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Parade set
for Saturday, Dec. 20



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Mules are State bound!

Mules trample the Bearcats in 2A semi-finals



No question about this one!

Mule Lane Wood takes it into the end zone for another touchdown during Saturday's semi-final game against Pilot Point. Photograph by Stacy Conner

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules have found themselves becoming animal trainers in the Texas State Playoffs. They clipped the Falcons wings in the first round, tamed Wildcats in the second and taught Bulldogs to sit in the third.

As teams advance in the playoffs the challenge grows each week. The state semi-finals promised to bring the biggest one to date in the form of the 11-1 Pilot Point Bearcats.

Pilot Point came into the game with a long history of playoff experience in Region II. They have played in 84 post-season games, earned 15 consecutive district titles between 1978 and 1993 and back-to-back State Titles.

But the Bearcats had three close calls before arriving in Abilene for the clash with the Mules. They had defeated Boyd 32-28, Gunter 15-13 and Winnsboro 27-24. Winnsboro was the only district championship team they had faced in the playoffs.

The first 24 minutes of the game should have given the Bearcats hope for the second half as they only trailed the potent Mules 14-10 at the intermission. But the Mules wore the oversized Bearcats down in the second half, held them scoreless and scratched

them behind ears until all they could do was purr.

The Mules scored 21 points in the second half to defeat the Bearcats 35-10 and advance to the Texas Football State Finals for the first time in school history.

"A state semi-final game is supposed to be rough and tough," said Mule coach

so we felt good about that. So we stayed with our game plan in the second half and did our job."

The Mule defense was stout through out the game and held the Bearcats to three-and-out on their first possession.

Ray Ramirez fielded the punt and raced laterally



Photograph by Stacy Conner

The Mules take to the field at the semi-finals.

David Wood. "We knew bad things would happen in playoff games but we never thought we would be doing them to ourselves. Those penalties really had us little rattled."

"We got a little anxious early and shot ourselves in the foot but then settled down and played our ball game. The kids really over came some adversity tonight and made two goal line stands in the first half."

"We managed to only give up one touchdown after all our mistakes in the first half

across the field and handed off to Victor Vasquez on the reverse. Vasquez followed his interference down to the Bearcat 33. Lane Wood moved the Mules to the 13 on a 10-yard blast up the middle and a 10-yard reception.

W. Wood faked to L. Wood up the middle to draw the defense before rolling wide to the right and danced around one defender on his way to a 13-yard touchdown. Jared Skipworth's PAT was

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Police urge residents to think about security

Muleshoe Police Chief Brian Frieda Tuesday urged local residents to think about home security during this Christmas season and especially during the

upcoming weekend, when many residents will be traveling out of town for the state football finals.

While the police department intends to

do everything possible to safeguard homes, businesses and property during this season, Chief

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Local Weather

Thursday
Sunny..... 58/26

Friday
Pt. Cloudy..... 58/33

Saturday
Pt. Cloudy..... 66/40

Sunday
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Mayor proclaims 'Mule Spirit Week'

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Muleshoe Mayor Cliff Black, and the city council, issued a proclamation honoring the Muleshoe High School varsity football team during Monday's regular council meeting.

Black proclaimed Dec. 7-14 as "Mule Spirit Week," and encouraged the community to support the team as it headed for the state championship game against Kirbyville, to be held Saturday, Dec. 13, at Grand Prairie High School's stadium.

However, the Mules weren't the only individuals honored during Monday's meeting.

Mayor Black also recognized the achievements of several city employees. Among these were:

- Ramon Sanchez, public works director, who was recognized for receiving a "Class A Landfill Operator's" certificate, an accomplishment City Manager David Brunson said was usually reserved for civil engineers.
- The Muleshoe Water

Department. Sylvester Torres, the water and wastewater superintendent was presented with a certificate noting that his department had met the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's "total coliform rule" for 60 months, meaning it's been at least five years since the city's water testing had indicated even trace amounts of coliform bacteria.

Brunson said, "It's a job most of us don't think

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Robotics team goes into finals

The Lazbuddie robotics team qualified to go to nationals held in Denton on the North Texas State University campus, where the members garnered enough points to allow their robot to compete in the finals. Pictured on the right, working on their robot are Jacob Schacher, Colton Weaver and Logan Mason.



City of Muleshoe Proclamation

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Whereas, the Championship; Muleshoe Mules Regional Football Team Championship; and Semi-Final Championship and will play in the State Championship on Dec. 13, 2008; and

Whereas, in the process of taking this team to the Championship game Bi-District

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County court discusses purchase of EMS vehicle

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

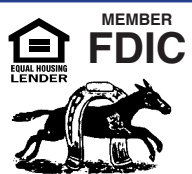
Bailey County's Commissioners Court discussed the possibility of purchasing another vehicle for the county's ambulance service, following an accident that left the EMS employees a foot.

Ambulance service director Jacky Wayne Burris

appeared before the court seeking its approval for the purchase of another vehicle to replace the wrecked unit the EMS had purchased from the Bailey County Sheriff's Department.

Burris presented a plan to use the \$3,200 which was received from the

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Christmas donations sought

Christmas Around Muleshoe began Saturday, Nov. 7, and donations are being collected at various local businesses. Additional businesses that would like to participate should contact Sarah Johnson at the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture at (806)272-4248.

Project Christmas Crate

The staff of Park View Nursing Care Center are participating in Project Christmas Crate, an effort to deliver a fresh meal and Christmas presents to two needy families in Bailey County.

Individuals who wish to join in the effort may bring their gifts and canned food donations to the lobby of the nursing home and place the items in the barrels next to the reception desk.

AA meeting

Those looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA and Al-Anon meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Friday at the First United Methodist Church, at 507 W. 2nd. Please use the west side entrance. For information about these meetings call 806-965-2870.

Pack 620 to scout for food

Muleshoe Pack 620 is asking for help resupplying the Bailey County Food Pantry in Muleshoe. Each year the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts of Muleshoe collect food for the food pantry. The scouts will be picking up donations beginning at 1p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 20. If your donation is not picked up by 4 p.m., call Todd Newberry at 272-4423 or 806-543-7586.

Adult education classes available

Free Adult Education classes will begin in Muleshoe on Dec. 4. at the Workforce building on Main St. The classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6-9 p.m. These classes are being offered by Region 17 Service Center in partnership with Workforce.

Bailey County Fruit for Sale

The Bailey County 4-H Club has a few items left to sale if there is anyone that would like to purchase oranges, grapefruit, etc., should contact the Bailey County Extension office as soon as possible at 272-4583 or come by 118 West Ave. C.

