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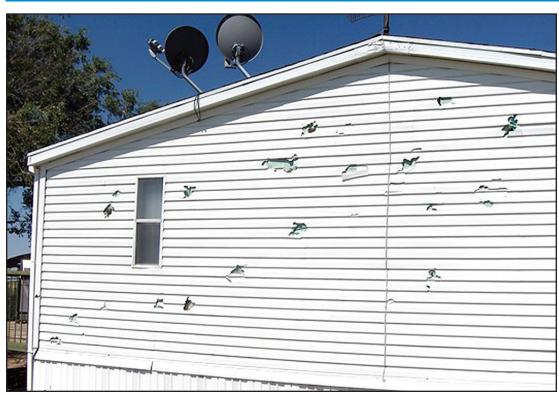
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Pictured above is the east side of the Foley residence. Pictured to the left and below is the interior wall damage, and below that is one of the large hail stones that caused the damage.

Hail storm tears through Muleshoe area

By Larry Thornton Managing Editor

After months without significant precipitation, the Muleshoe area and Bailey County have found themselves, and the surrounding areas, targeted by strong winds, heavy rain and large hail during the past week.

The week's storms began with heavy rains, and large hail that shattered windows in both residences and vehicles, destroyed roofs, dented hoods and car tops, and in at least one instance shattered the inner wall of a residence.

home, located on Hwy. 70 east of Muleshoe. Instead, they were at a neighbor's house, using the carport to protect a couple of their vehicles from the hail.

It wasn't until they returned home that they discovered the storm's extremely large hail had shattered the siding on the east of the residence, busting through with enough force to damage the interior wall of the master bathroom.

Foley's damage was to the through the area only to

Rankin's research, along

weren't at home when they also reported roof last Tuesday's large hail damage and damage pummeled their mobile to the north side of the residence.

Following the storm, area insurance agents, roofers and auto body shops have been kept busy repairing the storm damage.

According to Muleshoe Police Chief Brian Frieda, the large hail wasn't the only thing to threaten the Muleshoe area Tuesday, June 17.

Although there weren't any indications it touched down near town, the police While the majority of the chief said a tornado passed

MAHD board gives 'go ahead' for clinic expansion

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By Larry Thornton Managing Editor

Hospital District Board of Trustees approved the issuance of certificates of obligation to fund capital improvement projects totaling slightly more than \$1.7 million during Thursday's regular meeting.

Although Tom Shirey of Consolidated Financial Resources, Inc., the district's finance consultant, suggested restructuring the debt on some of the district's older medical equipment could save the district some money, board benefit will be the

president Wayne Pierson - of individual heat and air who took part in the meeting conditioning units for the The Muleshoe Area by telephone - said the advantage of increasing the district's cash flow and concerns of the hospital operating capital was more district's auditing firm,

> important. said.

> Referring to the expansion of the clinic, Pierson added, "Our gut feeling is that this is going to be a benefit

to the district."

While it is believed that the primary financial expanded clinic's ability to increase both inpatient and outpatient services through the hospital, Pierson also expressed a belief that it would also make money.

Additional

expansion discussed at the meeting was the increased potential it would the repayment within the give the district to recruit exiting 40 cent tax rate limit new physicians and retain of the hospital district's existing staff members.

going to loose a doctor out of the deal," board vice president Bob Donaldson, type of financing to avoid who chaired Thursday's a bond election," Pierson meeting due to Pierson's physical absence. of the clinic, the funds raised about looking at a modular through the issuance of the certificates would traditional "bricks and pay for a new roof on the mortar" construction, existing hospital building, and pay for the installation

patients' rooms.

Pierson also addressed Parrish, Moody & Fikes, "Anything that gives us which in a document more cash flow gives us presented to the hospital more wriggle room," Pierson board at Thursday's meeting said it was opposed to obligating the district's future taxes without a public vote. Since the hospital district

> 'We are not pursuing this type of financing to avoid a bond election...' - Wayne Pierson MAHD board president

benefits from the clinic will not be raising taxes to repay the certificates, choosing instead to structure existing authority, Texas "If we do nothing, we're state law won't require a bond election.

"We are not pursuing this said. The board also addressed Along with the expansion the auditing firm's concerns building rather than the



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Gíve It A Thought

I can do everything through him who gives me strength - Philippians 4:13

Missed your paper? Call the Journal at 272-4536, between 8:00 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Ron and Heather Foley east side of the residence,

Stegall school building to be moved to Muleshoe

The old Stegall School restoration manager, has has stood silent for years. located a thesis written Its glorious past was in 1939 by Mary Elmore slowly slipping away as the Rankin recording the frontier school deteriorated history of elementary and many of its students schools in Bailey County. moved away or passed away.

new lease on life. Kenneth interpretive exhibits that Henry, chairman of the will enliven the one-room committee charged with school museum. developing the Heritage Center's new property, has information about the announced that the school Stegall School, the center will soon be relocated to hopes to develop a the center.

its new foundation, the of Muleshoe's early school will be restored to educational system. its former glory.

Sammie Simpson, the Heritage Center's

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Bell takes second place win

Newspaper Contest.

designer, received rave Association. reviews for her work in advertising

"Very cool... Nice layout Summer Convention.

The Muleshoe Journal of info. There was a lot to received a second place put into the ad," the judges award in Division 8 of said. "Love it! Love it! I really the 2008 Texas Press wouldn't change a thing. It's Association's Better an eye-catcher! Nice job."

This year's competition Leah Bell, the newspaper's was judged by members of general manager and ad the Wisconsin Newspaper

> Winners were announced on June 21 at the TPA's 129th

touch down for about four minutes in the area of Hwy. 214 and FM 746 before becoming rain wrapped and being lost from view.

Additional sightings, and possible tornado damage reportedly occurred in the Needmore area.

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Getting ready

Muleshoe's Jennyslippers and the United Supermarket's U-Crew have been hard at work getting the Mule Putt miniature golf course ready for business this year. Pictured above, the U-Crew members paint the building and awning.



with the real life memories But, just like in the of former students, will old days, "times are a be used to create both changin'." The school is an authentic restoration getting a new home and a as well as to develop

In addition to specific larger exhibit describing Once it's settled on the broader history

However, Henry and



Independence Day celebration

Planning for the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture's Independence Day celebration is under way. The theme for this year's event is "America's moments in history."

This year's holiday highlights a pancake breakfast heat and radiation from the sponsored by the Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizens Center, a brisket cook-off, a cobbler contest, muleshoe pitching, a softball tournament, and a talent show, and the Independence Day parade.

Individuals and groups interested in participating in the events may pick up entry forms at the chamber office, United Supermarkets, or www.muleshoe.org. The deadline for vendor fees is June 30.

For additional information call the following telephone numbers: General information - chamber office at 272-4248; booth information — Kristi Parker at 272-315; softball tournament - Richard Orozco at 946-6063; or the talent show — Carolyn Johnson at 272-5911.

Springlake to host celebration

Springlake will be hosting a July 4th celebration, beginning at 6 p.m. with a parade.

Lineup will begin at 5 p.m. Bicycles, floats, cars and tractors are welcome.

The activities planned for the evening include:

• Live music from the Guylle Roberson band.

· A hamburger supper benefiting the Springlake Volunteer Fire Department.

Naming of the Pioneer Award winner.

· A cake auction, dunk tank, face painting, glowsticks, and cold drinks, benefitting the Springlake-Earth FCCLA.

Alzheimer's support group

The Bailey County Alzheimer's Disease Support Group will be meeting on Thursday, July 10, at noon, at Park View Nursing Care Center.

The program will be presented by Kathy Melton of Legacy of Love Hospice of Littlefield. Lunch will be served.

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

Health **Travel to hot climates** and high altitudes

Submitted by Mandi Seaton, Bailey CEA-FCS

The summer months are upon us, and for some that means time for summer travels.

It may even mean traveling to a warmer climate for some summer fun or escaping the heat to a mountainous retreat. Just make sure you stay safe in the heat and higher altitudes.

Don't underestimate the sun. Heat combined with humidity can result in loss of water and electrolytes (salts) and may lead to heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Heat combined with dry conditions makes one particularly susceptible to dehydration.

