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Will Panda Ethanol build in Bailey County?

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The chances of Panda Ethanol Inc., building a processing plant in Bailey County seem to be getting smaller and smaller.

In January 2007 Texas Department of Transportation officials in Austin agreed to make the road improvements Panda Ethanol said would be needed to handle the huge amount of truck traffic expected at the plant, when the

plant began construction, and in November 2007 the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality had issued an air permit for the proposed Muleshoe area plant.

All-in-all, plans for the construction of the 115 million gallon-per-year plant had many in the county looking forward to a "non-oil" energy-related future.

"While we continue to remain focused on getting the Hereford facility on line in the first

quarter of 2008, we are also prudently managing the development of our other ethanol projects during a period of market

uncertainty, we fully intend to be ready when the markets rebound," said Darol Lindloff.

Panda Ethanol's chief executive officer, back

in 2007. "The granting of the Muleshoe air permit is an important step forward in that direction."

Even when Panda Ethanol's parent company, Panda Energy, suspended development of its new projects, including the one at Muleshoe, to focus

on completion of its plant construction at Hereford. Local enthusiasm remained high.

However, with the recent news that Panda Ethanol Inc. has filed for bankruptcy protection under chapter 11, with the intent of selling its nearly completed plant at Hereford, local hopes for Bailey County's ethanol-producing future have taken a serious blow.

Add to that the information, received from unidentified

sources, that Panda Energy has reportedly not renewed its option on the land northwest of Muleshoe covered by the TCEQ air permit — or a similar project at Stratford, and the outlook becomes even grimmer.

And efforts to receive a bit of encouragement from Panda officials were... well, disheartening also.

When company spokesperson Bill Pentak was contacted by the *Muleshoe Journal* he

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Financing not present to move forward...

'Everybody has a birthday...' it's the anniversaries that differ

As Tennie McCormick pointed out recently, "everybody has a birthday," to which her son, Van, pointed out, "Yes, but not as many as you."

The truth is... they're both right. While everyone has only one physical birth, it's all of the birthday anniversaries that pile up behind that first day that makes some birthday parties a little more special than others.

In this particular instance, Tennie's stack of birthday celebrations



Tennie McCormick

topped the century mark by two.

Born on Feb. 4, 1907, in Mason, Tennie attended

school in Eden with her eight siblings.

She recently recalled how her five brothers and two sisters shared a donkey to ride to school on.

In 1929, Tennie married and moved to Littlefield. before moving on to Muleshoe in 1946.

One of the most important things in Tennie's life, she says, has been her love for God and church. She was baptised at 16 years of age.

Her prayer today was
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Local officials to attend ag expo

Texas Commissioner of Agriculture Todd Staples will be attending the 2009 World Ag Expo, Feb.

State ring presentation set

The victory occurred back in December, but Muleshoe still isn't through celebrating.

On Thursday, Feb. 12, at 6:30 p.m., Mule fans will have another opportunity to cheer at the community-wide state championship celebration to be held at the Bailey County

10-12 at Tulare, Calif., with the High Ground of of Texas' team, according to Janet Claborn,

Coliseum.

"We're not sure of the whole agenda for the evening yet, but we at least know that the players will receive their state championship rings at that time," said Gene Sheets, superintendent of the Muleshoe Independent School

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director of the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation.

Claborn, along with other local individuals — Kim Black of Bailey County Electric and Jose Sanchez of Sanchez & Sons Construction, a member of the MEDC board, are also members of this year's High Ground team.

The World Ag Expo is the largest such event of its kind, and is held each year at Tulare's

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Getting behind the ears

Sometimes, you just can't wait until Saturday for a bath. Pictured above, municipal employee Richard Toscano of the City of Muleshoe takes advantage of Tuesday afternoon's warmer temperatures to wash one of the city's dump trucks.

Photograph by Larry Thornton



Jessica Carpenter is pinned at Levelland ceremony.

Muleshoe nurse is "grown at home"

"Dreams come true; without that possibility, nature would not incite us to have them." — John Updike.

A dream came true for several people from Muleshoe recently with the graduation of Jessica Carpenter from the South Plains College Muleshoe Center's School of Nursing.

Carpenter, the daughter of Curtis and Shelli Carpenter, was among about 30 other nursing students to

be "pinned" during ceremonies at Levelland on Dec. 11.

But, even though the recent honors were bestowed outside of

First nurse graduates from transition program

Bailey County, it was largely made possible by Muleshoe health care professionals, and the supporters of the local training program.

Having already graduated from South Plains College's licensed vocational nursing program in 2004, Carpenter later made

the decision to return to school with the dream of becoming a registered nurse.

She enrolled in the SPC transition associate

degree nursing program in the fall semester of 2007. It took three additional semesters of studies with ITV classes in Muleshoe along with labs and clinicals at two of the hospitals in Lubbock, but her goal has been accomplished and she recently began her second week of work at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center... where she was born.

When the idea for the Muleshoe Center first
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Mule ring ceremony

The 2008 Varsity Football Mules will be presented their championship rings during ceremonies on Thursday, Feb. 12, at 6:30 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Valentine cookies

Calvary Baptist ladies and youth are taking orders for Valentine cookies until Feb. 9. The nine-inch decorated and boxed cookies will be delivered with a message on Friday-Saturday, Feb. 13-14. Other items are also available. Calvary Baptist Church Ladies and Youth. Call 272-5248 or 272-3803 for additional information, or to place an order. All schools will be delivered on Friday morning only.

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.

Church concert

The Moodys will be in concert at Trinity Baptist Church of Muleshoe, 312 E. Ave. B, on Feb. 13, beginning at 7 p.m. Call the 272-4015 for additional information.

Championship T-shirts

Muleshoe Athletic Booster Club announces that the Championship shirt and cap orders are available for pickup at Muleshoe City Hall and Adrian Photography. Orders for each school campus have been distributed.

Energy assistance available

South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. has received additional funding from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to operate the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program during 2009.

The primary intent of this is to make funds available to enable SPCAA to respond to energy needs affecting low-income households. Priority will be given to eligible households containing one or more persons age 60 or above, a handicapped individual and families with young children under the age of six.

The basic philosophy of energy self-sufficiency will be the central theme in the CEAP. The program is designed to offer flexibility to allow for creative implementations and innovation.

Service delivery not only entails utility payments on behalf of the client, but also a system that addresses the underlying contributing causes of energy-induced hardship.

For additional information concerning this program contact Janie Posadas at 804 W. American Blvd., or call 272-7537.

Who are they?

Do you have any blank spots in your photo albums? Photographs that have been submitted for publication in the *Muleshoe Journal* may be picked up during regular business hours. The photographs above, and a large number of other photographs, have accumulated at the news office. Please reclaim these pieces of family history.

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‘Waterless’ West Texas has at least one benefit

There are some decided advantages to living in West Texas, and Muleshoe, which many of us tend to overlook. This was brought to mind the other afternoon when I saw a news reel... oops, I'm showing my age, make that a video, about a surfer who encountered a "spinning shark."

Apparently, a spinning shark is one prowling the shoreline in search of a school of fish, and upon finding one rockets through its midst, breaching or leaping completely out of the water in the process during its attempts to feed.

Sure, we don't have the surface water needed to house such an aquatic creature— and one inhabiting the waterhole in the new city park would have to be of the air-breathing variety, but just the same I'm glad the most ferocious critters we have to deal with in Bailey County appear to be prairie dogs.

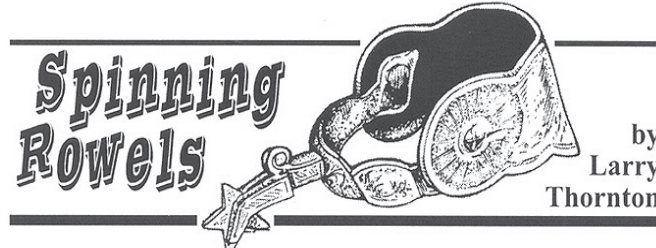
I think it's entirely appropriate that wild creatures keep to their designated areas. That's the trouble with the oversized ground squirrels the federal government believes should be protected around here... they tend to ignore property lines.

