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Muleshoe youngster abducted by mother

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

It's many parents' worst nightmare, your child is gone... abducted.

And maybe even worse, the fact that the child has been taken by someone the child knows brings no relief because the situation he or she is being returned to is abusive and potentially dangerous.

According to the U.S. Department of Justice, about 350,000 children in the United States are the victims of parental



JOHNNY MARTENS

abduction each year, but these numbers are lost in the fact that the child missing this time is your own... or a member of your community.

On Sept. 23, at 6 p.m., Muleshoe became such a community with the alleged abduction of five-year-old Johnny Martens by his noncustodial parent, Margaretha Friesen of Campeche, Mexico.

According to Peter Martens of Muleshoe, Johnny's father and custodial parent, about two years ago Child Protective Services recommended Johnny's removal from the Friesen home following an investigation into child abuse allegations.

Johnny's name will stay on the MFL roster until he comes home...

On March 8, 2006, four months after Johnny came to live with him, a Hockley County district court awarded Martens full custody of Johnny.

As for Margaretha and Frank Friesen, they didn't appear at the 2006 custody hearing having returned to Mexico, according to Peter Martens, after CPS opened

its investigation.

Peter said the Friesens apparently returned to the small town in the State of Campeche, Mexico, where Margaretha grew up as part of an "old order" Mennonite community that continues to use horses and carriages instead of automobiles.

Since then, Johnny has been part of the Muleshoe

community, playing flag football on a Muleshoe Football League team, while his father worked as a truck driver for Deaf County Grain in Muleshoe.

But then, Margaretha Friesen returned to the United States, visiting her son for the first time since he'd been living with Peter through a series of six supervised visitations, in Muleshoe.

"When she came back to the states, they had to

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Mule Days celebration set for this weekend

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

With the Mule Days parade fast approaching, the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture would like to remind groups and individuals that last minute entries will be accepted... if they can provide a completed entry form for the announcers' booth.



This year's Mule Days celebration on Saturday, Oct. 6, will include a "pumpkin launching contest."

At least three entries are expected in the mechanized

division, chamber officials said.

According to chamber officials, the other events scheduled for Mule Days include:

- 7:30 - 9 a.m. — Jennyslipper's Pancake Breakfast, Assembly of God Church Family Life Center.
- 9 a.m. — Muleshoe Golf Tournament.
- 9 a.m. - 12 noon — Various activities on Main Street.
- 12 noon — Jennyslipper's Hot Dog Cookout, chamber deck.
- 2 p.m. — Muleshoe pitching contest, at Mule Putt Course.
- 3 p.m. — Pumpkin launching contest, at the old Boy Scout hut on Main Street, and dunking booth.
- 4 p.m. — Stick-horse races, and jumping castles.
- 5 p.m. — Motorized and mule/donkey drawn parade with the theme "Hit the Trail," along with the parade contest.
- 5:30 p.m. — Hamburger cookout on the chamber deck, sponsored by the Bailey County Office of Aging for Meals on Wheels.
- 6 - 7 p.m. Pumpkin

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Photographs by Larry Thornton

Kaiser 'takes a bite out of crime'

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Kaiserhofe of the Muleshoe Police Department did his part in "taking a bite out of crime, Thursday, Sept. 27, as he assisted Officer Jared Johnson and other area law enforcement officers in the arrest of a man transporting a mobile methamphetamine lab.

According to Muleshoe Police Chief Brian Frieda, Johnson was returning from canine training in Lubbock, and was in the Amherst area on Hwy. 84, about 10:30 p.m., when a 1989 Ford F150 pickup with a New Mexico license plate pulled into his traffic lane, almost striking his patrol unit.

After other erratic driving was observed, Frieda said, the Texas Department of Public Safety was contacted, and Johnson was asked to stop the vehicle and await the arrival of DPS Trooper Ricky Walters and Lamb County Dep. Sky Holcomb.

Johnson stopped the pickup on the outskirts of Sudan. The driver was Raymond E. Riley, 50, of Clovis. Shortly afterward, Walters and Holcomb arrived at the traffic stop.

According to the police chief, Riley appeared to be acting in a nervous manner. With this information, along with indications that a propane tank in the truck possibly contained anhydrous ammonia, a substance used in the illicit production of methamphetamine, Walters asked Johnson to use Kaiserhofe to search for indications of illegal substances in or on the vehicle.

Frieda, referring to Johnson's written report, said the canine alerted on several areas of the vehicle, and that when the vehicle was searched what was believed to be a boxed

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Local Weather

Thursday
Mt. Sunny..... 89/60

Friday
Mt. Sunny..... 88/57

Saturday
Mt. Sunny..... 81/48

Sunday
Sunny..... 76/43

Monday
Sunny..... 79/49

Tuesday
Sunny..... 80/49

Wednesday
Pt. Cloudy..... 80/48

Give It A Thought

Someone once said, "Horses, and mules, are born looking for a place to die, and something to eat along the way."

Words to ponder from Beverly

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State senator discusses issues in Muleshoe

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

State Sen. Kel Seliger spoke to a gathering of local business and government leaders Tuesday, as he trekked across his senate district to address issues of concern to his constituents.

While a variety of issues were discussed during the town hall meeting, a large number of those addressed related to education, law enforcement, municipal government, the three largest groups represented. Leading off with a

discussion about TAKS testing, of which Muleshoe Superintendent Gene Sheets pointed out that the

senator was one of the initial state leaders pushing for change, Seliger said he was pleased that "end of course" testing would be replacing the infamous TAKS, was said he was displeased that it wasn't going to take effect until the 2011-12 school year.

"When you have a problem with something, get rid of it," Seliger said.

However, he also said his greatest fear

was that people in the Texas Education Agency who supported TAKS testing would try to design the "end of course" tests as closely as possible to TAKS.

The senator spoke about the purpose of high schools in Texas, noting that he believes they focus too

strongly on college preparation.

"High school is preparatory for what comes next," he said.

Seliger said the state has devalued the importance of technical and career training for too long, and said it would be nice if everyone studied to be a brain surgeon, until the time when your sewer backs up and you need a plumber.

He also spoke about the importance of community

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'High school is preparatory for what comes next...'
— Sen. Seliger



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Read my lips: The war on terrorists won't change us...

In 1988, at the Republican National Convention, former Pres. George H. Bush uttered some words that bit him as deeply as a West Texas rattlesnake.

"Read my lips: No new taxes!"

It was a phrase that would haunt his administration in the years that followed, and it was a phrase that he later said he wished he 'd stood by rather than succumbing to congressional pressure.

In much the same way, on the day after Sept. 11, 2001, Pres. George W. Bush uttered a similar promise to the American people.

"...We will not allow this enemy to win the war by changing our way of life or restricting our freedoms."

Big words. Words that were no doubt born of the recognition that to allow the culprits of Sept. 11 to "change our way of life" or "restrict our freedoms" was to give them the victory.

Unfortunately, on Oct. 26, 2001, our national leaders did just that. They passed the USA Patriot Act, a farce of a name that suggests opposition to some of its freedom-stealing provisions brands one as "unpatriotic."

Of course, this isn't the first time our country's leaders have chosen to ignore portions of the Bill of Rights — that list of constitutional amendments specifically aimed at curtailing the abuses of "government gone wild."

In 1798, the Federalists passed the Alien and Sedition Acts, aimed at protecting this nation from what they claimed were seditious acts and "alien citizens of enemy powers," but were primarily used to silence those who spoke out against the nation's controlling political party.

On Feb. 19, 1942, former Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt

signed Executive Order 9066, which allowed United States citizens of Japanese descent to be incarcerated for the crime of "not doing a better job of picking their grandparents."

And following the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Building, provisions in the Omnibus Crime Act were passed that harkened back to the days of the Alien and Sedition Acts.

But the plain truth is that such acts — no matter what euphemistic name they carry — "throw the baby out with the bath water." They may protect the us, but only at the expense of what it truly means to be part of this nation.

While we continue to support our President in many of the issues that have garnered him both national and international criticism, on this issue... the protection of our individual rights as citizens of these United States, we find it necessary to remind him of his words from Sept. 12, 2001.

We agree, Mr. President, we must combat the terrorists who assail our nation through actions either here or abroad. But to use tactics that chip away at our individual freedoms will eventually place our nation on the same level as that of Adolf Hitler, Joseph Stalin and Saddam Hussein.

Sophomore fund raiser dinner

Muleshoe's sophomore class will be hosting a fund raiser dinner on Friday, Oct. 7, from 5-7 p.m. The menu will include a brisket sandwich with trimmings, baked beans, chips and chocolate chip cake. Tickets are \$6, and orders may be placed for delivery by calling 272-7306.

Senior center fund raiser

The Oneita Wagnon Senior Center will be holding a benefit luncheon during the Mule Days celebration, Oct. 6, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. The menu will include brisket, pinto beans, potato salad, cornbread and cobbler. Tickets are \$5 for adults, and \$3 for children age 10 and under.