Additionally, ultraviolet radiation (UVA and UVB) from the sun can result in damage to the skin and eyes, including severe sunburn and long-term conditions such as skin cancer and cataracts.

Take precautions in the heat during your travels. Consume extra fluids. Consume salt-containing food and drink, or add a little table salt to help replenish electrolytes, especially when initially adapting to a hot climate or after excessive sweating (unless this in contraindicated for your medications, especially if health, such as if you have diabetes).

Liberally apply sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) 15+ on all areas of the body not protected by clothing, and reapply the sunscreen frequently.

Avoid a combination of sunscreen and insect repellent products. While sunscreen needs to be reapplied frequently, you do not want to keep reapplying the insect repellent. You can use a separate insect and wrap-around 100 percent UV protective sunglasses (check the label).

If your idea of summer fun is escaping the heat to a mountainous location, you will want to consider altitude.

Altitude illness can occur when you travel to a higher altitude faster than the body can adapt to that new altitude. People are susceptible to altitude illness to different degrees, and there is no way to predict someone's risk for altitude illness.

Common symptoms include headache, fatigue, loss of appetite, nausea, and vomiting. More severe forms, however, may include confusion, lethargy, inability to coordinate body movements, increased breathlessness, and potentially death. Though some mild symptoms may be unavoidable, the goal is to avoid severe problems.

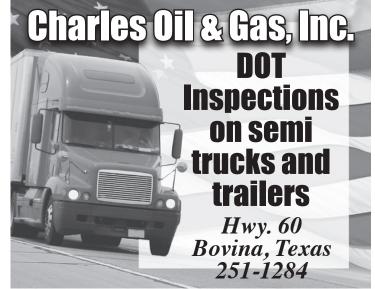
When traveling to a higher altitude, drink extra water. Avoid overexertion for the first 24 hours to allow your body to acclimate. Plan a gradual ascent, if possible. Avoid one-day travel to sleeping altitudes of over 9,000 feet break the journey for at least one night at 6,000 -7,000 feet.

Ask your doctor about direct travel to high altitudes is unavoidable. Know and acknowledge symptoms verbally, and do no let a set itinerary or group outing pressure you to go on - this can be very dangerous and even fatal.

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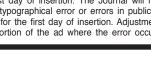
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Energy assistance available

South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. has received additional funding from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to operate the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program Jan. 1 - Dec. 31. The primary intent of this is to make funds available to

enable SPCAA to respond to energy needs affecting low-income households.

Priority will be given to eligible households containing one or more persons age 60 or above, a handicapped individual and families with young children under the age of six.

For additional information concerning this program contact Janic Posadas, 804 W. American Blvd., Suite C, 272-7537.

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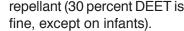
The Texas Department of Public Safety's Drivers License office in Muleshoe will be closed Friday, June 27, and will reopen on Monday, June 30.

College releases

If your college student is graduating or has made the Dean's or President's List, in order for that information to appear in the Muleshoe Journal, we must receive notice from the respective educational institution.

Your son or daughter must sign a release so the information can be sent to us. Have them visit their bursar's office to sign a form indicating they wish to share their good news!

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Editorial

Support for clinic expansion

Any type of government expansion program can be a little on the scary side... just ask the administration at the Muleshoe Independent School District which is about to finish the first phase of a multi-million dollar expansion project, or the City of Muleshoe which is involved in its own capitol improvement projects, and especially ask the some money to make some money," board member Bill residents and taxpayers whose monies back such projects either through tax revenue or service fees, but often the decision not to expand can be even scarier.

Faced with a variety of needs - including the ability to added. attract new physicians or retain existing medical personnel, and a chance to improve its desperately sagging cash flow — the Muleshoe Area Hospital District's governing body voted Thursday to secure the financing necessary for an expansion of the Muleshoe Family Medicine Clinic through the sale of certificates of obligation.

No doubt it was a tough decision, but given the board's decision to limit the "hoop dreams" of its financial advisor, Consolidated Financial Resources, foregoing the company's suggestion that the bonds currently held against the construction of Park View Nursing Care Center as administrator of Park View Nursing Care Center. In light be refinanced, the plan to move ahead with the expansion appears to be the right one.

When MAHD began looking at changing to Critical Access status, the hospital district's auditors pointed at the need to expand the district's rural health clinic to boaster the federal medical reimbursements. Various methods of financing have been looked at to fund such a project, and one-by-one these finance options have slowly been scratched off, for the most part leaving only the current option.

\$1.7 million plus needed to fund the project, but donors equipped with such large money bags have yet to come forth, leaving the district's board to look for financing elsewhere... and this appears to be it.

Still, we can't help but dislike the issuance of certificates of obligation. Even though perfectly legal here in the Lone Star State, these certificates – which are most easily described as a revenue bond that doesn't require a public vote — have the feel of an "end run" around the voters.

In fact, the only good thing we can see about them is that without the need for a bond election — like the decision to expand using a modular building rather than "brick and mortar construction" — the time needed to open the doors of the expanded clinic and hopefully alleviate the district's enormous cash flow problems should be greatly reduced.

Travel health... Continued from page 2

Let people know your symptoms, and descent to a lower altitude - refrain from further ascent until the symptoms have disappeared - don't take risks with altitude.

Seek immediate medical attention if you have symptoms that are severe or last more than two days. Discuss the possibility of travel to a higher altitude with your doctor if you have any type of chronic condition.

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noting that higher estimated cost also includes parking and landscaping, but also pointing out that the time required for the project to be completed and the district's increased federal medical reimbursement would be significantly shortened.

"The business people in town say they'd like to have it," Donaldson said about the expanded clinic.

"We're either going to have to cut expenses or spend Liles said.

"If this thing (the hospital) folds, that out there (the nursing home) is as worthless as can be," Donaldson

In other business, the hospital board:

 Approved the minutes from the May 22 regular board meeting, and the June 2 and June 12 special meeting with minor corrections.

 Approved the reappointment of Dr. Grant Nitzel to the MAHD medical staff after Mason explained that physicians were required to reapply for hospital privileges every two years, and that it had nothing to do with his contract with the district.

• Approved the resignation of Dr. Sandy Sandlin, ThD, of the resignation, the board president appointed board members Zona Gatewood and Bill Liles to a subcommittee to look at searching for a replacement for Park View's administrator.

· Approved sending accounts totaling \$6,581 to collection.

· During the discussion of the administration report, Liles asked Mason what was being done about the district's account's payables.

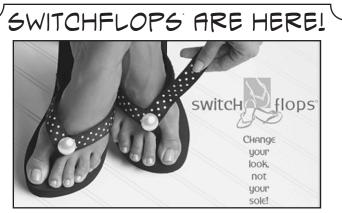
"When extra dollars are available, we try to pay a few of Sure, it would be better if someone stepped up with the these bills," Mason said, adding that the hospital district needed to find additional ways to generate the money necessary to do so.

> On Tuesday, June 24, the hospital district board held an emergency meeting to approve a request for financing through First Bank of Muleshoe.

> Pierson explained that a letter threatening collection action had been received from the nursing home's pharmaceutical supplier, Omni Care, Inc., on Monday, and that board action was necessary to prevent the residents' medication supplies from being interrupted.

> Although the amount owed Omni Care was around \$34,000, the board authorized a loan application for \$50,000.





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Enjoy your travels at any altitude with a few protective and preventative steps. Get covered, get hydrated, get acclimated, and get on with the fun.

For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, county extension agent - Family and Consumer Sciences, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, BaileyCounty, at (806) 272-4583.



We will be closed Fri., July 4 - Sun., July 6

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Performing in the parade and spending time at Carolyn's will be "Starbright" the Clown who will be making balloon animals for the kids at no charge.

Carolyn's Meltdown

July 4th brings hot temperatures...perfect for Carolyn's 4th of July Meltdown! Come view the ice sculpture in Carolyn's Snowman Island. Guess how many hours and minutes it will take for the sculpture to completely melt. The correct guess (or closest) wins a \$100 Gift Certificate to Carolyn's. Only 1 guess per customer and guesses must be made between 10 AM and noon on July 4th. Come join the fun!

