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MISD receives 'clean' audit

Muleshoe Independent School District's Board of Education received a "clean" audit report during Monday's regular meeting.

The audit, which was prepared and presented by Randy Field, CPA, of Muleshoe without exception, according to Superintendent Gene Sheets, and covered the period from July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005.

In other business, the school board:

- Received the school district's annual investment report.
- Accepted minutes from the Sept. 26 meeting.
- Accepted the recommendations from the Educational Specifications Committee, leaving the

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Photograph by Larry Thornton

'I don't think you're squeezing it right...'

According to an old saying, "you can't get blood out of a turnip," but Kindergarten students at Dillman Elementary learned that you can get milk out of a wooden cow Thursday, Oct. 13, when they took a trip to Kidsville, Texas, and learned about some of the businesses that make up

a community. As the students moved from room to room, they learned things about the dairy industry, pictured above, the post office, the grocery store, the doctor's office, a Mexican restaurant, astronomy and archeology. Turn to page 16 for additional Kidsville photographs.

Kitchens' trial set for Oct. 25

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The trial of accused murderer Larry Brent Kitchens is set to begin Tuesday, Oct. 24, according to Dist. Judge Gordon Green.

Judge Green's docket decision was made at the conclusion of a motion hearing on the afternoon of Monday, Oct. 17, at which the district judge denied a defense motion to quash the single remaining case against Kitchens and also denied a motion for a change of venue that was filed by District Attorney Johnny Atkinson.

With that in mind, county residents who have been called for jury duty and were previously told to report on Wednesday, Oct. 19, should report instead at 9 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 24.

During Monday's hearing, Continued on page 3

Muleshoe City Council approves MEDC bond policy, voices support

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe City Council authorized the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation's intent to issue revenue bonds and approved the implementation of policy that will guide the MEDC in such areas during Monday's regular meeting.

"We feel it's a tool the MEDC can use," City Manager David Brunson said, referring to state law that allows the MEDC to issue such tax-exempt bonds. "It's a win-win situation for the MEDC, Muleshoe and Bailey County."

Mayor Cliff Black voiced agreement with the city manager's comments prior to the 4-0 vote. Councilman James Jones was not in attendance at Monday's meeting. The written recommendation the council received in its board packet stated, "The MEDC Board would like to be assured that they have the council's support as they begin the process of developing and implementing this program to promote and develop Bailey County and the surrounding area."

In other business concerning the MEDC, Brunson noted that the corporation has entered into a "non-binding"

memorandum of understanding with West Texas A&M's University Enterprise Network to establish an incubator site in Muleshoe. The incubator is basically a business mentorship program designed to help new businesses get off the ground and provide business training.

Both Brunson spoke enthusiastically about the opportunities — especially the training opportunities — the incubator program would provide for the new businesses and already established businesses, which would be able to attend the incubator's seminars for a small fee.

Wanda Hooten, president of the MEDC, said this was the second university wishing to establish such a program at Muleshoe, but added that this was the only one that was bringing funds to get the project started, a \$50,000 grant that would be used to rehabilitate a

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Muleshoe after Hours

Members of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture gathered at Complete Feed & Seed on Thursday, Oct. 13, for the first of the organization's monthly "after hours" gatherings designed to show appreciation for the businesses who support Muleshoe through their involvement in the chamber of commerce.



MEDC meets with another California dairy representative

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

No formal action was taken by the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation's board of directors concerning a proposal from a California dairyman during Thursday's special meeting.

The MEDC board entered into closed session "regarding economic development negotiations" with Haakma Dairy of

Cheno, Calif., only to return about 40 minutes later with the announcement that no action would be taken.

Max King, the MEDC board vice president, said, "The cart got before the horse," and it was explained that while the MEDC was interested in working with Haakma Dairy, the required documents and application forms had yet to be completed.

"We want to have an open

mind," said Wanda Hooten, MEDC president.

Eric Haakma, who met with the board, along with Bailey County Commissioner C.E. Grant, later said he operated a 2,000 head dairy located on 60 acres of land at Cheno.

He explained that feed was an enormous problem in the Cheno area. "All of the feed has to be shipped in, and everything else shipped out," Haakma said.

As with many other new dairy operators in the area of Bailey County, Haakma said he was landlocked at his California location and had to move the dairy if he wished to expand.

In other business, the MEDC:

- Approved the minutes from previous meetings.
- Voted for Wanda Hooten to continue as the MEDC board's president and Max King to continue as the vice

president.

Discussed the possibility that an attorney general's decision may be needed to determine whether or not the MEDC has the authority to issue the bonds for the Visser Dairy without the authorization of the Muleshoe City Council.

Because of the time line involved, it was decided to include the authorization as an item on the council's Oct. 17 agenda.

Local Weather

Thurs.
Mt. Sunny.... 73/44

Fri.
Few Shwrs.. 68/40

Sat.
Few Shwrs.. 65/42

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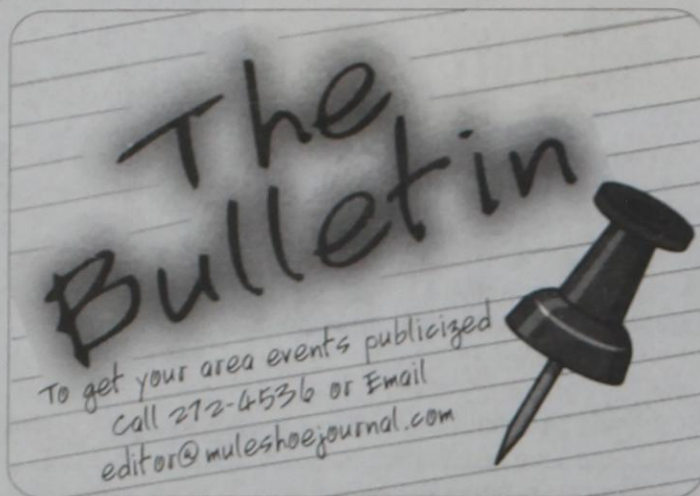
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Breast cancer screening to be held

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center's Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Muleshoe Area Medical Center on Nov. 7 and Nov. 22. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806)356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

ENMU to host festival

The annual Peanut Valley Festival will be held in the Campus Union Building at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales from 9 a.m.-6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22, and from noon-5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 23.

The Peanut Valley Festival is an arts and crafts show with food and entertainment. Food will include roasted corn, funnel cakes, bratwurst, kettle corn, turkey legs, cowboy taters and more.

For more information on the Health Fair, contact ENMU's Health Services at 505-562-2321.

Saturday's entertainment schedule at the Ground Zero Coffee Shop in the basement of the Campus Union is as follows: 12-12:45 p.m. Lindsey Honor Choir; 1-2 p.m. Allie Brooks and Shem Peachey; and 2:30-5:30 p.m. Nata Raja Dancers.

Andy Mason and Brackston Taylor will perform throughout the festival Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday and Sunday the New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs' Museum Services Outreach Program will provide The Van of Enchantment, a mobile museum, which is a converted RV that tours New Mexico carrying exhibitions from the state museums and monuments.

The Van of Enchantment brings its contents to life with lively activities and complementary audio-visual material. It is free and open to the public.

The current show on the Van is called *Roads to the Past: Fifty Years of Highway Archaeology*.

During the past 50 years, New Mexico's highway archaeology program has recorded thousands of sites and conducted excavations at hundreds.

For more information on the Peanut Valley Festival, call 505-562-2631.

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Parenting conference to be held

The 10th annual Conference for Parents and Those Who Work with Parents is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 3, at the First Church of the Nazarene, 6110 Chicago Ave., Lubbock. There will be a morning and evening session, and also an evening session. Deadline for registration is Oct. 24. For more information call 806-792-5468, ext. 831.

Substance abuse meetings

Individuals looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Saturday at the First United Methodist Church, at 507 W. 2nd. Al-Anon meetings, for the friends and families of alcoholics, are being held at the same time and location.

Please use the west side entrance. For information about these meetings or AA in general, call 965-2870.

Athletic booster club

The Muleshoe Athletic Booster Club meet every Monday during the Mules' football season at 7 p.m. in the MHS science room to discuss the game and make plans. All interested fans, parents and community members are invited to attend.

Memory course to be offered

Texas Cooperative Extension will begin offering "Master of Memory," a six-lesson class series that will help individuals understand how their memory works and what may affect memory. Medical conditions, medications, diet and exercise, among other things, may all play a role in how memory works. "Master of Memory" will also help individuals identify and use strategies to improve their memory function. The Oneita Wagnon Senior Center is sponsoring the series. The second lesson will be Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 12:30 p.m. For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 806-272-4583.

Heritage center is open for business

The Muleshoe Heritage Center is open for tours on wednesday afternoons from 1 - 5 p.m. with center hostess Dolores Harvey, at 2100 West American Blvd. Other times may be scheduled by calling 272-5873, 272-4741 or 272-4469. The center also has facilities for card players, showers, family reunions and other special occasions. Call 272-5873 for more information.

SPC Workforce classes to be offered

Beginning this fall, South Plains College will offer several WorkForce Development Short Courses at the South Plains College Center, 203 Main, in Muleshoe.

Among the courses to be offered are: Introduction to Computers & Windows XP; Introduction to MS Word; Intermediate MS Word; Introduction MS Excel; Intermediate MS Excel; and MS PowerPoint.

Also, Certified Nurses Aide; Certified Nurse Aide Clinical (required if taking the CNA class); Medication Administration for Nurse Aide; and Basic Phlebotomy.

Exact dates for the classes have not been set. The times depend on the instructor's schedules. Most classes will be offered in the evening from 6-9 p.m. and classes could meet twice a week.

For more information on WorkSource Development Classes, to register for classes, or inquire about Student Assistant Programs contact Rafael Aguilera at 806-747-0576, ext. 4909.

Adult learning center enrollment

The Adult Learning Center, located inside WorkSource at 203 Main Street, Muleshoe, is enrolling students for GED, Learn to Speak English, college preparation and improving basic skills classes. Call 272-7540 for additional information.

BCEEA offers holiday program

On Oct. 21, Twila Albertson, from the Education Service Center-Region 17 in Lubbock, will present a holiday program entitled, "Soaring Through the Holidays" sponsored by Bailey County Extension Education Association beginning at 2 p.m. at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center.

Albertson has been an education specialist at the Education Service Center for 16 years and has presented numerous education workshops to the employees of the 58 districts in Region 17.

Motivational speaking is a new arena for her, but one she is excited about exploring. Albertson believes that holiday planning and preparation can be a stumbling block to enjoying the holiday season to the fullest. Laughter and fun should be a part of every family's holiday time.

This program includes "real" family holiday experiences and fun. Anyone interested in attending is invited. For more information, contact Mandi Seaton at 272-4583 or Gail Gladden at 272-3024.

Entrance information available at SPC's Muleshoe Center

South Plains College has opened its Muleshoe Center at 203 Main, Muleshoe, and has information to distribute to prospective students.

Anyone interested in enrolling in South Plains College is encouraged to contact Jeff Coffman at 806-272-7540 or go by the Muleshoe Center, pick up applications and other information and apply now to be ready for spring classes.

A list of classes that will be offered in Muleshoe will be announced at a later time.

The following are general admission requirements needed to attend South Plains College:

- New and transfer students must submit an Application for Admission.

- An official transcript of the student's academic record in high school or college attended since leaving high school must be filed with the office of Admissions and Records.

- High school graduates must submit test results from the ACT (American College Testing Program Test) or the CEEB (College Entrance Examination Board) Scholastic Aptitude Test.

- College placement tests... Students entering college for the first time should plan to take the Texas Higher Education Assessment unless he or she performs at levels that the THECB defines for an exemption on the SAT, the ACT or the TAAS or TAKS and enrolls within the time limits defined in the THECB rule.

- A certificate of residence

Veterans Issue deadline set

The *Muleshoe Journal* will be publishing its annual Veterans issue on Thursday, Nov. 10.

Individuals wishing to include photographs and information about the veterans who have been a part of their lives should complete the form on page 3 and submit it — along with a photograph — to the *Journal* by 5 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 3. There is a \$25 fee for inclusion.

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Editorial

Marriage issue on ballot

Of the nine proposed amendments listed on the Nov. 8 special election ballot, the one that will have the most impact on the State of Texas is the second, which states "that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."

When this state's constitution was adopted on Feb. 15, 1876, the thought that such legal language needed to be included probably didn't enter the mind of its framers. After all, the oldest legal document in existence is the Holy Bible, on which much of English common law is based, on which in turn much of our legal system in the United States is based.

The Bible clearly states that marriage is between a man and a woman. As the saying goes, "Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve." So the basic concept that Texas, or any other state at the time, should "bless the union" or in any other way give legal status to such a relationship undoubtedly never entered into the minds of this state's founding fathers, and therefore, wasn't included in its charter documents.

Unfortunately, some things have changed in Texas and across the United States. When a liberal Supreme Court placed a cloak of privacy around the home and the individual, relationships began to grow like fungus in the ensuing darkness.

Now, with proponents of such "alternate lifestyles" pushing for marital recognition within many states, it has fallen on opponents of the issue to attempt preemptive action. Hence, Proposition No. 2, approval of which would ban "same sex" marriages in Texas.

With Proposition No. 2 added to the Texas Constitution, activist judges such as those who derailed the Defense of Marriage Acts passed in other states would be barred from such action in the Lone Star State.

While the opponents of Proposition No. 2 will be out in force to defeat it at the polls, the biggest concern of the amendment's proponents appears to be complacency on the part of voters who support such measures.

