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## 'Here's to the night’ at Muleshoe’s Prom

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor
Muleshoe's 2008 Seniors were treated to a view around the world by the parents of the Junior class this year at the annual prom banquet and dance.
With the theme "Here's to the Night," the arriving Senior and Junior class members were ushered into members were ushered into an them to the top of a fantasy skyscraper from which they could view the skylines of cities around the world: Paris, France, New York, New York, and Shanghai, China.
This year, parents transformed "Outback" into a scene representing downtown Paris, including
 Mulesho's School cafeteria's room a students being honored - decided not to stay because he Eiffel Tower which section at a time before the junior fathers handling its occupants didn't want to reportedly had to be carried across the Muleshoe High

## MISD school board asked to change

 commencement ceremony policyBy Larry Thornton
Managing Editor
A group of parents and local residents appeared before the Muleshoe ISD school board Monday asking that existing policy be changed to allow students who had completed the curriculum requirements for graduation, but hadn't passed the state' TAKS test be allowed to walk across the dais with the "graduating seniors."
"I just wish the board would allow the kids to walk the stage with the others, said Maria Sanchez. "Mosto

## Local Weather

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 at 272-4536, between 8:00 a.m. and 5 p.m.these kids are discouraged a diploma. from moving on." It was also pointed out While Yolanda Mendoza that the offer to allow the added, "The students students to participate need recognition and the the following year, if they emotional support of the successfully pass the TAKS school district."
And Rose Mary Castorena paid, "We've already gowns, and taken pis and If they don't walk the stage, they aren't going to want to the test.
"We're just asking for that ne chance," she added. Another parent pointed out that other districts in the area addressed this problem by allowing the students to participate in the ceremonies even though

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France's representative at Muleshoe's Eiffel Tower. More photographs on page 16
parents and local residents in the viewing stand.

## 'Relay for Life' set for June 6

A total 12 teams have p.m signed up for this year's Other events included dancing, following the "race for the purple," in the relay's schedule for luminaria at 10 p.m. the Bailey County Relay June 6 include: for Life, according - Messages to Heaven Ceremony, with spack o April Castillo, event balloon release - 8 p.m. Rhond, with speaker coordinator. $\quad$ Lip sync competition - Midnight.
The theme for the $8: 15$ p.m. 2008 relay is "Celebrate, •The Miss Relay Contest, competition - 1 a.m. Remember and Fight featuring a bevy of beauties - Closing ceremonies Back," and will held on who will probably need to -2 a.m. June 6., beginning at 5 shave their beards before As in previous relays, p.m., at Muleshoe's Benny applying their makeup - 9 there will be on-site Douglass Stadium. While registration for the event starts at 5 p.m.. the opening ceremonies are set for 6 p.m. and the Survivor and Caregivers' speaking for lap will take off at 6:30 Nickels - 10 p.m. year'

## Getting '49 miles and two rows of carrots to the gallon'



By Larry Thornton Managing Editor With local gasoline prices this week at $\$ 3.75$ per gallon,
fuel milage is at the top of a fuel milage is at the top of a
lot of vehicle discussions, lot of vehicle discussions,
but Muleshoe resident Don Phelps has a response that 's a little different than most, but than his vehicle is a little different.
In fact, it would probably be something like... "49 miles and two rows of carrots to the gallon."
You see, in the face of the climbing gas prices of a year ago, Phelps took a laughing suggestion of Richard Hawkins', transportation director at Muleshoe Independent School District, to heart and replaced the original "locked-up" engine and transmission on a small Kawasaki motorcycle with an 8 horsepower Briggs \& Stratton rototiller engine. "I never had any idea it would work," Phelps said.

Initially, Phelps said he of gasoline.
purchased the engine for The hardest part was $\$ 40$ to replace a lower- getting the plate on which powered engine on an the engine rests formed and air compressor, and after positioned correctly. Hawkins' suggestion took Total cost on the projec a fresh look at how to get was less than $\$ 200$ the 1969 Kawasaki back on significantly less than the road -
While Phelps said he took the cycle out of town and ran it up to 50 mph , he didn't know what its top he didnt suggestion- prior to Hawkins know what its top speed The motorcycle frame was limits and since the speed a gift from a friend, Phelps mints between his residence said, while the centrifugal and the bus barn are lower clutch was $\$ 100$, and the than that he didn't need it to plate was $\$ 14$. travel faster.

While Phelps said it's a ittle difficult determining his actual gas mileage ecause he needs to motorcycle... or should it be called a "rotocycle," recalibrated, he said his recalibrated, he said his
trips around town and back and forth to work at the and forth to work at the took . 86 gallons, or $\$ 3.23$,


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## Lariat VBS

Lariat Church of Christ will be hosting a Vacation Bible School for ages Pre-K to 12th grade, from 9:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 31.

## Centennial celebration

A special service commerating the centennial year of the Springlake Cemetery will be held Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, at 9 a.m., at the Springlake Cemetery. Charlie Johnson, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Earth will be guest speaker.
Olton VFW will be presnt to honor the Veterans
History books, compiled by Mrs. Ann Kelley will be presented. Donations are welcome. For information contact J.R.Banks..986-4265 or Norma Dawson...9864268.

## Memorial Day service

A Memorial Day service has been set for Monday, May 26, at 10 a.m., at the Bailey County Cemetery. Larry Thornton, pastor of Richland Hills Baptist Church of Muleshoe, is the scheduled speaker.

## Summer food service program

The Muleshoe Independent School District is pleased to announce sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program.
The program will serve breakfast and lunch to any child between the ages of one year and 18 years old, Monday through Friday, June 2 - July 2, at Deshazo Elementary School
Breakfast will be served from 7:30-8 a.m., and lunch will be from 10:55 a.m. until 1:05 p.m. Contact the school district for additional information.

## Mule Putt is open

The Jennyslipper Mule-Putt Golf Course is open for the summer on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings from 7-11 p.m. Games are $\$ 1.75$ to play the 18 -hole course. Parties may be booked by calling Nelda at 272-407l, Donna at 272-5237, or Elaine at 272-3408 or 272-3165. $\$ 35.00$ for two hours or $\$ 50.00$ for three hours.

## Summer School Opportunity

Dillman Elementary would like to inform all parents of children entering into Kindergarten or first grade for the 2008-09 school year, whose dominant language is Spanish, of an opportunity available for their children to ttend summer school.
To qualify for this opportunity the parent must bring the child to Dillman on June 2 , from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. to be tested with an oral language assessment performed by Woodcock Munos.
For additional information, contact Todd Newberry at 272-7382, or Lenda Trussell at 272-7385.

