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Underwriter speaks well of MAHD, clinic expansion

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

An underwriter with National Healthcare Capital, LLC, had glowing words about the Muleshoe Area Hospital District during Thursday's regular board meeting.

Tom Mayfield of NHC, who was in Muleshoe with Tom Shirey of Consolidated Financial Resources, the district's bond advisor, concerning the "due diligence" study for the proposed hospital clinic expansion, addressed the hospital board, listing a number of the district's positive points, and said, "I'm excited about getting up and telling your story to perspective buyers," referring to the business entities that will consider purchasing the certificates of obligation that will be needed to finance the expansion project.

Mayfield, who has been with NHC since 1999 and has a couple of decades experience in securing financing for health-related projects, said the district's community support, and its

relationship with Covenant were among the important factors that came up in the study.

"It's very interesting," Mayfield said, "when buyers look at what to invest in they look at management," referring to MAHD's management agreement

certificates would be sole based upon the rating alone, the present state of the financial community was such that additional information was wanted by the investors, hence his visit to Muleshoe.

In related business, the board approved advertising

"...When buyers look at what to invest in they look at management..."

with Covenant.

Mayfield also spoke about the district's success in recruiting family practice doctors, its fiscal discipline with current Chief Financial Officer David Burke, and the potential for improvements at Parkview Nursingcare Center.

Concerning the financial package which is being prepared for the MAHD board, Shirey said the nation's financial crises has "pushed back" the presentation date, and Mayfield explained that where previous

for bids for the clinic expansion. Board president Wayne Pierson explained that the bids were needed to determine the amount of bonds that needed to be sold to fund the project.

In other business, the MAHD board:

- Approved ending accounts totaling \$114,637 to Retail Merchants of Lubbock for collection.

In his financial report, Burke stated that Retail Merchants had received

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In his face...

Mule Marshall Head "gets in the face" of the Childress quarterback during Friday's game against the bobcats. Turn to page 6 for sports. **Photograph by Stacey Connor.**

School board reaches consensus on high school floor covering

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Independent School District's board of education reached a consensus about flooring in the high school expansion project during Monday's meeting that

should save the district about \$235,000.

At its Oct. 13 meeting, the board members discussed the possibility of using a 3/8 inch epoxy terrazzo flooring, similar to that used in the hallway of the original high school building.

While the expansion plans call for use of the resilient material in high school's new entrance, at a cost of about \$68,000,

"This kind of proves that we already knew we had this problem..."
— Bruce Barrett

flooring the commons area with terrazzo would cost an additional \$135,000, and the cafeteria about \$100,000 more.

The other option discussed would be the use of tile, which would

last an estimated 13-15 years before replacing would be required. The terrazzo, if used, would last a significantly longer time, but as was previously noted would cost significantly more.

While discussing other items in the facility update, the board learned that about a third of the concrete support piers for the high school expansion have been drilled.

Officials with Lee Lewis Construction noted that the piers were needed instead of the normal footing system because of the deep sand in the construction area.

Referring to information

about the footing for the original high school building, it was noted that the construction crew had to dig down through an estimated 25 feet of sand before the five-foot wide footing could be laid.

In other business Monday, the school board:

- Briefly discussed the ribbon cutting held prior to the meeting at Watson Junior High.

"I'm excited about the junior high," Superintendent Gene Sheets said, "and where we are with that."

He noted that the junior high's expansion addressed some security issues and traffic issues, and "gave the junior high an identity of its own."

- Received information concerning the school district's Annual Yearly Progress, a federal accountability report for the third through eighth grades along with the Sophomore class, from Assistant Superintendent

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Local Weather

Thursday

Sunny..... 78/41

Friday

Mt. Sunny..... 76/41

Saturday

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Sunday

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Monday

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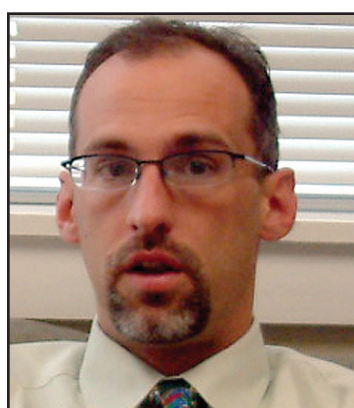
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Students, parents and MISD officials gathered Monday evening for the ribbon cutting at Watson Junior High.



CHRIS COTTON

Administrator says: 'Treat residents like grandparents'

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

"Treat the residents like your grandparent..."

It's a simple rule, but it's a rule that focuses on what Park View Nursing Care Center's interim administrator, Chris Cotton, calls a "core value" belief

system that ensures nursing home residents are cared for as they should be... a belief system that with sufficient training becomes more than the right thing to do... it becomes the natural thing to do.

Cotton learned this simple rule, he said during

an interview Monday, in Lubbock where he had the privilege of caring for his own grandmother during the last days of her life at the nursing home where he worked, and it's a principal that he wants to help instill in Park View's employees as well.

He described an interaction he observed between one of Park View's aide's and a resident in which the aid obviously cared about the resident's condition. Cotton said you can't "fake" love and care

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Junior Class fund raiser dinner

The MHS Junior Class will be hosting the annual Turkey and Dressing pre-game meal on Friday, Nov. 7.

The menu will include turkey, dressing, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls, pumpkin cake and iced tea.

The meal will start at 5 p.m. and continue until 7 p.m. Deliveries will go from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. The number to call for delivery of meals is 272-7306.

The cost of a ticket is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children.

Noah's Ark Fling

New Covenant Church is planning its 11th annual "Noah's Ark Fling," to be held on Friday, Oct. 31, from 5 p.m. until midnight at the Bailey County Coliseum. Entertainment, refreshments, candy and prizes will be provided for children from Muleshoe and the surrounding area.

This year, Jeremiah 29:11 Ministries will be participating in the event as a special treat. There will be a puppet show at 6:15 p.m., for the younger children, and something for the older children at 9 p.m.

Contributions are appreciated. For additional information contact Lisa Gamble at 965-2787 or 575-693-2964. Mail contributions to Noah's Ark Fling, P.O. Box 531, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

To donate prizes or candy, call Vivian Cortez at 518-4159, Sandy Lucero at 575-760-8932, or Tracie Claybrook at 965-2787.

Hurricane Ike donations

Muleshoe Church of Christ, 2201 W. American Blvd., is taking donations of household items, new or slightly-used clothing, and money beginning this week until the end of the month for victims of Hurricane Ike.

Volunteers will be on hand from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays to receive the donations.

Community prayer meeting

A community-wide prayer meeting has been set for Monday, Nov. 3, at 8:30 a.m., at the Bailey County Courthouse.

Annual Thanksgiving dinner

The Jennyslippers / Rebekahs annual Thanksgiving dinner has been set for Thursday, Nov. 6, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., at the First Assembly of God's Family Life building., 521 S. First Street.

Tickets are \$7 for adults, and \$3.50 for children under 12, and carry out is available. Call June Green at 272-4920 or 946-8182 for tickets or carry out.

FFA fund raiser to begin Friday

The Future Farmers of America's annual fruit sale is set to begin on Friday, Oct. 24, and conclude on Monday, Nov. 3.

Interested individuals are urged to contact FFA members or call 272-7311 for additional information or to place an order.

Election day set for Nov. 4

All four election precincts in Bailey County will be voting at the Bailey County Coliseum on West American Blvd., on Tuesday, Nov. 4.

The polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

For additional information contact the Bailey County Clerk's office at 272-3044.

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Births



BROOKLYN CHRISTINE MITCHELL

Brooklyn Mitchell

Dustin and Casey Mitchell of Borger announce the birth of their daughter, Brooklyn Christine Mitchell, on Sept. 9, 2008, at 3:09 p.m., at Golden Plains Community Hospital, in Borger.

Brooklyn weighed six pounds, 14-1/2 ounces at birth, and was 20 inches in length.

She has two siblings, McCade, 15, and Walker, 9.

Her grandparents are Steve and Rena Mitchell of Borger, and Janis Morrison and the late Gary Cowley, of Muleshoe.

Education

A note from the Superintendent...

Red Ribbon Week at MISD

Alcohol and drug abuse destroys lives. That why the Muleshoe Independent School District is observing Red Ribbon Week at all four of our campuses this week.

We are joining the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse to promote healthy, drug-free lifestyles during Red Ribbon Week 2008 Oct. 27-Nov. 1.

The first Red Ribbon Week was organized in 1986 by a group of parents concerned about the destruction caused by alcohol and drug abuse.

The red ribbon was adopted as a symbol of the movement in honor of Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, an agent with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration who was kidnapped, tortured and killed while investigating drug traffickers. The campaign has reached millions of children and has been recognized by the U.S. Congress.

The 2008 Red Ribbon Theme — "Step it up... a call to action!" — encourages all of us to take the Red Ribbon Campaign to the next level.

This week-long campaign provides multiple opportunities for students, parents, teachers and others to join together to address the alcohol, tobacco, and other drug and violence related issues or concerns in our community.

Alcohol and drug abuse continue to be a threat to the health and welfare of our young people.

We hope we can raise awareness of the dangers of alcohol and drug abuse by observing Red Ribbon Week this week.

A couple of weeks ago, we brought the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) exhibit to the Friday night football game.

