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When there's a need...

When there's a need, the members of the Muleshoe Volunteer Fire Department are quick to respond. Pictured above, members of the fire department answer a call to a residential fire at 18th and W. American Blvd. on the evening of Wednesday, July 12.

School board named as region's best

Efforts by the Muleshoe Independent School District's Board of Trustees to build a better school district has paid off in an unexpected arena. At Monday's regular board meeting, Superintendent Gene Sheets announced the MISD board has been honored as the "Outstanding School Board of Region 17." Muleshoe's award, which is for Division 1 districts with more than 1,000 students, recognizes the school board as being at the top of the 58 school districts in Region 17.

"I'm proud of the school

board," Sheets said. "It's very deserving for the way they work together," he added. The superintendent described the board members as being "dedicated and diligent," noting how hard its members work to improve the district as a whole, and how much the students mean to them.

As winners of the Region 17 competition, Muleshoe's board will be considered for the position as one of five "Honor Boards" in the State of Texas. The members of the honor boards will travel to Austin, where each individual member will be interviewed and the top school board from the entire Lone Star State will be selected.

In other business Monday, the school board:

- Selected Davis Geomatics of Amarillo as the surveying firm needed for work on the school district's building projects.

According to Sheets, three surveying firms were considered for selection.

As with architects and engineers in Texas, negotiations with a surveying firm over the related fees cannot take place until after the selection process.

The superintendent expects the surveyors to be onsite in Muleshoe in less than three weeks, and are expected to complete the work at Dillman Elementary prior to gathering the information for the others campuses.

The other surveying firms considered were Hugo Reed and Associates, Inc., of Lubbock, and Wilson Surveying company, Inc., also of Lubbock.

The superintendent also reported that information concerning the school district's eligibility for state funds to assist with the construction projects

approved by voters in May has been delayed, and it was hoped the information would be available by Aug. 15.

- Approved the resignations of Randy Stuart and Michelle Strawn, and the hiring of Myndi Heathington and Amy King.

- Approved the minutes from the June 12 and June 29 meetings.

Muleshoe housing study shows the city's need

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The City of Muleshoe needs additional housing to continue growing.

Such is the find of a housing market study recently completed for the city by Isper & Associates of Ft. Worth.

According to the study — which took into consideration a broad number of factors including population declines and growth in both Muleshoe and Bailey County; varying income levels; and the availability of both multi-family and single-family housing in the area — the City of Muleshoe is "one of the most progressive communities in the region."

Even though the county and city populations fell in the previous two decades, a decrease in the number of available housing units — whether apartments or other types of multi-family units, and single-family units, both rental and owner-occupant units, has apparently offset much of the initial population loss as

related to housing.

Between 1990 and 2000, there was a decrease of about 91 units within Muleshoe and about 326 total units in Bailey County. With the slow increase in



According to Brunson, the decision to have the study done resulted from the USDA's participation in the construction of migrant housing in Muleshoe a couple of years ago.

The city's initial study showed that additional farm housing wasn't needed, but showed that Muleshoe had a strong need for medium income housing.

With that in mind, city officials began to look around to see what could be done to encourage development.

Brunson explained that the city has grown about as far as it can to the south, and that development toward the east was most likely, in the area of the city's old airport. This is the reason the future extension of utility lines into that area was added to the city's long-term plans.

Brunson said the city needed to look at developing a master plan to guide construction in that area.

population due to the economic growth in the area, the lower unit availability has an even greater impact on housing figures.

"The study reaffirms what we believed," City Manager David Brunson said, indicating the study was also a tool developers who were looking at building in the area could use to gather the financial support needed for such a project.

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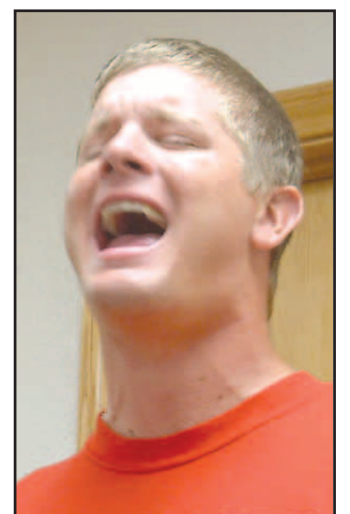
Push America: Journey of Hope

Push America's Journey of Hope made its annual stop at Muleshoe Tuesday, guests of the Jennyslippers.

The organization, composed of Pi Kappa Phi college students from campuses across the nation, has been making an annual bicycle trek for about 20 years, in support of people with disabilities.

The City of Muleshoe has become a welcome and noted stop for the southern-most of the three Push America teams because of the steak dinner the local civic group prepares for them with donations from several local businesses.

This year's gathering was an especially enjoyable event, as the college students shared their many talents during a light-hearted jam session featuring a variety of music and song.





AA meeting

Those looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA and Al-Anon meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Friday at the First United Methodist Church, at 507 W. 2nd. Please use the west side entrance. For information about these meetings call 806-965-2870.

Alzheimers Support Group

Alzheimers disease is the fourth leading cause of death in adults after heart disease, cancer, and stroke. Alzheimers disease is the most common form of dementia — a brain disorder that seriously affects a person's ability to carry out daily activities. Scientists think that as many as 4.5 million Americans suffer from AD.

Most primary caregivers for the Alzheimers disease patient are family members. Many other people also participate in the care of those with AD. Friends, neighbors, work colleagues, and faith community members often help to care for the person with Alzheimers disease. Research has shown that caregivers are often at an increased risk for depression and illness, especially if they do not receive adequate support.

Bailey County Aging Services and Texas Cooperative Extension, Bailey County, are in the planning stages of forming a support group for those affected by this devastating disease.

The first meeting will be July 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Bailey Co. Coliseum. For more information contact Debbie Crabtree, Bailey County Aging Services, 272-3647, or Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent • Family and Consumer Sciences agent, 272-4583.

Compassionate care needed

Compassionate Care of Muleshoe, a non-profit organization formed to assist pregnant women faced with tough decisions, plans to hold a "Fun Day in the Sun" fund raising event in the Muleshoe City Park on Saturday, Aug. 12, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Toward that goal, donations are being sought to finance the event. For additional information or to make a donation contact Bernadette Bradley at 272-4524 or 272-3702. All proceeds received from the Aug. 12 event will go to Compassionate Care's Pregnancy Center building fund.

Plant clinic

The Bailey County Extension Office is sponsoring a Home Horticulture Plant Clinic on Friday, July 28, at 9:30 a.m. Dr. Harold Kaufinan, a plant pathologist from Lubbock, will conduct the clinic. Call Curtis Preston at the extension office at 806-272-4583 to make an appointment and Dr. Kaufman and Preston will come to your home or business and discuss your horticulture problems or needs.

Strayhorn reports gains in state and local sales tax revenue

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn recently said the state received \$1.49 billion in sales tax revenue in June, up 15.6 percent compared to June 2005.

Strayhorn delivered \$412.4 million in July sales tax allocations to cities, counties and other local taxing entities, up 19.7 percent compared to last July. So far this calendar year, sales tax allocations to local governments are running 15.9 percent higher than last year.

"The strong Texas economy continues to generate double-digit gains in sales tax for the state and many local governments," Strayhorn said.

Comptroller Strayhorn sent July sales tax allocations of \$277.6 million to Texas cities, up 19.3 percent compared to July 2005. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax allocations are up 15.1 percent compared to the same period last year. Texas counties received sales tax payments of \$25.5 million, up 23.3 percent compared to last July. Calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations are 17.2 percent higher than last year.