Christmas parade postponed

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture has announced the annual Christmas parade, originally scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 6, has been postponed. According to chamber officials the decision was made because of the varsity Mules' participation in the state playoff games. The parade will be now be held on Saturday, Dec. 20. Contact Muleshoe's chamber office at 272-4248 for additional information.

Pep rally, send-off scheduled

A community pep rally has been scheduled at the Watson Junior High gymnasium on Thursday, Dec. 11, at 6:30 p.m. "We want everyone to come out and support the Mules that evening," said Superintendent Gene Sheets. "Let's fill the gym! This will be the only pep rally for a state championship in football that we have ever had here in Muleshoe!" There will also be a send-off for the football team on Friday morning, at 9:15 a.m., by the Muleshoe High School gym. The team will leave at 9:30 a.m. to travel to Grand Prairie. They will work-out Friday night at the Grand Prairie High School Stadium.

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Frieda, and Bailey County Sheriff Richard Wills urge area residents to take precautions as well. "Lighting is the most effective means of increasing

security," said the police chief. He added that "double-securing" windows and patio doors with wooden dowels will also increase the

time it takes for someone to force an entry, and in turn decrease the chances of being victimized. Being a "good neighbor," and watching and alerting

local law enforcement agencies about suspicious activities around homes when the residents are away is also a great help in crime prevention.



'Old fashion' fun

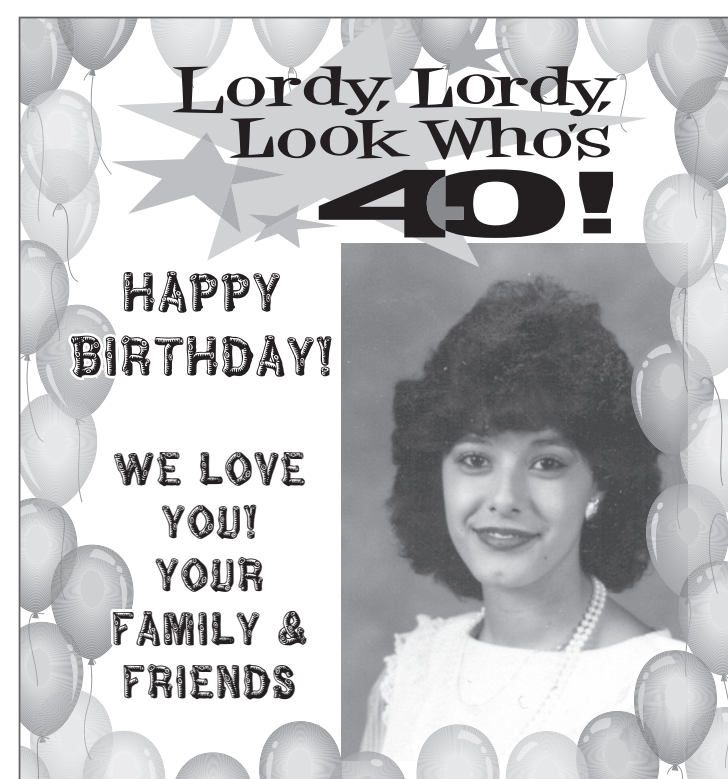
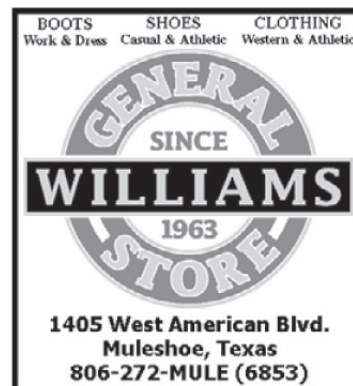
Student Community Action Club members have a great time preparing the Janes Ranch House, at the Muleshoe Heritage Center, for the holiday season. Monday night, Dec. 1 the club decorated the ranch house for Christmas and held their annual Christmas party.

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the Muleshoe Mules amassed an outstanding season record of 14 wins and 0 losses; and have displayed classic competitive poise and composure throughout their season and bring positive recognition not only to themselves but to the entire student body of Muleshoe Independent School District and to the Muleshoe area; and

Whereas, the Muleshoe Mules have demonstrated courage, integrity, and tenacity in a successful 2008 season, the Muleshoe City Council congratulates the entire football team, coaches, support staff and all others connected to this team for a successful season and wish them good luck in the upcoming state

championship game against Kirbyville. Now, therefore, be it proclaimed that in honor of the Muleshoe Mules, the week of December 8-14 be Mule Spirit Week in the City of Muleshoe whereby all citizens are called upon to demonstrate their "Mule Spirit" in support of the Muleshoe Mules and their success in the Class 2A Division I State Championship.



Letter to the Editor

Mule fans encouraged to shop at home

To the editor: We have decided to dismiss school early on Friday. We will dismiss school at 1:30 p.m. on Friday. Buses will run accordingly. We want to encourage everyone to go to the first-ever state championship game, and we want you to have time to get everything ready to go and to have time to travel safely to the game.

But I have a special request to make: I want to encourage everyone to consider our local merchants as you get out early on Friday and get ready to go to Dallas to the state championship game. This has been a great opportunity for the school and the community as a whole, but I'm sure it has been very difficult on our local merchants with so many people gone every weekend for playoff games.

So as we get out early on Friday, please consider shopping locally Friday afternoon before you go to Dallas for the state championship game.

Our local merchants have been very supportive of the school, and this whole Christmas Season, let's support them by shopping as much as we can in Muleshoe.

Gene Sheets, Superintendent Muleshoe ISD

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insurance company on the wrecked unit, along with \$6,700 in grant funds to purchase a used SUV that would hold more emergency medical equipment than the former law enforcement vehicle it would replace.

"I'd rather they had that than the driving an ambulance

around getting food," Precinct #1 Commissioner Butch Vandivinder said, speaking in favor of Burris' suggestion.

Although Burris had earlier expressed a desire to obtain a long-term lease from the Muleshoe Area Hospital District, followed by

an expansion of the existing ambulance building, he said this year's grant funds would go toward a replacement vehicle.

In other business, the commissioners court:

- Set the swearing in ceremonies for new and re-elected county officials

for Dec. 31, at 10 a.m.

- Approved minutes from November's meetings.

- Approved the payment of county bills totaling \$160,725.21.

- Approved October's county treasurer's report and received November's report for study.

- Approved in-county travel forms, and received the precinct's daily equipment inspection sheets.

- Approved an easement for Del Toro Plumbing to bury a waterline starting at the intersection of CR 183 and CR 1053.

- Approved county holidays for 2009.

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about because it is done so well."

In other business, the city council:

- Was introduced to the city's newest police officer, Nick Upton.

- Received a brief report on the city's capital improvement projects.

- Approved the minutes from the Nov. 10 and 14 council meetings.