The center is also selling tickets on a playhouse to be given away during Mule Days. Tickets are \$5 each, or five for \$20.

Cooking well with diabetes

Plan to attend the *Cooking Well with Diabetes* program, in the dining room of Muleshoe Area Medical Center, on Oct. 2, 9, 16, and Nov. 13, 2007, at 6:30 p.m.

Presentations include up-to-date information and cooking demonstrations. There is no cost to participate.

To register for the classes and/or for more information contact Mandi Seaton, County Extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, Texas Cooperative Extension, Bailey County, at 806-272-4583.

Learn to speak English this fall

The Muleshoe Adult Learning Center is now enrolling individuals wishing to learn to speak English or improve their basic skills for the fall session.

GED, ESL and college prep courses are also available. Call 272-7540 for more information.

AA meeting

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

Thanksgiving turkey orders

The 4-H Club is now selling meat for Thanksgiving. They have smoked pork loin, sausage kolaches, bacon, sausage patties, peppered turkey breast, chicken tenders, pork tamales, fajitas, cajun pies, hickory smoked turkey, homestyle pit ham, and a tailgate party pack.

This is the only fundraiser that the 4-H Club has. This money helps pay for the 4H'ers district and state contest, camps, county projects and supplies.

Give a call to your favorite 4-H'er or call the extension office and place your order now at 806-272-4583.

Community prayer

Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship church will be open Thursday mornings, at 7 a.m., for individuals wishing to use its auditorium to pray for the community.

Islam in the Light of the Cross

St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat will be hosting a free workshop entitled, "Islam in the Light of the Cross," on Saturday, Oct. 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Farwell High School auditorium.

The Rev. Karim Baidaoui, a converted Muslim and missionary to the Muslims in Dallas-Ft. Worth, will be leading the study session. The workshop will include a catered meal at no charge to participants.

Call Pastor David Symm at 825-2409, Ernest Ramm at 925-6421, or Frances Kube at 481-3441, to register or for additional information.

Alzheimer's disease support group

The Bailey County Alzheimer's Disease Support Group will be meeting Thursday, Oct. 11, at noon, at Park View Nursing Home. Lunch will be served.

For more information contact Debbie Crabtree, Bailey County Aging Services, 272-3647, or Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 272-4583.

Mail-in ballot applications

Applications for mail-in ballots are being accepted until Oct. 31, according to Bailey County Clerk Paula Benton. Ballots being cast by mail are especially helpful for individuals 65 years of age and older who don't wish to vote at the Bailey County Coliseum on Nov. 6, and individuals who plan to be out of town on election day and can't take part in the early vote.

Mail-in ballots must reach the County Clerk's Office by election day to be counted. Individuals not wishing to wait until Nov. 6 to cast their ballots can vote early at the County Clerk's Office from Monday, Oct. 22, until Friday, Nov. 2, from 8:30 a.m. until noon and 1-5 p.m.

For more information call 272-3044.

Lazbuddie Homecoming dinner on Oct. 5

The Lazbuddie Junior class will be hosting Homecoming brisket dinner on Wednesday, Oct. 5, from 5:30-7:30 p.m., and after the game.

The cost is \$5 for a "light plate," and \$7 for a "big plate," and will include a menu of brisket, potato salad, beans, bread, dessert, and tea.

Jennyslippers fund raisers

The Muleshoe Jennyslippers will be holding three fundraising events Saturday, Oct. 6, during Mule Days:

- 7:30-9 a.m., a pancake breakfast at the Assembly of God's Family Life building. Tickets are \$3.

- 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., a hotdog lunch at the Muleshoe chamber deck. Tickets are \$2.50.

- 2 p.m., a muleshoe pitching tournament at the Mule-Putt golf course. There is a \$5 entry fee.

Athletics Boosters

The Muleshoe Athletics Booster Club will be meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 8, instead of the normal time of 7 p.m.

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Sacrifices... supporting those who protect us

The grand ballroom in the former Presidential Palace is now the largest coffee shop I have ever seen. The lattes are fabulous thanks to three young men from Nepal who work ridiculous hours.

One day I ordered a single latte and a double latte. The next day, when they saw me standing in line, the tall, handsome Nepali man said with his proudest smile, "Single latte... double latte."

I've thought about trying the chai espresso, but I appreciate so much the fact that they remember my order that I don't want to change it up on them. On less busy days, they draw little hearts in the foam on top of my latte.

Metal bookcases are filled with used books that are traded on a "take a book leave a book type system."

There are racks of magazines, most of which interest me none, with titles that talk about electronics, guns, and such things. I did find a *Conde Nast Travel* magazine that kept me occupied for an hour or so.

Round tables are scattered across the ballroom, and there are several living room-type seating areas, with sofas, armchairs, ottomans and side tables.

On the other side of a room divider are 20 computers with internet access.

As I see it
Musings from
a land far away... Terah Kay



At any given time, at least one sofa holds a sleeping soldier, sailor, airman or marine. I can only make presumptions as to why these guys don't go back to their quarters to sleep. Is it because the palace is safer? Is the break so short that walking back to quarters is not worth the trouble? Either way, this image of exhausted men sleeping in this ballroom will forever be burned in my memory.

This palace ballroom is where the people who work in Embassy Annex come to eat a quick lunch, to have a casual meeting, to play chess or a card game, or to connect with home.

I spend a lot of time watching and listening in this room. Yesterday a group of soldiers sat at a table near mine. As they got up I could hear them making plans for the evening when I heard one man say, "I won't be able to make it; they're inducing my wife tonight; I'll be a dad by this time tomorrow."

The words were spoken as a matter-of-fact, and I am

sure this man was not seeking sympathy from anyone. He was just beaming proud as can be. But how difficult it must be for him to miss the birth of his child.

And I can't help but think of his wife, delivering a child without its father there to help her welcome a son or daughter. She must have strength that I can only imagine. She has to.

Every day, I spend some time sitting at a computer writing, sending e-mails, planning my journey home. And every day, I cannot help but notice that the men at computers next to me are, in large part, fixated on one thing... women.

I see men signing up for online dating services, chatting with other chatters with handles like "sweet thing," and writing letters to girlfriends, wives, or fiancées.

Most of these guys are surrounded by their friends, but they are lonely for something more.

One whom I spoke with has been successful as a commander in the Army. He

holds a fairly important position here, and has spent well over half of the past four years either here in Iraq. He wants to have a family, and it's just not happening when he's only home for 4-5 months at a time and knows he'll be returning to Iraq so often.

This guy would be quite a catch, but he isn't in one place long enough to be caught! He is successful, but he knows there is more to life than being successful at work.

He wants to continue to help in this effort to give Iraq freedom... a cause that he believes in, but he is sacrificing his dreams of having a family to serve here.

Another serviceman has been overseas six times, and has opened a "Dear John letter" on four of those six deployments. He has a girlfriend now, and he's just not sure she can handle him being away for so long.

"It's just too hard for them, knowing that this probably won't be the last time, and being scared of losing me, so they just call it off," he said. They just call it off.

And one more serviceman is in love with his wife and has teenage children. This father is on his way home in a couple of weeks. I spoke to him just after he got off the phone with his 13-year-old son who just started football season. This man has been away almost three of the last four years... since his son was nine years old.

During this conversation, his son asked him at least three times if he would be able to see him play football this year.

Praise God, this man will be home in time to see half the season. His boy said hasn't gotten a tackle yet. But he's working real hard, and by the time Dad gets home, he'll be ready to show off for him.

There are the obvious sacrifices... those of life and limb. And then there are the more subtle ways that these men and women give their lives for us.

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Help sought with Christmas story

The *Muleshoe Journal* needs your help.

For the past few years, the *Journal* has featured a serial Christmas story, written by Larry Thornton, managing editor, during the weeks leading up to Christmas in the hopes of encouraging

parents to spend time reading to their children.

In 2006, the *Journal* carried the story of "The Christmas Angel," about a young boy troubled over the loss of his father during World War II, and the angel sent to his aid.

In 2005, the *Journal* carried the story "April's Christmas Doll," about a young girl who learned that her parent's love was more important than the most glamorous doll.

This year, the *Journal* has decided to ask your help in choosing the path this year's Christmas story will take.

Would you like a sequel to "The Christmas Angel," or "April's Christmas Doll?"

Or would you prefer a serial story that isn't a sequel. You decide.

Contact the *Journal*, and let your wishes be known by Oct. 15. Your votes will be tallied, and the results will be announced in the Oct. 18 issue of the *Journal*.

Kaiser... Continued from page 1

methamphetamine lab, with finished product, and loaded syringes were found, along with an undetermined amount of what was believed to be "black tar" heroin was discovered.

However, before Riley could be arrested and secured in a patrol car, he fled on foot, into a nearby open field.

The police chief said the officers pursued him on foot, but when the trail came to dense brush, put Kaiserhofe's talents to work.