The 110 special purpose taxing districts around the state received July sales tax allocations totaling \$12.3 million, up 24.8 percent compared to last July. Ten local transit systems received \$96.9 million in sales tax allocations, up 19.4 percent compared to a year ago.

June state sales tax collections and July sales tax allocations to local governments mostly represent sales that occurred in May.

City tax rate is going down

"The tax rate is going down. Because of the increased tax base, we're going to generate more revenue at a lower rate," Muleshoe City Manager David Brunson said Monday.

Brunson's comment was in response to a story that appeared in the July 13 issue of the Journal which incorrectly referred to a "tax rate increase" instead of a "tax revenue increase."

The city's tax base has increased by slightly under 14 percent.

The city's current tax rate is .6868, and the FY 2006-07 effective tax rate is .6171.

At the city council's July

10 meeting, the council followed the city manager's recommendation concerning a seven percent tax increase, which will place the tax rate at .6602, slightly more than a two cent decrease from last year's rate.

This is expected to generate about \$60,900 in additional revenues for the city.

If the proposed tax rate goes into effect, Muleshoe property owners should reduce their taxes on a \$100,000 home by \$26.50.

Public hearings concerning the proposed tax rate have been scheduled for July 31 and Aug. 14, at 5:30 p.m.

Summer band rehearsals set

The 2006 marching season for the Muleshoe High School's Mighty M Band is just around the corner.

Head band director Brad Walker reminds all returning MHS band students and incoming freshmen that rehearsals begin on Aug. 1, at 9 a.m.

These rehearsals are required for all students who plan to be in the band this year whether they are pre-registered for band or not.

All football players who will also be in the band are reminded that football practice does not start until Aug. 7, so there will be no schedule conflicts in the first week of summer band.

"We will be rehearsing all day with an hour break for lunch at noon," said Walker.

He further added, "We'll also have night rehearsals from 7-9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The band needs to learn a great deal of new music and a completely new marching show this year."

"We simply will not have enough time after school starts on Aug. 15 to get to all of it," Walker said. "We also must start learning our halftime show which is entitled 'Kartunemania'."

Students should bring their lunch with them or make other meal arrangements such as eating out or going home for the noon meal.

The band will be marching outside so it's important to wear comfortable shoes and cool clothing.

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Editorial

Cotton... not kids

A couple of weeks ago, this city, county and country celebrated the anniversary of its independence from Great Britain.

Calling for freedom for all, our forefathers took up arms and severed the colony's ties with England. However, not everyone gained their freedom for slavery existed in what would become the United States and would continue for the several decades that followed.

While many look to Abraham Lincoln as the great emancipator, and point to his Emancipation Proclamation as the tool by which it was done, the truth is that this wartime document only freed the slaves in the southern states that were in rebellion. A similar tactic was used in the Revolutionary War by the British. Lord Dunmore issued his proclamation freeing any slave in the colonies who wished to join the British army.

Granted, in January 1865, Congress passed the 13th Amendment, abolishing slavery, however, this act in itself did little to prevent the subjugation of people within the United States. Case in point, the treatment of minorities and especially Native Americans within this nation.

And now, groups that have battled for the rights of the individual for decades have turned their back on this country's latest form of slavery.

At what age should slavery be allowed? Is it right to hold an individual in bondage until the person is old enough to read or voice dissatisfaction with his or her condition in life?

One of the early cries for freedom in the colonies was "no taxation without representation," and yet the smallest individuals in our society are currently being targeted by many in the scientific community for experimentation and death because they have yet to develop the capacity to cry out for help.

No matter what they say... no matter what they claim, the use of society's youngest... unborn citizens for the purpose of providing a crop of stem cells is simply slavery.

Would it be right for the courts to allow a person who is incapable of reading to be placed into slavery? Would it be right for a person of diminished mental capacity to be chained and sent to the work farms just because he or she can't articulate a complaint? Would it be right for the body parts of a child... an infant... to be harvested like a boll of cotton?

Of course it wouldn't. But when such activities start, where do you draw the line? The Bible tells us that a human being is a human being from the moment of conception. Our kids are not crops and shouldn't be treated as such.

We continue to applaud President George W. Bush for his opposition to plans by some in the medical community to harvest children.

Dont' be listed among those who are not 'children of God'

In the Bible, it talks about a group who were the descendents of Israel's pioneers. This group claimed to be the Sons of Abraham — descendants of Israel, bound by a covenant with God. However, Jesus recognized them to be of a much lower calling.

As the eighth chapter of John tells us, these Pharisees were not the children of God. They did their best to follow Mosaic law, but their efforts weren't any more successful than ours would be in the same situation. They may have been among God's chosen

Lamplight By Larry Thornton

people, but they weren't God's children.

John 1:10-11, NIV, says, "He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him."

They were blind to the power from which Christ's miracles arose.

The Bible goes on to tell us these Pharisees were "of the devil." All their years of studying God's holy word should have prepared these Pharisees for their encounter with the Messiah. Instead, they allowed the devil to twist their understanding into a tool he could use to his own ends. Pharisees were divided

overcome your desire to follow God's word, you will not sin.

The Bible tells us how these Pharisees followed and how they lacked what it took to be children of God.

Like many people whose walk with God is just on the outside and doesn't involve an inward relationship with the Lord Almighty, they didn't belong to God.

If you are such a person, than I urge you to set things right with God today.


Housing study...

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"We want the property developed where it will benefit the city," Brunson said, and said the city probably would need to look at adopting zoning and subdivision ordinances toward that end.

The housing study suggests a substantial demand exists for both apartment and single-family housing units, both rental and owner-occupied units, in Muleshoe and surrounding parts of Bailey County.

"A realistic demand for rental housing in Muleshoe is to develop a first phase multi-family unit of up to 60 units," the market study says.

It also suggests a need for about 30 owner-occupant units in the \$80-125,000 range.



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Letter to the Editor

Van effort reaches halfway point

To the editor:
Love is more than a feeling; it is an action.

In recent weeks, the citizens of our community have demonstrated a specific act of love by responding to the campaign to raise funds for a van for the residents of Park View Health Care Center.

We have reached the halfway point of the target date, Sept. 1, to have the total amount necessary to purchase this van.

As of July 17, the fund has accumulated \$25,568 toward the goal of \$40-\$45,000.

Love gives of its resources, and many of you have done just that. Every donation, whether small or large, is helping to reach this goal, and we appreciate the

response of each individual, business, church, and organization.

We are blessed to live in a loving, caring community. If we continue to work together, we believe our residents and those who assist them will have a safe, comfortable van for doctors' visits and "fun" excursions around town.

We ask you to consider the need and respond as generously as possible during the next few weeks. Donations can be taken to First Bank of Muleshoe, Muleshoe State Bank, or Park View.

Those who contribute to this project will be acknowledged in the newspaper at the end of the campaign.

Park View Van Committee

State milk production is up

Texas milk production totaled 606 million pounds during June, up 10 percent from last year's production of 550 million pounds.

May 2006 production totaled 650 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during June averaged 333,000 head, up 13,000 head from last year and up 3,000 from the May 2006 number.