## Food safety program offered

The Texas Cooperative Extension of Bailey, Cochran and Hockley Counties are offering training to reduce the number of illnesses in foor preparation
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The training session will be offered for $\$ 89$ on June 16-17, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., at the Bailey County Extension Office, 118 W . Ave. C., Muleshoe, TX. The deadline for registration will be June 9.
For additional information contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey Family and Consumer Family and Consumer 4583.

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## Graduation issue a tough call

One of the toughest issues to face the Muleshoe School District in recent months doesn't have anything to do with building new facilities or the district's finances... it doesn't even have anything to do with football, which many claim to be a ruling force in Texas academics. Probably the toughest decision facing the school district arose during Monday's school board meeting when a group of parents asked the school district to change its policy that prevents students who won't be graduating because they failed to pass the state's TAKS test from walking across the dais and being recognized or their 12 years of education effort
Yes, the argument could be made that since these students won't be graduating, it wouldn't be fair to the students who successfully completed the state testing... that it somehow cheapens the honor being bestowed upon them.
To be honest, like some of the members of the district's administrative staff, we aren't sure which is best. We agree that after 12 years of effort, and having successfully passed the state's curriculum requirements, these students deserve some recognition, and allowing them to walk across the dais with their graduating classmates seems a small enough reward
But we also see the other side of the coin that points out that while many accomplishments have been credited to these students the fact is they are not graduating.
What's even more frustrating is that the determining factor is a state-required "college-preparatory" test with which most, if not all, of the school board members disagree. While accountability in education is necessary, he current method makes about as much sense as the federal government's reliance on deficit spending. In both cases, "present day needs" rob our children of heir futures.
This school board has long expressed the belief that it's top priority must be what's best for the children it serves, and time after time the school board has stepped up to the plate and supported its words with actions.
From what we've seen - and from what we heard from the students who appeared with their parents at Monday's meeting - there appears to be a direct connection between the fear of failing the TAKS tests, and the district's dropout rate.
School district officials have admitted that this is a problem that has to be addressed. But we don't see how this can be accomplished by yielding to the thought that he district's commencement ceremonies are limited to TAKS success.
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Diaz completes
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Manuel Diaz Jr., the son of Manuel Diaz Sr. of Muleshoe and Maria Flores of Dallas, and a 2006 graduate of Muleshoe High School, graduated from the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, on May 10. Diaz will be serving as an Infantryman for the next four years, with his next assignment being the Pendleton, Calif.

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Extension agent Curtis Preston speaks to the students on Ag Awareness Day


## Ready，set，go！

Students from DeShazo Elementary took part in a track meet on Friday，May 16．Pictured above，some of the hard－running youngsters head for the finish line．

## Library News

By Dyan Dunagan
New Books in the Library： Dawn＇s Light by Terri Blackstock；Secret Star by Nora Roberts；The Neighborly Thing by Wanda Brunstetter； Heart of Texas Vol． 3 by
Debbie Macomber；Sabrina Debbie Maco by Lori Wick
The Summer Reading Program starts June 2. We are gearing up for the Summer Reading Program at the library．Sign ups start on June 2nd and the kids can
begin reading．The prizes for begin reading．The prizes for his year are：

## MISD school board

Continued from page 1 ＂When I started to school here，three brown kids rode n one back seat and three black kids in the other．I don＇t want us to go back to that，＂Chavez said．
Although the parent＇s requests were made under pen forum，which board vice president Thurman Myers－in the absence of board president David Tipps－said couldn＇t be discussed or acted upon by he board，Superintenden Gene Sheets gave possible explanation for the exception raised by Chavez．
Sheets said he didn＇tknow about the specific situation the county commissioner referred to，but said there was a possibility it involved ne of the state＇s few exceptions to the passage of the TAKS requirement．
If the student in question， Sheets said，was a＂special education＂student state law may exempt him or her from his particular requiremen and would allow him or her graduate even though the est wasn＇t passed．
＂You either punish them for the rest of their lives，or


Two year olds to Pre－（Parents are encouraged to Kindergarten will receive attend with their children） 10 －person party at and $3-4$ p．m．-12 to 18 year McDonalds；Kindergarten to of age．
Dyan＇s Picks．． lephone；third to fifth grade will receive an MP3 player； 12 18 year olds will receive a Nintendo DS
Every Wednesday in June e will have programs for all age children．The schedule s：9－10 a．m．－Kindergarten hrough second grade；10：30－ 1：30 a．m．－Third through fifth grade．2－2：30 p．m．－
Two year olds through Pre－K． arolds through Pre－K．
you let them go on＂Chavez
Myers noted that if the ssue was going to be addressed before the a special meeting womt need to be called and the item placed on the agenda or board action．
On Tuesday，a special school board meeting was called for Friday，May 23，


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Bailey County Farm Bureau hosts Ag Awareness Day
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County Coliseum．
Ag Awareness Day provides educational opportunities to increase opportunities to increase awareness and knowledge
concerning agriculture and concerning agricu
natural resources．
natural resources．
A total of 130 students A total of 130 students rotated through seven exhibits and presentations learning different concepts concerning entomology， soil and water conservation， wildlife preservation，beef， cotton，nutrition，and hazards
of tobacco use of tobacco use．
Displays from Muleshoe Animal Clinic，C \＆H
Equipment，and Ray Lee Equipment，and Ray Lee
Equipment were available Equipment were available for the students to observe． Kim Black，Technical administrator for Bailey County Electric demonstrated electricity safety．
？Responses included＂Agriculture is very important because it gives us food and warmth．＂＂Money is made out of cotton．＂＂How to made out of cotton．＂＂How to electricity can be useful and

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Dan Kinnett，Southwest Dairy Farmers＇demonstrated the mobile dairy classroom for all students．
Other presenters included Mark Hall，Bailey County NRCS；Lynn Nymeyer and Kathy Payne，Buffalo Lake National Wildlife Refuge： Jeff Ammons，Texas Farm Bureau；Shana Fleming， Parmer CEA－FCS，Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Parmer County 4－H members；and Curtis Preston，Mandi Seaton and Monti Vandiver Bailey and Mouty extension Baents County extension agans Texas AgriLife
Service．
When students were asked What is the most significant thing you learned

## Memorial Day Service

A Memorial Day service is planned for May 26 2008 at the Bailey County Cemetery．Please come join us at the flag pole to honor those who have gone on ahead and have served this nation so well．We are pleased to have the Reverend Larry Thornton of the Richland Hills Baptist Church as our speaker．Our Boy Scouts from Troop 620 have been invited to par－ ticipate again this year in our service．Time is 10 AM at the flag pole．
The Board of Directors of the Cemetery Association would like to thank Commissioner Butch Vandive and all the road crew who worked so hard to regrade and rebuild the roads in the County Cemetery．We wish to thank Wayne Copley，Basil Nash and the crew for all their help and donation of new caliche rock road surfacing in the Cemetery．This has great－ ly improved and helped our whole cemetery－give these folks a word of thanks from the community．