- Received a report from Lt. Benny Parker concerning the police department's activities in during the past

month. Parker noted that it had been an "average month," with 240 calls for service, 70 citations issued, and two assaults, one automobile theft, three burglaries and six thefts reported.

- Approved a reimbursement from the city's motel and hotel tax funds of \$720 to the Muleshoe Roping Club for advertising associated with the May 26 Memorial Day roping. In similar actions, the council approved reimbursements

to the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation and the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture for \$700 for advertising related to this year's Oktoberfest celebration.

According to City Secretary LeAnn Gallman, there is about \$36,000 in the fund.

- Approved a bid of \$1,001 from Gary Hooten for a piece of municipal property located in the southeast area of the city. It was explained that the land has

certain restrictions on its use, including a requirement that a house be constructed upon it within a set period of time.

- Were informed that the city had received notice of a wastewater treatment violation from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, which according to the city manager, had written the city up because a required test wasn't conducted on a recent holiday.

A second violation received by the wastewater treatment plant stated that a sign at the treatment plant was improperly worded.

Brunson said no further action is required on either violation notice.

"It's almost like they had to find something," Mayor Pro-Tem Irene Mason said.

Letter to the Editor

Resident asks: Do you want a water czar?

To the Editor:

Do you want a water czar?

The water board has come out with new rules for the water district for the second year in succession.

This smells of achieving complete control of our water through fast rule changes that cannot be properly investigated and information being thought through by the constituents of the district.

The change according to board is being made to comply with water law passed by state legislature. If this is so how did the legislature pass law out of session?

The 2007 change was stated to do the same thing, but the legislature met that year. Paragraph four, which states as follows "The ownership and rights of the land and their lessees and assigns in groundwater are hereby recognized, and nothing in these rules shall be construed as depriving or divesting the owners or

their lessees and assigns of ownership rights, except as those rights may be limited or altered by state law and district rules."

The last part of this sentence stating "except as those rights may be limited or altered by state law and district rules" renders the first part of the sentence invalid.

The ownership of rights is not granted by the state or the district, they are granted by the constitution and can only be changed by constitutional amendment.

The section allowing the manager of the district to seal a well not allowing it to be operated should not be passed. In any conflict with the district it should be the board, not the manager that makes that decision.

The spacing of wells was changed in the 2007 changes and changing spacing again will only cause more problems for people trying to develop their water.

They should be left as

is. The size and volume of a well not requiring a permit change shows the direction we are allowing the water board to go. The next change will have to permit a domestic well.

There will be meetings in each precinct of the water district for discussion of proposed changes. These meetings will be one-hour meetings and several of them the same day.

This indicates input from constituents wants to be held to a minimum. Everyone with an interest in water should be sure to attend one of the remaining meetings:

- Dec. 11, at 8 a.m., Morton Activity Center, 200 W.T., Morton TX.

- Dec. 11, at 11 a.m., Bailey County Coliseum, 2206 W. American Blvd., Muleshoe.

High Plains Water Board was formed to do things for us not do things to us as it has turned out to be. After studying these proposals carefully they should not be passed.

Phil Garrett, Muleshoe



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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Flash! Flash! Due to our wonderful Muleshoe Mules playing for state in football Saturday, Dec. 13, the Christmas pot luck lunch has been postponed to a later date.

The new date will be determined at the board meeting on Wednesday.

We wish the Mighty Mules

a safe and happy ending to their year. They are to be commended for their accomplishment and being the great young persons they are.

Tuesday, all you Bunco players call your friends and come play. The time is 10 a.m. There were four tables to play last time and everyone had a great time.

Come join in the fun.

Wednesday, Dec. 17, the chamber of commerce will be drawing for the Mule Buck give away at noon here at the senior center.

We invite all of you to come by and take part in the drawing. Make plans to come for lunch. The cost is \$3 for all over 60 and \$5 for all under 60.

Thursday, Dec. 18, the December birthday party will be held at noon. Hopefully you received a phone call inviting you to the center on this day for all of your friends to see and honor you.

Thursday, Dec. 18, we will also have Mandi Seaton with her nutrition program. Sadly to say, but Mandi will be leaving us and going to

Littlefield. We will miss her and wish her success in her new adventure. We have been blessed to have her with us each month. God go with you and bless you Mandi.

Friday, Dec. 19, the retired teachers will be meeting at the center at 10 a.m. All you retired teachers make plans to come and enjoy the

meeting. Stay for lunch and enjoy the fellowship.

Saturday, Dec. 20, the center will be having its pancake breakfast from 7 a.m. until 11 a.m. The menu will be all you can eat pancakes, sausage, bacon, a variety of syrups, orange juice, coffee. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children
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One of the greatest miracles of Christmas

I had just a few minutes before leading a morning Advent devotional service, and I thought I'd work on this column.

Ninety-nine percent of these are written on my laptop computer but when I opened it to "wake" it up from hibernation, it just growled and chose to hibernate a little longer. It caught a virus last week and must still be a bit out of sorts.

In a flash of ingenuity, I went to the closet and pulled out a high tech yellow pad and a pen.

It's not flashy, but it was just what the situation called for. I'm less and less impressed with "flashy," particularly when "flashy" is coupled with "faith." The two don't couple very well.

I recently asked a staff member at a mid-size church in a nearby city, "How are things going church-wise?" "Well, we're doing pretty well and seeing some new folks. But like most churches in town we regularly lose some folks to Disney Land and Six Flags."

Huh? Then I realized what he meant. I won't supply the real names for the two amusement parks above, but they are the currently popular mega churches there. If what folks want can be categorized under "glitzy" and/or "big" and/or "thrilling," those mega-mart churches have it.

If you are a red-headed, left-handed secretary born in a month ending in "R" and you want a program for folks just like you who "need their needs met," congratulations! Go to church only once a month or so, as convenient, and the machine will roll along just fine.

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that they don't actually need you and anything approaching real commitment at all. Better yet, if you want to bail out of the not-so-flashy church where you are now, you can baptize the whole thing by blaming God instead of yourself as long as you begin the sentence, "I just feel led..." (Not just church members who do that. Preachers who never plan to stay anywhere more than two years do it all the time.)

Good (and bad) churches come in all sizes, mega and mini. Each has inherent blessings and challenges. It just happens that a major problem with some of the biggest ones is that you can easily choke on all the plastic.

(Did you hear about the mega church pastor who is now preaching also for a number of satellite churches through the magic of electronic ITV?)

My first reaction was, "Well, the screens could hardly be more plastic than that guy already is!"

God sent some pretty flashy angels that first Christmas. But maybe most impressive is that he sent them to some very real and un-flashy shepherds whose "faith" had more to do with daily finding food for sheep and putting slave on the wounded and calling them all by name than it had to do with needing a miracle or thrill over every hill.