The exhibit was the actual car involved in the tragic accident that claimed the lives of several family members in Seminole. There was a video that told the story of the family and how a drunken driver changed their lives forever.

All of the campuses will have various activities during the week, such as Drug and Alcohol Free Spirit Days.

During the spring,

"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

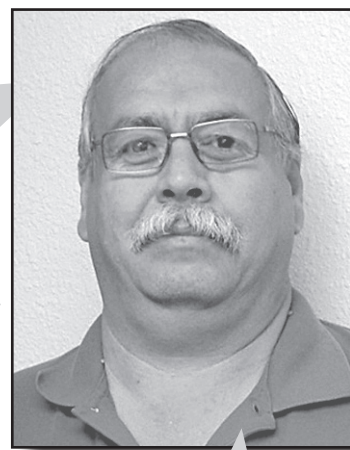
Muleshoe High School will present "Shattered Dreams." This is a realistic portrayal of a drunk driving accident that shows the impact of alcohol and drugs.

Research shows that children are less likely to use alcohol and other drugs when parents and other role models are clear and consistent in their opposition to substance use and abuse. So we hope you will join all of us at the school in communicating the negative affects of alcohol and drug abuse.

For more information about Red Ribbon Week or prevention resources, visit www.drugfreetexas.com/redribbon or contact the Commission's Prevention Resource Centers at 888-PRC-TEXX.

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Excerpts from a speech given by write-in candidate for Bailey County Sheriff Terry Snell to the Muleshoe Rotary Club

"Hello, my name is Terry Snell and I would like to start by saying thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak to you today. I am here today to give you a little information about myself as well as my decision to run for Bailey County Sheriff.

I am a native of Muleshoe. My wife Monica and I met and married in Abilene and together we have a son, Dameon. After a short stay in Sweetwater we relocated to Weatherford where I trained with T.S.S. as a Fugitive Recovery Agent, better known to most people as a bounty hunter and bail bondsman.

I have spent several years in this field and have had the opportunity to work very closely with law enforcement, courts, families, victims and the general public. As Weatherford grew, so did problems my family wanted to stay away from - gangs, drugs and violent crime - all of which had found their way into the schools. This is what fueled our decision to move back to Muleshoe. Upon returning here, I noticed many of the same problems becoming issues here. In fact, gangs, drugs and crime are growing and spreading like a wildfire out of control. I am sure at some point, one or more of these problems have touched everyone in some way, whether it's a personal experience, a friend, a family member, someone you work with or someone you just know in passing. These are the things that must change for the sake of our children, grandchildren and this community.

I see many things that must change. What I am not seeing is a positive result from how things are being handled currently.

Crime here is on the rise both in town as well as in the county - businesses, farmers and family homes have all been affected - yet most of our sheriff department's time is spent at the office and in town.

Another issue plaguing us is drugs. Drugs are here and on the rise in our county, city, schools and home - yet according to public records, the number of felony drug related arrests in the year 2008 by the Bailey County Sheriff's Office totals only four, one in the county and three inside our own jail. **Yes, three inside the jail** which makes me wonder 'Why, when drugs are so bad here were we only capable of making four felony arrests in the last nine months?'

As your sheriff, I will strive to change these figures. I will push to put programs like D.A.R.E. (Drug Awareness Resistance Education) into place. I will work tirelessly to get control of and maintain our jail.

I feel to reduce crime, drugs and gang affiliation, which always seem to go hand-in-hand, we have to fight together as a united community. Starting programs for our children and grandchildren is only one of many steps that must be taken to fight crime and drugs in our community. Our officers need to be out in our county fighting, detouring and solving crimes. If elected as your new sheriff, I will make sure that is exactly what our department will be doing day and night - not just from 8 AM to 5 PM Monday through Friday or when we are called out. The Sheriff's Department will work closely with the people, the police department, DPS, courts, probation offices and surrounding counties to better our county.

I know that the office I am seeking is a difficult one and **I am ready for that challenge.** When times get tough, and they will, I will not seek employment elsewhere. I will as your sheriff work relentlessly with and for my county to make Bailey County a safe and wonderful place to call home.

In closing, I'd like to say this, 'Actions speak louder than words.' We have had the opportunity throughout this election to either hear or read the words of all the candidates. We as a community have had the opportunity to see the actions of our sheriff as well as the actions of our past jail administrator and now I am asking you, the citizens of Bailey County, to give me the opportunity to show my actions as your new sheriff.

Please take your time when voting. **DO NOT VOTE A STRAIGHT REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRATIC TICKET. YOU MUST TAKE THE TIME TO FILL IN THE OVAL AND WRITE MY NAME, TERRY SNELL,** in on your ballot for Bailey County Sheriff.

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past due accounts totaling \$2,532,220 — many of which were several years old at the time of receipt, and had recovered \$85,000 for which the collection company received payment for services of about \$30,000.

In response to Burke's report, board member Bill Liles said he thought the hospital district could do a better job of collecting.

Hospital administrator Ray Mason replied that the staff would do what the board wished, but that the staff had already told him everything that could be done in-house to collect the past due accounts had been done.

"They think because we're a little country hospital that we're not due the money," Burke added.

Mason said the hospital's administration staff was trying to put together better collection plan that will include filing more civil cases against people who failed to pay their hospital accounts.

"Write them a letter that says if you don't pay it we'll sue," Liles said.

"Do you want me to hire a collector?" Mason asked. "I don't like it any more than you do."

"I'm not blaming you," Liles said, adding that the amount being sent to the collection agencies and the

amount being paid for the service was "ridiculous."

Received a report from interim nursing home administrator Chris Cotton in which he said the number of residents currently at Park View should be sufficient to provide the revenue needed to operate the facility.

"I'm more excited about the revenue than anything," Cotton said.

While the nursing home's "daily rate" is \$101, he said the average across the state is \$160, meaning a lot of Medicare services the nursing home provides aren't being billed.

Cotton said the nursing home's staff needs to learn how to manage the facility,

staff and residents better before bringing in more residents.

Regarding the nursing home's expenses, Cotton said he's working on "monitoring tools" that will help keep the budget in line.

When talking about the problems at Park View, Cotton said the biggest problem is the lack of leadership the facility had before Jo Blackwell's short term as administrator.

"You've not been given the information you need to lead the place," Cotton told the MAHD board.

On example he used in Thursday's meeting was last year's state survey of the facility, which he said was "really bad," but which board member Zona Gatewood recalled was reported as being good.

"Somebody lied to us," Gatewood said.

Cotton said last year's survey was "closer to the bottom than the top," but added that he expected

this year's report to be an improvement.

Approved the purchase of a replacement deep fryer for the hospital's kitchen at

a cost of \$14,049.

Took no action after returning from closed session regarding a personnel issue.

Letter to the Editor

Farmer speaks against liquor sales tax vote

To the Editor:

I am a dairy farmer who is originally from East Texas. My wife Jan and I started our dairy operation in 1980.

In the late 1990's we started looking to relocate and expand our dairy. Before moving to Muleshoe in August 2001 we looked at a lot of different places to move our family dairy operation.

The first thing we looked for was a good place to live and raise our family. The availability of feed, land, and water were important, but did not matter as much as finding a place we wanted for our family. We felt that Muleshoe had all the things we were looking for.

We have lived in Muleshoe for the past 7 years, and I am happy to say that this is one of the friendliest, welcoming communities that we have had the privilege to call home. We have not been disappointed to say the least.

The promoters of the sale of alcohol are talking about how much income will be generated from the alcohol sales and how this money will help our community. I do not know how much tax money will actually be generated from the alcohol sales; I do believe it is much less than the figures being tossed around the community.

I also believe there are greater negative implications to the sale of alcohol than a few tax dollars.

I do not think Jan and I would have relocated our family and business to Muleshoe if alcohol was sold in the community.

Our dairy's annual payroll

is over \$1,200,000 and we will pay over \$50,000 in property taxes this year.

So when people talk about the economics of sales tax, there is another side to consider. Alcohol being sold in the community might keep some good businesses from coming to Muleshoe. These businesses will help to develop our community in a much more positive way than alcohol will.

We are so serious about this issue that we started a drug and alcohol testing policy at our dairy. We owe it to our employees to make sure they work in a drug free environment.

I think if all employers did the same it would help the community, not just the employer but also the employees and their families. This policy would also send a message that if you want to do illegal drugs in our community you might have a hard time getting a job.

David Lawrence,
Muleshoe

MISD...

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Don Wood.

Concerning the Sophomore class, Wood said the AYP missed reaching the goal by a single student in mathematics for the second year in a row, a fact that board member Bruce Barrett said was a bit reassuring because the efforts the high school has been making to recruit mathematics teachers shows were on target.

"This kind of proves that we already knew we had this problem," Barrett said.

DeShazo and Watson Junior High met the AYP.

Received a report on the district's School FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) status for the 2006-07 school year in which Trae McNeill, the MISD business manager, said a "superior achievement" rating was received with a score of 83 out of a possible 85.

McNeill described the report as, "the district's financial report card for the 06-07 school year."

The district's rating is the highest possible rating, and has been received every year since it was first required.

