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Singer, gospel group to appear in Muleshoe

artist Peter Lewis Whitebird five. and the southern gospel Muleshoe during the month hands, it moves the spirit to of January.

On Sunday, Jan. 8, Peter Whitebird of Whitebird Ministries, Inc., will be performing at the church during the morning worship service, at 11 a.m.

Kevin Spencer & Friends abundant, eternal life." will be performing on Jan. worship service.

Topeka, Kan., reportedly scene with a series of hits and radio singles in 1998 which established him as was the music minister at one of the top Christian her home church, Sure country music singers and songwriters.

He has recorded five joining the group. albums, and is a member of Fellowship.

Formerly the pastor of Trinity Baptist Church of Topeka, Whitebird has had 11 recordings that have

Award-winning Christian reached No. 1 and 15 which country music recording have been listed in the top

"It's amazing what the singing group Kevin power of music does," Spencer & Friends are Whitebird says, "it not only scheduled to perform at the moves the mind and First Assembly of God in emotions but, in God's

> 'It's amazing what the power of music does... in God's hands...'

Kevin Spencer & Friends, 22, also during the 11 a.m. which was organized in June 1992, consists of Whitebird, a Native Kevin Spencer — who American Chippewa from previously traveled with the Spencers, James Dean burst onto the national radio who joined the group in 1998, and Charlene Purkey - Spencer's cousin, whyo Foundation Ministries of Harveysburg, Ohio, prior to

Kevin Spencer & Friends the Music City Christian have recorded three No. 1 Christian songs, and the group has been awarded The Singing News "Horizon

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Worth the drive

Area residents who haven't been to Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge recently, to see the Sandhill Cranes that gather there between November and March, are encouraged to do so. Currently, an estimated 150,000 cranes have been making their homes on Goose Lake, while an additional 10,000 have been using Baileyboro Lake.

> **Photographs** by Larry Thornton

Muleshoe, Bailey County finish the year on a positive note Area Hospital District's July disharmony within the

started out, as can be of entertainment. expected, with a huge gala

Local Weather

Thurs. Windy..... 55/23

Sunny..... 61/31

Sat. Pt. Cloudy.... 71/34

Sun.

Mt. Sunny.... 63/29

Mon. Sunny..... 63/24

Sunny..... 55/26

Wed.

Sunny..... 59/24 Give It

A Thought Nobody can conceive or

imagine all of the wonders that are unseen or unseeable in the world... Thank you, God!

Words to ponder from Beverly

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

as Bailey County celebrated Independence Day with The second half of 2005 parades, parties and plenty

> However, not all was bright and sunny, as Muleshoe Independent School District Sheets was expressing concerns about funding MISD would receive from the State of Texas.

> "We're in the hole \$300,000 before we get started," Sheets said at the June 30 school board meeting and reported in the July 7 issue of the Journal. Sheets was talking about the \$288,000 to \$300,000 the school district expected to receive, but which would fall far short of the estimated \$605,000 in unfunded mandates the school district also faced.

The Muleshoe City Council was on the move in authorizing July, negotiations with Living Good Homes for the development of a housing addition in the city's Country Club Addition.

City Manager David Brunson and the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture were in the news asked to address some concerns by the local them...," Brunson said. uphold the community."

In Review

On the lighter side of the three years length of hair to Superintendent Gene news, Muleshoe Motor Locks of Love. Company hosted a car

At Muleshoe

But the MAHD meeting

was probably remembered flared up in support of local physicians and in opposition

meeting, was effective Aug. hospital district, at the MAHD board decided to seek a second opinion from Covenant Health System, best for the tempers that authorizing CHS to evaluate the district's operation.

At the Muleshoe Journal, to actions and statements the newspaper returned Area from MAHD board members from the West Texas Press Association's annual convention with a first place in the association's "Better Newspaper Contest."

August

On Tuesday, Aug. 2, it was announced that Bailey County escapee Wesley Hanks, who had darted out the front door of the county jail during the early morning hours of July 24, had been recaptured in Arkansas.

Other good news in August involved Sandy Vandevender, general manager of the Five Area Telephone Cooperative, who was elected to the National Telecommunications Cooperative Association's Board of Directors.

MISD's "good news" for August included the appointment MWMarchitects to assist the school district in updating its master plan.

Among the new faces up around Muleshoe Chamber of



Wi-Fi at chamber office

Among the stories in featured in the Journal in September was the Wi-Fi connection available at the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture office. Pictured above, Sandy Vandevender of Five Area explains the importance of the new wireless facility to visitors from Washington, D.C. who were in town on Aug. 23.

and Terral King donated his was taken at the Muleshoe

as the city manager was show to benefit Bailey Medical Center, the and administrators. County's Meals on Wheels. hospital's board of directors July was also the month reluctantly "cut the cord on people right, no matter who Muleshoe in August was business organization. "I when Trevor Owen of obstetrics" due to the lack of they are or the position we Amy Young, who took over look forward to working with Muleshoe captured the personnel, including both hold," local businessman as manager of the Texas Junior State Amateur physicians and obstetric Frank Parker told the MAHD "These are people who Trapshooter Championship, nurses. The action, which board.

"You're supposed to treat showing

As a result of the

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Declaration Of Disaster

Whereas the County of Bailey on the 3rd day of January, 2006, is under imminent threat of severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from:

The threat of wildfires due to drought and other weather related conditions; and whereas the County Judge of Bailey County has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property,

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the County Judge of Bailey County: (1) That a local state of disaster is hereby proclaimed for Bailey County pursuant to 418.108 (a) of the Texas Government Code. (2) Pursuant to 418.108 (b) of the Government Code, this Declaration of a local state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court of Bailey County. (3) Pursuant to 418.108 (c) of the Government Code, this Declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk of Bailey County. (4) Pursuant to 418.08 (d) of the Government Code, this Declaration of a local state of disaster activates the Bailey County Emergency Management Plan.

This Proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance,

Ordered this the 3rd day of January, 2006.

Sherri Harrison, County Judge

County burn ban issued

Executive Order CJ06-01

Executive Order Of Bailey County Judge

Whereas, by proclamation issued January 3, 2006 the County Judge of Bailey County declared a state of disaster for Bailey County, resulting from:

The potential threat of wildfires due to drought and adverse weather conditions

Whereas, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency measures be taken pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 relating to Emergency Management;

Now, therefore, the following regulations shall take effect immediately upon issuance of this order and shall remain in effect until the state of disaster is terminated and is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the county:

(1) The sale of "restricted fireworks" is prohibited. Restricted fireworks include "skyrockets with sticks" and missiles with "fins" as provided in 352.051, Texas Local Government Code. (a) A person selling any type of fireworks including restricted fireworks in the county, provide reasonable notice of the order.