Carolyn's July 4th Talent Search - 11 AM(ish) Do you sing, dance, act, play an instrument, do stand-up comedy or impersonations? If so, you could walk away \$500 richer from Carolyn's July 4th Talent Search! Carolyn's is offering a \$300 cash prize to the winner chosen by the judges and a \$200 cash prize to the People's Choice (popular vote) award! You must fill out a registration form and schedule an audition or submit a demo tape. If selected, you'll perform at Carolyn's July 4th celebration and hopefully walk away with the money! Call now!! 806-272-5911.

<u>"How Low Can You Go?" Limbo Contest At 12:30 PM!</u> Just how low CAN you go? If it's lower than all your competitors, you'll take home a cash prize! Line-up for the limbo contest begins at 12:30 PM on Carolyn's parking lot.

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

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this month. Mr. Pete Lara be patient with us and we Well, we finally got some is no longer the director. will help you find your name rain. Even though the hail Liz Castro is the Interim was pretty bad, the rain director. She is very capable eliminate so many sheets of has brightened the flowers and experienced to handle paper we use each month. the responsibility.

not once a month.

Remember the center will a.m. There are some changes be open Monday through your home is only moderate being made. We will only Thursday, from 8 a.m. until 4

Our big plan for next week We will also be changing is for our pancake breakfast SPAG was very interesting our daily sign-in sheets. So on Friday, July 4. The center

will not be serving lunch.

on the list. This should pancakes with all the agreat time playing and we trimmings beginning at 6:30 a.m. and serve until 11

> Make plans to come join in the good food, fellowship under 10.

Our many thanks to the

donations of prizes for our Hamburger on a bun, We will start serving Bingo games. Everyone has lettuce, tomato, onion, really appreciate the help we have received with the gifts.

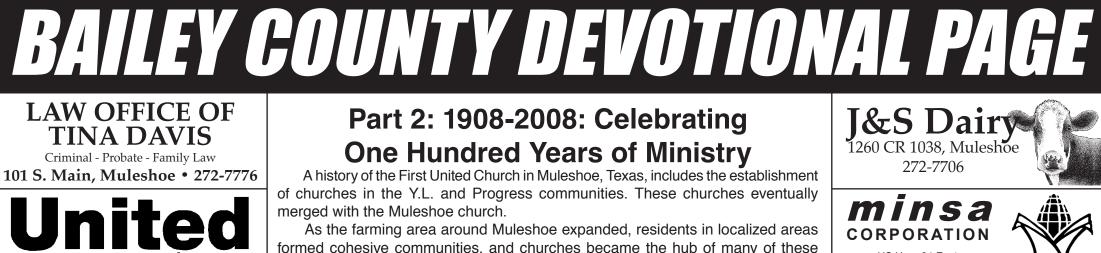
June 30-July 4 menu: Monday, June 30 — Taco and fun. The cost is \$5 for salad, rice beans, lettuce, adults and \$3 for children tomato, salsa, chips, fruit and cookies.

Tuesday, July 1 -

pickles, chips, pork and beans and pudding.

Wednesday, July 2 -Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll and fruit cobbler.

Thursday, July 3 -Brisket, potato salad, black Continued on page 5



As the farming area around Muleshoe expanded, residents in localized areas formed cohesive communities, and churches became the hub of many of these communities. The Y.L. Methodist Church, which began as a Sunday School meeting in the bunkhouse dining room of the Y.L. Ranch, became the second oldest Methodist church in Bailey County. The congregation had no resident pastor but welcomed preachers of any denomination to minister to the people. The Sunday School was moved to the community's new one-room school building in 1916. In 1917, due to the growth of the church, the Conference sent the first pastor, who came once a month, to the church. Larger school buildings were built, and the congregation continued to meet in these buildings. After the Y.L. school consolidated with Muleshoe in the late 1940s, the Methodist Church, with the help of the Baptist congregation, purchased and remodeled this building. The two congregations continued to share the building until 1959, when the Baptist church disbanded. In this same year, the Methodist congregation voted to have a fulltime pastor. Various pastors served the church until 1975, when the Y.L. church officially merged with the Muleshoe church.

The Progress Methodist Church stemmed from community church services held in the Pleasant Valley school building, located northwest of Muleshoe. In 1926, the school consolidated with New Hurley to form the Progress School, and all denominations were welcomed to use the school for their services. In 1927, the Methodist Conference sent a circuit pastor to serve both Progress and Y.L. once a month. The membership expanded rapidly during the 1930s as settlers bought sections of the Muleshoe Ranch and moved into the Progress community. In addition to a place to worship, the church became the center of community activities. The Methodist and Baptist congregations shared the school facilities until 1948, when the Progress school consolidated with Muleshoe. At that time, the Baptist congregation built their own church, and the Methodist congregation purchased the school building. In 1950, the church went full time and built a parsonage. During the ensuing years, the Methodist Men, the Women's Society, and the Methodist Youth Fellowship were organized. The church continued to thrive for many years but, people moving out of the community led to the closing of the church in 1965. The Progress congregation merged with the Muleshoe church.







businesses who encourage all of us to attend worship services. ASSEMBLY OF GOD FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD Pastor Ryan Pate 521 South First Street 272-3017 S.S. 9:45 am, W.S. 10:30 am & 6:00 pm, Wed. 7:00 pm EL BUEN PASTOR 415 E. Ave. F - 272-5455 Pastor Domingo Luna -272-4542 S.S. 9:45 am, W.S. 11 am & 6 pm; Wed. 7 pm **BAPTIST CALVARY BAPTIST** 1733 W. Ave. C. Rev. Jeff Coffman **CIRCLE BACK BAPTIST** Intersection FM 3397 & FM 298 **FIRST BAPTIST** 220 West Ave. E Dr. Stacy Conner **FIRST BAPTIST** Lazbuddie • 965-2126 **PRIMERA IGLESIA** BAUTISTA 223 E. Ave. E Interim Rev. Troy Smith **PRIMITIVE BAPTIST** 621 South First Elder Bernard Gowens, Min. **PROGRESS BAPTIST** Progress, TX **PROGRESS SECOND** BAPTIST Arthur Hays, Min. - 1st & 3rd Sundays **RICHLAND HILLS BAPTIST** Bro. Larry Thornton 17th & West Ave. D S.S. 10 am; W.S. 11 am & 6 pm; Weds. 7 pm **TRINITY BAPTIST** 314 E. Ave. B - Bennie Wright, Min. May God Bless You Abundantly!

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Engagement



SHAWNDEE NICHOLS AND LANDON MEEKS Nichols, Meeks to wed

Mike and Sherrie Nichols of Lazbuddie announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Shawndee Nicole Nichols, to Landon Scott Meeks, the son of Tim and Tori Meeks, of Farwell.

The prospective bride is a 2004 graduate of Lazbuddie High School. She is currently attending graduate school at Texas Tech University, pursuing a master's degree in Accounting.

The prospective groom is a 2002 graduate of Farwell High School. He owns and operates Landon Meeks Spraying out of Farwell.

The couple plans to wed on Aug. 2, at the Lazbuddie Methodist Church, with a reception following at the Clovis Civic Center. They plan to reside in Lubbock.

Obituaries

Ardith Long

Ardith Faye Long, 91, of member of the Nazarene Muleshoe, were held on Friday, June 20, at Eastview the Rev. Phillip Weitner officiating.

Long died on Wednesday, June 18, 2008, in Muleshoe. She was born on Oct. 31, 1916, to George A. and Lillian B. Fudge in Piedmont, Long. He preceded her in great-grandchild.

Graveside services for was a homemaker and a Church.

Survivors include a Cemetery of Vernon, with daughter - Charlene Moore of Plainview; two sons and their wives -Justin and Peggy Long of Waco, Carlin and Freda Long of Muleshoe; a son - Clen Long of Vernon; seven grandchildren, great-Kan., and married Charles grandchildren and a great-



OFELIA RAMOS AND FRANCISCO TRINIDAD

Ramos, Trinidad to wed

Ofelia Ramos and Costilla of Muleshoe with a Francisco Trinidad announce reception to follow. their upcoming wedding.

The prospective bride is the daughter of Jessie and Gilda Costilla of Muleshoe and Gilbert Ramos Sr. of San Antonio.

She is a graduate of the University of Texas in San Antonio, and is currently employed by Lytle ISD as a second grade teacher.