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by Max Lucado
Cries of loneliness. Tune out the traffic and turn down the TV. The cry is there. You can hear their cries. You can hear them in the convalescent home among the sighs and the suutting
feet. You can hear them in the prisons among the moans of shame and the calls for mercy. You can hear them ityou walk the manicurred streets of suburbanan America, amonot the aborted ambitions and aging homecom in mang queens. Listen for it it thte halls of our high schools where ambitions and aging homecoming queens. Listen for tit th
peer pressure weeds out the "have-nots" trom the "haves."
peer pressure weeds out the "have-nots" trom the "haves."
Many of you have been spared this cruel cry. Oh, you have been homesick or upset a time or two. But despair? Far from it. Sulicide? Of course not. Be thanktul that it hasnt t knocked on
 yon fyou wish, but 1 'm really writing to someone else.
I am writing to those who know this cry firsthand. I'm writing to those of you whose days are bookended with broken hearts and long evenings. I'm writing to those of you who can find a lonely person simply by looking in the mirror.
For you, loneliness is a way of life. The sleepless nights. The lonely bed. The distrust. The
fear of tomorrow. The unending hurt. ear of tomorrow. The unending hurt.
When did it begin? In your childhood? At the divorce? At retirement? At the cemetery? When the kids left home?
Maybe you have fooled everyone. No one knows that you are lonely. On the outside you are packaged perfectly. Your smile is quick. Your job is stable. Your clothes are sharp. Your waist mirror, you fool no one. When you are alone, the duplicity ceases and the pain surfaces.
Or maybe you don't try to hide it. Maybe you have always been outside the circle looking in, and everyone knows it. Your conversation is a bit awkward. Your companionship is seldom requested. Your clothes are dull. Your looks are common. Ziggy is your hero and Charlie Brown is your mentor.
Am I striking a chord? If I am, if you have nodded or sighed in understanding, I have an mportant message for you.
The most gut-wrenching cry of loneliness in history came not from a prisoner or a widow o a patient. It came from a hill, from a cross, from a Messiah
"My God, my God," he screamed, "why did you abandon me!" (Matthew 27:46
Never have words carried so much hurt. Never has one being been so lonely
Out of the silent sky come the words screamed by all who walk in the desert of loneliness.
Why? hy did you abandon me?
Ikeep thinking of all the people who cast despairing eyes toward the dark heavens and cry
Why?"
And I imagine him. I imagine him listening. I picture his eyes misting and a pierced hand dilemma, although the question may freeze painfully in midair, he who also was once alone
understands.
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"Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching.They will be a garland to grace your head and a chain to adorn your neck.
Proverbs 1:8-9, NIV

## Obituaries

## Perfecto Garcia

Funeral services for
Perfecto Fuentes Garcia, Perfecto Fuentes Garcia, 66, of McKinney were held on Saturday, May 10, at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Chapel with the Rev. Antonio Alvarado officiating. Burial followed at Ridgeview Memorial Park.
Garcia died on May 6, 2008. He was born on May 20, 1941, in Premont o Narciso and Josefina Garcia, and
He was a construction worker.
Garcia was preceded in death by his parents Survivors include his wife Pauline, a daughter Caroline Parker of Fresno, Calif.; two sons and their Garci - David and Irma Garcia of Farmersville, and


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ond Lisa Ga Narciso and Lisa Garcia; and four daughters and their husbands - Jomeida and Raul Gonzales of Dallas, Oralia and Rafael Hernandez of McKinney, Yolanda and Bernardo Garcia of McKinney, and Rosie and Javier Garcia of McKinney; 23 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.


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## Therewitleac <br> Memorial (Dasy Service at the Baitey counsy cemeteny OMMondays May 26, ©t 10 ams <br> All of the community is invited to take part in the service. Boy Scouts from Troop 620 will perform the flag raising. GOD BLESS AMERICA

The Memorial (Day message will be delivered by Rev. Larry Thornton of Richland Hills Baptist Church.

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for a wealth of information about this important day of remembrance.

## Memorial Day should be observed:

 - by visitinheroes.

- by visiting memorials.
- by flying the US Flag at half-staff until noon.
- by flying the 'POW/MIA Flag' as well (Section 1082 of the 1998 Defense Authorization Act).
- by participating in a "National Moment of Remembrance": at 3 p.m. to pause and think upon the true meaning of the day, and for Taps to be played. - by renewing a pledge to aid the widows, widowers, and orphans of our fallen
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## Sports

Muleshoe students honored at annual athletic banquet

## By Delton Wilh

Sportswriter
The Muleshoe Athletic Boosters honored the Muleshoe High School
Athletes Monday night. The Athletes Monday night. The highlight film that started with cross-country, cheerleading and football all the way and baseball.
Athletes from every sport were introduced and several were honored with special awards. The 2008 Seniors were spotlighted with Jim hey bask in the spotlight.
Judy Steinbock was the cheerleading sponsor and introduced the varsity squad. Jacy Lawrence was named as the All-American Cheerleader at cheerleader camp and the mascot, Kathryn Owens brought home All-American Mascot, Most Spirited Mascot and Most Creative Children's Story.
Steinbock thanked the girls for all their hard work, leadership and dedication to MHS cheerleading and the Mule and Lady Mul cross-country teams were he next to be honored The Lady Mules won their seventh consecutive district championship this past fall. Sudduth said, "These congratulated for carrying on the tradition and for the way they represented our school and community. They elt tremendous pressure going into the district meet to continue 'The Streak.
The Mules assembled their first cross-country team in several years.
"The guys did a great job," continued Sudduth. "Most of them were participating in football as well as cross country. They came through and surprised the entire district to win the district championship. What a funday that was and I congratulate hese guys for their hard work."
The Girls Cross-Country Award went to Ashley Cisneros. Sterling Lepard was presented the Boys Cross-Country Award. Coach David Wood and the football team were the next to be honored. He said, Last year marked a new era or Muleshoe football. When they stepped on the field this season they were a well oiled machine."
"You could see confidence and pride radiating in all directions, striking fear and astonishment in the eyes

during the 2008 Muleshoe Athletic Bant" award
had depth and experience basketball program is one which transformed us into a the most tradition-filled in this powerhouse on both sides of the ball."
The Mules stated the part of Texas. Year after year the pressure of being Lady Mules and the expectations of success that comes with group of girls."
"This program has been very successful because of the hard work, dedication and commitment shown by every girl in the program. The word 'Success' comes to mind when people talk about mind when people talk about Muleshoe."
Because of the team's success individual honors were achieved. Sarah Johnson was a First Team All-District selection. Chi Hernandez and Morgan Smith were named as Second Team All-District. Ashley Grumbles and Kelsey Tipps were Honorable Mentions. The 2007-2008 captains were Chi Hernandez and Kelsey Tipps. The Fighting Heart Award went to a girl that displayed true Lady Mule Tradition, Gizell Vasquez. Tipps and Hernandez were named as Defensive Players of the Year.