(2) The use of combustible materials in an outdoor environment by any person is prohibited. (a) Combustiable materials include, but are not limited to the use of all fireworks, materials used in activities such as welding and any other activity that could result in a fire.

(3) This order shall not apply to an officially authorized

In accordance with Local Government Code, a person who knowingly or intentionally violates this order commits a Class C Misdeamnor, punishable by a fine of up to \$500.

The purpose of this order is the mitigation of the public safety hazard posed by wildfires during the current drought and sever weather conditions by curtailing the use of all combustible materials.

Sherri Harrison, County Judge

Cory Williams benefit

Students of musician and fiddle instructor Cory Williams in the Muleshoe area are among the group sponsoring a benefit on Saturday, Jan. 7, at 10 a.m., at the Ritz Plaza Hotel, 7909 I-40 East, Amarillo. Described as a benefit dance and jam session, the event is being held to raise funds for Cory who was seriously injured in an automobile accident. Admission is \$10 per person. There is also a silent auction being held, and a fiddle signed by the Texas Playboys and other well-known fiddle players, is being raffled off. Call 760-0515, 760-6290 or 276-8233 for additional information.

Ag groups uncertain about budget reconciliation agreement

By Shawn Wade, PCG

You would think that U.S. Ag industry groups, and most particularly the cotton industry, would be feeling a little more upbeat as 2005 comes to a close.

After all, there seems to be a lot to be happy about following Congress's passage of a final budget reconciliation package that includes no real reductions in commodity program payments and the conclusion of the WTO Hong Kong Ministerial Meeting that did not involve the U.S. trade team dealing away U.S. support programs for a handful of promises.

Digging a little deeper however shows that these outcomes, while positive for the short-term really did little to make producers and the groups that represent them very confident about what may happen down the road.

The Senate's approval of the "Deficit Reduction Omnibus Reconciliation Act" on Dec. 21 almost completed Congress' work on budget reconciliation. In order to get the bill to President Bush's desk the House of Representatives will have to vote to accept an amendment involving Medicaid when they return from the holiday break.

If approved, the package will surprisingly let farm program payments "off the hook." Most importantly the bill makes no reduction in the amount of Direct and Counter-Cyclical program payments producers will receive, but does, as expected, eliminate cotton's Step 2 program effective Aug. 1, 2006.

The one change that most producers will encounter involves the Direct Payment program's advance payment option. The bill reduces advance direct payments to 40 percent for the 2006 crop and reduces the advance payment to 22 percent for the 2007 program year.

Unlike commodity program payments, current Conservation, Rural Development and Research Programs were not treated as well, at first glance.

In an ironic twist it may ultimately turn out that some of the programs that have to endure cuts or deal with new spending caps as part of budget reconciliation could become longterm winners when Congress gets around to working up the 2007 Farm Bill.

To compensate for trimming funds available for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program and the Conservation Security Program Congress included language to extend the two programs beyond the life of the current Farm Bill.

In a political arena where the available funding baseline ultimately controls the fate of a program up for renewal, protection of the funding baseline for these two programs means conservation interests have a sturdy foundation from which to work during the 2007 Farm Bill debate.

The refusal of the Administration and the House leadership to confer the same treatment to the Commodity Title and its programs, however, leaves the door open for changes to the Commodity Title funding baseline down the road.

Arguments for not including Senate Ag Committee Chairman Saxby Chambliss' extension of the commodity title in the conference report center on the point that since commodity program funding was not reduced there was no need to do anything extra to maintain the baseline.

While this is most likely true, it is just as true to say that spending authority for the Commodity Title is still at risk fireworks, shall at every location at which the person sells because unless program authority for this section is extended, the Congressional Budget Office can still use any assumptions they want when establishing the baseline for the next farm bill.

> Regardless of your interpretation, commodity programs are, for now, simply on shakier ground than are conservation programs heading into the 2007 Farm Bill debate.

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Corrections

In a caption that appreared in the Dec. 22 issue of the Muleshoe Journal, Ben Hembree of Dallas was misidentified as Bob Hembree.

The journal regrets the error and apologizes for any inconvenience that resulted from the misidentification.

> Thanks for reading!



PUBLIC NOTICE First Day of Instruction Waiver

The Muleshoe Independent School District will hold a Public Hearing regarding a request for a waiver to begin school on August 15, 2006. The earliest starting date for instruction by state mandate is August 21, 2006. The August 15 starting date will allow the first semester to end prior

On Monday, January 23, 2006, at 7:00 p.m., a Public Hearing will be conducted to discuss the waiver request. The hearing will be in the Muleshoe I.S.D. Administration Board Room at 514 W. Ave. G, Muleshoe, Texas.

to the winter break.

Muleshoe Independent School District would appreciate your concerns and suggestions regarding the August 15 starting date for the 2006-07 school year. If you cannot attend the hearing, you may contact the superintendent at 806-272-7404 to express your concerns.

CARDIO CLINIC IN MULESHOE



When: Thursday, January 12 beginning at 11 a.m.

Where: Muleshoe Area Medical Center Specialty Clinic 708 S. 1st St.

Cardiologist: Juan Kurdi, M.D.

For an appointment, please call 1-877-60HEART (1-877-604-3278).



For more information, visit ©CHS, 2005

An Old Letter Is a Good One to Take to Heart

 \mathbf{A} t the end of June, 1940, Winston Churchill, one of my favorite historical figures, had not been Prime Minister more than a few weeks. Quite alone among world leaders at this point, he was bearing the terrible burden of struggling to keep the free world out of Hitler's grasp. Knowing the pressure he was under, his wife Clementine (Jon Meacham writes in his fine book Franklin and Winston) nevertheless felt compelled to pen to him the following letter:

"My Darling,

"I hope you will forgive me if I tell you something that I feel you ought to know.