Nov. 8 is not the time for Texans, especially Texas Christians, to stay at home.

The first line in the chorus of the state song, *Texas, Our Texas*, says, "God bless you Texas!"

But how can this, or any state, expect God to bless it if the state mocks God's word? And how can Texas continue to be "so wonderful and great" without God's continued blessing?

Don't forget to vote!

Kitchens jury selection begins Monday, trial set for Tuesday

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the district attorney called four witnesses to give evidence as to why the case should be moved to Parmer County.

There witnesses were:
• Sheriff Richard Wills, who testified about the newspaper coverage resulting from murder investigation, the trial and indictment appeals that followed.

• Gary Morris of Muleshoe, who testified that he had spoken to people about the case against Kitchens, but who believed a fair trial in Bailey County would still be possible.

• Dick Pena, who gave similar testimony, adding, "I don't see why it couldn't," when Atkinson asked if he thought a fair trial could be possible in Bailey County.

• And Steve Friskup of Muleshoe, who gave similar testimony.

As to the defense's motion to quash, attorney Richard Wardrop alleged the original indictment wasn't specific enough about the type of burglary to bar the state from future prosecution should the defendant be acquitted.

After returning from a brief recess to consider the motions before the bench, Judge Green denied the defense motion without comment.

As to the D.A.'s motion, the judge said while there was evidence that a lot of people knew details about the case against Kitchens, there wasn't any evidence presented that indicated either the state or the defense would be at a disadvantage during the trial.

However, the judge added, this didn't mean difficulties wouldn't arise during the jury selection process.

Births

Grayson Partin

Dan and Jessica Partin of Plains announce the birth of their first child, Grayson Daniel Partin, on Sept. 16, 2005, at 10:45 p.m., at Covenant Medical Center of Lubbock.

Grayson weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces at birth, and was 20-1/2 inches in length.

Grandparents are Kirby and Vickie Burch of Lazbuddie, and Morris and Donna Partin of Plains.

Great-grandparents include Hazel Burch of Clovis and the late Fred Burch, M.C. Street and Lillian Street, both of Muleshoe, Bobbie Partin of Plains and the late David Partin, and Alvin and Dorothy Largent of Bridgeport.

Ex-students meeting today

The Muleshoe Ex-Student Association will be meeting on Thursday, Oct. 20, at 2 p.m., at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizens Center.

Tip Your Hat

A tip of the hat to the "Mighty M" band, which returned from UIL competition at Lubbock Saturday with a Division II ranking, an improvement over last year's.

Although considered by many to be just an extracurricular activity, band — and the other fine arts — are more important than many realize.

Several years ago, a high school principal and friend pointed out the importance of such programs by listing the great intellectuals of previous generations and the importance the arts played in their lives.

Muleshoe's band members, and they're instructors should be congratulated for their efforts and their successes.

But as great as the ranking improvement is, I'm prouder of something that occurred prior to the band taking the field — when at the suggestion of one of the students, the band and flag corps clasped each other's hands and recited "The Lord's Prayer."

I thank God for a community, a school district, and especially for students such as these to whom such things are also important.

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Project Graduation meeting set

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All interested parties are invited to attend.



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Nursing Home News

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

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

Glenda Jennings and

Jackie Coggins lead the sing-a-long Wednesday afternoon.

Nancy Lemons brought ceramics for the craft class Thursday morning. Among those participating were Mary Johnson, Cynthia Crawford, Virginia Barrett, Gladys Wright, Ruth Clements, Argilee Miller, Gladys and Cathy Wilson and Loma Mosley.

Zona Gatewood and Janis Morrison directed a song and music program in the day room and special care Thursday morning.

Friday afternoon, Harold and Avis Carpenter entertained with music and song.

Each Saturday morning, Buster Kittrell comes to give the men haircuts.

Saturday afternoon, G.R. Lasiter and Iris Clements directed the bingo bash. Quarters were provided by Volunteers Plus.

The Muleshoe Church of Christ directs a communion and church service each Sunday morning.

The 16th & D Church of Christ came Sunday afternoon for a singing service.

Harold Burge or Buster Kittrell teach the Bible study each Sunday morning.

Dianne Brown visited Gladys and Cathy Wilson Sunday. And Pauline Chappell was visited by Curtis and Juana Shelburne.

Judy Hubbard comes Tuesday morning for a music and song service.

Tuesday afternoon, Beckye Conklin, Dianne Brown, Delores Garrett, Pat Watson, Mary Jo Burge, Jan Crawford, Eva Nell Dale and Josie Ovale gave their time and talents to give the ladies fresh hairdos. Good job, ladies.

Nathan Bemmer celebrated his birthday Saturday, Oct. 8, and received many visits, good wishes and gifts.

Earl Talkington went out with his daughter Beverly Saturday.

Howard Aubrey's brother and sister-in-law, Bob and Robbie Aubrey, visited him Monday.

James wedel and Alene Bryant came Wednesday and volunteered their time and talents.

Jewel Peeler was visited by her son Buddy Peeler Monday and Alene Bryant Wednesday.

Louise Agee received a visit from her son and daughter-in-law, John and Sharon Agee, her daughter Lou Ann Black, and Jo Ellen Cowart Wednesday.

Ann Williams brought cookie dough for the residents' cooking class.

Ruth Clements was visited by her son and daughter-in-law Monday morning.

Upcoming events included

Hospital Report

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

Oct. 8 — Lela Crawford, Marie Toscano, Juan Chavez, Mary Johnson and Larry Rutherford.

Oct. 9 — Gonzalo Alvarado, Pearlie Fluellen and Michael Jack.

Oct. 10 — Jack Lane and Stephanie Morales.

Oct. 11 — Odie Gregory, Clara Castorena and John Puckett.

Oct. 12 — Paul Delarosar and Ralph Sanchez.

Oct. 13 — Jimmie McDaniel, Lucas Carpenter, Palestina Contreras, Daniel Ramirez Jr., Carmen Vega and James Wedel.

Oct. 14 — No report.

Oct. 15 — Virgie Perry.

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 Wagon Senior Citizens Center.

Obituaries

Robert Klutts

A memorial service for Robert (Bob) J. Klutts, 78, will be held Saturday, Oct. 22, 2005, at the Primitive Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

Klutts died on Sept. 25, 2005, at the VA Hospital in Bib Springs. He was born on Feb. 12, 1927, in Okfuskee County, Okla. He was the son of Robert R. and Chloe Erie Williams Klutts.

Klutts grew up in Bailey County and attended Stegall and Baileyboro grade schools and Muleshoe High School. He served two hitches in the U.S. Marine Corps, obtaining the rank of tech sergeant, during World War II and the Korean War. Most of his working years were spent in the oil well service business both in the United States and overseas.

Memorials may be sent to the American Lung Association of Texas, P.O. Box 26460, Austin, TX 78755-0460.

Ava Jackson

Funeral services for Ava Lee Jackson, 83, of Morton were held Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2005, at the First United Methodist Church of Morton with the Rev. Jon Foster officiating. Burial followed in Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Jackson died on Saturday, Oct. 15, 2005. She was born to George and Bonnie Duke, on Meadow, on Nov. 17, 1821, and married E.D. "Dean" Jackson in Durant, Okla., on July 21, 1941. He preceded her in death in 1986.

A 1939 graduate of Blue Ridge High School, Jackson moved to Morton in 1948, with her husband, where they owned and operated Jackson Farm & Ranch. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Morton. Since 2002, she had been a resident of the Levelland Nursing Home.

Along with her husband, Jackson was preceded in death by her son, Tommy Dean Jackson, in 1971.

Survivors include a daughter — Treva Jackson of Morton; a daughter and son-in-law — Nancy and Stephen Wright of Ropesville; a son and daughter-in-law — John and Lana Jackson of Amarillo; a brother — George Duke of Lubbock; eight grandchildren six great-grandchildren.

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 and great-grandchildren) 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.

How Many Things in Life Have You Found To Be Easy?

I have found some things in life to be really very, very easy. Gaining weight is easy.

Spending more money than you make is really easy.

Allowing your attitude to get really sour is really easy.

Catching colds.

Watching your automotive fleet slowly disintegrate right before your eyes.

Overcommitting in just about any or every area.

Getting your priorities out of order.

All easy. All unpleasant and negative, yes, but all easy.

Just about everything about life, it seems to me, is easy—



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

except everything that matters, everything that you want to last, everything that is really important. And if any of that stuff is easy, I haven't found it yet.

I don't mean to be negative, but, if you were to ask me, now that I'm 48 years old, what was one of my biggest surprises in life since I launched out on my own at 18 or so, I would say, "I'm still kind of surprised to have found that life is really harder than I ever thought it would be."

Now, I hasten to say that I'm probably more thankful for life than ever. And I've also been surprised to find out how very good and how very joyful the very best parts of life really are. I've been surprised to find how much joy God has infused into even the small blessings he puts in our lives every day, and I thank him every day for the gift

of life and all blessings.

But, nonetheless, I'm still, at 48, a bit surprised to have found out how hard it is—even though I know I've been very blessed.

I've found life, thanks to the Author of all life, to be very, very good, but I've not found it to be very easy, have you?

Really. I'd like to know.

Isn't it interesting? How many millions of people have made the trip through this life? But, though I hope we are wise enough to profit from experience, we still each have to make it through ourselves.

So, I'm asking. You who've gone further and lived longer and have had the time to gain more wisdom than have I, what worthwhile parts of life, if any, have you found to be easy? I don't know how you'll answer. But I know a few things that won't make anybody's EASY list.

Wouldn't it be nice if there was something really easy about building a great marriage? Or about raising great kids? Or doing a great job at work? Or even keeping the yard looking great, and the bank account okay, and the house in good shape. Oh, did I mention, you're supposed to do all that and much more very well at the very same time? Good luck.

Some things are easy. Lots of things are not. But nobody is better acquainted with life's inherent difficulty than the Father for whom loving his sons and daughters cost the finest Son of all.

In this life, what is God's job and what is our job? A very wise Christian lady once put it this way: "God's job is to work; our job is to trust." If you think that sounds easy, you haven't tried trusting. It's not easy. But if we do our job in life and let God do his, life is such, much better!

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

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Sports

Seventh grade Mules hand Farwell Steers a 24-0 loss

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The seventh grade Mules went to Farwell Thursday and handed a big Steer team a 24-0 loss.

The game was a defensive battle through the opening period before Juan Sanchez opened the Mule scoring with an 18-yard run.

Sanchez added the two-point conversion. The Steers had snapped the ball into the end zone that gave the Mules a safety in the second period.

"I challenged the kids at half by telling them this was a moral victory for Farwell to only trail 10-0 at half time," said Mule coach Jeff Withrow. "They responded by adding two more TDs in the second half and completing the shutout."

Sanchez added a 67-yard pass reception for a TD and ran 70 yards for the final TD of the game. He also tacked

on a two-point conversion. Sanchez, Tyson Turnbow and Josh Quiroz were the Mules leading rushers. Joey Ramirez, Sanchez and Rico Alacorn were the leading receivers.

Tori Alvarado and Sanchez were all over the field making tackles from their linebacker positions. Ramirez, Cooper

Washington and Brandon Ellis help lead the Mule defense with tackles.

Isaias Guerra and Demetrie Saucedo both

picked off Farwell passes. Erik Martinez recorded a sack. Ellis and Fernando Caraveo each forced Steer fumbles.

The Mule coaches awarded Tori Alvarado the Slobber Knocker Award for a hit on a kickoff. Esteban Vidana was named the Pancake Blocker and Tyson Turnbow was the Chop Blocker of the game.

The Mules try to improve their district record to 2-0 against Lubbock Cooper in Woodrow Thursday.



Photograph by Norm Brantley

Getting by, with a little help...

Pictured above, Mule Rudy Gonzales makes some yards during a recent football game with a little blocking assistance. The Varsity Mules weren't scheduled to play Friday, Oct. 14. The team's next game is Friday, Oct. 21, at Lubbock Cooper.

Eighth grade Mules take Atkins

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Mules traveled to Lubbock Atkins Tuesday afternoon and jumped back in the win column by thumping Atkins 19-0.

The Mules had driven inside the Atkins 20 on two

occasions before breaking the scoring ice.

Kyler Steinbock and Joseph Lopez both had pass receptions that kept the scoring drive alive. Lopez made a great block from his tight end spot to spring Larry Richardson on a one-yard scoring sweep.

The Mule defense shut Atkins down and did not allow Atkins to cross mid field in the first half. Atkins only got inside the Mule 20 once late in the game. Atkins reached the Mule three on a couple of penalties.

Atkins appeared to be on their way to a TD when the running back lost the handle on the ball and Caleb Conner scooped up the ball for the Mules and scooted 99 yards for a TD. Jared Skipworth tacked on the extra point kick.

Skipworth scored on a 64-yard pass interception. Richardson, Conner and Skipworth led the Mules in rushing. Lopez, Steinbock and Conner were the Mules leading receivers.

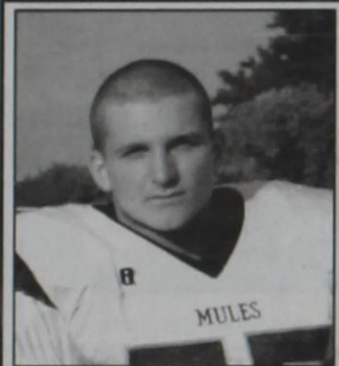
Austin Bamert, Adrian Chacon, DJ Atwood, Steven Richards and Skipworth were the leading tacklers for the Mules. Bamert and Chacon each had tackles for a losses and Steinbock caused and recovered a fumble on a kickoff.

