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Police department testing siren system



By Leah Bell
General Manager

Wednesday afternoon just got a little louder thanks to weekly siren checks being conducted by the Muleshoe Police Department.

That's the bad news. The good news is that it's being done for the safety of all Muleshoe citizens.

Lt. Otis Carpenter informed the *Journal* that, weather permitting, the siren check will occur each Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. throughout the severe weather season.

There are three sirens located across town — at Third Street and Ave. G, Roger Miller Park, and

near the 17th Street apartment complex.

"We won't test the sirens when the weather is bad, unless it's the real thing," said Carpenter. "We don't want to panic people unnecessarily."

The test siren should last only 5-10 minutes, if that long according to Carpenter.

"The emergency warning system is in place to warn citizens of tornadic activity in and around Muleshoe," said Carpenter. "In an emergency situation, we'll sound those sirens only when the threat to life and property is eminent."

The process goes something like this — the National Weather Service issues a

tornado watch or warning for Bailey County, "spotters" from the Muleshoe Police Department, sheriff's office, volunteer fire department and ambulance service will disperse around the city to watch for storm rotation and other anomalies. If rotation is confirmed, the warning sirens will be activated.

"Our main goal is to keep the citizens of Muleshoe safe," said Carpenter. "We want to ensure the sirens do their job and warn everyone."

Hospital board elections

Donaldson acquires Place 1 position;
Gatewood prevails in Place 5



Robert "Bob" Donaldson



Zona Gatewood

By Leah Bell
General Manager

Two hundred and seventy-nine people turned out to vote in the hospital board of trustees election, voting to elect Bob Donaldson to Place 1 and Zona Gatewood to replace incumbent Mike Miller in Place 5.

Donaldson's 39 beat opponent Wayne Pierson's 18 votes, garnering him over 68 percent of the vote in Place 1.

Gatewood received 141 votes, beating incumbent Miller who received 62 votes and Sean Mason who received just 19 votes.

Gatewood received 63.5 percent of the total votes cast for the Place 5 election.

MAHD Administrator Ray Mason said the next step is to canvass the votes at

today's board meeting and then get the ball rolling with the new board.

Donaldson told the *Journal*, "I hope and pray to God that I'm the board member I'm supposed to be. I can't wait to work for Muleshoe's hospital and make sure it's the best I can help make it possibly be."

He continued by encouraging everyone to attend board meetings, saying, "When you show interest, we can do a better job."

Gatewood told the *Journal* she is looking forward to working with the board and trying to find "unity between the employees, doctors, board and administration."

She "feels good" about the win and appreciates the positive response from everyone throughout the election.

Bond issue passes

By Leah Bell
General Manager

Citizens of Muleshoe moved their school system into the 21st century by passing both critical bond election propositions over the this past weekend.

About 67 percent of voters gave Proposition 1 — a Maintenance Tax as limited by the provisions of Chapter 45 of the Texas Education Code, as amended — a positive nod while about 65 percent of the voters said "OK" to Proposition 2 — the issuance of \$25,000,000 of

school building bonds and the levying of a tax in payment thereof.

There were 788 total votes cast for Proposition 1 — 527 in favor of, 261 against; and 805 total votes cast for Proposition 2 — 523 in favor and 282 against.

Both propositions had to pass for the bond issue to pass.

"We'll canvass the votes on May 22 and then the real work begins," said Superintendent Gene Sheets. "We'll apply for State assistance and then we'll have to sit back and wait for final approval."

Five million of the approved \$25 million bond could become available as soon as July 2006.

The citizen's committee, a 40-plus member committee headed by Bob Finney, worked feverishly over the past several months to educate people about the bond election and get it passed selected Dillman Elemen-

tary as the first priority, specifically the cafeteria and kitchen facilities.

Also, committee members pointed out that Pre-K students are currently being housed in portable buildings "which at some point could become a security issue," said Sheets. "And air conditioning and heating these portable buildings is costly," he added. "So this is a priority too."

School board President David Tipps was elated with the result of the election.

"This will finally move our school system into the 21st century," said Tipps. "We still have to get backing from the State, but the money is there so we should be able to go forward with this project."

"Modernizing buildings is a great step in the right direction," Tipps added.

Tipps also credits the citizen's committee for the

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Courtesy photos: Donita Behrends

Come sail away with me

Volunteers and friends of Park View Nursing Care Center came out in full force and ready to munch at the annual Volunteer Appreciation Brunch held Thursday, May 11, at the nursing home. The theme? A volunteer appreciation cruise complete with life preservers.

Volunteers were thanked for their dedication to helping make Park View a better environment for residents, families and staff. Attendees were treated to the sounds of Mr. Walker's MHS Brass Quintet and the puppet stylings of Glenda Jennings and "Billie Bob." Ray Mason acted as the guest speaker. Residents were full of hugs and smiles for all those who attended.



Local Weather

Thurs.
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Fri.
Mo. Sunny..... 91/57

Sat.
Pt. Cloudy..... 94/58

Sun.
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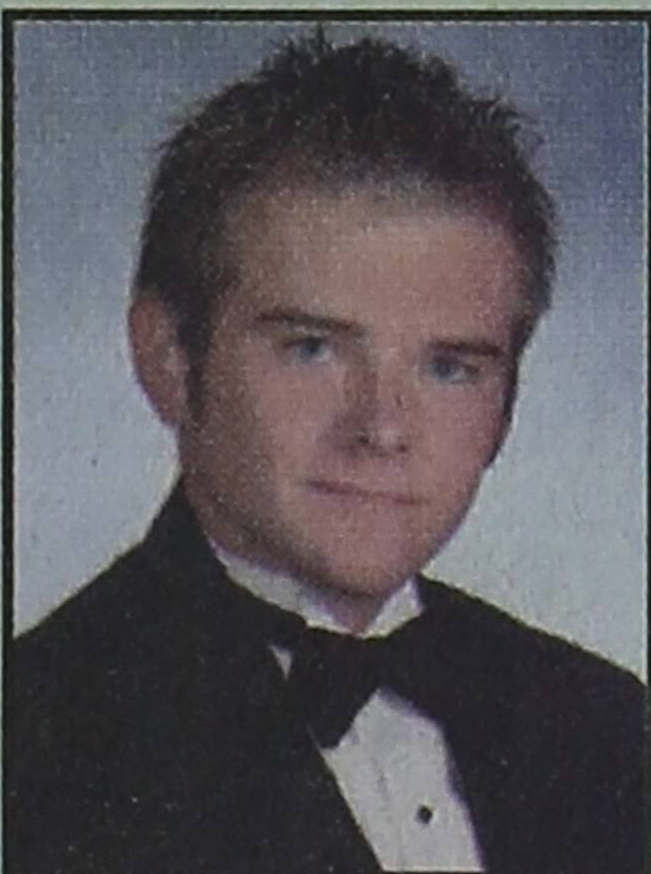
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Words to ponder from Beverly

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Springlake-Earth announces valedictorian, salutatorian



Zeth Collom
Valedictorian



Shelley York
Salutatorian

Zeth is the son of Ricky and Lorry Collom of Earth. His weighted GPA was 103.6. He will be attending San Angelo State University, with a double major in psychology and liberal/fine arts.

Shelley York is the daughter of Phillip and Diane York of Earth. Her weighted GPA was 103.5. She will be attending Texas A&M University at College Station, studying business with plans to become an accountant.

See pages 10 and 11 for all Springlake-Earth graduates' biographies. See next week's paper for both Muleshoe and Lazbuddie graduating classes.

Commissioners' Court approves buying courthouse security system

By Leah Bell
General Manager

In a special session held Monday, May 15, the Commissioners' Court approved purchasing a security system for the courthouse and approved an audit report for FY 2005.

District Judge Gordon Green addressed the Commission to ask for money to purchase a video surveillance system for the courthouse from the Courthouse Security Fund which as of April 30 has \$46,515 in assets according to County Judge Sherri Harrison.

Guardian Security Services presented a system costing \$20,128 which includes cameras for all three

courthouse floors and an outside camera for the west parking lot.

Green told the court he isn't concerned about security issues in criminal cases. Rather his real concern lies in civil cases and family law in particular.

"I have a file full of incidents from around the country which involve people in child support and custody proceedings," he said. "People need to feel safe to come to the courthouse."

He sited the lack of private space and separate rooms for parties in civil cases as the main problem.

"Without separate rooms, people are stuck looking at each other which may

casual tempers to flare occasionally," he said. "I don't always know when there is friction so I often can't settle it before it gets physical."


"Verbal confrontations and obscene gestures can quickly escalate to violence," he added.

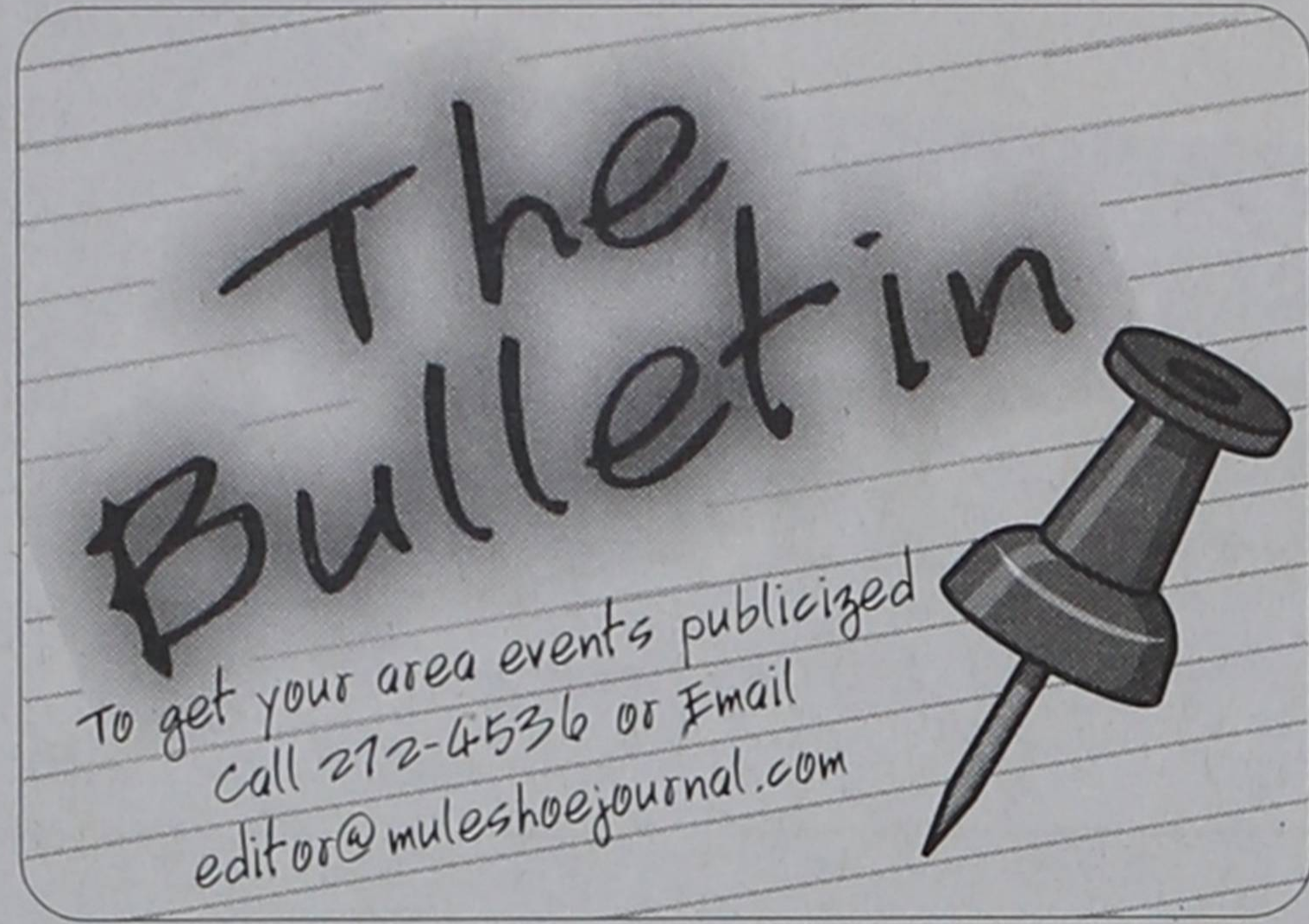
Green went on to say that court bailiffs are responsible for handling these types of situations.

"Bailiffs are sometimes unavailable because they have been rerouted to other situations outside of the courtroom," said Green.

The security system can alleviate this understaffing problem and give the bailiffs

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July 4 vendors sought

Muleshoe is once again gearing up for a huge July 4th celebration down Main Street on the Fourth. Organizers are hoping the line the entire length of Main Street with vendors this year and booth space is being rented on a first come, first serve basis.

Vendors are responsible for their own setup and are being asked to set up by 9:00 a.m. on Main Street. The big July 4th parade kicks off at 10:00 a.m. Your booth space will be marked when you arrive.

Because of our old buildings, electricity is available on a limited basis. If you need electricity, please be sure and let us know. Otherwise you will be given a booth space not equipped for electricity.

The fee is \$25 for a booth and an added \$15 for a booth with electricity. Booth space is approximately 10x10. Fees must be paid in advance to receive an assigned booth. Payment can be made in advance to: Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce, c/o Carolyn Johnson, 106 East American Blvd., Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

This is going to be a big day in Muleshoe and there will be activities going on all day on Main Street. Vendors are asked to keep booths open until 5:00 p.m. You may stay past 5:00 p.m. if you wish.

If you have any questions or would like to reserve a space, contact Carolyn Johnson at 806-272-5911. Questions may also be directed to Jim Ella Clemmons at 806-272-4726.

Local diabetes support group to meet

The Bailey County Diabetes Support Group will meet this month on Tuesday, May 23, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. in the Bailey County Coliseum Meeting Room.

This program will be "Medications: Are You Helping Them Do Their Job?" This program is free of charge to everyone interested.

The Diabetes Support Group meets the third Tuesday of each month. For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

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St. John Lutheran plans VBS

St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat will be having their annual Vacation Bible School June 5-9, 2006, from 9 a.m. to noon for ages 3-12. (Junior high and high school students are welcome to come and help with skits and crafts.)

This year's theme is "Treasure Cove - Discover the riches of Christ!"

Health fair to offer a host of medical services, advice

By Leah Bell
General Manager

Area citizens are urged to attend the Muleshoe Area Hospital District and Muleshoe Area Educational Foundation's Health Fair on Sunday, May 21, 2006, at the Bailey County Coliseum from noon to 4:00 p.m.

The event is a fund-raiser for the South Plains College Muleshoe Center School of Nursing.

All money received from private donations and tickets purchased for a chance to win a John Deere Gator and other prizes on this day will help fund the renovation of the old home health building and the purchase of all equipment needed to get the school of nursing ready to open its doors by January 2007.

Gator tickets are \$5 each and are currently being sold around town at: Five Area Telephone, Muleshoe State Bank, First Bank, City Hall, Muleshoe Area Medical Center, Carolyn's Christmas Creations, Ray Lee's John Deere Equipment, Fry and Cox, Leal's Restaurant, offices at all schools, Muleshoe Area Educational Foundation Board (contact Barbara Finney), and South Plains College Advisory Board.