You might say they're a bit like the grizzly bears in South West Montana. I recall being at a church camp along the Boulder River one summer, when I noticed a huge sign a couple of miles south of the cabins that said, "Entering occupied grizzly area."

My first thought was "How nice of them... staying on the other side of the sign!" Too bad our prairie dogs can't read, or maybe we'd be able to contain them a little better.

Anyway, it's a good thing that the only shark we encounter around here are shrink-wrapped, and in the meat section of the local grocery.

I enjoy fishing, or rather I use to. I haven't had much opportunity to slip away for a bit of bankside enlightenment since I moved to West Texas. But I've always been uncomfortable about instances in which the fish and I pause for a moment to decide which



by Larry Thornton

one is going to be at the top of the food chain.

"Noodling" is such an event, where fishermen from southern states, including Oklahoma and Arkansas, decide to forego a fishing rod and capture catfish by shoving your arm down its throat and tickling its tonsils. I mean... what do you do if the fish is big enough to offer a little prayer of thanksgiving for the meal it's just been handed?

Another such even happened a couple of decades ago on a senior trip. (Hey, it's my story. If I'm going to overestimate the size of a fish, I certainly can underestimate the years since it happened.)

Well, we'd left the rest of the class far behind, and were paddling down a quiet section of

the Illinois river when what initially could have passed for a large log suddenly surfaced next to our canoe close enough to reach out and touch.

It was the largest gar I'd

ever seen. It snapped its jaws, splashing the water, before slowly sinking back into the depths.

It didn't have to do anything else to convince us to keep our hands in the boat for the remainder of the trip.

Yes, there are some advantages living in Muleshoe. For example, we can pray over a fish lunch on Friday without being prayed over in turn.

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- Entry forms must be received by February 20, 2009 at Bailey County Electric Cooperative, 305 E. Ave B, Muleshoe Texas 79347

Be the successful candidate during "The Youth Tour Interview" and you could win an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., with other winners from across the State of Texas.

The trip is June 11-19, 2009. We will select two winners from the area high schools.

- Questions should be addressed to Rickie Warren at (806) 272-4504 or toll free to (800) 869-7049.

Letters to the Editor

Area officer, resident speaks against alcohol sales issue

To the Editor:
I would like to express my opinion on the situation of alcohol in Bailey County.

My wife and I are both police officers and it is our duty to serve and protect the citizens of Texas in many ways. One of those ways is to apprehend intoxicated drivers.

My wife and I have had numerous dealings with drunken individuals while on duty, however the individuals that we have encountered while not on duty concerns me the most.

Last Sunday afternoon my wife and I had just left the United Supermarket to head back to our house when we observed a white vehicle driving erratically across the two main lanes of the highway and then into the right-hand shoulder.

In the process of this erratic driving, the vehicle almost struck a red Chevy pick-up and my vehicle as well.

Being police officers, my wife and I were immediately on the phone in order to get the

vehicle stopped. I called the dispatch in Muleshoe and Emily was on the line with Farmer County in the chance he stayed on the highway. We followed the vehicle down a dirt road after it had made a complete stop on Hwy. 84 and made a u-turn where it was actually driving in the opposite direction of traffic.

When the vehicle finally stopped, a man stepped out with a beer bottle in his hand and was very intoxicated.

Seeing and almost being struck by a drunk driver on a Sunday afternoon in my own town was not a pleasant experience, to say the least.

This experience also tells me that this county already has an issue with alcohol and with alcohol abuse. I am very concerned about the newest petition to approve alcohol sales in the city limits of Muleshoe.

I live out in the county and will not be able to vote on the measure if it gets on a ballot, but the

truth is that the issue will affect people beyond the city limits.

If a situation like what I experienced exists without the sale of alcohol, I do not like the prospect of what might happen to my family or anyone else's family if alcohol sales are approved.

There are some who argue that the opposition to the sale of alcohol are all old fashioned, out of touch with the modern world and perhaps just caught up with keeping up with the status quo of living in the "Bible Belt West Texas."

I would implore people to consider the matter on the basis of what they themselves truly believe and not what any other person or group opines.

My opinion on the matter does derive itself from my own personal faith and I believe in the saving power of the blood of Jesus Christ.

The Lord did drink wine and there is no argument on the matter nor should there be. If perhaps you don't desire to hear of a religious-

based argument then consider the following.

My opinion also is based on my own experiences with the effects of alcohol. My best friend's mother was struck and killed by a drunk driver a few years back. She was walking in her own neighborhood to get some exercise.

There are some who suggest that fear tactics are being used to oppose liquor sale. If "fear" is having to choose to put a sign in your yard or thus be ostracized from their church, then I pray that those people will never have to see the aftermath of a pedestrian-vehicle accident.

It is true that in drunk driving cases that it is a person who kills and not the beverage that they consumed.

I have seen a great number of otherwise good people go to prison for a lifetime because of their choices after consuming "a drink or two." Those people have now discovered that in the end it was really the drink that consumed them.

People have the right to demand that their families are protected. Those same people can choose whether or not to allow alcohol sales in the City of Muleshoe and I will still continue to be a part of the community regardless of the outcome. I sincerely submit to you my opinion as a police officer and as a citizen.

Daniel Patterson,
Muleshoe

MAHD special meeting called

A special meeting of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District has been set for Friday, Feb. 6, at noon, in the Muleshoe Area Medical Center dining room, 708 S. First St.

Among the agenda items listed for the meeting are:

- Open and consider acceptance of sealed bids for design-build project.
- Order general election for board candidates.
- Order special election for tax rate.
- Joint election agreement.

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Muleshoe hospital district board member addresses rate cap issue

To the Editor:
Okay, now, everybody get the knot out of your undies. The Muleshoe Area Hospital District board of directors is not going to raise your district taxes from 40 cents to 75 cents.

The tax was put in place when the hospital district was created. I and most of you voted for that. The rate has been increased over the years as necessary and was raised again when you and I voted to build Parkview Nursing Care Center and the 40 cent cap was put in place at the recommendation of the board of directors, and voted on in 2000.

The state allowable rate is 75 cents. In order to keep providing more than a band aid service we may have to raise the rate to 45 or 50 cents. Personally, this could raise my MAHD taxes \$152 per year. I would rather spend that on something else, but then again, I remember when we did not have a hospital, and Dr. Purdy had to put my son in the hospital in Amherst.

I can't tell you that this may be the last increase, but I can tell you that the board of directors and the employees of MAHD are doing everything possible to make this work.

The employees were not given any raises this year yet they helped to create a bare minimum budget for the system, and they are busting their guts to comply with the budgets set for their departments.

The roof on the hospital is so bad that our insurance company raised our rate by \$10,000 and increased our deductible at the same time. We are still paying for some equipment that is obsolete and must be replaced soon.

We will be interviewing applicants for the hospital administrator position very soon, and more than likely there will be changes at the hospital. But one thing that will never change is that the government and the courts demand that the hospital treat people who come in and some of those people cannot or will not pay for the services that have to be provided to them. And this is where most of your tax dollars go.

Our new Park View administrator appears to have turned that mess around. Words cannot describe the incompetence of the previous administrators we have had out there. Our financial director predicts that within a few months Park View should be operating on a break even basis. But accounts that were severely past due were paid with borrowed money that must be repaid. It takes time to clean up a mess. On the other hand, it is a very good facility that provides excellent care

for the patients, and you can be proud of it.

Yes, plans are in the works to add onto the Muleshoe Family Medicine Clinic building and move all the doctors there. This will enable MAHD to provide better service through extended hours and maybe even Saturdays. And, yes it is projected to cost \$1 million. The projection of increased income is arguably between \$100,000 and \$400,000 per year because it is a rural health clinic, where two of the existing clinics are not designated as such and this has to do with how much Medicare pays. This also will provide us with a modern facility which will enable us to recruit and retain new doctors when the time comes. Or, we can let them retire or leave and not replace them or see what you get.

