	275 lbs.	at \$160.00
Jinks Meyers, Muleshoe	2	Blk. bulls	325 lbs.	at \$148.00
Steve Busby, Springlake	10	Char. bulls	375 lbs.	at \$144.00
Steve Busby, Springlake	16	Char. bulls	451 lbs.	at \$132.00
KC Land & Cattle, Muleshoe	5	Blk. bulls	466 lbs.	at \$128.00
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	5	Char. str.	444 lbs.	at \$135.00
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	9	Char. str.	543 lbs.	at \$122.00
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	54	Char. str.	646 lbs.	at \$115.50
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	25	Char. str.	698 lbs.	at \$112.50
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	16	BMF str.	604 lbs.	at \$117.75
Rocking J Ranch, Whiteface	4	Blk. str.	729 lbs.	at \$107.50
JT Cattle, Bovina	2	Red hfrs	228 lbs.	at \$325.00
Coli Hunt, Muleshoe	1	Blk. hfr	230 lbs.	at \$147.50
Steve Busby, Springlake	20	Char. hfrs	433 lbs.	at \$130.50
Steve Busby, Springlake	11	Mxd. hfrs	509 lbs.	at \$118.00
KC Land & Cattle, Muleshoe	9	Blk. hfrs	487 lbs.	at \$121.00
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	8	BWF hfrs	495 lbs.	at \$119.00
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	49	Char. hfrs	607 lbs.	at \$114.00
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	21	Char. hfrs	665 lbs.	at \$108.00
Rocking J Ranch, Whiteface	9	Blk. hfrs	638 lbs.	at \$109.00
Tommy Lewis, Morton	2	Blk. hfrs	953 lbs.	at \$98.50
Robert Kloiber, Littlefield	2	Blk. pair		\$1260.00
Robert Kloiber, Littlefield	2	Char. pair		\$915.00
BPW Cattle, Lubbock	1	Blk. pair		\$1020.00
BPW Cattle, Lubbock	2	Mxd. cows P8		\$760.00
Jinks Meyers, Muleshoe	1	Blk. pair		\$875.00
Bilberry/Piaz, Ft. Sumner, NM	3	Red cows P5		\$785.00
Steve Busby, Springlake	1	Brown cow P8		\$760.00
Steve Busby, Springlake	1	Red cow	1320 lbs.	at \$49.50
Steve Kennedy, Muleshoe	1	Blk. cow	1245 lbs.	at \$51.00
Russell Greener, Morton	1	Blk. cow	1300 lbs.	at \$49.50
Don Gates, Whiteface	1	Red cow	1195 lbs.	at \$48.50
JT Cattle, Bovina	1	Blk. cow	920 lbs.	at \$48.75
Santiago Gonzales, Dimmitt	1	RMF cow	1415 lbs.	at \$48.50
Phil Garrett, Muleshoe	1	RWF cow	905 lbs.	at \$46.50



Chuy's home!

Chuy Valdez is home from the Shriners' Hospital in Houston recuperating. When he dropped by the Journal office with his mother Tuesday, Nov. 8, they spoke about the "amazing" number of cards and letters Muleshoe area residents sent to help keep Chuy's spirits up.

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Heritage Foundation News

Christmas is always a special time at the Heritage Center. Festive lights adorn the vintage structures and young people dressed in period costumes celebrate the season with old-fashioned fun.

This year, the celebration will be the best ever as the Heritage Center joins with the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce to create an exciting, all-day community-wide event.

The Christmas Parade will be on Dec. 3 and will be an evening event this year. The finale will occur at the Heritage Center with the lighting of the beautifully-decorated restored homes, the Largest Muleshoe in the World and a variety of entertainment including caroling, fun food on the grounds and a one-man band concert by Paul Chaisson, Park View's popular director.

Caroling will be led by Muleshoe's high school and junior high choirs.

As part of the day's events, the Heritage Center will host Breakfast with Santa on Saturday morning, Dec. 3, at the Santa Fe Depot. There will be two seatings—one at 9 a.m. and the other at 11 a.m.

Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus will serve breakfast to the children and pictures with Santa will be available from Poppy's Copies. All of Muleshoe's children are invited to this free event. Watch for more details to be announced later.

Amy Young, Muleshoe's new chamber manager, met with the Heritage Board on Monday, Nov. 7, to describe the festivities and enlist our support. Amy's enthusiasm for our community makes it easy to say "Yes" to her requests.

In other Board action, Ladene Spears announced a



Sammie Simpson, Paula Clark of Dumas and Paula Middlebrook of Shallowater work on the Figure 4 Ranch House at the Heritage Center.

record-breaking month at the Thrift Shop.

The Thrift Shop, which sells "gently-used" merchandise to Muleshoe's most needy residents, sold thousands of articles in October!

Now, of course, our inventory is low and we are in desperate need of clothes (particularly children's clothes and sleepwear), household goods and shoes.

Donate your items on Friday or Saturday at the Heritage Thrift Center on Main Street between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Ann McElroy reported that two grants have been received, one from the National Historic Preservation Trust and the other from the Xcel Foundation.

The NHPT grant will allow

us to hire John White, professor of Architecture at Texas Tech, to help with restoration planning for the Figure 4 and the Virginia City Hotel.

White will also help us think through long-term strategy, create a site map of our campus and design landscaping enhancements.

The Xcel grant will be used to fund arts and culture education and recreation programs designed primarily for students in eighth grade and below.

Barbara Mutschler, a retired school teacher serving on our board, is actively involved in developing programs for the Xcel grant. This is the first time both of these grantmakers have invested in Muleshoe projects.

Sammie Simpson and

Dan Throckmorton reported on progress at the Figure 4 Ranch House. With help from community volunteers and grants from the Mayer Foundation and the Meadows Foundation, we should be able to complete both restorations within the next year.

New pine floors are being installed at the Figure 4, wallpaper is hung in most of the rooms, and the plumbing will be installed soon. Come by and marvel at the progress. And, if you have time to devote to these restorations, call us at 272.5873. We need volunteers!

As Christmas approaches, the Heritage Center would like to remind everyone that donations to the center are a wonderful way to give gifts to those hard-to-buy-for relatives and friends.

Send the list of your gift recipients along with your donation to the center and we will send a gift card to recipients notifying them of your gift in their honor. The center's mailing address is P.O. Box 201, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

The following Board members attended this month's meeting: Dan Throckmorton, Sammie Simpson, Poppy Beard, Jean Allison, Ann McElroy, Lonnie Adrian, Jenne

McVicker, Gene Rogers, Larry Nichols, Ladene Spears, Barbara Mutschler, Joe Bob Stevenson, Vivian White and Gary Hooten. Dolores Harvey, center hostess, was also present.

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Education

Lazbuddie honor rolls released

Lazbuddie ISD's honor rolls for the second six-week period were recently received. Among the students honored were:

Elementary "A"

Regan Agee, Kennedy Nickels, Micah Vera, Katlyn Hicks, Austin Mason, Chandler Barnes and Kolten Morris.

Elementary "AB"

Peter Guenter, Justina Neufeld, Jr. Soto, Houston Cox, Halton Ivy, Lacey Jesko, Celeste Lucio, Albert Moran, Haley Beasley, Ashton Mason, Shyann Rainey, Allison Weaver, Keena Diaz, Cotton Fleming, Karina Galaviz, Anna Harder, Shea Scott and Jared Timms.

Junior High "A"

Emily Agee and Jarrod Jesko.