Kaiserhofe located Riley in short order, but in the process, apparently bit the suspect on the left arm, causing a small laceration.

Sudan EMS was called to the scene, according to the police report, but Riley refused treatment prior to being transported to the Lamb County Jail on drug charges.

According to the police chief, Riley has a lengthy criminal history with numerous prior drug charges.

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comply with the visitation orders," said another employee at Deaf County Grains who along with her husband have befriended Peter and Johnny Martens.

"We've spent two years, trying to protect this baby," she added, expressing her own heartache over the situation, and talking about the steps that were taken to assure that Johnny remained safe during the supervised visits.

After the supervised visitations, Johnny's mother apparently petitioned a local court for unsupervised visitation, and received it.

According to Peter Martens, during the court hearing Margaretha testified that her husband, Frank, abused Johnny on an almost daily basis, but added that she had left him.

Other sources reported that she also testified that she was seeking a divorce.

Martens also said the court had ordered Margaretha not to take Johnny out of a five-county area — including Bailey, Lamb, Cochran, Lubbock and Hockley Counties, and not to allow the child to have

contact with Frank Friesen.

After a few successful "unsupervised" visits, Martens said Margaretha picked Johnny up on the evening of Friday, Sept. 21, and apparently took him to her father's house, near Levelland.

At 11:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 22, Peter says Abe Friesen, Margaretha's father, called to tell him that Margaretha had "stolen his car" in the night, leaving a note behind that said she was taking Johnny back to Mexico with her.

Since that time, both the Muleshoe Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation have become involved in the case, but as of Monday, no new information was known.

Saturday was a big day for Muleshoe's youngsters as the MFL teams took the field, unfortunately, Johnny's team had to take the field without him. But his team, and his teammates haven't given up on Johnny. Monday, an official with the MFL said, "his name is staying on the roster until he comes home."



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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

The Oneita Wagnon Senior Center has just completed a very successful year.

A total of 17,353 congregate meals were served to our senior citizens, and 19,547 visits were made to the center.

If you have not visited your senior center, we encourage you to come by. There is always someone here playing dominoes, eighty, putting a puzzle together, playing pool, using the

computers or just having a cup of coffee and visiting.

Remember the center operates on donations only.

Our heartfelt thanks to all of you who have donated so generously to help.

A \$24 per year donation is suggested from each participant. This is just two dollars a month to help the center.

We have many memorial donations made to honor someone's loved one. We are deeply thankful for this.

The center is a non-profit

organization and any donation is tax free.

We have started the game of Bunco on Tuesday morning beginning at 10 a.m. LeAnn, with Interim Health Care, is helping the seniors to learn the game. It is a lot of fun and prizes are given to the winners.

Our flu shots were a big success Tuesday. Calvert Home Health helped us out on this. Hope you made it in for yours.

The center will be open Saturday, Oct. 6, for Mule

Days celebration.

A lunch of brisket, beans, potato salad, cornbread, cobbler will be served from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The cost will be \$5 for adults and \$3 children age 10 and under. The public is invited to come by and eat with us.

The Playhouse will be given away just before 4 p.m.

Then the senior citizens will all join together and ride in the parade. Make plans to be here and enjoy.

Remember your Tuesday

night dances. Call a friend, bring your favorite dish for the pot luck supper, and come listen or dance to the good country music.

Tuesday, Oct. 9, Mandi Seaton, from the Bailey County Extension Office, will be bringing her interesting and informational program.

Menu for Oct. 8-12:

Monday, Oct. 8 — Salisbury steak, mixed vegetables, salad, wheat roll, jello and fruit.

Tuesday, Oct. 9 — Beef fajita meat on rice, pinto

beans, grilled vegetables, salsa chips, cornbread and pudding.

Wednesday, Oct. 10 — Steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, salad, wheat roll and cobbler

Thursday, Oct. 11 — Meatloaf with creole sauce. Broccoli and cheese, corn, salad, wheat roll and cake.

Friday, Oct. 12 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad.

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BAILEY COUNTY DEVOTIONAL PAGE

Obituaries

Zetha Young

Graveside services for Zetha Dickinson Young, 81, of Amarillo was held on Tuesday, Oct. 2, at the Zybach Cemetery of Allison.

Young died on Sep. 30, 2007, in Farwell Convalescent Center. She was born on March 18, 1926, in Becham County, Okla.

Young had lived in the Sudan area since May 2007, moving from Amarillo. She was a 1946 graduate of the Sudan High School, and a member of the San

Jacinto Methodist Church of Amarillo.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law — Barbara and Julian Damron of Circleback; a sister — Susie Parkey of Oklahoma City, Okla.; a brother — Roy Dickinson of Canadian; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Legacy of Love Hospice Care, 420 Phelps Ave., Littlefield, TX, 79339, or the Sudan Fire Department, 111 E. First, Sudan, TX 79371.

Engagement



TRACI SEATON AND ANTHONY FURGESON

Seaton, Furgeson engaged

Johnny and Mary Furgeson of Maple announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their son, Anthony Furgeson, to Traci Seaton, the daughter of Mike and DeAnn Seaton of Brownfield.

The couple will be married at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Meadow First Baptist Church, with Curtis Baker of the Church of Christ in Lubbock officiating. A reception will be held in Lubbock at the 4 Bar K Ranch shortly after the ceremony concludes.

The prospective bride is the granddaughter of Eddie and Peggy Bingham of Meadow and J.C. and Sue Seaton of Brownfield.

She is a 2001 graduate of Meadow High School and a 2005 graduate of Lubbock

Christian University, where she received her bachelors degree in early childhood education. She is employed with the Lubbock Independent School District.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Geraldine Furgeson of Lubbock, and the late Jack Furgeson, formerly of Maple and Shallowater, and Maxyne Cadenhead of Lubbock, and the late H.L. Cadenhead of Morton.

He is a 2002 graduate of Three Way High School and a 2006 graduate of Texas Tech University, where he received a bachelors degree in finance.

He will graduate in December 2007 with his master in business administration. He is employed with City Bank of Lubbock.

Club News

By Alene Bryant

Muleshoe Retired Teachers met on Friday, Sept. 21, for a noon luncheon, and their first meeting of the year.

After a meal served by hostesses Georgia Pena, Mary Nell Bleeker, and myself, MRT president James Sinclair called the meeting to order, and introduced guest speaker, Richard Roberts, district president of Area 17.

Robert's speech was very informative. Since our 13th check is questionably stalled for the time being, he gave us some tips on how to make out legislators more attentive to our situation:

- Be active in your local unit.

- Be aware of who your legislators are and make sure they know who they are representing.

Log onto www.trta.org to learn more about what is going on.

Roberts said the bill that was passed by the legislators and signed by the governor was worded in such a way that we may get a 13th check, but there is a possibility that we may not.

It will be decided in November, but the results of their study won't be known until December. If a check is issued, it will be after the first of 2008.

Mail-in ballot applications available

Applications for mail-in ballots are being accepted until Oct. 31, according to Bailey County Clerk Paula Benton.

Ballots being cast by mail are especially helpful for individuals 65 years of age and older who don't wish to vote at the Bailey County Coliseum on Nov. 6, and individuals who plan to be out of town on election day and can't take part in the early vote.

Mail-in ballots must reach the County Clerk's Office by election day to be counted.

Individuals not wishing to wait until Nov. 6 to cast their ballots can vote early at the County Clerk's Office from Monday, Oct. 22, until Friday, Nov. 2, from 8:30 a.m. until noon and 1-5 p.m. For more information call 272-3044.

Publication of Obituaries

Obituaries printed in the Muleshoe Journal are printed free of charge and contain the following types of information:

Date and details of funeral and place of burial; date and place of birth and parents names; date of marriage;

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We will be pleased to run a one column black and white photo at no charge. A larger photo or a color photo will cause the obit to be paid.

Please keep in mind that everything must be submitted by your funeral home.

Square dance lessons offered

Muleshoe Squares is offering square dance lessons beginning Thursday, Oct. 11, at 7:30 p. m.

The lessons will be at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center, 319 S. Main Street.

This first lesson will include a pot luck supper. Square dancing is good exercise, a lot of fun and fellowship, an organization representative said.

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Sports

Varsity defense instrumental in River Road defeat

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mule defense seemed to think it was already Christmas and they were Santa Claus Friday night at Amarillo River Road.

The defense made a present of the football five times in the second quarter and each gift was neatly wrapped in short yardage needed for a score.

In the final eight minutes of the first half the Mules piled 36 points on the board to take a 42-8 lead at the intermission. The defense

the great support each week. The kids and coaches feed off of it and they respond well."

Brian Poynor got the festivities started by recovering a Wildcat fumble on the River Road 14. Lane Wood skipped 14 yards to the end zone. He repeated the feat for the two-point conversion.