MAHD, like the county, school district, and city are up against that proverbial stump where some things just have to be fixed or improved. I guarantee you that all involved are doing their best to solve the problems.

Bill Liles, MAHD
board member

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Columnist points out that 'some people really do change'

Time is a funny thing. Ten minutes can change your whole life. On the other hand, 20 years can seem to make no difference at all.

In his book Front Porch Tales, author and Quaker minister Philip Gulley tells of going back to his folks' home one spring

to help celebrate his nephew's first birthday. While he was there, he took a walk around the old neighborhood and saw, working out in their yards, a number of folks he hadn't seen in years.

As he strolled along, he saw one old gentleman he remembered very



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

well, Mr. Amos Welty, raking leaves to clear the way for six months

of the beautiful flowers for which the Welty yard was famous. The crocuses were already up, and Philip stopped to look at them. Seeing him, Mr. Welty walked over to talk, which made Philip a bit nervous.

You see, 20 years before, when Philip had

left for college, he and Mr. Welty had parted as enemies. As Philip explains, back then Mr. Welty was a sour man and just downright mean. He liked his yard a good bit more than he liked people. One day when Philip had made the mistake of walking on

Mr. Welty's grass, Welty had actually thrown a shovel at him.

But Philip recalled, "I upped the ante the next day by nailing him with a water balloon. He was pulling weeds, stood to stretch, and I caught him amidstips — Pow!"

Mr. Welty responded by calling the town police officer, Charlie Morelock, and an all-points bulletin ensued. Officer Morelock didn't have to look long. He found Philip back in his own front yard.

Philip recalls, "He [Officer Morelock] stopped his cruiser, climbed out, and walked toward me with his hand on his gun. He drew near, reached out, laid his heavy hand on my shoulder, looked me in the eye, and said, 'Good shot.' He didn't like Mr. Welty either."

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Happy Valentine's Day to all of our special senior citizens. You are all special to us and we appreciate your support of the center.

Tuesday, Feb. 10, the senior dance will be held. We are sorry we have missed having the dance but due to weather and other circumstances we have had to cancel.

Call your friends,

prepare your favorite dish for the pot luck supper and come to the center on Tuesday night. The music begins at 7 p.m., with the supper break at 8:30 p.m., and will end at 10 p.m.

Make plans to be here for fun and fellowship. Sandy will be our disc jockey with his great music.

Wednesday, Feb. 11, will be the regular monthly board of directors meeting. The

meeting will be held in the senior center at 1 p.m.

The meeting is open to the public and we invite you to come with any good ideas for improvement of the center and activities.

Thursday, Feb. 12, Ben Jackson with Hearing Technology of Lubbock, will be at the center from 9:30 a.m. until noon.

We appreciate this service for our seniors.

Mark your calendar if you need this service.

We have several of our senior citizens a little under the weather.

Our prayers and love go out to you. Take care, get well, and come back soon. We miss you.

Menu for Feb. 9 - 13:
Monday, Feb. 9 — Chicken pot pie, biscuit, salad and cookies.

Tuesday, Feb. 10 — Beef strips, brown gravy, cabbage, black eye peas,

cornbread and cake.

Wednesday, Feb 11 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat rolls and fruit cobbler.

Thursday, Feb. 12 — Pork roast, scalloped potatoes, mixed veggies, salad, wheat rolls and peaches and cream.

Friday, Feb. 13 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad.

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Obituaries

Johanna Wrinkle

Johanna Emma Schuster Wrinkle, 76, of Victoria, passed away Dec. 21, 2008. She was born on Oct. 2, 1932, in Priddy, to the late Otto and Emma Schuster.

Johanna was a wife, mother, community volunteer, and educator.

She was known in education circles as a master teacher having taught school for 22 years in Muleshoe High School.

Johanna was named "Teacher of The Year" three different times.

While teaching she authored numerous books on how best to teach English literature and to develop critical thinking in students.

She presented at numerous conferences and workshops.

After retirement, Johanna became a Liver Disease support group coordinator and wrote a book entitled "Living With Hepatitis C" about her spiritual journey.

She also served as president of the Women's Club House in Victoria and past president of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

She continued to keep her feet in education circles working as a substitute at the high school for her son who served as the principal of the school for five years.

She was a member of Northside Baptist Church.

Johanna is survived by her husband of 57 years, Roy N. Wrinkle of Victoria; a son and his wife — Gary and Diane Wrinkle of Dripping Springs; a daughter — Cynthia Ott of Fredericksburg; a daughter and her husband — Sharon and



Johanna Emma Schuster Wrinkle Phil Miller of Cypress; two brothers — Elmer Schuster and Otto Schuster, Jr.; a sister — Mildred Marshall; seven grandchildren — Jonathan Bolding, Mark Bolding, Bobby Miller, Austin Wrinkle, Taylor Wrinkle and Cameron Wrinkle; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Including her parents she was preceded in death by her sisters — Agnes Schuster, Edna Johnson and Ester Green; a brother — Arnold Schuster; and a son — Todd Wrinkle.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Dec. 26, at Northside Baptist Church, with the Rev. Tim Williams officiating.

Burial was held on Saturday, Dec. 27, at Zion Lutheran Cemetery in Priddy.

Serving as pallbearers were Jonathan Bolding, Mark Bolding, Bobby Miller, Austin Wrinkle, Taylor Wrinkle, Cameron Wrinkle and Phil Miller.

Memorial donations can be made to the American Liver Foundation, 1425 Pompton Ave, Cedar Grove, NJ 07009.

Rosewood Funeral Chapels was in charge of the arrangements.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.mem.com.

Kenneth Hanks

Graveside services for Kenneth Hanks, 75, of Muleshoe, were held on Friday, Jan. 30, at Bailey County Cemetery with the Rev. Montv Leavell and County Judge Sherri Harrison officiating.

Kenneth died on Tuesday, Jan. 27, at his residence. He was born on Jan. 2, 1934, to Jim and Altha (Morrow) Hanks in Vealmoore, and married Charlie Willman in Muleshoe on Feb. 20, 1954.

He was preceded in death by a son — Gary, on July, 29, 1997, and a brother — Dink Hanks.

Kenneth moved to the Muleshoe area in 1953 from Lamesa. He owned and operated an aerial crop sprayer

service in Muleshoe for many years. He was also foreman of Allsup Construction for five years.

Survivors include his wife — Charlie; a son and his wife — Dicky and Debbie Hanks of Bardstown, Ky.; two sons — Bret Hanks of Porterville, Calif., and Wes Hanks of Muleshoe; a sister — Judy Hanks of Brady; seven grandchildren — Chris and his wife Dawn, Dusty, Ashley, Bretney, William, Ruby and Elizabeth,

Memorials Muleshoe Heritage Foundation, P.O. Box 201, Muleshoe, Texas 79347, or New Mexico Christian Children's Home, 1356 N.M. 236, Portales, NM 88130-9411.

Ashel Richardson

Funeral services for Ashel Richardson, 88, of Marble Falls, formerly of Bula, were held on Feb. 2, at the Hammons Funeral Home Chapel in Littlefield, with Sam Nichols officiating. Burial followed at Littlefield Memorial Park.

Richardson died on Jan. 28, 2009 in Marble Falls.

Richardson was born on July 16, 1920, in Grady County, Okla., to John W. and Ollie Richardson, and married Oleta Joyce Elkins on Sept. 2, 1949, in Plainview.

He moved to Bula in 1933, later becoming a member of the first graduating class of the Bula Independent School in 1937.

Richardson served with the 13th Armored Division, during World War II.

He and his wife ran the Richardson General Store in Bula.