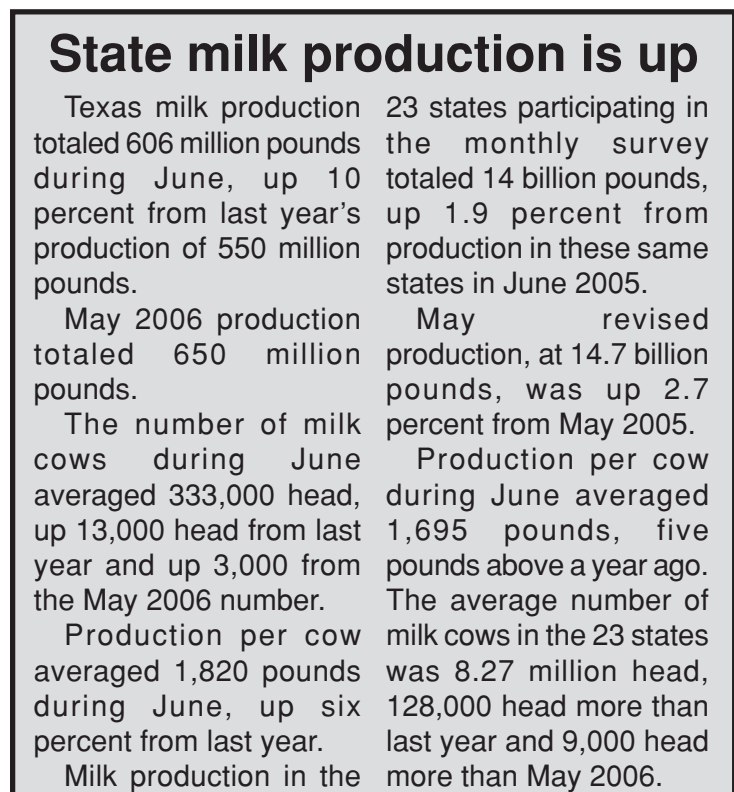
Production per cow averaged 1,820 pounds during June, up six percent from last year.

Milk production in the

23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 14 billion pounds, up 1.9 percent from production in these same states in June 2005.




May revised production, at 14.7 billion pounds, was up 2.7 percent from May 2005.

Production per cow during June averaged 1,695 pounds, five pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.27 million head, 128,000 head more than last year and 9,000 head more than May 2006.



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Obituaries

Eula Hennington

A graveside service for Eula Hennington, 93, of Muleshoe, was held on Monday, July 17, at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery with Curtis Shelburne of Muleshoe officiating.

Hennington died on July 15, 2006, in Lubbock. She was born on Feb. 4, 1913, in Hollis, Okla., and married Lance Hennington in Gainesville on Feb. 4, 1930.

She was preceded in death by her husband on Dec. 17, 1983, and a daughter — Maris Jo Peters on Jan. 8, 1963.

Hennington had lived in the Muleshoe community since 1944, moving from Lazbuddie. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe and a homemaker.

Survivors include two daughters — Dorene Hudson and Nanna Bruce, both of Muleshoe; two grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Park View Nursing Home, Van Fund, 1100 W. Ave. J, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

Alicia Lira

A church service for Alicia Lira, 59, of Muleshoe was held on Wednesday, July 19, at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Muleshoe with the Rev. Fr. Leo Pahamtang of Muleshoe officiating.

Rosary was said on Tuesday, July 18. Burial followed Wednesday's church service in Sudan Cemetery.

Lira died on July 15, 2006, in Lubbock. She was born on July 16, 1946, in Taft, and married Pablo Lira in Muleshoe in 1971. He preceded her in death on Jan. 25, 1988.

Lira had lived in Muleshoe since 1972, moving from Sudan. She was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Muleshoe, and a homemaker.



ALICIA LIRA

Survivors include four sons — Israel and Ernesto Infante, both of Muleshoe, Victor Lira of Farwell and Fiedel Lira of Muleshoe; three daughters — Sonia Infante and Virginia Lira, both of Lubbock, Laura Lira of Hendersonville, N.C.; two sisters — Maria Rosas of Douglas, Wy., and Margaret Cebeloff of Lubbock; and 20 grandchildren.

Bobby Hunter

A memorial service for Bobby Ray Hunter, 78, of Morton, was held on Monday, July 17, at the First Missionary Baptist Church in Morton with the Rev. Bob Baldree of Morton officiating.

Hunter died on July 14, 2006, in the Lubbock Heart Hospital. He was born on Dec. 3, 1927, in Celeste, and married Geneva Gilbert in Cochran County on June 20, 1953.

He was preceded in death by a son — James Paul Hunter in 1968, and by one sister and two brothers. Hunter had lived in the

Morton community since 1956, moving from Lockney. He was a member of the Methodist church and was a farmer.

Survivors include his wife — Geneva Hunter of Morton, three sons — Michael Ray Hunter of Dibal, Tully Jay Hunter of Lynn Haven, Fla., and Joe Bob Hunter of Lake Geneva, Wis.; a daughter — Belinda Dae of Amarillo; a sister — Earlene Castle of Mesquite; and seven grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the First Missionary Baptist Church, 102 E. Taylor Ave., Morton, TX 79346.

A.J. Jones

A church service for A.J. Jones, 72, of Roswell, was held on Wednesday, July 19, at the Springlake Baptist Church with the Rev. Troy Grant of Roswell officiating. Burial followed in Springlake Cemetery.

Jones died on July 15, 2006, in Midland. He was born on July 13, 1934, in Hobbs, N.M., and married Claudeen Brock in Springlake on June 11, 1954.

He was preceded in death by a son — Mike Jones in 1998; a brother — Doug; and his father — Earl, in 2005.

Jones grew up in Jal, N.M. When he was 16 years of age, his family moved to Springlake, where he graduated from high school in 1954.

In 1955, he married Claudeen Brock and went to work for El Paso Natural Gas Co. Jones was a member of the Berrendo Baptist Church in Roswell.

Survivors include his wife — Claudeen Jones of

Roswell; three daughters and their spouses — Gale and Lee Brown of San Angelo, Sharon and Roy McGowen of Midland, and Karen and Richard Laverty of Perryton; his mother — Ora Lee Jones of Plainview; two sisters — Jean King of Springlake and Wanda Dyer of Weatherford; 15 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to a charity of your choice.

Plant clinic set

The Bailey County Extension Office is sponsoring a Home Horticulture Plant Clinic on Friday, July 28, at 9:30 a.m.

Dr. Harold Kaufman, a plant pathologist from Lubbock, will conduct the clinic.

Call Curtis Preston at the extension office at 806-272-4583 for more information or to schedule a visit to make an appointment to discuss your horticulture problems or needs.

Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Sorry about last week's news, must have hit the wrong button. Will try to do better.

Our July birthday party is Friday, July 21. All senior citizens with birthdays in July, please come and have lunch with us.

Just a reminder, a representative from the Covenant Home Health program is at the center each Tuesday morning from 10:30 a.m. until noon, giving free blood pressure checks. I know this is helpful to many of our seniors citizens.

The Bootscooter Band played great music and everyone had a good time at the dance last Tuesday night. Sandy will be back to play the music on Tuesday night, July 25.

Tuesday, our playday, you need to get here early. We are having more of our senior citizens joining us every Tuesday. The fellowship and fun is great.

Our bingo on Thursday begins at 1:30 p.m. Come join us for lunch and stay and play. Refreshments and prizes are furnished. The fellowship after the games is enjoyed by all.

Our thanks go to the representatives that held an informative program on July 6.