Junior High "AB"

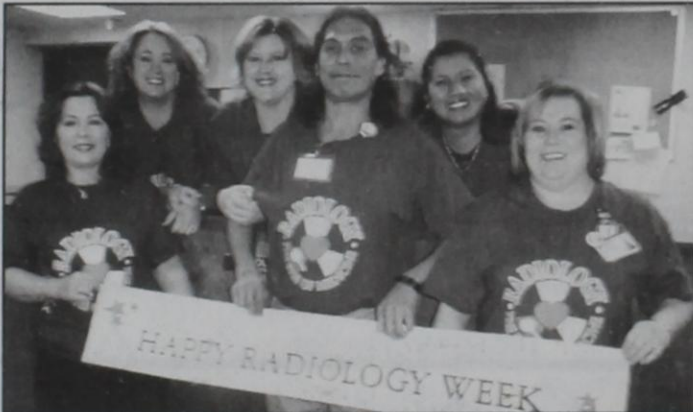
Jordan Mason, Kylie McGehee, Todd Nichols, Justin Schacher, Jordan Hernandez, Colton Weaver, Katie Chavez, Darin Ivy, Kayle Jesko, Kinzi Schacher and Riley Smith.

High School "A"

Ryan Mason, Jacob Schacher, Chase Timms, Chelsee Nichols, Brittney Schacher and Addie Treider.

High School "AB"

Richie Aguilar, Juan Carlos Guillen, RaJon Thorn, Mari Beliz, Regina Mata, Brianna Sanchez, Rochelle Smith, Dakota Williams, Erica Derma, Jesse Gomez, Stephanie Williams, Mica Brandvik and David Campos.



Radiology Week celebrated

The Radiology Department at Muleshoe Area Medical Center celebrated National Radiologic Technology Week on Nov. 9. Pictured above, from left to right, are the members of the center's radiology team: Tammy Luera, Jamie McNabb, Brenda Kirk, Joe Elizarrara, Juana Rocha and Sondra Scolley.

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Agricultural News

Cotton harvest nears halfway point, may set another record

Producers are taking full advantage of optimum conditions and the High Plains cotton harvest is progressing rapidly with an estimated 35 percent of the crop ginned or harvested and tucked away in modules waiting their turn.

Plains Cotton Growers estimate of harvest progress was derived using data released in the Nov. 10 USDA Crop Production report and classing data from the Lubbock and Lamesa Cotton Classing offices.

Based on average daily receipts at the region's two USDA Agricultural Marketing Service Cotton Classing offices and a rough estimate that most gins have about two weeks worth of ginning sitting in the field, it appears that with a favorable weather pattern the High Plains could surpass the halfway point of the harvest before Thanksgiving.

Classing office data show that through Nov. 10 almost 20 percent of the projected 2005 crop, some 950,000 bales, have already been classed.

Another 840,000 or so bales, or about two weeks worth of ginning based on average daily receipts at the two classing offices, are estimated to be in modules ready to be ginned.

Adding the two figures puts the High Plains at the 35 percent harvested estimate and indicates that at their current pace producers are harvesting almost eight percent of the 2005 crop each week under favorable harvest conditions.

Maintaining that pace gives the area an

opportunity to be finished harvesting before Christmas if the region avoids an extended weather delay.

Based on the November production estimate the High Plains of Texas is on track to make it two in a row with a second straight record-breaking crop.

According to data collected by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service the High Plains will produce an impressive 5.29 million bales in crop reporting districts 1-N and 1-S. This figure is up 45,000 bales from the previous month and reflects a modest eight-pound per acre yield increase for the southern district that includes the Lubbock and Lamesa production area. Harvested acreage in both districts was left unchanged as was the yield forecast for district 1-N.

The report also estimated Texas cotton production to be 200,000 bales higher than was forecast in October primarily due to the 45,000-bale increase in the High Plains and an 115,000-bale increase in the Rolling Plains production area.

Assuming the November numbers are accurate, the 7.8 million bales estimated for Texas would eclipse the 7.74 million-bale all-time cotton production record set in 2004.

Quality readings for the 2005 High Plains cotton crop through the first 20-odd percent that has been reviewed by the Lubbock and Lamesa cotton classing facilities show the crop to have much higher quality than the 2004 crop.

Most of the quality differences are due to the

outstanding weather that has prevailed during the 2005 harvest season.

In virtually every fiber quality category the 2005 crop is proving to be superior to 2004. Considering the dramatic difference in the relative harvest conditions the differences are not surprising.

To date the Lubbock and Lamesa Classing offices have processed some 950,000 bales and have shown virtually identical quality results.