They moved to Marble Falls in 1991, where he was a member of the First Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife by one month. He was also preceded in death by his parents; a son — Charles Ray Richardson; a brother — Edward Richardson; and a sister — Maudena Claunch.

Survivors include a son and his wife — Mike and Jean Richardson of Muleshoe; a daughter and her husband — Margaret and Jerry Teaff of Marble Falls; two grandchildren, a great-grandchild; two



Ashel Richardson

sisters — Sylvia Hubbard of Lubbock and Mary Ewing of Belle Vista, Ark.; a brother and his wife — John and LaNora Richardson of McDonald, N.M.; a sister-in-law — Elvia Richardson of Brady; and a brother-in-law — Robert Claunch of Bula.

Engagement



Jared Hettinga and McKenzie Hanehan

Hanehan, Hettinga to wed

Clifford and Kathleen Hanehan of Stillwater, N.Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, McKenzie Hanehan, to Jared Hettinga.

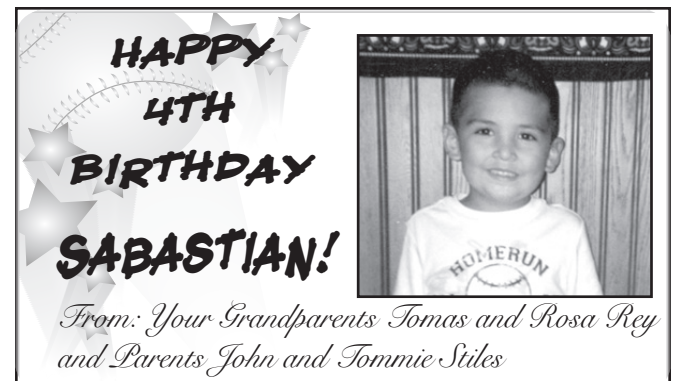
The prospective bride is a 2004 graduate of Schuylerville High School and a 2006 graduate of Morrisville College with an associate's degree in agriculture business, and a 2007 graduate of Cornell University with a bachelor's degree in animal science. She is currently employed by Hilmar Cheese Co. of Dalhart, as a producer

services coordinator. The prospective groom is the son of Pete and Melody Hettinga of Muleshoe. He is a 1996 graduate of Ripon Christian High School and a 2001 graduate of Fresno State University with a bachelor's degree in dairy science.

He is currently employed as the manager of his family dairy, 3-H Progress Dairy, in Muleshoe.

A June 6 wedding is planned in Stillwater, N.Y.

The couple plans to reside in Farwell.



Mary Winn

Graveside services for Mary Loyce Winn, 85, of San Antonio, formerly of Brownwood, were held on Monday, Feb. 2, at the Mukewater Cemetery with Bill Slaymaker officiating.

Winn died on Friday, Jan. 3, 2009, in a San Antonio care center. She was born in Emory to Robert and Ruth Horsley.

She was preceded in death by her husband — Brooks Winn; her parents; two brothers — Doug and Ches Horsley; and two sisters — Ouida Pitner and Jewel Chandler.

Survivors include her daughter — LaTrece O'Connor; a sister — Ann Howel; a brother and his wife — Joe and Dorothy Horsley; and a granddaughter.

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Sports

Lady Mules take second victory against district favorite

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Sarah Johnson needed 19 points going into Tuesday night's game in Floydada to have 1000 points as a varsity Lady Mule.

She light up the score board with exactly that amount to help lead the Lady Mules to a surprising 54-46 win over the Lady Winds in Floydada.

The Lady Mules had surprised Floydada in their second game of district Jan. 13. The Lady Mules won that game 56-50 and upset the district favorite. Few believed the Lady Mules could do it again on the road, especially the Lady Winds.

Frustration was rampant in the Big Green Monster as the Floydada gymnasium is called by the locals as the Lady Mules doubled and tripled their post players. They did not shut them down but they held them below their averages.

"It was a shootout between their post players and our guards," said Lady Mule coach Val Acree. "Our kids frustrated them and caused a lot of havoc in the lane while our guards



Photograph by Stacy Conner

Lady Mule Morgan Smith slips, but still forces a Fryona player to pass.

were able to put the ball on the floor and take them off the dribble."

"It was a fun game for us. We came in relaxed and they seemed pretty up tight and had blood in their eyes. It is all about match ups and tonight we slowed their posts and they had no answer for our guards."

BreAnn Baca provided a portion of the havoc

when she came off the bench in the second quarter. Floydada had jumped out to a lead in the first period to lead 10-8 at the quarter break. The Lady Mules did not score until Val Olivas broke the ice with 3:52 left in the first period.

Baca doubled down on Floydada's post and took a charge from Megan Aleman. On the next trip down the floor Baca stepped in front of Aleman to steal a lob pass and set up a fast break opportunity for the Lady Mules.

Then Johnson drained a 3-pointer in the second period to fan the fuse that Baca had ignited. Morgan Smith drove for a pair of lay ups before setting up out side the arc and knocking the bottom out of the net for a trey. The Lady Mules finished the

half with a 16-8 run to lead 24-18.

Floydada was still stunned in the third period as Johnson dropped in her second 3-pointer of the night and Smith attacked the bucket for a pair of hoops and a charity toss. The Lady Mules out scored Floydada 12-9 to increase their lead to 36-27. There were only eight minutes to play.

Floydada would make a run at the Lady Mules and cut their cushion to five points but the Lady Mules would come firing back. Johnson was five of six from the charity stripe in the final quarter. Yvonne Gardea finished a pair of fast breaks and converted an old fashion three-point play and chipped in two more points from the charity line.

Johnson set the scoring pace with 19 points that

included four two-pointer, two 3-pointers and was five of six from the line. Smith made one 3-pointer, five 2-pointers and was one of two from the line for 14 points.

Yvonne Gardea added nine points Gizell Vasquez dropped in five. Gabby Agundis added to the frustration of the Lady Winds with four steals during the evening along with three points. Olivas and Janae Pyle chipped in two points each.

The Lady Mules made the long trip to Childress on Friday night to tangle with the Lady Cats for the second time. The Lady Cats seemed to have the Lady Mule's number as they defeated the Lady Mules 65-62.

The Lady Mules trailed 41-35 at the intermission after running out to an 8-2 lead in the first period. The score was tied after the first eight minutes at 20-20. The second quarter belonged to Childress as Randa Jeter and Savanna Keys dropped in a pair of 3-pointers each.

The Lady Mules stepped up their defense in the third period and the Lady Cats to just five points. Johnson made a pair of hoops, Vasquez, Smith and Olivas added one buck each. The Lady Mules led 47-46 going into

the final quarter.

The Lady Mules could not hold back the final charge by the Lady Cats as they posted 20 points in the final eight minutes to 15 for the Lady Mules. Johnson had a long 3-point attempt that would have tied the game but it banged off the front iron as the buzzer sounded.

Smith led the Lady Mules with 18 points and she made 14 of those in the first half. Johnson was held to 11 points and made no three pointers. Gardea and Olivas finished with eight points each and Janae Pyle had seven. Vasquez and Agundis had four points each and Baca chipped in one.

The Lady Mules played at home Tuesday night when the Tulia Lady Hornets visited. The Dimmitt Bobbies comes to the Muleshoe Athletic and Convocation Center on Feb. 6 and the Lady Mules complete their regular season on the road in Fryona against the Squaws.

The District 2-2A standing through Jan. 30 has Floydada in first place at 5-2 and Tulia is second at 4-3. Childress, Dimmitt, Fryona and Muleshoe are all tied for third at 3-4. The final standings will be determined in the next three games.

Mules brave icy roads to face 'top teams'

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules ran into the top two teams in the district this past week while on the road.

The Mules braved the cold and ice on Tuesday night to tangle with the hottest team in the district. The Floydada Whirlwinds were 3-0 in district and 21-0 going into the game.

The Whirlwinds only loss this season was to the highly rated class 3A Brownfield Cubs in their season opener. They are currently undefeated in district and have the longest winning streak in Whirlwind history.