Publication of Obituaries

Obituaries printed in the Muleshoe Journal are printed free of charge and contain the following types of information: date and details of funeral and place of burial; date and place of birth and parents names; date of marriage; limited biographical information, including the highest level of schooling achieved, service in the Armed Forces, profession (and retirement information if applicable); names of relatives who have preceded the person in death; names of survivors (including husband and wife, parents, in-laws, brothers, sisters, grandparents (only the number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren) will be included; and where memorials may be directed. We will be pleased to run a one column black and white photo at no charge. A larger photo or a color photo will cause the obit to be paid. Please keep in mind that everything must be submitted by your funeral home.

Bovina fund raiser set

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina is hosting its annual turkey dinner, on Sunday, Nov. 2.

Serving time is 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the St. Ann's Parish Hall on Third Street in Bovina.

The menu will be turkey and dressing, creamed potatoes and gravy, green beans, homemade bread, cranberry sauce, a relish plate, desserts, tea and coffee.


Donations will be \$7 for adults and \$4 for children under 6. Take-out plates will be available at no additional charge.

A quilt made by the St. Ann's Society will be raffled off at the dinner.

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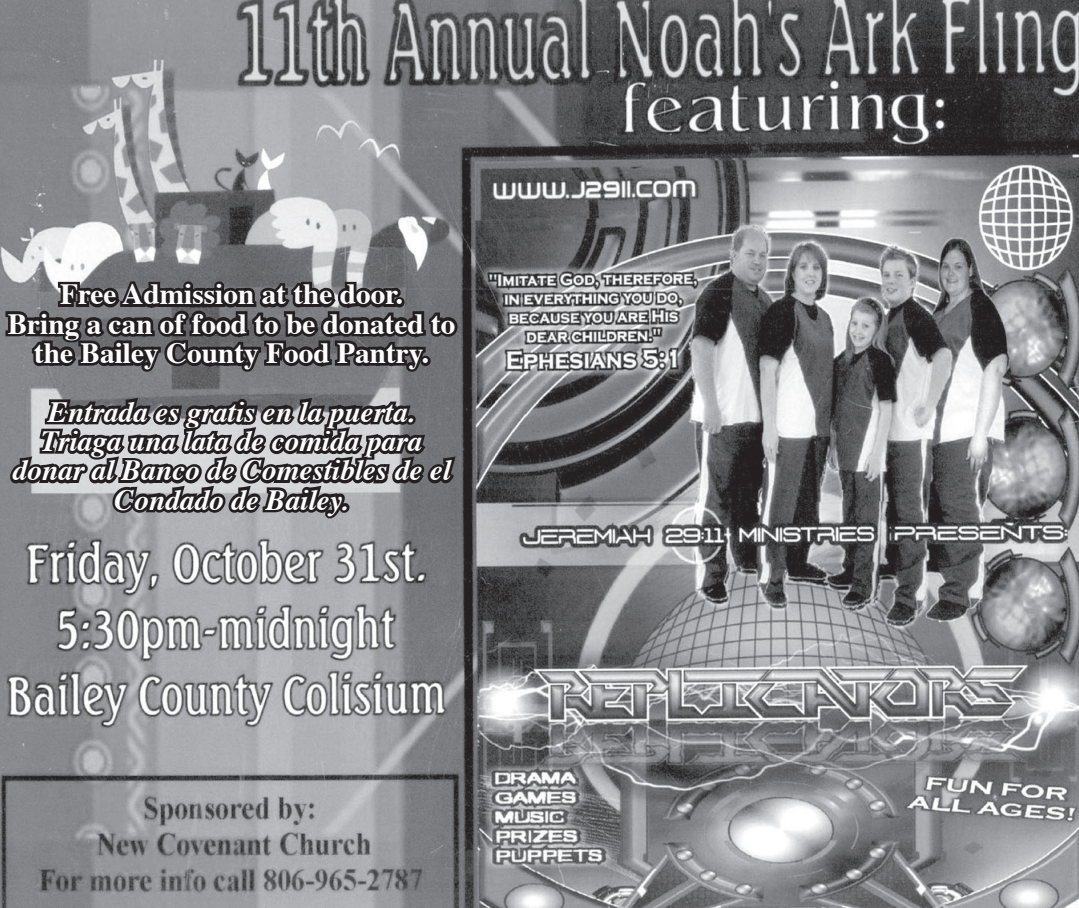
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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

A great big thank you to the ladies who decorated the senior center for Halloween. If you have not visited the center to see the decorations, you should take a little break and come visit. We are very fortunate to have such talented ladies. Thank you so much.

The 2008 year was a very rewarding year. The center

served approximately 18,000 meals. The visitations were approximately 21,000. We appreciate all of you who come and enjoy the center.

We are open from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. with lunch served between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Perhaps you have just moved to Muleshoe, or have been here for awhile, but haven't come by to visit. We urge you to come and get

acquainted with the other senior citizens.

Perhaps you play Eighty, Bunco, Dominoes, there is always a puzzle to work on, or just watch our big screen television. We also have a good library with big print books for you to read. So make plans to come by the Center, you just might see an ol'e friend.

Blood pressures are taken

at the center each Friday, from 10:30 - 11:45 a.m. to take blood pressures. There is a record of your reading each time. So if you need this service, please come by.

Tuesday, Nov. 4, is Bunco playing day. Call a friend and remind them to meet you hear at 10 a.m. Prizes are given to the winners. Interim Health Care helps with the games. We appreciate their help.

Thursday, Nov. 5, is Bingo day. Come have lunch and stay for bingo at 1:30 p.m. LaShea Mason is our caller. We appreciate her. Menu for Nov. 4 -7:

Monday, Nov. 3 — Brisket, potato salad, pickles, onions, beans, cornbread, fruit and Jello™.

Tuesday, Nov. 4 — Stew, salad, cornbread, and lemon cake.

Wednesday, Nov. 5 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat rolls, and fruit cobbler.

Thursday, Nov. 6 — Smothered chicken, peas and carrots, salad, wheat roll and pudding.

Friday, Nov. 7 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, coleslaw, beans, cornbread and fruit salad.

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The scene Luke describes has Mary seated and Martha fuming. Martha is angry because Mary is, horror of horrors, sitting at the feet of Jesus. How impractical! How irrelevant! How unnecessary! I mean, who has time to sit and listen when there is bread to be baked, tables to be set, and souls to be saved? So Martha complained, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me alone to do all the work?" (Luke 10:40).

All of a sudden Martha has gone from serving Jesus to making demands of Jesus. The room falls silent. The disciples duck their eyes. Mary flushes red. And Jesus speaks.

"Martha, Martha, you are worried and upset about many things. Only one thing is important. Mary has chosen the better thing, and it will never be taken away from her" (Luke 10:41-42).

Apparently Martha got the point, for later we find her serving again.

"Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honor. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume" (John 12:2-3 NIV).

Is Mary in the kitchen? No she is worshiping, for that is what she loves to do. But this time Martha doesn't object. She has learned that there is a place for praise and worship, and that is what Mary is doing. And what is Mary's part in the dinner? She brings a pint of very expensive perfume and pours it on Jesus' feet, then wipes his feet with her hair. The smell of the perfume fills the house, just like the sound of praise can fill a church.

An earlier Martha would have objected. Such an act was too lavish, too extravagant, too generous. But this mature Martha has learned that just as there is a place in the kingdom of God for sacrificial service, there is also a place for extravagant praise.

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Obituaries

James O'Grady

Memorial services for James Roe O'Grady, 74, of Seminole, Okla., were held on Tuesday, Oct. 21, at the Swearingen Funeral Home Chapel with Rusty Fuller officiating. A mass followed at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with the Rev. Father Basil Kennan, OSB, officiating.

O'Grady died on Sunday, Oct. 19, 2008. He was born on May 15, 1934, in Rochester, N.Y., to Patrick Joseph and Bridgett O'Grady, and married Frances Carol Murphy on Oct. 4, 1968, in Vernon.

They lived in Muleshoe until their move to Amarillo in 1997, and to Seminole, Okla., in 2006.

O'Grady was a graduate of Batavia High School

in Batavia, N.Y., and later served in the 101st Airborne Division.

O'Grady was a professional pilot until he retired at the age of 66.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers — Thomas, John and Francis O'Grady; and a sister — Rita Heatherman.

Survivors include his wife — Frances, of the home, three sons — Stephen Lynn O'Grady of Ada, Okla., Sidney Michael O'Grady of Amarillo, and James Patrick O'Grady of Albuquerque, N. M.; two brothers — Jerome O'Grady of Albany, N.Y., Vincent O'Grady of Bergen, N.Y.; and a sister — Margaret Miller of Lake Clear, N.Y.; 11 grandchildren, and three step-grandchildren.

Park View administrator...

Continued from page 1 for a resident. "If we build the right culture everything else will take care of itself," he said.

A graduate of the University of Texas with degrees in business and diverse populations, Cotton's first position in eldercare was in marketing. He said his entire professional career has focused on relationships, and it seemed the natural thing to return to school to seek an administrator's certificate.

Married with five children — his wife Amber is a license vocational nurse — Cotton says his family is very important to him, and he's looking forward to moving them to Muleshoe at the end of the current semester. But while the move from Lubbock will distance him from some

of his family, it will actually bring him closer to others as his sister and brother-in-law, Charity and Justin Price, are long-time residents of Muleshoe, and recalls that his father served as the interim pastor at Richland Hills Baptist Church several years ago.