Real-life shepherding had precious little to do with glitzy and glamour and thrills. It had a lot to do with love. One of the greatest miracles of Christ's birth is that God of heaven sent the first birth announcement to genuinely earthy folks. Decidedly non-glitzy Joes. Real people. "Down home" non-Fortune 500 folks... shepherds.



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Obituaries

Nora Burch

Church services for Nora Burch, 94, of Lubbock, were held on Thursday, Dec. 4, at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe with the Rev. Dr. Stacy Conner officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Burch died on Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008, in Whisperwood Nursing Home of Lubbock. She was born on April 24, 1914, in Mangum, Okla., to J.E. and Ethel (Cooper) Miller, and married John E. Burch in Mangum, Oklahoma on Oct. 22, 1932. He preceded her in death on February 19, 1986. She was also preceded in death by a son — Darrel Burch; a sister — Lida Wilhite; and

two brothers — Jack and Charlie Miller.

Mrs. Burch graduated from Mangum High School. She moved from Clovis, N.M., to Muleshoe in 1963 and then to Lubbock in 2004.

She was employed by CR Anthony Department Store in Muleshoe as a sales clerk for 17 years.

Survivors include a son and his wife — Ronald E. and Gloria Burch of Alamogordo, N.M.; a daughter-in-law — Viola Burch of Lubbock; three grandchildren — David W. Burch, Laura J. Wilson, and Cindy Matthews; and six great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the First Baptist Church, 220 W. Ave. E, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

S.E. Vaughn

A memorial service for S.E. Vaughn, 89, of Lodi, Calif., formerly of Earth, will be held at the First Baptist Church of Earth on Jan. 19, 2009, at 3pm.

Vaughn died at home on Dec. 7, 2008. He was born on Dec. 19, 1918, in Oklahoma, and worked for Douglas Aircraft from 1941 to 1944 as a final assembly supervisor and following his enlistment into the United States Navy, worked in

aviation repair. He worked in the sheet metal until his retirement.

Vaughn was a member of the Littlefield Lodge #1161 AF & AM for more than 50 years, serving twice as Grand Master.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 52 years — Eloise Vaughn; second wife — Leona Vaughn; and son — Jimmy Vaughn.

Survivors include his son and daughter-in-law — Fred and Tina Vaughn of Lodi; a daughter and her husband — Deanna and Ron Salik of Hersey, Mich.; a brother and his wife — J.C. and Elsa Vaughn of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; a sister — Juanita Aiman of Riverside, Calif.; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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Proverbs 1:8-9, NIV

Senior Citizen News

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Pack 620 to scout for food

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Sports

Mule varsity to head to the state championship... Continued from page 1

just outside the upright. The Mules led 6-0 with 9:02 left in the first period.

A face-mask penalty aided Pilot Point's ensuing scoring drive on a third a seven sack by Juan Sanchez. Jarman Johnson, the Bearcat's big running back, scored on a one-yard run with 3:15 left in the opening quarter. They used the Swinging Gate to score the two-point conversion and claim an 8-6 advantage.

The Mules appeared to be ready to answer after Cooper Washington picked up 22 yards on a bubble screen. The drive stalled at the Pilot Point 29 on an incomplete pass in the end zone on fourth down.

Another face-mask penalty aided the Bearcats drive back down the field. Seth Tilley, the Bearcat quarterback, could not escape the grasp of a stunting Sanchez on fourth down and attempted to toss the ball away. The pass did not cross the line of scrimmage and resulted in a penalty with a loss of down.

The Mules took over on downs at the Mule 13. W. Wood had the ball blasted from his grip by a Bearcat helmet. Pilot Point recovered at the Mule nine.

The Mule Sic'em Defense had to return to the field



Photograph by Stacy Conner

with only two plays rest. Sanchez dropped Johnson for a yard loss on first down. Austin Bamert batted down the middle screen pass on second down. Ramirez drug the Bearcat receiver to the turf and force a fourth down and goal-to-go from the three-yard line.

Nathaniel Chavez and Ramirez stopped Johnson inches short of the goal line to take over on downs for the second time in 10 plays.

The Mules gave up a safety with 5:48 left in the half but avoided a more costly touchdown. The safety extended the Bearcat lead to 10-6.

"I will tell you straight up that I did not play a very good first half," said Wes Wood. "The guys bailed me out. They stepped up and played while I was not. We were able to persevere

and went in leading by four points at the half."

"We came out in the second half and the guys showed their true character. They played with a lot of heart to come out and play this type of football game."

"I beg to differ with those that have said the Mules have an offense but not a defense. Those guys have improved each week and now have stopped the highly touted powerhouse offenses that have come our way in Bushland, Littlefield, Clyde and now Pilot Point. I am amazed when I watch our defense."

The Mules had to kick off from their 20. Alex Godinez and Sanchez made the stop a mid field. Ramirez stripped the Bearcat receiver on first down and Chavez pounced on the loose ball for the Mules at the Mule 43.

The Mules had to over had five.

Samantha Reyna and Melissa Casanova each made four points. Ivana Agundis and Rashelle Hall chipped in two points apiece.

The Lady Mules were in Dimmitt tangling with the Bobbies Monday night and will return home Dec.15 when they host Friona.

come three penalties on their nine-play 57-yard scoring drive. A motion penalty, a holding penalty and a clipping penalty were all called on the Mules but they over came each one and scored with 1:13 left on the clock.

L. Wood started from the eight, did a pirouette at the two and leaped backwards into the end zone for the TD. Skipworth booted the point after to put the Mules in front 14-10.

Pilot Point kicked off to start the second half and L. Wood fielded the short kick at the Mule 23 and returned to midfield. He burst up the middle for an eight-yard gain on first down before Ramirez twisted away from of a tackler and ripped off 12 yards on a swing pass.

"It was a tough game," said Ray Ramirez. "We came out a little flat in the first half. The coaches had told us to warm up but not over do it. We let the excitement get to us and it showed on offense but our defense held up well."

"We went in at half and got energized up and had an opportunity to get some extra water and the trainers stretched us out good. Coach Wood gave us a great half time speech and we were ready to play after that."

thrown well in front of him and made a diving catch for a first down at the 15 of Pilot Point.

The Mules were charged with a motion penalty before Ramirez went on a post route and pulled down the ball. He was marked down at the one. W. Wood went under center and called his own number for the quarterback sneak and followed Bamert in to the end zone. Skipworth's kick gave the Mules a 28-10 lead.

The Mules were not done. Joseph Strader stood Johnson up and Marshal Head stripped the ball out. Alex Godinez made the recovery for the Mules at the Mule 36. The Mules marched down field and L. Wood took it in from seven yards out. Skipworth added the point after to end all scoring.