The Offensive Player of the Year Award was presented to Morgan Smith. Johnson was named as the Most Valuable Player for the Lady Mules. Coach Ralph Mason team to the stage. "This group of guys came to play every day," said Mason. "Whether it was practice or a game the Mules competed very well and played extremely hard." Post season individual honors for the Mules were Colby Carpenter being named as the Defensive MVP of District 2-AA. Garrett Riley was named as First Team AllDistrict while Patrick Precure was named to the Second Team All-District. Wes Wood Mul Basketball team Honorable Mentions.

Precure were named as the year went on and each
TABC Academic All-State. one of them is a better player TABC Academic All-State. one of them is a better player
The trio was also the Mule's today than whenthey started The trio was also the Mule's captains for 2007-2008.
The Highest Free Throw The Highest Free Throw
Percentage Award went to Riley.
Riley. Most Assist Award was earned by Carpenter. There was a tie for the Most Rebounds Award between Riley and Brian Poynor. The Offensive Player of the Year was presented to Precure. Carpenter was named as the Defensive Player of the
Year.
Colt Ellis earned the Hustle Award for his efforts during the season. The Most
Valuable Player Award went to Carpenter.
Power Lifting coach, Joe Pat Wright, and the power
lifters joinedonthestage "Bad weather limited us to just two meets this year," said Wright. "We had great improvement in our weight totals and were very competitive as a team. Power Lifting takes a lot of dedication and extra time in the weight room."
Caleb Conner was given the Boys-Power Lifting Award. He qualified for the regional meet this year in the 165 lb . weight division.
Tennis coach Colie Cox brought her Mule and Lady Mule teams to the stage "This has been a fantastic year in Mule tennis," said Cox.
"There were many days after everybody else had gone home the tennis kids were at the courts playing. Many even surprised themselves." Adam Zamora and Colt Ellis won third and fourth places respectively at the District 2-AA meet in Boy's Singles. The Boy's Doubles team of Lane and Wes Wood were District 2-AA champs. Patrick Precure and Tyson Turnbow finished third at the district meet.
Corrie Ann Black and Colby Carpenter teamed up in the Mixed Doubles. The doubles team of Wood and Wood advanced to the Region I Tournament and won fourth.
"This group made my first year as their coach amazing," continued Cox. Every one of these young people showed character, class and competitiveness."
Black was the Girls MVP and L. Wood and W. Wood was the Boy's Co-MVPs.
Coach Sudduth returned to
the stage to honor Mule and the stage to honor Mule and Lady Mule golf teams. "These kids worked hard every day on the fundamentals of a game
they can play for the rest of
their lives," said Sudduth.

## The Girls Golf Award

 went to Sarah Johnson. The freshman, Tyson Turnbow, was presented the Boys Golf was presented the Boys Golf Award. He was the DistrictChampion as low individual and third low at the Region I Tournament. He matched some of the best golfers shot for shot in the State Tournament for sixth place. The Lady Mule track team and their coach, Benjie Jay and their coach, Benjie Jay
was next on the agenda. "Thirty-three girls ran on the team this year," said Jay "They won the Denver City Track Meet and placed third at the District Track Meet The girls qualified for the regional meet in six events." Lupita Andrade qualified in both the 3200- and 1600meter runs and Kathryn Continued on page 12

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## Junior Livestock Show set for Plainview

The26thannual Panhandle and crosses may be Parade of Breeds, junior exhibited. Heifers must have for June 12-14 at the Ollie of ownership and a legible Liner Center in Plainview. tattoo.
The show is open to Texas Steers will be divided into junior exhibitors.
Eilibitors must be ages above) and prospect (824 eight through19, with 2008 pounds and less).
graduating seniors eligible
to show animals.
Animals will compete in Ring A and have the option to exhibit in Ring B. Maximum age for heifers July 1, 2006. All

## Letters to the Ealitor

To the Editor:
$\qquad$ volunteers, some of whom I didn't even know, rolled into my yard and with tool in hand, and gave up four me hours of their time on a day sunny Saturday to fulfill my sunny Saturday to fulfill my daughter Deanna Richey's wish for her mother to have The volun
unteers not only
built a beautiful golden road looking in amazement oad looking in amazement sun made the fence glow a honey gold color. She and I honey gold color. She and Every morning lit Every morning, I look out my kitchen window and admire this beautiful fence and think of the kind, loving people who blessed me with
the fence.

Ginger Richey, Sudan

The show reserves the and any steer weighing out A new show schedule is also in place for the 2008 event. All animals will be Friday, June 13
The Production Plus Showmanship Contest will begin at 1 p.m. Friday, followed by the Gebo's Supreme Champion Heifer Show, and the Cargil Meat Solutions Progress Steer

All prospect steers will be judged on Saturday, June
$\qquad$
Additional infonnation may be obtained from Angie Carver, treasurer, at 806-298-2166, or Mary Bass, secretary, at 806-285-2121 (nights).

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## Annual memorial service set

 Sudan's 18th Annual • Speaker - Terry Memorial Service will be Wilson held on Monday, May 19, • Music selections at 10 a.m. at the Sudan Bandcemetery.
service is as follows: $\quad$ Taps - Trumpet - Welcome - Mayor - Tap Bob Sisson

- Retiring
Roecker In the event of bad
- Presentation of Colors we event of bad - Presentationors color weamer, the service will Guard Marine Corps Color be moved to the Sudan Guard National Anthem High School auditorium. - National Anthem The public is invited - Band and Kenneth to attend and remember Richards Sudan's fallen servicemen, - Patriotic Music - veterans, and the troops Kenneth Richards who are still in combat.

| Donations sought for senior class |  |
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| City Hall is once again | or all senior classmate of |
| having a Sudan High | 2008 at Sudan City Hall. |
| School Senior Class Gift | Donations are being |
| Club. | accepted May 1-28, until  <br> Individuals may make 5:30 p.m. <br> money donations to any  |

Thanks for reading!