Concerning the nursing home, Cotton says it "has a ton of potential," and speaks highly of the staff.

"They bought into it early," he said, referring to the staff's interest in improving service to the nursing home's residents.

Although Cotton had some troublesome words at Thursday's Muleshoe Area Hospital District board meeting concerning last year's state survey, he added that the problems "were fixable," and he expects an "awesome" survey in the future. Most important, he said was the staff's acceptance of the idea that "whatever we need to do, let's do it."

Concerning the nursing home's financial condition, Cotton says there has been too much waste, and said he wants the staff to become more budget minded. "They need to think about the money as if it is their money," he said, which in a manner of speaking — since it's public dollars involved — it is.

Olton fund raiser set

Sand Crawl Museum of Olton will host its third annual Arts & Crafts Show on Saturday, Nov. 8, at the Olton Ag Pavilion, Ave. D and First Street., from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Applications for booth rental are now being accepted. The rental fee is \$35.

For more information or to book rental contact Peggy Carson, at 285-2314 or 285-2212.

Youth Trick or Treat set for Bailey County Food Pantry

Youth representing Bailey County 4-H, Muleshoe High School, SCAC, and Muleshoe FFA will be holding a canned food drive to benefit the Bailey County Food Pantry from Oct. 31 through Nov. 9.

Members of these organizations will be Trick or Treating in Muleshoe during these nine days to collect any canned or non-perishable foods you would like to donate.

The Food Pantry is especially in need of

canned fruits and canned meats.

Should a 4-H, SCAC, or FFA member knock on your door and introduce themselves as a member of one of these groups, please "treat" them with a can of fruit or meat, or any other canned food to benefit the Bailey County Food Pantry as they prepare for this holiday season.

For more information, contact Bailey County Extension Office at (806) 272-4583.

Jennyslippers', Rebekahs' annual Thanksgiving dinner set for Nov. 6

The Jennyslippers / Rebekahs annual Thanksgiving dinner has been set for Thursday, Nov. 6, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., at the First Assembly of God's Family Life building., 521 S. First Street.

Tickets are \$7 for adults, and \$3.50 for children under 12, and carry out is available. Call June Green at 272-4920 or 946-8182 for tickets or carry out.

Weddings

Burton, Marricle exchange wedding vows

Morgan Burton and Ryan Marricle, both of Muleshoe, were united in matrimony on July 26, 2008, in the backyard of David and Terry Marricle.

The Rev. Monty Leavell, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe, officiated in the ceremonies.

The bride is the daughter of Terry and Donna Burton of Muleshoe and the groom is the son of Davis and Terry Marricle, also of Muleshoe.

Sydney Schulz served as maid of honor, while Ashley Crawford and Annie Crawford served as bridesmaids.

Tyrel Gear served as best man, and Tatom Heathington and Jonathan Marlow served as groomsmen.

The bride was attired in a white one-piece corset, strapless A-line gown. From the neckline to the empire waist, the dress was decorated with flowers and sequins.

Her attendants wore pink, purple and orange floral summer dresses and went barefoot for the ceremony.

The bride wore or carried her grandmother's original wedding ring (something old), a pearl necklace (something new), her grandmother's hair pins (something borrowed), and a garter made by a



MR. AND MRS. RYAN MARRICLE

friend (something blue).

The groom was attired in a white button-up, long-sleeved shirt with khaki Kiata pants, boots and a western hat.

His groomsmen matched the groom's, without the hat.

Other individuals who participated in the wedding included Erin Neitsch, Markie Oden, Kyla Ellis, Ashley Beggs and Susan Ball.

The couple honeymooned at Riviera Maya, Mexico, and will be residing in Muleshoe.

The bride is currently attending Texas Tech University, studying communications. She is employed by Plains

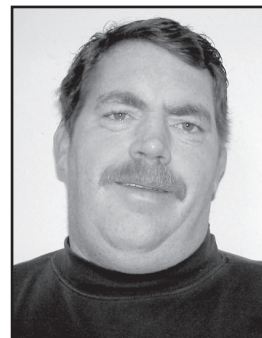
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The groom is a 2005 Muleshoe High School graduate, and is currently employed by Bailey County Electric Cooperative as a staking engineer.

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Alzheimer's support group to meet

The Bailey County Alzheimer's Disease Support Group will be meeting on Thursday, Nov. 13, at noon, at Park View Nursing Care Center.

The Rev. Monty Leavell of the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe will be speaking.

Lunch will be served.

Most primary caregivers for the Alzheimer's disease patient are family members. Friends, neighbors, work colleagues, and faith community members often help to care for the person with Alzheimer's disease.

Research has shown that caregivers are often at an increased risk for depression and illness, especially if they do not receive adequate support.

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.

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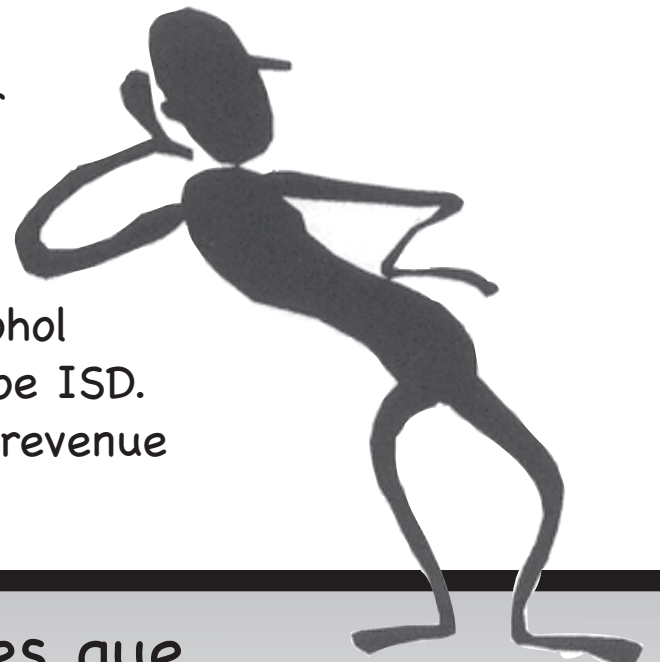
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Sports

Mules give their head coach his 100th win

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules wrapped up a shiny black foil package for their head coach, David Wood, Friday night. They tied the package with a pair of gold ribbons of offense... using 244-yards passing and 229-yards rushing.

Bows made of two goal-line stands topped the package along with sprinkles of out standing plays that included three interceptions highlighted the black foil wrapping. The Mules presented Coach Wood his 100th victory as a head coach by wrapping up the Childress Bobcats 37-7.

All 100 wins have been as the head coach of the Mules and they are eight games deep into his 13th season in Muleshoe. "A hundred wins is a mile stone that everyone shoots for," said Coach Wood. "It is neat and unusual for a coach to get 100 wins at one school. Now we hope to start on the second hundred."

"The thing I was most proud of tonight were the two goal line stands our defense made. Then the offense drove the length of the field and scored. It was a great win and we came out of it healthy."

"We felt like this would be the battle for the gold ball and a district championship. But then we see that Friona shut out Floydada so we need to just continue to take one game at a time and take care of our business."

Wood concluded by saying, "It is good to be a Mule."

Childress is the new comer to District 2-2A and Friday night was only the third time the two teams have met since Wood arrived in Muleshoe. All three occasions have resulted in Mule victories.

Adrian Muniz led the Mules with four interceptions on the season going into the "Battle of Undefeated" Friday. He stepped in front of a Matt Bowman pass to halt a Bobcat drive for his fifth INT.

"We knew they liked to run and then throw a lot of out patterns so our coaches prepared us for them all week," said Muniz. "We went in tonight wanting to stop the run and force the pass."



Photograph by Stacy Conner

Mule Ray Ramirez adds two points in Friday's game.

"We had worked all week on stopping the out passes. They kept throwing to my side and I finally figured out when they were coming my way by how the receiver lined up. I saw him move in just a little so I knew they were coming my way."

"He cut to the outside and looked back so I looked back also and the pass was coming. I broke in front of him for the interception. We are a team and work together and believe in each other. Team work is the key to out team," concluded Muniz.

The 2-0 Bobcats prefer to run the ball and open up passing opportunities and the Mules were determined to shut down their running attack. Michael Ramirez is the premier running back for the Bobcats and the Mules limited him to 75 yards on 17 carries.

Seth Simpson is Childress other swift running back and the Mules held him to only eight-yards on six tries. The Bobcats only rushed for 138 total yards in the game.

The Mules halted the Bobcats second drive at the Childress 42 when Lane Wood got a hand on a Brant Bowman pass and tipped it over his targeted receiver. Victor Vasquez went high in the air to bring down the ball for the Mules.

It took the Mules just five plays to put the first six points on the board. L. Wood blew through a huge hole in the left side of the line on a 23-yard scamper before taking an option pitch wide right for 10 more.

Wes Wood rolled out of the pocket and with all the receivers covered rambled into the end zone from eight-

yards out. He spun out of one tackle at the line of scrimmage and lowered his shoulder to drive a defender back into the end zone for the Mules first touchdown with 2:03 remaining in the first period.

The Bobcats took the ensuing kick and stung together a 15-play drive from their 35 to the Mule four. The Bobcats needed just two yards for a first down from the Mule four and had three plays to get there.