"We knew they had a huge offensive line that averages over six foot and almost 300 pound," said Marshal Head. "The first half was not the greatest but we persevered and came back showed them how we play West Texas football."

"You can strive to be perfect and work to be perfect but sometimes bad things happen like the safety. We just worked through the adversity and came out strong in the second half.

The Mules improved their season record to 14-0 will face the Kirbyville Wildcats for the Class 2A Division I Texas State Championship Saturday.

The game is scheduled to be played in Grand Prairie's High School Warrior-Gopher Bowl.

Freshman Ladies stomp the Lady Cats

By Delton Wilhite
Sports writer

The freshman Lady Mules used full court pressure to hold down the Childress Lady Cats Monday night and almost doubled their scoring.

The Lady Mules raced out to an early lead and cinched down the defense

in the second period to shut out the Lady Cats.

The Lady Mules led 34-7 at the intermission and went on to a 41-21 victory.

Alyssa Leal scored 10 of her team leading 11 points in the first half. Sabrina Chavez dropped in seven points, Bailey Bessire six and Stephanie Vasquez

Muleshoe sports schedule changes...

Varsity boys, Abernathy Basketball Tournament — withdrew from tournament; Varsity girls Farwell Basketball Tournament — will play Thursday and Friday, but not Saturday; 9th/JV boys Olton Basketball Tournament — withdrew from Tournament; 9th/JV girls Olton Basketball Tournament — will play Thursday and Friday, but not Saturday.

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Sports

Muleshoe's 'hot shooting' ladies have a good week

By Delton Wilhite
Sports writer

The Lady Mules may have felt they were having Christmas early as they went 4-4 in games this past week.

They dropped the Springlake-Earth Lady Wolverines 56-30 Tuesday night as a warm up for the Nazareth Invitational Tournament.

Clarendon was no match for the hot shooting Lady Mules in the tournament opener in Nazareth. Three Lady Mules hit double digits as they out scored Clarendon 77-60. They met the host team Nazareth Swiftettes on Friday and downed them 59-52.

Because of the Mule's semi-final football game in Abilene Saturday the

Lady Mules dropped out of the winner's bracket. They played Claude early Saturday morning before leaving for Abilene. The Lady Mules had to come from behind but won their fourth game of the week 54-52.

Sarah Johnson hit a trey in the opening period against Springlake to give the Lady Mules a 7-4 lead after one quarter.

Johnson heated up in the second quarter and poured in 13 of 23 Lady Mule points during the period.

The Lady Mules led 30-11 at the half.

Springlake could not mount a come back in the second half as the Lady Mules out scored them 26-20.

Johnson set the scoring

pace with 24 points that included two 3-pointers. Morgan Smith made six of her 10 points in the final quarter and Yvonne Gardea added six.

Gizell Vasquez had five points, Gabby Agundis and Val Olivas each made four points and Janae Pyle chipped in one.

Johnson made 11 of 22 shots from the field that included three of six from behind the arc against Clarendon. Gardea made 10 of 14 from the floor and Smith was eight of 12. The Lady Mules shot a whopping 51.5 percent from the field.

Smith and Gardea led the team with eight rebounds each. Gardea made six steals and Johnson had five. Johnson broke the school record for assists

with 14.

Johnson scored 26 against Clarendon, Gardea had 20 and Smith dropped in 18. Vasquez added nine points and Agundis and Olivas chipped in two apiece.

The Nazareth Swiftettes are ranked seventh in the state in Class A. Johnson continued her shooting streak making 10 of 17 from the field and was two for four from 3-point land. She also recorded five assists.

The Lady Mules made 13 of 16 from the charity line and Janae Pyle led the team with seven rebounds. The Lady Mules jumped out to a 19-10 first quarter lead and the closest Nazareth could get was 52-50 with two minutes left in the game.

Johnson set the scoring pace with 25 points and Smith made seven of her 13 points in the first quarter. Gardea added seven points, Vasquez dropped in five and Agundis chipped in four.

The Lady Mules may have been thinking more about football and their trip to Abilene rather than Claude early Saturday morning. They trailed 41-32 after three quarters and fell behind 44-34 as the final

quarter began.

Smith made a steal and lay up to get the Lady Mule come back started. Gardea got an easy bucket with an assist from Johnson. Johnson then made a steal and fed Gardea for another lay up and cut the lead to 44-38.

Smith made two from the line to answer a Claude basket. Johnson picked Claude's pocket and drove to the hoop. Smith fed Johnson behind the arc for a trey to cut Claude's lead to 46-45.

Claude managed to hang on to the lead as the two teams exchanged buckets until Johnson made her second 3-pointer of the final quarter to give the Lady Mules a 52-51 lead. Smith made two free throws to give the Lady Mules some breathing room.

Claude made one of two from the line and Vasquez secured the rebound and made the out let pass to Smith. Smith dribbled out the clock for the win. The win improved the Lady Mules record to 6-3 on the young season.

Johnson was eight of 10 from the free throw line and pumped in 29 points in the game. Smith hit all four of her charity tosses in the final quarter and dropped in 10 points.

Vasquez added seven points, Gardea six and Pyle chipped in two.

The Lady Mules were in Morton to meet the Maidens Tuesday and will start the Farwell Tournament on Thursday. The Lady Mules will not play on Saturday so they can attend the Mule's state final game in Grand Prairie Saturday.

Eighth grade Lady Mules fall to the Lady Cats

The eighth grade Lady Mules got off to a very slow start against the Childress Lady Cats and could not

recover.

The Lady Mules made a push in the final quarter as they out scored Childress

10-2. The Lady Mules fell 36-21.

Mandy Scolley led the Lady Mules with seven points and Linda Sanchez added six.

Jessica Kube made all four of her points in the final quarter. Gisela Perez and Morgan Burris chipped in two points each.

The Lady Mules traveled to Dimmitt Monday to play the Bobbies and will return home Dec. 15 to host Friona.

Seventh grade destroys Childress

Pressure, pressure and more pressure was the seventh grade Lady Mule's strategy last Monday when the Childress Lady Cats visited.

The Lady Mules scored nine unanswered points in the first period to jump into the lead.

The Lady Mules also had good ball movement on offense to get the ball to the open player.

Childress did not score until on 2:27 was left in the first half. The Lady Mules led 16-4 at the intermission.

The Lady Mules held the Lady Cats scoreless in the third period and after backing off the defense scored three in the final quarter. The Lady Mules defeated Childress 32-7.

Brittany Prater scored four of her team high six points in the third period. Marissa Cortez made all five of her points in the first half and Adrienne Precure had all four of hers in the third quarter.

Lilianna Vasquez dropped

in her three points in the first half. DonAnne Rempe, Desiree Reyna, Esmeralda Flores, McKenna Dunham and Jasmine Lucero made two points each.