Focus **Faith** Curtis

Shelburne

"One of the men in your entourage (a devoted friend) has been to me & told me that there is a danger of your being generally disliked by your colleagues & subordinates because of your rough sarcastic & overbearing manner-It seems your Private Secretaries have agreed to behave like schoolboys & 'take what's coming to them' & then escape out of your presence shrugging their shoulders— Higher up, if an idea is suggested (say at a conference) you are supposed [reckoned] to be so contemptuous that presently no ideas, good or bad,

will be forthcoming. "I was astonished & upset because in all these years I have been accustomed to all those who have worked with & under you, loving you—I said this & was

told 'No doubt, it's the strain'-"My darling Winston—I must confess that I have noticed a deterioration in your manner; & you are not so kind as you used to be. "It is for you to give the Orders & if they are bungled-except for the King the Archbishop of Canterbury & the Speaker you can sack anyone & everyone—Therefore with this terrific power you must combine urbanity, kindness and if possible Olympic calm. You used to quote:-'On ne règne sur les âmes que par le calme' [One can only reign over souls with calmness]—I cannot bear that those who serve the Country & yourself should not love you as well as admire and respect you-

"Besides you won't get the best results by irascibility & rudeness. They will breed either dislike or a slave mentality-(Rebellion in War time being out of the question!) "Please forgive your loving

devoted & watchful Clemmie. "I wrote this at Chequers last

Sunday, tore it up, but here it is Meacham writes, "No reply exists, but Churchill may have

taken his wife's words to heart,

for, as [his daughter] Mary Soames wrote, most of the men around him then . . . became lifelong Churchillians. Most of us are at times oppressed by stress and an

almost unmerciful "busy-ness," some of which we create ourselves and some not. We react by barking, biting, and snapping often. But I doubt many of us have as much reason to be stressed as did Winston Churchill on whose shoulders lay the future of the free world. Aside perhaps, I'm afraid,

from our check registers, very little will likely paint a truer picture of the genuine quality of our faith as Christians than the civility and kindness we portray in our day to day interactions with those around us. I'm afraid Clementine Churchill has me pegged along with her husband. Curtis Shelburne is minister of the 16th & D Church of Christ in Muleshoe

Nursing Home News

We want to thank the residents' families for Project" Christmas party at Park View on Thursday, Dec. 22. Also James and Ann Sinclair who did a wonderful job of entertaining and to Santa and to Santa —yes, two Santas — for making a special appearance and children and residents.

attending the resident's Joyeline Costen gave each of friends, family and church nail care. resident a metal flower pot family attended. holder to hang in their rooms. The gifts were Gary and July Hubbard of purchased from the Art Loft with help from Sharon Agee.

Friday afternoon, Dorothy Bowers was honored with a a beautiful piece on the 90th birthday reception. The passing out gifts to the celebration was hosted by her daughter Virginia Gary. We missed you while

chairwoman other two daughters. A host hairdos. Peggy Dent gave

Earth directed the praise song and music time. Judy's little granddaughter played piano. We wish to say "Welcome back, Judy and you were away."

Jimmie Crawford brought morning.

Mrs. Milligan went out to daughter Phylis Angeley's place Christmas Day.

Glenda Jennings came direct a sing-a-long.

Mrs. Silinas was visited by her granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Flora Longaria, Claudia Longaria and Laura Longaria Wednesday morning.

Bill Lamberts daughter, Mary Lou, and son-in-law, Gene Vandegrift from January in Texas including Wyoming, are visiting. Also

Adam, Jana and "Everyone is invited to Courtney Finke visited over the holidays.

> Pat Watson, Janell came Thursday afternoon to

"The Christmas Card Bowers, assisted by her give the ladies fresh

So many residents either Tuesday morning, Bro. went out to be with their families or their families came to be with the residents.

Mollie Johnston visited in the home of Dr. Purdy and Cindy Purdy. Arnold Prater went out to visit with his wife Pat and other relatives for Christmas.

Cynthia Crawford went donuts and have coffee with out to Jim and Jan the residents Saturday Crawford. Gladys and Cathy Wilson went to be with their families. Pauline Chapelle's daughter, Sandy and Diane brought her Christmas dinner.

Wednesday morning, Wednesday afternoon to Buster Kittrell and Eva Nell Dale served coffee and donuts at coffee time. Afterward, Kittrell and Dale, Anna B. Lane and Sherry Williams directed the sinspiration and devotional

> Happy New Years to you and yours from the residents of Park View Nursing Home.

Thanks for reading!





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KEVIN SPENCER, JAMES DEAN AND CHARLENE PURKEY

Christian music performances set

Continued from page 1 and the Gospel Voice at Lamesa. "Sunrise Group of the Year" award.

Currently, the group performs at about 280 events during the year, with the First Assembly of God, Garrett and Evanell Dale other performances during

Group of the Year" award one at Lubbock and another Bernie and Alga Lambert.

attend to heare some good Gladys and Cathy Wilson old fashion gospel singing," said Jack Stone, pastor of Muleshoe.

Lamplight **By Larry Thornton**

year is upon us. Many of us Year.' have no doubt made a string of resolutions, hoping to the Year" depends upon the Psalms 1:1-2, NIV, is a good change something in our lives.

an individual by organizations, businesses do so, they use certain criteria to narrow the field of candidates down until only one remains — the one who Women of the Year."

Unfortunately, such competitions are limiting. Each year, only one achieves the top honor of that particular organization.

But what does it take be God's "Men or Women of the Year?" Fortunately, just as our God is all-powerful, so is his ability to bless all who meet his criteria for

owners and newspaper staff.

for content, length and space.

It's now 2006, the new "Men and Women of the make

events of the past. But to be starting place: godly "Men and Women of present and future actions.

and publications to be have sought forgiveness for delight is in the law of the honored above all others. To past sins than what is Lord, and on his law he important is what's going on in your life now and in the

best represents their Paul wrote, "Forgetting what strength. ideals... their "Man or is behind and straining press on toward the goal to we won't be counted among the goal to win the prize for the chaff. We won't be which God has called me included in the refuse from heavenward in Christ the harvest, good for Jesus."

But exactly what are

While the Word of God Women of the Year." a number of lists improvements we need to coming year.

NEWSPAPER POLICIES

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR are written by readers of the

newspaper. They are brief expressions of opinion, most con-

cerning issues of local interest. Letters must be legible. They

may be edited for content, length and space. All letters must

be signed by the writer and must include a daytime telephone

number (used solely for verification). Open letters, letters to

COLUMNS are the personal opinion of the writer whose by-

line appears. Columns from readers should address an issue

of local concern and general interest. Columns may be edited

Letters to the Editor and Columns can be sent to:

third parties and/or unsigned letters will not be published.

in our lives, improvements that will help To be a worldly "Man of us draw closer to God,

"Blessed is the man who Another tradition of this the Year," depends to a does not walk in the counsel time of year is the selection large degree upon your of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the If you're a Christian, and seat of mockers. But his meditates day and night.

> Thankfully, God doesn't require man to accomplish In Philippians 3:13-14, any of these tasks in his own

The benefits of a thriving toward what is ahead, I relationship with God is that nothing except burning.