Juan Gonzales and Cooper Washington plugged up the middle for no gain on third down to bring up fourth and two. Joseph Strader, Gonzales, Danny Montejano and Washington did not just plug the middle they shoved the Bobcats back two-yards on fourth down to give the Mule offense the ball.

The Mules drove 94-yards on four plays to record

Muleshoe Players of the Week	
MVP — Lane Wood	and Joseph Strader Lineman — Joe Vargas
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their second TD. W. Wood dropped the ball between a pair of Bobcat defenders to Ray Ramirez for a 29-yard pickup on first down. Vasquez leaped high in the air for a catch and spun away from his defender.

Vasquez had moved the Mules 42 yards before being hauled down at the Childress 24. W. Wood handled a high snap before handing off to L. Wood up the middle. He was tackled by his face mask and then an unsportsmanlike penalty was charged against the Bobcats.

The ball was placed on the four-yard line of Childress after the penalties were assessed. W. Wood took a two-step drop from the shotgun and fired a strike to Vasquez in the end zone. The Mules opted for the 2-point conversion and W. Wood connected with Ramirez to give the Mules a 14-0 lead with 6:39 left in the half.

It was three-and-out for the Bobcats on their next possession. Washington got a big hand on the Childress punt and the ball went out of bounds at the Childress

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Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

Yeah. Sorry scuzzbucket! I'm mainly jealous that he's already there and I'm still digging hard trying to get away! This is the time of year my three brothers and I try annually to move heaven and earth and four pastors' schedules to enjoy some time together. (Yep, four in the ministry. And a father who was a minister. A family of priests and Levites, I guess you could say. Alas, no one made good and will be even remotely tempted to staple a spreadsheet and a résumé to his tombstone!)

The scheduling was even more challenging than usual this year, but here we go! I tell you the truth, I've been to some great places, but I'd rather spend a few days in Robert Lee with those worthless characters than lounge three weeks at anyone's ocean resort. Those days are balm for my soul and far more valuable than a high-dollar "ministry seminar" could be.

I suppose most folks enjoy a special bond with other folks who do what they do work-wise. That's at least part of the enjoyment of these Robert Lee days. It's true that my brothers and I all hail from the Protestant tradition and affirm the idea of the "priesthood of all believers," the truth that, in a beautiful sense, all Christians are ministers. But to think that all Christians can understand the challenges of full-time parson's work is obvious nonsense—something like saying that "all homeowners are plumbers." Or like saying that I can really understand the challenges of a plumber, or a brain surgeon, or . . . Preachers' challenges may not be harder than those faced in other professions, but they are certainly not easier, and are at least as unique.

I confess for them. My brothers are all sorry scoundrels. Still, it strikes me as an amazing blessing to have one's own brothers also as colleagues and mentors and friends. Like coaches (too much like them for comfort) any preacher can easily find someone who's never tried it—or worse, tried it for ten minutes once upon a time—who knows better how your job should be done. But I think these three guys really do. Coveyed up around a fire pit in Robert Lee will soon be four guys with a combined 160-plus years of ministry experience. That's almost enough to begin to know how much we don't know.

Still, sinful pride is insidious. I suspect that at least two of those guys think they know a little about plumbing.

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

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Sports

Youth takes the top spot in contest

By Leah Bell
General Manager

Youth took over this week as our top spot went to a young fellow who has played the contest the last two years and always enjoys beating his dad.

This week he not only beat his dad but every other player, including the five other contestants who missed just two games.

This week the \$25 top prize and the 10 cumulative points will go to Brandon Acevedo.

Brandon missed the tiebreaker score by just six points, guessing 56 combined points would be scored between Crane and Ozona. The final score of that game was 50-0 with Crane demolishing Ozona.

Other players missing just two games and having to settle for second through sixth place this week were: Sue Bessire, Jaden Herrera, Fernando Toscano, Ruben Mata, and Rosalinda

Toscano. These folks placed respective to their tiebreaker guesses.

Finishing out the top ten this week and earning cumulative points respective to their finish were: Damion Toscano, Tommy King, Todd Bessire and Jan King.

Just out of the points in Week 8 were: Sherri Harrison, Zedrick Herrera, Joe Flores, Charlotte Field, Alene Bryant, Linda Flores and Michelle Toscano.

Here's how some of you fared this week: Charles Waggoner, Rene Valle and Lynn Moore-18th place tie, Vicki Gonzales-23rd, Gabriel Acevedo-26th, Troy Moore-27th, Gerald Bond-29th, Terry Field-31st, Veronica Gonzales-33rd, Devnie Orozco-35th, Travis Bessire-36th, Jim Lutz-38th, Joe Abeyta-39th, Lindsey Kitchens-41st, Richard Orozco-44th, Sue Bond-45th and Debbie Weir-49th.

Cumulative points through Week 8: Travis Bessire-25, Jaden Herrera-23, Zedrick Herrera-23, Charlotte Field-22, Terry Field-22, Tommy King-21, Troy Moore-19, Lindsey Kitchens-18, Fernando Toscano-17, Michelle Toscano-16, James Buie-15, Sue Bessire-14, Charles Waggoner-14, Veronica Gonzales-14, Devnie Orozco-14, Debbie Weir-13, Sherri Harrison-13, Joe Cortez-13, Jan King-11, William Orozco-11, Brandon Acevedo-10, Patrick Orozco-10, Alene Bryant-10, Sandra Orozco-9, Claire Brown-8, Ruben Mata-7, Felipe Gonzales-7, Sue Bond-7, Todd Bessire-6, Linda Lutz-6, Donnie McDonald-6, Rosalinda Toscano-5, Raymond Villalobos-5, Damion Toscano-4, Gabe Toscano-4, Linda Flores-3, Joe Flores-2, Rene Valle-2, Ed Dabrowski-2, Hilbert Wisian-1 and Darryl McCamish-1.

Just a reminder, anyone

over the age of 12 can play our weekly football contest. It's good family fun!

Entries can be mailed to us at: Football Contest, P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. They must be received at the Journal office no later than 4 p.m. on Friday prior to that week's games, or be postmarked on that date.

Entries may also be emailed to either ctyankee@fivearea.com or advertising@muleshoejournal.com.

You need not have an original copy of the contest to enter.

Our \$200 grand prize will be awarded after the end of the Mules' regular season to the person gathering the most cumulative points throughout the season.

A weekly \$25 prize will be awarded to the individual who makes the least number of incorrect guesses and comes closest to the tiebreaker score for the week.

Election day set for Nov. 4

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The polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

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Varsity football

Continued from page 6

Washington made the grab on a fly pattern down the Mule sideline on second and 20 from the 50 and raced to the Childress 17 for a 33-yard gain. L. Wood blasted up the middle for 14 yards to the three. Vasquez went in untouched on a three-yard Hammer Play to put the Mules up 20-0 at the half.

The Bobcats seemed to catch a break to start the second half. The sent a high spinning kick that bounced off Ramirez and was recovered by Childress at the Mule 48.

They needed two yards on third down from the Mule 19 and Ramirez was only inches short of a first. The Mules lined up in their Sic'em goal line defense and shoved the Bobcats back and again took over

on downs. The Mules marched down field on eight plays and W. Wood scored from eight-yards out. Jared Skipworth split the uprights for the point after and a 27-0 Mule lead.

The Bobcats finally broke the scoring ice on a 12-yard throw back pass from Bowman to Creede Breeding and Andres Villegas added the point after.

W. Wood hooked up with Vasquez with an eight-yard toss and Skipworth added the point after just before the third quarter ended. Skipworth capped the scoring with a 33-yard field goal with 9:11 left in the game.

W. Wood was 18 of 29 passing for 244 yards and two TDs and carried 10 times for 84 more. Vasquez made six catches for 67 yards, Ramirez had three for

50, Nathaniel Chavez made two for 36 and Washington had one for 33.

L. Wood rushed eight times for 104 yards and caught five passes for 55. He also led the Mules with 17 tackles, two for losses, two quarterback hurries, one interception, broke up a pass and made a big hit.

Washington recorded 13 stops, three for losses, six hurries and broke up two passes. Juan Sanchez made 10 tackles, one for a loss, on hurry and made five special team tackles. Marshall Head had nine stops, two for losses, two hurries and broke up two passes.

Alex Godinez, Ramirez and Vasquez made eight tackles each. Vasquez also made an interception, broke up a pass, made two big hits and had two special team tackles.

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Ronnie Rogers	Char. cow P8			\$650.00
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5. Only visit well-lighted houses of known neighbors.
6. Have Mom or Dad check all goodies before eating.

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Sports

Muleshoe cross-country teams win big at district meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules and Lady Mule cross-country teams had a great day in the District 2-2A Cross-Country Meet Monday afternoon in Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock.

"This was the Lady Mules eighth consecutive district championship," said Muleshoe cross-country coach Carey Sudduth. "We had seven girls that just refused to lose and just edged out the Floydada Whirlwinds to advance to the Region 1 Meet."

The Mules finished third and will advance to the Region 1 Meet on the same course Nov. 8. "We missed having Sterling Leopard today but the other boys stepped it up and qualified for the Regional Meet," continued Sudduth.

The JV Lady Mules scored a perfect 15 by taking the top six places.