## Congratulations \& Best Wishes!

## Laz6uddie High School Class of 2008

## Commencement Exercises: Friday, May 30 at 7:00 PM



Plans to attend West Texas A\&M University to get Team; Regional ULL Qualifier in calculator; Editorial,
a masters in Psychology \& possibly a doctorate. Also
Writing, and News Writing; FCCLA 1st Place Senior a masters in Psychology \& possibly a doctorate. Also $\begin{aligned} & \text { Writing, and News Writing; FCCLA 1st Place Senior } \\ & \text { plans to move to San Antonio after graduatitng \& open }\end{aligned}$ Youth Cookie Division, 1st Place Cake Division and 1st her own office, to get rich so she can finally buy a BMW
and will never have to worry about depending on anyone Dive Division Tri-State Fair; Outstanding Athlete
of the Year; Academic All District Team; Academic All and will never have to worry about depending on anyone
else. She then plans to take off from wherever. HS Honors: A/B Honor Roll-10,11,12; Outstanding Spanish-9,10; Outstanding
Yearbook-10; A Honor Yearbook-10; A Honor Roll-9; Biology Texas Best-11; Chemistry Texas Best-11; Computer Application Texas
Best-11; Longhorn Pride-10,11, 12 ; MVP Track-11; District Track Advancer-111,12; Area Track Advancer-11,12;
Regional Track Qualifier-11,12; Regional Regional Track Qualifier-11,12; Regional Calculator
Qualifier-12 Organization
Organizations: National Honor Society-10,11,12; Class
Secretary-9; Class Treasurer-10; Yearbook-10,11,12; Accounting-9,10,12; Calculator-9,10,11,12; Varsity,
track-11,12; Varsity Baskethall-9. Fditorial Writing-12; track-11,12; Varsity Basketball-9; Editorial Writing-12;
Varsity girls Basketball Manaeer-10,12. Student Healt Varsity girls Basketball Manager-10,12; Student Health
Club-10,11,12 Computor Applications-9; Science Bowl Team-9; Ready Writing-9,10.

Megan McGuire
Daughter of Donna \& Marty McGuire
Plans to go to South Plains College and become a
nurse.
nurse.
Organizations:FCCLA-11,12; FFA-9; Robotics-9,10,12;
Basketball-9,10,11,12; Track-9,10,11; Tennis-10.
Chelsee Nichols
Daughter of Mike and Sherrie Nichols
Plans to attend Eastern New Mexico University and graduate with a bachelor's degree and then begin coaching and teaching in a small town similar to Lazbuddie
ety Presiden: A\&A/B Honor Roll; National Honor SociSecretary Vent-2 yrs.; Robotics Research Chairman and Secretary, Varsity Basketball Captain-3yrs.; FCCLA
Public Realations Chairperson. Outstanding Math Stu Public Realations Chairperson; Outstanding Math Stu-
dent; Student of the Month; Longhorn Pride Student; Outstanding Spanish Student; ULL-2nd
place Accounting Team; 6th place Calculator Applica-
tions; 2nd place Calculator Application: 1st tions; 2nd place Calculator Application; 1st place cal-
culator team; 3rd place Individual Calculator at District; culator team; 3rd place Individual Calculator at District;
1 st Place Individual Calculator Applications; 6th Place 1st Place Individual Calculator Applications; 6th Place
Editorial Writing; 5th Place Feature Writing; 6th Place Mathematics; 4th Place News Writing; 5th Place News
Wrtiting; 2nd Place News Writing; 2nd Place Journalism


Mari Beliz


Megan McGuire


Joaquin Campos


Chelsee Nichols


Varsity Basketbasll Team Captain- $10,11,12$; FFA Chap eer Treasurer-9,, 10 ; National Honor Society-11,12; Re gional Qualifier in News-11; Basketball Academic All
State: Academic All District \& All District Teams; Out State; Academic All District \& All District Teams; Out-
standing Academic Athlete Award; Leadership Award, Defensive MVP; Most Improved Player, and Longhorn Spirit Award; Robotics Team placed 1st in overall BEST competition; T-Shirt design, table decoration, spirit; Oral
Presentation in area; T-shirt design at State; Team placed Presentation in area; $T$-shirt design at State; Team placed
2nd in overall BEST competition; Spirit, Founder and Robot Race and 3rd in Auto CAD; TrackArea Qualifier Triple Jump and Long Jump; Cheerleading; NCA All American Team-10
Organizations: Teen Counselor in Community Basket-
ball; Cheerleading and Bible Camps, ACTS (Adoration, Community, Theology, Service) Community in Amarillo; National Honor Society, Robotics, UIL, Track, Ba

Rochelle Smith
Daughter of Randy and Terrie Smith
Plans to attend South Plains College to attain basic classes to Interior Design major. After completing these classes, she plans to transfer Texas Tech University to She then plans to move to a bigger city like Dallas. HS Honors: Longhorn Pride-10,11,12; National Hono Society-10; Homecoming Queen-10; Class Histori-an-12; Outstanding academic Athlete-11; Outstanding Student of the Year-10; One Act Play-10; Honorable
Mention All Star Cast-10,12; All Star Cast one Act Play-11; A/B Honor Roll-9,10,11,12; Academic All-District-9,10,11,12; Academic All State-11,12; Most Improved Basketball-10; Honorable Mention District
Basketball-11 Basketball-11
Organizations:
Organizations:
FFA-9, $10,11,12 ;$$\quad$ Vation $\quad$ Basketball-9, $10,11,12$; onghorn Pride-10,11,12; Varsity Society-10,11,12; Act Play-10,111,12; R Robotics-9,10,11,12; Varsity Ten nis-12; Class Secretary-10,12; UIL Ready Writiting-11,12 Yearbook-11,12; Class Treasurer-11; Livestock Exhibi-tion-9, $, 0,11 ; 4 \mathrm{H}-11,12 ;$ Pep Squad-9. Son of Howard \& Tracy Williams Plans on getting through college.


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# Springlake-Earth High Class of 2008 

## Commencement Exercises: May 30, 2008-7:00 PM

Son of David Jake Bagwell Son of David \& Lisa Bagwell
Plans to attend Texas Tech Plans to attend Texas Tech University
Favorite subjects: Ag Mechanics Favorite subjects: Ag Mechanics
HS Honors. All district Football-

解-3 yrs., FFA offiOrganizations: UIL-4 yrs., Football-4 yrs., Pow-erlifting-2 yrs., Track-3 yrs., FFA-4 yrs., Student

## Kamber Banks

Daughter of Ray Van Banks \& Lana Cannor
Plans to attend SPC and major in Radiology Plans to attend SPC and major in Radiology Favorite subjects: Anatomy \& Physiology HS Honors: Basketball, Cross Country, Track,
Golf (MVP of the Golden Spread All-Star Tournament), All District Basketball, All Region TABC Basketball, Honorable Mention Basketball, Cheerleading Captain, Sr., Homecoming Court, Lions Club Queen, Most Wittiest, Most Beautiful, Most Athletic of the Senior Class
Organizations: FFA, Student Council, Lady Wolerine Athletics, Lions Club Queen