Therefore, let us be God's criteria for "Man of the resolved to meet the criteria for being "Christian Men and

May God bless you in the







Saturday, January 7, 2006 • Sale Time 9:07AM

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eneck 16ft box bed hyd. 1-Parkhurst goos pump trailer TA-flotation tires coil

1-Donahue gooseneck 16ft box bedhyd. 1-Set Wylie Twin 200gal side mount spray tanks 7120 mounting brackets 3 way electric switch-ace pump

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7-4 wheel trailers 8'x9'x24' burr beds Big12-Cobey & John Deere char 1-Portable cattle loading chute 20-5'x16'metal loop leg livestock panels 1-8' livestock panel gate

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DRTB-GW 1-Tye 9row, discbedder, 3pt-DSB-GW 1-Lilliston, 8 row, rolling cultivator-big bar 1-Miller 18ft offset discplow-3bar 1-White 6342-3pt-5x18" spinner moleboard plow

1-Hamby, 3pt 9 shank V ripper plow TSB-GW 1-Tye 3pt, 21ft, grain drill-8"spaced-DD-

1-8 row. 3pt, hooded sprayer-DRTB w/beet knife row units-GW 1-Bigham Bros-5B clodbuster packe 1-Servis, 3pt Super Rhino Blade 2-Cantrell 9 row middle runner plows

1-John Deere 707-4 row, DT shredder 1-John Deere 7 row lister-4"x7"-bar **GW-markers** 1-Big Ox, 3pt, 7 shank, V ripper plow-DGW

1-Lilliston 6 row rolling cultivator

28'-3pt

1-Hamby, 6 row, cultivator-DSB-LTM-GW 1-S&S, 3pt, 21ft, field cultivator 1-RAC, 3pt. 6 row, rodweeder-DSB-LTM

GW-BB hyd. rodweeder 1-8 row, 3pt, hyd. driven rody 4"x7" bar-1"x3" shanks & cleanouts 1-Big 12-20' cultipacker DT or 3pt 1-PW DT. 12 row sand fighter

1-PW, 3pt, 12 row sandfighter 1-3pt, 8ft, turn row plow 1-9row DT sandfighter 1-Herd FM, 12v seeder-spreade 1-SM manlift crane 1-HD-SM-3pt lift arm crane 1-Continental DT sprayer chassi 1-Mevers DT, V, ditcher

1-3pt dirt slip

Tractor & Tool Bar Makeups 1-Hamby 28' TSB tool carrier-LTM 1-Lot 1"x3" shanks & clamps 1-Campbell, 3pt, 20' PRTB tool carrier 1-John Deere, 3-piece, 3pt, hitch

1-Set guide cone gauge wheels 1-Lot knifing heads-barring off disc 2-sets RAC hyd. F/W row markers 1-Lot John Deere 7300 parts 1-Lot John Deere orchard shanks 1-Lot John Deere planter parts 8-planter incorporators 1-Lot tractor & plow parts

1-Lot rotary how wheels 1-Lot tve drill press wheels 1-Lot IHC tractor weights-rear-hang on 1-Lot IHC planter drums 1-Ford 800 tractor gas tank 1-Gleaner combine fuel tank

1-Lot Yetter fertilizer injection points 1-Hamby toolbar-trailer pull hitch 1-Continental hyd. AA fertilizer cutoff 1-Ace hyd. sprayer pump 2-4 row-6" bed rollers

18-individual row dikers 1-Set Moline UB tractor fenders & pulle 1-8 row hyd. Drive rod 2-12"x4 row bed rollers 1-Lot tractor tires 1-Lot sweeps-knives, discs, chisels

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1-1944 Ford truck-cab & chassis

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1-Lot 6"x30' PVC gated pipe

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2-Chevrolet 350 irrigation motor

2-Chrysler 440 irrigation motor

2-GE 50hp, VHS, electric motors

1-GE 40hp. VHS. electric motor

l-Chevrolet 292-6cyl. Irrigation motors

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joints-valves-hydrants-fittings

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50 joints 8"x20'aluminum gated pipe

10 joints 6"x20'aluminum gated pipe

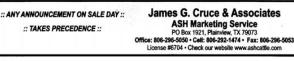
sprinkler pipe

1-12v fuel transfer pump 1-Lot various size & length lumber

1-Lot items too numerous to list Grain Carts-Combine Chassis-Headers 1-Big 12-400 bushel grain kart 1-Phares Wilkins 400 bushel grain cart

1-International 810-24' grain platform 1-International 864-6 row wide com head

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Obituaries

Maria Toscano

was held Wednesday, Jan. 4, at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Muleshoe with the Rev. Fr. Leonardo Pahamtang officiating.

Burial followed in the Bailey County Cemetery. Rosary was said Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 2-3.

Toscano died on Dec. 31, 2006, in the Muleshoe Area and Felipe Toscano all of Medical Center. She was born on April 28, 1935, in Alagarto, and married Frank Aldan, Juan, Martin, Toscano in Mathis on Aug. 28, 1954.

Muleshoe since 1954, and

John Davieau Graveside services for

John Joseph Davieau, 89, of Round Rock, formerly of Sudan, were held Jan. 4, at Sudan with Jerry Ray officiating.

Davieau died on Dec. 30, 2005, at the Pflugerville Care Center. He was born in Ft. Ripley, Minn., on Jan. 7, 1916, to Hector Davieau and Elma LaForce, and daughters and sons-in-law married Ola Pearl Damron on Dec. 2, 1940 in California.

Davieau was the ranch foreman for the Mangels Ranch for more than 37 years before leaving the ranch and working for the Elvarano Grammar School in Colorado Springs, Colo., prior to his retirement and three grandchildren and five move to Sudan.

Don Briggs

Briggs, 72, of Willcox, Ariz., his father N Hinds Hugh formerly of Muleshoe, was Briggs; and two brothers held Tuesday, Dec. 27, at Ronnie and Brian. the First Baptist Church. Cemetery, Willcox.

Space attended the First Baptist five great-grandchildren. Church in Willcox, and was

Preceding Briggs in death Willcox, AZ 85644.

A church service for Maria was a homemaker and a Toscano, 70, of Muleshoe member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Muleshoe.

Toscano was preceded in death by a daughter, Mary Jane Toscano in 2002 and two brothers.

Survivors include her husband — Frank Toscano of Muleshoe; five sons — Frank Toscano Jr. of Earth, Fernando, Fermin, Fabian, Muleshoe; nine brothers — Nemorio, Manuel, Roman, Modesto, Senovio and Justa Garcia, all of Victoria; She had lived in 19 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren.

> He was preceded in death by his parents, his sons John Joseph Jr. and Ronald John, daughter Georgina Eunice, and brothers Walter, Lib, and Felix, and sisters Melvina and Gert Tougas.