Thanks to Adult Protective Services, Texas State

Securities Board, Sheriff Richard Wills, and Social Security Administration. We appreciate the time and effort from these representatives to enlighten us on what to look for to protect ourselves from fraud and harm.

Menu for July 24-28:

Monday, July 24 — Smothered steak, green beans and potatoes, salad, wheat roll and carrot cake.

Tuesday, July 25 and Liver and onions, peas and carrots, salad, wheat roll and chocolate pudding.

Wednesday, July 26 — Chicken-fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, wheat roll and cobbler.

Thursday, July 27 — Baked ham, pinto beans, salad, onion, pickles, cornbread, fruit and cookies.

Friday, July 28 — Fried fish or chicken strips, tator tots, hush puppies, coleslaw and fruit salad.



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Traveling Down Life's Road Is an Adventure

My wife and I rolled into our driveway late last night. Some sleepy cargo rested in the seats behind us—two sons fresh off the last plane that had flown them home from Uganda, jet-lagged and weary, out cold.

If you're tired enough, you can sleep almost anywhere. But Stephan and Josh said that sleeping in a mini-van rolling down an American highway was pure joy.

In Uganda they have what passes for roads. A few with smaller vehicles. But the roads are so bad, and the trucks so mistreated, misaligned, patched up, and whomper-jawed, that it's also something for the record books if the back end of the truck follows less than a foot out of line with the front.

A breakneck speed is, say, 45-50 mph (whatever that would be in kilometers per hour), and in that setting, such a speed is utterly insane. Vehicles are indeed supposed to drive on the left, but if a stretch of the road has fewer potholes, crags, and crevices on the right, drivers think nothing of careening down the road on the "wrong" side for as long as they wish. What makes this plan particularly dicey is that the roads are so dusty that any vehicle kicks up billows of thick dust that effectively blinds the vehicles around him, including those that may be traveling fast on the wrong side of the road.

Did I mention that most of these vehicles are loaded sky high with people, produce, animals, and anything else that could possibly be stacked up?

Did I mention that often alongside the roads are scads of pedestrians walking with about as much safety-consciousness as the taxi drivers careening down the road right beside them? (Remember the smoke-screen of dust?)

Stephan & Josh grew up traveling our roads in the States, but now they find them amazing.

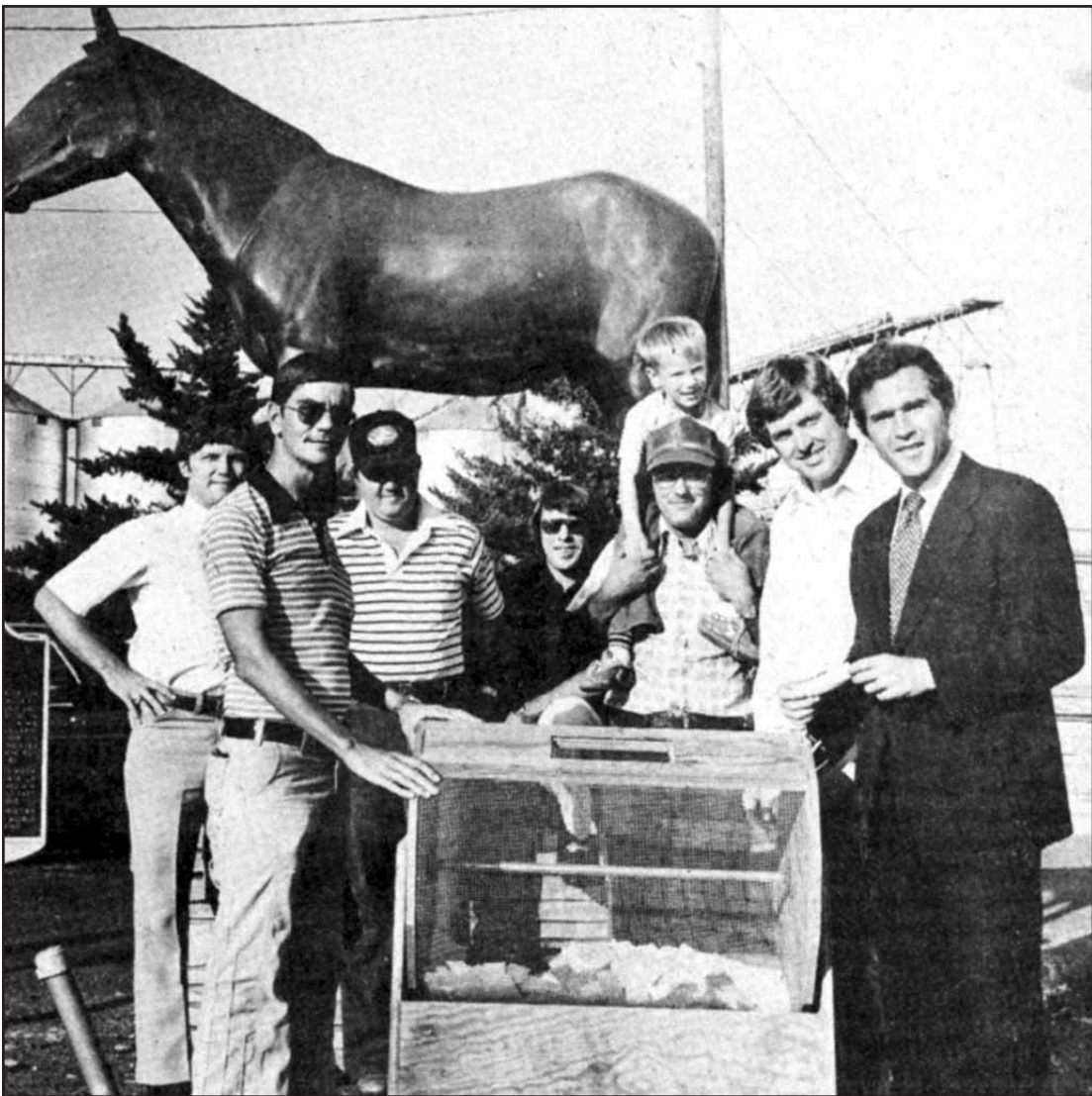
The fact is, all of the roads we travel in this fallen world hold some inherent dangers. What's important is that we travel along them hand in hand with our Lord who is the Way.

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

Have a story or photo ideas? Let us know!

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A Look Back



George "W" and Pete

The photograph above, which was originally published in the *Muleshoe Journal's* sister publication, the *Bailey County Journal*, on Sept. 24, 1978, reminds us that Pres. George W. Bush, then a candidate for the 19th congressional district, has his political roots in West Texas. In the photograph, the former congressional candidate conducts a drawing for the Muleshoe Jaycees on Tuesday, Sept. 19, 1978. Pictured along with Bush and "Pete," are Mike Childers, Hugh Young and his very young son Tadd, Bruce Woods, Don Peterson, Chuck Smith and Galen Bock. Incidentally, Rhonda Burris won the \$200 gift certificate offered in the drawing.

Jennyslipper News

The Jennyslippers met July 11 for their regular meeting.

Among the members attending were the meeting were Donna Kirk, Nancy Kidd, Joy Williams, Elaine Parker, Bobbie Harrison, Alene Bryant, Brenda Tapley, Lucy Mardis, Thursie Reid, Anna Bales, Dianne Thornton, Ellen Ladd and Nelda Merriott.

Jennyslippers president Elaine Parker called the meeting to order.