The Lady Mules were in Dimmitt Monday night but will return home Dec. 15 to host Friona.

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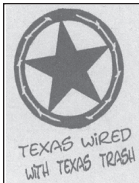
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Please indicate FOOTBALL CONTEST ENTRY. Need not have original entry form to enter. Entries for any week's contest must be postmarked before or received in our office by 4 PM on Friday of that week's games. No exceptions! Muleshoe Journal employees and their families are not eligible to win. Decision of the judges is final. Games not marked will be counted against the player. Must be at least 12 years old to play.

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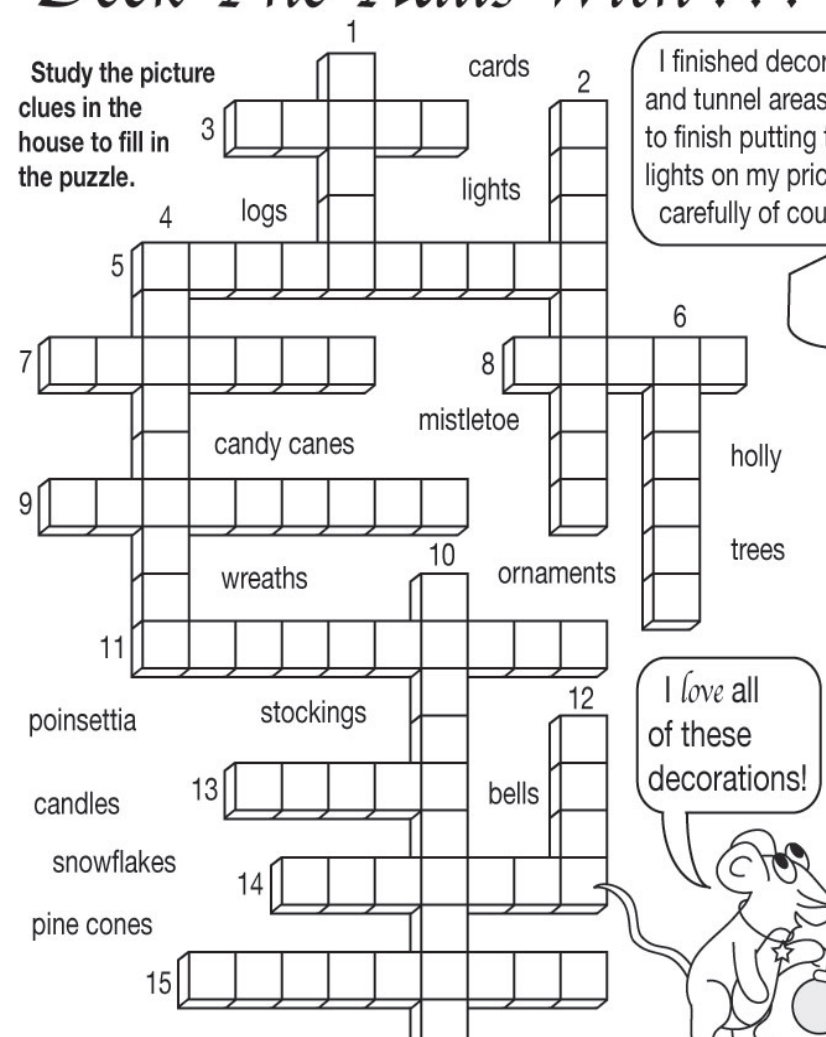
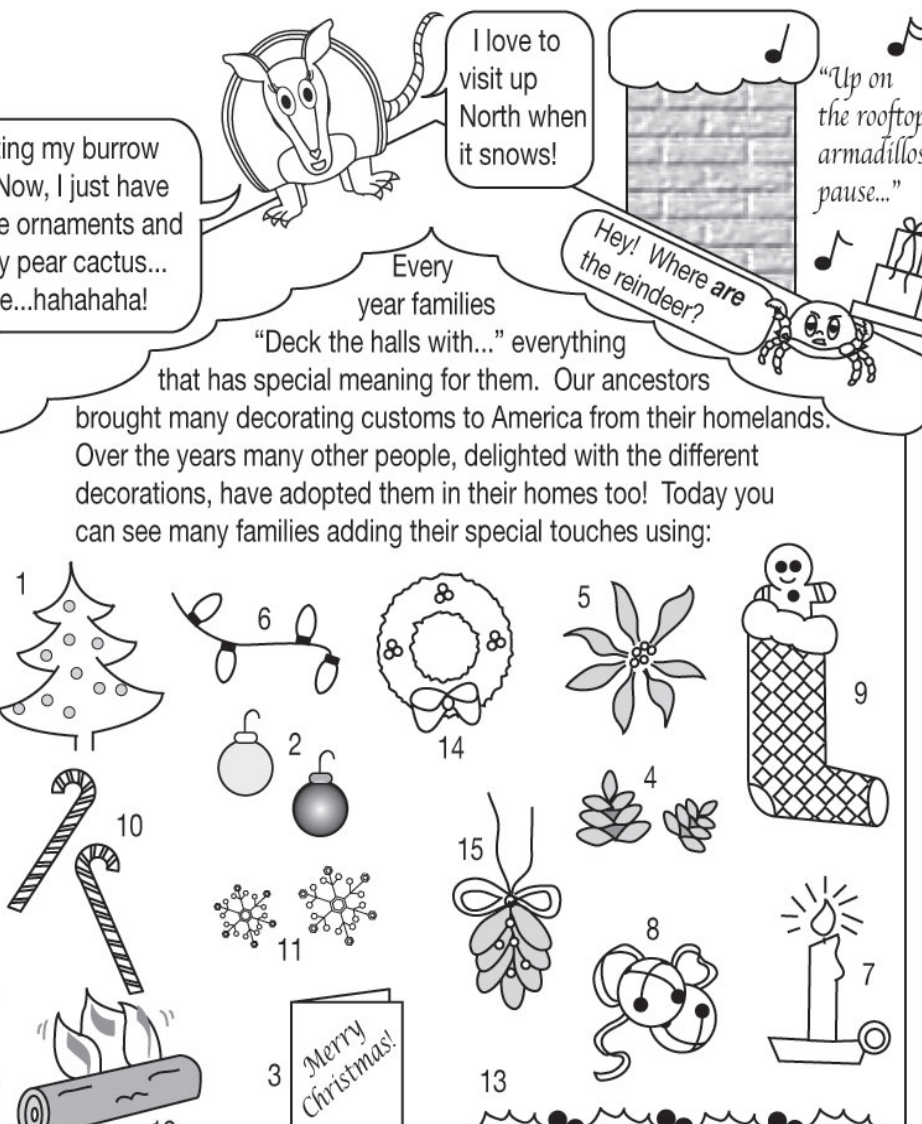
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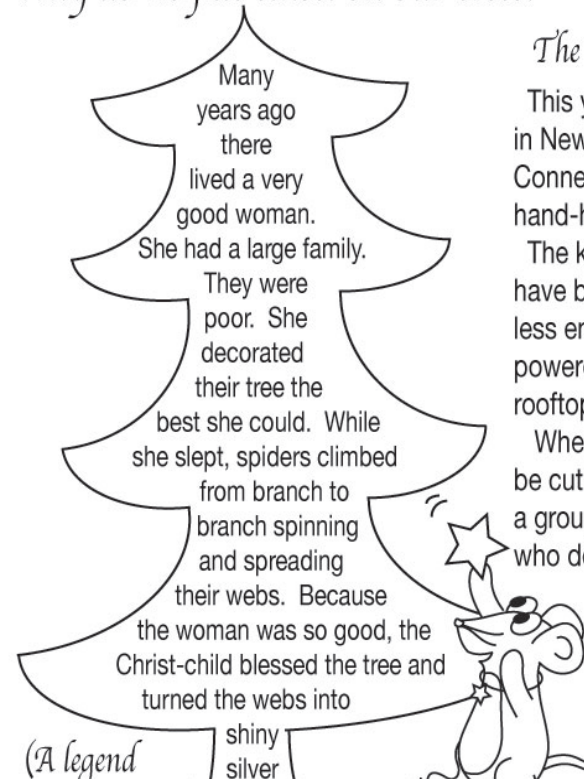
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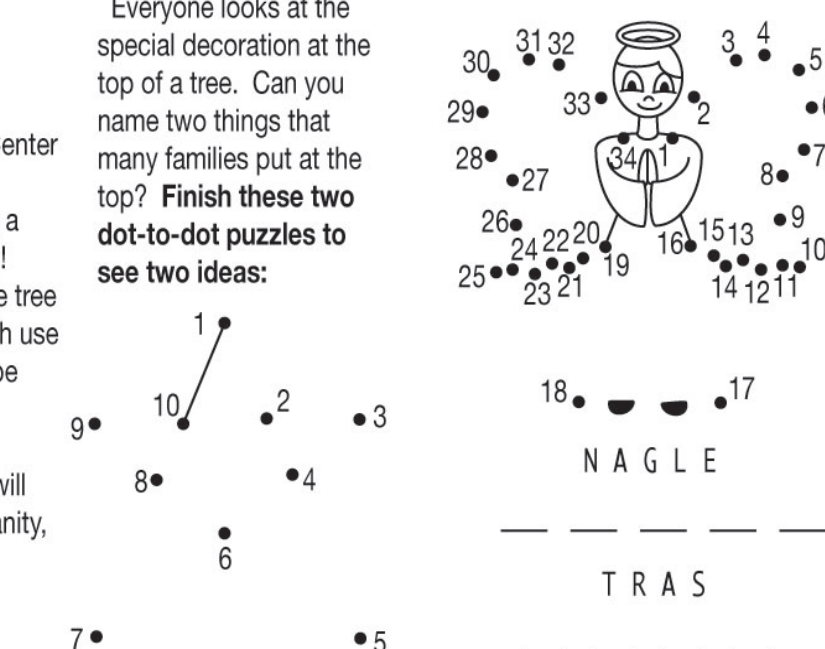
'Deck The Halls With ...'
 Study the picture clues in the house to fill in the puzzle.
 I finished decorating my burrow and tunnel areas. Now, I just have to finish putting the ornaments and lights on my prickly pear cactus... carefully of course...hahahaha!
 I love to visit up North when it snows!
 "Up on the rooftop armadillos pause..."
 Hey! Where are the reindeer?
 Every year families "Deck the halls with..." everything that has special meaning for them. Our ancestors brought many decorating customs to America from their homelands. Over the years many other people, delighted with the different decorations, have adopted them in their homes too! Today you can see many families adding their special touches using:
 I love all of these decorations!