> Davieau is survived by his wife — Ola Pearl Damron Davieau of Round Rock; Judi and Sheldon Ford of Round Rock, Patti and Doug Morgan of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Lori and Dan Weider of Lake Tahoe,

> He is also survived by two brothers — Ted Davieau of Lake Tahoe and Charlie Davieau of Fairfield, Calif.; great grandchildren.

A funeral service for Don was his first wife N Noretta;

Survivors include his wife Burial followed in Sunset Ñ G. Marie of Willcox; his son and daughter-in-law N Briggs died on Dec. 22, Keith and Lori Briggs of Non-Fiction Article or Essay, elementary (3rd-5th grades), 2005, in Tucson, Ariz. He Willcox; two daughters and was born in Lubbock on sons-in-law N Tonya and Feb. 26, 1933. He Gabriel Ayala of Willcox and graduated from Texas Tech Julie and Chris Chung of University in 1955 with a Chino Hills, Calif.; a degree in mechanical daughter N Carolyn engineering; he worked for Zimmerman of Columbus, North America Rockwell on Ohio; his mother Ñ A. Marie Shuttle Briggs of Willcox; a brother Endeavor. He married G. and sister-in-law Ñ Joe and Marie Deardorff on Sept. 8, Jean Briggs of Willcox; 1991, in Willcox. He seven grandchildren and

Memorials may be sent to a member of Willcox the Charles Wm. Leighton Masonic Lodge #10 F&AM. Jr. Hospice, P.O. Box 115,

Cory Williams benefit to be held

Students of musician and fiddle instructor Cory Williams \$15 for PPW members and in the Muleshoe area are among the group sponsoring a \$15-\$20 for nonmembers. benefit on Saturday, Jan. 7, at 10 a.m., at the Ritz Plaza Membership in PPW is not Hotel, 7909 I-40 East, Amarillo.

Described as a benefit dance and jam session, the event is being held to raise funds for Cory who was seriously injured in an automobile accident.

Admission is \$10 per person. There is also a silent auction being held, and a fiddle signed by the Texas Playboys and other well-known fiddle players, is being raffled off. Call 760-0515, 760-6290 or 276-8233 for additional information.

Publication of Obituaries

Obituaries printed in the Muleshoe Journal are printed free of charge and contain the following types of information: date and details of funeral and place of burial; date and place of birth and parents names; date of marriage; limited biographical information, including the highest level of schooling achieved, service in the Armed Forces, profession (and retirement information if applicable); names of relatives who have preceded the person in death; names of survivors (including husband and wife, parents, in-laws, brothers, sisters, grandparents (only the number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-greatgrandchildren) will be included; and where memorials may be directed. We will be pleased to run a one column black and white photo at no charge. A larger photo or a color photo will cause the obit to be paid. Please keep in mind that everything must be submitted by your funeral home.

Senior Citizen News

Happy New Year to each and every one of you.

We certainly enjoyed our association with all the participants here at the senior center the past year. We hope this New Year will be as good or even better for everyone.

In December we served 1,070 meals which averaged 51 meals a day. This is in addition to the 40 to 47 Meals on Wheels served each day to our shut-ins. We invite everyone 60 years of age or more to come and eat with us. Phyllis serves very good meals.

Every Tuesday is game day here at the center.

We have five to seven tables of dominoes and "80" going at one time. In fact there are games going on every day from Monday through Friday. Come on in and bring your friends for other games you wish to play.

Exercise is scheduled each morning at 8 a.m. and again at 10 a.m. We have a video to exercise by. If you have one you wish to use, bring it and we will enjoy it together.

here Tuesday for another program on nutrition. She brings a very interesting program, which is beneficial to everyone. Each Tuesday night from 7-10 p.m. the Senior Dance is scheduled with Sandy the DJ playing music.

Through the holidays the attendance was down, but should start increasing soon. When Sandy is unavailable we usually can count on the Boot Scooters Band to fill in. A pot luck meal is enjoyed at intermission.

On Wednesday, we will be having a board meeting, which is open to the public. We invite you to attend.

Patty Banks is scheduled to be here again on Thursday, Jan. 12, to start computer classes. If you need assistance on a problem, or would just like to learn more, please come in and visit with her. She is very ease to work with and enjoys helping out.

The menu for Jan. 9-13 is:

Monday, Jan. 9 — Meatloaf with tomato sauce, mashed potatoes, spinach, tossed salad, wheat roll and jello salad.

Tuesday, Jan. 10 — Pork chop with gravy, mashed potatoes, seasoned green beans, tossed salad, wheat roll and cherry cobbler.

Wednesday, Jan. 11 — Chicken-fried steak, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, brussel sprouts, wheat roll and apricots.

Thursday, Jan. 12 — Hamburger steak, brown gravy, augratin potatoes, peas, tossed salad, wheat roll and pineapple slice.

Friday, Jan. 13 — Fried fish or chicken strips, tator tots, coleslaw, hush puppies and peach cobbler.

Panhandle professional writer contest announced

Writer announces its 2006 Saturday, June 10. writing contests for adults and young people.

Non-Fiction or Young Adult Short, Poetry Short, and Poetry Long.

Novel categories are Mystery/ Mainstream, Suspense/Thriller, Historical or Western Romance, Science Fiction/Fantasy/ Horror, and Juvenile or Young Adult.

Published authors will judge the first round. The top six scores from each category will be submitted to professional, acquiring editors for final judging. Cash prizes will be awarded to the category.

Entry fees range from \$10required to enter the contest.

Submissions must be postmarked by March 1, 2006, to be eligible and the winners will be announced at conference at

Panhandle Professional Ambassador Hotel on

The Youth Contest is open for students from grades 3-Categories for the adult 12. Young people are judged competition are Short Story, by three age groups, Book, middle school (6th-8th Screenplay, Memoir, Juvenile grades) and high school (9th-12th grades).

The categories for the Youth Contest are Short Story, Non-Fiction Article or Essay, Short Poem, and a new category in which students will write an essay on how they were affected directly or indirectly by a natural disaster.

The deadline for the Youth Contest is also March 1 and there is no entry fee for students. Published authors will judge submissions.

The students receiving the top three winners in each top five scores in each category will receive plaques or certificates during a reception at the Frontiers in Writing conference on Saturday, June 10, 2006. PPW will publish the winning entries in a book that will be available for sale at the reception.

Additional information is the Frontiers in Writing available on the PPW website the www.panhandleprowriter.org.