The prospective groom is the son of Arnulfo Trinidad and Ernestina Lopez Chavez of Zacatecas, Mexico. He is employed by Garza Carpet Company of San Antonio.

The wedding is set for July 19, at 7 p.m., in the home of Jessie and Gilda

Senior Citizen News

Continued from page 4 eyed peas, pickles, onions, cornbread and iced cake.

Friday, July 4 – Open for Pancake Breakfast, 6:30 - 11 a.m. The center will belosed for lunch.



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death on Jan. 22, 2000.

Vernon until 2001, before building fund or Hospice of moving to Muleshoe. Long Littlefield.

Memorials may be sent to She was a resident of the First Assembly of God

Softball league is forming

The Muleshoe Softball League will be hosting womens and co-ed league games this summer, with the starting date to be announce later. The entry fee is \$170 per team. The deadline for entering is July 3.

Call Oscar Hernandez at 778-9635, Eufemia Torres at 729-8791, or Angelica Olivas at 566-5333 for additional information.

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goal. We want to say thank you to the volunteers and students that made posters and donated services and did hundreds of other details that were necessary to complete this project. This truly is an investment in the future of our children and the future of our community. We can all be proud to live in a community that gives so generously to support its youth.

Contributions or memorials for the M.O.S.T. Scholarship fund are accepted year-round and can be given by contacting the school at 272-7404.

Donations to the M.O.S.T. scholarship fund during the 2007-2008 school year were made by the following individuals and businesses:

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Jennyslipper News

been busy making the Bales, our tireless workers, Jennyslipper Mule-Putt Golf joined by Lucy Mardis and for the upcoming 4th of July Jennyslippers, spent many

Stegall... Continued from page 1

Simpson need help to complete this project. They need They also gave a new coat contact information for former students or student's family members, help collecting oral histories from folks who remember what happened at the school, and help with time and money to complete the restoration.

Individuals who would like to help with the project are varnished the benches. encouraged to tall them.

Moving this delicate structure will present a challenge carpet on the "TAZ" hole, but Henry and Simpson are confident it can be done Ray Lee Equipment sent safely.

The Jennyslippers have Celebration. Doug and Anna days repairing, cleaning and over bottled water and Five aetting ready for the United "U-Crew" who came for two Course beautiful, especially Nelda Merriott, and other mornings and did a great job of painting the buildings, the concrete walks beside the greens, and the patio. of paint to the 'mules' and did other jobs.

> Leslie and Tonia Lieurence also came and Curtis Carpenter put new

These wins gave the

The next High Plains

Tournament chairperson

Area sent their bucket truck to repair the rope on the flag pole - and now our flag waves proudly over Mule-Putt.

The Jennyslippers appreciate all who have helped us to provide a pretty place for parties and for an enjoyable evening out playing mule-putt golf or pitching mule shoes. You will see the Jennyslippers taking turns at operating

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Ladies Golf Assn. News

The Muleshoe Ladies Golf Association met on Wednesday, June 18, for its monthly meeting.

President Jeanette Precure called the meeting to order with a prayer of gratitude led by Sheryl Engelking.

The June birthdays included Neets Foster and Anita Black.

Sheila Stevenson called roll and read the minutes from the May meeting. There were 20 members present with three new members.

Judy Wilbanks gave the treasurer's report.

As for old business, we discussed the Ruidosa trip. For those who want to go, you must give your monies Pat Kirk and Deborah Noble to Engelking.

concession stand, chairperson Marlene Martin set up duties for the men's Templeton won low net and in Tulia on Wednesday, tournament, July 21-22.

The High Plains report



WINNING SCRAMBLE TEAM - KAY FIELD, PAT KIRK, JUDY WILBANKS AND ANITA BLACK

July 9.

also. Helen Templeton, with Wilbanks winning low Jonessa Brockman, net in the field. Engelking, Judy Wilbanks, Holley Agee, Analiti Haley, association four more points towards the traveling competed in the Muleshoe trophy, putting Muleshoe in Concerning the High Plains Tournament on third place.

Wednesday, June 4. In the third flight, Tournament will be held low putts.

Noble won low net and was given by Engelking, low putts in the fourth flight Irene Mason set up various chairpersons for the Jennyslippers Tournament on Saturday, Aug. 16. We will have breakfast and lunch at the club.

Playday chairperson Treena Matthews expressed here appreciation to all who helped with the Memorial Day Tournament.

Matthews awarded golf and card winners.

May 28: Golf - least putts. Templeton and Noble: Cards - worst score, Jeri Flowers.

June 4: Cards - first pat hand, Black.

June 11: Cards - worst score, Melody Hettinga and Martin.

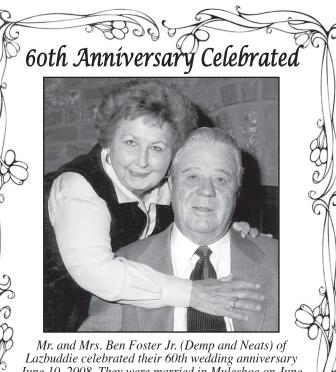
Martin set up three scramble teams with the winners being Kay Field, Kirk, Wilbanks and Black.

The door prize winner was Elinor Yerby, drawn by Black.

The next luncheon will be held on Wednesday, July 16.



Everyone is invited to come and enjoy some good Christian entertainment!



June 10, 2008. They were married in Muleshoe on June 10, 1948. They were honored with a weekend family gathering hosted by their sons at their home. Their children are Tim and Debbie of Lubbock, Steve and Paulette of Lazbuddie, and Mark and Deborah of Kansas. They have 5 grandclatter and 4 great grandchildren.

Thanks for reading!

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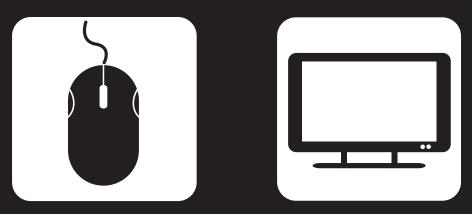
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Heritage Board Report

Foundation Board met their sport. Eighty-three sales at the shop have been restrooms will be built. Monday, June 19, at the riders rode 100K and 98 depot.

president; Lonnie Adrian, Jean Allison, Gary Hooten, McElroy, Gene Rodgers, Sammie Simpson, Ladene riders was 40-49 years. Spears, Sheila Stevenson, Hostess Delores Harvey.

The main issues discussed included the Tour de Muleshoe, the development of the West Addition/frontage property.

The board was very excited about the success of 14th Annual Tour de birthday. Muleshoe. Ride Director Lonnie Adrian did a fabulous job coordinating this event. There were a record number of riders, a record number of sponsors, a record number of spaghetti meals served, a record number of door of money raised.

cyclists rode 40 miles. The Members attending oldest rider was 81-year- Ladene and her hardwere Joe Bob Stevenson, old James Walker from working volunteers for Lubbock. The youngestrider their efforts. Several was seven-year old Kara Board members noted the Kenneth Henry, Ann Esquival from Hereford. The importance of the Thrift age group with the most

The board thanked Lonnie wife, designed the clever t-shirts and Christi Samson, Lonnie's daughter, prepared spaghetti dinners.

Riders were also treated to a taste of the huge birthday former Stegall School cake honoring Lonnie's 60th students to gather information

a challenge when you're dealing with vintage depot.

prizes and a record amount Marshall Cook and the relocating the frame building Are we starting to sound deck. The group is working and renovating it for the post like a broken record with all hard (despite the summer office and dental displays heat) and the project will be that are currently in the Lonnie reported that the completed in a few weeks. Come out and take a look House. He also reported some at what they're doing, and interesting statistics. This don't be surprised if you're asked to hammer a few

The Muleshoe Heritage was obviously serious about reported that donations and very strong.

> The board thanked help with this important Shop revenue in sustaining center operations.

The board is excited about Tom Watson and Center and his family for their hard the progress Kenneth's work. Helen Adrian, Lonnie's committee is making on developing the West Additon/frontage property. The Stegall School is maintenance projects, and and served almost 300 scheduled to be moved soon.

Kenneth is contacting needed for the restoration Maintenance is always and the exhibition that will be housed in the school.