The health fair promises something for everyone — from food and drinks to door prizes and educational booths.

Scheduled to have a booth at the fair are: American Heart Assn., American Diabetes Assn., United Blood Services who will be conducting a blood

drive, Bailey County EMS, Drs. Jobey Claborn, Bruce Purdy and Kyle Sheets, Harrington Cancer Center, Boehning Dairy, DairyMAX, SouthWest Dairy Farmers, American Cancer Society, Tech-Niques Massage, Muleshoe Boy Scouts, Aerocare, South Plains College with enrollment information, MAMC Outpatient Clinic, Oneita Wagnon Sr. Center, Legacy of Love Hospice, Muleshoe Girl Scouts, Muleshoe Fire Department, Muleshoe Police Department, MAMC Pharmacy, Extreme Fitness, Support Medical Equipment, Arbon Products - Monica Swint

A closing program, amusement fun and barbecue will be held on Sunday, June 11, at 5:30 p.m.

If you would like to attend but need transportation or you would like more information about the event, contact St. John Lutheran Church at 825-2409 or Dana Scoggin at (505) 693-7162.

MAMC blood drive set

Muleshoe Area Medical Center will hold a blood drive in conjunction with United Blood Services at the Health Fair from noon to 4:00 pm, on Sunday, May 21, in the donor bus, inside the Bailey County Coliseum. This drive is especially important because it is being held just before summer starts, and participation drops off slightly at summer blood drives.

Muleshoe Area Medical Center urges residents to be local heroes and make time to save lives. Those who are not able to donate, recruit others in your place. Anyone interested in donating may call Margaret or Eileen at 806-272-4524.

Project Graduation

Parents of the Muleshoe High School Class of 2006 need your help to make Project Graduation safe, fun and memorable for the graduates. Your donation will help with expenses such as food, games, prizes and gifts for their celebration immediately after graduation on May 26. This will be a parent-sponsored, non-alcohol, drug-free event.

Address donations and questions to the following Project Graduation representatives: Brenda Black, 1931 US Hwy. 70, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-3431; Sandy Nash, 480 State Hwy. 214, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-3597; Liz Tipps, 1811 W Ave. I, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-5898; Shelly Turnbow, Box 695 Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-5762.

MAEFB to hold 'Gator Giveaway'

The Muleshoe Area Educational Foundation Board will be holding a "Gator Giveaway" to be on May 21, to raise money for Project for the South Plains College, Muleshoe Center, School of Nursing.

The raffle tickets have been printed and distributed to

Bond passes...

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He added, "I want the government to understand why this is so important to the future of our schools. The overwhelming support of the community is a plus — something we can take to the State that says Muleshoe supports their school system and wants quality education for their children for years to come."

According to Tipps, with government assistance, MISD could possibly be "back where we are now" in a couple of years.

Even though Sheets says Muleshoe "won't see dirt flying tomorrow," he is optimistic State assistance will come through in a timely manner.

In the meantime, Sheets joked that he would "camp out in their office if that's what it takes."

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individuals and businesses that will be selling them for \$5 each. Funds raised at this "Gator Giveaway" will go to the Muleshoe School of Nursing and will be held in conjunction with the Muleshoe Health Fair.

Muleshoe Worksource GED Lab

The Muleshoe Worksource GED Lab is now enrolling for its spring and summer session. GED, ESL, college prep and improving basic skills courses are among the training available. Instruction is provided by the Region 17 Education Service Center, 203 Main Street. Contact Sharon Grant at 272-7540 or 272-5766 for additional information.

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Commissioners' Court...

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"eyes" outside of the courtroom.

The camera monitoring system will be placed at the bailiff's desk.

The total cost also includes an audio recording device which Green has "changed his mind about," now believing the microphones are not "such a good idea" due to lack of space.

Green also has concerns about the courtroom camera proposed for the third floor.

"We already have a panic button in every room in the courthouse which transmits over the police radio system."

Judges Green and Harrison will make the final decision about both the microphones and courtroom aspects of the system. If the

courtroom camera is purchased, it would record the five seconds of activity prior to the panic button being pushed according to Green. All cameras have a "zoom" capability Commissioner C.E. Grant found "interesting" during the demonstration of the system.

"These cameras can zoom in and read license plates in the parking lot," he said. "I think it needs to be done, no doubt about it."

The Court approved up to \$20,128 for the security system.

They also accepted the FY 2005 Bailey County audit report presented by Sandra Johnson.

Financial highlights of the FY 2005 audit included:

- The County's net assets decreased slightly as a result of this year's (2005) operations. Net assets of our

governmental activities decreased by \$460,000.

- During the year, the County had expenses that were \$1.9 million more than the \$1.8 million generated in tax and other revenues for governmental programs.

- In the County's business-type activity (the Commissary), revenues were \$31,000 while expenses were \$17,000.

- Total cost of all of the County's programs increased \$700,000 with programs for a law enforcement and corrections center in full operation this year and no old programs deleted this year.

- The General Fund ended the year with a fund balance of \$647,000.

- The fund balance available for appropriation was \$495,000 more than budgeted for the General Fund.

Judge Harrison noted some good news — In

2005, ambulance collections increased \$121,000 over 2004.

In other business, the Commissioners' Court:

- Approved payment of County bills in the amount of \$6,373.49.

- Approved a \$5,000 Bond on Pat Angeley, Fiscal Officer/Chairman of the Juvenile Board of Bailey and Parmer Counties.

- Approved a motion allowing County Treasurer Donna Kirk to transfer monies into the Employee Benefit Trust Fund (self-insured claims fund) to assure timely payment of claims during the run-out period (Aug. 31, 2006).

- Approved budget amendment number eight to the FY 2006 budget: Tax A/C Operating Expense, postage, \$410, from Tax A/C Operating Expense, repair office machine, \$200, and bonds, \$210.

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Texas Cooperative Extension to offer Food Manager course

Submitted by Mandi Seaton
Bailey CEA-FCS

Statistics indicate that foodborne illness continues to be a health issue in the United States. Each year, one in four Americans will become sick, one in 1,000 will become hospitalized, and 5,000 will die

due to a foodborne illness.

During the past legislative session, a statute was amended that allowed the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to require each food establishment to have one certified food manager.

Recently, the Texas Board of Health adopted rules to implement this statute. Many of you have already received a letter from the Texas Department of State Health Services regarding this. Under these new rules, each food establishment permitted by the Texas Department of State Health Services must have one certified food manager. New food manager certificates will be valid for five years.

Texas Cooperative Extension, Bailey and Cochran County, is offering a food manager certification training course. This program will be offered for \$79 on June 15 and 16, 2006, at the Muleshoe Church of Christ, 2201 W. American Blvd. Cost includes training, materials, and the State food manager certification examination. Deadline for registration will be June 8.

This program is designed to not only prepare foodservice

managers to pass the certification examination; it will provide valuable education regarding the safe handling of food. Almost 50 cents of every dollar Americans spend on food is spent on meals prepared away from home. Therefore, careful attention to food safety will help keep customers safe and satisfied.

The benefits of improved food safety include: increased customer satisfaction, improved relationships with health officials, prevention of bad publicity and law suits due to foodborne illness.

By attending the course, foodservice managers will learn about: identifying potentially hazardous foods and common errors in food handling, preventing contamination and cross-contamination of food, teaching and encouraging personal hygiene for employees, and complying with government regulations.

Foodborne illnesses can be prevented by following simple food safety practices. For more information about the Food Manager Certification Training course of Texas Cooperative Extension, called "Food Safety:

It's Our Business," call Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences at (806) 272-4583.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodation in order to participate in this Extension-sponsored meeting are encouraged to contact Texas Cooperative Extension, Bailey County at 806-272-4583 by Thursday, June 8, 2006, to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.

College News

Wood graduates cum laude

Angelo State University conferred degrees upon 520 students during 2006 Spring commencement exercises May 13, 2006, in San Angelo, Texas.

Among those receiving diplomas and graduating cum laude were Laura Marie Wood, 2002 Muleshoe High School, who received a bachelor's degree in business administration.

Wood is the daughter of Hal and Linda Wood of Muleshoe.

Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

The Senior Center was the place to be on Monday, May 15. The senior citizens had decorated hats to wear. The winners for the men were Buster Kittrell, first place, Olan Clements, second place, and Dan Atkins, third place.

The winners for the women were Nona Clements, first place, Darlene Henry, second place, and Pauletta Crawford, third place.

The Line Dancers of Lubbock were here to entertain us on Friday, May 12. They are all senior citizens and have a great time dancing. They go everywhere to entertain and let people know what good exercise dancing is. The great thing about line dancing is you do not have a partner, therefore, everyone can dance. They also expressed their admiration for our Senior Center — of course we are very proud of it.

Tuesday, May 23, Vista Care of Plainview's Alfredo Saldona will present a program for the seniors. It promises to be a helpful program.

Remember, our play days on Tuesday, although every day is play day at the Center!

Our bingo on Thursday at 1:30 p.m., seems to be a hit with our seniors. Come, bring a friend and a can of food for the food bank.

On Friday, May 26, Walter Sain will present a memorial tribute for the Memorial Day holiday. The Center will be closed on Monday, May 29, to observe this holiday.

Menus
Monday, May 22-Friday, May 26

Mon., May 22 — Salmon patty, oven baked potatoes w/ cheese, okra, salad, wheat roll, apricots/ oatmeal cookies.

Tues., May 23 — Smothered

pork chops, candied sweet potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll, lemon cake.

Weds., May 24 — Fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, black eyed peas, roll, cherry cobbler.

Thurs., May 25 — Lasagna, carrots, tossed salad, wheat roll, apple cobbler.

Fri., May 26 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, tator tots, hushpuppies, coleslaw, fruit salad.

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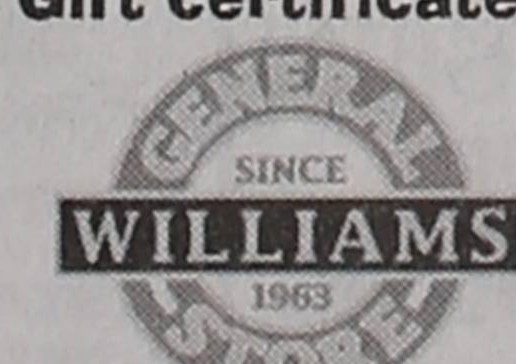
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This is a dramatized version of facts taken from the Book of Genesis intending to show some of the customs of these ancient and traditional times.

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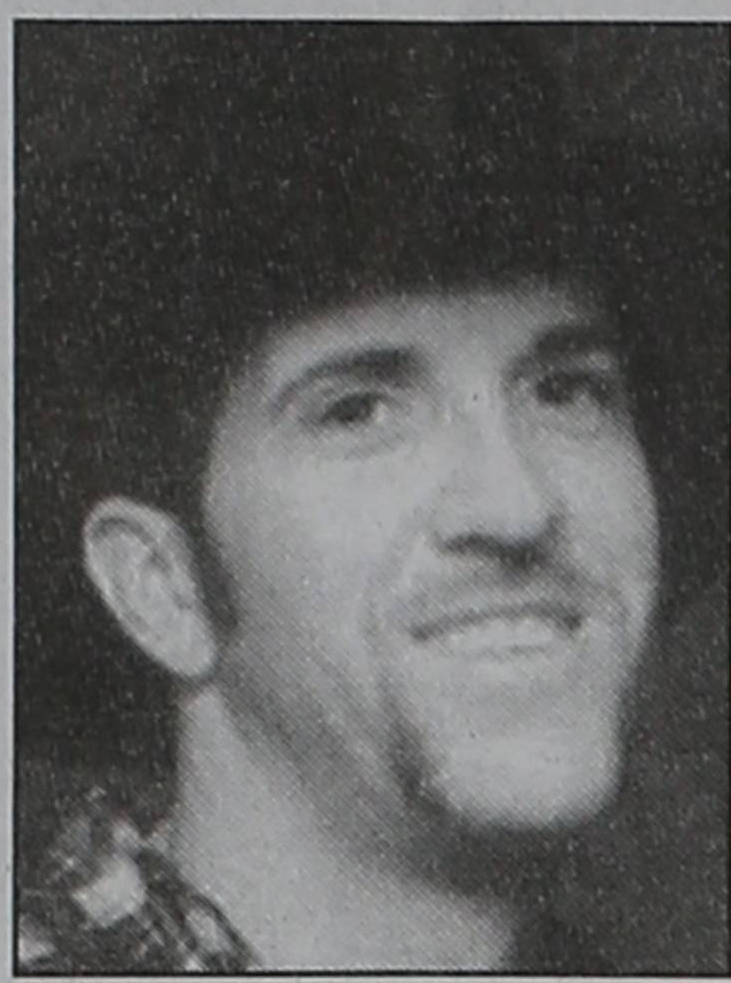
A graveside service for Luke Wesley May, 26, of Taiban, NM, was held Saturday, May 13, 2006, at Taiban Cemetery with the Rev. Sherman Martin officiating.

Burial was in Taiban Cemetery, Taiban, NM

May died on May 9, 2006, at Muleshoe Area Medical Center. He was born Nov. 25, 1979, in Ft. Sumner, NM.

He went to school in House, NM and loved the outdoors and hunting.

He is survived by his mother — Peggy Jobe of Tucumcari, NM; his father — Joe E. May of Taiban, NM; three sons — Nolan Wesley May of California, Tristan Luke May and Colby Lieb both of Bartlesville, Okla.; two sisters — Penny May of



Luke Wesley May

Portales, NM, and Kelly May of Clovis, NM; one brother — Matt May of Taiban, NM; his grandfather — Harry Moore of Tucumcari, NM; numerous nieces and nephews; and his fiancée — Jodi Haller of Clovis, NM.

Memorials may be sent to the American Heart Association.

Bonnie Ethridge Dunham

A graveside service for Bonnie Ethridge Dunham, 48, of Amarillo, Texas, was held today, Thursday, May 18, 2006, at Bailey County Cemetery with Jim Williams officiating.

Burial was in Bailey County Cemetery.

Dunham died on Friday, May 12, 2006, at her home of six years in Amarillo. She was born July 12, 1957, in Clovis, NM. She married Dennis Dunham on May 20,

2005, in Amarillo.

She was a housewife and a Baptist.

She is survived by her husband — Dennis; one son — Adam Ethridge of Lubbock, Texas; one brother — Wayne Ethridge of Hart, Texas; and four sisters — May Wright of Fritch, Texas, Frances McKay of Athens, Ala., Bobbie Kelley of Riverside, Calif., and Barbara Arriago of Amarillo, Texas.

Hospital Report

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reported having the following patients:

- April 28 — Virginia L. estrada, Joyce D. Hunter.
- April 29 — No report.
- April 30 — No report.
- May 1 — No report.

- May 2 — No report.
- May 3 — No report.
- May 4 — Coralene Fancher, Arlie W. Rials.
- May 5-9 — No report.
- May 10 — Matthew Alarcon, Ethan Gonzales-Clapp, Marilyn Engelking, Johnny Justiss, David Rush and Bertha G. Spears.

Births



Avery Lynn Chadwick

AVERY LYNN CHADWICK

Troy and Keetha Chadwick of Columbia, Missouri, announce the birth of their daughter Avery Lynn Chadwick, at 7:47 p.m., on Sunday, April 30, 2006, in Columbia, Mo.