Garrett Riley was playing safety like a center fielder on River Road's next possession. He read the quarterback's eyes and beat the intended receiver to the

Players of the Game
 Offensive Player..... Elias Alvarado
 Defensive Player..... Doc Fullmer
 Special Teams Player..... Marshall Head
 Scout Team Player..... Danny Montejano
 MVP of Game..... Garrett Riley
 Slobber Knocker..... Doc Fullmer

his eyes off Riley. Riley spotted Wes Wood 30 yards down field and lofted him the ball. W. Wood secured the ball before going out of bounds at the 13.

A screen pass to L. Wood

forced a punt that rolled out of bounds on the River Road 49. Riley connected with Colby Carpenter on a deep slant for 20 yards.

Riley then found W. Wood open on a short toss near the Wildcat sideline. After the catch W. Wood ran through one tackle and powered his way for a 12-yard gain. A personal foul penalty cost the Wildcats half the distance to the goal.

Riley saw Austin Wright come open in the end zone for a seven-yard TD toss.

W. Wood took over the helm from Riley late in the third period. The Mules had taken possession on the River Road 34. W. Wood faked a hand off to L. Wood and raced 66 yards through the defense for a TD.

During the final period W. Wood hung the ball on the River Road 10 and Dusty Clayton ran under it. Before Clayton could secure the ball he was hit and the ball popped up. Fullmer's pass pattern had him close by and raced to make the grab and stepped into the end zone. Rodriguez kick ended all scoring.

The Mules had scored early in the game when Ray Ramirez scored on a 25-yard "Hammer Play." The point-after-try was blocked and the Mules led 6-0.

The Mules rushed 31 times for 247 yards and gained 194 through the air as Riley and W. Wood connected on 19 of 30 attempts. The Mules out gained the Wildcats on offense 441 total yards to 23.

W. Wood was the leading rusher with three attempts for 60 yards, L. Wood rushed seven times for 50, and Ramirez had three attempts for 46. Nine different Mules rushed with the ball. Riley through for three touchdowns and W. Wood had one.

Nine receivers made catches with Vasquez catching four for 29, Clayton had three for 29 and Fullmer

caught one for 37. Alvarado made two TD grabs, Fullmer one and Wright had one.

The Wildcats rushed 22 times and the Mule defense stopped them for a negative 12 yards. They completed six of 24 passing attempts for 35 yards and the Mules picked off five. Riley intercepted two Wildcat passes, Vasquez caught two and Flores grabbed one.

Fullmer led the defense with eight solo tackles, four assists, two for losses, one sack, a big hit, two special team tackles and blocked one punt. Marshall Head

made five solo stops, three assists, one for a loss, broke up a pass and made three special team tackles. Jared Mendoza had three solo tackles, one assist, one for a loss, a big hit and a special team stop.

The Mules return to Benny Douglas Stadium for the first time in two weeks when the meet the Amarillo Highland Park Hornets. It is the second district ball game for each team. The Hornets lost to Dimmitt in their opener 27-0 for a 0-1 record. Kickoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.



Photograph by Stacy Conner

Mule Victor Vasquez gets his hand on the ball during the game against River Road.

continued the shutout in the second half as the Mules rolled to a 63-0 win in their district 2-2A opener.

"It was nice to bounce back from and loss," said Mule coach David Wood. "We have another opponent similar to this one next week. We have told the kids to stay focused and try to get better because everyone else is getting better."

"It was a fun game for us and we got everyone in the game. They have a lot of kids hurt and I know how hard it is to try to play like that. We are trying to not look ahead too much but we are also trying to prepare for the final two games of the season."

"The district race is already shaping up like we thought it would. We need to win the next few games and be prepared for the two big ones at the end. Bushland defeated Friona tonight and they should take two of the playoff spots. We are concentrating on the top rung of the district ladder."

"It was a fun night and we want to thank all the fans that made the trip to Amarillo. We do appreciate

ball. He was brought to the turf at the Wildcat 31.

It took the Mules just three plays to reach pay dirt. Riley first connected with Dusty Clayton on the Mule sideline. Clayton did his best imitation of Raymond Barry by hanging his toes inbounds and leaning out of bounds for the catch.

Ray Ramirez moved the Mules 11-yards closer to the goal line with his patented water bug moves. Elias Alvarado escaped his coverage in the end zone and Riley zipped him the ball for an eight-yard TD. Jorge Rodriguez booted through his first of six consecutive PATs.

Patrick Precure booted the ball down the field and Doc Fulmer met the Wildcat with the ball and drove him to the turf at the River Road 29.

Victor Vasquez kept the Mule Christmas party going on the Wildcats' first play of the series and picked off the pass in front of the Mule bench. He returned the ball to the River Road 43.

Riley and L. Wood rolled to the left. L. Wood sold the option pitch by never taking

picked up seven yards. Alvarado plowed through a hole provided by the right side of the Mule line for a six-yard TD. The Mules led 28-0 with 5:24 left in the half.

Marshall Head made the stop on the ensuing kickoff for the Mules at the Wildcat 24. River Road could not gain an inch and was forced to punt after three downs. The punt went off the side of the punter's foot and rolled out of bounds at the Mule 48.

Four plays later Riley saw that all the receivers covered but a running lane had opened up and he raced into the end zone from 10 yards out.

Abraham Flores lived a defensive lineman's dream when he recognized a screen play developing. He leaped up, snagged the Wildcat pass and rumbled to the River Road 25.

Riley spotted Alvarado six-yards deep in the end zone for another Mule TD. Rodriguez kick made the score 42-0 at the intermission.

The second half started much like the first had ended. The Mules held and

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Bushland	5	0	1	0
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Highland Park	0	5	0	1
Tulia	1	3	0	0
Dimmitt	4	1	1	0
Littlefield	4	1	0	0

GO MULES!

This Week's Schedule
 Bushland at River Road (Dist.)
 Tulia at Dimmitt (Dist.)
 Friona is Open
 Littlefield is Open
 Sudan is Open
 Springlake-Earth at Hale Center
 Klondike at Lazbuddie

Last Week's Scores
 Muleshoe 63, River Road 0
 Bushland 28, Friona 14
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Sports

JV Mules sweep River Road, 30-0

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Mules got their offense untracked Thursday night as they rocked the Wildcats of River Road 30-0. The Mules had been playing double tough defense to stay close to opponents during the non-district schedule but could not seem to get their offense to come together.

The Wildcats elected to receive the opening kick and returned the ball to their 40 where Jesse Bernal and Adrian Chacon made the stop. River Road attempted some razzle-dazzle with a reverse half back pass on the first offensive play of the evening.

The pass was just out of the reach of the intended receiver. Had the catch been made the Wildcats would have had an early lead. Brett Poynor strung out a sweep almost to the sideline before Adrian Muniz made the stop.

The Wildcats had only picked up two yards on their



Photograph by Stacy Conner

Mule DJ Atwood recovers a fumble.

first series before having to punt. Alex Godinez returned the kick to the Mule 43. A personal foul penalty was assessed against the Wildcats to move the Mules to the Wildcat 41.

Jared Skipworth rolled wide to the right side to gain 19 yards. Caleb Conner went 10-yards up he middle to regain what the Mules had lost on a holding penalty. A five yard motion penalty set the Mules back five-yards but 14 picked up the lost yardage on pitch from Skipworth.

A six-yard sack of

Skipworth left the Mules facing fourth and 15 for a first down on the Wildcat 26. Skipworth rolled wide right and sold the run to free up Kyler Steinbock at the four-yard line.

A running-touch pass from Skipworth seemed to hang in the air and wait for Stevie Cisneros to make the catch. He could have walked the final four yards for a touchdown. Skipworth tacked on the pint after to give the Mules a 7-0 lead.

The Wildcats strung together an 11-play drive that stalled on the Mule 36 after

Steven Richards sacked the quarterback for an eight-yard loss. The River Road punt rolled into the end zone.

The Mules drove 80 yards on four plays. Caleb Conner picked up six on first down and Skipworth found a hole in the left side for 21 more. Conner took a pitch wide right for 22 yards to the Wildcat 25.

Conner could have driven a truck through the hole the Mule line opened on the left side and he scampered into the end zone. Skipworth tacked on the point after for a 14-0 Mule lead with 7:13 left in the half.

DJ Atwood broke through to blow up the Wildcat's draw play. The ball hit the turf and Atwood recovered for the Mules. Five plays later Conner capped a 76-yard drive with a six-yard run to pay dirt. Skipworth's kick gave the Mules a 21-0 lead with 2:21 left in the half.

Skipworth kicks off for the Mules and booted the ball to the River Road three. The Wildcat return man slipped past would be tacklers to the 32. Skipworth delivered a slobber knocker blow at the Wildcat 31.

Josue Macias recovered a Wildcat fumble at the River Road 40 to set up the Mules final scoring drive of the half. A holding penalty set the Mules back to midfield with just less than a minute left in the half.

A screen pass in the middle of the field allowed Conner to gain 15 yards. Skipworth rolled right and tossed to Muniz for a nine-yard gain. On fourth and 12 with time running out Conner made a catch in a crowd. He skated through the defense to the end zone for a 30-yard TD catch and run. Time had expired on the play and the Mules led 28-0 at the half.