The board also discussed structures. Kenneth Henry the need for a site plan for reported on the project to the new property. In addition replace the deck at the to the school, we plan to add a half-dugout and a church. Kenneth is working with We're also considering SCAC Kids to replace the that housed Sain Irrigation

basement of the Janes

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Muleshoe team brings home trophy

Rookie All-Star team in Muleshoe traveled to Lamesa for an invitational tournament, June 19-21, returning home with a third place trophy. The players and their coaches, pictured on the left, include: Front row

 Triston Bomer, Nicholas Long, Israel Ramirez, JoJo Rejino, Michael Lozano and Trenton Angeley; middle row — Jacob Kettner, Dustin Zimmerman, T.J. McCall, Brendon Rodriguez, Joe Zack Reyes, Eric Herrera and Jackson Jarman; and back row - Coaches Shawn Rejino, Ricky Rodriguez and Wes Jarman. Not pictured is Donovan Gutierrez

the structures and additional

project. Please call him and

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Kenneth needs lots of

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these broken records?

ride is gaining in popularity. year, 258 riders came from all over Texas and three nails! other states. Only 35 riders attracted a lot of tourists.

cities were represented decking material. including College Station, riders came from Lubbock.

Riders could choose to

Kenneth reminded the were from Muleshoe so board that the SCAC kids it's pretty clear this event have really helped with this project, raising \$2,400 Riders came from as far for the cost of materials. away as Arizona, Colorado Several SCAC kids also and Tennessee. Many Texas helped remove the old

Tom Watson reported Arlington, Lewisville, Austin that the parking lots at the and San Antonio. Sixty-six Thrift Shop have been repaved.

Ladene said that ride 10 miles, 40 miles or customers and donors 100 kilometers (about 65 appreciate the absence miles). This group of riders of potholes. Ladene also



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Sudan Hotel, present day Lamb County tour to include Sudan

The Sudan Senior of the Lamb County 100th Trough." birthday celebration.

at the Sudan Motel. The the Sudan Hotel. Sudan Senior Citizens will the travelers, who will also the Sudan Motel.

There are tenative plans Citizens will host on e of for visitors to to tour the attract settlers to the region. the stops on Grand Tour of main floor of the building Late in August, 1917, the Lamb County, June 27, part and view the "Old Watering building was completed.

After several stops Boesen and his wife came attended by cattlemen and throughout the county the to Sudan after previously tour will stop for a break arranging for the building of

be serving refreshments to Furneaux & Temple, of park. Dallas cooperated with him be given information about to get the hotel built and that the town was entitled ready for business.

Circus to perform at Sudan

Circue of Dallas.

Circo Cirque is a small communities.

performs free of charge chair.

have the opportunity to its concession sales, enjoy a slightly different includes many of the acts circus experience normally expected in a Monday, June 30, with circus - clowns, jugglers, performances by Circo aerial acrobats, but there are some differences.

For one, Circo Cirque family circus that focuses doesn't perform under on entertaining small a "big top," and for the other, the circus is strictly The circus group, which BYOC... Bring your own

Sudan FBC to host VBS, youth fundraiser cookout

The motel was built to

A grand opening was On April 12, 1917, P.E. announced and was their families from all around the area.

By spring of 1918, they His company Wilson, had planted trees in the

> In 1918, it was decided to some service from Uncle Sam, so they applied for a post office.

> A petition was prepared and circulated to be signed by everyone within the area.

After sending it to Washington, D.C., favorable consideration was given, but they had to decide on a name for the town. In the office of J.B. Wilson, in Dallas, the four men gathered to discuss the name of the new village.

Wilson suggested that they get busy writing names that were not already in use

Representative discusses troop funding

Funding Our Troops Last week, by a vote of 268-155, the House of Representatives passed an emergency supplemental spending bill to continue reached a compromise with an enhanced ability funding for the Department of Defense ongoing war efforts. I voted in favor of this bill because it will ensure that our military, as Representatives showed improvement from my old well as our diplomatic team, has the tools and resources they need to prosecute the Global War on Terror.

both the Republican and Democratic leadership came together, put partisanship aside and passed a bill commanders on the ground. Additionally, this bill provides reforms for our men and women in uniform and also our veterans.

One major reform I supported was improving the GI Bill. With expanded access to education, increased benefits and most importantly, allowing the transfer of unused benefits to either a spouse or child, we are providing the very support that will strengthen the future of our military. This legislation enhances the GI Bill for our warriors, their families and our veterans who have sacrificed so much for our nation.

While I strongly believe that emergency supplemental bills should not be used to advance other spending programs, and would have preferred a separate vote on improving the GI Bill, it cannot be disputed that this legislation is a victory for America's battle against terrorists. **Updating FISA Laws** I am pleased to report that after much delay the House leadership, both Democrats and Republicans, finally ance

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UPDATE BY CONGRESSMAN RANDY NEUGEBAUER

needs of the 21st century.

Last week, the House of we can work in a bipartisan manner and display our resolve. We sent a clear message to our enemies that I am very pleased that we are united in defeating terrorism. We have updated feedback from interactive our intelligence capabilities, and enactment of this you in Washington. legislation will make us a that doesn't restrain the safer nation. It will make website a useful resource. certain that our intelligence If you believe there is more officials will continue to have a proper legal authority to initiate foreign surveillance on foreign targets, while respecting the civil liberties of Americans.

> I applaud my colleagues for their motivation to find common ground, put aside politics and make the safety of our nation our highest priority.

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specifically designed to make information easier to access and provide you

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on updating our foreign to see the work I am doing surveillance laws to meet the as your representative in Washington.

> This is a dramatic website, and I know it will serve the constituents of the 19th District well. In addition, it will give me the opportunity to receive surveys to better represent

> I hope you find this new I can add to make it a more efficient tool to facilitate communication, I would love to hear from you.

"Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man." - Proverbs 3:3-4



Sudan area residents and is supported through

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of Sudan will be hosting Vacation Bible School July 13-16 for children age 3 through sixth grade.

The VBS will be Sunday 9:45 a.m. until noon, and 6-8:30 p.m., and Monday through Wednesday from 6 p.m. 6-8:30 p.m.

Call 227-2072, or go to www.fbcsudan.org, for additional information.

FBC of Sudan's Youth

The First Baptist Church Committee and youth will be hosting a hamburger cookout on sunday, June 29, at 7 p.m., to raise funds for their youth retreat.

> Dr. Steve Brown, Medical missionary to Namibia, Africa, will be speaking at

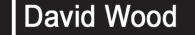
Mosquito spraying

The City of Sudan will be spraying for mosquitos on the evening of July 1, according to city officials.

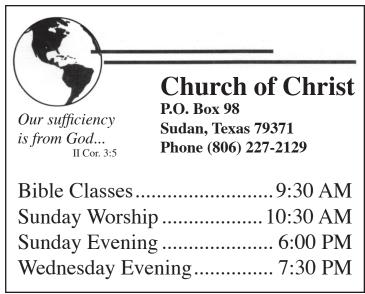
in Texas. P.E. Boesen did not write but only had one suggestion and that was "Sudan ."

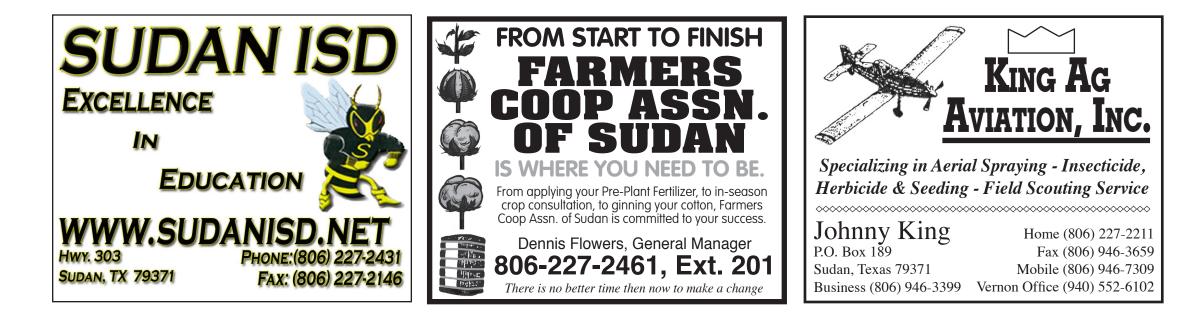
Wilson said, "Rub out your names, boys, Sudan is good enough."