Lupita Andrade led the Lady Mules and finished the grueling two-mile course in a time of 13 minutes and

- Girls Varsity – 1st Place (8th Consecutive Year)**
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- Boys Varsity – 3rd Place**
- Girls Jr. High – 1st Place**
- Boys Jr. High – 2nd Place**

20 seconds for third place. "This was Lupita's fourth district championship," said Sudduth.

"It is unusual for a freshman to make the varsity and there are not many teams that have won four consecutive championships. I doubt it has ever been done before in Muleshoe. This is quite an accomplishment and we are all proud of her," he said.

Yvonne Gardea was close behind in fourth place with a 13:36. Sara Johnson took sixth with a time of 14:00, Jessica Behrends finished 15th with a 15:20 and Samantha Reyna ran 18th in a time of 15:33.

Amy Regalado came in

24th with a 16:26. "She was sick starting the race and toughed it out," continued Sudduth. "You have to admire these girls as they were not in a good spot with only a half mile to go in the race."

"They stepped it up to pass kids and fought their way to the finish line for the championship. I was very proud of their effort and their will to win. They showed the Heart of a Lady Mule today."

Weston Griswold led the Mules around the three mile course for a seventh place finish in a time of 19:31. Isaac Bryan ran 12th with a 20:20 and Isaias Guerra



In three more years... they'll have to take off their shoes for the photograph!

took 14th with a 20:38.

Matthew Ambriz finished in 18th in a time of 21:18, Angel Alvarez was 21st with a 21:49 and Roper Kerby's 24:32 was good for 28th.

"It was a good day for these guys," said Sudduth. "They have competed hard all season and missed Leopard today. Hopefully we will have him back for next season," concluded Sudduth.

Sandy Mojica led not only

the Lady Mules but the field for a gold medal finish in a time of 15:05 on the two-mile course.

Heather Gutierrez was close behind for the silver with a time of 15:12 and Andrea Solano picked up the bronze with a 15:15.

Jenna Whitworth finished fourth with a 15:28, Brianna Long ran fifth with 15:42 and Ali Eagle took sixth with a 16:05.

The Lady Mules did

not allow another team's competitor to pass them as they went around the tough course.

The Lady Mules and Mules will compete in the Region 1 Meet Saturday, Nov. 8, in Lubbock on the Mae Simmons Park course.

Thanks for reading!



The Sudan Buzzer

Sudan Hornets 'taken down hard' by the Wolverines

By Lonnie Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Sudan Hornets were taken down hard by a very large Springlake-Earth Wolverine team.

The Wolverines are led by signal caller, Blake Betz, and running back, Lance Spencer, put 40 points on the board Friday to only 13 by the Hornets.

Springlake-Earth jumped out to an early 8-0 lead when they returned the

opening kick to their 36-yard line.

On their first play Betz handed the ball to Lance Spencer and he scampered 64 yards for a touchdown. Spencer added the two-point conversion.

Sudan's first possession ended with Ramon Perez pass being intercepted by Devin Johnson and he returned to the Wolverine 49. Betz connected with Chachi DeLeon for a touchdown

with 5:18 left in the first quarter. DeLeon tacked on the extra point for a 15-0 lead.

The Hornets only had the ball for 2 minutes before punting it away.

The Wolverines started their third scoring drive at their 40 with 2:52 left in the first quarter. Betz moved the ball to the four-yard line. He handed the ball to James Spencer and he blasted in for his first touchdown of the night with four seconds left.

DeLeon booted the point after to give the Wolverines

a 22-0 lead.

Sudan returned the ensuing kick to their 41 to start the second quarter. The Hornets advanced the ball to the Wolverine 35 yard line. Coach Fambro gambled on fourth down and short yardage.

The Wolverines held on fourth down and moved the ball to the Sudan 10. Betz found DeLeon open in the back of the end zone for six more Wolverine points. DeLeon missed the point after for a 28-0 lead.

Jae Koontz finally got the Hornets on the board with a

79 yard run behind the left side of the Hornet offensive line. Brock Steinbock kicked the extra point to cut the lead to 21.

The Hornet special teams gave up a big return to the Sudan 36 on the ensuing kick.

Betz connected with James Spencer for a 30 yard touchdown toss and run. That capped the first half scoring.

The Hornets trailed 34-7 at the half but still had a lot

of fight in them. They gave up only one score with 6:41 left in the third quarter. It was a 62-yard pass from Betz to DeLeon and the point after failed.

Sudan scored their final TD with 2:32 left in the game on the legs of Taylor Soles from six yards out. The two-point attempt failed leaving the final tally at 40-13 in favor of the Wolverines.

Sudan (2-6, 0-3) next will host the Anton Bulldogs (0-8, 0-3) Friday night.

Sudan blood drive set for Nov. 5

The Sudan High School Student council is sponsoring a Blood drive for Danny Ivy on Wednesday, Nov. 5, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Sudan Elementary PE Room.

Danny Ivy has been the ag teacher at Hale Center for the last 38 years and was diagnosed with Leukemia in August.

For an appt. call Saunta Richards at 227-2431, ext. 122, or www.bloodhero.com, sponsor code: sudanisd. Photo identification is required.

Halloween at the football game

The Sudan Athletic Boosters encourage parents to bring their kids to the game against the Anton Bulldogs on Halloween, Oct. 31. There will be "trick or treating before the game."

Individuals with questions, or donations, may contact Becky Lance at 806-227-2452.

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Sports

Junior High Lady Mules win meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Junior High Lady Mules easily won the District 2-2A Cross-Country Meet in Lubbock Monday on the tough Mae Simmons Park course.

The Lady Mules placed six in the top 10.

Carolina Franco led the field to win the gold with a first place finish. Cindy Arreola took the silver and Stephanie Martinez earned the bronze to complete the sweep of the top three spots. Desiree Reyna finished seventh, Jessica Kube was ninth and Alish Cortez finished 10th.

Also running for the Lady Mules were McKenna Dunham, Alexa Fuentes and Katelyn Gable. Tessa Garner, Miranda Garza,

Hadlea Geisler and Kyrstin Gonzales also competed. Others running for the Lady Mules were Kalie Lovell, Daniela Mendoza, Brittany Prater and Adriene Precure. Linda Sanchez, Brittan Soliz and Sarah Whitworth also finished the course.

"Our girls dominated the field," said cross-country coach Colie Cox. "As soon as the gun was fired they sprinted to the front of the pack and stayed there for the full two miles. It was exciting for them and I am proud of their efforts today."

"The boys also did a great job," continued Cox. They placed second as a team and had to fight to make it happen. They gave it their all on this very tough course."

Junior Baca led the Mules

and the field to take the gold on the three-mile course. Miguel Quintanilla finished seventh, Chris Cage ran ninth and Iganacio Elizalde took 10th.

Also running for the Mules was Matthew Barron, Ryan Johnson, Eli Leal and Trevor McCall. Garrison Myers, Zac Mumau, Manuel Quezada, Jose Quintanilla and Caleb Wood also competed for the Mules.

"It was a great day for our cross-country teams," continued Cox. "They competed like Mules and Lady Mules and brought home the ribbons as proof. When you see these kids be sure and tell them what a great job they did. This is a tough sport and you really have to dig deep just to compete."



Eighth grade Mules defeat the Bobcats

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Mules fell behind 28-8 early in the third period before caging the Bobcats of Childress. The Mules came back in the final two periods to defeat the Bobcats 30-28.

Zedrek Herrera returned the opening kick up the middle from the Mule 16 to the 43. Junior Baca took a direct snap and raced around the left side for 12 yards. Marcus 'Xavier' Reyes handed off to Baca and he went through a gapping hole in the right

side of the line on a 45-yard touchdown run.

Reyes kept on the option for the 2-point conversion and put the Mules on top 8-0 with 6:42 remaining in the opening period.

Childress answered with a 28-yard TD run and made the 2-point conversion to tie the game at 8-8 with just over five minutes left in the first quarter.

The Bobcats blocked the Mules' punt and recovered at the Childress 43. The Bobcats converted the turnover to points to take a 16-8 lead. They were

back in the end zone with 15 seconds left in the half on a one-yard dive. The 2-point conversion failed but Childress led 22-8 at the intermission.

The Mules' woes continued into the second half when a high snap over the head of the punter, Shawn Atwood, was picked up by Childress and carried in for a TD. The 2-point conversion failed but the Bobcats had built a 28-8 lead with just over a quarter and a half to play.