Avery weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces at birth and was 19-1/2 inches long.

Her grandparents are Gary and Joy Glover of Muleshoe, and James and Tanya Chadwick of Farwell.

Great-grandparents are Savannah Killough and Johnny and Josie Flowers all of Muleshoe.

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Ivan weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces at birth and was 19 inches long.

He has four older siblings: Roman, Cielo, Ernesto and Rocky Sagala.

His grandmother is Josefina Quintanilla.

COLE DANIEL BAKER

Chad and Ashley Baker of Missouri City, Texas, proudly announce the birth of their son Cole Daniel Baker, at 7:48 a.m., on Monday, May 15, 2006, at Methodist Hospital in Sugarland, Texas.

Cole weighed 10 pounds, 4 ounces at birth and was 22-1/4 inches long.

He has a proud older sister Abbey.

His grandparents are Rand and Jane Baker of Katy, Texas and Gary and Kay Spessards of Houston.

Great-grandparents are Wanda and the late Jacque Baker of Muleshoe, and Melvis and Doris Pinsons of Hurst, Texas.

CLAYTON DARNELL COOPER

Johnny and Misti Cooper of Brownfield, Texas, proudly announce the birth of their son Clayton Darnell Cooper, at 1:59 p.m., on March 14, 2006, at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Clayton weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces at birth and was 21 inches long.

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Adres and Yolanda Sigala of Muleshoe proudly announce the birth of their son Ivan Aaron Sigala, at 7:01 a.m., on Wednesday, May 10, 2006, at Lamb Healthcare Center in

Migrant meeting held first week of May

The 33rd Annual Title I and Migrant Annual Spring meeting for Muleshoe ISD was held May 2, 2006, at Muleshoe High School. There were four presentations from which parents could choose to attend.

Presentations and presenters were: Financial Planning presented by Jovita Anzaldua and La Juana Renfro; Transition from Primary to Junior High presented by David Dominguez, principal, Watson Jr. High; Process to Graduation presented by Beatriz Olivas and Frances Recio, and Immigration Issues presented by Dario Rendon Jr. from Catholic Family Services.

Recognition and "thank yous" were given to the outgoing PAC members: Esmeralda Hanaway, Dora Toscano and Reyna Zubia.

Election was held for new PAC members. Incoming members are: Angelica Diaz, Veronica Elizalde, Petra Regalado, Kimberly Rodriguez and Lidia Villezcas.

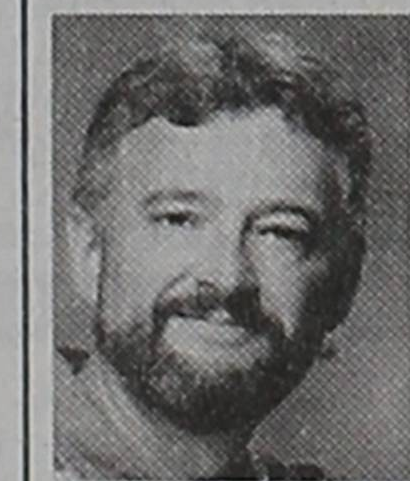
Also serving another year as PAC members are: Beatrice Morin, Yara Anaya and Juanita Regalado.

Childcare literacy activities were conducted for babies through fifth grade. Refreshments were served for parents and children.

Real Faith Impacts All Aspects of Real Life

I might as well confess: it's "one of those weeks." What I mean is that it's the kind of week that comes along occasionally for everyone who tries to line up words on a page where none of those words seem to be waiting in line just to be lined up.

On a good week, a column will almost write itself. Fingers fly down the keys and thirty minutes and a cup of coffee later, it's done. More often, it takes an hour or two. But some days, like today, I just sit and stare at the computer screen until time for



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

lunch or a nap and I hope that calories or rested brain cells will later combine, before the deadline, to un-block the "blocked" writer behind the keyboard.

A friend recently asked me: Do you most often start to write with a story, point, or illustration in mind, or do you begin with a point in mind and then look for stories and illustrations?

The answer is, both. For the *How To Measure a Rainbow* book, based on Ephesians, I tried to hone in on what I thought St. Paul's main point was in each section, and then I looked for stories and illustrations to try to bring it alive to readers in new way.

For the *Wing Whispers of Love* book, and for these columns, I most often start writing about some story or

experience and trust that some point will make its presence known before I run out of space.

My friend then asked, "Which approach to writing is harder?" My answer came easily: the first. "And which do you enjoy more?" The second. But I need to do both.

Honestly, I enjoy the column-writing most. As long-winded as I can be in the pulpit and sometimes on paper, I most enjoy writing the short stuff.

Recently I was asked to go to Lubbock, once a week for two weeks, to share some of what I've written with a church ladies' group there. I enjoyed it. The first week, I shared a chapter from the *Rainbow* book, and that was fun.

But the second week, I just shared with them a couple of essays from the other book and a number of individual columns of different styles and tones and moods. Some were reflective and serious. Some were funny. I think we accomplished our goal—to think a little, laugh more than a little, and simply give thanks to God for his gift of life, a good day, and an enjoyable hour together.

And that made me think. I used to worry just a bit when I'd get to the end of a column and realize that, though my column is named "Focus on Faith," that particular column didn't deal much with matters overtly religious. Now, I think that may be a good sign. Real faith impacts all of life. All of life impacts real faith. What should really worry us are the times when we catch ourselves becoming all too proficient at separating the two.

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

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Sports

Turnbow golfs turbulent State tournament

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

A lone man on an island may be the best description of Trevor Turnbow playing in the Texas State Golf Tournament. As a medallist Turnbow was on his own on the course despite being followed around the course by a large gallery.

No one in the gallery and that included his coach Carey Sudduth could offer him any advice except for brief applause and an "atta boy" or two. Those

that play the game of golf describe it much the same as Yogi Berra did baseball, "90 percent mental and 50 percent physical."

Turnbow's first shot in the tournament found water and he had to scramble for a bogie. He bogied the second hole also and then settled in for a series of pars. Then a drive that was hooking back in the fairway caught a tree limb and rather than just losing yardage the ball caromed out into the woods.

He chipped out of the rough and then continued with the hole for a double bogie and four over par. He finished the front nine with a birdie and a bogie for a 40.

"Okay he had a little rough start," said Sudduth, "But he parred the first two holes on the back nine so I thought he is going to be all right. But he just could not seem to find his game that first day."

"Golf is a hard game and you never have it mastered and

some days you just can not find it. He never got comfortable the first day and I know he was very disappointed."

Turnbow finished the first day with an 83 and tied for 29th in the tournament. Sudduth took Turnbow to the practice range and worked on some shots and talked about the day and prepared for the final round the next day.

He warmed up well the next day and seemed to have everything together for the final round of the state tournament.

The bogie bug still had a hold on Turnbow and he was two over after the first two holes. He then settled in for 15 straight pars. His final hole of the tournament just happened to be the first hole he played the day before.

The water again ate his ball like it had done the first day. Again he scrambled for a bogie and finished the day three over par with a 75.

"When he looks at his scores," continued Sudduth, "I know he is very disappointed. A pair of 75's would have put him in a playoff for third place and had he played some of his best golf he could have overpowered the course."

"It was a great experience for him and I have to say it was for me also. There were Texas flags everywhere and they treated the kids very special. It was a very top notch run tournament."

"Trevor is a very polished player and I was very proud of the way he hung in and played every shot. He wants to play golf for Lubbock Christian University and when he starts playing golf every day his game will take off," concluded Sudduth.

Alvarados to play in Puerto Rico



Elias Alvarado



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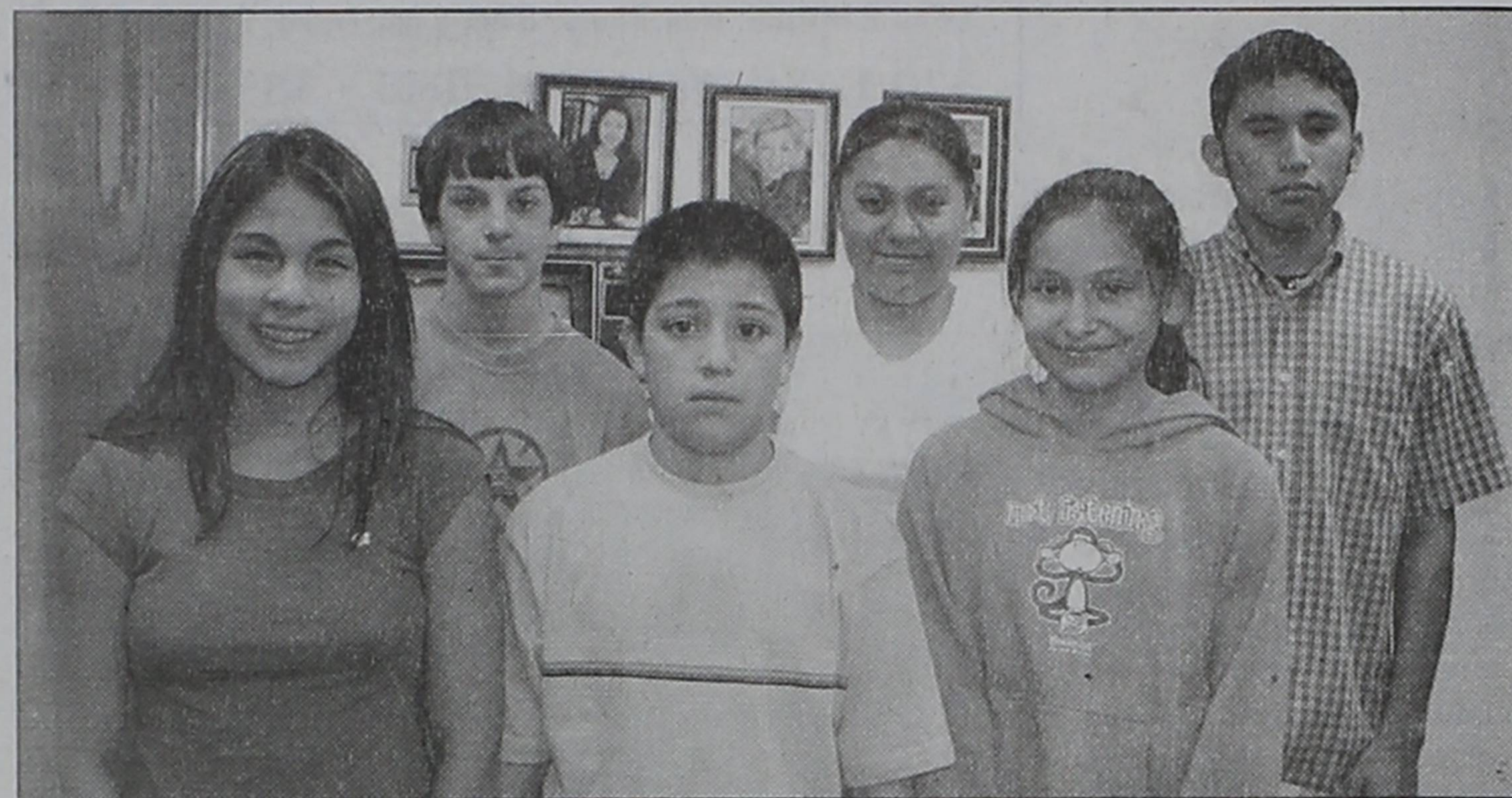
MHS Sr. and Soph. brothers Eddie and Elias Alvarado have been chosen to represent the U.S.A. as members of a team traveling to Puerto Rico July 7-13, 2006.

As members of Coast to Coast Baseball they will compete in the third annual Puerto Rico Governor's Series. They will compete in five games against Puerto Rico and two against another U.S. team.

The Alvarados made the team at a tryout in September 2005 at Wayland Baptist. They were evaluated on hitting, fielding, arm strength and speed. Elias was also evaluated as a pitcher.

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In order to maintain amateur status, the Alvarados must raise their share of the team's cost. To help raise funds, contact the Alvarado family at 272-5588.



Students of the Week

The Students of the Week for Watson Jr. High for the week of May 15 are, left to right, front row — Devnie Orozco, Jr. Simental, Marissa Olivas, back row — Matthew Wiseman, Stephanie Morales, and Victor Flores.

Sports Academy athletes win State

The Acrosports Trampoline and Tumbling team from Muleshoe Sports Academy recently competed in the Texas State Championships in Lubbock. The event was held at LCU Fieldhouse and included 37 teams with over 600 athletes from the state of Texas.

The team expected to win many medals in trampoline having done well at the previous events held this year.

"We knew we had the chance at nine state championships in the different levels and age groups in trampoline. We came away with six of the nine and only lost three other state titles by 0.1 points, so we were extremely happy," said Will Green, MSA director.

Athletes were broken into flights of ten athletes for the competition. The state champions and top ten overall were announced after the flights were completed. Nine of the ten athletes the team took won their flights.

Emily Precure and Alex Zablotsky won their first gold medals of the season by winning their flights in trampoline. Baylee Bessire, Taylor Winchell and Shaylee Winchell all finished in the silver medal position overall by only 0.1 of a point.

"Those girls that finished second know that just a little more could have won them the gold. I think they will remember that during training between now and the Regional Championships in June," said Amanda Bailey, team coach.

State Champions in trampoline were Adrienne Precure in level 9, Alex Zablotsky in level 5, Amanda Bailey in Sr. Elite, and Hadlea Geissler in level 5. Winning synchronized trampoline state titles were Baylee Bessire with partner Chelsea Hunt of Lamesa and Adrienne Precure with partner Morgan Himango of Levelland.

The Regional Championships are to be held in San Antonio June 2-4.

Athletes and their places at the meet were: Shaylee Winchell — fourth in double mini, second in trampoline; Hadlea Geissler — 22nd in tumbling, second in double mini and first in trampoline; Amanda

Bailey — first in trampoline; Baylee Bessire — second in trampoline and first in synchronized trampoline; Adrienne Precure — first in both trampoline and synchronized trampoline; Taylor Winchell — second in both double mini and trampoline; Alex Zablotsky — second

in both tumbling and double mini and first in trampoline; Emily Precure — 11th in tumbling, ninth in double mini and fifth in trampoline; Kyra Zablotsky — 10th in tumbling and second in trampoline; AnnMarie McClelland — third in trampoline.



Muleshoe Sports Academy athletes, top — Adrienne Precure, bottom, left to right — Alex Zablotsky, Hadlea Geissler and Baylee Bessire.

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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., MAY 13, 2006

870 head of cattle, 199 hogs and 654 sheep and goats for a total of 1,723 livestock sold at the May 13 sale. Market higher on stocker cfs, 400 lbs. and under with good demand. Feeder cattle steady. Pairs and bred cows steady. Packer cows and bulls steady from a week ago.