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Baby Showers

Hill baby shower held

Chris and Gina Hill were honored with a baby shower on May 24 in the parlor of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

Special guests included Coralynn Jarman, Wendy, Madalynn, and Emma Woolard, and Kristi and Brenna Jarman.

Hostesses were Janice Bradshaw, Vickie Burch, Shelley Chester, Beckye Conklin, Dawnda Daniel, Kelli Flowers, Janelle Hargrove, Sue Holt, Lauren Luig, Debbie Magby, Sheryl Whitley. Morris, Jessica Partin, Debra Redwine, Jarah Redwine, Jodi Urbantke, and Lanette travel system.



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Bridal Shower

Dickson honored at bridal shower

Ashley Dickson, the prospective bride of Trevor Turnbow, was honored with a bridal shower on Sunday. June 22, at the home of Jan King of Muleshoe.

The prospective bride is the daughter of Basil and Sandy Nash and Ronald Dickson.

The prospective groom is the son of James and Shelly Turnbow.

Hostesses for the event included Rachel Alvarado, Rayniel Bamert, Brenda Jackie Jean Whatley, Black, Carren Black, Tammy Black, Janice Bradshaw, Rubie Craft, Rhonda Eagle, Linda Flores, Robin Friskup, Connie James, Sue Johnson, Jan King, Rowena Sheets, Lanell Skaggs, Lora Wallace, Lynda Washington, and Bobbie Dunham.



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Jennyslipper News

Continued from page 6 the golf course and hosting your parties.

out to practice pitching mule shoes "getting ready" for the "World Championship Mule Shoe Pitching Tournament" which will be on July 4.

A Mule-Putt Golf Tournament is also slated for Independence Day.

Another project under in the parade!" way by the Jennyslippers, is handing out flag pins to all employees in Muleshoe.

"We hope that all will be

College News

WTA&M students

West Texas A&M University has released its President's and Dean's lists for the spring 2008

Amberlee Steinbock, sophomore.

Dean's List - Marlie B. Black, senior, and Andrew T. Dale, junior.

Boots & Badges blood drive set for July 7

Coffee Memorial Blood Center is hosting a blood drive in the Lazbuddie area Christie Whitt, Jody Wood on Monday, July 7, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Lazbuddie The hostess gift was a Methodist Church fellowship hall, on Hwy. 1172.

The event is a "Boots Special guests included & Badges Competition," Meyers, Dana Rasco, Bernita Sandy Nash, Shelly allowing donors to vote for

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the Fourth of July." A parade float is on the taking shape this week.

have built a float for all of Muleshoe's parades and this is always a fun undertaking.

The Jennyslippers say, "Come on... put something

Go patriotic! advertise your business! Or just put in a fun entry!

Many come home for the holiday and Muleshoe is the place to be on the fourth!

Salazar graduates from basic training

Army Pvt. Monica Salazar and bayonet training, drill has graduated from basic and ceremony, marching, combat training at Fort rifle marksmanship, armed Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of reading, field tactics, military Some folks have come drawing board" and will begin training, the soldier studied courtesy, military justice the Army mission, history, The Jennyslippers tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in

Salazar is the daughter basic combat skills, military of Bernardo Rodriguez of weapons, chemical warfare Muleshoe. "Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled

exercises.

and unarmed combat, map

system, basic first aid, foot

marches, and field training

will brim over with new wine." Proverbs 3:9-10, NIV

to overflowing, and your vats





semester. Among the Muleshoe students honored were: President's List -

Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce July 4th Schedule of Events 2008 Theme: "America's Moments in History"

- Oneita Wagnon Senior Center Pancake Breakfast 319 S. Main Street 6:30 AM-11:00 AM Everyone Welcome! Come and eat with us, visit, play dominoes, or watch the parade. Serving pancakes, sausage, bacon, coffee, orange juice, flavored or sugar free syrup. \$5.00 donation/\$3.00 donation 10 and under
- Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce Parade "America's Moments in History" Main Street 10:00 AM Entry forms for the parade are available at the Chamber office or at United Supermarkets
- Annual Brisket Cookoff Chamber Parking Lot 11:30 AM Cook off will begin on Thursday evening. Teams will cook all night with the judging at 11:30 AM on July 4th. 1st place will be awarded \$100. Entry forms may be picked up at the Chamber office or at United Supermarkets.
- Annual Cobbler Contest Chamber office 1:00 PM Entries must be turned in by 11:45 AM at the Chamber office. Entry forms may be picked up at the chamber office or at United Supermarkets.
- Annual Mule Shoe Pitching Tournament Mule Putt Miniature Golf Course 1:30 PM Sign-up 1:00 PM to 1:30 PM Doubles \$10 entry fee/singles \$5 entry fee. The Jennyslippers invite everyone out to try your hand at pitching mule shoes!
- Mule Putt Golf Tournament Mule Putt Miniature Golf Course 2:00 PM Singles \$5 entry fee Mule Putt will be open 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM on July 4th
- Muleshoe July 4th Annual Softball Tournament Roque Flores Softball Field July 3rd, 4th & 5th Entry fee \$125 per team 12 team roster - Prizes, awards & plaques given. Contact Richard Orozco for more information at 806-946-6063 or the Chamber of Commerce at 806-272-4248.
- Fireworks Display & Entertainment New City Park Beginning around 8:00 PM Join your family and friends for this annual spectacular event with entertainment by The Boot Scooters! Fireworks begin around 10:00 PM.

ArtLoft/ Trés Chic Inside Sale - 1529 American Blvd. - Open after parade - till 5:30 PM

- Carolyn's Christmas Creations 106 E. American Blvd. July 3-July 6 Huge Parking Lot Sale including furniture, jewelry, purses and much more - July 4th Red, White & Blue Savings all day 10%-50% off - Carolyn's Talent Search Contest begins around 11 AM Limbo Contest begins at 12:00 PM
- Muleshoe Metal Art 224 W. American Blvd. 9:00 AM -4:00 PM Huge outdoor sale on numerous unfinished metal art 25% to 50% off
- Williams General Store 1405 W. American Blvd. July 3rd 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM; July 4th & 5th 9:00 to 4:00 PM Firecracker Sales under the Tent - every shoe under the tent up to 50% off - Muleshoe t-shirts \$15 - Shop in the Cool: Storewide cool down prices inside store - Honey Do BarBQue will be grillin' July 3rd-5th.
- United Supermarkets 104 W. 9th After the parade until 5:00 PM Selling hotdogs & hamburgers & ice cold watermelon slices in quarters and halves. All proceeds to go the Bailey County Relay For Life.

Vendors - Come by the Chamber office for information for a vendor booth. Deadline to rent space is June 30th!

Vendors that have already signed up: Jr. High Cheerleaders-BBQ brisket sandwiches; Comite Patriotico-Burritos, frito pie & nachos; Maria Gonzales-Burritos, nachos & sausage on a stick; Otwell Caribbean Ice-Snow cones; Muleshoe VFD-Ice cream; Rolos Roasted Corn - Corn on the Cob; Double J BBQ; Ziggy-N-Me Jewelry.

Replenishing the Highway Trust Fund for Texas roads

The federal Highway Trust Fund, which is the largest single source of funding for Texas' 79,000 miles of roads, is on the brink of insolvency.

Unless Congress takes action, there will be a 34 percent cut in U.S. highway and bridge investment, which will cause our transportation infrastructure to deteriorate and our economy to suffer.

I am working in bipartisan cooperation with other members of the Texas Congressional delegation to prevent this from happening.

has been borrowed from our economy. the Highway Trust Fund devastating Minneapolis-St. Paul bridge collapse in 2007.

These funds must be replenished in order to maintain the solvency of the trust fund.

Trust Fund goes in the red, billion. our state will be one of the biggest losers. Texas could expect nearly 30 percent

Don't forget your photographs

Do you have any blank spots in your photo albums?

Photographs that have been submitted for publication in the Muleshoe Journal may be picked up during regular business hours.