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 Why do we put tinsel on our trees?
 Many years ago there lived a very good woman. She had a large family. They were poor. She decorated their tree the best she could. While she slept, spiders climbed from branch to branch spinning and spreading their webs. Because the woman was so good, the Christ-child blessed the tree and turned the webs into shiny silver strands!
 Uh...oh!
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Everyone looks at the special decoration at the top of a tree. Can you name two things that many families put at the top? **Finish these two dot-to-dot puzzles to see two ideas:**

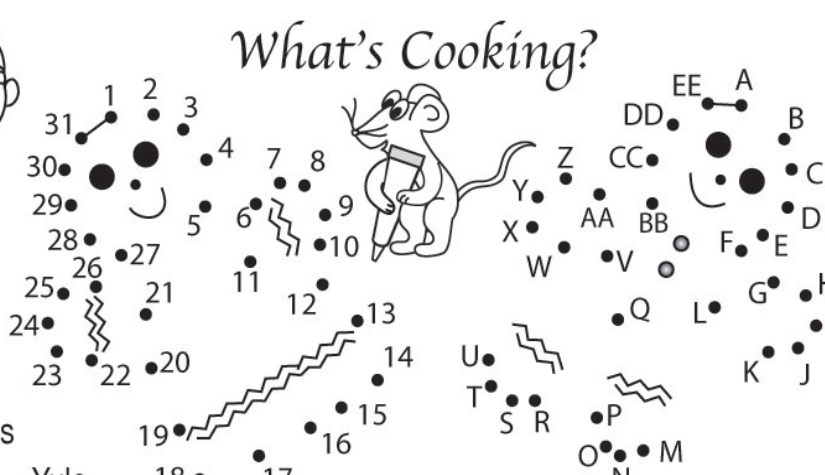


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'Deck the Halls!'
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 'Tis the season to be _____,
 Fa la la la la, la la la la.
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 Strike the _____ and join the _____,
 Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Do you know this famous song?
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Bridal Shower

Webb, Teague honored

Tana Webb and Mike Angelo; Tracie and Steve Teague were honored with a bridal shower on Nov. 15, in the fellowship hall of New Covenant Church of Muleshoe.

The bride's parents are Beth Webb and the late Cleo Webb of Muleshoe.

The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Teague of Bovina.

Special guests attending were Beth Webb; Mr. and Mrs. Don Teague; Bob and Reanonda Crump of Borger;

Terri and Matt Borden, Hannah and Haley all of San Angelo; Tracie and Steve Claybrook and Kayla, all of Muleshoe; Tammy Smith of Dallas; and DonAnn Teague of Bovina.

Hostesses for the event were Sabina Schilling, Rhonda Low, Kay Mardis, Judy Loudder, Tracy Been, Gloria Recio, Janie Hughes, Betty Jo Davis, Beverly Felan, Sharla Stanford, Ingrid McNamara, Lynda Low, Barbara Mills, Arlene Brozek and April Grober. The hostess gift was money to be used toward home furnishings.