The Mules fumbled on the River Road one-yard line but seconds later Alex Godinez and Conner teamed up for a

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A Message from Trauma Services

October is Brain Injury Awareness Month

Every 15 seconds in this nation, someone sustains a brain injury. Currently 5.3 million Americans live with disability caused by brain injury and more than 50,000 individuals die each year as a result. These are unfortunate statistics - coupled with the alarming lack of public awareness about what brain injury is and how it can be prevented. There is no cure for brain injury, only prevention. A point that is being stressed is that while Brain Injuries may be life altering, they do not have to be life-ending.

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Freshmen Mules defeat the Mustangs

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The River Road Wildcats do not have a freshman team so the freshmen Mules were forced to find another opponent for last Thursday night. The Bovina Mustang junior varsity team was also searching for a game.

The Mules traveled to Bovina and jumped in front early and never trailed during the contest. The Mustangs were no match for the Mules as they rolled to a 38-12 victory.

Cooper Washington broke the scoring ice with a 27-yard scoring run in the opening frame. Washington then tossed to Juan Sanchez for the two-point conversion.

Bovina attempted to tie the Mules in the second period with a 35-yard scoring run but the two-point conversion failed leaving the Mules in the

lead 8-6.

Washington rumbled for a 10-yard TD in the second period and connected with Nick Hurtado for the two-point conversion and a 16-6 Mule lead. Bovina struck back but again the two-point conversion failed.

Joey Ramirez plunged in from the two in the third period and Washington tossed to Sanchez for the two-point conversion. Washington got loose later in the period for a 15-yard TD. The points after failed as the Mules extended their lead to 30-12.

Sanchez scored the final TD of the night on a five-yard blast. Ramirez carried for the two-point conversion.

The Mules rushed 28 times for 284 yards and Washington completed five of eight passes for 57 yards for total of 341 yards. Ramirez

led the Mules with 12 carries for 136 yards, Washington rushed eight times for 79 and Sanchez carried seven times for 41.

Sanchez caught three passes for 27 yards, Ramirez caught one for 20 and Hurtado grabbed one for 10 yards.

Washington made eight solo tackles and had four assists and picked off a pass. Ramirez had five solos and one assist and Sanchez made four solo stops with three assists. Juan Orozco made four solo stops and one assist and Christian Godinez made three solo tackles with two assists. Isaias Guerra also picked off a pass.

The Mules will not have district game as Amarillo Highland Park does not have a team. The Mules will travel to Farwell to take on the JV Steers at 5 p.m., Thursday.

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Thomas shower held

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The prospective bride is the daughter of Ronnie and Connie Kenmore of Muleshoe.

The prospective groom is the son of Jim and Mary Jane Thomas.

Hostesses for the event included Jan King, Debbi Hutto, Gayla Gear, Barbara Finney, Beckye Conklin, Ruth Locker, Brenda Robison, Mary Janice

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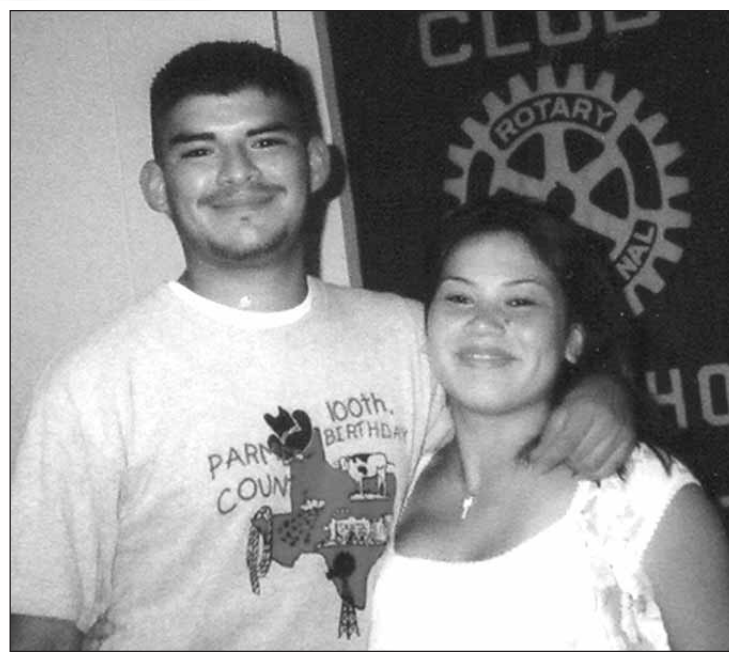
The hostess gift was a queen sleigh bed.

Special guests attending the wedding shower included Nell Kenmore, Dorothy Ray, Connie Thomas, Mary Jane Thomas, L'Ray Klafka and Kelli Kidder and Paulette Kenmore.

Sanchez baby shower held

A baby shower for Erica Sanchez of Muleshoe was held on Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Hostesses for the event included Yolanda Burciaga, Olaya, Espinoza, Lisette Ramirez, Elida Lopes, Nicolasa Burgiaga, Girlie Chaves, Letty Gueria, Chela Sanchez, Oralia Ruiz, Irma Mendoza, Blanca Logan, Ana Guerra, Ana Ramirez, Mario Villegas, Reveca Lozano, Armida Scuellos, Joann Ramirez, Laura Arzola, Raquel Olivias, Lorena Lavra Lorena, Rosemary Sanchez, Erika Diaz, Angelica Vasprez, Jackie Reyna, Garcia Murrillo, Corina Galvan, Letty Garcia, Deena Ramirez, Deanna Curtis, Percilla Chancey, Maria Rameriz, Diana Ramirez, Maria Bernal, Mina Galindo, Elisa Baca, Susan Rodriguez, Delores Bachicha, and Maria Sanchez.



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JV Mules...

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Conner was the leading
rusher for the Mules with
eight carries for 81 yards.
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50 yards.

Conner caught two
passes for 43 yards and
Kyler Steinbock made one
catch for 24.

Chacon made seven
tackles to lead the Mule
defense.

Macias had four tackles
and Godinez made four
stops and had four assists.

"This was a good over all
game by the entire team,"
said Coach Joe Pat Wright.
"Our defense gave our
offense opportunities and the
we were able to cash in on
them. This should be a
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The Mules will travel to
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Thursday for their second
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Seventh grade Mules skin the wildcat, 44-0

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The seventh grade Mules put their perfect 2-0 non-district record aside Thursday night in River Road. The Mules opened their district 2-2A schedule with a 44-0 skinning of the Wildcats.

Junior Baca led the Mule offense with five carries for 117 yards, two touchdowns and three two-point conversions.

Ray Martinez had four attempts for 54 yards, two TDs and one two-point

conversion. Miguel Quintanilla ran only once for 42 yards to score a TD.

Ryan Johnson, Caleb Wood and Alex Vidana had six tackles apiece to lead the Mule defense. Davon Gonzales and Shawn Atwood made four stops each.

In addition Wood caused a fumble and Vidana recovered two fumbles for the Mules.

The Mules will attempt to extend their winning streak to four Thursday when they host the Amarillo Highland Park Hornets.

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Early in 1911, club leaders in Washington adopted a committee recommendation approving the present 4-H emblem design. O.B. Martin, who was directing club work in the South, is credited with suggesting that the 4-H's stand for Head, Heart, Hands and Health. Benson originally referred to a fourth H as Hustle.

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Toscano takes the flag in football contest

By Leah Bell

General Manager

There were lots of folks in the race for the win this week.

But in the end, it was Fernando Toscano who took the checkered flag and will receive the \$25 top prize and 10 cumulative points for his efforts.

Toscano missed just one game — Plains' win over Springlake-Earth. And he was just two points away from the actual tiebreaker score of the Tulia versus Panhandle game which ended with a score of 8-21 in favor of Panhandle. Toscano guessed 31.

This week's second place finisher also missed just one game, but he was four points away from the tiebreaker score.

Second place this week goes to Weldon Smith.

Places three, four and five missed just one game as well but were even further from the tiebreaker. Grabbing eight, seven and six points respectively were Joe Flores, Debbie Weir and Rene Valle.

Three of the top five players this week are in hot pursuit of the \$200 grand prize and are within four points of each other cumulatively speaking.

Toscano and Weir are the only top five finishers this week who aren't vying for the top prize at this point in the game. Toscano is 14 points out of the lead position and this is Weir's first top ten finish of the season. Although with some serious effort and luck, neither is out

of contention as far as numbers go.

Four people tied for the number six spot this week and all were awarded five cumulative points — Terry Field, Claire Brown, Gerald Bond and Jan King.

Finishing out the top ten was Tommy King in tenth.

Just out of the points in week five were Brandon Acevedo, Johnny Gonzales, Starla Ellis, Rosalinda Toscano and Sandra Orozco.