After reviewing the game film the Mule coaches awarded Bamert the Slobber Knocker Award. Steven Richards was named the Pancake Blocker and Brett Poynor was the Chop Blocker of the game.

The Mules travel to Woodrow Thursday to take on the Lubbock Cooper Pirates in the Mules second district game.

Juniors to host pre-game meal

Muleshoe High School's Junior class will be hosting the Oct. 28 pre-game meal from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Deliveries are available from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. by calling 272-7306. The menu will include: Turkey with dressing and gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, a roll, pumpkin cake, tea and coffee. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under, and are available from junior class members or sponsors, or pay at the door.



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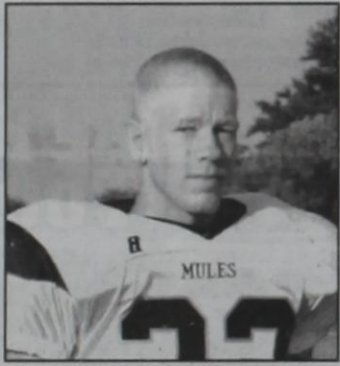
BRANT HAMILTON (10)
OFFENSIVE PLAYER



RIGO MENDOSA (52)
DEFENSIVE PLAYER

Here are the top players from the Oct. 7 game.

Who will play tough and smart enough to be here next week?



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County Questions

What did a work crew dig up east of Muleshoe, near the old Edward's gin, in 1962?

Answer on last page.

'Horns to hold homecoming supper

The Lazbuddie Sophomore class is sponsoring a homecoming supper, Friday, Oct. 21, at the Lazbuddie ISD Cafeteria from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., and immediately after the game.

The meal will include smoked brisket, baked potatoes, beans, salad, rolls and homemade deserts. Tickets are \$6.50 for adults and children 10 years and under \$4.50.

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District 2-3A Team	Season		District	
	W	L	W	L
Muleshoe	7	0	1	0
Littlefield	7	2	1	1
Lubbock Cooper	5	3	2	0
Levelland	1	7	0	2
Brownfield	2	5	0	1

This Week's Schedule

- Muleshoe vs. Cooper
- Levelland vs. Brownfield
- Littlefield is Open
- JV/Fresh**
- JV vs. Cooper
- Fresh vs. Cooper
- 8th Grade/7th Grade**
- 8th vs. Cooper
- 7th vs. Cooper

Last Week's Scores

- Muleshoe was Open
- Cooper 42, Levelland 14
- Littlefield 36, Brownfield 0
- JV/Freshman Mules**
- JV was Open
- Fresh 40, Lbk. Christian 8
- 8th Grade/7th Grade**
- 8th 19, Adkins 0
- 7th 24, Levelland 0

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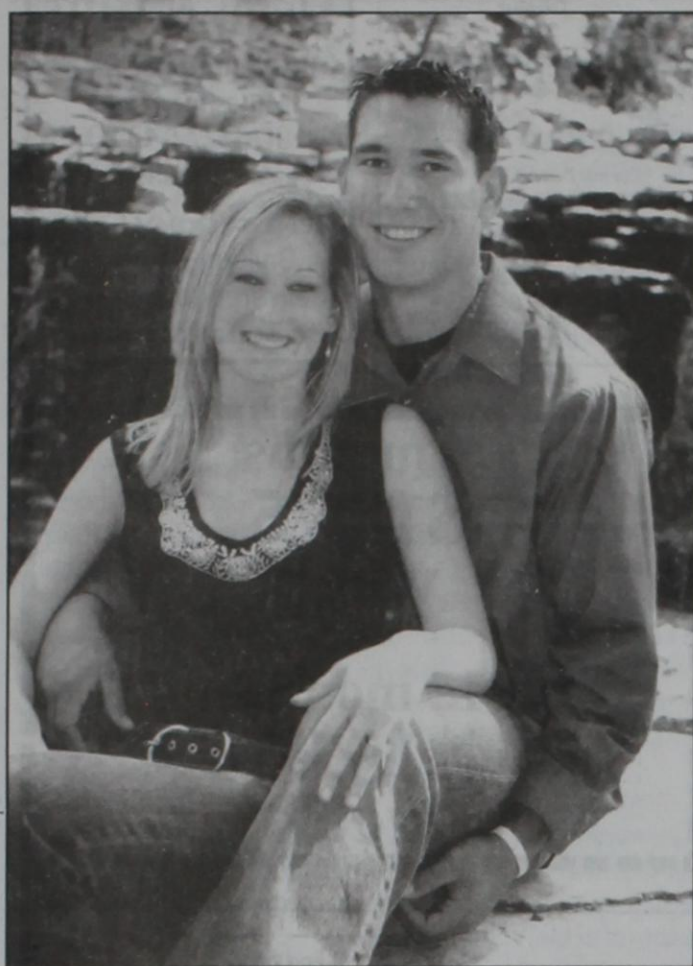
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Engagements



Henderson, Casey engaged

Holly Henderson of Azle, formerly of Muleshoe, announces the engagement of her daughter, Kylie Sue, to James Casey of Azle.

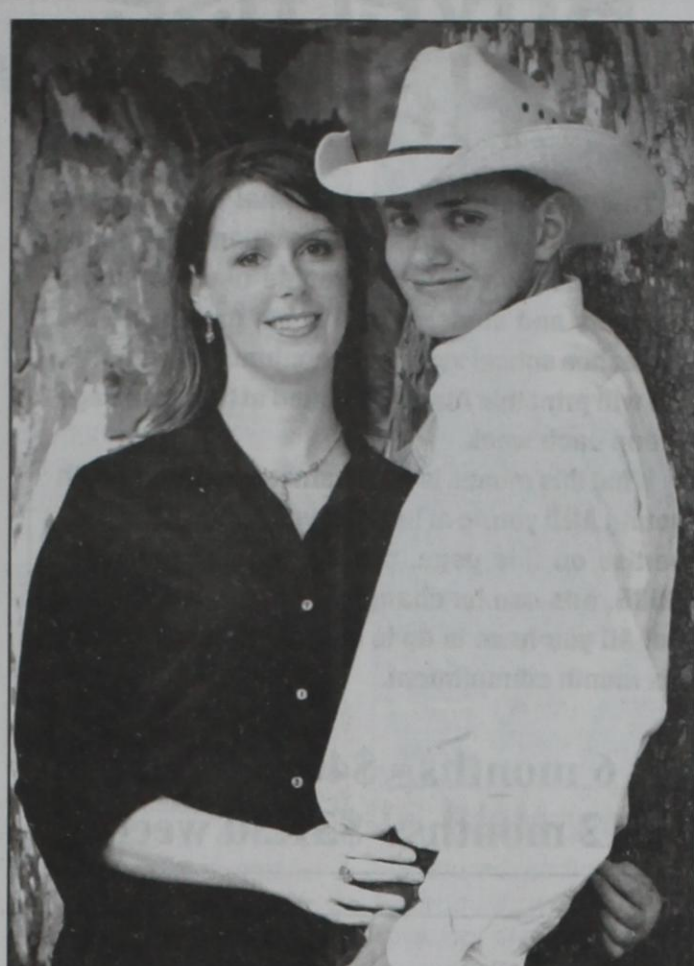
Casey is the son of Jerry and the late Susan Casey of Azle.

The couple plan to wed on Dec. 21, 2005, at Lifts West in Red River, N. M.

The prospective bride is a physical education major at Weatherford College. She is employed in the Azle daycare program.

She is the granddaughter of Darrel and Barbara Mutschler of Muleshoe.

The prospective groom is a pitcher with the Chicago White Sox organization.



Williams, McElroy to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Don McElroy of Canadian announce the engagement of their son, Sgt. Joshua Don McElroy, to Kimberlee Jean Williams, the daughter of Don Williams and Susan Kimbel Williams of Fayetteville, N.C.

The couple plans to marry at 5 p.m. Nov. 26, 2005, at Center Baptist Church in

Wade, N.C., with the Rev. Don McElroy officiating.

The prospective groom is a 1999 graduate of Muleshoe High School. He is a medic with the U.S. Army Joint Special Operations Command at Fort Bragg, N.C.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Cape Fear High School and East Carolina University.

She is employed as a speech-language pathologist with the Cumberland County School District.

The couple plans to live in Fayetteville, N.C.

Adult learning center enrollment held

The Adult Learning Center, located inside WorkSource at 203 Main Street, Muleshoe, is enrolling students for GED, Learn to Speak English, college preparation and improving basic skills classes. Call 272-7540 for additional information.

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Employee of the Month

Reason: _____

Business of the Month

Reason: _____

Veterans Issue to be published

Do you have a family member who is listed among this nation's honored veterans?

Does he or her deserve some special attention on Veterans Day?

The *Muleshoe Journal* will be publishing its annual Veterans issue on Thursday, Nov. 10.

Individuals wishing to include photographs and information about the veterans who have been a part of their lives should complete the form on page 3 and submit it — with a photograph — to the *Journal* by 5 p.m. on Nov. 3.

Neugebauer releases statement on "FSA Tomorrow" decision

Congressman Randy Neugebauer released the following statement Tuesday, Oct. 18, regarding the U.S. Department of Agriculture's decision to delay "FSA Tomorrow" plan which would have reorganized or closed a large number of FSA county offices.

"Today, USDA announced that it has decided to set aside the "FSA Tomorrow" approach and timetable,"

the Texas congressman said. "I think it is a good move by USDA to get more input from producers and other stakeholders who may be affected by any changes to the structure of FSA before moving forward."

"Additional input will prove to be very beneficial as USDA works to provide more effective and efficient service to our farmers, and I look forward to working with USDA on this effort," Neugebauer added.

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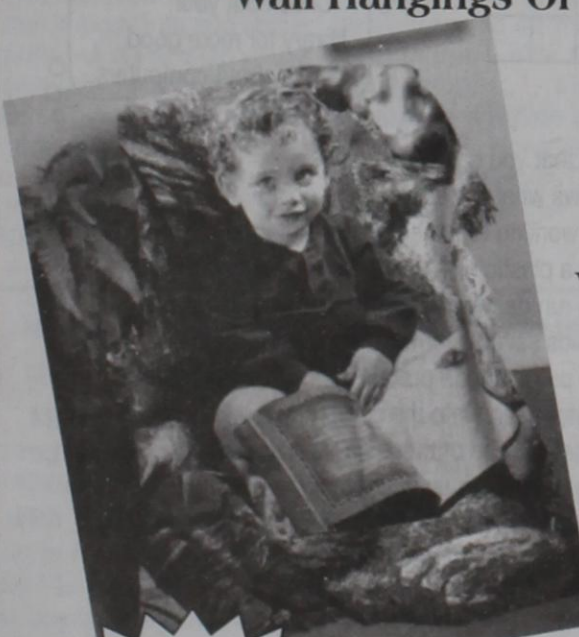
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Computer Fun!

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At school, I am learning a lot about how they work. I'm also learning to type on the keyboard. The library has computers that I can sign up to use too.

What Can You Do With a Computer?

Wow! There are so many things that you can do with a computer. Match the first part below to the second part that makes sense. When you are done this list will give you ten ideas. One is done for you.

1. chat	A. e-mails to family living far away
2. send	B. cards, banners, posters
3. do	C. to music
4. listen	D. with friends
5. watch	E. games
6. play	F. your interests
7. research	G. your own website
8. write	H. a journal or diary
9. build	I. movies
10. print	J. homework

On this monitor is a list of basic computer words you should know:

keyboard	tower
Internet	laptop
DVD	mouse
boot	website
modem	monitor
printer	drive

Read the clues below. Fill in the puzzle using the words on the monitor.

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Let's talk like computers! Computers have their own language called binary. It is made up of just two numbers - "0" and "1." It is a code that tells computers how to "talk" to each other and exchange information. Read the sentences below. Study the code in the blank. Match each to a number:

1. Mom printed 00110 business cards.	A. 2
2. Dad played 00010 games.	B. 4
3. Sis chatted with 00100 friends.	C. 8
4. Grandma sent 01000 emails to family.	D. 6
5. Grandpa visited 00101 websites.	E. 3
6. I listened to 00011 songs.	F. 5

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Agricultural News

Texas crop forecasts released

The October production forecast for Texas cotton, soybeans, hay and dry beans increased from the previous forecast according to the Texas Field Office.

The 2005 Texas Upland cotton crop is expected to total 7.6 million bales, down two percent from 2004 and six percent above last month's forecast. Yield is expected to average 663 pounds per acre compared with 694 pounds last year. Acres expected for harvest, at 5.5 million were unchanged from the previous month.

Corn production is forecast at 216 million bushels, down eight percent from last year's production and unchanged from last month.

Based on Oct. 1 conditions, statewide yield is expected to average 120 bushels per acre, 19 bushels less than in 2004 and unchanged from last month's forecast. Planted and harvested acreage was 2.0 million and 1.8 million acres, respectively.

Texas peanut production is up 13 percent from last year, at 910 million pounds. Statewide yield, at 3,500 pounds per acre, is up 80 pounds from last year and unchanged from last month's forecast.

Sorghum production is forecast at 60.6 million hundredweight (cwt), 15 percent below last year.

Yield, at 3,192 pounds per acre, is down 280 pounds from last year, and 56 pounds more than last month. Planted and harvested acreage was 2,100,000 and 1,900,000 acres, respectively.

Rice production is forecast at 14.1 million cwt, down four percent from 2004 and unchanged from last month. Yield is forecast at 7,000 pounds per acre, up 260 pounds from a year ago and unchanged from last month's forecast.