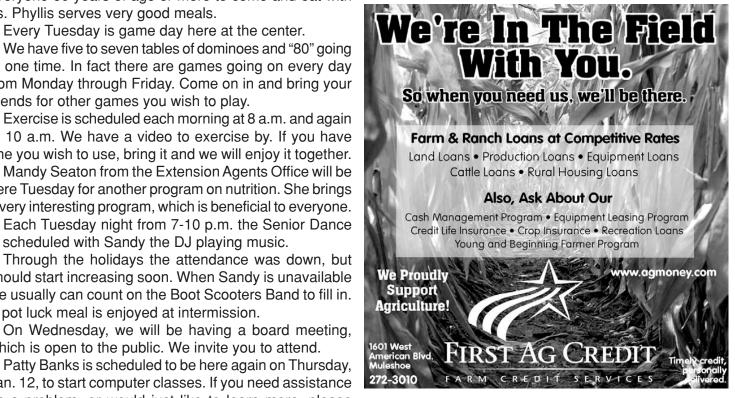


County Questions

In September 1985, a group of people met at the Muleshoe Fire Department to form an organization to promote an important part of local history. What was the organization?

Answer on last page.





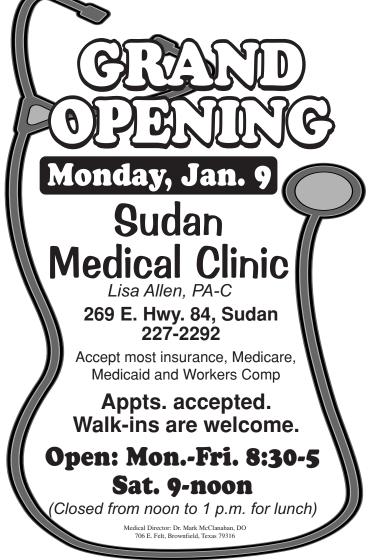




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Sports

Mules take 'wrong turn' at Lubbock's holiday tournament

By Delton Wilhite

Sportswriter

the bus took a wrong turn Caprock Holiday drove into a meat grinder. Estacado to 11. The Mules fell to Lubbock round 74-48.

Amarillo second round 46-38 and Seminole pushed the Mules out of the tournament by defeating them 66-49.

There is some good news chipped in one. in all the gloom and doom Geter got his game back and scored well in the tournament.

of the Mules 16-9 in the the Mules stormed back in 12 after the opening frame The Mules may have felt opening frame and owned the third frame to cut the but Semiole took a 27-22 a 37-18 lead at the on the way to the Lubbock intermission. The Mules had a strong final period to put Tournament and instead 19 on the boards and held with a pair of treys and 10

Geter and Estacado in the opening Turnbow led the Mules with Wallace added a trey and 14 points each and Garrett five points. Brant Hamilton, Caprock Riley dropped in seven. Turnbow and James made corralled the Mules in the Cory Wallace made a pair of 3-pointers for six points and Brady Black made four.

Caprock owned a 27-16 dropped in 18 for Seminole. 13 in Brownfield.

Estacado jumped in front lead at the intermission but margin to 33-29 with eight lead at the half and added minutes left to play.

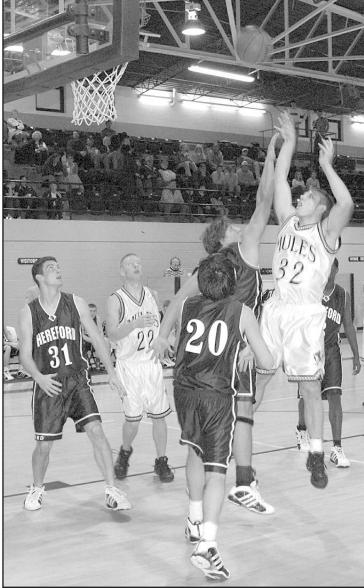
> points and Geter and Black Trevor each dropped in eight. two points apiece and Riley chipped in one.

The Mules and Seminole two. Tyler Sheets made two could meet again this points and Myles James season in the state playoffs. Friona Jan. 3 to tangle with Micah Clay and Lance Caprock seemed to Sheets did most of the for the Mules as Arsenio depend on one player as damage against the Mules. Ryan Ballin delivered 24 Clay led all scorers with 22 points against the Mules. points and L. Sheets before starting district Jan.

The game was tied at 12five more in the third frame Sheets paced the Mules to lead 49-37 with eight minutes left to play.

> Geter led the Mules in scoring with 20 points and Turnbow dropped in a pair of treys and 12 points. Black added 10, Wallace three and James and Eric Washington each made

> The Mules traveled to the Chieftains and then are in Lubbock to meet Monterey Friday night. The Mules go to Tulia Jan. 6



Brady Black shoots during the recent game against Dimmitt.

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Lady Mules defeat Lubbock Christian High, but fall to Canyon Ranyon during tournament

By Delton Wilhite Sportswriter

Randall 57-49.

The Lady Mules went 2-2 in the Lubbock Caprock Holiday Tournament. They opened with a 49-35 win over Lubbock Christian High and then fell to Canyon

The Lady Mules bounced back to drop Pampa 60-55. Stephenville ended the Lady Mule run 53-34 Saturday morning.

The tenacious Lady Mule defense held Lubbock Christian to only four points in the opening period to take a 10-4 lead into the second frame. Kate Lepard found her range in the second frame for a 3-pointer and a points. pair of deuces.

intermission 22-15 and out seven and Kimbrough added Kimbrough dumped in 14. scored Lubbock Christian six. K. Wood made five Lepard added nine points, 27-20 in the second half.

20 points and Ashley Dickson dropped in eight. Kyra Kimbrough made seven, Kasey Wood six, Brandi Wood had five and Chelsi Hawkins chipped in contest. B. Wood made three margin to 26-17 at the half. three points.

power for the Lady Mules and had four players post double figures. Lepard led the Lady Mules with a pair of treys and was seven of nine from the line for 13 final eight minutes to take the dropped in seven. Dickson



Lady Mules Kate Lepard shoots during the recent game against Dimmitt.

B. Wood found her range points and

The Lady Mules made 22 apiece. of 29 charity tosses to take down Pampa. B. Wood and way in front of the Lady Kimbrough had break out Mules 11-9 in the opening scoring games in the frame and pushed the 3-pointers in the opening half They continued to hold the Randall had too much fire but the Lady Mules trailed Lady Mules down in the 29-26 at the half.

> Pampa increased their third period before the Lady

game.

B. Wood led the Lady The Lady Mules led at the for 11, Dickson dropped in Mules with 23 points and Cholov Dickson six and Hernandez Lepard led all scorers with Hernandez chipped in two. and K. Wood chipped in four

Stephenville clawed their second half.

