





# Editorial

## Bipartisan image crumbles

The recent rumblings from Pennsylvania Avenue suggest that the image of bipartisanship displayed during Pres. Barack Obama's first month in office has been just that... image alone.

When faced with Republican opposition to an ever-increasing stimulus package, the President had harsh words for the GOP's "lack of bipartisanship," forgetting that compromise is a two-sided street.

It appears that the President has confused bipartisanship with desertion... desertion of the core values and principles of conservative legislators, and the constituents who elected them.

The President's reminder that "he" was the one who won the election in November totally ignores the fact that many on Capitol Hill won their elections as well, and a good many of them were elected on the promise they would oppose portions of the current administration's political agenda.

All is fine when the conservative leadership kowtows to the traditional Democratic "free money" principles, but to interject ideas from the other side of the aisle - suggesting that economic growth is just as possible if tax dollars are left with the original owners and redistributed by the

## MAHD...

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Police Department, were present at the bid opening.

Selection of the building company is expected to be place on the hospital district's Feb. 26 meeting agenda.

## Letters Policy

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federal government, is apparently intolerable in the mind of the current President. In other words, the only acceptable bipartisanship appears to be on the terms of liberal Democrats.

We shouldn't be surprised that the President has laid our country's entire economic mess at the feet of the former administration. But it is absolutely amazing to think that the former senator from Illinois doesn't recognize that while the captain may steer the ship, it's the legislative boiler room that provides the steam. There is more than enough blame to be passed around on Capitol Hill, especially inside the Democratic-controlled House.

And we aren't surprised by his description of Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi as his greatest partner in the events to come. In truth, we were scared enough with this just being an assumption. But to cry out for "bipartisan" action while brandishing such a sword of liberalism is at best self defeating.

Yes, Mr. President, a bipartisan effort is needed in these tough economic times, but this bipartisan effort should be one in deed and not just words.

## City council...

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to the preliminary plat for property in the Richland Hills addition.

- Received the Muleshoe Police Department's annual traffic contact and "profiling" report, of which Mayor Pro-Tem Irene Mason noted that no incidents of alleged racial profiling had been report.

According to the report, the police department had made 1,076 traffic contacts and 47 vehicle searches, and 23 custodial arrests during 2008.

- Approved the minutes from the Jan. 12 meeting.

## Commissioners court...

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director Jacky Wayne Burris in which it was noted that eight of the 13 students in the ongoing EMS class are from Muleshoe.

It was also reported that of the \$13,000 spent on the EMS "first responder" vehicle \$6,533 would come from grant funds, \$3,122 from the insurance received for the accident that totaled the EMS car, and the remainder from a transfer of funds from the EMS' fuel budget.

Burris talked briefly about the amount the EMS had billed recently, noting that it hadn't included transfer fees.

"The transfers are what pays the bills," Burris said, and with the decline in such fees came a decline in the EMS department's billing totals.

- Approved the annual racial profiling report from the sheriff's department without discussion.

- Approved payment of county bills totaling \$345,041.26.

- Approved minutes from the January regular meeting with a minor correction.

- Approved soil conservation worksheets totaling \$1,650 for work completed by the county road crews for Native Grass Farms.

## 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.

## 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.

## MHS blood drive set

United Blood Services will be holding a blood drive Friday, Feb. 13, from 9:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m., in the choir room of at Muleshoe High School. Individuals interested in donating should make an appointment by contacting Sharon Villa at 272-7309 or Crystal Vasquez at 272-7302.

You will need to bring photo identification and have eaten a hearty meal before donating. Anyone under the age of 16 will need parental consent and if unable to provide a photo ID, will need a copy of his or her school transcript. Parental consent forms along with copies of school transcripts may be picked up in the High School office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## 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.

Live entertainment will be provided.

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

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The Muleshoe Retired Teachers Association met on Jan. 16, at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center in Muleshoe. Ron Hohes opened the meeting with prayer, then the group said the American and Texas pledges.

The members in attendance included Ron Hohes, Rose Sain, Alene Bryant, James Sinclair, Evelyn Ellington, Mary Neil Bleaker, Georgia Pena, Norma Prather and Jean Allison.

Hohes announced that our fund was still financially sound. Mary Nell gave the financial

report, which included our children's book fund.

Evelyn Ellington took the number of voluntary hours each member has worked.

These will be added together, sent to the state office of retired teachers, then added to other units, sent to the state to show how many hours that retired teachers have saved the state in dollars.

Hohes mentioned we should be thinking of candidates for local offices for next year and also be making plans to attend

the state convention if possible.

He also introduced speaker for the meeting, Laverne Winn' who gave some informative and interesting facts about the senior center in Muleshoe.

The building was given by Dr. Pummel with the wish that we would replace roof and that we would name the center after his mother-in-law, Oneita Wagnon.

Kenneth Henry came up with the idea of selling the big posters with the family picture and family history. They sold well,

there is no room left for more to be displayed.

Everything has been bought by grants. Many grants have been gotten and many dollars have been raised to qualify for these grants. Ann McElroy has been responsible for writing up these grants.

SPAG pays the center for each signature on their books each day. This pays for the food served and donations pays other expense. Utility bills have \$1 that goes to the center.