The 2005 Texas soybean crop is forecast at 7.2 million bushels, down 17 percent from last year's production and up five percent from last month's forecast. Yield is

expected to average 30 bushels per acre, down two bushels from last year and up five bushels from last month. Planted and harvested acreage was 260,000 and 240,000 acres, respectively.

Respectively. United States corn production is forecast at 10.9 billion bushels, down eight percent from last year.

A yield of 146.1 bushels per acre is forecast, down 14.3 bushels from last year. The sorghum crop is expected to be 210.1 million cwt, down 18 percent from 2004.

The U.S. Upland cotton crop is expected to total 22.0 million bales, down two percent from last year.

Soybean production is forecast at 2.97 billion bushels, down five percent from last year.

The U.S. peanut crop is estimated at 4.92 billion pounds, up 15 percent from a year ago.

U.S. rice production is forecast at 223.2 million cwt, down three percent from 2004.



Tri-State winner

Pictured above, on the right, is Colten Ingram of Lazbuddie, who took the Reserve Breed Champion Finewool at the recent Tri-State Fair.

Lazbuddie fair results released

Lazbuddie FFA's results from the Tri-State and South Plains Fairs have been released. Among the award recipients are:

Tri State Fair

Colten Ingram — Reserve Breed Champion Finewool.

South Plains Fair

Colten Ingram — 9th place Finewool; Colten Morris — 4th place Finewool Cross, 12th and 15th place Medium Wools; Logan Mason; 6th place British Steer, 12th and 16th place Medium Wools; Ashton Mason — 8th place Finewool Cross; Austin Mason — 9th place Medium Wool, 11th place Southdown, 12th place Finewool Cross

Also exhibiting livestock at the South Plains Fair were: Rochelle Smith, Chandler Barnes, Chase Timms, Jared Timms, Lacey Jesko and Kayle Jesko.

Cotton Market Weekly

Cotton futures on the New York Board of Trade closed Thursday at their highest level in more than three months. The market hit the ground running this week as cotton futures prices rose Monday sparked by fund and speculative buying.

Traders were focused on reports of significant yield and quality losses in China due to heavy rains, potential quality issues for the West Texas crop following weekend rains and uncertainty about Pakistan's cotton crop in the aftermath of a massive earthquake.

Some analysts noted reports that indicated between 30 and 50 percent of the cotton crop in as many as four different Chinese provinces has been lost due to the inclement weather.

A magnitude 7.6 earthquake, the strongest to hit South Asia in 100 years, struck Pakistan and parts of India and Afghanistan on Oct. 8. In addition to the tragic loss of life, the Pakistani cotton crop is expected to be reduced.

"In the near term, any cotton imports into and textile exports out of Pakistan will be disrupted indefinitely as priority is given to earthquake victim relief efforts," one market observer explained.

In other news, estimated 2005-06 U.S. cotton

production contained in USDA's October supply and demand report increased more than traders had expected. The U.S. production estimate rose 440,000 bales to 22.72 million compared to September's estimate of 22.28 million.

Projected domestic usage rose to 6.0 million bales from last month's 5.8 million, and projected U.S. exports jumped 700,000 bales to 16 million. As a result, estimated ending stocks dropped to 6.4 million bales from September's seven million bale figure.

Estimated world production decreased slightly to 111.44 million bales, down from 111.53 million in the department's last report, and world consumption was boosted to 112.93 million bales from 112.20 million in September, a USDA representative said.

Consequently, the world 2005-06 ending stocks estimate dropped to 50.98 million bales from 51.20 million.

India's estimated production rose to 19 million bales from 18.40 million in September while China's production estimate decreased a million bales to 24.50 million. However, some analysts believe China's production number will fall further.

USDA also reported net export sales of U.S. cotton totaled 30,600 bales for the week ended Oct. 6, a 90 percent decline from the previous week.

China and Turkey were the featured buyers. Export shipments for the week, according to USDA, totaled 145,400 bales, down nine percent from the previous week.

In the spot cotton market, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas in the week ended Oct. 13 totaled 8,256 bales compared to the previous week when 2,733 bales were traded.

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES—
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TEN MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

	General Fund	Five Area Community Telecommunication	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:				
Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 3,093,552	\$ 86,260	\$ 154,278	\$ 3,334,090
State Program Revenues	7,112,794	—	202,945	7,315,739
Federal Program Revenues	97,107	—	1,659,324	1,756,431
Total Revenues	10,303,453	86,260	2,016,547	12,406,260
EXPENDITURES:				
Current:				
Instruction	5,481,402	76,260	1,043,815	6,601,477
Instructional Resources and Media Services	407,449	—	2,855	410,304
Curriculum and Staff Development	48,600	—	45,243	93,843
Instructional Leadership	151,407	—	86,010	237,417
School Leadership	707,818	—	5,667	713,485
Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	261,740	—	30,295	292,035
Social Work Services	123	—	48,472	48,595
Health Services	117,267	—	10,492	127,759
Student Transportation	449,222	—	5,084	454,306
Food Service	—	—	667,890	667,890
Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	503,311	—	2,078	505,389
General Administration	543,853	10,000	4,820	558,673
Plant Maintenance and Operations	1,149,564	—	7,334	1,156,898
Security and Monitoring Services	8,602	—	2,061	10,663
Data Processing Services	25,499	—	—	25,499
Community Services	1,341	—	4,999	6,340
Capital Outlay	303,133	—	—	303,133
Payments to Shared Service Arrangements	155,640	—	—	155,640
Total Expenditures	10,315,971	86,260	1,967,115	12,369,346
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(12,518)	—	49,432	36,914
Net Change in Fund Balances	(12,518)	—	49,432	36,914
Fund Balances (Beginning)	8,302,433	—	75,899	8,378,332
Fund Balances (Ending)	\$ 8,289,915	\$ —	\$ 125,331	\$ 8,415,246

Muleshoe Independent School District Federal Programs Office

Muleshoe ISD will have a Parenting Education Program on Monday, October 24, 2005, from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the High School Cafeteria. "Sharing With Our Parents" will be presented in Spanish. Soila Reyes, Parent/Student Involvement Facilitator for Plainview I.S.D., will be the speaker. The Program is coordinated by Margie Alarcón and Frances Recio in the Federal Programs Office of Muleshoe I.S.D.

Child care, refreshments and door prizes will be available.

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Muleshoe tendrá un programa educativo para padres el Lunes, 24 de octubre, 2005, 7 - 8:30 p.m. en la Cafeteria de la escuela Secundaria. El programa, "Compartiendo Con Nuestros Padres" será presentado en español con Soila Reyes, Facilitadora para Padres/Estudiantes para el distrito escolar de Plainview. Este programa esta coordinado por Margie Alarcón y Frances Recio de la oficina de los programas Federales del Distrito Escolar de Muleshoe.

Habra guarderia, refrescos y premios.



Students of the Week announced

Students of the Week at Watson Junior High, for the week of Oct. 17, are: Front row — Andrea Alfaro, Tyson Turnbow and Douglas Bartholf; back row — Tessa Burris, Victor Rodriguez and Yvonne Gardea.

Social Security benefits explained

Submitted by Mandi Seaton, Bailey CEA-FCS

Social Security. How can two words be so familiar and yet so misunderstood for countless Americans? Is it insurance? Does it require a disability? What exactly is Social Security?

According to information researched by Andrew Crocker, gerontology health specialist, following the Great Depression, poverty among Americans was rampant, especially older Americans. Something had to be done to improve the economic situation of America's poor.

On Aug. 14, 1935, Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt signed The Social Security Act, a measure to provide several items for the general welfare of Americans but especially supplemental retirement income for older adults.

In the original Act, benefits were to be paid only to the primary worker when he retired at age 65 based on payroll tax contributions made during his working life.

The familiar Social Security Number (SSN) was established to help track money paid into individual retirement accounts for Social Security. Over 30 million Americans received

SSNs in the first round of their being issued by the Federal Government. From that point on, SSNs were assigned at the local level when a child was born.

Through the years, because of congressional amendments, changes have been made such as the addition of disability benefits in the 1950s.

The 1960s brought about another significant change in the life of Social Security. Until this time, Social Security benefits were only available to persons who worked and paid taxes into the system, in the form of a monthly payment.

In 1965, Pres. Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Medicare bill into law, creating the nation's federal health insurance program for older adults.

Though Medicare and Social Security are linked, they are entirely separate programs. Social Security being the monthly stipend, Medicare being the health insurance component.

Social Security will continue to evolve to meet the changing needs of older Americans as it has done throughout the past.

That brings us to 2005 and the question of how Social Security really works. Benefit calculations are

based on your average earnings during a lifetime of work under the Social Security system. For most current and future retirees, the Social Security Administration will average your 35 highest years of earnings. Years in which you have low earning or no earnings may be counted to bring the total years of earnings up to 35.

Currently, the retirement age to receive full benefits is 67 for those born after 1960. Though you may choose to retire at 62, you may experience a reduced monthly benefit payment.

Those born earlier may check to see what their retirement age is as well as the benefit reduction they may sustain if they retire early at <http://www.ssa.gov>, the Social Security Administration website.

The website also has calculators that will help determine what your monthly benefit will be.

The system is very complicated when it comes to issues of spousal earnings, death benefits and disability. These situations are individual to each beneficiary and his situation.

For more specific information and answers to your questions, contact the Social Security Administration directly.

For more information about Social Security, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

You may also contact the Social Security Administration via the internet, <http://www.ssa.gov>,

County Questions

What was the first house in Bailey County to receive electricity from the Bailey County Electric Cooperative Association?

Answer on last page.

South Plains College to hold CNA registration at Muleshoe

South Plains College is holding registration for Certified Nurse Aide courses on Oct. 28, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the dining room of the Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

The CNA classes will begin on the evening of Oct.

MISD...

Continued from page 1 district's grade sites unchanged.

Details about the MISD advisory committee's recommendation and how it reached it's decision was reported in the Oct. 13 issue of the Muleshoe Journal.

- Received an enrollment report that listed the district as having 1510 students.
- Approved a \$42,575 budget amendment.

31 and will be held at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center with more detailed schedule information to be released at registration.

The course provides detailed coursework, work-based training and direct patient/client care at a clinical site.

Students develop skills to work in long-term care, home health or hospital environments.

Upon completion of the 60 hours of classroom and 24 hours of clinical, students are required to take the State of Texas Certified Nurse Aide Competency Exam.

The course fee is \$441 plus textbook. CNA exam fee is included in the course fee.

Students must provide a

valid driver's license, social security card, proof of immunization including two measles shots if born after 1957, tetanus booster no older than eight years, hepatitis B series, at least started and a TB test that has been read and is no older than six months.

Enrollment is limited to 10 students and those that satisfactorily complete the course will receive continuing education units.

For more information, contact Audrey Sanzotera at 806-894-9611, ext. 4038.

Thanks for reading!

NOTICE OF SPECIAL RUNOFF ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

To the Registered Voters of the County of Bailey, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del Condado de Bailey, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on **November 8, 2005** for voting in a runoff election to:

Adopt or reject the Constitutional Amendments as proposed by the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas.

(Notifíquese, por las presente, qué las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m., el 8 de **Noviembre** de 2005 para votar en la elección para:

Adoptar o rechazar la Enmienda propuestas Constitucional asi como fueron sometidas por la 79 Legislatura Sesion Regular, de el Estado de Tejas.

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

- Precinct #1 - Voting Box #1 - Bailey County Courthouse
- Precinct #2 - Voting Box #2 - Bailey County Coliseum
- Precinct #3 - Voting Box #3A - Threeway School
- Voting Box #3B - Muleshoe Public Library
- Precinct #4 - Voting Box #4A - Enochs Baptist Church
- Voting Box #4B - Muleshoe City Hall

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en:

the Office of the County Clerk in Bailey County Courthouse, 300 S. 1st, Muleshoe, Texas (la oficina de la secretaria del Condado, 300 S. 1st, en Muleshoe, Texas)

Between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on **October 24, 2005** (date) (Entre las 8:30 a.m. de la mañana y las 12:00 p.m. y la 1:00 hasta las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 24 de Octubre, 2005) (fecha)

And ending on **November 4, 2005** (date) (y terminando el 4 de Noviembre, 2005.) (fecha)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

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(Nombre de la Secretaria de la Votación Adelantada)
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November 1, 2005 (date) **1 de Noviembre, 2005** (fecha)

Issued this the **11th** day of **October, 2005**. (Emitada esta día **11** de **Octubre** de 2005.)

Sherrin Harrison
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Fine Arts Booster Club News

Club pres. Richard Orozco called to order the Oct. 11 meeting of the Muleshoe Fine Arts Boosters by thanking those in attendance.

Club sec. Lynn Vandiver read the minutes from the regular September meeting and a special meeting held following one of the games.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss business and plan the concession stand for the final varsity home game on Oct. 28.

In response to numerous inquiries regarding their popular hot tamales, they will be selling tamales at this game.

Reports concerning equipment replacements were heard. This has been a year for upgrading appliances in the concession stand.

The boosters are pleased that the volume of business has allowed them to make these necessary improvements and still gather funds to support students in the fine arts.

Homecoming was an especially busy game, and receipts that night set an all-time record. Club vice-pres. Bonnie Perez commented

on the dedicated support of both youth and parents who help operate the concession.

Upon the request of Marsha Wiseman, speech and debate teacher at Muleshoe High, the club agreed to provide meal money for two upcoming overnight trips.