The group met at the First Assembly of God's family life center where they hosted the PUSH America group (People Understanding Severely Handicapped) on their Journey of Hope from California to Washington, D.C.

This group of bicyclists raise money for the handicapped. The Jennyslippers prepared their lunch, dinner and breakfast. They have hosted them for 17 years on their journey.

At the evening steak meal, the Rev. Jack Stone sang for the group and also opera singer Travis McGuire, youth minister at Muleshoe Church of Christ, sang a piece composed by

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Several of the PUSH group put on an impromptu talent show which brought on much laughter and then all joined in on a sing-a-long led by Stone.

It was noted that the Jennyslipper float won "Best of Show" in the July 4 parade. Workers were commended for their work in building the "battlefield hospital" and staffing it with "medics" and "wounded," following the theme "These Colors Don't Run."

When the Jennyslippers organized 25 years ago - they agreed to build a float for every parade and to take part in local events, thus supporting Muleshoe.

It was reported that NewsChannel 11 will be in Muleshoe for their Live Community Coverage Tour 2006 on July 24.

They will be located at the Heritage Center beside the Jennyslipper Mule Putt Golf Course.

The Jennyslippers voted to open Mule-Putt Golf on that day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and everyone is invited to enjoy free golfing all day for a "Summer Celebration."

Appreciation was expressed to Doug Bales for making four muleshoe

pitching boxes and bringing them to the Jennyslipper Mule-Putt golf course.

They're filled with sand and many are enjoying trying their hand at muleshoe pitching, Muleshoe's own special game.

The meeting adjourned.

Area students graduate from Oklahoma State

Two area students were among a total of 2,568 students representing 42 states and numerous countries who were awarded degrees from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater at the end of the 2006 spring session, according to the OSU Office of the Registrar.

These area students, and their degrees, were:

- Gage Gregory of Farwell High School, bachelor of science in biological science.
- Jay Kelly Seaton of Lazbuddie High School, bachelor of science in forestry.

Hospital Report

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

- July 7 — No report.
- July 8 — Donald Griswold.
- July 9 — Cynthia Crawford and Carmen D. Vega.
- July 10 — No report.
- July 11 — Frances Norton, Alicia Lira and Curtisteen Roten.
- July 12 — Gene Templeton.
- July 13 — No report.
- July 14 — No report.

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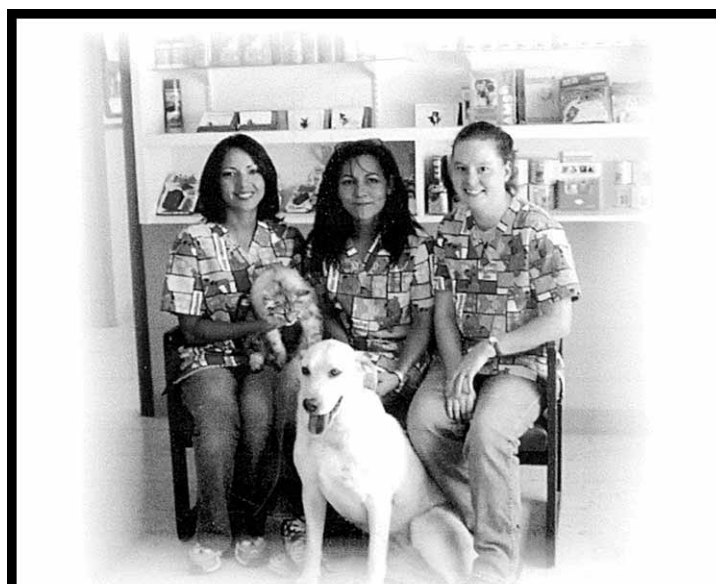
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Heritage Board Report

By Jean Allison

Heritage Foundation Board members had many exciting things to discuss at the monthly board meeting Tuesday, July 11, at the old Santa Fe Depot.

Dan Throckmorton, vice president and acting president, conducted the business meeting calling on Lonnie Adrian to give the opening prayer.

Jenne McVicker, secretary, read the minutes which were

approved. Gary Hooten, treasurer, gave a positive financial report which also was approved by the board members attending: Throckmorton, McVicker, Adrian, Hooten, Sammie Simpson, Gene Rogers, Chris Mardis, Sheila and Jo Bob Stevenson, LaVonne McKillip, Jean Allison, Student-Community Action Club member Courtney Mardis and center hostess Dolores Harvey.

During the business meeting, Hooten noted that the Figure 4 Ranch house should be added to the Heritage Center's insurance. Members approved.

Lonnie Adrian reported on the very successful Tour de Muleshoe Bike Ride held in June. More than 200 bike riders came to Muleshoe during this activity bringing family and friends, many staying overnight.

Simpson reported on decorations and repairs going on at the Figure 4 Ranch house, saying that the house is nearly completed and ready for visitors.

The board members thanked Sammie, Dan and many others who have given many hours and noted how beautiful the old house is now. The Figure 4 is being refurbished to represent the era of the house in which it was first used in south Bailey County.

Some of the furniture now being placed in the house was used there during this period. For instance, Pat Watson of Portales who grew up at the Figure 4 has donated the bedroom suit which she had in her room.

Center hostess Harvey reported that June was a very busy month at the center.

Tammy Killough and Sandra Chancey conducted an art class with pre-first and first grade students. There were 13 participating and these aspiring art students painted stepping stones for the center, as well as doing other art projects.

Harvey reported that she supervised repairs done on the windows and screens at the Janes House. Members noted that this was long overdue.

Excitement prevailed as members discussed the anticipated visit of Lubbock TV NewsChannel 11 on July 24.

Two representatives of Channel 11 were at the Heritage Center last week filming and conducting interviews. Sammie Simpson explained about the members of the Cochran and Hockley counties Texas Historical Association, which will be coming to Muleshoe and the Heritage Center on Sept. 30.

About 285 members from this group will visit and enjoy a meal at the center on this

date. Plans are now underway planning for this group under the direction of Dr. Kerry Moore, former speech teacher at Muleshoe High School.

Heritage members and the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture are cooperating planning for Mule Days to be held on Sept. 9.

The annual open membership meeting of the Heritage Foundation is being scheduled for this date also.

Sheila Stevenson has been working with chamber manager Martha Hunnicutt on the co-grant which the chamber and the Heritage Center are applying for to the Texas Historical Association.