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Seller, City	#	Type	per hd.	Wt.	CWT or PH
Gerald Boehning, Earth	1	Blk. bull cfr.	220 lbs.	at	\$390.00
Gary Bigham, Amherst	3	Mxd. bulls	267 lbs.	at	\$172.50
C&J-S, Muleshoe	1	Red bull	275 lbs.	at	\$170.00
Ricky Dale, Muleshoe	1	Blk. str.	290 lbs.	at	\$170.00
Seth Murphy, Levelland	3	Red bulls	327 lbs.	at	\$147.50
Lynn Cowan, Littlefield	3	Char. bulls	383 lbs.	at	\$147.50
Lynn Cowan, Littlefield	2	BMF bulls	420 lbs.	at	\$145.00
Joe Tarter, Muleshoe	1	Blk. bull	400 lbs.	at	\$142.50
Joe Tarter, Muleshoe	4	Mxd. bulls	531 lbs.	at	\$116.50
Conrad Garza, Idalou	3	Blk. bulls	423 lbs.	at	\$137.50
June Gandy, Bledsoe	7	Blk. bulls	476 lbs.	at	\$124.00
June Gandy, Bledsoe	11	Mxd. bulls	594 lbs.	at	\$113.50
Tommy Lewis, Morton	11	Blk. str.	615 lbs.	at	\$116.00
Donna Weems, Portales, NM	6	Char. str.	728 lbs.	at	\$98.00
Gary Bigham, Amherst	5	Mxd. hfrs	244 lbs.	at	\$142.50
Lynn Cowan, Littlefield	4	Mxd. hfrs	328 lbs.	at	\$132.50
Darryl Kirkpatrick, Bovina	4	Mxd. hfrs	444 lbs.	at	\$116.00
Joe Tarter, Muleshoe	2	Blk. hfrs	678 lbs.	at	\$97.00
Donna Weems, Portales, NM	4	Char. hfrs	700 lbs.	at	\$88.00
Ronald Hardin, Amherst	1	Blk. hfr	720 lbs.	at	\$89.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	6	Blk. hfrs	754 lbs.	at	\$88.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	2	Brang. cows PB	per hd.	at	\$750.00
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Tommy Lewis, Morton	3	Blk. cow PB			\$800.00
Gary Bigham, Amherst	3	Blk. pair			\$1160.00
Lynn Cowan, Littlefield	3	Mxd. pairs			\$8100.00
Curtis Hunt, Muleshoe	3	Blk. pairs			\$950.00
Scott Kirby, Levelland	1	Blk. cow PB			\$800.00
C&J-S, Muleshoe	1	Char. cow	1205 lbs.	at	\$55.25
C&J-S, Muleshoe	1	Char. cow	985 lbs.	at	\$54.25
C&J-S, Muleshoe	3	Mxd. cows	1310 lbs.	at	\$54.00
Sudan Feedyard, Sudan	1	Red coww	1400 lbs.	at	\$54.00
Gary Bigham, Amherst	1	Blk. cow	1185 lbs.	at	\$53.00
Ricky Dale, Muleshoe	1	Brang. cow	1030 lbs.	at	\$52.50
R&J Cattle, Levelland	1	Red cow	1295 lbs.	at	\$52.00
QW Cattle, Muleshoe	1	Hol. cow	1560 lbs.	at	\$52.00
Osterkamp Dairy, Hereford	1	Hol. cow	1800 lbs.	at	\$50.50
Gary Brown, Friona	1	Blk. bull	1885 lbs.	at	\$67.50
J.C. Pearson, Muleshoe	1	Char. bull	2020 lbs.	at	\$70.00

School News



Pictured are SCAC students, left to right, back row — Brant Hamilton, Cade Smith, Elizabeth Symm, Abby Lawrence, Eric Washington, Kate Lepard, Madison Myers; front row — Amberlee Steinbock, Monica Posadas, Lindsey Hall, Hillary Tipps, Myles James, Jarad Flores, Brady Black and Jameson Skipworth.

SCAC elects new officers

The Student-Community Action Club (SCAC) met May 8, 2006, at the home of Hillary Tipps. President Brady Black asked all new members to introduce themselves, and then he welcomed all new SCAC members. The SCAC officers for 2006-2007 are as follows: President- Kate

Abby Lawrence, Treasurer- Elizabeth Symm, Reporter- Amberlee Steinbock, Chaplain- Brant Hamilton, Historians- Madison Myers, Jameson Skipworth, and Parliamentarian- Eric Washington.

Old Business included a discussion about the progress on restoring the Jane's Ranch House.

New business at May's

meeting included electing new officers, and talking about the expectations for the upcoming new year. SCAC members voted to donate \$1700 to the Heritage Foundation. The club also discussed the Annual Tour de Muleshoe coming up in June.

The next official meeting will be at the first of the 2006-2007 school year.



Students have piano recital

Students of Fran Hamilton held their spring piano recital at Muleshoe's First Baptist Church on Sunday, May 7, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. Participating in the recital were pictured above, back row, left to right — Jodee Hall, Stephanie Stancell, Olivia Schilling, Kate Lepard, Jameson Skipworth, Calli-Hancock, Jamie Hall; middle row — Baylee Ruthhardt, Kiley Sharp, James Lutz, John Ryan Isaacson, Austin Stancell, Gabrielle Schilling; front row — Azton Norman, Lauren Isaacson, Elizabeth Fisher, Amelia Symm, Kierra Regalado, and Kari Mendoza.

Library News

Library announces summer reading program

Submitted by Dyan Dunagan

The 2006 Texas Reading Club, "Reading: The Sport of Champions!" provides opportunities for children of all ages to enjoy reading. It begins on June 1, 2006, at the Muleshoe Area Public Library. This free program is co-sponsored by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission and includes weekly reading activities and events.

"More than 200 children read for over 1000 hours last summer," said Library Director Dyan Dunagan. "This year we anticipate that the children of Muleshoe will break that record and read for at least twice as many hours."

Local school officials

applauded the public library for its efforts to help local school children maintain and improve their reading skills.

June 1 is the day to sign up for Summer Reading Program.

This year's theme is "Reading: the Sport of Champions." When you sign up for the reading program you will receive a "Team Read" pennant. After reading 10 books you will receive a "JV Reader" button to pin onto your pennant. When you have completed reading 20 books you will receive a "Varsity Reader" button to pin on your pennant. If you read 30 books you will receive an "All-Star Reader" button to pin on your pennant.

The last button you can receive is the "Reading Hall

of Fame" button for reading 40 books.

The ones who can successfully read 50 books in their reading level will receive a T-shirt from the Muleshoe Area Public Library. There will be a trophy awarded to the child reading the most books.

"I hope I have many, many kids signed up for this," said Dunagan.

More information about the Texas Reading Club is available by calling 272-4707 and on the Library's web site, www.mapl.lib.tx.us.

Programs will run through July 25, 2006. The Muleshoe Public Library is open Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Storytime is every Tuesday 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Five Area awards thirteen scholarships

Five Area and West Plains have awarded \$600 scholarship to students continuing their education at an accredited vocational school, college or university. The Board of Directors of Five Area/West Plains elected the scholarship winners at the board meeting held on May 1, 2006. These scholarships are awarded to high school seniors who reside in one of the telephone exchanges served by our Companies.

The Scholarship winners are:

Trisha Robertson from Farwell High School is the daughter of Kyle and Mandy Whitaker of Muleshoe. Trisha plans to major in education at South Plains College.

Lazbuddie High School senior Mica Brandvik plans to pursue a career in nursing at West Texas A&M University. She is the daughter of Ben Brandvik.

John Silhan is a senior at Morton High School and the son of Kevin and Natalie Silhan. He plans a career in agriculture ECO at West Texas A&M University.

Muleshoe High School's Garrett Behrends plans to use his scholarship in the

field of ministerial studies at Lubbock Christian University. He is the son of Earl and Donita Behrends.

Lindsey Hall from Muleshoe High is the daughter of Wells and Janet Hall. She plans to use her scholarship to attend Brigham Young University in Utah to study mathematics or education.

Hillary Tipps of Muleshoe High School will attend the University of North Texas for a degree as a secondary math teacher. She is the daughter of David and Liz Tipps of Muleshoe.

Brandi Wood is a senior at Muleshoe High and is the daughter of David and Jody Wood. Brandi's future education plans include attending Texas Tech University for a degree in education/business.

Mayra Alejandra Martinez is the daughter of Octavio & Maria Martinez of Olton and will graduate from Olton High School. She plans to attend West Texas A&M University to pursue a career as a dietitian or nutritionist.

Olton High School's Whitlee Russell plans to use her scholarship for a degree in sports psychology

and is undecided as to which college she will attend.

Hilary Garza is a senior at Springlake/Earth High School and is the daughter of Reynaldo and Mary Garza. She plans to attend Angelo State University to pursue a degree in mass communications.

Chelsey Cline of Sudan High School will attend Lubbock Christian University and major in broadcasting. She is the daughter of Rhonda Merryman of Sudan.

Amanda Glidewell is a senior at Sudan High School and is the daughter of Rory and Larisa Glidewell of Sudan. Amanda's future education plans are to pursue a career as a pharmacist at South Plains College.

Sudan High School senior Haylee Swart is also planning to pursue a career as a pharmacist at South Plains College. She is the daughter of Terry and Deanna Swart of Sudan.

The directors, employees and members of Five Area Telephone & West Plains Telecommunications wish to congratulate these students for their outstanding achievements.

College News

Lyndee Behrends, daughter of Earl and Donita Behrends of Muleshoe, graduated with a bachelor of biomedical science degree from Texas A&M University in College Station, on May 13, 2006.

Lyndee is a 2002 graduate of Dimmitt High School and plans to work in the research department of the small animal clinic at Texas A&M after graduation.

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Grand re-opening celebrated

Members of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture, Boy Scouts Troop #620 and employees gathered on Friday, May 12, to celebrate the grand re-opening of Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. at its new location on American Blvd. Pictured are, left to right, front row — "Fiddy" Cortez, Freddie Santos, District/Store Manager Eddy Morris, chamber president Tadd Young, Leticia Mendoza, scouts Craig Black and Cole Hawkins; back row — Nathan Garcia, Aaron Banks, Judy Coffman, Jeff Coffman and Mayor Cliff Black. Morris told the crowd that company officials "saw the need" and decided to grab the opportunity to grow.

Parmer Co. brand book being updated

Friona Chamber of Commerce is updating the Parmer County Brand Book and is asking all farmers and ranchers in the area to register their brands at the Parmer County Court House by May 26, 2006. Call or come by the Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, 621 Main, 806-250-3491.

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Sunday, May 21, 2006

12:00 to 4:00 PM

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Nursing Home News

By Joy Stancell

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

Wednesday afternoon Cynthia Crawford, Hazel Waddell, Gladys Wilson and Gladys Wright made sausage balls and pigs in a blanket for the Volunteer Appreciation Brunch. Angie Casto gave encouragement to the cooks.

Thursday morning Martha Hunnicutt gave a great concert on the piano in the Day Room. The residents sang along with the familiar songs.

Sophia Baker typed the recipes that were submitted for the residents' Mother's Day cookbook.

G.R. Lasiter was visited by his sister Joan Lewis Thursday and Friday.

Louise Agee and her daughter Lou Ann Black went flower shopping Wednesday and planted the large array of plants in pots Thursday. "Wow," does Park View patio look beautiful! We've never seen so many pretty flowers in pots.

Friday afternoon Harold and Avis Carpenter came to visit and play songs of yes-

teryear. The residents sang along as Harold played.

We wish to welcome Jodie Rose from Midland, Texas. Mrs. Rose is Park View's interim administrator.

The United Methodist Church of Muleshoe came Sunday and directed a communion and church service for the residents.

Bobby Quesenberry from San Antonio and his sister Anna B. Lane visited Park View Tuesday morning.

Bro. Gary and Judy Hubbard from Earth directed the music, song and praise devotional Tuesday morning.

Pat Watson, Pat Clark, Dolores Garrett and Josie Ovale shampooed and styled the ladies hair Tuesday afternoon. Pat Clark and Josie gave several haircuts. Norma Eaves gave nail care.

Joyce Hunter visited her son Rick Hunter Tuesday afternoon.

Lauranette Mason visited Louise Agee and several other residents Tuesday.

Raquel Mata from M.H.S. gave a Cinco de Mayo program with dancers from all school grades at Park View Friday.

School News

Springlake-Earth High School chooses academic awards and scholarship winners

Academic awards

Keyboarding - Hunter Jones; BCIS I - Logan McCurry; BCIS II - Laurie Davis; BIMM/Yearbook - Laurie Davis; WPA - Jessie Ortiz; Web Mastering - Klarissa Olvera and MiReyna Reyes; Multimedia - Meagan Lowe.

Also, English I - Kaylee Morris; English I PAP - Heath Fennell; English II - Margaret Garcia; English II PAP - Laura Geissler; English III - Nicole Nieto; English III PAP - Laurie Davis; English IV - Monica Nieto; English IV PAP - Zeth Collom; Reading I - Lupe Cuevas; Reading II - Jesse Manzanales.

Also, Biology (Mr. Cox) - Sarahi Porras; Chemistry (Mr. Cox) - Judith Reyes; Biology (Mrs. Geissler) - Amanda Furr; Chemistry (Mrs. Geissler) - Andrew Lancaster; IP&C - Claudia Longoria; Physics - Shelley York; Algebra I - Blake Fennell; Algebra II - Kate Sides; Math Models - Roxanne Martinez; Geometry - Kristi Miller; Pre-Calculus - Haley Lunsford; AP Calculus - Zeth Collom.

Scholarships and awards

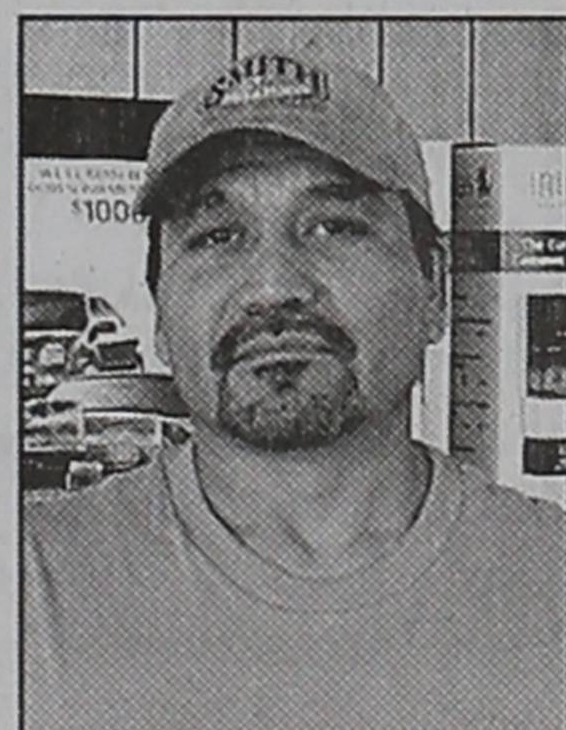
Springlake-Earth High School Faculty Teacher's Excellence Scholarship - Zeth Collom; Earth-Springlake Senior Citizens Scholarship - Zeth Collom, Hilary Garz and Shelley York; Yvonne Meiwes Memorial Scholarship - Zeth

Collom; Miguel, Ricarda & Pete Acevedo Memorial Scholarship - Hilary Garza; Springlake Lions Club Valedictorian Scholarship - Zeth Collom; Earth Lions Club Sweetheart - Shelley York; Earth Lions Club Salutatorian Scholarship - Shelley York; Earth Lions Club Scholarship - Shelley York; Springlake-Earth Ex Students Scholarship - Jeffery Samaniego and Hilary Garza; S-E Livestock Boosters - Shelley York; Electric Cooperatives Scholarship - Hilary Garza and Juan Hernandez; May Insurance Agency Scholarship - Juan Hernandez; Lowe's Supermarket Scholarship - Michael Miller; South Plains College Salutatorian Scholarship - Hilary Garza; South Plains College Valedictorian Scholarship - Zeth Collom; Earl Jordan Memorial Scholarship - Hilary Garza; Tyler McCurry Memorial Scholarship - Jessie Ortiz; Masonic Lodge Scholarship - Shelley York; Luis Romero Memorial Scholarship - Courtney Miller (presented by Jr. class); Bailey County Electric Scholarship - Shelley York; Five Area Telephone Scholarship - Hilary Garza; National Honor Society Scholarship - Zeth Collom; Farm Bureau Scholarship - Shelley York.