Baca lined up deep in
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Parents

Make your child eat dinner before setting out • Children should carry quarters so they can call home • Ideally, young children of any age should be accompanied by an adult • If your children go on their own, be sure they wear a watch, preferably one that can be read in the dark • If you buy a costume, look for one made of flame-retardant material • Older children should know where to reach you and when to be home • You should know where they're going • Although tampering is rare, tell children to bring the candy home to be inspected before consuming anything • Look at the wrapping carefully and toss out anything that looks suspect

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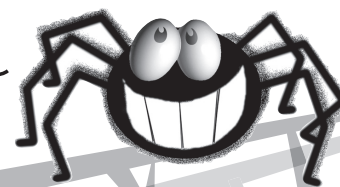
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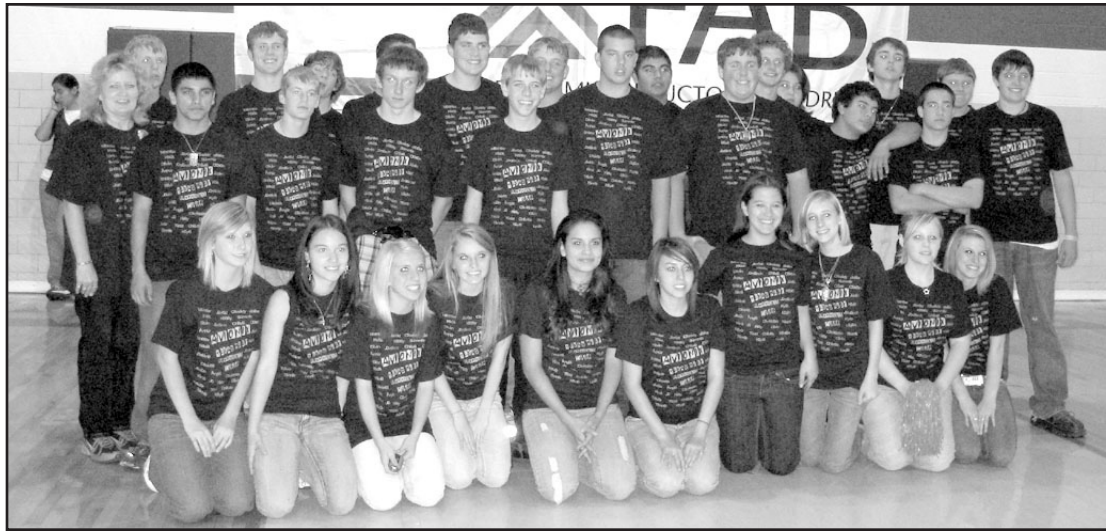
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Lazbuddie robotics team places at BEST competition

Lazbuddie High School's robotics team took second place BEST Team in Lubbock.

The team has qualified for the regional and state competition of Texas BEST (Boosting engineering, science, and technology) at North Texas State University in Denton.

25 teams were present in Lubbock. 40-50 teams will be present in Denton from Texas and New Mexico.

The team placed eighth in the robot race, first in the auto cad design drawings, first in the engineering notebook competition, and first place in the table display and presentation.

The BEST competition consists of four categories:

(1) A project summary

notebook submitted in advance of Texas Best.

(2) An oral presentation in front of judges which included a power point presentation, an explanation of the engineering process, community outreach, school involvement, school promotion, and school spirit involvement.

(3) A table exhibit and interviews.

(4) A spirit and sportsmanship review.

Team members include: Jacob Schacher, Chase Timms, Trevor Coker, Devlin Thompson, Riley Smith, Kayle Jesko, Kinzi Schacher, Katie Chavez, Lydia Campos, James Baca, Logan Mason, Matthew Samarron, Colton Weaver, Shelby Martin,

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The research paper for the first place winning engineering notebook was written by Katie Chavez, Lydia Campos and Kinzi Schacher.

Eighth grade Mules

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the Shotgun on third and 15 on the Mule 39. He took the snap and went around the left side behind the blocking of the Mule offensive line. He raced 61 yards to pay dirt. Baca took the pitch on the Hammer for the 2-point conversion and cut the Bobcat lead to 22-16 with 4:14 left in the third period.

Childress killed the balance of the third period with a 43-yard drive from their 40 to the Mule 17. A key defensive play in stopping the drive was when Atwood boxed in the running back and made him turn back into the defense. Ryan Johnson was there to drop him for a two-yard loss and stall the drive.

The Mules drove 75-yards of five plays. Baca ran from the Shotgun for 16 yards to move the Mules to their 44.

Reyes kept up the middle on an option and broke through for a 56-yard TD scamper. Baca added the 2-point conversion to trim the Bobcat lead to 28-24.

The Bobcats were feeling the pressure of the Mules when Alejandro 'Alex' Vidana made the stop after a one-yard gain. Two incomplete passes forced the Bobcats to punt from their 36.

Baca returned the punt to the Mule 49. Reyes picked up four yards on first down. Miguel Quintanilla went 32

yards on a counter play up the middle. He took one step right and then broke to his left through a huge hole opened by the line.

The Mules used the counter again with Quintanilla and he raced the final 26 yards for a touchdown with 2:28 left in the game.

The 2-point conversion failed but the TD put the Mules in front to stay 30-28.

The Bobcats were unable to pick up a first down after the Mule kickoff. The Mules

claimed the ball on downs at the Childress 30.

The Mules ran an offensive coach's favorite play to use up the final seconds of the game.

Reyes took the snap and knelt down to start the clock for the final time of the night.

The Mules travel to Dimmitt to meet their second set of Bobcats in as many weeks and will return to Benny Douglas Stadium for their final game of the season with the Friona Braves.



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Seventh grade Mules fall to Childress

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The seventh grade Mules carried the fight to the Childress Bobcats Thursday afternoon.

The Mules were forced to succumb to the speed of a single Bobcat running back and fell 16-20.

David Diaz returned the opening kick of the game from the Mule 17 to the 42. Eli Leal capped off the Mule's first scoring drive with a 20-pass and run to Matthew Barron.

Leal rolled left to draw the defense and then pitched to Visente Solano for the 2-point conversion.

The Mules led 8-0 before the Bobcats had touched the ball.

Christian Campos booted the ball deep to the Childress 22 and the kickoff was returned 78 yards for the Bobcats first tally.

Leal broke in the Bobcat backfield on a stunt to stop

Childress deep in their backfield on the 2-point conversion attempt.

The Mules clung to an 8-6 margin with 1:23 remaining in the first quarter.

Solano returned the ensuing Childress kick from the Mule 20 to the 39. It took the Mules nine plays to cover the 61 yards to pay dirt.

Leal connected with Solano for 21 yards and Trevor McCall for 14 along the way.

Solano carried wide left for 33 yards to the Childress one. Diaz blasted in from the one with 3:09 left in the half.

Left-handed quarterback, Leal, rolled left and pulled the defender off of Diaz in the end zone.

As Leal approached the line of scrimmage he tossed over the head of the charging defender to Diaz for the 2-point conversion and a 16-6 Mule lead.

It was one play all the way for the Bobcats after the Mule kick was returned to the Childress 48.

The 2-point conversion was good to cut the Mule margin to 16-14.

The Bobcats held the Mules and forced a punt to midfield. A second one-play drive game Childress a 20-16 lead at the half.

Arnaldo Que, Eric Villescas and James Mendoza teamed up to stop the 2-point conversion.

Neither team could find the end zone in the second half as the Mules found a way to contain the speed of the Bobcats.

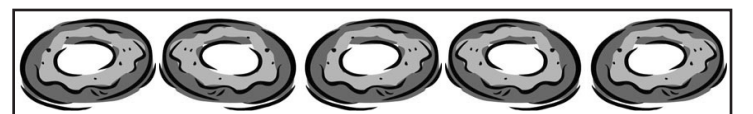
The Mules travel to Dimmitt to tangle with another team of Bobcats on Thursday, Oct. 30, at 5 p.m. and then return home for their final game of the season against the Braves of Friona on Nov. 6.

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• NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, builtins, FP, fans, approx. 1718' lv. area, fenced yd.!! \$105K!!
• VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick home, Cent. Geothermal Heat Pump, built-ins, FP, approx. 2757' lv. area, sunroom w/ wet bar, lg. basement, jacuzzi tub in master, wuto spklr., fenced yard., cov. patio, wkshp./stor. bldg.!! \$184,900!!
• CUSTOM BUILT (2004) - 3-2-2 Brick home, Cent. A&H, Built ins, FP, approx 1900' lv. area, auto. spklr., 720' workshop/storage w/ 1 1/2 bath!! MUCH MORE!! \$225!!
• VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, corner lot, built-ins, Cent. A&H, approx. 1973' lv. area, guest cottage/eff. aptmnt. workshop!!!! PRICE REDUCED!! \$119,500!!
• VERY NICE 4-4-2 Brick Home on corner lot, approx. 3500' lv. area, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, auto. spklr., large finished basement!! MUCH MORE!! \$265K!!
• VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, wood laminate & tile approx. 1818' lv. area, cov. patio, 15' x 30' pool, large storage/wkshp, fenced yd.!! PRICE REDUCED \$139K!!
• NICE 2-1-3 carport Home, carpet, tile, fans, fenced yd., storage bldg. MORE!! \$45K!!
• NICELY REMODELED - 3-2-2 Brick Home, corner lot, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx. 2159' lv. area, auto. spklr., add. lot w/ stor/workshop Bldg.!! \$173,000!!
• 2 NICELY REMODELED DUPLEX UNITS & 1 NEW Duplex unit!! PRICED TO SELL!!
• BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM BUILT 3-2-2 Brick Home, built-ins, FP, isolated master, safe rm., patio, nicely landscaped, spklr. sys., fenced yd.!!
• NICELY REMODELED 3-2-2 Brick, new Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 3125' lv. area, spklr. sys., fenced yd., MORE!!
• VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, fireplace, utility, new paint, carpet, tile, atrium doors, blinds, 7 fans, cov. patio, stor. bldg, fenced yd.!! MORE!! \$130,000!! Price Reduced!! \$115,000.
• VERY NICE 3-2-5-2 Brick Home, Dual Fuel Heat Pump, built-ins, FP, basement, cent. vac. & humidifier systems, auto. spklr., workshop/storage, fenced yd., corner lot!! \$169,500!!
• VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx 1920' lv. area, cov. patio, fenced yd., auto spklr., & stor. bldg.!! \$139K!!
• NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. Geothermal heat pump, built-ins, 2 FP, sunroom, hot tub, approx 2448' lv area, screened porch, cellar, auto spklr., stor. bldgs, \$149K!!