Tuesday was not much different for the Whirlwinds as they jumped out to a 14-5 lead over the Mules with Dillon Gallman sitting on the bench in his street

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Sports

Varsity Mules... Continued from page 6

clothes. The injury only kept Gallman out of action for the Floydada game.

Nick Hurtado had all five of the Mule points in the first period with a hoop with 1:16 left in the quarter and a 3-pointer as the period drew to a close.

The Whirlwinds continued to blow away from the Mules in the

second period with a pair of treys and 18 points. The Mules did pick up the scoring pace with Hurtado sticking in his second 3-pointer of the game and Wes Wood battled for a pair of hoops. The Mules trailed 32-16 at the intermission.

Hurtado and Stevie Cisneros each dropped in treys in the third frame and Lane Wood

got on the board with a hoop. The Mules trailed 44-24 with eight minutes left to play. Floydada continued their assault in the final quarter despite W. Wood nailing a pair from behind the arc and Cisneros made his second 3-pointer of the night. The Mules scored 15 with Cooper Washington finally getting on the board with

three buckets.

Hurtado led the Mules will 11 points and W. Wood added 10. Washington finished with eight points, Cisneros had six and Zach Toscano and L. Wood made two each.

The Mules were called for 24 fouls in Childress as they battled the Bobcats Friday night. The Bobcats had only 11 fouls called

on them. Wes Wood and Nick Hurtado both had to leave the game early with five fouls each.

The Bobcats had a Clydesdale by the name of Justin Hicks and he owned the paint. He was allowed to wade through the defense of the Mules.

The Mules trailed 25-19 at the intermission and dropped back three more points in the third quarter as Hicks scored three baskets and was three for three from the line for nine points.

The Mules made a run at the Bobcats in the final eight minutes. Hurtado had a hoop and 3-pointer before he fouled out. W. Wood made three hoops and two from the charity line before his final foul was called.

Washington made a baby hook shot from eight feet and a pair of free throws for his best quarter. The Mules out scored Childress 19-15 but ran out of time and

man-power before the game ended.

W. Wood led the Mules with 16 points and Gallman made three 3-pointers and had a total of 12 points. Hurtado and Washington made eight each and Nathaniel Chavez and Devine Bullock chipped in two apiece.

The Mules played at home Tuesday night when the Tulia Hornets visited the Muleshoe Athletic and Convocation Center. They will stay home on Friday when the Dimmitt Bobcats visit and then will go to Friona February 10 to face the Chieftains.

When the dust settled Friday night the Floydada Whirlwinds led the district with a 5-0 record for sole possession of first place.

Childress is second at 4-1 and Dimmitt and Muleshoe are tied for third with records of 2-3. Friona and Tulia are tied for fifth place at 1-4.

Mules bring home more powerlifting wins

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Powerlifting is a non UIL sport but is sanctioned by the Texas High School Powerlifting Association.

The state is divided into eight regions and the Mules are in Region I, Div. 3.

Div. 3 includes all of class 1A and 2A schools. Class 3A schools compete in Div. 2 and the 4A and 5A schools make up Div. 1.

A lifter can qualify for the regional meet by being in the top 10 lifters in a weight class. The Region I Meet will be held in Levelland on March 14.

Each contestant competes in three styles of lifting, the Squat, the Bench and the Deadlift. The contestant gets three attempts at each style and the best lift is used and all three styles are added for a total weight to determine a winner.

If a contestant misses on all three attempts then they "bomb out"



Mule Weston Griswald prepares to lift during Floydada meet.

Photograph by Stacy Conner

and are not allowed to go to the next style of lifting so no weight achieve for that meet.

The Mules were in Floydada on Saturday.

"We took 10 lifters to Floydada and they all did a great job," said Mule powerlifting coach Kirk Byrd. "For many it was their first meet and that is always a little scary having to lift in front of judges. Six of the kids

placed and I am proud of that."

Caleb Conner led the Mules with a gold medal finish in the 165 pound class. He was named the Best Overall Lifter for the meet in all classes.

Joseph Strader took the bronze medal in the 275 pound class.

Eddie Herrera also took the bronze medal in the 114 pound class.

Clay Pena took fourth

in the SHW class (Super Heavy Weight class).

Cole Hawkins earned fifth place in the 242 pound class.

Weston Griswald also placed fifth in the 114 pound class.

The Mules travel to Vega for a meet on February 14 and may have a meet on Feb. 28.

The Texas State Meet is held in Abilene on March 28.

Ladies Golf Assn. News



MATTHEWS, PAT KIRK AND ANALITA HALEY

The Muleshoe Ladies Golf Association met on Wednesday, Jan. 21, with MLGA president Pat Kirk calling the meeting to order with a prayer of gratitude led by Aelen Templeton, Treena Matthews, Kirk, and Jerie Flowers served the ladies a lunch of red beans and rice, cornbread, salad and chocolate-chocolate Truffle.

January birthdays included Flowers, LaVerne Winn, and Deborah Noble 31.

Sheila Stevenson called roll and read the minutes from October's meeting. There were 23 present.

Marlene Martin gave the treasurer's report.

Templeton set up the play day teams. Nine people competed and were divided into three scramble teams.

The winners were Matthews, Kirk, and Analita Haley.

The ladies showed Elinor Yerby their appreciation for the entertaining scrapbook. Yerby will continue doing this scrapbook.

The door prize name was drawn by Stevenson and won by Anita Black.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 18.

Focus on Faith...

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So it was with a bit of trepidation that, 20 years later, Philip saw Mr. Welty heading his way.

He needn't have worried. Mr. Welty smiled, extended his hand, they shook, and they had a nice talk about the beauty of spring in general and flowers in particular.

"Twenty years ago, he [Mr. Welty] had been corroded with anger; now he was gentleness personified. He had changed."

When Philip talked to

his dad about it, his dad said that after Mr. Welty's mother had died some years after Philip had left, he had become a very nice man. All alone in the world, he realized that, rather than throwing shovels at children, he was better off inviting them in for bubble gum and cookies.

The yard had a few bare spots now, but Mr. Welty had friends, and his home was a much lovelier place.

And isn't it a lovely thing to know that some people really do change?

Energy assistance is available

South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. has received additional funding from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to operate the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program during 2009.

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Seller, City	#	Type	Wt	CWT or PH
ARMANDO SALAS, HEREFORD.....	295	BLK BULL.....	295	\$115.00
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LAZY D CATTLE, MAPLE.....	667	3 CHAR STR.....	667	\$90.00
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DAN DAY JR., MEADOW.....	490	17 MXD. STRS.....	490	\$97.50
DAN DAY JR., MEADOW.....	569	37 MXD. STRS.....	569	\$92.75
E3 RANCH, PLAINS.....	518	5 MXD. BULLS.....	518	\$87.00
JAKE WEATHERBY, LEVELLAND.....	573	22 BLK STRS.....	573	\$92.25
CHRIS KELLEY, OLTON.....	608	3 BLK. BULLS.....	608	\$84.00
PHILLIPS FARMS, PORTALES.....	631	7 BLK STRS.....	631	\$92.00
E3 RANCH, PLAINS.....	400	BLK HFR.....	400	\$93.00
GARY WOOD, SPRINGLAKE.....	460	2 BLK HFRS.....	460	\$91.50
TONY BEAUCHAMP, BOVINA.....	498	5 MXD HFRS.....	498	\$85.50
SUZANNE DOVAL, LUBBOCK.....	502	5 BLK HFRS.....	502	\$85.00
PHILLIPS FARMS, PORTALES.....	602	3 BLK HFRS.....	602	\$85.00
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JOHN HILL, ABERNATHY.....	758	8 BLK HFRS.....	758	\$78.00
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JIM PAT CLAUNCH, MULESHOE.....	1220	4 CHAR PAIR.....	1220	\$860.00
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What things do families **need** to budget for? What things are nice to have or do, but are something extra that we **want**? **Read each item below and circle "W" for things we want and "N" for things our family needs. Next, find and circle each word in the family's house.**