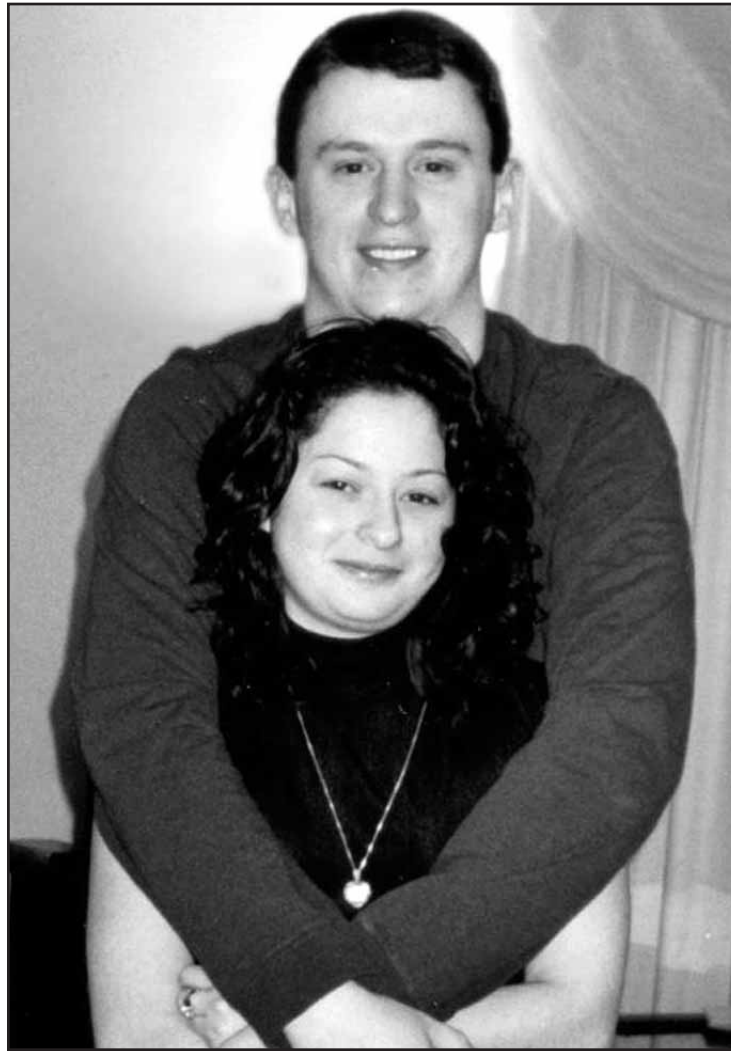
The chamber manager has gotten an extension on completing the requirements.

New brochures about the Heritage Center was one of the requirements and Stovall Printing will soon have those completed.

Dan shocked board members when he said that he and wife Millie will be moving to Durango, Colo., very soon, so the meeting Tuesday was his last as acting president. Dan and Millie have given many hours and years serving the center in many capacities.

Jo Bob Stevenson was elected to fill his position as acting president.

Engagement



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Herrera, Scoggin engaged

Alejandra Herrera of Eules and Shane Scoggin of Houston announce their engagement, and upcoming wedding.

The prospective bride is the daughter of Araceli and Esteban Reyes of Austin and the late Artaro Herrera of Cancun, Mexico.

She has an associate degree from the Dallas Institute of Art and is employed with the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center as a medical graphic art technician.

The prospective groom is

the son of Doris Scoggin of Lubbock and Kearney and Jackie Scoggin of Muleshoe.

He is a 1996 graduate of Crosbyton High School, and a 2000 graduate of Texas Tech with a bachelor of science degree in cell and molecular biology.

He is employed with Tanox, Inc., of Houston as a research associate.

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Doyle and Peggy Corder were married in Muleshoe, Texas on July 27, 1956. Doyle is the son of Kaleta Corder of Lubbock and the late Fred Corder, both formerly of Seagraves. Peggy is the daughter of Tennie McCormick and the late Leonard McCormick of Muleshoe.

Peggy is a 1954 graduate of Muleshoe High School and a 1955 graduate of Draughons Business College. Doyle is a 1954 graduate of Seagraves High School and attended West Texas State College and Howard County Junior College. The couple met at Kerrville, Texas in the Summer of 1953.

Doyle and Peggy have lived in Amarillo, Seagraves, San Angelo, Slaton, Littlefield, Levelland, Tulia, Stanton, Harper, Kansas, and Lubbock during their married life. While in San Angelo, Slaton, Littlefield, Levelland, and Tulia, Doyle worked with the Santa Fe Railroad. From 1965-1968 they served as ministers at the St. Mary's Street Church of Christ in Stanton.

In August of 1968 they moved their family to Harper, Kansas to serve as ministers at the Eastside Church of Christ. In the summer of 1972, it was time to go back to Texas. Doyle, Peggy and their family lived in Seagraves from 1972-1977. Both were employed at Seagraves Ford, and Hancock Cotton Co. Doyle Sr., David and Twila are graduates of Seagraves High School. Dean, Elven and Doyle Jr. all attended the Seagraves school systems. The couple has lived in Lubbock from May 1, 1977 to the present. Dean, Elven and Doyle Jr. all graduated from Coronado High School. While in Lubbock Peggy has worked for Brints Cotton Marketing, Texas Boys Ranch, Lubbock Christian College and currently for Marian Moss Enterprises. Doyle has worked for Brints Cotton Marketing, L. T. Kincer Co, Lov-Cot Industries, Sexton Enterprises, owned his own business and is currently retired.

Several of their children and grandchildren have attended and graduated from Lubbock Christian University and Texas Tech University.

Doyle and Peggy attend the Quaker Ave. Church of Christ in Lubbock where Doyle served as a Deacon for over 15 years. They have five children, twelve grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Their children are David Corder and wife, Pam of Pottsboro, Texas, Twila Richardson and husband, Bobby of Kerrville, Texas, Dean Corder and wife, Andrea of Fort Worth, Texas, Elven Corder and wife, Donna of Amarillo, Texas and Doyle Corder, Jr. and wife, Christy of Amarillo, Texas.

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Golden Anniversary Celebration

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REPRESENTATIVE SALES

SAT., JULY 15, 2006

705 head of cattle, 159 hogs and 749 sheep and goats for a total of 1,615 livestock sold at the July 15 sale. Market steady on all classes of cattle except packer cows which were 2-3 lower.

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Seller, City	#	Type	Wt.	CWT or PH
Jim West, Hereford	4	Hol. str	245 lbs.	at \$129.00
Ronald Coleman, Morton	3	Blk. str	310 lbs.	at \$157.00
Ronald Coleman, Morton	3	Blk. str	382 lbs.	at \$147.00
J.C. Gatewood, Muleshoe	4	Char. bulls	316 lbs.	at \$147.00
3M Cattle, Muleshoe		Blk. bull	245 lbs.	at \$182.50
3M Cattle, Muleshoe	2	Mxd. str	348 lbs.	at \$150.00
Pat Moberly, Littlefield	9	Blk. bulls	376 lbs.	at \$146.00
Steve Edwards, Earth	28	Blk. bulls	443 lbs.	at \$133.00
Steve Edwards, Earth	11	Blk. bulls	545 lbs.	at \$118.00
BT Livestock, Morton		Blk. str	605 lbs.	at \$118.00
Lexie Fennell, Springlake	2	Blk. str	645 lbs.	at \$117.00
3M Cattle, Muleshoe	9	Blk. str	670 lbs.	at \$116.00
J.C. Gatewood, Muleshoe	5	Char. hfrs	343 lbs.	at \$134.00
Ken Williams, Morton		BWF hfr	360 lbs.	at \$135.00
KP Farms, Idalou	19	BMF hfrs	404 lbs.	at \$132.00
Pat Moberly, Littlefield	3	Red hfrs	408 lbs.	at \$129.00
Steve Edwards, Earth	13	Blk. hfrs	446 lbs.	at \$124.00
Steve Edwards, Earth	12	Char. hfrs	539 lbs.	at \$115.00
Lexie Fennell, Springlake	2	Blk. hfrs	618 lbs.	at \$111.00
3M Cattle, Muleshoe	2	Blk. hfrs	650 lbs.	at \$105.00
3M Cattle, Muleshoe	3	Blk. hfrs	725 lbs.	at \$102.00
Jose Delas, Canyon		Char. hfr	725 lbs.	at \$100.00
CM Cattle, Muleshoe		RWF pair		\$900.00
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T-Top Farms, Lubbock		Red cow P		\$700.00
Don Gates, Whiteface		Blk. cow P5		\$600.00
Osterkamp Dairy, Muleshoe		Hol. cow	1385 lbs.	at \$50.50
Janie Fryar, Sundown		Char. cow	1265 lbs.	at \$49.50
Backus Cattle, Muleshoe		Char. cow	1270 lbs.	at \$49.00
Ray Ware, Lubbock		Blk. cow	1545 lbs.	at \$48.50
Joe Paul, Littlefield		Gray cow	1225 lbs.	at \$48.50
J.D. Cage, Muleshoe		Brin. cow	860 lbs.	at \$46.75
Larry Buckley, Littlefield		WF cow	1170 lbs.	at \$47.25
Jake Wall, Muleshoe		Blk. bull	1610 lbs.	at \$62.50
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- hero who may slay a dragon to save people
- their _____ are found on boats, furniture, banners
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Mule Moments

By Jessica Thornton

Cell phones... You hear them everywhere you go, whether it be the normal ringtone or some funky one they have downloaded off the internet, who knows?