They also talked about helping with the chartered bus expenses for the Choir trip to Colorado Springs in May.

Ads are being sold to businesses and parents for the program folders for the fine arts events this year.

"This is a good way to earn money to help our kids. And it is an opportunity to spotlight the directors of the various programs," club treasurer Barry Wiseman, said.

"I'm grateful for all the folks who support our kids by purchasing ads," Wiseman said.

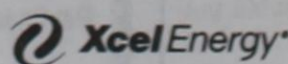
The next Booster's meeting will be Nov. 14 at 7 p.m. At that meeting initial plans will be made for the Fine Arts Night to Shine, under the direction of club vice-pres. Lori Hall. All supporters of the Fine Arts are invited to attend.

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Addresses for charitable giving

- Muleshoe Heritage Foundation Center, P.O. Box 201, Muleshoe, Texas 79347, (806) 272-4429 or 5873.
 - American Cancer Society/Bailey County Relay For Life, c/o Kim Cook, 201 E. Fir, Muleshoe, TX 79347
 - MOST Scholarship (given to all graduating MISD seniors yearly), c/o Superintendent Gene Sheets, 514 W. Ave. G, Muleshoe, TX 79347
 - Oneita Wagnon Senior Center, P.O. Box 292, Muleshoe, TX 79347
 - Hope Chest, P.O. Box 175, Muleshoe, TX 79347
 - Muleshoe Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship Fund, c/o Janice Bradshaw, 669 CR 21, Muleshoe, TX 79347; or call 965-2619; or drop by the Muleshoe State Bank to talk with Janice
 - Bailey County Food Pantry, P.O. Box 175, Muleshoe, TX 79347
 - Meals on Wheels, 300 1st St., Muleshoe, TX 79347
 - Lazbuddie EMS and Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 125, Lazbuddie, TX 79053
 - Park View Nursing Home, 1100 W. Ave. J, Muleshoe, TX 79347
 - New Mexico Children's Home, 1356 NM 236, Portales, N.M. 88130-9411
 - Muleshoe Masonic Lodge No. 1237, P.O. Box 521, Muleshoe, TX 79347
 - Olton Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 1055, Olton, TX 79064
 - Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery, Inc., 104 E. Ave. C, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-5727
- For a complete list of local and national agencies, contact the Muleshoe Community Foundation; Gary Sirkel, 272-4710 or Kay Mardis, 272-3349.



Best in Show

Ruby Green of Muleshoe, pictured above, took 'Best in Show' and a blue ribbon for her quilting creations at the Panhandle South Plains Fair at Lubbock. Green also received an award for the rugs she had entered.

1st National Mortgage Sources

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Comments sought on THC

The mission and well spent. Suggestions are preferred by Nov. 4, so they can be fully considered by the commission staff at: Sunset Advisory Commission, P.O. Box 13066, Austin, Texas 78711 or email sunset@sunset.state.tx.us

Information about the Sunset process, including information on Sunset Commission meetings, can be found at: www.sunset.state.tx.us.

You're Invited to a FREE Video Seminar CONQUERING DEBT GOD'S WAY By Bruce Ammons Christian Financial Counselor

This video seminar is based on real life experience. The first group of families to whom Bruce Ammons taught these principles paid off \$106,000 in debts in 10 weeks. These principles can bless anyone and help them to GET OUT OF DEBT!

Saturday, October 29, 2005
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
16th & D Church of Christ
1600 W. Ave. D, Muleshoe

For more information call (806) 272-4619.

*Love Those Mules, Hornets
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NATIONAL CO-OP MONTH

"Cooperatives: Owned by Our Members, Committed to Our Communities,"

In 2004 and 2005, the national planning committee has chosen the following co-op month theme: Cooperatives: Owned by our Members. Committed to our Communities.

The theme reflects the commitment of all types of cooperatives to the 7th cooperative principle: concern for community. It is a principle that co-ops exercise every day as they serve their members and their communities. It also allows cooperatives to trumpet not just the economic support they provide to their members and communities by creating jobs, income and opportunity, but also their other community involvement such as charitable contributions, educational activities, environmental efforts and many, many other ways in which cooperatives support the towns and cities in which they operate.

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Agricultural cooperatives play an important role in our nation's food distribution system. They increase the marketing capability and production efficiency of agricultural producers and bring consumers an abundant supply of high quality food and other resource products under nationally recognized brand names. Through their cooperatives, farmers have provided themselves with the credit, supplies, services... and most importantly...the ownership and control vital to the success of agricultural production in the United States. Providing goods and services as economically and efficiently as possible is their first order of business. And, as locally owned and controlled businesses, CO-OPs are unique because of their commitment not only to the people they serve, but also to their communities.



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*Thank you for your
support our of cooperative.
We're a success because of your
continued backing and faith.*



The Muleshoe Journal congratulates all area cooperatives and wishes each one continued success! Thanks to your commitment and hard work, our newspaper, this town and Muleshoe citizens have prospered and are economically sound.



'Mighty M' does well at UIL

The "Mighty M" Muleshoe High School Marching Band performed Saturday at the UIL Region 16 3A, 4A, 5A Marching Contest at Lowrey Field in Lubbock. The band, pictured above performing at the UIL contest, under the direction of Brad Walker and Marcos Gomez and led by Drum Majors Janice Pacheco and Lindsey Hall received a Division II ranking.



Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Everyone had a great time at the hamburger cook out Saturday night. Some came early and played donimoes, and watched football and baseball games on the big screen television.

They all enjoyed hamburgers, potato salad, beans, brownies and all the trimmings.

Our thanks go to Clifford Black for the use of the cooker, Fred Clements, Joe Sowder, and Kenneth Henry for the cooking of the patties. They were so good.

Remember the sessions

on memory training that Mandi Seaton is giving at the center. The first one was Tuesday, Oct. 18, and there will be another one Tuesday, Oct. 25, starting at 12:30 p.m., right after lunch. Come, have lunch and stay for the session.

Mr. Milner with the diabetic shoes will be here Friday, Oct. 21, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

We are filling out new intake sheets on all the seniors enjoying the center. We are beginning a new year, therefore everyone becomes a new participant at the center.

We appreciate your cooperation in signing the new forms. Only the participants willing to sign the new forms will be eligible to be reported for assistance from SPAG.

Just a reminder, we have started a new fiscal year, and any and all annual donations are needed and

appreciated.

We want to remind you of the good times at the Tuesday night dances. Call a friend, even if you do not dance, and come listen to the good oldies played by Sandy.

Menu for Oct. 24-28:

Monday — Chicken taco salad, lettuce, tomatoes, onion, cheese, picante sauce, pinto beans and apricots.

Tuesday — Roast beef, brown gravy, potatoes, zucchini, tossed salad and frosted cake.

Wednesday — Pepper steak, green beans, salad, macaroni and cheese and lemon pudding.

Thursday — BBQ on bun, potato, broccoli with cheese, wheat roll and pears.

Friday — Crispy fish, or chicken strips, gravy, mashed potato, salad, wheat roll and apple cobbler.

Project Graduation meeting set

A Project Graduation meeting has been set for Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 5 p.m., at the Muleshoe High School Library.

All parties interested in participating or helping with the project are invited to attend.

Harvest guide is available

The 2005 Harvest Aid Guide has been released by Dr. Randy Bowman, extension cotton agronomist, of the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center.

A downloadable version of the guide is available from the center's website (<http://lubbock.tamu.edu>) under the "What's New" section.

Muleshoe Cattle Market

The Muleshoe Cattle Market is brought to you each week by Muleshoe Livestock Auction, located east of Muleshoe on U.S. 84. Muleshoe Livestock conducts sales every Saturday, beginning with hogs, sheep and goats at 10 a.m. and cattle following at approximately noon.

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

SAT., OCT. 15, 2005

1074 head of cattle, 334 hogs and 550 sheep and goats for a total of 1,958 livestock sold at the Oct. 15 sale. Market steady on stocker cfls., especially 4-500 lbs. Feeder cattle steady with little test. Pairs and bred cows steady. Packer cows and bulls 2-4 dollars lower due to the fall culling of cows.

FOR INFORMATION ON SALES OR TO CONSIGN CATTLE-272-4201

Seller, City	#	Type	Wt.	CWT or PH
Gerald Boehning, Earth	5	Blk. bulls	316 lbs.	at \$141.00
Kenny Jackson, Lovington	3	RMF str	405 lbs.	at \$129.00
Weaver Farms, Muleshoe	6	Blk. bulls	412 lbs.	at \$132.00
Shafer Farms, Muleshoe	1	Blk. bull	435 lbs.	at \$140.00
Shafer Farms, Muleshoe	2	BWF bulls	570 lbs.	at \$123.00
Bill Bradley, Amherst	3	Mxd. bulls	443 lbs.	at \$130.00
Henry Batenhorst, Hereford	4	Mxd. bulls	448 lbs.	at \$125.00
Zack Smith, Hart	1	Blk. str	455 lbs.	at \$124.00
NM Ranch, NM	30	B&BMF str	566 lbs.	at \$124.50
NM Ranch, NM	65	B&BMF str	616 lbs.	at \$118.50
NM Ranch, NM	30	B&BMF str	675 lbs.	at \$114.50
Don Bandy, Bovina	3	Blk. bulls	497 lbs.	at \$125.00
Don Bandy, Bovina	4	Char. str	656 lbs.	at \$106.00
Landon Smith, Olton	4	Blk. bulls	503 lbs.	at \$129.00
Leon Musick, Portales, NM	1	Blk. str	530 lbs.	at \$116.00
JCL, Inc., Sudan	6	BWF str	583 lbs.	at \$119.50
Fred Albus, Littlefield	4	Mxd. str	545 lbs.	at \$114.00
Tancosa Cattle Co., Encino, NM	3	Red str	832 lbs.	at \$104.50
Don Bandy, Bovina	4	Char. hfrs	361 lbs.	at \$128.50
Alan Belcher, Pep, NM	4	Char. hfrs	408 lbs.	at \$122.00
Alan Belcher, Pep, NM	5	Red hfrs	377 lbs.	at \$129.00
Ken Williams L/C, Morton	7	Blk. hfrs	416 lbs.	at \$127.00
NM Ranch, NM	9	B&BMF hfrs	456 lbs.	at \$121.00
NM Ranch, NM	20	B&BMF hfrs	541 lbs.	at \$115.00
NM Ranch, NM	5	B&BMF hfrs	655 lbs.	at \$109.00
Royce Blair, Plains	2	Red hfrs	495 lbs.	at \$114.00
Bilberry/Paiz, Ft. Sumner, NM	4	Blk. hfrs	528 lbs.	at \$171.00
Bilberry/Paiz, Ft. Sumner, NM	3	Mxd. hfrs	635 lbs.	at \$104.50
Landon Smith, Olton	2	Blk. hfrs	588 lbs.	at \$107.00
Marvin Tillman, Hale Center	1	Char. hfr	615 lbs.	at \$105.00
Shafer Farms, Muleshoe	1	Yell. hfr	620 lbs.	at \$103.50
Tancosa Cattle, Encino, NM	12	Blk. hfrs	916 lbs.	at \$95.50
Tancosa Cattle, Encino, NM	24	Blk. hfrs	1021 lbs.	at \$89.50
Bill Bradley, Amherst	1	Blk. pair		\$975.00
Bill Bradley, Amherst	1	Blk. cow P		\$785.00
Meyers & Meyers, Muleshoe	1	Blk. pair		\$770.00
Eric Rushing, Friona	3	Mxd. cows P		\$675.00
John Tiechroeb, Seminole	1	RWF cow P5		\$650.00
Conrad Garza, Idalou	1	Blk. cow	1520 lbs.	at \$47.50
Brandon Hill, Levelland	1	Blk. cow	1625 lbs.	at \$47.50
Jack Douglas, Littlefield	4	Blk. cows	1181 lbs.	at \$46.00
Lone Star Dairy, Friona	1	Hol. cow	1270 lbs.	at \$46.75
Jimmy Turnbow, Hereford	1	Hol. cow	1060 lbs.	at \$45.25
Ronnie Wilkerson, Muleshoe	1	Hol. cow	1150 lbs.	at \$45.00
Osterkamp Dairy, Muleshoe	1	Hol. cow	1580 lbs.	at \$44.00
Landon Durham, Levelland	1	Hol. cow	1135 lbs.	at \$45.00
Ronald Hardin, Amherst	1	Char. bull	1965 lbs.	at \$64.00
Charles Wilkins, Bovina	1	Char. bull	2105 lbs.	at \$66.00

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Think Christmas!
 October 27 thru November 6, 2005
 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM
 (Sunday, November 6, 1-5 PM)

It is time to think about the holidays! Beautiful accessories for your home, Christmas decorations and gifts for everyone on your list. Even more than you expect!

*Special prices and discounts
 20% Storewide Reduction*

Special guests Janel Franklin and Sue Vaughn, authors of the cookbooks Calf Fries to Caviar, More Calf Fries to Caviar and Cross the Border will be at the store all day Saturday, Nov. 5th with holiday treats and other recipes for you to taste. Janel and Sue will autograph cookbooks and share good cooking tips. (They will be happy to autograph previously purchased books.)

Demonstrations of more recipes from 2-4 PM on Saturday. Come & enjoy!

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Robert Boozer, Manager
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We support the agricultural industry!

Dodd Cotton Gin has updated and improved the inside of the gin and will continue to strive to provide the best service possible for their customers. Robert Boozer is the Gin Manager and Beverly Turney is the Office Manager.

In an effort to provide better service to Dodd Cotton Gin customers, tarping for modules will be provided.