1. clothes	W	(N)	13. food	W	N
2. furniture	W	N	14. water	W	N
3. new toy	W	N	15. dinner out	W	N
4. amusement parks	W	N	16. cell phones	W	N
5. transportation	W	N	17. computer	W	N
6. electricity	W	N	18. candy	W	N
7. newer furniture	W	N	19. insurance	W	N
8. shelter	W	N	20. phone	W	N
9. heat	W	N	21. extra car	W	N
10. savings	W	N	22. cable T.V.	W	N
11. vacation	W	N	23. video games	W	N
12. magazine subscriptions	W	N	24. taxes	W	N

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- save extra _____ and put them in a jar
- keep an eye out around town for thrifty _____
- rent a _____ instead of going to the theater
- toss your _____ every other day into the laundry (instead of every day)
- help your Mom and Dad by clipping _____
- update your card at your local _____ and take out books, DVDs, CDs
- dress sensibly so you can keep the _____ at a reasonable temperature
- help hand-wash your family _____ rather than taking it to the "car wash"
- make your own _____ rather than buying them from the school cafeteria
- turn off the _____ when you leave a room
- accept hand-me-down _____ (no complaints!)
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It's always smart to start to stash a little extra cash away. You can start your own cash stash by doing small jobs for family, friends or neighbors. You might be able to do extra chores around the house. Talk to your Mom or Dad to see if any of these ideas would "work" for you!

Little jobs add up to good "cents!"

Chitter did **four** extra chores this week to earn a little extra cash. He made **\$12.75**. Read Chitter's list of jobs (that his parents gave him permission to do). **Check off four chores that add up to \$12.75.**

<input type="checkbox"/> walk dog 75c	<input type="checkbox"/> shovel walk \$5.00
<input type="checkbox"/> clean out closet \$4.50	<input type="checkbox"/> dust the house \$2.00
<input type="checkbox"/> wash dishes \$1.25	<input type="checkbox"/> water plants \$1.75
<input type="checkbox"/> fold laundry \$2.50	<input type="checkbox"/> vacuum \$3.25
<input type="checkbox"/> wash windows \$3.00	<input type="checkbox"/> organize family CD/DVD collection \$4.25

Hint: You might need a pencil and a piece of paper or a calculator to help add the money. There is more than one answer.

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Heritage Board Report

The Muleshoe area has something truly unique for any place but especially so for this rather sparsely populated area.

This beautiful and unique heritage center is the result of great dreams, talented and hard working volunteers, the support of the community along with grants from interested and generous foundations and individuals.

The Muleshoe Heritage Foundation board met Monday, Jan. 26, at the Santa Fe Depot. These meetings are an example of the dedication it takes to bring about such a miracle.

Through the past 25 years, board members have given time and expertise to work out all of the details necessary in such an adventure.

Board members present at the meeting were: Tom Watson, president; Joy Cage, vice president; Jenne McVickor, secretary; Sheila Stevenson, asst.; Gary Hooten, treasurer; Jean Allis, publicity chairman, Ann McElroy, asst.; and members Joe Bob Stevenson, Tonnie Adrian, Kathy Vandevender, and center hostess Dolores Harvey.

The opening prayer was given by Hooten, and McVickor read the minutes, which were approved.

The treasurer's report was given by Hooten, and was approved.

The center hostess brought a report stating that there were 1,200 visitors at the center last year from 14 states and three foreign countries.

Members discussed how unusual the newest addition, the dugout is to the center.

Sheila reported that a handrail has been installed at the dugout for safety reasons. This newest addition came from Bailey County and depicts how many early pioneers of this area lived.

Ann reported that a grant of \$2,500 has been approved from the Chapman Forestry Founder of Lubbock for the purchase of trees to be placed by the dugout.

Ann presented the idea for a tree memorial project in which a tree or trees could be donated to honor or in memory of someone.

Plaques would have pertinent information

marble stones to be buried by the trees. This type of plaque is maintenance friendly and permanent.

Members approved motion to go forward on this project.

Stevenson said the center has been offered an old 1952 fire truck which was the first in Bailey County.

Hooten noted that an old planter has been offered to the center. Members voted to accept these donations.

Adrian gave a report about the tour de Muleshoe for this year. The tour will be held June 20, the Saturday before Father's Day. He said plans must be started immediately and is asking for nine sponsors this year.

Jay will go to the city to request funding from the hotel/motel funds for advertising.

This bicycle ride brings more than 200 riders, family and friends to the area, so is very important.

A discussion followed about this need for an activity director and members voted to follow up on this the next meeting. Meeting adjourned.



Business of the Month...

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture selected Leal's Tortilla Factory, located on Ash Street, as the January Business of the Month. Picture above are: Back row — Cheryl Puckett, Kim Griffin, Dave McNeill and Mark Anthony; front row — Owner Sergio Leal, Celie Parham and Joe Ambriz.

Gregory hired as vice president

Dan M. Gregory has been hired as vice president of commercial and agricultural lending for First United Bank.

Gregory received his Bachelor's of science degree in agricultural economics from Texas Tech University in Lubbock, and has more than 15 years of agricultural experience and specializes in agricultural lending.

He is actively involved with several civic and community groups, including: First Baptist Church, Plains Cotton Growers, Abernathy Junior Basketball and Running Rebels Basketball.

He is a TASO official and is a past member



DAN M. GREGORY

of the Petersburg Lion's Club, past board member for the Petersburg Livestock Show, past director of the Dallam-Hartley County Farm Bureau and is a Master Marketer graduate.

Gregory will be responsible for developing agricultural lending relationships for the bank.

Trinity Baptist to host concert

The Moodys will be in concert at Trinity Baptist Church of Muleshoe, 312 E. Ave. B, on Friday, Feb. 13, beginning at 7 p.m.

Call the 272-4015 for additional information.



The Sudan Buzzy

Sudan Happenings...

- Wednesday, Feb. 4 — KFC at Sudan First United Methodist Church, 4 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 5, — Church of Christ Ladies Bible Study 10 a.m.

Buzz-A-Licious" Recipes

This weeks recipe comes from Angie Carson. Angie says that this has become one of her favorite recipes partly because it is chocolate and partly because it is so fast and simple. Every one enjoy.

Crock Pot Candy

- 1 (16 oz.) jar dry roasted peanuts, unsalted
- 1 (16 oz.) jar dry roasted peanuts, salted
- 1 (12 oz.) pkg. semi-sweet chocolate chips

1 (4 oz.) bar German chocolate, broken into pieces

3 lbs. (or 2 planks) white almond bark, broken into pieces

Put ingredients into a 4 or 5 quart crock pot in order listed. Cover and cook three hours on low. Do not remove lid. Turn off crock pot after three hours and cool slightly. Mix thoroughly and drop by small scoops onto waxed or parchment paper. Let cool completely.

Buzzing away...

By Norma Burnett



Well, January has come and gone and February is moving right along. Seems like everyone is busy with all kind of activities.

We have had some very beautiful spring like days but by the calendar it is still winter. I have seen some little yellow flowers in my flower bed and my little violets are blooming so maybe spring is not far behind.

We could sure use some badly needed rain so maybe it will come soon. Everything I touch really gives me a shock. I can even pet Bandit, our cat and his fur stands up and I get a shock from petting him.

Maybe we all need to just say a little extra prayer for some rain. Well, I guess I have said enough this week. So hope all of you have a very good week and may the Lord shine upon you. See, ya, next week.

School news needed

I would like to put news from Sudan Schools in the Buzz call 227-2024 or e-mail me at "charleb@fivearea.com."

I will be glad to get the articles in the paper every week.