Cumulatively speaking, here's the point totals after five weeks of competition: Joe Flores 27, Rene Valle 23, Weldon Smith 23, Sandra Orozco 15, Sherri Harrison 15, Terry Field 14, Fernando Toscano 13, Tommy King 10, William

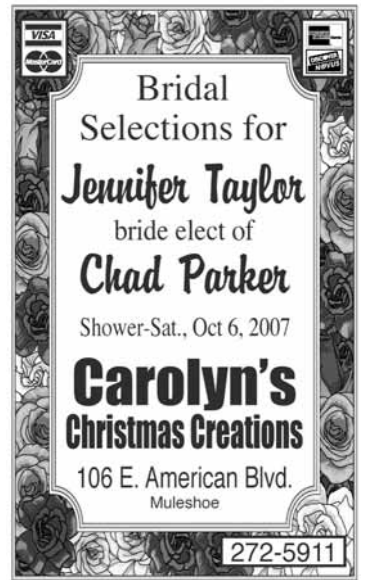
Orozco 10, Brandon Acevedo 10, Fabian Martinez 9, J.C. Orozco 9, Rosalinda Toscano 9, Gerald Bond 8, Vicki Gonzales 8, Sam Gonzales 8, Starla Ellis 8, Patricia Orozco 8, Bruce Bruns 7, Richard Orozco 7, James Buie 6, Gabriel Acevedo 6, Claire Brown 5, Jan King 5, Rudy Gonzales 4, Rosa Rey 4, Travis Bessire 3, Felipe Gonzales 2, Scott Brown 2 and Veronica Gonzales 2.

Other players and how they fared: Raymond Villalobos 16th, Gene Jarman and Sue Bond 18th, Sherri Harrison 20th, Richard Orozco (tie) 21st, Bruce Bruns 25th, William Orozco 27th, D.J. McDonald 29th, James Buie 31st and Rosa Rey 33rd.

If you have missed playing

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Eighth grade Mules defeat River Road rivals

By Delton Wilhite

Sportswriter

The eighth grade Mules were in Amarillo Thursday to play the Wildcats of River Road. Beau Avila, the Mules quarterback, played the double trey to trump any hopes the Wildcats had of defeating the Mules.

Avila rushed for three

touchdowns and passed for three more to lead the Mules to a 44-6 shellacking of the Wildcats. He had TD runs of 30, 37 and 25 yards and completed two TD passes to Issac Baca for 20 and 15 yards.

Devon Cantrell made the third TD catch that covered 10 yards. Baca, Cantrell and

Mateo Castillo each scored two-point conversions.

Avila was the Mules leading rusher with nine carries for 123 yards and completed five of eight pass attempts for 54 yards. Baca had 11 tries for 76 and Sosa ran twice for six yards.

The Mule defense got in on the scoring act also as Pillar Campos charged through the line to drop the Wildcat ball carrier for a safety. Campos led the

defense with 7 tackles, two sacks and caused a fumble.

Sergio Vasquez had six stops, Carlos Sosa made five, Baca four and Weston Griswold recorded three tackles. Sosa, Baca and Matthew Ambriz each covered a fumble for the Mules.

The win gives the Mules a 1-0 record in district and they will host the Highland Park Hornets Thursday in Benny Douglas Stadium.

Thanksgiving turkey orders being accepted by 4-H club

The 4-H Club is now selling meat for Thanksgiving. They have smoked pork loin, sausage kolaches, bacon, sausage patties, peppered turkey breast, chicken tenders, pork tamales, fajitas, cajun pies, hickory smoked turkey, homestyle pit ham, and a tailgate party pack.

This is the only fundraiser that the 4-H Club has. This money helps pay for the 4H'ers district and state contest, camps, county projects and supplies.

Call the county extension office and place an order.

Fine Arts Boosters to meet

The Muleshoe Fine Arts Booster Club will be meeting on Monday, Oct. 8, at 7 p.m., at the Muleshoe High School band hall.

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9 AM - All Day Quilt Show at Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizen's Center
9 AM - Noon Muleshoe Golf Tournament
11:30 AM - 1 PM	.. Jennyslippers' Hot Dog Lunch on the Chamber deck. \$2.50 per plate
2 PM Mulepitching Tournament sponsored by the Jennyslippers at Mule Putt Golf Course
3 PM Great Pumpkin Launch at the City Park grounds
4 PM Stick-Mule races in the parking lot of Carolyn's
4 PM Drawing - Playhouse to be given away at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizen's Center (tickets will be sold up until Oct. 6th at 3 PM and are \$5. Picture available at www.muleshoe.org)
5 PM Motorized and Mule/Donkey drawn parade Theme: "Hit The Trail." Parade contests
Between 5:30-6 PM Hamburger cookout on Chamber deck by Office of the Aging. Proceeds benefits Muleshoe Meals On Wheels
6 PM Pumpkin Decorating Contest Pumpkin carving contest at the Chamber deck
6:30 PM Mule-Calling Contest on Main Street
7 PM - 8 PM Pumpkin Pie Contest at the Chamber deck
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Muleshoe Class of 1957 celebrates

The golden anniversary of the Muleshoe High School class of 1957 started with a bang on a beautiful fall football night, Friday Sept. 14, with class members seated in the special guests bleachers at the Muleshoe-Shallowater homecoming game.

The Mules won the game handily. The classmates met the Shallowater band director who was the son of Paul Summersgill, the MHS band director in 1957.

Enjoying the game were Bufford Watson, Donald Blalock, Dean and Brenda Lackey, Martha Wuerflein Morgan, Kenneth and Diana Kriegel, Ronnie and Patsy Shafer, Jimmy and Dee Morrison, Ray and Jeanetta

Precure, and Rose Lee Millen Powell.

Enjoying a Saturday morning brunch at the Heritage House Depot were classmates: Annette Leveridge Black of Farwell, Jimmy and Dee Morrison of Rockport, Kenneth and Diana Kriegel of Sacramento, Ca., Ronald and Sunny McCormack Stinson of San Angelo, Bufford Watson of San Antonio, Donald Blalock of Wichita, Kan., Quineil Roark of Clovis, N.M., Ray and Jeanetta Precure of Muleshoe, Darrell Ellis of Lubbock, Brenda Simmacher Comiskey and Glenn of Angleton, Jimmie Gross of Odessa, Mary Vinson Thomas of Ft Worth,

Ann Turner Vinson of Prairie Hill, Faye Williams Houston of Springlake, Dorothy Reeder Bowers of Mt. Pleasant, Lou Ann Logan Blaylock of Ft Worth, Evelyn Bratcher Moore of Lubbock, Dean and Brenda Lackey of Midlothian, Rose Lee Millen Powell of Tulia, Virgie Burris Pruitt accompanied by her daughter, Vicki Hewitt of Katy, Senn and Lou Ann Slemmons of Perryton, Geneva Bartlett Gustin of Belton, Ronnie and Patsy Shafer of Stephenville, Floyd Jones of Amarillo, and Billy Workman of Carlsbad, N.M.

Dolores Harvey took the group on a tour of the Muleshoe Heritage Center buildings. Of special interest

to Senn Slemmons was an exhibit in the McMurtry home of items belonging to his physician father, Dr. T. M. Slemmons.

The evening festivities were at the Bailey County Coliseum dining area where a steak dinner was catered by Michael Dunham.

Classmates attending who were not at the morning meeting were: Crispin and June Green of Muleshoe, Arnetha Elmore Spencer of Lubbock, Richard and Ingrid Greene of Lubbock, Rosetta Sims Bishop and W. A. 'Dub' of Clovis, N.M., and Martha Wuerflein Morgan of Irving.

Joining their husbands for dinner were Darlene Watson and Helen Jones.

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Among those attending the 50th reunion of the class of 1957, pictured on the left, were: Front row — Rose Lee Millen Powell, Geneva Bartlett Gustin, Donald Blalock, Ronnie Shafer, Bufford Watson, Annette Leveridge Black, and Darrell Ellis; middle row — Evelyn Bratcher Moore, Martha Wuerflein Morgan, Dorothy Reeder Bowers, Mary Vinson Thomas, Quineil Elliott Roark, Brenda Simmacher Comiskey, Rosetta Sims Bishop, and Virgie Burris Pruitt; back row — Ronald Stinson, Sunny Stinson, Ray Precure, Jimmy Morrison, Crispin Green, Dean Lackey, Floyd Jones, Richard Greene, Ann Turner Vinson, Kenneth Kreigel, and Lou Ann Logan Blaylock.

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County agent says 'fat is not a four-letter word'

Submitted by Mandi Seaton,
Bailey CEA-FCS

In spite of what you may have heard, not all fat is bad. Although a high-fat diet probably isn't good for anybody — especially for people with diabetes — fat can still have a place in a healthful menu.