At this time, a large number of photographs have been accumulated, and may include your missing photographs.



and improvement funds for fiscal year 2009.

would lose their construction by the President to go into jobs, the second greatest loss of any state. The decline in road capacity would also term fix. In recent years, funding have a detrimental effect on

congestion in the Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan work to make sure Texas area already costs the local receives its fair share of economy \$2.7 billion in lost every year.

Houston is not far behind If the federal Highway with an annual loss of \$2.3 Senate in 1993, our state

> a measure that will replenish the Highway Trust Fund and keep highway projects

Capitol Comment By U.S. Sen. **Kay Bailey Hutchison**

I have worked with my

colleagues to increase our

average annual funding

by almost \$800 million -

or 92 cents on the dollar

-making Texas second

only to California in federal

transportation support.

less in highway maintenance funded through 2009.

The legislation must still be approved in the House of Nearly 30,000 Texans Representatives and signed effect.

However, we need a long-

When Congress does consider a permanent The Texas Transportation solution to maintain the for emergencies, like the Institute reports that solvency of the federal Highway Trust Fund, I will transportation dollars. productivity and wasted fuel We've already made great strides in this area.

When I came to the received only 76 cents in In the Senate, lintroduced transportation funding for every one dollar we paid in gas taxes.

But in the years since,

Baseball Tournament July 18-19, 2008

If you are interested in playing you will need a coed feam.

Contact Micheal Rodriguez at 806-729-2653 or Bernadette Bradley at

806-946-7358 Money raised will help pay for cost of burial expenses for Mark A. Rodriguez. Entry fee: \$120.00 per team

should be used on Texas my efforts to secure a 100 tax dollars.

new major projects may rely people of Texas. on toll funding in one form or another. I believe that tolls communities depend on can be useful as one part of the solution when done with infrastructure, which allows local input and consent.

the George Bush Tollway in North Texas. But tolls responsible solutions to should never be placed on highways that have already been paid for by Texas our economy thriving.

The money Texans pay taxpayers.

That would be a violation roads, and I will continue of the public trust. Although we need to solve our percent return on our gas transportation problems, we must do it in a way that In Texas, some of our is fair and honorable to the

Businesses and efficient, properly managed people to live and work A perfect example is wherever they choose. We must work hard to find our transportation needs to keep our residents safe and

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BCMA Food Panty board asks for help with roof project

Linda Low met with a with a group of other interested people to discuss food needs of area residents.

With their help, a committee was formed that ultimately became a board under the Bailey County Ministerial Alliance.

For several years, Kay Graves took care of a lot of the needs of the pantry; ordering food,

In 1998, Kay Graves and stocking shelves, sacking pantry leaving it in the hands funded the needs of the been found or offered. in the group made home Saturday mornings. deliveries to shut-ins.

> needed to be open on needed food. Saturdays to accommodate more people.

affectionately known in the community, retired from the

or distributing food to of about 15 to 20 people recipients. The pantry was who volunteered their time has donated the use of the options the Food Pantry thru other ministries open on Tuesdays. Others either during the week or on building free of charge.

A few years later the people that helps see that become a problem, during group decided the pantry up to 200 families receive

This ministry has been on going in the old Leal's Mama Kay, as she was restaurant building for the past 10 years.

Bv

U.S. Sen.

John Cornyn

pantry and the Leal family

Over these last few years, It has been this group of the roof has detioriated and rainy times, leaking to the point of being a hazard.

> and participation by the **Bailev County Ministerial** Alliance advisory board,

pursue alternative and

renewable energy sources

- expanding our refinery

capacity, expanding nuclear

and developing clean coal.

All these common-sense

solutions have been blocked

by political considerations.

spirit has always pushed

advances in transportation

- from railroads, to

automobiles and airplanes.

transportation innovation,

we know it will require

energy. If Washington will

get out of the way, ideas for

producing that energy can

move ahead.

America's can-do

local contractor to add a metal roof to the current building.

is about \$11,500. The board After much discussion felt that for the long term, it realize she would never was the best solution at the want any personal credit; most reasonable cost.

The local community has no other useful facility has have been offered to be donated at cost and a good been pledged.

If the cost of the new roof years, it would be less than \$100 per month, which the board felt was a more than use of the building.

Kay Graves passed away in April of 2006 after a battle with cancer. Many in the community knew Mama part of helping secure the As we look for the next operation.

> Donations may be made in Kay's memory in about the project contact appreciation of the many hours of service that she gave to this ministry.

"Kay blessed our After discussing several community in many ways board voted to secure a including the Hope Chest, Rainbow Room, CPS board, prayer wall. We believe that she will be rejoicing from her The cost of this addition vantage point in heaven.

"Knowing Mama Kay we she would be giving it to Some of the materials the One who gave her the vision," Kay Mardis said.

If you are interest in portion of the funds have making a contribution, an account is open at Muleshoe State Bank in the name were spread over the last 10 of BCMA Food Pantry. Designate your donation to be used for the roof.

After the project is reasonable expense for the completed, the board plans to have a dedication with all the donor's being listed on a wall at the pantry in Mama Kav's memory.

Donations received over Kay and may want to be a and above the amount needed to complete the roof future of the pantry and its project would be applied to the food budget.

For additional information Chris Mardis, April Smith, Karie Preston, or Kay Mardis.

Railroads helped shape Texas' destiny items even while we Transportation has always

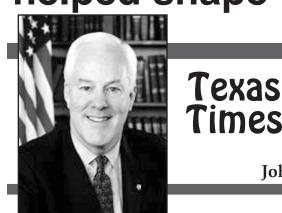
shaped the destiny of Texas. Systems for moving people and products are more complicated and even more vital today, as highways, airports, rail lines, waterways and pipelines generate our economic arowth.

When Texas was a new state, most transportation indicator of economic growth then was a relatively new invention - the railroad. Fortunes were made, and towns lived or died, depending on where a railroad decided to site a station.

excitement. The competition victory," according to Texas to build a coast-to-coast rail line captivated the nation after the Civil War. The first transcontinental link accommodated the northern states. When the final spike was driven in 1869 at Promontory Summit moment in U.S. history.

Soon thereafter, all eyes day." turned to Texas, where an epic race was underway to transcontinental link.

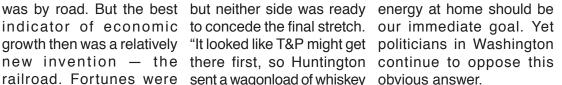
Pushing from the west was Collis Huntington, who and southeast of El Paso. His rival from the east Pacific Railway (T&P). In just 21 months, T&P laid 520 miles of track westward out of Fort Worth "winding inhabited principally by Indians, prairie dogs, and produced. coyotes."



sent a wagonload of whiskey obvious answer. to the T&P work gang, camped twenty-five miles east of Van Horn. The drunk lasted a week and a half and Railroads also brought gave Southern Pacific the some hostile to the U.S. Trains.

Gould made a deal, the Handbook of Texas reports offshore, extracting oil from "on December 15 Gould western state shale, and drove a silver spike to join the two roads seven miles southeast of Sierra Blanca in Utah, it was a signature Mountain. Transcontinental service began the next

A decade later, public resentment over railroad complete the first southern business practices led Texas Gov. James Hogg to start regulation via the new Texas Railroad Commission. expanded his Southern The commissioners later Pacific line through supervised buses and southwestern territories trucks, and after oil was across the Sierra discovered, energy pipelines Blanca Pass in mountains and well production were added. Some of us can still was Jay Gould's Texas and remember when the Railroad Commission limited monthly oil production in order to prevent an energy glut. Now the problem is precisely through twelve counties the opposite - too little Texas oil and gas is being Our state is big and most Speed of construction transportation requires was essential, since the energy. Record gas prices government awarded are coupled with vastly sections of land for each mile more expensive fertilizer, food, electricity and other worked, the more property necessities. The result is was accumulated by these serious hardship all over the state.



This leaves us with higher fuel prices, and it entrusts our economic security to foreign producers, including

America knows where to find energy. We should After Huntington and start immediately to develop these resources: exploring opening more development in Alaska.