"Give us a call or come by for a visit. I think you will like what you see and if you do, when it comes time, we'd love to gin your cotton and put all of these changes to work for you."

— Robert Boozer

Bailey County residents who have been called to jury duty must report on Monday, Oct. 24, at 9 a.m. at the Bailey County Courthouse.

Return to flight and leadership at NASA

Recently, an anxious nation watched the Space Shuttle Discovery return our nation to flight, and many relaxed their vigil only when Commander Eileen Collins called out "wheels stop" on the runway at Edwards Air Force Base. This first post-Columbia flight was extremely valuable and successful.

The mission also made it clear that NASA's approach to launch decisions, making important mission and safety-related decisions, and its ongoing public accountability have also evolved.

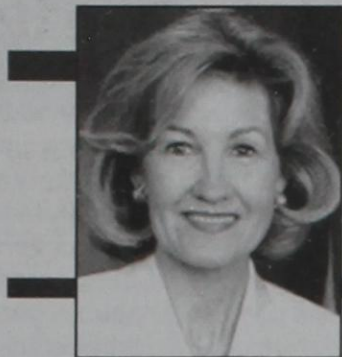
NASA is in transition with a new vision, new Administrator and new environment. After the Columbia tragedy, some said America should abandon manned missions.

This would mean the U.S. would never finish the International Space Station, would abandon our commitment to international partners and cede the research and security prowess that has defined our nation for 50 years.

Too many risks have been taken, successes achieved, new technologies developed and historic moments created to weaken our commitment to retaining our nation's space preeminence. Brave astronauts have sacrificed their lives for the future of space exploration believing it is essential to our country's future.

As we explore the unknown, the information gathered millions of miles away and work done to prepare and conduct space-based research has direct and positive applications in our daily lives.

Technology invented through space exploration is used in hospital cardiac care



Capitol Comment

By U.S. Sen.
Kay Bailey Hutchison

units. Scientists have developed new chemotherapy treatments.

Space technology has led to the production of air bags that save lives everyday. Devices firefighters used to cut through exposed steel at ground zero following the Sept. 11 attacks were the outcome of shuttle technology. New oxygen regulators helping firefighters breathe safely were invented based on research conducted on the ISS. These are just some of many examples of added benefits our investment in space exploration has provided us.

Those benefits will only multiply as we proceed with research planned for the ISS. In order to complete the assembly of the research station, we must be able to continue to fly the space shuttle, which is the only vehicle capable of carrying these heavy pieces.

The U.S. has invested more than \$25 billion to develop and maintain the space station. Our scientific and international partners have also made large investments in the ISS over the past 16 years.

It would be regretful for this nation to fail to meet our international and scientific commitments by turning away from completion of the ISS at this point. Too many resources would be wasted and too many potential discoveries lost.

Clearly, we need the research about the effects of long-term exposure to the space environment on humans done on the ISS to prepare for the return to the Moon and eventual missions to Mars.

That research provides knowledge and helps us understand and also treat common medical problems of a similar nature, such as osteoporosis, muscle atrophy and bone demineralization.

Developments evolving through current research being conducted on the ISS include an advanced diagnostics ultrasound which can assist with diagnosis of bone marrow loss and muscle atrophy.

Autonomous robotic arms have been developed which can be applied to fields ranging from human-collaborative medical surgery, physical therapy, rehabilitation and emergency response to chemical, biological and nuclear materials.

More than 80 such experiments have already been conducted aboard the ISS or are underway — showing real results with direct application to improving life and health for all of us on Earth.

I have passed legislation through the Senate to ensure the maximum return on our nation's investment in the ISS by designating the U.S. portion as a National Laboratory Facility.


This designation provides a mechanism to identify creative ways in which non-NASA participants can join the space station research community and potentially bring non-NASA funding and expertise to help support and sustain the ISS as a functional laboratory.

The ISS can be the vehicle for increased cooperative research activities between the National Institutes of Health and NASA, between University-based consortia and both commercial and international research partnerships. These new assets can enable NASA to concentrate its limited resources on pursuing the exploration of the Moon and eventually Mars.

The number of nations with human space flight capability is growing. Recently, China launched its second manned flight into space. If we stall, we risk relinquishing our leadership role in space exploration. This will affect our capabilities in science, technology and medicine.

NASA's investment in engineering, science and mathematics helps the U.S. compete with foreign countries and is key to ensuring our nation's future will be prosperous and secure. Even more, our willingness to support space research will determine if we will have the most capable military in the world through the 21st Century.

On behalf of the Leonard and Isabel Gonzales Family we extend a heartfelt thank you to the many caring people who provided their support during the recent passing of our beloved son Paul Gonzales. Thank you for your prayers, your support, your condolences, and most especially your company during this time of great loss and sorrow. You offered us peace and comfort. We offer a special note of gratitude to our community of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and the generosity bestowed on us by the Guadalupe Society. May God Bless you all.



Don't forget the photographs...
All remaining Journal photographs have been moved to the Oneida Wagon Senior Citizen Center, on Main St., and are available to the public during the center's hours.

DIABETIC SHOE FAIR

**Friday, October 21
10 AM to 1 PM**

**Muleshoe Senior Center
Muleshoe, Texas**

**HOSTED BY
RIGHTWAY MEDICAL
SUPPLY, INC.**

For diabetics who qualify, Medicare covers one pair of diabetic shoes a year. Diabetics may choose from a variety of men's and women's therapeutic shoes.

If you are diabetic and unable to attend this shoe fair, please call (806) 793-7444 to schedule a fitting in your home.

Jennyslipper News

The Jennyslippers met in regular session on Tuesday Oct. 11, at the Muleshoe Girl Scout Hut. Ruby Green prepares the noon lunch for the group.

Special guest at the meeting was Amy Young, director of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture.

Nelda Merriott introduced and welcomed special guest, Amy Young.

Young told the Jennyslippers of her vision for the Chamber and Muleshoe. She said she sees the chamber as a hub of information and support for local merchants.

A recent telephone drive increased the membership of the chamber from 119 to 240.

A lighted night-time Christmas parade is planned for Saturday, Dec. 3.

A new group of volunteers is being organized, a Junior Chamber of Commerce, comprised of High School students.

Most towns have a special event to bring



Among those present were, from left to right: Back row — Elaine Parker, Brenda Tapley, Ellen Ladd, Alene Bryant and Rose Sain; middle row — Bobbie Harrison, guest Amy Young of Muleshoe's chamber, Wannie Frazier, Thursie Reid and Ruby Green; front row — Dianne Thornton, Nelda Merriott, Joyeline Costen and Nancy Kidd. Present, but not pictured was Anna Bales.

people to their town, events are being considered (laid-back with a hometown atmosphere and Mule-Daze has been mentioned.

She also commended our many pro-active locally owned businesses, and "Muleshoe After Hours". The group enjoyed her informative presentation.

The Jennyslippers will have their October quarterly

night meeting on Monday evening, Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. at the Scout Hut. It will be Pot Luck and members are invited to come in costume. Guests and spouses are welcomed.

Jennyslippers will have their brisket concession stand at the Bailey County Coliseum on Dec. 3 in conjunction with the Christmas bazaar.

A float is planned for the parade.

The Jennyslippers meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Girl Scout Hut at 12 noon.

Visitors are always welcomed and are warmly invited to join the Jennyslippers.

County Questions

When was the Janes ranch house moved to the site of the Heritage Center in Muleshoe?

Answer on last page.

Juniors to host pre-game meal

Muleshoe High School's Junior class will be hosting the Oct. 28 pre-game meal from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Deliveries are available from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. by calling 272-7306. The menu will include: Turkey with dressing and gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, a roll, pumpkin cake, tea and coffee. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under, and are available from junior class members or sponsors, or pay at the door.

IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO START THINKING ABOUT CHRISTMAS!

The Muleshoe Journal will be printing a special Christmas section devoted to greetings especially written by our readers. We're calling these greetings "A Family Christmas." Ads for this section start at \$45 and we encourage families to include a photo - or two! It's a great way to send Christmas greetings to your neighbors, family and friends.

If you have a baby celebrating his or her first Christmas, let the Muleshoe Journal make it a memorable one by including a special greeting to your little one during this once in a lifetime event! It's sure to be something you'll treasure for decades to come.

Call 272-4536 and speak with Leah or Delia about getting your personalized Christmas greeting printed. "A Family Christmas" will appear in the Dec. 22, 2005 edition.

16 & D to host debt seminar

"Conquering Debt God's Way" is the title of a video seminar produced by Christian financial counselor Bruce Ammons. The seminar is being hosted at the 16th & D Church of Christ, 1600 W. Ave. D, in Muleshoe, on Saturday, Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and includes lunch.

Jurors called

Bailey County residents who have been called for jury duty and were previously told to report on Wednesday, Oct. 19, should report instead at 9 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 24.

"All of us know, most from very personal experience, how financial debt burdens families, stresses marriages, hurts relationships, and robs even Christians of freedom and joy," Curtis Shelburne, pastor of 16th & D, said. "Bruce Ammons and his wife Ruthie have shared the material from the Conquering Debt seminar all over the nation and helped people put these great principles into practice. In fact, the first group of families in their church to whom they taught these principles paid off over \$106,000 in debts in 10 weeks!"

"We believe this seminar will be a huge blessing to anyone who attends, and we're happy to make it available not only to our church members but to anyone in the community who would like to attend," Shelburne said. The seminar is free of charge to anyone who would like to attend. Seminar workbooks will be available for a suggested donation of \$12 each but will be free to anyone who can't afford to donate. Testimonials from real people who have been to the seminar are available at www.conqueringdebt.com. For more information, contact the 16th & D Church office at (806) 272-4619.

Publication of announcements in the Muleshoe Journal

The Muleshoe Journal invites your news of weddings, engagements, showers, anniversaries and births. In order to be fair to everyone, we must limit the amount of space for certain events.

For weddings and quinceañeras 25 column inches, which includes a photo if desired, will be the limit. If the photo and announcement run longer, we reserve the right to eliminate parts of the story or the person placing the article may indicate which portions may be left out. However, if a longer write-up is desired, it may be purchased in the form of an ad. For anniversaries, if two photos are included, the limit will be 25 inches. It will be 15 inches if only one photo is used. That space will be free for anniversaries of 50 years or more. A fee may be charged for other anniversaries.

Birth announcements with one-column photos are run free of charge with names of immediate family, including grandparents and great-grandparents. Please understand that the permission of both parents is required for a birth announcement to be published. Small stories describing showers are run free of charge after the fact and may include the names of the principals, items served at the showers, a brief description of the decor and the names of special or out-of-town guests. A deadline of six months after an event will be the rule. Drop by for a form or send the information via e-mail to editor@muleshoejournal.com. The deadline is Monday noon.

More Classifieds

Stop and Shop

Deadline 5 p.m. Friday

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TEAM MEMBERS
 Town & Country is growing and because of this we offer qualified candidates an opportunity to grow with a leader in the convenience store industry.

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It is essential that you can successfully demonstrate the following skills:

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- Basic Arithmetic Skills
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- Be a Team Player

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 Good Value. Great People.

Enochs Co-op Gin is now taking applications for module truck drivers. Great pay and good hours. Must have a Class B driver's license. Call Wade at 927-5511 or apply in person. TFFeb

Wanted! Experienced Cowboy. Must have own horses and tack. Come by to see Scotly Edwards @Dimmitt Feed Yard. (806) 647-2106. Gdn11/15

The City of Muleshoe is taking applications for a worker in the Street Dept. and a worker in the Water Dept. High school graduate/GED required. Upon employment, subject may be required to pass a drug test. Applications can be picked up at City Hall, 215 S. First, Muleshoe, TX. Position open until filled. EOE. ADA. 2/21/13

JOB OPENING - Route Truck Delivery Person. CDL with HAZMAT endorsement preferred but not required. Apply in person at Muleshoe Vet Supply, 4 mi. west of Muleshoe on Hwy. 84. 2/21/13

Have you brought in your veteran's info yet? Our Veteran's Day section will be printed Nov. 10!

minsa NOW HIRING
MINSAS HAS SEVERAL POSITIONS AVAILABLE IN OUR PRODUCTION FACILITY.

We are looking for hardworking individuals to fill several positions. Apply in person at WorkSource, 201 S. Main, Muleshoe. EOE.

Accepting applications for waitress, cook and dishwasher positions. Apply in person at Dinner Bell Restaurant, 2103 W. American. Absolutely no phone calls. 2/21/13

LVN'S AND MED AIDES needed. Contact Jamie Pruitt for more information or apply in person at Park View HealthCare, Muleshoe. 806/272-7578. 2/21/13

REAL ESTATE

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Crista Bass

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www.byrdrealestate.net

- **New Listing in Country** - Spacious 3 bedroom, 1 full bath/2-3/4 bath, tile floor, replace, game room, basement. Great home!
- **New Listing in Country** - 3 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath brick home, built-in ironing board, tile car garage, all on 30 acres.
- **Just Listed - Parmer/Castro Co. Line** - 3,200 acres, 16 1/4 mile circles, 1 section system. Excellent farm ground, bases & yields. Isolated for dairy location or just production farm! Call for details. Will divide into smaller tracts.
- **Commercial lot, Excellent location - American Blvd.** 125'x140'.
- **320 acres NE of Muleshoe.** 2 sprinkler systems, 4 wells, mobile home, priced for immediate sale! Call for details.
- **168 acres dryland. MAKE OFFER!!**
- **Lot for sale** - 67x122 Parkridge Addition.
- **Thinking about building?** Take a look at this house first. For half the cost of new construction, you can own this beautiful, spacious 4BR, 3-1/2 bath, brick home, approx. 5,000 sq. ft., built-ins, ref. air, central heat, 2 living areas, dining room, lg. utility, 2 fireplaces, office, lg. closets, lots of storage, sprinkler system, 2 car garage, nice fenced back yard, plus a lot more, all on a corner lot.