People with diabetes need to be more careful than others in watching their dietary fat intake, because diabetes brings an increased risk of heart disease and other medical conditions. But a few simple steps can help you lower your fat intake:

- When cooking and baking, use oils and fat substitutes instead of lard or shortening.
- Buy leaner cuts of meat and low-fat or no-fat dairy products.
- Trim the visible fats from cuts of meat before cooking.
- When cooking, reduce the amount of fat in a recipe by one-quarter.
- Limit the amount of fat you consume to 30 percent or less of daily calories.

There are four types of fat: monounsaturated fats, polyunsaturated fats, saturated fats, and trans fatty acids. All of these fats contain nine calories per gram. But they affect the body in different ways.

The good news is that monounsaturated fats and polyunsaturated fats can help you lower your blood cholesterol if you decrease the amount of saturated fat in your diet.

Both of these kinds of fats are liquid at room temperature and can be used in sautéing and frying; polyunsaturated fat can also be used in baking.

Monounsaturated fats are found in olives, olive oil, peanuts, peanut butter,

peanut oil, avocados, and some nuts. Polyunsaturated fats are in vegetable oils such as corn, sunflower, and soybean oil.

The bad news is that saturated fats are solid at room temperature and, when consumed, tend to accumulate in the blood vessels, which restricts blood flow through those vessels.

This increases the risk of heart attack or stroke. Experts advise that you limit your intake of saturated fats to no more than 10 percent of your total fat intake.

Saturated fats are found in animal sources such as meats and dairy products. They are also found in some plant oils, such as coconut, palm and palm kernel, which are often used by manufacturers of packaged baked goods.

Trans fatty acids, often found in baked goods,

margarine, and hydrogenated oils, can raise blood cholesterol levels. When reading ingredients labels, check to make sure hydrogenated oils are listed second or lower, and the food contains no more than two grams of saturated fat per tablespoon.

While you're checking the label, check the amount of dietary cholesterol listed, if any. Some dietary cholesterol is necessary for good health, but too much can increase your risk of heart disease. Cholesterol is found only in foods of animal origin, such as meat or eggs. It is not found in foods of plant origin, such as vegetables and fruits, unless eggs or other animal products are included in the sauces or breading.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration requires that nutrition information be included on food packages

so consumers know what they are eating. When checking these labels, in addition to calorie count and cholesterol amount, check for the serving size, total fat, types of fat, and the amount of sodium, fiber and carbohydrates in each serving. Use this information to help plan your daily menus.

For more information about cooking with diabetes, attend the *Cooking Well with Diabetes* classes on Oct. 9, 16, and Nov. 13, at 6:30 p.m., in the dining room of the Muleshoe Area Medical Center. There is no cost to attend.

For questions or to register for the classes, contact Mandi Seaton, County Extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, Texas Cooperative Extension, Bailey County, 806-272-4583.



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Grace is hard. It is almost incomprehensibly wonderful. It seems almost too good to be true because it actually is almost too good to be true. It is amazing! But it is hard.

Grace is hard because accepting it means nothing less than death to our pride.

If the sacrifice of Christ really is, as the Scriptures claim, all-sufficient to save me, that not only means that I



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am powerless to save myself apart from faith in that sacrifice, it also means that I have no right—less than none at all—to boast that I have in any way earned what can only be accepted as a gift.

Accepting Christ's sacrifice and being clothed in his righteousness means that I have no right to SELF-righteousness in any sense of the word. That truth chafes a bit. I would so like to harbor the illusion that there is something good in me, something I can be haughty about, something that makes me a cut above other mortals, that makes me acceptable to God.

Nope. That is not the case. I'm in the same boat with every other fallen son of Adam and daughter of Eve. If I think differently, I have far too high an opinion of myself and I don't understand the meaning of grace. Grace, you see, is hard.

Grace is hard because accepting it means becoming more Christlike than I could

ever be on the basis of law. Law pats me on the back and says, "Hey, look at that murderer on trial. Aren't you proud that you are such a fine person that you haven't murdered anyone lately." Grace looks much deeper into my soul and asks, "Have you hated anyone lately?"

Law asks, "I wonder how little I can do, how little I can give, how little I can worship, how little I can love, and still be okay with God?" Grace asks instead, "O Lord, how could I possibly thank you enough with every breath, every dollar, every heartbeat, for continually cleansing me through Christ?" And grace always does more, loves more, gives more, IS more than law.

Law says, "Here is a list of rules. Do this, don't do this. Work harder. Try harder. By your own power." And Satan adds, "Or God can't love you." Grace says, "BE this through Christ. His Spirit will provide the power. By the way, God already loves you, and always will."

Law says, "I've chosen not to do this thing, I've given up that thing. I don't think it's good to ever [fill in whatever thing], and so my decision is one I have every right to impose on you." Grace says, "It is before his own Master that anyone stands or falls, and your Master is able to make you stand. Make a sincere decision based on sincere love for your Master and praise him for the freedom to choose. And, let your pride die yet again as you praise God just as loudly for the freedom your brother has to make a different choice." (See Romans 14.)

It is amazing how hard grace is. And how wonderful.

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

Illness troubles Muleshoe's cross-country competitions

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mule and Mule cross-country teams continue to battle various illnesses as well as the two- and three-mile courses where they compete.

They ran in Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock Saturday.

This is the same course the teams will compete in the Region I competition. The Dist. 2-2A Meet will be

held in Amarillo on the Thompson Park course.

"We are having a difficult time getting all our kids healthy at the same time," said Muleshoe cross-country coach Carey Sudduth. "Both the girls and boys teams are looking strong and competing well."

"The kids are very excited about the district completion and the possibilities of returning to Mae Simmons for the Region I races."

The Lady Mules placed 17th as a team in the 32nd Annual Lubbock Invitational Cross-Country Meet.

No Dist. 2-2A team finished in front of them. Ashley Cisneros led the Lady Mules with a 24th place finish in a time of 13 minutes 11 seconds.

Lupita Andrade was 76th with a 13:54, Yvonne Gardea finished 100th in a time of 14:12 and Shayla Carpenter was 172nd with

a 14:53. Vivian Ronquillo took 197th with a 15:07 and Cassidy Lowe was 200th in a time of 15:12.

The Mules finished 13th as a team in the Lubbock Invitational. They compete over a three-mile course. Sterling Lepard finished 17th with a time of 17:38 to set the pace for the Mules.

Gilberto Mojica took 94th with a 19:35, Colby Carpenter was 122nd with a 20:12 and Colt Ellis ran 152nd with a 21:01. Josue Macias placed 164th with a 21:29 and Carlos Bustillos finished 222nd with a time of 27:06.

There are two more meets prior to the district meet in Amarillo on Oct. 23. The Mules and Lady Mules will run in Sundown on Oct. 6 and Abernathy on Oct. 13.

Planning for 'Noah's Ark Fling' is under way

New Covenant Church is currently planning its ninth annual "Noah's Ark Fling," set for Oct. 31, from 5:30-8 p.m.

"We will again provide entertainment, refreshments, candy and prizes to the children of our community and the surrounding area," a New Covenant representative said.

"Our goal is to keep the children of Muleshoe and the surrounding

communities off the streets during this night," she said.

The Bailey County Coliseum will be open for all ages, providing a safe, family friendly environment.

This function is open to all faiths and is ecumenical in its presentation.

New covenant is also accepting contributions from businesses and organizations including time, gifts and prizes to give away and also donations to offset the cost of the event.

Individuals who desire to assist in this year's festival, please call Peggy Kelly at 806-272-5272, Vivian Cortez at 806-272-3360, or Lisa Gamble at New Covenant Church at 806-965-2787.

If you desire to make a donation, make it payable to "Noah's Ark Fling" and mail it to P.O. Box 531 Muleshoe, TX 79347.

For other types of donations, contact Peggy Kelly at the number above.



Students of the Week

Watson Junior High's Students of the Week for the week beginning Oct. 1, pictured above, are as follows: McKenna Dunham, Bryant Torres, Morgan Burris, David Flores, Angel Alvarez and Juana Campos.

Class of 1957...

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Following a group photo Ray Precure, chief organizer of the reunion, acted as master of ceremonies calling the group to order.

Jimmy Morrison gave the invocation. Bufford Watson read the list of 17n deceased class members.

After each class member gave a brief account of their last 50 years, Rose Lee Millen Powell conducted the 1957 Trivia questionnaire and awarding of prizes. Those prize categories and winner were:

The longest resident of Bailey County was Ray Precure.

Martha Wuerflein Morgan traveled the farthest, having lived in Moscow, Russia, for eight years.

Crispin Green had traveled to the most foreign countries, thanks to his naval service.

The most unusual hobby award was earned by Brenda Simnacher Comiskey, a volunteer working in the touch tank at Sea Center Texas handing

crabs and other critters.

Four men in a run-off for the man who had the most hair on his head, not counting that on his face included Kenneth Kreigel, Darrell Ellis, Floyd Jones, and, the winner, Ronnie Shafer.

The couple married the longest were Ronald and Sunny McCormack Stinson.

The longest retired who was a chief breadwinner was Kenneth Kreigel.