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This week's winner announced

By Terry Brewster
 Journal ad Sales

We appreciate everyone who is still participating in the football contest. Although, the grand prize has already been given, you still have a chance to win the \$25 weekly prize... at least one more week!

Thanks to our amazing Mules! The Mules are making history! It is very exciting for the whole community. Way to show your Mule Spirit.

Week 14 of the Football contest brings a new winner of the \$25 weekly prize. Alene Bryant picked all of the winning teams this week with the exception of one. Seems that everyone thought that the Giants would take home the victory over Eagles. The top ten spots also included Lindsey Kitchens, Sue Bessire, Terry Fields, Richard Orozco, Travis Bessire, Claire Brown, Scott Brown. There was a three way tie for ninth place, Charlotte Fields, Tommy King and Todd Bessire, and 10th place was J.C. Orozco.

We decided to change

up things a little for the final week of the football contest. We challenge you to pick the winners of the High School Football playoffs from all over Texas. The tie breaker should be very easy. Go Mules! But where in Texas is Mart? Good Luck!

The Muleshoe Journal would like to thank the businesses a supported the football contest for this season. We appreciate everyone who took the time to participate in the contest. We hope you have had fun.

Just a reminder, anyone over the age of 12 can play our weekly football contest and the final contest will be this week. We have continued the contest as the Mules have continued to win. Entries can be mailed to us at: Football Contest, P.O. Box 240, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

They must be received at the Journal no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 12, or be postmarked no later than Dec. 12. Entries may also be emailed to advertising@muleshoejournal.com.



The Sudan Buzz

Sudan methodists attend Christmas cantata in Muleshoe

Sudan United Methodist Church cancelled their church service Sunday morning, Dec. 7, in order that everyone was able to attend the Christmas Cantata at the Muleshoe Methodist Church.

Several of the Sudan members were singing with the Muleshoe choir for the cantata. Everyone that attended the cantata said that they thoroughly enjoyed it.

UMW Christmas coffee held

The Sudan United Methodist Women held their annual Christmas Coffee on Saturday, Dec. 6, at 10 a.m., in the church parlor.

Joann Gaston gave a short devotional after which 11 members and a visitor were served an assortment of Christmas breads and coffee.

The next meeting of the UMW will be Jan. 5, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. The program will be the Pledge Service and the Call To Prayer and Self Denial. This will be a joint meeting of both Circles.

'Kids For Christ' attend party

Kids For Christ held their final meeting for the year Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

They had a special Christmas program of story telling, crafts were made and refreshments were served to the children and leaders that were present.

Kids For Christ will resume their programs and meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 14, at 4 p.m.

Buzzing away...

By Norma Burnett



Well it is beginning to look a lot like Christmas, Santa is sure to be on his way soon. So I guess we had all better be real good.

I have been out driving around town and all of the decorations and bright

Christmas lights are up on the homes.

We have already been to one Christmas party and have some more to go to. All of the food it is so good!

Christmas is one of my favorite holidays of the year. With all of the parties, the lovely decorations, watching all of the children with Santa and of course all of the good food, but we can't forget what the true meaning of the season is all about.

I hope that when you see someone in a store or on the street that you will do as I'm doing, wish them a Merry Christmas. See ya next week.

Sudan Happenings

- Sudan City Council on Thursday, Dec. 11, at 6 p.m.
- Masonic Lodge on Tuesday, Dec. 16, at 8 p.m.
- Church of Christ Ladies Bible Study on Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 10 a.m.

Buzz-A-Licious" Recipes

Lynette's oatmeal cookies...

The recipe this week comes from Lynette Burns. Lynette says that even if you don't like oatmeal that you will surly like this oatmeal.

Baked Oatmeal

- 1/2 C. Vegetable Oil
- 3/4 C. Sugar
- 2 Eggs
- 1 C. Milk
- 1/2 tsp. Salt
- 1 Tbsp. Baking Powder
- 3 C. Quick Cooking Oats
- 1/2 C. Raisins
- 2 Tbsp. Brown Sugar
- 1/2 tsp. Cinnamon

— Beat oil and sugar together. Mix in eggs, milk, salt, baking powder and oatmeal. Beat well. Stir in raisins. Pour into lightly greased pie pan or casserole dish. Sprinkle with brown sugar and cinnamon. Refrigerate overnight. Next morning preheat oven to 350 degrees. Bake until firm... about 35 minutes.

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Chamber awards given

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The Business of the Month is Tickled Paint. Pictured below are: Cory Collins, Camile Osterkamp, Celie Parham and Ray Ybarra



Muleshoe Art Assn. News

The Muleshoe Art Association's Christmas luncheon at the Girl Scout Hunt in Muleshoe on Dec. 2 was attended by members Barbara Carpenter, Sandra Chancey, Nelda Merriott, Ginnie Seifert, Ann Sowder, Frances Stegall, Misti Wilbur. New artists Martha Hunnicut and Susan Skipworth were welcomed as was one guest, Wannie Frazier.

Nelda Merriott introduced fun Christmas games, a door prize was awarded and Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Several members brought paintings for a 'critique and discussion' session — some 'works in progress' and some awesome completed works.

Sandra Chancey's work will remain on display at the Muleshoe Public Library through December and the Bailey County Coliseum display features Chancey, Merriott and Seifert.

Project Christmas Card deadline set for Dec. 29

Project Christmas Card will appear in the Jan. 1, 2009, edition of the *Muleshoe Journal* and the deadline for getting your contribution in is Dec. 29, 2008.

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Engagement

Scolley, winters engagement announced

Tony and Sondra Scolley announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashley Scolley of Lubbock, to William Winters, the son of George and Carolyn Winters.

The prospective bride graduated from Muleshoe High School, and is attending South Plains College majoring in paralegal studies.

She is employed by the Law Firm of Craig, Terrill, Hale, and Grantham In Lubbock.

The prospective groom graduated from George Town High School and will graduate from Texas Tech in December with a BBA in management.

He is employed as a flight paramedic with Southwest Med E Vac.

The wedding has been set for Jan. 10, 2009, at 4 p.m., at the Ashmore Inn and Suites in Lubbock.



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further described as follows:

A tract of land that lies generally southwest of West Avenue J a distance of 3 feet and northwest of W. 17th Street extended a distance of 564.39 feet.

For complete notice of Sale of Public Auction with conditions and restrictions contact the Muleshoe City Hall at 806-272-4528.

Published in the Muleshoe Journal on November 20, 27 and Dec. 4, 2008.

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR SALE: Three houses located south of Muleshoe Family Medicine Clinic. Interested parties may submit a sealed bid to

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