K. Wood had a pair of advantage by a point in the treys to lead the Lady Mules with 10 points, B. Wood Mules exploded for 22 in the added eight and Lepard

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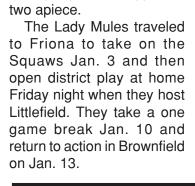
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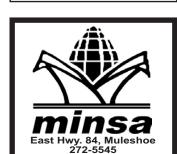
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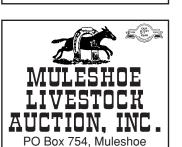
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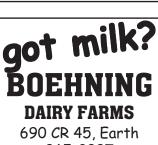


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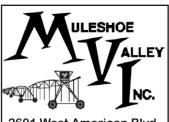
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Attorney general says new law shines more light on Texas government

By Greg Abbott

Attorney General of Texas

We live in an era in which Texans demand more openness from their government. The role of protectors of public information but active participants in sharing information with the public.

A new Texas law will help achieve that goal. Effective Jan. 1, 2006, all public officials subject to Texas open government laws must complete open government training.

The new law tasks the Attorney General's office with establishing the formal training necessary to ensure that all elected and appointed government officials understand open records and open meetings

training law, which I have long supported, grew out of a desire to clear up confusion and provide "no excuses" for government not to comply with open government laws.

My office is responsible for ruling on open records violations about disclosure of records to the public.

Over the past few years, public officials is not to be we have seen incredible about their duty to provide office before Jan. 1, 2006, growth in the number of those requests. Last year they represent and to alone, we received 11,300 such requests — an almost meetings 40 percent increase in the accessible to the public, my last two years.

> We issue an average of about 45 open records more than 10,000 calls per for the Public Information violations, Government Hotline.

Through investigations enforcement, we have found there are several reasons why officials don't can be viewed on our comply with government laws.

Some simply try to hide don't want to follow the law.

Then there are footdraggers, who want to office at (800)252-8011. impede access information by building website to apply for the barriers and making it Attorney General's approval difficult to get information.

of simply don't know what the law requires.

By educating officials information to the citizens conduct lawful open that are office can help ensure the law is followed.

My office has produced rulings per day and answer two hour-long videos - one year on our Open Act (which governs open records laws), the other for our the Open Meetings Act — to and teach public officials what those laws require.

The free training videos website

www.oag.state.tx.us.

For those without Internet The new mandatory information because they access, a free DVD or VHS cassette of the videos can be requested by calling my

> You can also visit our of an open government

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Most often, however, training course, to fill out an open open government course requests from governmental government laws occur completion certificate, and bodies seeking guidance because public officials to find answers to many other frequently asked questions.

> Officials who were in have until Jan. 1, 2007, to complete the required training. Officials who are elected or appointed after Jan. 1, 2006, have 90 days after taking office within which to complete the required training.

> I expect this law to reduce increase compliance and speed up response times to open records requests.

This, in turn, should decrease the money spent on enforcement and reduce the costs incurred on at lawsuits to defend open government claims.

> As I said earlier, no longer do public officials have any excuse for not following the state's open government laws. This training will teach public officials what the law requires and that there will be consequences for not following it.

I'm proud to say I have already completed the new open government training. As stewards of the public trust, we government officials have a duty to be as transparent as possible in the way the public's business is conducted.

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What a smile!

Kinsey Parker of Muleshoe's smiling face graced the front page of the Muleshoe Journal's Oct. 6 issue when she traveled to the Ratke Pumkin Patch at Lariat.

Publication of announcements in the Journal

The Muleshoe Journal invites your charged for other anniversaries. news of weddings, engagements, showers, anniversaries and births.

events.

column inches, which includes a photo if announcement to be published. desired, will be the limit. If the photo and if a longer write-up is desired, it may be out-of-town guests. purchased in the form of an ad.

For anniversaries, if two photos are will be the rule. included, the limit will be 25 inches. It will be 15 inches if only one photo is used. information of 50 years or more. A fee may be deadline is Monday noon.

Birth announcements with one-column photos are run free of charge with names In order to be fair to everyone, we must of immediate family, including limit the amount of space for certain grandparents and great-grandparents. Please understand that the permission For weddings and quinceaneras 25 of both parents is required for a birth

Small stories describing showers are announcement run longer, we reserve the run free of charge after the fact and may right to eliminate parts of the story or the include the names of the principals, items person placing the article may indicate served at the showers, a brief description which portions may be left out. However, of the decor and the names of special or

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Conservation district to sponsor awards program

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The Parmer County Soil & Management Plan, and Kindergarten

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through second grade.

This years conservation advance to area competition.

Entries are welcome from This year's contests one for students ages 13 and each of the Parmer County Absentee under, a poster contest for School Districts and must be Farmer/ students 12 years and received in the PCSWCD Rancher. Water Quality younger and a coloring office no later than 4 p.m.,

Winners will receive awards and local winners will

All poster entries will be publicly displayed after judging. Those with questions are welcome to call the Parmer County Soil & Water Conservation office at 806-481-3311, ext. 3.

Ombudsman training offered

South Plains Association of Governments' Area Agency on Aging will hold an orientation on Saturday, Jan. 14, for nursing home volunteer advocates. The special session will be from 1-4 p.m. at 1323 58th St., Lubbock.

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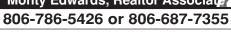
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FP, workshop/office, stor. bldg., fenced yd., MORE!! • SUDAN - NICE 3-2.5-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-

ins, FP, 3200' lv. area, cov. patio, 2 stor. bldgs. MORE!! · NEEDMORE-3-1.5 Home on 2.5 acres, Cent. heat,

evap. air, metal siding, 1920' barn, 320' shed bldg., & 304' shed. MORE!! \$32.5K!! • VERY NICE 3-2.5-2 Home on 3.67 acres,1271 Hwy. 214 S., cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fenced yd., nicely

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• 4-3-3 carport Home on 55.88 acre tract, edge of town, built-ins, FP, INDEAN TRACTION. well, undrgrd. line, MORE!! \$120,000!!!

A year in review... Continued from page 1

Commerce & Agriculture at the first of the month.

Bailey County residents turned their eyes toward the courts in August after it was announced that the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals reversed some of the indictments against accused murder Larry Kitchens, leaving only the charge related to the death of Vince Simnacher in October 2003.

This month also marked the opening of a "satellite campus" of South Plains Community College in Muleshoe. Initially, the SPC, Muleshoe campur was located in space provided by WorkSource, however toward the end of the year SPC representatives began talks with the MAHD, which was interested in the idea of a nursing education classroom being established at MAMC.