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 Call Shannon or John @ **877-34Titan** 4/21/08

Leal's Restaurant is hiring for wait staff, hostess, cashier and busers. Only taking applications in person. No phone calls! Mon.-Fri., 2:00-5:00 p.m. 2/21/13

Production position available. Now accepting applications for production position at Hi-Pro Feeds. Company insurance, 401K, paid holidays. Must pass drug screen. Apply in person at Hi-Pro Feeds in Friona. TFFeb

SENIOR APTS.

62 and older senior community in Lubbock. Lunch program, laundry center, grocery bus once per week and community activities. Call for more information and a mailing packet on this lovely community, 806-792-6952, or visit at stellar-management.com/homestead. 8/21/12

LAND FOR SALE

97 acres south of Muleshoe on Morton Hwy. Currently in CRP. 2 wells. \$450/acre. Call 310-454-8702. 4/21/10

FOR SALE

FOR SALE - 4020 LP John Deere and 4-row service shredder. For more info/prices, call 946-3628 or 272-4969. 4/21/10

235 c.i. Chevy engine 806-946-9050. 2/21/13

Four row peanut digger for sale - 933-4418. 2/21/13

Pop-up camper-1996 Coleman Niagara, sleeps 7, air conditioning, 3-way fridge. Very clean. Good condition, \$3,200. 806-206-4732 evenings. 2/21/10

FOR SALE - '81 pop-up camper in good condition. Asking \$1,000. Call 272-3630 or come see at 606 W. 5th St. 3/21/10

1-teal green sectional sofa, 3-Lazyboy recliners, 1-sleeper sofa. Call 806-946-6712. 3/21/10

PUPPIES FOR SALE

Adorable akc Boston Terriers. 7 wks. old, ready to go - 3 male, 1 female. Shots and wormed. \$300. Call 257-3713. 2/21/10

Want to purchase mineral and other oil/gas interests. Send details to: PO Box 13557, Denver, CO 80201. TFFeb

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 Cut heating costs!
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HAVE YOUR ATTIC INSPECTED.
 For estimate on having 6" blown in your attic, call **272-6772.**
 The cost of the job will pay for itself in 2 years. 2/21/10

MISCELLANEOUS

REWARD! Stolen women's wallet, black. If found, please call 272-7518. 1/21/10

Need tree trimmer capable of trimming large elms. Call 272-4536 weekdays or 925-6614 weekends, ask for Leah. TFFeb

HANDYMAN

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CLEANING

HATE TO WASH WINDOWS?
 We will wash the windows on your home inside or out or both!
 Call 806-543-3324 for a free estimate and have "Sparkling Windows" in no time! 3/21/13

HOUSES FOR SALE

I'M MAD...AT BANKS WHO DON'T GIVE HOUSE LOANS BECAUSE OF BAD CREDIT, PROBLEMS OR NEW EMPLOYMENT. I DO, CALL L.D. KIRK, HOMETLAND MORTGAGES, (254) 947-4475. www.hometown46.com 1/21/10

HOUSES FOR SALE BY OWNER

For Sale in Sudan: 3 bedroom, 2 full baths, 26,000 sq. ft. Totally remodeled. Call 806-470-6723. 4/21/13

For Sale: 3-2-1 brick, deck, double carport, fenced yard, lg. den, workshop, all kitchen appliances. 902 W. 8th St. 325-754-5385. TFFeb11

AUTOS FOR SALE

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2004 Ford Ranger, 4 cyl. with low miles. Great gas mileage! \$13,000. Call 806-946-6791. 2/21/13

2004 Chevrolet Suburban LS 2WD with trailing package, brake controller, rubber mats. Extended warranty, excellent condition, 20,800 miles, asking \$28,500. Call evenings 806-206-4732. 2/21/10

CLOSEOUT SALE

CLOSEOUT SALE!
 Makasa glassware, misc. silk florals, candles, showcases, shelving & misc. merchandise.
 Thursday & Friday Oct. 20 & 21 10 AM to 4 PM
 Old Tino's/Rusticam building on American Blvd. 1/21/10

AUCTION

2 Estate & Real Estate AUCTIONS
No Buyer's Premium
Saturday, October 22, 2005 • 10:30 am CT
213 E Fir • Muleshoe, TX
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HOME: 2 Bedroom Home w/1 Bath, Living Room, UT Room, Closed-in Garage w/Kitchen, Dining Room & Bath, Unattached Carport. Homes to Sell at 1:00 p.m. Household Items to be Sold at 10:30 a.m. 10% Down Day of Auction on Real Estate; Balance Due on Closing. Byrd Realty, TX Lic. #0265381. **LIVING ROOM:** Divan, Hide-a-Bed, Spot Chair, Tiered Knick Knack Shelf, Footstool, New TV Stand, New CD Shelf, Wicker Chair, Futon Pcs, Office Desk/Chair **DINING ROOM:** 2 Bent Wood Chairs, Wood Kitchen Stool **BEDROOM:** 4 Pc. Bedroom Suite w/Bed/Chest/Vanity Dresser, Night Stand, Box Springs/Matt. **ANTIQUES/COLLECTIBLES:** Hat Box, Metal Cake Carrier, 3 Wood Bears, Glass Pedestal Cake Holder w/Lid, Baskets, Cast Iron Dutch Oven, Butter Dish, 15-Egg Plate, Candy Dish, Sherbet Glass **APPLIANCES/ELECTRONICS:** Westinghouse 30" Elec Range, Crosley Double Door Refrigerator, Kenmore Washer/Dryer, Kirby Heritage Vacuum, Kirby Generation 3 Vacuum, GE Portable TV **HOUSEHOLD:** Floor Lamp, Dishes, Groceries, Pots/Pans, Sheets **TOOLS/YARD:** Chain Link Fencing, Concrete Block, Lawn Mower, Fertilizer Spreader, Edger, Gas Can, Walking Sprinkler, Elec. Lawn Mower, 3 Metal Lawn Chairs, Patio Table w/4 Chairs, BBQ Grill, Smoker, Bird House, Plants, Flower Pots, Wagon Wheel, Plant Holder **MISC:** Square Showcase, Oblong Folding Table, Card Table, UT Cart, Step Stool, Step Ladder, 2 Dog Houses, Metal Cabinet, Arts/Crafts, Wood Easel, Art Supplies/Canvas/Frames, Cassette Tapes, 4-Drawer Filing Cabinet, 2 Cabinets w/Bookcase Tops

509 E. Austin • Muleshoe, TX Of Jewel Peeler
HOME: 3 or 4 Bedroom Home w/1 1/2 Baths, Living Room, Den, Unattached Carport, Metal Storage Building w/Carport Attached, Nice Front and Back Yards. Homes to Sell at 1:00 p.m. Household Items to be Sold after the Auction. 10% Down Day of Auction on Real Estate; Balance Due on Closing. Byrd Realty, TX Lic. #0265381. **VEHICLE:** Mid 1980's Mercury Marquis Station Wagon, No Title **LIVING ROOM:** Divan, Hide-a-bed, Spot Chairs, Entertainment Center, Maple Rocker, Antique Oblong Lamp Table, Mahogany Desk/Chair, 8 Bookcases, Maple Living Room Table, Wicker-Bottom Rocker, Square Living Room Table **DINING ROOM:** Maple Table w/8 Chairs, Small China Cabinet, Maple Hutch **BEDROOM:** Maple Bed/Vanity Dresser/Bench/Chest, Cedar Chest, 5-Drawer Chest, 4-Drawer Chest, Q Box Spring/Matt. **ANTIQUES/COLLECTIBLES:** Feston Glass, Candy Dish, Cake Plate, Metal Cake Carrier, Crook Pcs, Cat, Girl Head Vase, Rooster Pitcher, Cambridge Pitcher, Snack Set, Milk Glass Hen on Nest, Custer Quills, Quilt Box, Stuffed Pheasant, Blown Glass Compote, Lamps, Noritake Dishes, Lots of Figurines, Friendship Quilt, Quilt Scraps, Tins, Hats/Boxes, Old Lineman Gear w/Bag, Men's Ties, Hurricane Lamp, Iron Bed, Cream Can, Handwork, Crocks **APPLIANCES/ELECTRONICS:** Frigidaire Double Door Refrigerator, GE 30" Range, Hotpoint Portable Dishwasher, Deep Freeze, Kenmore Washer/Dryer, Minutemaster Microwave, RCA Maple Cabinet Radio, Nelco Sewing Machine in Mahogany Console, Generation 3 Vacuum, Kirby Heritage Vacuum **DECORATIONS:** Wall Decor, Christmas Decor, 3 Wood Pigs, Wall Plaques **HOUSEHOLD:** Chrome Canister w/Paper Holder, Floor Lamp, Wood Card Table w/Covered Wagon on Top, Sheets, Towels, Blankets, Ironing Board, Trunk, Cake/Pie Carrier, Cloth Hamper, Ice Cream Freezer **TOOLS/YARD:** Wood Ladder, Old Tools, Hand Saws, 4" Visc. Come-along, Jacobsen Lawn Mower w/Catcher, Mastercut Elec. Lawn Mower, Yard Tools, Sunbeam Mower, Metal Rack and T-Bars **MISC:** Encyclopedias, Metal Shelf, Exercise Bike, UT Cart, Card Table w/Chairs, Humidifier, Legal Size 4-Drawer Filing Cabinet, 8-Track Tapes, Statue of Pig, Samsonite Luggage, Cabinet, Folding Table, Guitar, Metal TV Trays, Ice Chest, Flower Pots, Metal Cabinet, Set of Electric Lighting Books

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE

All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or an intention, to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18."

This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination, call HUD toll-free at 1-800-669-9777. The toll-free telephone number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.



PUBLIC NOTICE

TO: ESTRACA, ERENIO (EDDIE) R., 3699 N 175, LOT 192, WARSAW, IN. 46582. You are required to appear and answer the Plaintiff's suit at or before 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next after the expiration of ten days from the date of service hereof, before the Justice's Court LAMB COUNTY, State of Texas, to be held in my office shown below within said County and State. Said suit was filed on 09-16-2004 and behind No. 2004-00166 on the docket of said county. The names of all parties to the said suit are: PLAINTIFF, P.O. BOX 60, SUDAN, TX 79371. DEFENDANT, ESTRACA, ERENIO (EDDIE) R., 3699 N 175, LOT 192, WARSAW, IN. 46582. The nature of Plaintiff's demand being in substance as follows: Plaintiff seeks the amount due on account of \$4,806.34 plus court costs of \$82.00 and certified mail of \$4.42 and attorney fee of \$500.00 and S.O. fee of \$65.00 and mileage fee of \$15.27 for a total of \$5,473.03 and such other relief to which plaintiff may be entitled. The Plaintiff is represented by the following:

known and who, by me duly sworn, made the following statements and swore that they were true:

"My name is Bruce L. Harlan. I am of sound mind and capable of making this affidavit. I am personally acquainted with the facts herein stated. "I am the Plaintiff's attorney in the above-entitled and numbered cause. "The residence of Defendant Eddie Estraca, is unknown to me and the Plaintiff. I have exercised due diligence to locate the whereabouts of Eddie Estraca and have been unable to do so. "The last known address was submitted to a private process server and the Defendant could not be located there. A "Skip-trace" service was hired to locate the Defendant, and they were unable to do so."

Signed on August 23, 2005, by Bruce L. Harlan, Attorney for Plaintiff. SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME OF August 23, 2005, by Bruce L. Harlan. Signed by Jerry Yarbrough, Notary Public for the State of Texas, whose commission expires March 21, 2006. Published in the Muleshoe Journal October 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2005.

NO. 166. FIRST BANK, SUDAN BRANCH, Plaintiff, VS. EDDIE ESTRACA, Defendant. IN THE JUSTICE COURT, PRECINCT NO. 4, LAMB COUNTY, TEXAS. AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF SUBSTITUTED SERVICE BY PUBLICATION BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Bruce L. Harlan, to me well

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Board of the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation, or an authorized representative of such Board, on Monday, November 14, 2005, at 5:00 p.m., in the offices of City Hall located at 215 S. First Street, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. The purposes of the hearing are to: (1) receive comments and hear discussion concerning the issuance in one or more series by the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation (the "Issuer") of not to exceed \$6,000,000 principal amount of industrial development revenue bonds of the Issuer; and (2) consider the approval of the issuance by the Issuer of a

maximum aggregate face amount of \$6,000,000 of its revenue bonds (John Lyle Visser and Grace Jean Visser Revocable Family Trust of 11/16/95 Project), Series 2005 (the "Bonds"). If the Bonds are approved and issued, the proceeds thereof will be loaned by the Issuer to John Lyle Visser and Grace Jean Visser Revocable Family Trust of 11116/95, or its affiliate, assignee or nominee (the "Borrower") for the purpose of assisting the Borrower in the financing of (i) the costs of the acquisition, construction and equipping of the solid waste disposal components to the Borrower's dairy facility (the "Project") and (ii) a portion of the costs of issuing the Bonds. The Project is located at 1250 County Road DD, Muleshoe, Texas, 79347. The Project site consists of approximately 320 acres of land, is located in Parmer County, Texas, and is located outside the city limits of Muleshoe, Texas. The Project will be owned and operated by the Borrower. IF ISSUED, THE BONDS SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE A DEBT OR PLEDGE OF THE FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE TAXING POWER OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, THE COUNTY OF BAILEY, THE COUNTY OF PARMER, THE CITY OF MULESHOE, THE ISSUER OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

All interested persons, affected taxpayers, property owners and citizens are invited to attend this public hearing and, either personally or through their representatives, will be given an opportunity to express their views concerning the proposed project and the issuance of the proposed bonds. Anyone desiring to make written comments may submit them to the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation, 215 S. First Street, Muleshoe, Texas 79347, Attn: Mrs. Janet Claborn, prior to the hearing. Comments made at the hearing are for the consideration of the Board of the Issuer and will not bind the Board of the Issuer to any action it may take. This notice is given pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MULESHOE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Published in the Muleshoe Journal October 20, 2005.