Mr. and Miss SEHS - Juan Hernandez and Monica Nieto; Outstanding Boy and Girl - Zeth Collom and Shelley York.

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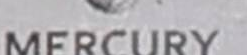
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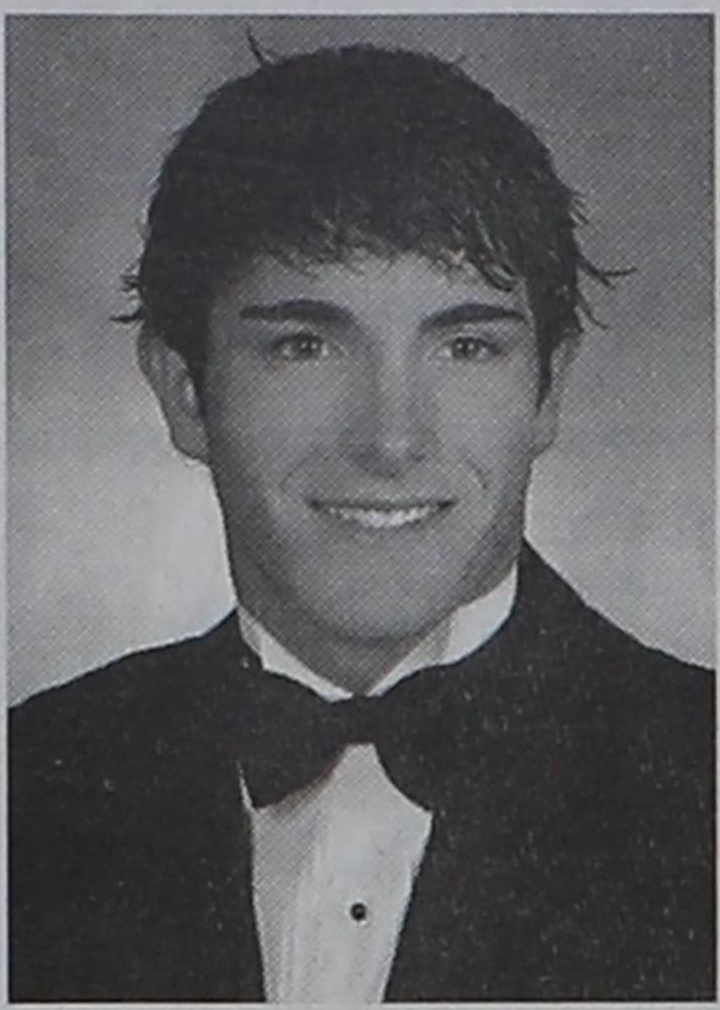
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Friday, May 19, 2006 - 7:00 P.M. in the SE High School Auditorium



Tyler Bridges

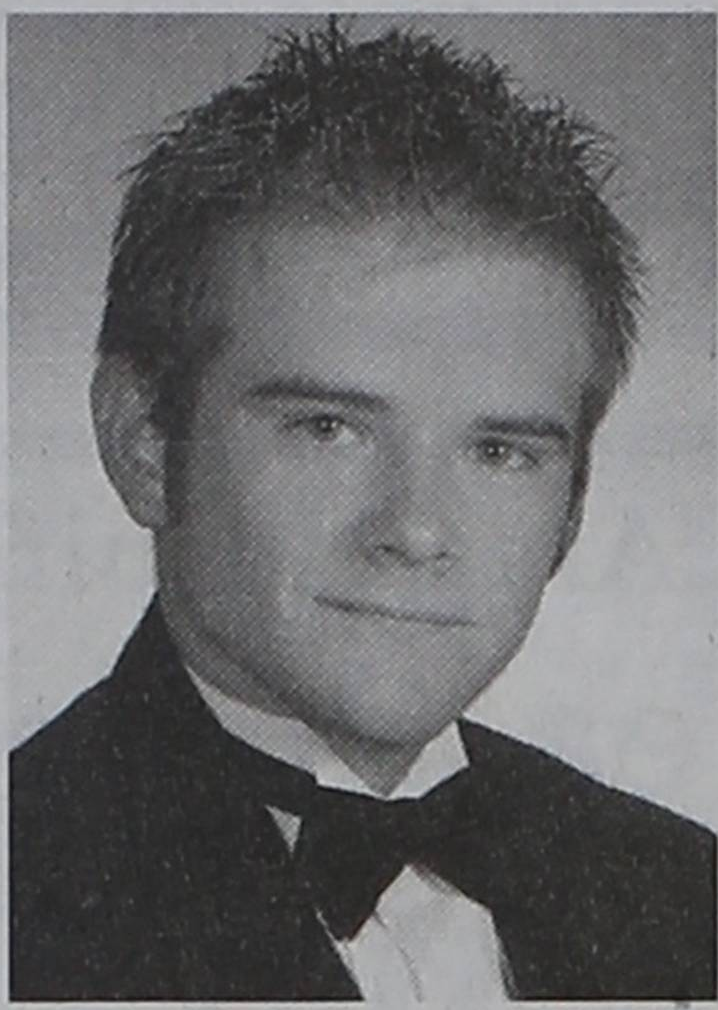
Tyler Bridges

Tyler Bridges is the son of Brad Bridges and Sharon Hobbs.

He plans to attend South Plains College in Levelland but has not decided on a major.

Tyler participated in football all four years of high school, track as a freshman and junior, and basketball his junior year. He also participated in ag-related activities during his high school career.

Tyler received an honorable mention linebacker award and running back award as a sophomore; second team linebacker, and track qualifier for Area and Regionals as a junior; and first team linebacker and running back as a senior.



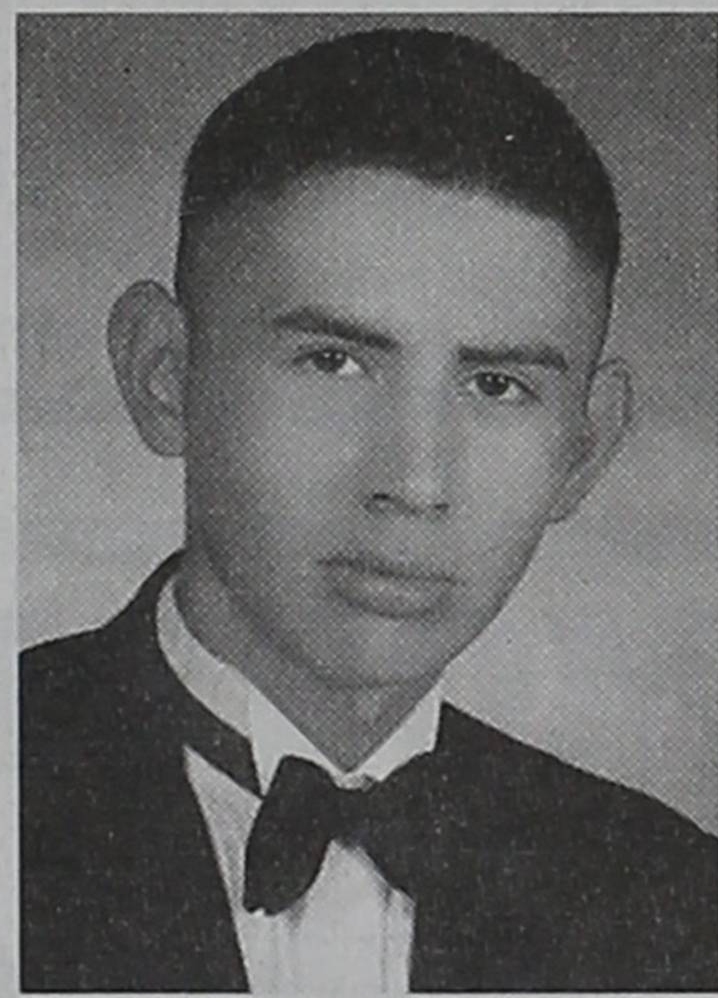
Zeth Collom
Valedictorian

and track as a freshman; and cross country as a sophomore.

He was active in Student Council, One Act Play, Cross Examination Debate, and G/T as a freshman; Student Council, One Act Play, Cross Examination Debate, G/T, Ready Writing and Science as a sophomore; Student Council, One Act Play, Cross Examination Debate, G/T, Ready Writing, Mathematics UIL and NHS as a junior; and Student Council, One Act Play, G/T, Ready Writing, Mathematics UIL and NHS as a senior.

Zeth also was active in 4-H, Earth United Methodist Church, FCCLA, Lay Reader, and Missions Committee while in high school.

He received the following awards: Freshmen year — Pre AP English I, IP&C, Zone One Act Play All Star Cast, Student Council Parliamentarian, FCCLA State qualifier; Sophomore — Pre AP English II, Biology, Zone One Act Play Best Actor, Student Council VP, FCCLA State qualifier, CX Debate State quarterfinalist; Junior — AP English III, Pre Calculus, Student Council VP, NHS Parliamentarian, 2005 Discover Card Tribute Scholarship, District Honorable Mention All Star Cast; Senior — Carr Academic Scholarship, Student Council President, FCCLA Region I VP, NHS President, Zone Honorable Mention All Star Cast, Houston Livestock & Rodeo FCCLA Scholarship.

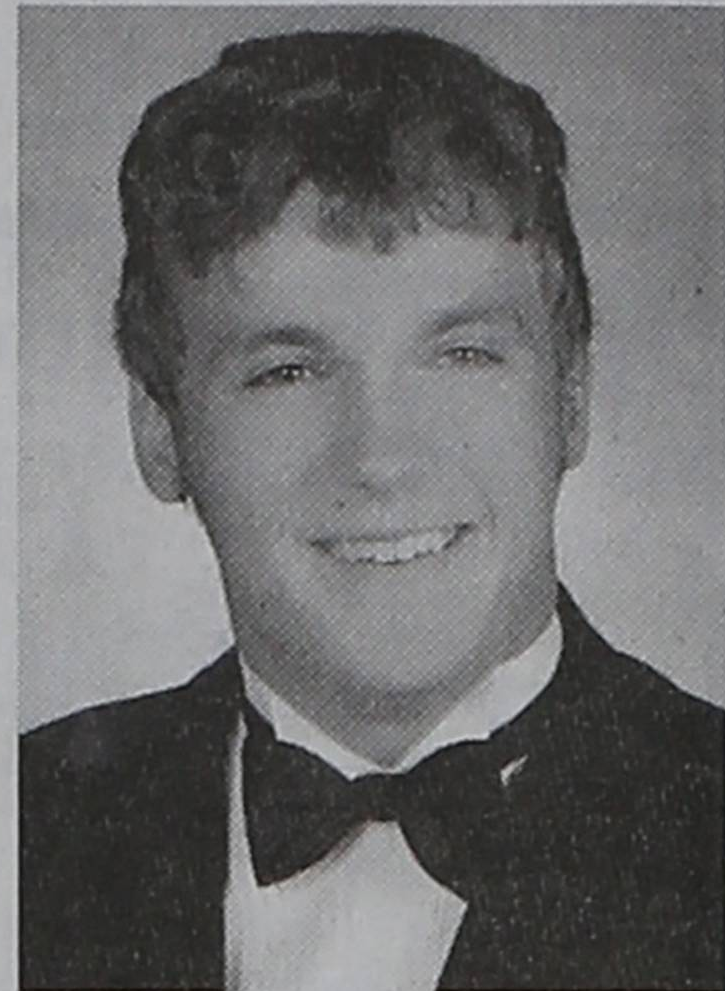


Thomas Escalante Jr.

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Thomas Escalante Jr. is the son of Thomas and Mary Jane

Escalante. He plans to attend San Joaquin in Stockton, Calif.



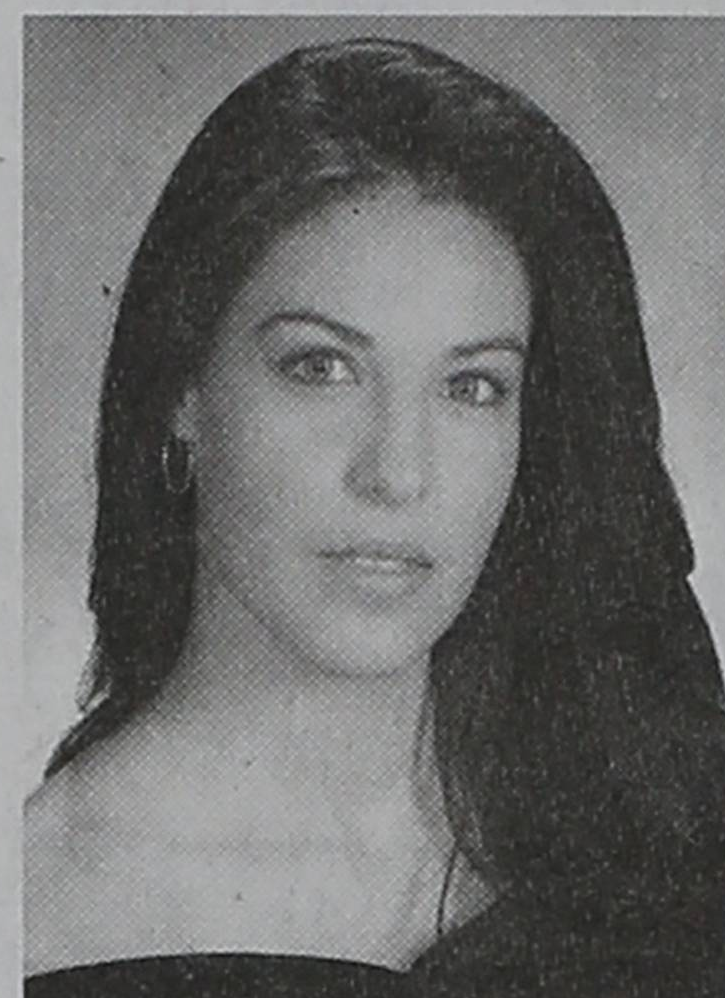
Tyler Fulenwider

Tyler Aron Fulenwider

Tyler Fulenwider is the son of Cindy Fulenwider.

He plans to join the Army to train as a light-wheel vehicle mechanic.

Tyler participated in track his freshman year; FFA, band and FCCLA his Fr. and Soph. years; and FFA and band his Sr. year.



Melinda Garcia

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Melinda Garcia is the daughter of Abraham Garcia Jr. and Blanca Garcia.