Some of the biggest news for Muleshoe and the county in August came from the hospital district, where CEO Jim Bone was suddenly another location. At the time celebrated Wurts of Covenant said, "I'm gathering. disturbed that we weren't here earlier," referring to the of Commerce & Agriculture problems that had arisen within the hospital district in Bailey County and the vocal opposition that followed.

<u>September</u>

came on board as the hospital district's interim lacked many of the with the jury returning a administrator, quickly garnering points with the community, the hospital staff, and the hospital board by noting the importance of the district's accountability and service.

"We interview with the Journal.

On Labor Day weekend, team ropers from across the nation arrived in Muleshoe for the Rotary's 13th annual team roping. According to Rotary officials, a total of event.

resolution was passed in September that allowed the for medical treatment received by county prisoners. A couple of

Hospital Report

The Muleshoe Area Medical Center released the following list of admissions: Dec. 22 — Zulema Gomez and Herchel

Patterson. Dec. 23 — Carolyn Owens

Dec. 24 — Ardith Long

Dec. 25 — Alicia Lira Dec. 26 — Sebastian

Galvan, Wilma Hughes, Stephanie Jesko, Maria Toscano and Danae Woodward.

Dec. 27 — Minerva Mireles.

Dec. 28 — Bonnie Dutton, Ruby Edler, Jadyn Rainey, Patricia Robinson, Dominga Silva, Erma Templar, Elvira Trevino and Virgil Tritsch.

Dec. 29 — David Bock, Manuel Flores Jr., Mac Questions" are from Tales Hancock Jr., Nicole and Trails of Bailey County, Howard, Judy Moore, Jessica Ortega and Brenda Villescas.



The outside of a horse is good for the inside of a man A trio of kids push steers down the lane during the 2005 Muleshoe Rotary roping.

of getting the information

The trial of Larry Brent

during the voir dire that he

verdict

"If I'd been in my right

was doing."

was taken regarding the decision that had to be prescription costs of made before the architects inmates.

Among the honorees of master plan update could September were Monica Posadas, who was crowned as Homecoming Queen for important part of the entire 2005, and the Muleshoe process," Stephen Faulks of moved by Covenant to Heritage Center, which MWMarchitects told the its 20th committee of the announcement, Jim anniversary with a gala referring to the importance

> The Muleshoe Chamber needed for the update. membership Kitchens began on Oct. 24, held а telethon, doubling it's with Dist. Attorney Johnny registered membership in Atckinson announcing the process.

Although the MAHD wouldn't be seeking the was released in September, concluded four days later, suggestions or guilty recommendations the area deliberating less than an community continued to hour. complain about, the hospital district's decision to mind, none of this would increase its tax rate didn't have happened," Kitchens that occurred during the attract opposition, due in told the jury from the witness have to be large part to the positive stand. accountable to the public... steps the district was taking (and) we have to make sure under interim administrator shooting them," defense Proposition #2, which we're doing the best job Mason. The county attorney Richard Wardroup restricted marriage in the possible," Mason said in an commissioners and MISD said during final arguments, state to the uniting of a man approved tax increases, but the City of that he didn't know what he

Muleshoe did not. **October**

In October, the Muleshoe disagreed Chamber of Commerce & statements made by his revenue bond policy during Agriculture began a new 940 teams participated in the event, "Business After Hours," a monthly gathering At the Bailey County of its membership hosted by Commissioners Court, a various businesses in Muleshoe.

October also marked the county to limit its payments ribbon cutting at Park View Nursing Home's new inhouse laundry room, the result of administrator Paul Chassion's effort to reduce nursing home expenses since he took over the facility during the first half of 2005.

> Money also was the topic at the Muleshoe Economic **Development Coorporation** in October, as it's board took on the issue of tax-exempt revenue bonds to be use as a tool to attract dairy businesses to the Muleshoe

During the board **MEDC** discussion, president Wanda Hooten noted that the MEDC's area of influence extends beyond county lines.

At the Muleshoe School District, a large advisory committee recommended the school district's campuses remain in their

County Answers

Questions and answers selected for "County 1918-1988.

• Page 5 — The Muleshoe Mule Skinners.

months later, similar action current configuration, a courtroom opponent, calling Kitchens a terrorist at one point, and pointing out that Jones said. working on the district's the "only way to judge intent is by your actions." "set pen to paper."

members,

after

"This is the most and wanted to cause the death of Vince Simnacher," Atckinson said.

place at the courthouse in met. October included the Bailey Court, at which Linda Sims, speaking for the child welfare board, explained the needs and purpose of the organization which she represented.

During the discussion that Ray Mason of Hereford evaluation report, which death penalty. The trial followed, Commissioner Butch Vandiver urged churches in Bailey County to get involved in the attempt to meet the child welfare board's needs.

November

Among the successes month of November, Bailey County and the majority of "Larry Kitchens admitted the state approved the rate "... the rest of the story is and a woman.

> At the Muleshoe Economic Development The district attorney Corporation, the board with the members tabled action on a

member Max King expressed concerns that the proposed policy would meeting, by the MEDC than initially thought.

going to be a conduit," King said. "I don't want to drive on Jan. 5. the boat."

arose when Bailey County Commissioner Chavez appeared before permanent basis. the Muleshoe City Council with the decision not to Patriotico \$300 used to pay for a performance by Ballet Folklorico Guadalupano during the Sept. 16 Celebration.

entertainment for your Christmas parade was a event," vice mayor James success with a large

that the reimbursement was "He had evil in his heart for "promotion of the arts," and should be allowed even revenue bond policy, if the reimbursement eventually asking it's Other business taking the city council isn't being policy.

County Commissioners district, it was announced that a focused recruitment questions and concerns increase.

discussion in which boar about the state's TAKS tests were well received.

As a result of this Texas require more participation Commissioner of Education Shirley Neeley Dr. scheduled a visit to "We thought we were Muleshoe to discuss the issues with local educators

Among the news at the Other troubles at city hall Muleshoe Area Hospital District was the appointment Juan of Ray Mason as CEO on a

"We've got a lot of to express his disagreement positive things going," Mason said, referring to the reimburse the Comite MAHD and the hospital shortly after he accepted the position.

December

In December, the Journal announced that its website "I perceive this as was up, the annual gathering at the Muleshoe Chavez held the position Heritage Center afterward.

The MEDC met again to discuss the proposed requirements set down by attorney to rewrite the

Also in December, the At the Muleshoe school MAHD agreed with Mason that school representatives of doctors was needed; had met with Texas State while the city council Board of Education member approved a resolution Bob Craig and that their rejecting an Atmos rate





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