Darrell Ellis was the 'most jobs in different fields' winner.

Meeting Warren Buffett and Bill Gates won Lou Ann Logan Blaylock the award for meeting the most famous person.

The group acknowledged those who had replacement parts of knees, hips, etc. as well as those who had heart stints and other soft tissue replacements.

Several cancer survivors as well as people currently battling cancer were celebrated.

Rose Lee, Quineil, and Ann Vinson were the only class members who had

attended every class reunion held since 1957.

Rosetta, Martha, and Rose Lee led the group in singing a special senior's song to the tune of "These are a few of my favorite things."

Crispin Green suggested that the surplus of funds received over the expenses be given to the Muleshoe Meals on Wheels.

Invitations had been emailed or mailed to 97 classmates; not all of them were Muleshoe graduates as many had moved on to other schools or dropped out but they were part of the school memories of the class of '57.

Bufford and Mary collaborated on a biography book with information and photographs supplied by class members.

A list of names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses were available to all.

The class members agreed to have a 55th reunion in Muleshoe during the MHS homecoming weekend.

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MARSELLA JENNINGS RETIRES FROM TEACHING

By Sharon Agee - Edited by Vicki Burch

Another school year has begun, and students all over the nation will soon be making preparations for the academic U.I.L. contests in the spring. Texas schools, however, will be lacking a very influential component in the U.I.L. competitions this year. Mrs. Marsella Jennings has retired from teaching. Jennings led her students to win twelve State U.I.L. accounting team championships and four National championships during her twenty-two year teaching career at three Texas high schools.

Marsella Jennings began teaching accounting at Lazbuddie in 1985 and retired from Keller High School in 2006. During her remarkable career, Jennings inspired students to successes they never dreamed possible. She began coaching U.I.L. Accounting with two freshmen, Gina Jarman and Jessica Burch, after school and after basketball practice, in her home while the girls munched on popcorn and lemonade. Jessica went to state that year and placed sixth, but from that point, Jennings knew what her students needed to do to win, and her students took the top honors every year after that. Because of Marsella Jennings' dedication and influence, Jessica Burch won a \$4,000 U.I.L. scholarship and earned a degree in business from Texas Tech University.

Similarly, Jennings' other students won even larger scholarships and chose careers in accounting or business. One student from the 1997 accounting team had a perfect paper at State U.I.L. Joshua McDonald was that student. He said that two-a-days in academic matters were unheard of, unless you were a student of Mrs. Jennings. "She was able to take a complex subject, like accounting, and make it simple. She made us believe in ourselves." McDonald is currently the senior accountant for Cargill Meat Solutions in Friona. Veronica Mata, a member of the 2000 State U.I.L. team said, "Few people can touch a life and create such an impact that it literally changes the whole course of that life." Mata is an internal auditor for D.R. Horton, America's Builders, Fort Worth.

Rob Martin, a State winner, wrote, "Marsella fostered and encouraged hard work, discipline, and humility with loving kindness. These principles and characteristics were in the classroom, but more importantly, out of the classroom for true success in life."

Shawndee Nichols is the only student in Texas to medal in state-level accounting all four years of high school. "Mrs. Jennings has been one of the most influential people in my life," she said, "not only for a great foundation to study accounting, but for life lessons I use every day. Students were blessed to have her in the classroom."

Marisol Corrales agreed. "I had the opportunity to be a member of Mrs. Jennings' accounting team. It was the best year of my high school career. To this day, I see it as a life-altering event. Mrs. Jennings believed in me and took me under her wing, like she has done for so many others. She encourage hard work, thought it didn't seem like work at the time." Corrales works in inventory at Minsa Corp. She added that she is grateful to Mrs. Jennings' family for allowing her "to share her amazing gift with her students."

Chris Smith, a member of the 1996 State U.I.L. accounting team is currently senior accountant for KPMG, Dallas. He is the first student to pass the CPA exam on his first attempt. Smith volunteered many hours during the past school year to assist Jennings in preparation for the 2006 BPA Financial Analyst team event. Jennings stated that it was a very rewarding experience to have a former student helping her current students.

Keeping up with fifty former students, Jennings has enjoyed watching their lives change. Leah Turner, a member of the 1997 and 1999 U.I.L. State championship team, is currently senior accountant for Deloitte-Touche in Dallas. Kati Mimms, a member of the State championship teams in 1999 and 2001, is currently in graduate school at Texas Tech University. Ivette Reyes, a member of the 1995 State championship team is senior accountant of the Texas Tech Alumni Association. A former field worker is now an accountant. Another, who was ready to drop out of school, is senior accountant for a large corporation. Some of Jennings' former students are at Texas universities, and others work in Dallas-Fort Worth international accounting Jennings said. "Kids are just kids," Jennings said. "You challenge them and encourage them to buy into the program, and you get to see their lives become something remarkable."

Marsella Jennings hasn't finished influencing kids. She continues to work with the state U.I.L. Accounting director. Together, they are writing accounting reviews and practice tests. Jennings was an instructor at the U.I.L. Super Conference held at Texas Tech on Sept. 22, 2007. She is married to her high school sweetheart, Joe Bryan "Hoppy" Jennings. They live in Hurst, close to their daughter, Mia O'Neal and her husband Mike. Marsella and Hoppy love spending time with their grandchildren, Caroline, Hooper and Jax.

J.T. and Mary Ann Mayfield are Marsella's parents, and they still live in the Lazbuddie community, where Jennings graduated high school, went back to teach, and took the first steps toward her statewide recognition as the most successful U.I.L. Accounting coach in Texas. As Rob Martin aptly stated, "Her certification should read 'Life Coach'."

Someone once wrote, "The mediocre teacher tells; the good teacher explains; the superior teacher demonstrates; the great teacher inspires." This is the story of a teach who inspired.

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- Park View Nursing Home, 1100 W. Ave. J, Muleshoe, TX 79347.
- New Mexico Children's Home, 1356 NM 236, Portales, N.M. 88130-9411.
- Muleshoe Masonic Lodge No. 1237, P.O. Box 521, Muleshoe, TX 79347.
- Olton Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 1055, Olton, TX 79064.
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"Guys, in the future, maybe you should to stick to mowing the grass and leave wearing it to your better halves." The staff at Muleshoe Area Medical Center threw a luau recently, part of an evening of fun and festivities that included this group of "not quite ready for prime time" dancers.



DSHS encourages annual flu shots

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) officials are encouraging everyone 6 months and older to receive a flu shot as soon as the vaccine is available in their communities.

A record 132 million doses of vaccine are expected to be available in the United States this flu season.

"Flu is more than just a bad cold that makes people feel uncomfortable," said Dr. David Lakey, DSHS Commissioner. "This viral infection can lead to a serious, sometimes deadly illness. An annual flu shot is one of the best ways to protect people from flu and

its complications and to reduce the spread of the virus."

Lakey encouraged those at increased risk of severe flu complications to get their flu shot as early as possible.

These groups include children ages six months through four years, people with chronic medical conditions, residents of long-term care facilities and pregnant women.

Early immunizations also are encouraged for those 50 and older, for people who live with or care for those at increased risk of flu complications and for those who come in close contact with children younger than six months.

Flu season typically runs October through March, usually reaching its peak in Texas in January and February.

People can get a flu shot anytime throughout the fall and winter. The shot takes about two weeks to become effective.

Flu symptoms include a sudden, often high fever; headache; extreme tiredness; dry cough; sore throat; runny or stuffy nose; and muscle aches.

The illness is spread when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks, releasing the contagious virus into the air.

Complications of flu can include bacterial

pneumonia, ear and sinus infections, dehydration and worsening of chronic conditions such as congestive heart failure, asthma or diabetes.

Because flu viruses change, a new vaccine is produced each year.

The viruses addressed by the 2007-2008 flu vaccine are: A/Solomon Islands (H1N1), A/Wisconsin (H3N2), B/Malaysia and similar strains.

Flu shots do not contain live viruses and cannot cause the flu.

A nasal-spray flu vaccine, which contains live, weakened flu viruses that do not cause the flu, is an option for healthy people ages two years to 49 years who are not pregnant

About 36,000 deaths are recorded in the United States each year from flu complications.

Sen. Seliger speaks... Continued from page 1

colleges, calling them the best value in education today.

Seliger talked about education funding formulas and said he opposed passage of formulas that contained an "urban bias," and said he didn't believe it costs less per student to educate a student in Muleshoe than it did in Dallas.

Concerning law enforcement issues, Seliger talked about legislation such as that for what's been called "Jessica Laws," directed at pushing the hardest possible sentencing for child abusers, and said problems arose when prosecutorial discretion is taken away.

Seliger also spoke on the topic of water usage, and

said water-related legislation would be addressed by all future state legislatures.

"Water isn't going to be inexpensive, anymore," the senator said, adding that a brackish water aquifer in located in West Texas was going to be an important resource, but noted that the cost of desalinization would be a factor in its availability.

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