There are other action



Annie Partin

Dan and Jessica Partin of Plains announce the birth of a daughter, Annie Rhea, on May 22, 2008, at 6:38 p.m., at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

She weighed seven ounds at birth and was 20 inches long.

classifieds overflow 3x13.25

of track laid. The faster they railroad barons.

By November 1881, the

As we transition to competing railroads were alternative sources, within 10 miles of each other, producing more traditional

She has a brother, Grayson, 2 1/2.

Her grandparents are Kirby and Vickie Burch of Lazbuddie and Morris and Donna Partin of Plains.

Alan Torres

Maria and Efrain Torres of Earth announce the birth of their son, Alan Torres, on June 17, 2008, at 3:29 a.m. at Lamb Healthcare Center.

He weighed eight pounds, three ounces at birth and was 21 inches in length.

His siblings are Efrain Torres Jr. and Effren Jesus Torres.

His grandparents are Hortencia and Aureliano Gonzalez.

Publication of announcements in the Journal

The Muleshoe Journal invites your news grandparents. of weddings, engagements, showers, anniversaries and births.

In order to be fair to everyone, we announcement to be published. must limit the amount of space for certain events.

For weddings and quinceaneras 25 if desired, is the limit. If the photo and announcement run longer, we reserve the out-of-town guests. right to eliminate parts of the story or the which portions may be left out. However, purchased in the form of an ad.

For anniversaries, if two photos are free of charge. included, the limit will be 25 inches. It will be 15 inches if only one photo is used. That space will be free for anniversaries charged for other anniversaries.

Birth announcements with one-column names of the immediate family, including muleshoejournal.com.

Please understand that the permission of both parents is required for a birth

Small stories describing showers are run free of charge after the fact and may include the names of the principals, items column inches, which includes a photo served at the showers, a brief description of the decor and the names of special or

It is the responsibility of the party person placing the article may indicate providing the information to provide all of the information. News releases in which if a longer write-up is desired, it may be names were left out by the party providing the information will not be re-published

A deadline of four months after an event will be the rule for free publication. Information must be received by Monday of 50 years or more. A fee may be noon. However, publication cannot be guaranteed in the week it is provided.

Drop by for a form or send the photos are run free of charge with information via e-mail to editor@

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June 26, 2008.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Muleshoe ISD is accepting bids for athletic supplies and equipment. Please send bids to David Wood, 514 W. Ave. G, Muleshoe, TX, 79347. We will accept bids until July 3, 2008. Published in the Muleshoe Journal June 26 and July 3, 2008.

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Lamb Healthcare Center is accepting applications for a full

The Bailey County Muleshoe ISD is Sheriff's Office is now seeking qualified accepting applicants for: applications for the Building Bridges position of Jailer. No Person; Must be experience able to reach and necessary. teach three and four Applicants must have vear old migrant a High School children through the Diploma or GED, be "Building Bridges" a min. of 21 years of home-based age, no criminal educational program history. Drug test is and work with the mandatory. Must be parents. Must speak willing to work shift translate and work, weekends, and Spanish and English; holidays. County paid must have computer insurance after 30 skills; must be able to days. Paid vacation keep and maintain and sick leave after accurate data and six months. Apply in documentation.

Testamentary for the Estate of BILLY FRANK HUNT, Deceased, were issued on June 19, 2008, in Cause No. 2475, pending in the County Court of Bailey County, Texas to: Mary Holly Hunt, Independent Executrix. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: Billy R. Wolfe,

Attorney at Law 608 Broadway St., Lubbock, Texas 79401.

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June cattle on feed down from last year

for slaughter market in Texas million head, 12 percent totaled 564,000 head; 800 feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.69 million head on June 1, down six percent from a than 600 pounds totaled during May totaled 2.14 year ago.

report released by the Texas

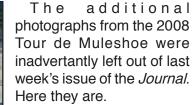
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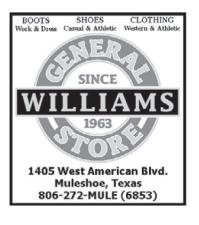
May placements of cattle 645,000 head. and calves weighing less 340,000 head; 600-699 million head, three percent According to the monthly pounds totaled 350,000 above 2007.

Cattle and calves on feed during May totaled 1.90 head; 700-799 pounds pounds and greater totaled

Marketings of fed cattle











Field Office, the estimate was the same as the May 1 level.

Producers placed 560.000 head in commercial feedlots during May, down 21 percent from a year ago, but up 56 percent from the April 2008 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 550,000 head during May, up eight percent from last year and up two percent from last month.

On June 1, there were 2.27 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 84 percent of the state's total.

The number on feed across the area was down eight percent from last year but up one percent from the May total.

May placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 490,000 head, up 67 percent from the April total. Marketings were up one percent from last month to 468,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 10.8 million head on June 1, 2008. This inventory was four percent below June 1, 2007.

Placements in feedlots

Do you have story or photo ideas? Let us know! 272-4536

One Couple's Decision and What It Says

"My daughter and her husband have told me that they've dedicated themselves to being more serious about their faith.

The good friend sharing this news with me was smiling, deeply thankful that his kids, just starting a family, were opting for a commitment to Christ more meaningful than the prevalent "show up when its convenient," one more "consumer of religious goods and services," "fill my allabout-me needs with a glitzy pro-



gram" approach to "faith." I was, of course, happy for him, his kids, and for the real blessings that decision will bring.

He went on: "As an important part of their decision, my daughter and her husband have committed themselves to tithing."

When he said that, I smiled even more broadly and said, "Oh, that is a great sign! It means their commitment has legs, that it's real, and will bring real blessing."

My friend knows me well enough to know that, while I'm glad his kids' church will have more funds available to use to honor God, I was thinking mainly of the blessings his kids themselves are now going to discover. Jesus was stating a fact as real as the law of gravity when he told us that "where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.' Our hearts follow our treasure. If you want to know what's most important in our lives, no essays are required. Our check registers pretty much tell the story.

Oh, I know that many people love the Lord who are still growing into more meaningful stewardship than what they've known so far. Many folks love the Lord but are in such financial wrecks that they can hardly see a way to pay their bills much less give sacrificially. Believe me, I understand both situations. I've also learned through hard personal experience that if we don't give when we have little, we won't give when we have much.

But here are just a few of the many things (all good and some remarkable!) that I've learned about folks who make a faith choice to tithe

1) I've never known anyone-not one person ever-who tithed and later regretted it. (I find that amazing!)

2) Most tithers will tell you that they've decided they "can't afford" not to. File that under "You Can't Outgive God."

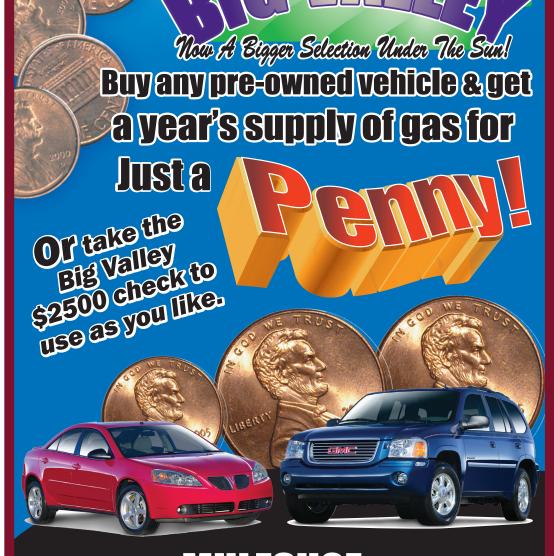
3) Tithers are almost always supporters and encouragers of the church and rarely complainers.

4) Tithers tend not to be controllers. Their genuine love for God is shown by their genuine love for his church-not just a theoretical sort of love for the church universal but a practical love for that little part of his Body where they worship. They honor God by giving their tithe, no strings attached, control relinquished, just as control of their lives is given, no strings attached, control relinquished, to God.

5) Tithing couples are saying to each other, "We love and serve Someone bigger than either of us or our family" and we realize that honoring God first is truly the best way to love each other and our kids. They could easily find a jillion other uses for every cent of their tithe, but if they choose submission to God in stewardship, both husband and wife can be confident that each will choose to honor God in other areas also-such as choosing daily to love each other sacrificially.

That couple's decision? It says a lot, and everything it says is good.

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



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