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 Boehning Dairy
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 Fred Locker
 Fry & Cox
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 Gene Sheets
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 Higginbotham-Barlett Co.
 Hi-Tek Automotive
 Honeycomb
 Honey Do Bar B/Q
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 Jan Lawrence
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We sincerely appreciate all contributions which have been made to the Bailey County Junior Livestock Show, whether monetarily, by services, by donations, by purchases in the product and animal sale, or whatever other manner of support you extended. If we have inadvertently left anyone off of our “thank you” ad, we extend our apologies. It is not our intention to overlook anyone who supported our 4-H and FFA youth in the 2009 show.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY LAND APPLICATION PERMIT AMENDMENT OF INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER

Permit No. WQ0004811000

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Reliant Processing Group, LLC, 3700 Kermit Highway, Odessa, Texas 79764, which operates Reliant Processing-Muleshoe Facility, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a major amendment to TCEQ Permit No. WQ0004811000 to authorize an increase in the daily average flow from 4,320 gallons per day to 10,000 gallons per day; to increase the daily maximum flow from 5,000 gallons per day to 12,000 gallons per day; and to increase the hydraulic application rate to 4.63 acre-feet/acre/year. The current permit authorizes the disposal of condenser once-through cooling tower condensate at a daily average flow not to exceed 4,320 gallons per day and a daily maximum flow not to exceed 5,000 gallons per day via irrigation at a hydraulic application rate not to exceed 2.48 acre-feet/acre/year. This permit will not authorize a discharge of pollutants into water in the State. TCEQ received this application on May 7, 2007.

The facility and land application site are located six miles west of Muleshoe on Farm-to-Market Road 1760 in the City of Muleshoe, Bailey County, Texas. The facility and land application site are located in the drainage area of the Double Mountain Fork Brazos River, in Segment No. 1241 of the Brazos River Basin.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at the Bailey County Courthouse, 300 South 1st Street, Muleshoe, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name; address, phone; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are germane to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tcea.state.tx.us/about/comments.html within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.TCEQ.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Reliant Processing Group, LLC at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Heath Babcock at 800-523-5566.

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HELP WANTED

Elevator Help Needed

The AGP Grain Marketing elevators are in need of elevator help for various locations. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and must pass a pre-employment physical and drug screen. Must be able to work in grain dust. If interested, please pick up applications at the main office in Bovina or call 806-251-1521 local, or toll free at 866-583-7362. tfm717

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Security Officers, \$8.00HR Full/Pt Time, pd vacation, matching 401K, clear criminal record, pre-drug screening. Call Jerry 806-295-8357 or 806-206-9459 at Silverhawk Security. EOE / M / F / D / V 2ch2/5

The City of Muleshoe is taking applications for a worker in the Public Works Department. High School Graduate/GED required. Upon employment, subject may be required to pass a drug test. Applications can be picked up at City Hall, 215 South First, Muleshoe, TX. Position open until filled. EOE, ADA. 2ch1/29

Teacher Aides, TMC Head Start Muleshoe Center. Assists the Teacher in the classroom and helps on the bus. Requires at least a high school diploma. Send resume to jim.rodriquez@mail.tmccentral.org or 806-763-9136. EOE. 1ch1/29

Great Buys are in the Classifieds!

Needed experienced Automotive Technician. Contact Terry Burton. 806-272-5330. 3ch1/22

Bailey County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for an administrative assistant/secretary. Pick up application at Sheriff's office, 405 W. Second, Muleshoe. 1ch2/5

HOUSE FOR SALE BY OWNER

712 W Ave K, Muleshoe, TX. 3-2-2 Brick home, Central heat/air, 7' privacy fence, 15 x 30 workshop, storm windows, & more upgrades. Call 806-272-6809 or 806-778-7435. 4pd1/22

1006 W. 6th St, Muleshoe, TX. Nice 3-2 on corner lot, approx 2,000 sq. ft., den, lvg room, utility, lg bedrooms w/x-lg walk-in closets, large master bat, kitchen-ceramic tile, double oven, 2 water heaters, central H/A, sprink sys, 14x24 workshop/storage. Asking \$105,000. Call Monica 272-2015. tfm2/5

FARM FOR SALE

40 acres for sale. 9 miles East on 70. 1 mile N, County Roads on north and east sides. Irrigation well, no pump. Call Bob Lowe. 325-583-2000. 4ch1/29

SERVICES

Concealed Handgun Classes, call for class dates, also private classes available, Certified Instructor Toby Turpen, 806.364.6362. 6pd2/5

REAL ESTATE



Lamb County - 160 Acres northwest of Earth. Excellent soil. Lays perfect, 3 wells, Center pivot. Good set of catch pens for livestock.

Southern Parmer County - 160 acres. Late model sprinkler, 2 wells make 500 g.p.m. Good bases & yields. Corners in CRP at good rate.

Northern Lamb County - 320 acres, 2 sprinklers, 5 wells all tied together. Lays perfect. Excellent. Excellent soil. Good fertility.

Lamb County - Amherst Area - 177 acres of grass with 3 bedroom, 2 bath house with basement. Has 30 x 50 Metal barn. Grass was previously in CRP, currently has allotments with good direct payment. House and barn with 5 acres can be sold separately or grass can be sold separately.

Bailey County - West of Muleshoe. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house with small barn on 20 acres \$75,000.

Lamb County - North of Earth - 1280 acres. 7 pivots. Good bases & yields. Can be sold all together or in as many as 4 tracts 1-160 acre tract lays in Castro County. Balance is all contiguous. Other listed farms also contiguous.

Cochran County - 354 acres, 316 acres of C.R.P. with 2 years remaining. 35 acres cultivated. Barn and other outbuildings. Previously irrigated 2 wells. 2 pivot pads and underground pipe still in place.

Bailey County C.R.P. - 354 acres, 1 year left on contract. Good grass cover, can be good improved pasture or return to dryland production.

Lamb County - North of Springlake. 310 acres, 2 center pivots, 4 wells, 940 acres of C.R.P. with 5 years left. Balance is allotted.

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PRICE REDUCED!!!! - Beautiful 3 bedroom, 1 bath, brick home, central A&H, appliances, lg. family room. Storage buildings, fenced backyard, single car garage, carpet. This is a MUST see home!

Commercial Listing - 120 W. Ave C., approx. 2100 sq. ft., building will make a nice office space, good location.

Beautiful 3,000 plus sq. ft. home on 4 plus acres, NE of Lazbuddie, central heat/air, FP, sunroom, finished basement, MANY EXTRAS!!

TO BE MOVED - 16x80 Fleetwood, 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, built-in, heat pump, all electric, nice porch, great starter or get away home. Priced to sell.

NEW LISTING - Parmer County 160 acres, good producing quarter with good water. Call Carleton Johnson 806-789-4289.

NEW LISTING - 128 acres w/ pivot. Will divide. Call Carleton Johnson 806-789-4289.

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- NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, auto spkr, fenced yd., covd. patio, workshop, stor. bldg.!! \$155K!!!
- NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fans, approx. 1718' lv. area, fenced yd.!! PRICE REDUCED - \$98,000!!!
- 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, auto spkr., fenced yard., cov. patio, wkshp./stor. bldg.!! \$184,900!
- 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 spkr., large finished basement!!! MUCH MORE!! PRICE REDUCED \$249K!!!
- 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 \$129K!!!
- 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. spkr., 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, spkr. sys., fenced yd.!!
- NICELY REMODELED 3-2-2 Brick, new Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 3125' lv. area, spkr. 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. spkr., workshop/storage, fenced yd., corner lot!! \$169,500!! Reduced to \$149,500.
- VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx 1920' lv. area, cov. patio, fenced yd., auto. spkr., & 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 spkr., stor. bldgs, \$149K!!!