## Neal Barton

Son of Tony \& Lisa Barton
Plans to attend Texas Tech.
HS Honors: All District Footb All-District-2 yrs., FFA president-2 yrs. Academic porter-2 yrs., National Honor Society
Organizations: Varsity Football-4 yrs., FFA-4 yrs.
Track-4 yrs, Powerlifting-4 yir

## Jose Cervantes

Son of Rosa Lopez
Plans to go to college later in life \& study Mechan-
Favorite subjects: English, History, AG, Sports

## Haydan Daniel

on of Albert \& Page Daniel
Plans to attend college and major in Business Ad-
ministration
Favorite subjects: History, English
Organizations: Football, FFg
Kendra Davila
Daughter of Laura McDaniel \& Donald Spence Cosmetology.
Favorite subjects: Being Aide for Pre K. The kids are awesome to be around and I'm going to miss hem.
Organizations: Cross Country, Basketball, Track Web Mastering

J. Bagwell

M. Garcia

Danny DeLeon
Son of Danny \& Patricia DeLeon Plans to attend college to be a football coach
Favorite subjects: Sports \& AG Organizations: Football, Basketball, Track Amanda Furr
Daughter of Randy \& Cindy Furr
Plans to be a Nuclear Medicine Technologist specializing in Cardiology.
Favorite subjects:
HS honors: National Honor Society, advanced to regionals in Headline writing-2 yrs., advanced to District in One Act Play-Fr. yr., National Honor Society Treasurer
Organizations: National Honor Society, FCCLA,
Football Manager Football Manager-2yrs., Boy's Basketball Man-
ager-2 yrs., Headline Writing advanced to region ager-2 yrs., Headline Writing advanced to region-
als- 2 yrs., One Act Play, FFA-2 yrs., UIL Margaret Garcia
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cia
ia
Plans to go to South Plains \& transfer to Texas Tech to become a Sonogram Technician Favorite subjects: Anatomy, Physiology, Music History
HS Honor
HS Honors: English Award 2nd yr., Homecoming Court-4th yr.
Organizations: ball manager-4th y

## Laura Geissler

Daughter of Rodney \& Libby Geiscle
Plans to attend Texas A\&M University, majoring in Bio-medical Science, then attain doctorate in Veterinary Medicine.
Favorite Subjects: Anatomy, Physiology, Biology, AG
HS
HS Schools; 800 m Area qualifier-Fr., Regional Cross Country qualifier-So., One Act Play Honorable mention All Star Cast-So. \& Jr. Organizations: National Honor Society- President, tics keeper for football \& District Treasurer, statistics keeper for football team, UIL-Number Sense, teams

## Daughter of Jim Gonzalez Gonzalez

${ }_{\text {glans }}^{\text {gins }}$
Plans to attend Amarillo College and study to be come a Pharmacist.
Favorite subjects Organizations: FCCLA

An
Angelica Maldonado

K. Banks
L. Geissler


Plans to attend West Texas A\&M University and get Business degres
real estate agent.
real estate agent.
Favorite subjects: Biology, History, Algebra $1 \& 2$, Favorite subje
Chemistry
HS Honors:
HS Honors: Chemistry Class Award, English 1 Class Award, English 3 Class Award, Spanish 2 Class Award
Organizations Organizations: FCCLA, Spanish Club

Jesse Manzanales Son of Domingo \& Eva Manzanales
Plans to work hard then go to college. Plans to work hard then go to college.
Favorite subjects: AG Favorite subjects: AG

Kayla Manzanales Daughter of Domingo \& Eva Manzanales
Plans to work, go to college to be Plans to work, go to college to be a bartender, be a
wife and have family. Favorite subjects: P.E., Aide, Music History Organizations: Webmastering

## Daniella Martinez

Daughter of Daniel \& Sylvia Martinez
Plans to attend West Texas A\&M University and later transfer to Angelo State University \& major in Physical Therapy
Favorite subjects: BCIS 1, Geometry, Yearbook HS Honors: State runner-up Basketball-So., All
Star Cast in One Act Play- 2 res..Class President Star Cast in One Act Play-2 yrs., Class President-3
yrs., Band Secretary, President-2 yrs., Drum Mayrs., Band Secretary, President-2 yrs., Drum Ma-
jor-Sr., Spanish Club President-Sr., Homecoming jourt-Fr., Student Council-Fr., Track Regional qualififir- 2 yrs., Co-editor Yearbook-Sr., MascotJr., Patrick S. Gilmore Award in Band-Jr., Track
MVP-Fr., Basketball MVP-So. National MVP-Fr., Basketball MVP-So., National Honor
Society Society
Organiza
Organizations: Cross Country-4 yrs., Basketball-4
yrs., Track-4 yrs. Tennis-1yrs yrs., Track-4 yrs., Tennis-1yr., CX Debate-Fr., One
Act Play-2 yrs., Band-4yrs., Spanish Club-Sr., Act Play-2 yrs., Band-4yrs., Spanish Club-Sr.,
Yearbook-2 yrs., Student Council-2 yrs.

## Jerry Martinez

Son of Ruben \& Linda Martinez
Plans to go Amarillo College for Radiology Favorite subjects: Sports, Office Aide Organizations: Football-4 yrs., Basketball-4 yrs.,
Track-3 yrs.

## Kayla Melendez

Daughter of Genaro \& Martha Melendez
Plans to attend Eastern New Mexico Univer Plans to attend Eastern New Mexico Univers Favorite subjects: Anatomy, Physiology
HS Honors: LD Debate 4th \& lst place HS Honors: LD Debate 4th \& 1st place at District, Outstanding Brass, Student Council member, FC-
CLA member, Assistant Drum Major, Nationa CLA member, Assistant Drum Major, National
Honor Society
Organizations: Student Council-3 yrs., FCCLA-3 Organizations: Student Council-3 y
yrs., Band-4 yrs., Spanish Club-1yr.