To date cotton classed at the two offices have received an average Color grade of 21 and an average leaf grade of 3. Both of these readings are above the Color 31, Leaf 4 base loan quality standard.

Color and Leaf grades aren't the only areas where the Lamesa and Lubbock classing offices are running neck and neck and the rest of the 2005 quality story is just as upbeat for High Plains cotton producers.

Staple length readings at the two offices are separated by less than a 32nd of an inch with the Lubbock office averaging a Staple reading of 35 (1-3/32nd inches). The Lamesa office is just a little longer with an average Staple length of 35.4.

Bark continues to just be a minor issue thanks to the good harvest conditions. To date less than 15 percent of the High Plains bales classed have been called baky and the overall percentage of baky bales continues to drop.

Perhaps the only weak spot that can be reported on the quality front is that Micronaire readings at both offices continue to fall below the level most producers would prefer to see.

Micronaire readings at the Lubbock and Lamesa offices are averaging 3.8, the lower end of the

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The Boy Scouts will be delivering plastic sacks so that Muleshoe residents may donate non-perishable food for the local food bank on Dec. 3 at 8 a.m. Scout leaders ask that everyone out driving that morning to please watch for the scouts. The sacks will be picked up on Dec. 10 at 8 a.m.



Ouch!

The above photograph is from among the photographs from the Muleshoe Journal which are available to the public at the Oneida Wagnon Senior Citizen Center during the center's hours. Oh, and if anyone has any information about the photograph, the Journal would be delighted if you dropped us a note.

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Lazbuddie robotics team advances to state

The Lazbuddie robotics team captured second place BEST Team recently in Lubbock.

As a result of their win, the team has qualified for the regional and state competition of Texas BEST— Boosting Engineering, Science and Technology) at SMU in Dallas on Dec. 2-3.

This is Lazbuddie's eighth year to advance to the state competition.

A total of 25 teams were present at the Lubbock competition. And as many as 60 teams will be present in Dallas from Texas and New Mexico.

The Lazbuddie team placed seventh in the robot race, but won first place in the spirit and sportsmanship category and first place in the table display and presentation.

The BEST competition consists of four categories:

(1) A project summary notebook submitted in advance of Texas Best.

(2) An oral presentation in front of judges which included a powerpoint presentation, an explanation of the engineering process,

Compassionate Care gala set for Dec. 3

Compassionate Care of Muleshoe has set its Christmas Gala for Dec. 3, from 2-4 p.m.

The event will be held at the Assembly of God Family Life building, 521 S. First St.

Admission is free, but donations will be accepted.

There will be hors d'oeuvres, wassail, and coffee.

Decorated theme tables will have a variety of specialty items — including boutique items — for sale and decorated chairs will be available for sale in a silent auction.

community outreach, school involvement, school promotion, and school spirit involvement.

(3) A table exhibit and interviews.

(4) A spirit and sportsmanship review.

The fourth and fifth graders work on designing and engineering a robot project every year in conjunction with the students' project.

"We had two speakers from the fifth grade help our oral presentation team show promotion in several grades," said a robotics team representative. "Our team had several grades

represented, which was a criterion for several points. The speakers were Colten Ingram and Cotton Fleming."

Team members include: Jacob Schacher, Ryan Mason, Chase Timms, Brittany Sexton, Haley Sexton, Leticia Mendoza, Arturo Lucio, Bart Guillen, Brianna Sanchez and Brittney Schacher.

Also, Chelsee Nichols, Rochelle Smith, Megan McGuire, Jason Davis, Esteban Pacheco, Joaquin Campos, Addie Treider, Bryce Haney, Jesse Gomez, David Campos, and Trevor Coker.



Pictured above are the members of the 2005 Lazbuddie ISD Robotics Team.



Students of the Week

Pictured to the left are the Watson Junior High Students of the Week for the week of Nov. 14. The students honored are, from left to right: Front row — Christopher Ortega, Marielena Campos and Roman Chavez; back row — Mindy Hamilton, Chris Babcock and Amanda Ritter.