Melinda plans to attend South Plains College in Levelland and study radiologic technology.

She participated in FCCLA all four years of high school; band her Fr. and Soph. years; was FCCLA vice president her Sr. year and worked on the schools' online newspaper as a Sr.

Melinda also participated in Kaps For Kids, a clothing drive, canned food drive and veteran's breakfast as a Fr.; Kaps For Kids, clothing drive and canned food drive as a Soph.; canned food drive, youth exchange with seniors; and donated at MADD-Penny Bombing as a Jr.; and participated in fund-raisers such as cake baking and Pennies For Patients as a Sr.

Hilary Nycole Garza

Hilary Garza is the daughter of Reynoldo and Mary Garza.

She plans to attend San Angelo State University in San Angelo and study mass communications. Hilary wants to become a well known news



Hilary Garza

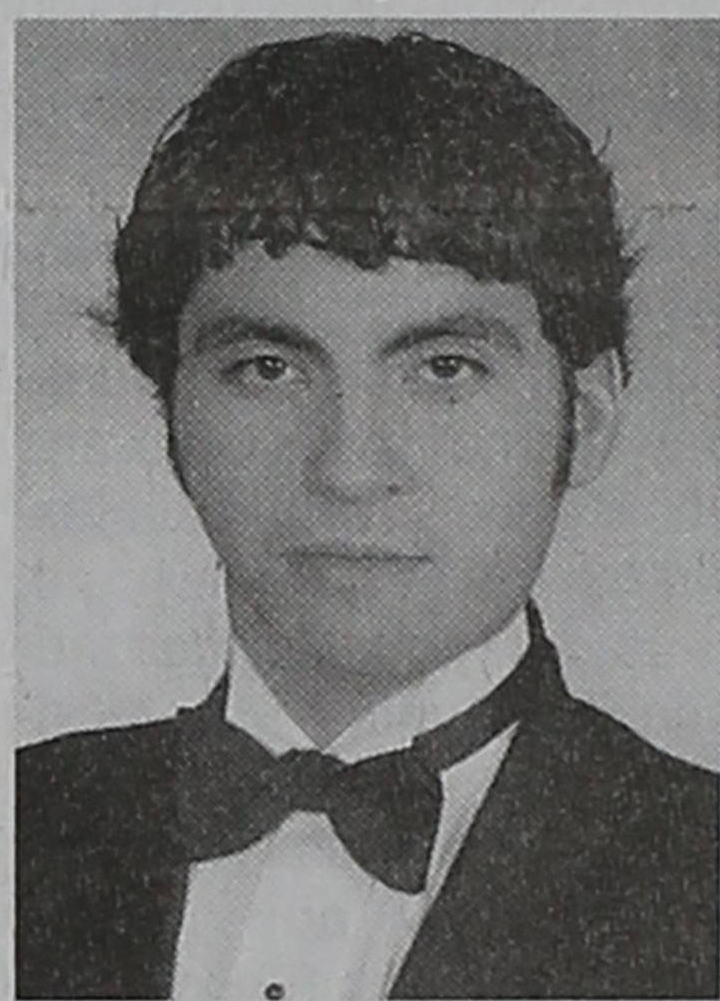
broadcaster.

She participated in cross country, basketball and track all four years of high school, and cheerleading as a Fr. and Sr.

She was active in Student Council as the Freshman Representative her Fr. year; Student Council Dash Chairman and FFA her Soph. year; Student Council Dash Chairman and Executive Member as a Jr.; and Student Council Dash Chairman, Senior Rep., NHS secretary and FFA as a Sr.

Hilary also participated in St. Jude's Write-Out Cancer event as a Fr.; Relay For Life as a Soph.; Salvation Army, animal drive, book drive, clothing drive, painting city wall, blood drive, veteran's breakfast, Adopt-A-Highway as a Jr.; cake weight-hurricane fund, football kick-off for hurricane relief, painted the old gas station, helped with the kid's Halloween carnival and helped clean up the town as a Sr.

Hilary received the following honors: basketball honorable mention as a Soph. and Sr.



Jaime Gonzalez

Jaime Joseph Gonzalez

Jaime Joseph Gonzalez is the son of Jim Gonzalez and Teresa Marquez.

Jaime plans to attend Amarillo Community College in Amarillo.

Juan Jeronimo Hernandez

Juan Jeronimo Hernandez is the son of Jessie Felipe Hernandez and Lilly Nieto.

Juan plans to join the work force in whatever capacity he finds appealing.

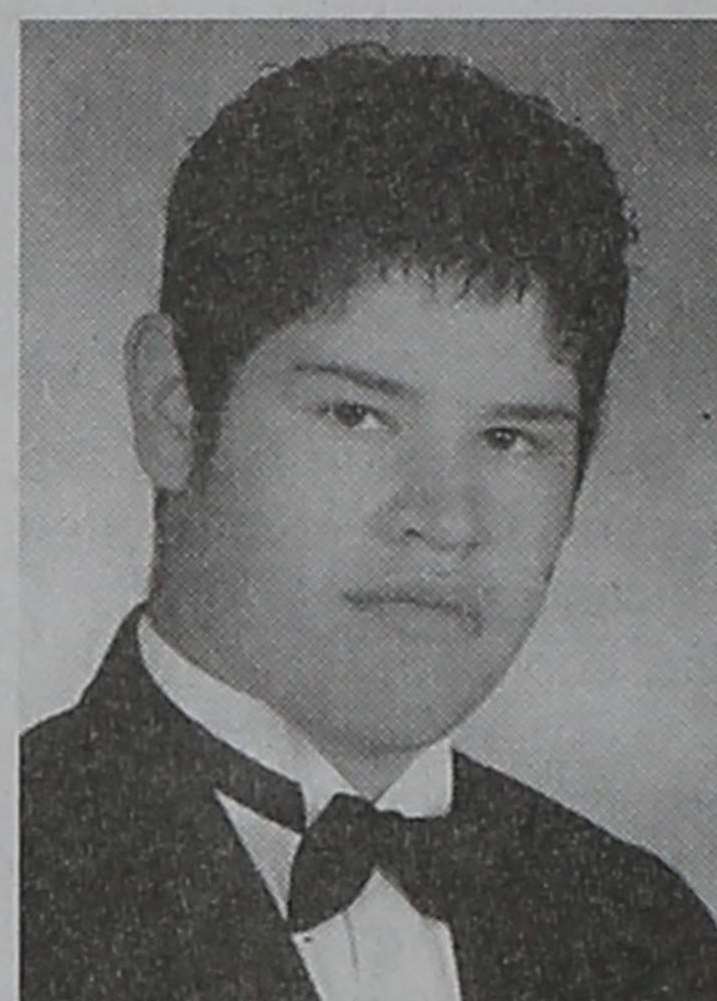
He participated in football as a Fr., Jr. and Sr.; powerlifting as



Juan Hernandez

a Jr.; FFA all four years of high school; and UIL his Jr. and Sr. years.

As a freshman, he received the English I award; English II as a Soph.; Ag award as a Jr.; and was first in UIL Computer Science as a Sr.



Vincent Longoria

Vincent Micheal Longoria

Vincent Micheal Longoria is the son of Frenando and Lillie Longoria.

Vincent plans to attend South Plains College in Levelland.

He participated in football as a Fr., Jr. and Sr.



Courtney Miller

Courtney Daile Miller

Courtney Daile Miller is the daughter of Greg and Kara Miller.

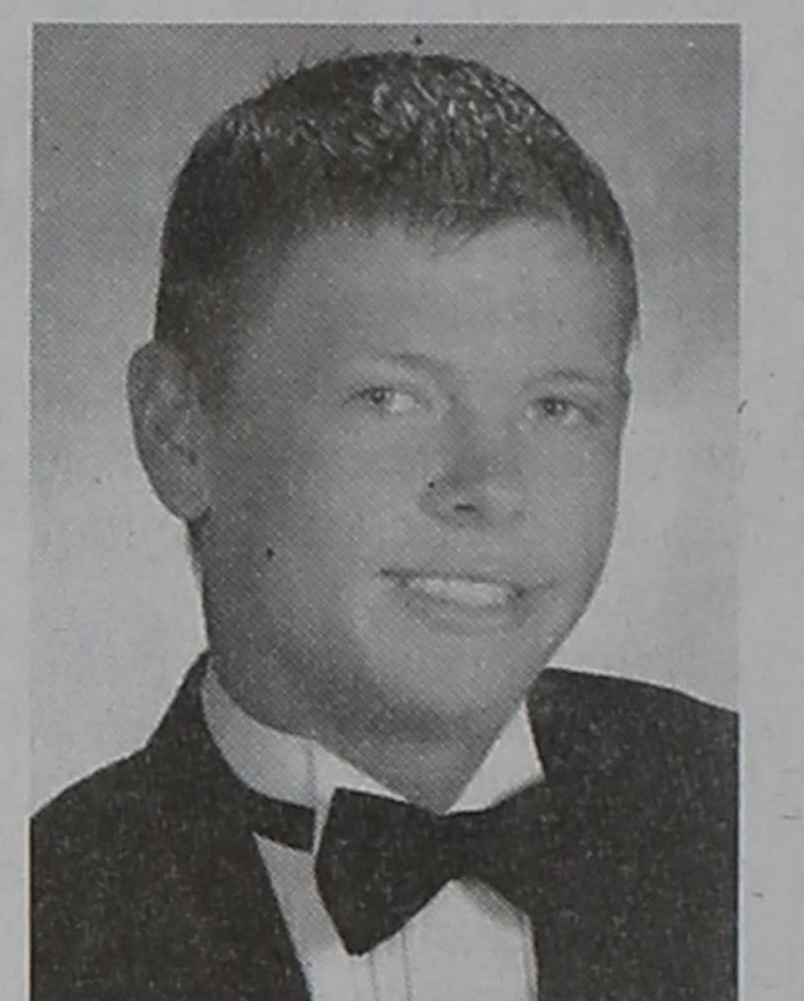
She plans to pursue a career in nursing with the goal of becoming an RN.

Courtney participated in basketball, cross country and track all four years of high school, tennis as a Soph. and Jr., and golf as a Sr. She also participated in cheerleading all four years; FCCLA as a Fr., Soph. and Jr.; was Student Council Representative as a Jr. and Sr. and was

class secretary as a Sr.

Courtney also participated in FBC Youth Group all four years of high school; Salvation Army, animal drive, book drive, clothing drive, and the painted city wall as a Jr.; blood drive, Adopt-A-Highway, painted old gas station, town clean up and cake weight as a Sr.

Her honors include: Freshman — varsity cheerleader; Sophomore — varsity cheerleader, offensive player, MVP (SP. BQ); Floydada All Tournament, All-District basketball; Junior — varsity cheerleader, tennie MVP (SP. BQ), basket MVP (SP. BQ), All-District basketball, Regional qualifier 1600M relay; Senior — varsity cheerleader, All-District Offensive MVP, TABC All Region, Lubbock AJ All South Plains, IA Player of the Year, TABC All State, TABC All Star Game (San Antonio), TGCA All State.



Landon Miller

Landon Blayne Miller

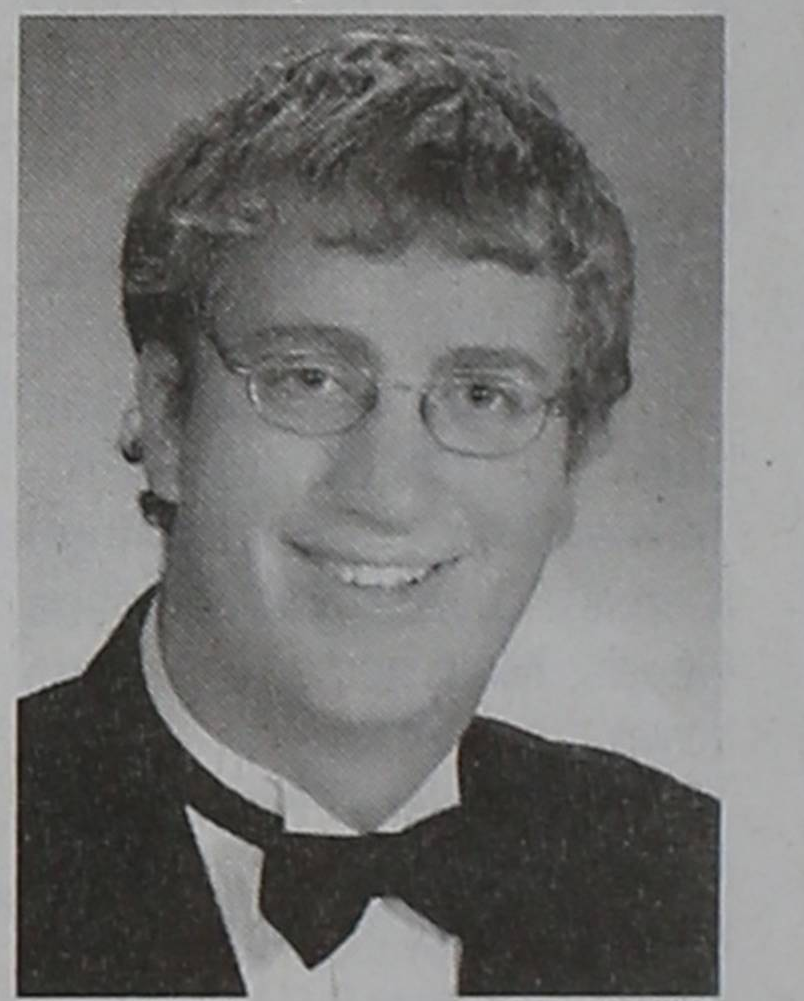
Landon Blayne Miller is the son of Marlan and Toni Miller.

He plans to join the Marines.

Landon participated in football all four years of high school; basketball and track as a Soph. and Jr.; and golf as a Jr. and Sr.

He also participated in FCCLA as a Fr. and Soph.; and FFA all four years of high school.

Landon's other activities include the Springlake Baptist Youth Group.




Michael Miller

Michael Wayne Miller

Michael Wayne Miller is the son of Jerry Miller and Arlene Miller.

He plans to attend Texas Tech University in Lubbock to study

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Congratulations and best of luck to all our graduates!

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Class of 2006. It's hard to believe the day is finally here. You've worked hard and made it through, and we couldn't be more proud of you.

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Springlake-Earth Commencement Exercises

Friday, May 19, 2006 - 7:00 P.M. in the SE High School Auditorium

mechanical engineering. Michael participated in football his Jr. and Sr. years; and basketball his Jr. year.