HIGH SCHOOL AREA

- NICE 2-1 1/2-1 Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, basement, screened patio, fenced yard, approx. 1762' lv. area!! \$82,000!!!
- REMODELED 3-1-1 Home, Cent. A&H, New paint, carpet, siding, fenced yd., stor. bldg.!! \$60K!! Reduced - \$55,000.
- Nice 2-1 1/2-2 Home, Cent. Heat & Air, built-ins, lg. utility/work area, basement, workshop/ storage area, fenced yd., 1567' lv. area!! \$69,500!!!
- Nice 2-2-2 carport mobile home (special built w/ 2x6 exterior walls), 70' x 120' lot, built-ins, Cent. A&H, thermal windows & doors, covered porch, deck, sto. bldg. fenced yd.!! \$35K

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!!
- VERY NICE 1600' Bldg. on 122' x 150' tract, built in 2004, cent A&H, 1650' paved parking!! GREAT LOCATION!! \$99K!!
- 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 sheeterin 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

- EARTH - VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fans, fenced yd., 16' x 20' workshop/storage!! \$74,500!!
- 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 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!! \$92,500
- 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!!

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Brand New queen pillowtop mattress complete set, in plastic, warr. \$135. 806-549-3110. 1ch2/5

Complete Bedroom Site 5-pc, fruitwood finish, never used. \$450. 806-438-0081. 1ch2/5

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Brand new double pillowtop mattress set. \$120. Twin mattress set \$99. In Plastic. 806-549-3110. 1ch2/5

Adjustable Bed & Queen mattress, Brand New!! warr. \$995. 806-549-3110. 1ch2/5

All Leather 5-pc sofa set, can separate. Brand New. \$650. 806-549-3110. 1ch2/5

Cherry bedroom set, complete 6-pc, New Boxed, \$675. 806-549-3110. 1ch2/5

Dining table & 4 chairs. Never used. Dark Oak finish. \$270. 806-549-3110. 1ch2/5

Brand New micro suede sofa, loveseat, 3-pc table set, lifetime warr. Can separate. \$500. 806-549-3110. 1ch2/5

Counter height table & chairs. Ebony finish. New from mfg. \$399. 806-549-3110. 1ch2/5

Bed, Victorian style, cherry finish, wood solid construction, never used, \$295. 806-438-0081. 1ch2/5

Education

A note from the Superintendent

Watson Junior High athletic dress code...

By Gene Sheets

Muleshoe ISD not only teaches reading, writing, and arithmetic, but we also teach our students about life.

We teach about character; we teach about having a good work ethic, and we teach that it is important to treat each other with respect.

One of the ways we teach about life is that we expect students to follow our dress code, because how people present themselves can make a difference in their success.

The way a person dresses really does affect the way a person feels about himself or herself and the way he or she performs at school or work.

It also affects the way other people see them. That's why we have a dress code. We want students to understand that most good jobs require a dress code for employees so that the employee makes a good impression on the company's customers.

At the junior high, our two new coaches for our junior high boys, Coach Gonzales and Coach Stafford, have implemented a new dress code for the junior high athletes.

This new dress code has helped to change the climate and attitude in our junior high. These coaches require the football players to tuck

in their shirts at school.

This simple act has really had an impact on everyone on campus. It is great to hear teachers complimenting our students on how nice they look, and it is great to hear our assistant principal, Steve Myatt, giving compliments to some of the same students whom he used to give detentions for dress code violations.

Our junior high coaches have instilled respect and discipline in the junior high athletic program. A specific example of what our coaches have done this year came to light when a student told his dad that he couldn't wait for athletics. When asked why he felt that way, the student's answer said it all. He said that the coaches don't let anyone talk back, and they expect us to do what is right.

Our junior high and high school coaches not only teach students about their sports activity, but they also teach students life-long skills that will serve them well when they graduate from high school.

All of the faculty and staff at Muleshoe ISD are making a tremendous difference in the lives of our students! They are always willing to go the extra mile to help a student who is struggling or who wants additional help. They have high expectations for students in every area at school.

It's exciting to be a part of Muleshoe ISD. We are all committed to preparing our students to be productive members of society, because our students are our future.

Births

Leland Garcia

Antonio Garcia and Kelly Hauff of Muleshoe announce the birth of their son — Leland Chuckie Garcia, on Feb. 3, 2009, at 7:50 a.m., at Lamb Healthcare Center of Littlefield.

Leland weighed seven pounds, three ounces at birth, and was 20 inches in length.

His brother is Matthew Hauff.

Leland's grandparents are Irene Garcia, and Christine and Terry Hauff.

Library News

New books at the library include:

Easy — *If You Give a Cat a Cupcake* by Laura Numeroff; *Dooby Dooby Moo* by Doreen Cronin.

Large Print Fiction — *Fire and Ice* by Julie Garwood; *Plum Spooky* by Janet Evanovich.

Regular Print Fiction — *Seasons of the Heart: Four Bestselling Novels* by Janette Oke; *A Bride for Donnigan* by Janette Oke; *Where the Wild Rose Blooms* by Lori Wick.

Birthday...

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"If I should die before I wake, I pray the Lord, my soul should take."

Tennie also enjoys visiting the sick and taking meals to those in need, when she was not working at the upholstery shop. She worked until 1979.

Being an excellent seamstress Tennie has made 145 Lone Star quilts, giving quilts to all of her children and grandchildren.

She had 4 children, three of whom are still living and at last count 37 grandchildren.

Tennie lived at home until two years ago. She is now a resident at Parkview Nursing Care Center where she participates in many of the activities. She enjoys playing balloon volleyball, the Hokie Pokie and Bingo.



Students of the Week

The Watson Junior High Students of the Week, for the week of Jan. 30, were: Carlos Martinez, Felipe Espinoza, McKenna Dunham, Lyzette Trevino, Arthur Recio and Evelyn Contreras. They were selected for the honor for their ability to show respect to all people at all times, show kindness to others, and accept criticism with honor.

Wilcox benefit supper set

A benefit steak supper and dessert auction has been set for Saturday, Feb. 28, at 6 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum.

The tickets are \$50 per couple. For additional information call 946-7363 or 946-9129.

State ring...

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District.

The state championship medals from UIL will also be given that night as well.

Local fans will have the opportunity to congratulate the players, and receive autographs, and following the ceremonies Coach David Wood will be providing commentary on the game film for those wish to "re-live" Muleshoe's victory.

College news releases

If your college student is graduating or has made the Dean's or President's List, in order for that information to appear in the *Muleshoe Journal*, we must receive notice from the respective educational institution. Your son or daughter must sign a release so the information can be sent to us. Have them visit their bursar's office to sign a form indicating they wish to share their good news! Once permission to share information has been granted, the college or university should send the info via email to: editor@muleshoejournal.com.

High Ground team...

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International Agri-Center. More than 2,500 exhibitors and 250,000 attendees are expected at this year's show.

The High Ground of Texas will also be hosting its hospitality event, the seventh annual "High Ground of Texas Tailgate Party" to be held on Wednesday, Feb. 11.

This annual tailgate party continues to be a huge success, according to High Ground officials, serving more than 600

potential clients each year, resulting in an estimated 150 annual visits to the region regarding business opportunities.

The High Ground of Texas is a regional economic development marketing coalition that represents the northern 60+ counties in West Texas.

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explained that at this time the project at Muleshoe, and several other locations, hadn't received the financial support they needed to move forward.

And while Pentak said the future of the Muleshoe project was "unknown at this time," attempts to illicit even the most banal statement of encouragement were soundly rebuffed.

Thus the dreams of Margaret Heathington, Barbara Finney and several others came into play with the establishment of Muleshoe's nursing program in association with South Plains College.

"The goal was to keep our kids at home," Sharon Grant, former Muleshoe City Councilperson and a current member of the Muleshoe Area Educational Foundation board.

Grant thinks it is especially fitting that the first graduate of the program has such deep roots in Muleshoe.

"I am grateful for my opportunity to attend the Muleshoe Center," Carpenter said. "The experience made it possible for me to work in the community and develop meaningful relationships with community members."

Carpenter's plans are to remain in Muleshoe and eventually teach at a nursing school helping others realize their dreams as well.