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

The senior center is very active at this time. The Thanksgiving meal was a huge success. We served 147 plus 51 meals on wheels that day.

The music by Paul Chaisson was very beautiful.

Barbara Finney brought an informative meeting on the South Plains College starting some classes here. The attendance for both days was great.

Mandi Seaton, from the Bailey County Extension Office, will be bringing a program on nutrition next Tuesday, Nov. 22, and she will also be bringing lesson number four on Master Memory. If you have not been coming to hear her, you are missing a very good program.

The senior center was very pleased to honor 22 senior veterans on Friday, Nov. 11. Staci Buie's Community Service school class made posters to decorate the center. They did a great job and we appreciated their help. Many thanks to Ann Sinclair for entertaining us with the appropriate music.

The 99th birthday party for Katie Roubinek was a great success. Many of her family and friends enjoyed visiting with her. The birthday cake was made by Ruby Ward and was decorated with pink roses. Pink lady punch was served with the cake. A beautiful bouquet of pink roses arrangement was presented to Katie to take with her.

Medicare Part D sign up

started Tuesday, Nov 15, and will continue thru Thursday, Nov. 17, this week at the center. Contact Debbie Crabtree at 272 3647 if you need an appointment.

The center will be closed Thursday, Nov. 24, for Thanksgiving. We will open again at 8 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 25.

Menu for Nov. 21-25:

Monday, Nov 21— Taco salad, pinto beans, tortilla chips, picante sauce and apricots.

Tuesday, Nov. 22 — Chicken-fried steak, gravy, potatoes, brussel sprouts, wheat roll and Jello fruit salad.

Wednesday, Nov. 23 — Pork chops, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, pea salad, raisin bread and baked apples.

Thursday, Nov. 24 — Closed.

Friday, Nov. 25 — Stew, cornbread and peach cobbler.

City secretary elected as TMCA trustee













Muleshoe's city secretary, LeAnn Gallman, was elected trustee of the Texas Municipal Clerks Association, Inc., at its annual meeting.

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"Miss Texas" Morgan Matlock

'Miss Texas' to appear

Miss Texas 2005, Morgan Matlock of Lamesa, will be in Muleshoe on Nov. 29, at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the Bailey County Coliseum.

For the past year, Matlock has worked as director of public relations for Grubbs Auto Group, Inc., and attended classes at Dallas Baptist University.

Prior to winning Miss Texas she had applied and been accepted as a senior at Texas Tech University where, following her year of service, she will complete her degree in psychology.

Matlock will speak to more than 100,000 students this year, through the Texas Cares for Children program, designed to help children and adults deal with the problems of bullying, gossip and how the long-term effects of things said can alter another's life.

The public is invited to hear Matlock's presentation and performance. She is being sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension, Bailey County Office; Muleshoe State Bank, Five Area Telephone, Muleshoe Motor Co., and the Muleshoe Rotary Club.

For more information contact the Bailey County Extension, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 806-272-4583.

Births

Gabrielle Gonzalez

Rudy Gonzalez and Amelia Gardea announce the birth of their daughter, Gabrielle Josephine Gonzalez, on Oct. 21, 2005, at 1:15 p.m., at Covenant Medical Center of Lubbock. Gabrielle weighed 5 pounds at birth and was 18.2 inches in length. Gabrielle is the granddaughter of Raul Gonzalez of Amarillo and Josie Ovalle of Muleshoe, and Luis and Albesa Gardea of Muleshoe. Her great-grandparents include Aurora Rables of Muleshoe.

Sudan seniors to hold dinner

The Sudan Area Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Dinner is set for Nov. 17, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call before 10:30 a.m. for carryout or delivery. Suggested donation is \$6.

'Beyond the Gates' to be shown at Earth

The Springlake-Earth Ministerial Alliance is hosting a special screening of "Beyond the Gates of Splendor" at the First Baptist Church of Earth, at 101 NE First Street, on Saturday, Nov. 12, at 7 p.m. There is no admission fee to attend.

In January 1956, five young American missionaries attempted to make contact with a remote, violent tribe, now known as the Waodani, living in the jungles of Ecuador.