I, personally, like having my cell phone and that is natural with me being a teenager. I don't know how many times I have been told to cut back on my time on my phone, because I have gone over my minutes.

I know there are a few issues involving cell phones and the use of them at school. Muleshoe is stricter on cell phone use than my old school was, that is for sure. I know for myself that talking on my phone can be cool because you don't have some time of cord connected to it and don't have to worry about getting to far from the base for cordless phones.

One thing I know about them is that they can still get me into trouble, either because I am talking on the phone when not supposed to (grounded), going over my minutes (which I have done, and again grounded), or talking to

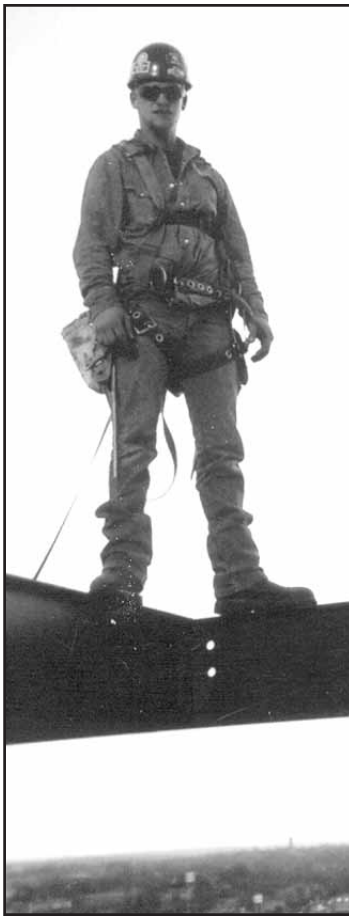
late at night like from midnight to 1 a.m. in the morning (Do I have to say grounded again?).

There are several positive things about cell phones, that I seem to like the best. Before this writing, my phone had a number that is not based here in Texas and because of that it made it easier to talk to my friends from Oklahoma and not have to worry about long-distance, but I now have to worry about it. That may be a problem with me because I like to talk so much.

I try not to take my phone for granted, but I sometimes do like when I can't use or its been taken away for some weird reason, but who knows with the kind of trouble I get into these days.

My parents have to remind me every now and then when I do get into trouble that my phone can easily be taken away and so naturally I get out of trouble, I have become to use to having a cell phone with me constantly, even at church. To make a long story short, I like my cell phone and can't live without it.

Where Are They Now?



High-climbing Cade Stevens

Pictured on the left is Cade Stevens of Round Rock, formerly of Muleshoe, the son of Blake Stevens, who is working in high rise construction in Austin.

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Engagement

Jones, Hill announce engagement

John and Becky Jones announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelsey Jones of Lazbuddie, to Clinton Hill of Portales, N.M.

The prospective bride is the granddaughter of Jim and Nona Milner, formerly of Muleshoe, and Flo Jones of Muleshoe.

She is a 2002 graduate of Lazbuddie High School, attended San Angelo University, and is currently a senior at Eastern New Mexico University with a major in family and consumer sciences.

The prospective groom is the son of Mark and Dee Hill. He graduated from Melrose High School in 2001, and is a senior at ENMU with a major in religion.

He is the youth minister at the First United Methodist



KELSEY JONES AND CLINTON HILL

The wedding has been set for Oct. 21, 2006, at Church of Muleshoe. Kingswood Methodist Church of Clovis, N.M., with a reception to follow.

Nursing Home News

Lauranette Mason visited Louise Agee Friday afternoon. Bud Streets' daughters visit him every afternoon.

The staff and residents honored Carrie Kidd with an early birthday party Monday. Hubert and Nancy Kidd and Clay and Cynthia Kidd were special guests.

G.R. Lasiter called Bingo Monday afternoon. We really appreciate Heile and Betty Ramage for furnishing the Bingo prize quarters.

Ardith Long returned home from the hospital Monday afternoon. Her daughter-in-law, Freda Long, drove her back to Park View.

Joyce Hunter visited the residents and staff on Monday.

Gladys Wilson was visited by her daughter, Marrita Thomas, and Cathy Wilson on Friday. She was visited by Stanley and Pat Wilson on Sunday and Dianne Brown on Monday.

Alma Burton donated nice fabric for the residents' use.

Sunday Morning, Travis McGuire, summer youth minister at the Muleshoe Church of Christ, gave a great and powerful performance at Park View.

Pat Watson, Pat Clark, Dolores Garrett, Beckye Conklin and Eva Nell Dale came Tuesday afternoon to

shampoo and style the ladies' hair and give a lot of TLC. Conklin baked and served refreshments following the beauty shop.

Jordon Watson and Pat Watson's granddaughter, who is here visiting, gave several manicures.

The PUSH America cyclists who are currently riding across the United States to show support for people with disabilities came by the nursing home to visit and give a puppet show for the residents on Tuesday afternoon.

Lola Crawford attended a family and old settlers' reunion in Seymore over the weekend.

Zona Gatewood came to play the piano as the residents sang along Thursday morning. The ladies made Rice Krispie treats in cooking class on Thursday afternoon.

Also Thursday, at game time, Loma and Marlin Mosley, Lela Crawford and George Williams teamed up to play 42. Angie Casto, Hattie Heathington and Cynthia Crawford played Skip-Bo.

Edna Freeman came Friday morning to play the piano. The residents suggested songs for her to play as they sang along.

Harold and Avis Carpenter entertained Friday afternoon.

As Howard played, the residents named the tunes.

Butch Vandiver called Bingo at the Bingo Bash on Saturday afternoon.

Earl Talkington spent the day in Clovis with his daughter, Melody, Saturday.

The Trinity Baptist Church came Sunday afternoon for church services and fellowship.

At this writing, Cynthia Crawford and Mr. Contreras are in the hospital. Please, remember them and their families in your prayers.

Frank Parker of the Sanitary Barbershop came Tuesday afternoon to cut several of the men's hair. Frank volunteers his time for this service.

Buster and Wanda Kittrell served coffee and donuts at the "Second Cup Café," Tuesday morning. Buster, Anna B. Lane, Loyce Killingsworth, James and Ann Sinclair and Bro. Bennie Wright directed the singspiration and devotional time Wednesday morning.

Glenda Jennings and puppets, and Jackie Scoggin directed the sing-a-long on Wednesday afternoon.

Jewel Peeler's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Peeler, and daughter, Rheata White, visited her Thursday.