J. Manzanales K. Manzanales

Amanda Miller Daughter of Greg \& Kara Miller
Plans to attend SPC and become Plans to attend SPC and become a Physical Thera pist.
avorite subjects: Government yrs., Cross: Regional qualifier Cross Country-2 yr., Cross Country MVP, Basketball All -District (2006), Track (2006), Track Area qualifier- 800 m run, sprint relay, mile relay, 800 m relay, 400 m dash. Organizations: Cross Country, Basketball, Track,
Tennis, FFA, Cheerleading Tennis, FFA, Cheerleading
Son of Jorge \& Angelica Muniz
Son of Jorge \& Angelica Muniz
Plans to attend WT and major in Diesel Mechan-
Plans to attend AT
ics.
Favorite subjects: English, AG, Economics
HS Honors: Football player of the week-Jr. \& Sr. Co-Football MVP-Sr., Basketball All-District-Jr., Organizations: Football, Basketball, Track, FFA

Kiefer Murdock
Plans to go college and major in art.
Favorite subject: Science classes
Organizations: Football
Organizations: Football-Jr.
Isabel Pena
Daughter of Ramon Garza \& Emma Pena Plans to go the National Guard and then go to col lege for Art.
Favorite subject: Food Tech, Music History HS Honors: A-B Honor Rol
Organizations: FCCLA

MiReyna Reyes
Daughter of Francisco \& Guadalupe Reyes Plans to attend SPC and later transfer to major uniFavorite subjects: 2nd Grade Aide, English HS Honors: Ready Writing Regional qualifier-Fr. News Writing 5th place-Jr., Web Mastering awardSo., Junior Homecoming Court representative, English 1 Class Award-Fr.
Organizations: National Honor Society- 2 yrs., Country-1 yr., Track-1 yr.

Kate Sides
Daughter of Gregg \& Lynn Sides
Plans to attend Texas A\&M University Favorite subject: Anatomy, Physiology, Geometry \& PE Aide
HS Honors: Homecoming Queen, Cross Country MVP, Class Secretary, Class VP Organizations: National Honor Society-So., Jr., Sr., Lady Wolverine Basketball Manager-4 yrs,
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## MISD FCCLA students compete at state meet

Muleshoe FCCLA Feaders of America) students competed at State Competition on April $2-5$ in Galveston
The following stad qualified an competed in qualified an competed in events athe state meeting: Xandra Ballanger, Leticia Castorena, Natasia Daniel, Courtney Mardis, Sandy Mojica, Meagan Mumau, Janae Pyle, Lynn Reza, Starlit Schonasky, Griselda Segura, Julia Silva, Morgan Smith, Jasmine Toscano and Gizell Vasquez. Jasmine Toscano state meeting.

## Athletic banquet held..

Continued from page $6 \quad$ 100-meter dash and Lepard Owens went in the shot put. finished fourth in the 3200Yvonne Gardea qualified in meter run. L. Wood advanced the 300-meter hurdles, high to the State Meet in Austin jump and pole vault.
April Gardea was named as the 2008 Newcomer Award winner. Owens Award winner. Owens record f. Wood set a new school received the Most Improved vaulting 14 feet nine inches in Award and Ashley Cisneros Austin for a bronze medal. earned the 2008 Work The Newcomer Award Horse Award. Lupita A was presented to Lepard. ndrade earned the Most The Co-Most Improved Outstanding Award. Kelsey Award went to Godinez and Tipps was named as the Chavez. The Mule Worker Most Valuable Award Award along with a baton for Coach Ted Johnson setting a new school record called for the Mule Track The MVP of Mule Track was alled for the Mule Track The MVP of Mule Track hey approached the stage hey approached the stage "I want to thank all the he said, "This was a very parents, students and fans for the boys. We were very that have supported the for the boys. We were very baseball program," said and won the all 2008 District Fuler baseball coach Shane and won the 2008 District Fuller as the Mules came Championship at Tulia."
That win sent 14 Mules the Region I Meet in the scenes working in the Abilene. Colt Ellis, Dusty concession stand, taking Clayton, Victor Vasquez, pictures and just cheering Doc Fullmer, Caleb Conner, the team on. You are all a Wes Wood, Alex Godinez, part of making this a special Nathaniel Chavez, Sterling season."
Lepard, Colby Carpenter, "These guys took the field Ray Ramirez, Garrett ready to work everyday. Riley, Austin Wright and They won some games and $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Lane Wood all traveled to } & \text { lost some but after a home } \\ \text { Abilene. } & \text { loss to Dimmitt one Friday }\end{array}$

Clayton won fifth in the night they became more

## Bessire honored by USA Gymnasts

Baylee Bessire who organization.
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competes with the Acrospirit $\quad$ She also competed for competes with the Acrospirit She also competed for
trampoline team from the USA at the World Age trampoline team from the USA at the World Age
Muleshoe Sports Academy Group Championship in Muleshoe Sports Academy Group Championshir
was recently named Female Canada last November. was recently named Female Canada last November.
Athlete of the Year for the "I was surprised with Athlete of the Year for the "I was surprised with
State of Texas by USA Baylee winning the award. State of Texas by USA Baylee winning the award.
Gymnastics. Gymnastics. We have women competing
Nominations come from for a chance for the Olympics the state board and are that she was up against," voted on by the coaches said Will Green, coach. and judges from the state "I think her great attitude organization, and are based and her always wanting to on the previous year's results be a great role model for as well as how the athletes the younger athletes really are perceived to help the swayed the coaches and sport and the young athletes judges to vote for her," he in it. added.
Baylee becomes the Bessire won her second fourth female athlete in the as well as being state and past six years to win the regional champion from the award from MSA.
of a team. They finished the season with three wins against just one loss."
"They defeated th Sanford-Fritch Eagles in the best two-out-of-three series to bring home the BiDistrict gold glove. Offensive Player of the Year was Victor Vasquez and Elias Alvarado received the Defensive Player of the Year Award. Tanner Bales and Caesar Lopez were named as season. Stephen Dominguez was named as the MVP 2008.

The Lady Mule softball feam was the final honorees of the night. Coach Ray Altman said, "Our young eam finished the season with a winning district record of 6-4 and earned a playoff "pportunity."
"We want to give special thanks to the parents with the concession stand during home games and for their support and encouragement all through the season. The girls worked hard and represented our community in both their ability to play at a competitive level and by their conduct and sportsmanship.
"This season's goal was
improve as a team, win


She will next compete at the Regional Championship in Ft. Worth.
Baylee recently posed for a photograph with Olympian hopefuls Amanda Bailey from Sundown and Chris Estrada from the Olympic Estrada from the Clympic Springs, Colo.

## Memorial Day

 service set A Memorial Day service has been set 10 a.m., at the Bailey 10 a.m., at the BCounty Cemetery. County Cemetery.
Larry Thornton, pasto Larry Thornton, pastor
of Richland Hills Baptist of Richland Hills Baptist
Church of Muleshoe, is Church of Muleshoe, is
the scheduled speaker.