An initial friendly contact turned violent two days later, resulting in the spearing deaths of Jim Elliot, Nate Saint, Ed McCully, Pete Fleming and Roger Youderian by the Waodani tribesmen.

Following the killings, the wife and young daughter of one of the men, and the sister of another went to live with the tribe's people. After just two years, the homicide rate of the Waodani dropped 90 percent.

Fifty years after the spearings, two films are being released that chronicle the deaths, reconciliation, and transformation that occurred between the violent tribe and the missionary families that went to the Amazon to save them from virtual extinction.

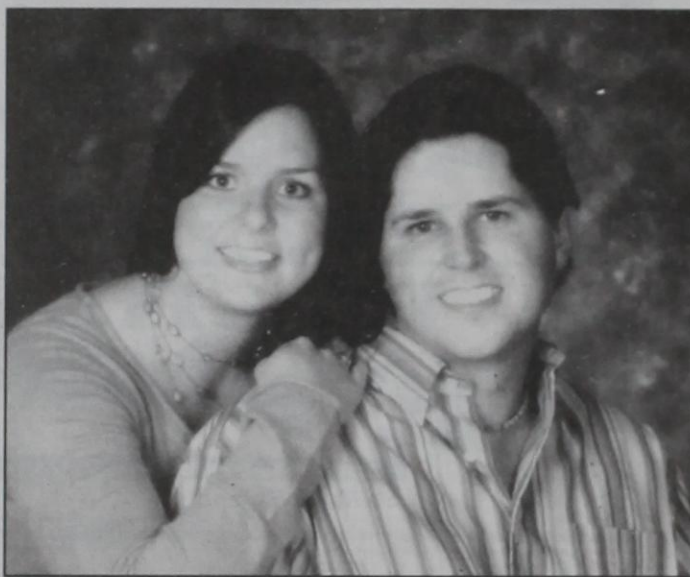
The first film, "Beyond the Gates...", is an award-winning documentary that has just been released on DVD in October.

Then in January 2006, "End of the Spear," a feature film told from the Waodani perspective, will be released in theaters in conjunction with the 50th remembrance anniversary of the five deaths.

The story of the five young martyrs impacted the world in a significant way in 1956, and is expected to impact a new generation through the release of these powerful films.

For more information about the screening, call 806-257-2036.

Wedding Announcements



Brenna Lyn Belew and Keith Martin Burch

Belew, Burch to wed

Brenna Lyn Belew and Keith Martin Burch are planning to be married on Saturday, July 15, 2006, at Saint Luke's United Methodist Church in Midland.

The prospective bride is the daughter of David and Janie Belew of Midland. She is the granddaughter of Alice Belew Meyers of Odessa and Elizabeth Mitchell of Van Horn, and the late Ross L. Mitchell.

The prospective groom is the son of Kirby and Vickie Burch of Lazbuddie. He is the

grandson of Hazel Burch of Clovis, N.M., and the late Fred Burch, and Lillian Street and M.C. Street of Muleshoe.

Brenna will graduate from Texas Tech University in May 2006 with a bachelor of science in chemical engineering and a bachelor of business administration.

Keith is a 2001 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science in agronomy and is presently completing his master of science in crop science. He is a farmer in Lazbuddie.

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serious shekel we shelled out for that warranty). But I still have a couple of questions, one of which I'm not sure about and the other to which I've recently learned the answer.

First, would the warranty that covers dog chewing damage to computer cords also cover damage to computer cord chewing dogs? So far I've been amazed that the only thing other than chew toys that sweet-spirited little ball of fur has shown any interest in chewing has been high-tech cords. She's also shown better-than-average intelligence by only chewing the thin cord on the 65-watt side of the adapter and not the 110-volt cord on the other end. If she develops a taste for more of a buzz, she may find her brief little life quickly illuminated, and I may find out what provision the Dell warranty has for covering damage to computer cord chewing dogs.

I do know the answer now to my second question. I'd hoped I wouldn't have to ask if they'd cover the same damage again, but . . .