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Texas senator remembers man's walk on the lunar surface

By U.S. Sen. John Cornyn
 One of man's greatest achievements occurred 37 years ago this month. On July 20, 1969, two American astronauts guided their landing craft to the moon's surface. Neil Armstrong's historic radio transmission on that first lunar visit began

simply with the words, "Houston, Tranquility Base here. The Eagle has landed."
 Since that time, America's space exploration program — not yet even 50 years old — has enjoyed astounding success. It has also experienced a handful of breathtaking tragedies.

Commentary

Through it all, our country has remained steadfastly committed to the exploration of space: an enormous expanse of unvisited territory, our final frontier. It's entirely fitting that

Texas, with its pioneering spirit and frontier traditions, helps lead our country in these endeavors. We take pride that our astronauts train in Houston at the Johnson Space Center, and that every space mission is commanded from "Space City."

A good number of U.S. astronauts have been Texas natives: Navy Capt. Alan Bean of Wheeler was the lunar module pilot on the Apollo 12 mission, man's second lunar landing. The late Navy Capt. Edgar Mitchell of Hereford walked on the moon in January, 1971, on the Apollo 14 mission. Kenneth Cockrell of Austin, John Blaha of San Antonio and Robert Crippen of Beaumont each completed five shuttle missions. Dr. Bernard Harris of San Antonio, Elliot See, Jr. of Dallas and David Scott of San Antonio have also made history in space.

And some of the American space program's fallen heroes were native Texans, such as the late Col. Rick Husband and the late Lt. Col. Ed White II.

Husband, an Amarillo native, was crew commander of the 2003 Space Shuttle Columbia, which exploded over his home state during re-entry into the earth's atmosphere, just 16 minutes before its scheduled landing.

White, born in San Antonio, was the first man to walk in space. He died in 1967 in the Apollo spacecraft flash-fire during a launch-pad test at Kennedy Space Center, Florida.

Exploration — surmounting any barriers to greater understanding of our

world — always involves risk. Space exploration is no exception: there will always be the potential for physical danger. We Americans owe a great debt of gratitude to those who have sacrificed their lives in these pioneering pursuits.

Space exploration is our destiny. Man is born with a natural desire to explore and solve the puzzles before him. We will eventually navigate our entire universe, and go beyond it. The only questions are when, and how.

Our National Aeronautic and Space Administration (NASA) programs are indeed expensive. But the hard science the programs produce are key to our country's engineering and technological research — work that keeps the U.S. at the leading edge of the world's technology.

Many commercial applications already have been harvested from space research. As former NASA official Michael Lembeck recently noted: "It's about far more than Teflon, Velcro and Tang."

One small example: A computer chip originally designed for the Hubble Telescope is now used in a digital imaging device that screens for cancer. The camera within can detect the difference between a malignant or a benign tumor — no invasive surgery is necessary.

Many other medical advances have been brought to us thanks to space technology, including the cochlear implant, an electronic device that can select speech signal information and send electrical pulses to the ear.

This technology can actually reverse severe hearing loss. What's more, the ultimate

commercialization may come in the form of space tourism. Last year, American Mike Melvill became the first person to reach space aboard a privately funded, winged spacecraft known as "SpaceShipOne." Melvill's space plane was developed without government funding. This achievement may well hold for the future of flight the same promise as the Wright Brothers' feat at Kitty Hawk.

In centuries to come, when space travel is commonplace and America has tapped the resources of other planets, these first years of our space program will be remembered as the most significant.

With Rep. John Culberson of Houston, I've sponsored legislation to commemorate our first 50 years in space. Our bill would direct the U.S. Mint to create a \$50 gold coin with an image of the sun, and nine \$1 silver coins, each representing a planet in our solar system. Some proceeds would assist a need-based fund for surviving family members of the NASA personnel who died while performing their official duties.

Texas once appeared to our forefathers as vast as space appears to us. Texas was founded by courageous men and women who braved the unknown — despite the hardship and danger lining their trails. So Texans have always shared a particular empathy for our pioneers and explorers.

To the seven Discovery shuttle astronauts flying above me tonight: I salute you. You are all Texans in spirit.

Our greatest discoveries are yet to come.

Sports



Academy students receive top honors

Muleshoe Sports Academy sent its top athletes to San Antonio recently for the Regional Championships for USA Gymnastics Trampoline.

The academy took seven athletes to the three day competition.

The level 10, Junior, and Senior competition were held the first day.

Among the athletes competing on this day would be AnnMarie McClelland, level 10, 11-12 year old girls, Baylee Bessire level 10, 13-14 year old girls, Adrienne Precure level 9, 11-12 year old girls, and Amanda Bailey senior elite women.

All four athletes competed against the best competition from Region 3, which includes Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Kansas and Oklahoma.

All but McClelland would win regional titles in individual trampoline. She would finish a promising fourth in a very tough division. Bessire would also add a regional title in synchronized trampoline with her partner Chelsey Hunt of Lamesa.

The next two days featured competitions for levels 5-9.

Hadlea Geissler levels 9-10 girls, Taylor Winchell

levels 7-8 girls, and Shaylee Winchell levels 6, 9-10 year old girls, competed with as many as 80 girls in their division.

Both Hadlea and Shaylee won their divisions before Taylor had the opportunity to compete. She didn't let her teammates down as she won her division by a full point.

"We all thought we could win since we had trained really hard before the competition, but to win as many as we did is amazing. We owe all of our success to Amanda for spending so much time getting us ready to be able to win," Bessire said.

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Pictured above are the 2006 Bailey County team members, from left to right: Front row — Travis Nolte, Steve Friskup, Justin Morris, Kelsi Friskup, Thurman Myers, Jim Bohler, Kody Kitchens, Colby Baldwin, Jeana Mardis and Chris Mardis; back row — Cody Altman, Clay Myers, Sid Morris, Brandon Burris, Coli Hunt and Osvaldo Salano.

Bailey County fields top team

Bailey County's roping team took top honors at the annual County Match Team Roping, at the Good Times Arena in Muleshoe.

A total of six counties participated in this year's event, with the winners receiving a trophy buckle, money and of course... the bragging rights of being the best county team ropers in the area.

Teams from Roosevelt and Curry Counties, in New Mexico, and Lamb, Castro, Parmer and Bailey Counties, in Texas took part in the roping.

Team leaders from each county put together eight headers and heelers to rope 24 steers. In all, 96 ropers showed up for the event, all hoping to be part of the winning team.

It took exactly two hours to complete the contest and proclaim Bailey County's team as the winner for the second consecutive year.

Prior to the last two year's wins, Bailey County's team had last won the match in 1989, when the annual event began. Only four teams competed that year.

After the county match, two more ropings were held which were open to all qualified ropers.

A 10-steer average had 100 teams with three teams roping all 10 steers.

The winners of the 10-steer average was Clint Spiva of Adrian and Pat Padilla of Hereford.

The "Last Man Standing," which the final roping of the day, had 112 teams competing. Dusty Leatherwood of Clovis, N.M., won the event, and received the prize money and a trophy saddle.



Pictured above are the 1989 Bailey County team members, from left to right: Front row — Justin Morris, Sid Morris, Adam Vourazeris and Jimmy Mardis; back row — Keith Vourazeris, John Street, Joey Bruton, Sandy Clayton, Gary Morris, Ruth Grinstead, Jerry Harrison, Thurman Myers, Lynn Devenport, Burl Mardis and Kent Winders. not pictured is Monty Black.



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