HIGH SCHOOL AREA
• REMODELED 3-1-1 Home, Cent. A&H, New paint, carpet, siding, fenced yd., stor. bldg.!! \$60K!!
• 3-1/2-1 carport home, corner lot, cent. A&H, thermal windows & doors, cov. patio!! \$59,500!!

COMMERCIAL
• NICE OFFICE/SHOP/WAREHOUSE on .7 acre on N. Hwy. 214, Cent. A&H, insulated shop & warehouse, has 1-3/4 bath & 1-1/2 bath!! MUCH MORE!! PRICED TO SELL!! \$85K!!
• 1900' Off. Bldg., 106' x 140' lot on Hwy. 70 and 84!! \$79.5K!!
• ANA'S BEAUTY SHOP — Approx. 1120' bldg., with or without furniture & fixtures!! PRICE REDUCED!!
• VERY NICE CHURCH BLDG. WITH PARSONAGE - Possible Owner Finance!! Price Reduced!!
• GOOD INCOME PROPERTY-LONG TERM LEASE-Approx. 8,075' office bldg. w/ approx. 20,000' paved parking area!! PRICE REDUCED \$350K.
• NICELY REMODELED - 800 sq. ft. Bldg., Cent A&H, updated electrical & plumbing, PRICE REDUCED \$35,000.
• 4.2 acre tract at edge of town, 40' x 60' metal insulated bldg., 2 other sheetiron bldgs., chainlink fenced area, numerous uses!! \$59K!!
• 100' x 140' tract, corner lot on Hwy. 84, 1760' Bldg., 1076' Bldg., 308' storage, & 2-56' x 22' metal canopies w/paved area!! \$35K!!
• FORMER RICHLAND HILLS TEXACO - 1414' Bldg. + 1080' canopy + 16,530' asphalt paving!!

RURAL
• VERY NICE 4-3 doublewide (2006) on 7.38 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fenced yd., 25' x 40' Metal Bldg, septic system, domestic well, on pavement close to town!! \$152K!!
• NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, 2163' lv. area, 191' bsmt., pool, wksp./storage, roping arena, horse barn on 5.99 ac., MORE!! \$120K!!
• VERY NICE 3-2 doublewide (1998) on 14.68 acres on Hwy. 84, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 40' x 80' Metal bldg. (insulated) w/ 1/2 bath, office, MUCH MORE!! \$148,900!!
• NICE 3-2 Home at edge of town on .8 acre tract, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, efficiency apt. or guest cottage, horse barn & corral!! PRICE REDUCED!! \$99,900!!
• NICE 4-8 acre homesites, close to town, deed restricted!! \$17,500!!
• NICE 3-2-5 carport Home on 2 acres, Cent. heat, Cent. evap. air, built-ins, fireplace, fans, utility, cellar, large shop, stor. bldg., MORE!! PRICE REDUCED \$109,500!!

Voting... an American right and an individual responsibility

In just a few short days, the historic 2008 Presidential campaign will reach its conclusion as Americans cast their ballots to help elect the next Commander-in-Chief.

This is one of the most consequential elections in a generation. Our nation is at a critical turning point on many issues that will directly impact every American citizen. Yet, voting is a right that too many in our nation take for granted.

One of the most important instruments of our democracy is the right to vote. In the early years of our republic, voting was restricted to a small, select group of people – predominantly, males who owned property – but over a period of many generations that right was extended across the barriers of race, sex, and class.

Following a brutal Civil War, African-American and other non-white males were granted the right to vote in 1870, with the 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Fifty years later, after the tireless and courageous efforts of suffragists like Susan B. Anthony, Lucretia Mott, and Elizabeth Cady



Capitol Comment

By U.S. Sen.
Kay Bailey Hutchison

Stanton, voting rights were also extended to all women.

In 1964, the 24th Amendment banned poll taxes in federal elections, thereby extending the vote to all Americans, regardless of property ownership. And in 1971, all citizens 18 or older were granted suffrage.

So many Americans in our nation's history did not have the opportunity to vote, and so many others fiercely struggled to ensure that no American adult today would be denied that right.

I would urge every Texan to consider the critical challenges we face in the 21st century and to look at voting as, not only a right, but also a responsibility.

When the next President of the United States takes office in January 2009, he will immediately face the most serious economic

crisis since the Great Depression.

The American people will look to the White House for leadership to bring stability to our credit markets and ensure economic stability for every family and business.

The next President must lead the effort to overhaul our banking regulatory system so our country is never put in this precarious position again. Therefore, citizens must educate themselves on each candidate's tax proposals and economic plans and cast their vote for the candidate who will keep their taxes low and help them balance their budgets.

Over the past several years, Americans saw an unprecedented spike in energy prices that has made it burdensome for many families to keep gasoline in their vehicles and heat their homes.

This year, we will spend

about \$700 billion to import energy from nations across the globe, some of which are hostile to our interests. Even as energy prices fluctuate, the next Administration must make American energy independence an urgent national priority.

Though the Presidential candidates are united in this goal, they have distinctly different ideas on how to achieve it. Prices at the gas pump and home heating costs affect every American family, and voters should learn how each candidate intends to raise the domestic supply of oil, invest in new,

clean technologies, and lead our nation into an era of energy self-sufficiency.

One of the most solemn responsibilities of the President is to protect our homeland and keep every American safe from harm. Our next Commander-in-Chief will lead our Armed Forces and make critical decisions directing operations in the Global War on Terror, including in Iraq and Afghanistan. Citizens must carefully consider which candidate will best safeguard America

from foreign and domestic terrorism and military threats.

Pres. Dwight Eisenhower said, "Politics ought to be the part-time profession of every citizen who would protect the rights and privileges of free people."

In the days leading up to this historic election, I encourage every eligible voter to consider their priorities and values, to learn about the candidates, and to stay involved in the political process by casting their vote on Nov. 4.

Junior Class fund raiser dinner set

The MHS Junior Class will be hosting the annual Turkey and Dressing pre-game meal on Friday, Nov. 7.

The menu will include turkey, dressing, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls, pumpkin cake and iced tea.

The meal will start at 5 p.m. and continue until 7 p.m. Deliveries will go from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. The number to call for delivery of meals is 272-7306.

The cost of a ticket is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children.

Palmer County SWCD hold Natural Resources Conservation meeting

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Palmer County Soil and Water Conservation District invite the public and any agencies with an interest in conservation issues to participate in a Local Work Group meeting to be held at the EMS building in Bovina on Nov. 6, at 9 a.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to receive input from a broad range of local agencies, organizations, businesses, and individuals that have an interest in natural resource conditions and needs in Palmer County.

Input received will allow the Local Work Group to make recommendations on resource concerns to be addressed, eligible practices, and ranking for

county based funding.

These recommendations will be used in implementing the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and other conservation programs offered by NRCS.

The 2008 Farm Bill stipulates that conservation programs must continue to be locally led. Through stake holder meetings, the public is given an opportunity to help local conservation leaders set program priorities. These meetings are open to the public.

For more information, call the USDA Service Center office in Farwell at (806) 481-3311. Service center locations and program information can be found on the Texas NRCS Web site at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

Births



JACOB LEE GUZMAN

Jacob Guzman

Courtney and Fabian Guzman of Austin announce the birth of their son, Jacob Lee Guzman on Oct. 24, 2008, at 8:30 p.m., at Round Rock Medical Center of Round Rock.

Jacob weighed six pounds, nine ounces at birth, and was 20 inches in length.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Filemon Guzman of Lazbuddie, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hobbs of Van Vleck.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

I recently received a letter from the Concerned Citizens of Bailey County trying to persuade me to change my vote in the upcoming election concerning the sale of liquor in Bailey County.

Can you, the Concerned Citizens, tell me how you presume to know how I will vote on this issue? My signature on the petition you mentioned did not condone nor approve selling liquor in Muleshoe or Bailey County.

My signature was on a petition to allow an issue to be brought before the citizens of Bailey County and to allow them to express their opinion by voting for or against that issue.

According to my history teachers throughout school, and each teacher enforced this fact, this is a privilege that our Founding Fathers believed in and fought and died for.

I am blessed to live in a country that affords the privilege to choose those who govern us and to choose the laws that are enforced in our country.

Concerned Citizens, can you read my mind? Are you clairvoyant? I do not remember being asked nor expressing my opinion on the sale of alcohol in Bailey County to any of the signers of the letter I received.

Do you also presume to know which candidate I support for President of the United States, or for Sheriff of Bailey County?

While I support the idea of campaigns and will listen to and read about all candidates and issues I oppose the idea that you know what is in my mind simply by reading my name on a petition that exercises my right to choose.

You may campaign to sway my vote, but know my mind just by looking at my signature.

Debra Redwine, Muleshoe

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