When the Dell tech asked, "The dog again?" I said truthfully, "Well, I'm not 100% sure. I didn't see her eat it. I suppose it could have gotten caught in something, but I sort of doubt it." This time I had to wait for the "claim" to be approved. If the dog continues flossing with technology, I'll probably get to talk to Michael Dell next time.

I'll try to do better. I've got my eye on both beast and cord. But I do believe in grace. I preach it, and I need it, because my dog, who is much softer, furrier, warmer, and more likeable than I am, is not the only one who keeps making the same dumb mistakes.

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



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occasional homework paper as an appetizer before digging into their usual horse-meat-pig-lips-cattle-parts-and-who-knows-what-else dog food.

So there. All the qualities of a timeless and most excellent excuse. Now we just need teachers who believe it!

I wondered awhile back if I'd be lucky enough to find a Dell computer support technician who'd believe me when I told him that my dog had eaten my notebook computer power cord. And I wondered if the extended warranty we'd purchased would cover damage occurring when a dog chewed up a power cord.

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- NICE LOTS AVAILABLE, CALL FOR DETAILS!!!!

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- SUDAN - NICE 3-2-5-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 3200' lv. area, cov. patio, 2 stor. bldgs. MORE!! \$95K!!
- S. OF FARWELL - 4-3-2 Brick Home, 69.6 acre tract, cent. A&H, built-ins, 4560' lv. area, 350 basement w/ vault, 2940' garage/workshop, 2000' loft over garage, 6" well, barns, & corral!! MORE!! \$339K!!
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- LAZBUDDIE AREA - 3-2-2 Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, deck, hot tub, cellar, stor. bldgs., on 2 acre tract!! \$95K!! Additional 156 acre farm w/circle sprinkler, 3-20 hp. sub. wells!! \$495 per acre!!
- SUDAN- Nice 3-2 DBLWIDE Mobile Home, Elec. Heat Pump, built-ins, FP, corner Lot!! \$37.5K
- 4-3-3 carport Home on 55.88 acre tract, edge of town, built-ins, FP, shop, barns, pens, 4" irrig. well, undrgrd. line, MORE!! \$120,000!!

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MAHD Thanksgiving held

Friends and employees of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District gathered Friday at the First United Methodist Church for the MAHD's annual Thanksgiving Dinner.



TAKS tests meeting...

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something that apparently hadn't been done previously.

Also taking part in the meeting at Lubbock were Principal David Dominguez, and teachers Robin Welch, Bill Reed and Nancy Benham.

During Monday's school board meeting, board member Curtis Shelburne applauded the effort, and especially voiced his approval of the teachers taking part. "Empowerment is worth a ton," he said.

Superintendent Gene Sheets noted that the specific concerns listed by Muleshoe's educators were later presented by Craig to the TSBE at its next meeting, which the superintendent said resulted in his receiving a call from Dr. Shirley Neeley, the Texas Commissioner of Education.

Sheets said he was surprised by Neeley's call, and indicated he was especially pleased when he learned that Neeley agreed with many of the Muleshoe educators' concerns.

Although Wood didn't know if the concerns expressed during the two-hour meeting with Craig, and later to the TSBE, had been raised before the response was a strong indication that this was the first time such specific concerns had been voiced.

According to Wood, the concerns addressed such things as:

- Ambiguity in how the questions were structured, with Reed discussing "confusing questions and terminology" that made the tests especially difficult for "English as a Second Language" students.

- The use of "tricky" questions which TSBE officials preferred to call "distractor" questions.
- The inclusion of

questions aimed at "Gifted and Talented" students.

- The inclusion of "politically correct" questions which are used to judge how level the state's education process is because the majority of students "across the board" get them wrong.

- Concerns about taking TAKS tests without the availability of textbooks that follow the same curriculum, meaning that many of the questions are about areas in which students haven't been able to prepare.

- Confusion in the scoring of the tests. An issue which Sheets said Dr. Neeley also admitted she found confusing.

Breast cancer screening to be held Dec. 5

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic on Dec. 5, at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to

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