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## Spirit Wind to perform

Spirit Wind 2008, the Northwest Texas United begins its summer tour n next month, and will be performing at the first United Methodist Church of Muleshoe on June 15, a 7 p.m.
Concert venues also includes Methodist churches in Abilene, Amarillo Floydada, Fiona, Haskell, Littlefield, Lubbock, Midland Ranger and Perryton.
Composed of a select group of 45 United Methodist senior high school youth from West Texas and Panhandle communities - including Head of Muleshoe high School - Spirit Wind 2008 represents 18 conference congregations of all sizes Under the direction of We Goner, a member of the music faculty of McMurry University, Conductor of the McMurry Chanters, and organist for the Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest in Abilene. Spirit Wind 2008 continues in its 30th year to present concerts of sacred music representative of al styles and periods. True to th name, the purpose of Spirit Wind is young people from Texas sing inspirational music rom across the ages and the world as offerings and testimonies of loving faith


## t's 'Elementarie <br> Photograph by Larry Thornton

You can almost see Tom Dulin of Lee Lewis Construction Company, pictured above, thinking: "l" before "E," except after " $C$ "... right? Actually, the general consensus as the school board during Monday's tour of Dillman Elementary is that Dulin can spell "elementary," after all, he's a former Muleshoe High School student. Dulin is pictured here measuring how far down the tail on the letter " y " will hang down once it's mounted on a metal beam over the new entrance to Dillman.

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Chamber welcomes new business
The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce \& Agriculture celebrated the grand opening of tickled Paint at 1523 W. American Blvd., owned by Camille Osterkamp, with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, May 16. Pictured on the right are: Front row - Joe and Camille Osterkamp, Kathy Vandevender, Brandi Angeley, Pete Hettinga, Carole Patrick, David jenkins, Katherine Patrick and Frances Lancaster; back row - Celie Parham, Cory Collins, Farm Bill veto and override vote expected this week port that way to President Bush's desk. Despite President Bush's statement that he plans to veto Senate passed the leges and last week with enough votes to override a veto. Depending on the timing of the veto, final actions on the Farm Bill could be completed this week. The House passed the and the Senate approved it by vote of $85-12$. These margins clearly provide the required 2/3 majority to override a Presidential veto
On another issue, it's time or a new energy policy. A sound and reliable energy one of my top priorities in Congress. As of today, gas

## RANDY ROUNDUP

prices hit a record high for the 12th day in a row. While I am gridlock and lack of forward thinking solutions by the Speaker and the by the will continue to press on and deliver a message about energy policy: my message is yes.
Yes, we can drill for oil within our own nation, such as in Alaska and off the outer continental shelf. Yes, we can
use America's 200 year supply of coal for technologies such as of coal for technologies such as coal technology. Yes, we can build more nuclear plants and more oil and gas refineries to increase production. And yes,
we should invest in renewable and alternative energies, such as wind, solar and biofuels. It is time that we understand the ramifications if we fail to move forward on becoming energy independent. This growing energy crisis
is affecting every facet of American life. First, and most importantly, this is a national security issue. Our government must not be handcuffed by environmentalists who do not understand that domestic exploration can be done with
21 st century technology in an environmentally sensitive an en
way.
If
If we do not act, we will continue to see the cost of energy rise. These record prices have already had a
ripple effect throughout entire economy, and inaction will only make this problem worse. Already, Americans are changing their summer travel plans due record high gas prices.
In addition to gas prices, the rising national average of
diesel fuel is $\$ 433$. costs have a direct correlation to food costs. When farming a large farm, such as those in West Texas, the overhead costs of fueling the machines,
as well as the cost of fertilizer as well as the cost of fertilizer
and transportation of goods, becomes increasingly higher,
 driving food costs up. America cannot continue
down this path down this path. We cannot rely exclusively on renewable energy as long as the means of transportation we use every day are still dependent on traditional fossil fuels. So the to turn our heads and watch prices soar, changing the daily lives of Americans and putting our national security at risk? Or do we recognize that there is a crisis, and
begin to start producing more energy at home? My answer is "yes." We have the tools, the resources and the technology to produce more energy and reduce energy prices.


Sherri Lynn Pinkston of Sugar Land, Texas, daughter or Larry and Cheryl Fins ton of Sinton, Texas, and James Eldin Cox, of Sugar Land, united in marriage on Saturday, May 26, 2007, united
at the First Baptist Church in Sinton , Texas. The ceremony was performed by the Rev Marion Warren.
Vocalists Natalie Smith, Vicki Roth and Spaner Roth were accompanied by pianist Kathryn Smith at the ceremony. Shaun Smith and Steven Garcia played trumpets for the special event.
Rhandi Stanford served as matron of honor.
bide were Amy Viertel, sister-in-law of he bride Gina Pins ton, and sister of the groom Ben Becker served as the groom's best man Groomsmen were Darren Box, Kermit Price and Wade Pinkston, brother of the bride Coo per Duke, cousin of the groom, served as ring bearer.
Ushers for the occasion were Nicholas Pink ton, Stanley Joe Pinkston, Blake Roberts, all cousins of the bride. Candleholders were Robert Lee, cousin of the bride, and Ryan Longwell, cousin of the groom.
Following the ceremony a dinner reception was held at the Texas State Aquarium in Corpus Christi.
James and Sherri honeymooned in Turks and Calicos.
Sherri graduated from Sinton High School, attended Texas A\&M University and graduthe University of Texas Pharmacy School She s currently employed by Methodist Hospital of Houston, as a Clinical Pharmacist of Internal Medicine.
James graduated from Muleshoe High School attended Baylor University, graduated from the University of Texas School of Pharmacy with Doctor of Pharmacy degree. He is employed by Methodist Hospital of Houston as a Clinical macist of Oncology.
The couple now resides in Sugar Land.


## 4-HINews

By Bailey Bales,
Bailey County 4-H
The Bailey County 4-H lub held a meeting at the coliseum on May 12.
The meeting was called to order by Jackson Myers followed by a play calle The Frog Prince Continued, performed by the younger -H members and the brothers and sisters.

Afterwards, officer Bethany Nitzel; reporte elections were held for the Bailey Bales; Junior Council 2008-09 year. The results delegate, Dagon Dunham are as follows: President, Jackson Myers Bak (also former president ); first Discussion was held vice president, Garrison about the 4-H Relay for Life Myers; secondvicepresident, team McKenna Dunham; third vice president, Craig Black; the meeting. Also a thanks secretary/ treasurer, Kayla to the parents who prepared Preston; parliamentarian, the wonderful meal.

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Philomena Muñoz, reach their goals. The
The Muleshoe ISD Head
Vanessa Gonza Muñoz, reach their goals. Start The Muleshoe ISD Head VanessaGonzalezandAnna Muleshoe ISD Head Start Start program is currently Mendoza, of the Muleshoe
ISD Head Start Center were
recognized at a volunteer at the annual South Plains CAA Volunteer Recognition Banquet on Saturday, May 10, in Lubbock.
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