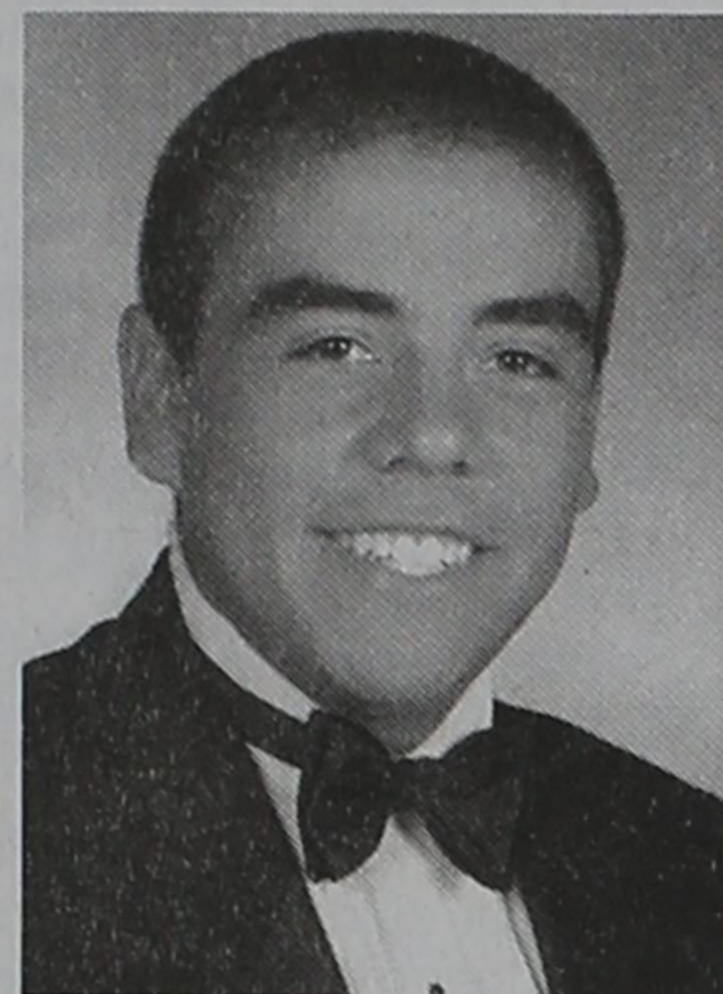
Monica Nieto

Monica Christina Nieto
Monica Christina Nieto is the daughter of Max and Margarita Neito.

Monica plans to attend South Plains College in Levelland. She participated in band as a

Fr.; and cross country and track as a Jr.

She also participated in FCCLA all four years of high school and was the organization's secretary as a Sr.



Jessie Ortiz

Jessie Lee Ortiz
Jessie Lee Ortiz is the son of Faustino and Savina Ortiz.

He plans to join the Marines to train as a logistics automotive operator.

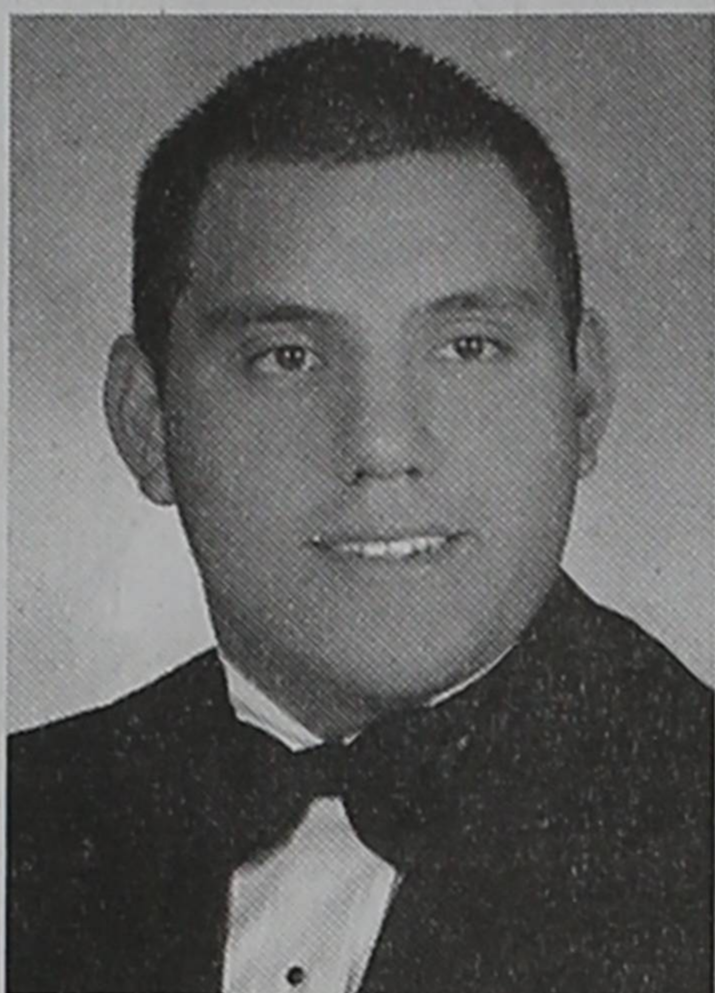
Jessie participated in football, basketball and track all four years of high school; golf as a Soph., Jr. and Sr.; and cross country and tennis as a Jr. and Sr.

He also participated in FFA all four years; FCCLA as a Fr. and Soph.; and UIL

as a Soph., Jr. and Sr.

Jessie has also participated in painting the city wall and cleaning up the highway as a Jr.; and painted the old gas station, cleaned up the highway, and participated in the Springlake First Baptist Church Youth Group as a Sr.

His awards include: Ag science I as a Fr.; Ag science II and persuasive speaking as a Soph.; Ag science III, science team and defensive MVP as a Jr.; basketball king, most athletic, 4th in district computer science competition, first place team.



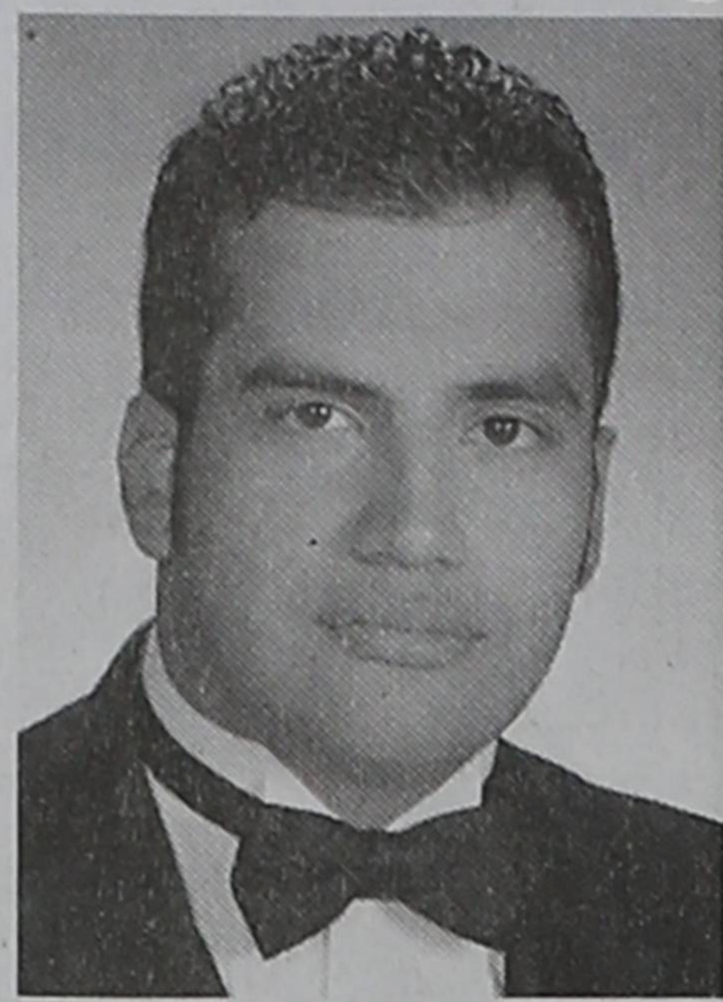
Ralph Reyes

Ralph Reyes
Ralph Reyes is the son of Onesimo Reyes and Teresa Reyes.

Ralph plans to attend South Plains College in Levelland to study welding.

He participated in football as a Jr.; and FFA all four years of high school.

Jeffrey Scott Samaniego
Jeffrey Scott Samaniego is the



Jeffrey Samaniego

son of Jesse P. and Belinda Samaniego.

He plans to attend Amarillo College in Amarillo.

Jeffrey participated in track as a Fr., Soph. and Jr.; and football and powerlifting as a Jr. and Sr.

He also participated in UIL as a Jr.

Shelley Denise York

Shelley Denise York is the daughter of Phillip and Diane York.

Shelley plans to attend Texas A&M University at College Station to study business and become an accountant.

Shelley participated in cross country, varsity basketball, track and cheerleading all four years of high school; golf as a Soph., Jr. and Sr. She served as head cheerleader her Sr. year.

Shelley also participated in FCCLA her Fr. and Soph. years; class VP as a Fr.; UIL all four years; Student Council, FFA, class VP as a Soph.; FFA presi-



Shelley York
Salutatorian

dent, Student Council VP, class VP and National Honor Society as a Jr.; president of FFA, Student Council VP, class president, and National Honor Society VP as a Sr.

Other activities include: First United Methodist Youth Group and Lay Reader as a Fr.; First United Methodist Youth Group

and Lay Reader as a Soph.; First United Methodist Youth Group secretary, Youth Council, Earth Lion's Club princess, Lay Reader as a Jr.; First United Methodist Youth Group secretary, Youth Council, Earth Lion's Club queen, and Lay

Reader as a Sr.

Shelley received the following awards: Freshman — basketball honorable mention All-District and track Regional qualifier; Sophomore — basketball All-District, track Regional qualifier; Junior — basketball honorable mention All-District, cross country Regional qualifier, track Regional qualifier, FFA President; Senior — basketball All-District, TABC All-Region, Golden Spread All-Star, State runner-up, cross country Regional qualifier, track District champion, Area qualifier.

Join us in celebrating the accomplishments of these fine young adults. Good luck in all you do!

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

How quickly a beautiful spring morning can go from spring cleaning to a quick desire to find a bar of soap to clean something else entirely. As my husband and I worked in our garage this morning we had the unpleasant experience of hearing a great deal more of two men's expletive filled vocabulary than we cared to or should have had to be a part of.

Both were visitors, one in a job setting, the other most likely had simply found this man in our neighborhood. The ensuing conversation began loudly and ended with shouting long after one of the men drove away with threats trailing behind him.

While the other remained to finish his job his foul expletive filled language continued racking the peaceful little neighborhood then with an eerie disquieting silence it ended.

As I finally stepped out of the garage to move another item out I realized that while the verbal abuse had ended the disquiet was as tangible as a heavy curtain laying over the once lovely morning.

I felt sorry for myself for a while, it really shook me up...listening to that kind of vitriolic anger seeping into my lovely serenade of robins, finches and sparrows. I had been robbed and abused whether these men

know it or not.

They took something that was not theirs to take. But as the day played out I realized how very much that type of anger eats away at the vessel in which it is being held. Hatred is never without victims, but the one who hates is sometimes the greater sufferer, for you see, for that short brief time of feeling that he had gotten the better of someone it was great, then came the deep pain of knowing that you had failed miserably to live a life that would make your wife, or your boss or your child proud.

Not to mention the prospect of guilt faced when you realize how disappointed God must surely be that you were unable to settle the matter in a manner that resolved the problem without shattering the spirit of the other person.

So as this is a small town, I'm sure one or both may read this article and feel remorse that others were hurt by their actions. I prayed for them tonight. God is a wonderful restorer and perhaps they should consider asking forgiveness from the person they verbally attacked. And even more importantly perhaps some form of anger management before the words of the tongue become actions of the hand with very different consequences.

Had I been their mom today, first would have come

the mouth washing, then the apology to the other person and to the innocent bystanders who witnessed it all. Then dear boys...your behavior equates with pre-teen machismo...I would have allowed you to sign up for any etiquette class that would permit you into their midst. And you would be required to learn it step by step, repeating the classes until you understood how to behave toward another human being.

Life is so much simpler when we apply the golden rule and treat another human as we want to be treated. If there is a situation to be resolved find the proper venue in which to do so and take it.

And a very wise lady figured out today that all it would take if the need should ever arise again is to dial 911...Muleshoe has a great team of guys who are wonderful at resolving differences, the big difference is they tell you how to do it. It will no longer be your choice.

I'm sorry you spoiled my lovely morning, but I'm more sorry that you didn't have enough love and self-esteem that you wouldn't allow yourself to become embroiled in this tawdry situation.

Blessings in your life journey.

Kay Graves
Muleshoe, Texas

Sudan gin records second straight record year in dividends, bales

By James Ivey

After one of the lowest years in its 71-year history two years ago, the Sudan's Farmers Co-op has achieved two straight record-high years, as dividend checks totaling \$2.75 million were handed out at the co-op's annual stockholders meeting Thursday, Apr. 27 the Sudan School Cafeteria.

"For customers, patronage dividends remains one of the most tangible measures of our success," said Farmers Co-op Sudan general manager Dennis Flowers.

After a meal of fish and brisket, Co-op Board President Edward Fisher conducted the business meeting and introduced the guests.

Randy Field of Randall Field Certified Public Accountant gave the audience the annual audit report. In the audit report, Field informed the stockholders that the Co-op had a record-setting year in profits, totaling \$3,314,094 which broke the previous record set in 2004, while continuing to remain debt-free.

The stockholders also were informed that the gin set a new record in number



2006 Board of Directors

Recognized after the cooperative's annual stockholders meeting were board members, left to right — Haldon Messamore, Gin General Manager Dennis Flowers, Board President Edward Fisher, James Synatschk, Board Secretary Brent Nelson, Board VP Bobby Carson, Greg Harper and Nim Newman.

of bales ginned, at 94,772. The previous record was just over 82,000 bales ginned in 2004.

"In 2005, we continued to build our history of consistent financial performance. The strong showing allowed the Co-op to return \$2.75 million in patronage and stock retirements to customer-owners for another record high," said Flowers.

Over the past 13 years, the Sudan Co-op has returned \$18,036,155.29 in cash to customer-owners.

Before the closing of the

meeting, an election of two directors was held. Haldon Messamore and Greg Harper were re-elected. They will rejoin the board consisting of Fisher, Jim Newman, James Synatschk, Bobby Carson, and Brent Nelson. The Sudan Farmers Co-op is entering its 71th anniversary since being established in 1935, growing from a small handful to the current 347 stockholders.

The meeting adjourned with door prizes and the distribution of the \$2.75 million in dividend checks.

Breast cancer screening set to come to Muleshoe

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 S. 1st Street, in Muleshoe June 5, 2006.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Funding is available through the Texas Dept. 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 or to schedule an appointment.

Higginbotham-Bartlett picks up new service

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Package Express Centers is the number one in-store retailing network of small package shippers and boasts a national network.