2006 ELECTION AND REFERENDUM: Voting Region Two

Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB) will be conducting a referendum on the assessment of corn silage during the 2006 Biennial Election. Eligible voters will decide if an assessment of .037 cents per ton of silage, which is produced and sold in Texas, would be collected and submitted to the Texas Corn Producers Board. (This is based on .005 cents per bushel dry corn kernels with the factor for corn silage being equal to 7.94 bushels of dry corn kernels per ton of silage. This amount is based on factors that can be used by the Farm Service Agency when production has not been proven on a farm.)

According to the Texas Commodity Referendum Law, Texas Agriculture Code, Title 3, Chapter 41, Subchapter A, Section 41.034, a person is eligible to vote in the referendum if he or she is or, for at least one production period preceding the date of the referendum, has been a producer of the commodity whose production occurs within the area described in the petition. This includes owners of farms and their tenants or sharecroppers, in which, this person would be required under the referendum to pay the assessment.

The purpose of our 2006 biennial election, which concentrates on four of its five regions, is to elect five new TCPB board members whose current members' seats have expired. There are a total of fifteen TCPB voting board members. These elections will be conducted in 227 Texas counties while the referendum on corn silage will be held in all counties statewide. This referendum does not alter the assessment currently in place for dry corn kernels in Texas. Both proceedings are held pursuant to the Texas Commodity Referendum Law, Texas Agriculture Code, Title 3, Chapter 41, Subchapter A, Section 41.032.

In reference to the 2006 election, Voting Region Two consists of Andrews, Archer, Armstrong, Bailey, Baylor, Borden, Briscoe, Castro, Callahan, Childress, Clay, Cochran, Collingsworth, Cottle, Crosby, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Eastland, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Gaines, Garza, Hale, Hall, Hardeman, Haskell, Hockley, Howard, Jack, Jones, Kent, King, Knox, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Martin, Mitchell, Motley, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Parmer, Randall, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Swisher, Taylor, Terry, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger, Yoakum and Young counties, and there is One Seat open for election of TCPB board members in Voting Region Two.

A person is eligible to vote in the board election if he or she is, or for at least one production period during the three years preceding the date of the board election has been a producer of, or caused to be produced, corn for commercial purposes. This includes owners of farms and their tenants or sharecroppers, if the person would be required to pay the assessment. For a producer to vote in this voting region and for this TCPB seat, such producer must reside within the counties stated above.

Any eligible voter-producer as defined above may place his or her name in nomination to serve as a director on the TCPB. Nomination applications must be submitted to TCPB signed by the applicant and ten other eligible voters.

Nomination forms will be available in all 227 counties where elections are to be held or can be obtained by writing TCPB, 4205 North I-27, Lubbock, Texas 79403. Please state your county of residence if you request a nomination form in writing. Nomination forms will be available November 15, 2005 and must be postmarked no later than December 16, 2005.

The election in four voting regions will be held by mail ballot along with the referendum question on the assessment of corn silage. Producers from all five regions are eligible to vote on this referendum of corn silage, which will be held statewide by mail ballot. As for the election, ballots containing the nominations of all persons who have validly filed petitions under Section 41.025 of the above stated code will be available December 31, 2005. Ballots will be available at grain elevators in each of the appropriate voting regions, county agent offices in each of the 227 counties where elections are to occur, or by writing TCPB at the address stated above. For a ballot to be counted, such ballot must be postmarked no later than January 16, 2006. A voter must reside within a county contained within the voting region that the voter is casting his or her vote, and a voter must meet the definition set forth above a qualified voter. Voters may also vote for board members by "writing in" the name of any eligible persons.

Texas Corn Producers Board is certified under Section 41.011 and Section 41.012 of the Texas Commodity Referendum Law to conduct this election and has obtained all approvals and determinations required by law from the Commissioner of Agriculture, Texas Department of Agriculture.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Lubbock
Contract 0052-01-037 for SEAL COAT in PARMER County, etc will be opened on November 02, 2005 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.
NPO: 18107

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office(s)

Lubbock District
District Engineer
135 Slaton
Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771
Phone: 806-745-4411

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 0-411-1005
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MULESHOE, TEXAS, RELATING TO THE CREATION OF A MUNICIPAL COURT BUILDING SECURITY FUND; CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.
The above and foregoing Ordinance was duly PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council on the 17th day of October, 2005. Signed by Cliff Black, Mayor, City of Muleshoe, Texas. ATTEST: LeAnn Gallman, City

PUBLIC NOTICE

Secretary. Published in the Muleshoe Journal October 20, 2005

Texico Schools are accepting bids on the purchase and removal of a three bedroom, one bath house. Contact Glen (505) 760-3475 for information and bid forms. Bids accepted until Tuesday, November 8, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. (MT). Published in the Muleshoe Journal October 20, 2005.

CLASSIFIEDS WORK! CALL DELIA AT 272-4536 TO PLACE AN AD TODAY!

REAL ESTATE

- 2BR/1 Bath with patio, sunroom, 508 Furneaux, Sudan. House in excellent condition. Steel siding & 'new' windows. Central A/C, located on corner lot one block from school. Buy and move in!
- 3BR/2-1/2 BA/2 CAR GAR - Brick home, 604 4th St., Earth, TX. Well kept home boasting great floor plan w/ roomy kitchen, cozy den, workshop and cement storm cellar. Only 1 block from pool.
- 3BR/2-1/2 BA/2 CAR GAR - Brick home, approx. 1920' sq.ft. living area, located 1 block from school in Sudan on Hwy. 303. Well kept home, awesome kitchen and nice neighborhood. PRICE REDUCED!!!
- 3BR/2 BA/2 CAR Garage - 610 Wilson, Sudan. Brick home on corner lot, located 2 blocks from Sudan schools. Sprinkler system, hardwood flooring, recently remodeled bathroom, building in back, perfect for workshop or a home business. Owner is Texas Realtor.

Lutrick REAL ESTATE
Monty Edwards, Realtor Associate
806-786-5426 or 806-687-7355

REAL ESTATE

- Irrigated farms - Plains, Earth, Brownfield, Levelland, Halfway and Morton.
 - Amherst - 5/2/2 on 2 acres, \$61,000.
 - Amherst - 3/1 on 1.3 acres, \$30,000.
- MAKE OFFERS!
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HAVE BUYERS! NEED HOME AND LAND LISTINGS!!

RICHLAND HILLS - PARKRIDGE AREA
• VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, fans, fenced yd., auto. spkfr., 2 stor. bldgs.!! MORE!! \$79,500!!

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

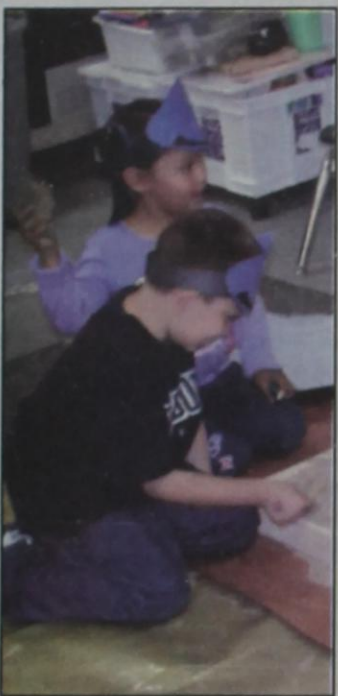
LENAP - COUNTRY CLUB AREA
• 2-1-2 Carport Home, floor turn, heat, win. evap. air, stor. bldg., fenced yd. MORE!! \$33.5K !! L-1
• 3-2-1 Home, floor & wall furn, heat, win. air, built-ins, FP, fans, 1424' lv. area, cov. patio, fenced yd.!! \$49.5K!! L-2
• 3-2-2 carport. Cent. A&H, DW, wdburn stove, 2156' lv. area, enclosed patio!! \$39.5K!! L-3

HIGH SCHOOL AREA
• 2-2 Bdrm., 1 bath units & 1-1 Bdrm., 1 bath unit, Cent. Elec. Heat Pumps, appliances, furniture, fenced!! GOOD RENTAL PROPERTY!! \$85K!!

COMMERCIAL
• 413' Frontage on S. Hwy. 214, 24' x 50' shop, 24' x 30' office, chainlink fence!! \$21K!!
• VERY NICE 2300' bldg., cent. A&H, 175' frontage on Hwy. 84 & 7th, w/ 2nd floor, great view, fenced!! REDUCED \$72.5K!!

• 4.2 acre tract at edge of town, 40' x 60' metal insulated bldg., 2 other sheeliron bldgs., chainlink fenced area, numerous uses!! \$59K!!

• Approx. 40' x 90' Metal Bldg. on 50' x 140' lot!! \$19,500!! RURAL
• NICE 3-2-2 Brick home on Hwy. 214, 1.14 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fans, stor. bldg., horse pen. MORE!! \$79.5K!!
• EARTH - Nice 3/2/2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, workshop/office, stor. bldg., fenced yd., MORE!! \$45K!!
• 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, & corrals!! MORE!! \$339K!!
• VERY NICE 3-2-5-2 Home on 3.67 acre, 1271 Hwy. 214 S., cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fenced yd., nicely landscaped, 2900+ lv. area, 680' +additional area stor., gazebo, barns, MORE!! \$129K!!
• 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!!
• 4Bdrm, 2 bath on 8.7 acres at edge of town; Cent A&H, DW, well, fenced, shed/pens!! \$39,500K!!
• 4-3-3 carport Home on 55.88 acre tract, edge of town, built-ins, FP, shop, barns, pens, 4" irr. well, undgrd. line. MORE!! \$120,000!!



Kidsville 2005

Kindergarten students at Muleshoe's Dillman Elementary learn about life in a community during their recent trip to Kidsville.

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building to be used in the program.

In other business, the city council:

- Approved Brunson's recommendation suspending an Atmos Energy proposal to implement its "Interim Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program Rate Adjustment." During the discussion prior to the vote, the city manager referred to a list of items Atmos plans to fund through the purchase and said, "Some don't fit my definition of infrastructure."

In the written report Brunson submitted to the council, he noted that Atmos had agreed to allow the municipalities affected by the suspension unlimited time for review, but later "persuaded the legislature... to change the statute to allow only 45 days."

The city manager also suggested the city may wish to join a coalition forming to oppose the company's surcharge request.

- Approved minutes from the Sept. 12 budget hearing; the Sept. 12 council meeting; and the Oct. 6 joint meeting with the MEDC.

- Approved the reappointment of Wanda

Hooten and Jose Sanchez to the MEDC. Brunson described them as an integral part of the MEDC and the success it has had.

- Approved the city's investment policy without change from previous years, and received the city's investment summary and financial statements.

- Approved a \$370.36 reimbursement to Comite Patriotico for its Sept. 16 celebration from hotel and motel tax funds at the recommendation of the city manager, who noted that the remainder of the \$802.75 requested didn't meet the requirements for reimbursement.

- Tabled action on requests from the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture and the Heritage Foundation for funds from the hotel and motel tax fund at Brunson's suggestion. The city manager said he planned to meet with representatives from both groups and negotiate a set amount of financial assistance they could expect from the city annually. Councilman Mark Beard abstained from voting on the issue because he sits on the chambers board of directors.

- Approved city ordinance

no. 0-411-1005, which creates a municipal court building security fund, which Brunson explained can be used to place security cameras in the municipal court or employ a municipal court bailiff. Funds to pay for the security measure will come from an additional \$3 fee attached to misdemeanor convictions.

- Noted that Mayor Black as been elected as the second vice president of the Texas Municipal League's Region III.

- Congratulated Sgt. Bennie Parker of the Muleshoe Police Department for his selection as the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture's September Employee of the Month.

- Informed the council that John Espinoza has been hired as a patrol officer, taking the place of Patrick Keele who resigned to take a position with the Bailey County Sheriff's Department.

"Celebrate the Lord of the Harvest"

Sunday, October 30
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church Activity Center
219 W. Avenue B



Children of all ages (ages 2 to 102!) are invited to join in the **Fun, Food, Festivities and Fellowship** at the *Harvestfest*.




New officer in town

Muleshoe's Judge Deb Stone, pictured above on the left, swears in recently-hired Police Officer John Espinoza at city hall Tuesday, Oct. 18.

County Answers

Questions and answers selected for "County Questions" are from *Tales and Trails of Bailey County, 1918-1988*.


- Page 6 — The bones of a mammoth.
- Page 10 — The Walter Damron home.
- Page 13 — 1986.

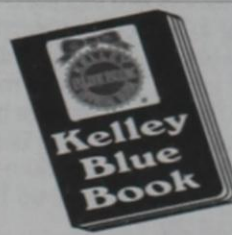


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