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The conversion to this state-of-the-art automated software will allow Higginbothams to as-

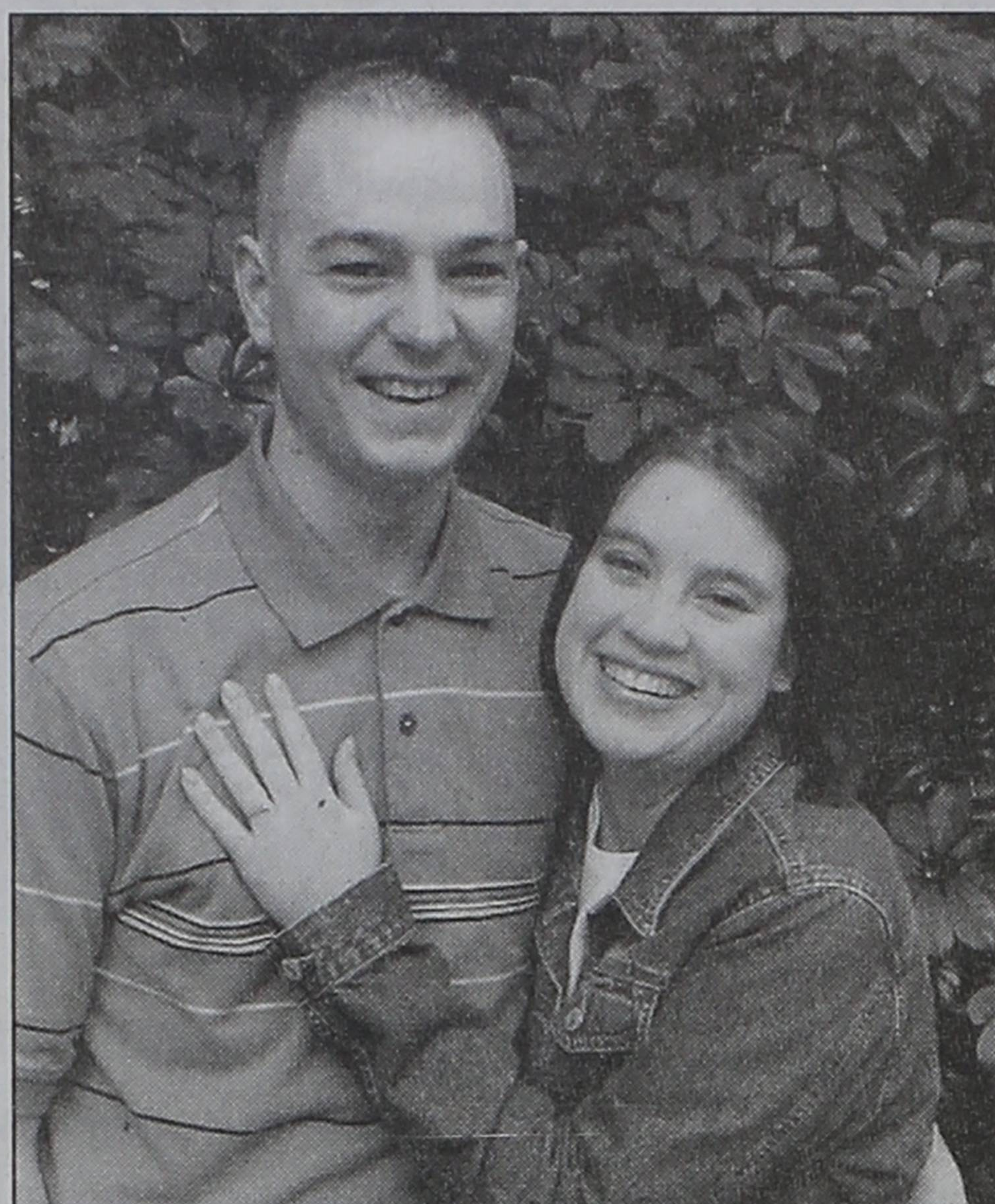
sist customers in processing packages via UPS in three minutes or less. Ship-to and from information is stored electronically, making future shipments faster.

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Engagements



HOLLI SHEETS AND JAY MYRICK

Sheets, Myrick engaged

Gene and Melody Sheets of Muleshoe proudly announce the engagement of their daughter Holli Sheets of Plainview, Texas, to Jay Myrick of Lubbock, Texas, son of John and Kathy Myrick of Abilene, Texas.

The bride-elect graduated from Hamilton High School in 2001, attended Lubbock Christian University and graduated with a degree in Elementary Education. She currently teaches first grade at Kress ISD.

The prospective groom graduated from Wylie High School in 2001, attended Lubbock Christian University and graduated in 2005 with a BS degree in Business. He currently works at Lubbock International Airport as a skycap with RAM Associates.

A small wedding is planned for July 29, 2006, in the chapel of the Broadway Church of Christ in Lubbock, Texas.

Plainview Pioneer Round-Up on tap

The 78th Pioneer Round-Up will be held at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview Saturday, May 20. The theme is "Covered Wagons to Cyberspace." A square dance will begin at approximately 8:30 p.m. on Saturday night.

Tickets are \$6, which covers all activities beginning with the supper at 6:00, the program at 7:30 and the square dance. Pay \$2 after 7:30 without meal. Tickets may be secured from any member of the BPW Club or at the door. Other activities include a reception at 10:00 a.m. featuring the Millennium Singers as well as the Kountry Kitchen for baked products at 10:00 a.m.



MANDIE VAN STADEN AND JOEL HETTINGA

Hettinga, van Staden engaged

Pete and Melody Hettinga of Muleshoe proudly announce the engagement of their son Joel Hettinga of Muleshoe, to Mandie van Staden of Muleshoe, daughter of Jurie Johannes and Louise van Staden of South Africa.

The prospective groom is a 1994 graduate of Ripon High School in Ripon, California. He attended Modesto Junior College in Modesto, Calif. and works as manager of 3-H Progress Dairy & Farms.

The bride-elect graduated from Parys High School in 2001 and South Africa's Pukke University. She received her CNA certification through South Plains College in Muleshoe and is an A.I. technician at Alta Genetics.

The couple will wed at First Baptist Church in Muleshoe on Sept. 2, 2006. Rev. Edward Fikse, Pastor Emeritus and the groom's grandfather, will perform the ceremony.

A reception will immediately follow the ceremony at Clovis Civic Center, Clovis, NM.

Engagements are published free of charge in the Muleshoe Journal!

Mule Moments

By Jessica Thornton

"Here is the graduating class of 2006." Those words will be heard in a little more than a week as the Muleshoe High School Class of 2006 crosses the stage to receive their diplomas. This week, I thought I would dedicate my column to the seniors of MHS.

During the little time that I have been here, there have been several seniors who have touched me in one way or another, and I would like to say "thank you" to a few of them. Lindsey, you are the best and you really influenced me a lot. Thanks for being my "big sister."

Stella, you were the best captain and were always there to help. Thanks! Janice, you did a great job this year as drum major. You were there to listen to flag's complaints and you did what you could to help.

Ely, thanks for being a great friend and listening to me. You are the best. Monica, you always had something positive to say. Thanks a lot. While these seniors have

influenced me more than others, many others have also impacted my life. I will miss you.

This year has been incredible, and there are so many good memories from it.

I remember one night — a few seniors should know what I am talking about — I was grounded for getting home a half an hour past my curfew. (A good memory right there.) I don't want to explain the whole story, but all of us had a lot of fun that night with Craig Scott.

I know I still have one more year before I get to take that walk across the stage, but I can wait, not.

I have been told that your senior year is your best year in high school, and that I am supposed to enjoy it. How am I supposed to enjoy it if it's not here yet?

I hope all of the seniors have a great summer before heading off to college.

Class of 2006, you have left your mark on Muleshoe and me, so thank you. I know I will miss you.

You are almost there... just a few more days. Congrats!

Words cannot adequately express my gratitude and thanks for all the wonderful people who supported me with their generous contributions, encouragement and support during my campaign for Board member-Place 5 of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District. Thanks to you, qualified voters of Place 5, for giving me this privilege and honor to serve you in this capacity. I also want to thank all my family and friends who rallied behind me and cheered me on. I will strive to do my best to live up to your expectations and with the other board members, doctors, and employees of Muleshoe Area Medical Center and Park View Nursing Care Center, it is my prayer that we will become the best hospital and nursing home in this whole area. Most of all, I want to thank the Lord for prompting me to run for this position and it is my hope that this community will stand together in prayer for the board members and everyone associated with MAMC and Park View. God bless you all.

Zona Gatewood

Newly elected Board Member, Place 5
Muleshoe Area Hospital District



Muleshoe Coop Gin

Muleshoe Coop Gin wishes to invite its customers to the 53rd annual meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 8, 2006

at the Bailey County Coliseum Meeting Room

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The agenda includes a meal, the business meeting, door prizes and the distribution of dividend checks.

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Muleshoe Coop Gin

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160 acres W. of Muleshoe, TX. Water well logs, show ample water. Large bag of corn silage goes with land. Some minerals. (806) 797-3237. 4ch5-1

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2 BR/1 BA SINGLE CAR GARAGE - Brick home in Sudan. Excellent neighborhood with recent carpet and tile in most of the house. **GREAT STARTER HOME!!** 307 Minyard. \$35,000
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3 BR/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. \$60,000

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•990 + Acres in Bailey County-721 acres in cultivation, balance in CRP. Natural spring. Next to wildlife refuge. Good government check. Good cash flow. **SOLD**
•LAMB COUNTY-160 acres of C.R.P. 156.8 payment acres. Has been extra good for 4 years past 2007. 7 total years of cash flow. **SOLD**
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•Parmer County-258 acres, 137.2 acres of C.R.P. 106.4 acres of cultivation. Good depreciable assets. **SOLD**
•Bailey County-Next to wildlife refuge. 369 acres. Good cash flow and good hunting. **SOLD**
•Bailey County-70 acres Northwest of Muleshoe on U.S. Highway 84. 76' x 36' doublewide home. 40' x 80' x 16' shop barn is insulated. 36' x 45' horse barn. Can be sold with or without doublewide. Possible to divide acreage.
• Bailey County - West of Muleshoe on 1760. 315 acres, 3 wells, 1 towable sprinkler. Fenced. Large Quonset barn.
• Bailey County - 354 acres in Baileyboro area; 250 acres of non-irrigated farmland; 100 acres of native grass.
• Lamb County - 1000+ acres northwest of Littlefield. 9 pivot sprinklers, 13 wells. Good livestock pens. Excellent soil for peanuts and potatoes.
•Lamb County - South east of Amherst 922 acres, 310 acres of alfalfa. 5 pivot sprinklers, 42 acres of drip irrigation. **SOLD**
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REAL ESTATE



House and 8 acres of land- 2451 CR X One mile N of Lazbuddie. This is a very well maintained country home with many updates and additions. One completely remodeled bathroom, master bath, three hot water heaters, a beautiful redwood deck with hot tub and an above ground swimming pool. \$175,000.
Richland Hills, 1713 W. Ave. 1 - Beautiful 2-story home with unique open concept, large rooms, storage, covered patio, hot tub/spa and circular drive. Great for entertaining. **REDUCED** \$220,000.
Muleshoe area farm in prime dairy location!! Dairy permit in process!! 1310 acres located about 6 miles NE of Muleshoe in the heart of an area found to be excellent for dairies. This farm is eight quarter sections that have been very well maintained and cared for. This farm lays well and is set up for peak production with center pivot sprinklers, 7 packaged for 700 gal/min and 1 packaged for 550 gal/min. There are three houses as well as two barns, a shop building, and a storage building. One house has been completely updated with granite countertops in kitchen, new flooring, and a beautiful sunroom addition.
Commercial - 1202 W. American Blvd. - Prime location in Muleshoe, off Main thru way, \$90,000.
Farm - CR 164, Jayton, TX. 550 acres. This property is located in the heart of a great hunting area. Deer, quail, dove, turkey and wild hogs are abundant. 486 acres in CRP @ 37/acre. Five years left on contract. **Reduced to** \$385,000.
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Just Listed - 480 acres NE of Bovina, 2 circular sprinklers, 3 wells, 1 submersible well. Includes 141.5 acres of CRP. Excellent cattle operation. Call for details.
New Listing - Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home, updated kitchen, fireplace, office, ref. air, central heat, fenced back yard, shop + more.
New Listing - Lazbuddie area, 2 bedroom, 1 bath brick home, built-ins, ref. air/central heat, 2-car garage, all on approximately 3 acres.
Price Reduced - Nice 4 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home, built-ins, ref. air, central heat, fireplace, utility room, fenced back yard, 2 car garage, all on corner lot.
New Listing - Nice country 2 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home, built-ins, ref. air, central heat, fireplace, utility room, 2 car garage, sprinkler system, fenced back yard, 2 metal barns, all on approx. 3 to 4 acres.
Extremely nice 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home. Newly remodeled kitchen, 8' x 8' tile floors, granite, fireplace, office, storage, 2 car garage, fenced back yard & front sprinkler system + more.
Country Home on 5 acres - Approx. 2100 sq. ft. Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home, built-ins, large utility, 800 sq. ft. of master bedroom with bath with jacuzzi tub, spacious closets, 2 fireplaces, large wooden deck with hot tub and pond, shop, outbuildings.
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IN CONTRACT
LENAU - COUNTRY CLUB AREA
•3-1 Home, corner lot, built-ins, Cent. A&H, fenced yd., workshop/storage!! \$42K!!
HIGH SCHOOL AREA
•NICE 3-2 Home, Central heat & air, kitchen stove, approx. 1600' lv. area, fenced yard, storage building!! \$49.5K!!
•NICE 3-1-5-1 Carport Home, 1380' lv. area, Cent. A&H, remodeled, new paint, carpet, stove, W&D, Thermal windows, metal trim, corner lot!! \$65K!!
•2-2 Bdrm., 1 bath units & 1-1 Bdrm., 1 bath unit, Cent. Elec. Heat Pumps, appliances, furniture, fenced!! **GOOD RENTAL PROPERTY!!** \$85K!!
COMMERCIAL
• 100' x 140' tract, corner lot on Hwy. 84, 1760' Bldg., 1076' Bldg., 308' storage, & 2-56' x 22' metal canopies w/ paved area!! \$49.5K!!
• **GOOD INCOME PROPERTY!!** - 1-4 unit, 1-8 unit, and 1-2 unit apartments!! CALL FOR DETAILS!!
• 413' Frontage on S. Hwy. 214, 24' x 50' shop, 24' x 30' office, chainlink fence!! \$21K!!

• 4.2 acre tract at edge of town, 40' x 60' metal insulated bldg., 2 other sheettin bldgs., chainlink fenced area, numerous wells!! \$59K!!
• Approx. 1274' Building, 75' x 140' lot, U.S. Hwy. 84!! \$35K!!
RURAL
• CIRCLEBACK-708 acres, 696.7 in CRP, 5 year extension!! \$325.00 per acre!!
• NEEDMORE - Gin Building, office, well on 3.6 acres (Hwy. 214 & FM 298)!! \$13,500!!
• NEEDMORE - NICE 3-2-2 Brick home on Hwy. 214, 1.14 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fans, stor. bldg., horse pen. MORE!!! **PRICE REDUCED \$74.9K!!**
• SUDAN - NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 3200' lv. area, 10' x 10' tile, 2 closets & storage. MORE!! \$95K!!
• SUDAN - NICE 2-1-2 carport Home, Cent. A&H (Heat Pump), built-ins, fans, thermal win. & doors, fenced yd. stor. bldg.!! MORE!!! **PRICED REDUCED \$28,000.00!!**
• 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!!



Report of the Annual Membership Meeting of the
Farmers Cooperative Association
Sudan, Texas

Held April 27, 2006

Total Cash Dividend Paid:
\$2,750,000.00

Which included:

Cash Patronage Dividend	\$2,261,800.00
Cash Equity Retirement	\$488,200.00
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Bales Ginned: 94,773

General Manager: Dennis Flowers

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Secretary: Brent Nelson

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