James Sinclair closed the meeting with prayer.

## MISD football field renovation considered

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Carol Precure voting against the issue.

Concerning the possible renovations at the football field, board president David Tipps said, "I think it's something that's needed to be done for a long time."

The bleachers on the home side currently hold about 1,200. The proposed expansion would probably increase the seating to about 1,700.

"We should take this a step at a time," Superintendent Gene Sheets said. "We're going to need to do it at some point, but we sure don't have to."

The motions regarding the proposed additional construction projects included hiring architects to draw plans and prepare cost estimates for presentation to the school board.

Regarding the school district's ongoing construction, the school board talked about how the district would display its athletic awards in the foyer of the new gymnasium, and also held the first reading concerning a new policy on donations intended to honor the district's athletic teams and individuals.

"We need to showcase the success our athletes have had," Sheets said.

"What's wrong with what we're doing right now?" board member Daniel Guzman asked.

It was explained that the district's athletic recognition policy needed to be standardized as much as possible, and that even though the public seemed to show its strongest support for the football team, the participants in other sports needed to be honored in a similar manner.

It was pointed out that the school district had at least one other state championship under its belt prior to its 2008 football win, a championship in cross country track.

Also regarding the ongoing construction, it was noted that the work on the classrooms at DeShazo could be finished in April, and that problems with the concrete poured in the vicinity of the locker rooms in the new high school gymnasium had been brought to the attention of Lee Lewis Construction and would be addressed.

In other business, the school board:

- Were informed that four of the seven portable buildings purchased by the Lockney Independent School District had been moved.
- Approved the minutes from the Jan. 19 regular meeting.
- Approved the adoption Update 84 to the board's policy manual.

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office at Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

Although candidates for a Bailey County position won't be on the ballot for the May election, Bailey County voters who reside in the Muleshoe city limits may have the opportunity to vote on another liquor sale election.

Initially defeated in a county-wide vote in the November 2008 elections, the issue resurfaced for a restricted City of Muleshoe vote, as allowed by Texas state liquor laws.

According to Bailey County officials, the petition requesting the liquor sales issue be placed upon a ballot for Muleshoe voters — which was filed by Bailey County Precinct 4 Commissioner Juan Chavez, was submitted for verification on Friday, Feb. 6.

County Judge Sherri Harrison said during Monday's regular commissioners' court that following the verification of the petition's signatures, state law states the commissioners "shall" order the issue placed on the ballot.

At Monday's meeting, Precinct 1 Commissioner Butch Vandiver expressed his disapproval of the liquor election issue being resubmitted in the manner it was, adding that he would not vote for its placement on the ballot.

Vandiver said Bailey County voters decided the issue at the November elections, and he would abide by that decision. On the other hand, after the state's required waiting period, if the issue was represented for a county-wide vote in a year or two that would

be a different matter.

Under current state laws, at least one year must pass before the issue can be presented for a county-wide vote.

County officials couldn't answer a question on whether Chavez will be allowed to vote on ordering the liquor election, since he is the individual who file the petition.

Although the liquor election — should the petition pass its signature vetting, will be restricted to Muleshoe's registered voters it is still a Bailey County election issue, requiring the commissioner's court to act and pay for participation in the joint May 9 elections.

At the City of Muleshoe, the position of mayor — currently held by Cliff Black — will be up for grabs in an "at-large" election. The city council

ordered the election, and approved a series of election agreements with the other public entities during Monday's regular meeting. Individuals wishing to file for the election should contact City Secretary LeAnn Gallman.

The Muleshoe Independent School District's trustee election, also scheduled for May 9 at city hall, will be for positions currently held by Thurman Myers and Bruce Barrett.

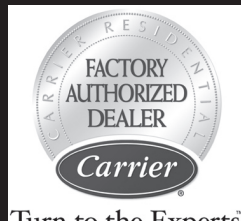
The filing deadline for candidates in the May 9 elections is March 9.

Early voting is set for 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., April 27 to May 5. Extended early voting hours are set for 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on April 28 and May 5.

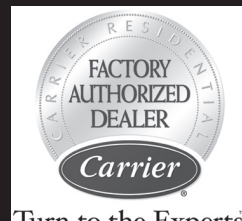
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# Columnist says: 'For God's kids, the world is always expanding'

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at 125 N. Goliad Street in Amarillo, my world expanded one sidewalk at a time.

My younger brother and I were great adventurers. His mighty steed was a red and white tricycle. Mine was orange and white and

slightly larger. All it took to turn the trikes into motorcycles was an index card or two and a couple of clothes pins.

We would ride out from the porch and pedal down to the hill that was the driveway slope to the street.

If you did it right, you'd pedal faster than a gerbil chasing his tail on a treadmill and then, just at the top of the slope, you'd lift your feet off the pedals and let gravity hurl you down the slope.

And you'd clutch the

handlebars hoping to properly negotiate the turn to the sidewalk at the bottom.

Once on the sidewalk, the real adventure began. At first, we were restricted to just the walk in front of the house.

Then we were allowed

to venture on over to the Harrises on one side and the Roaches on the other.

(Roach. It's sort of a shame that it was the top of their fencepost. Jim it blew off a few years later when we began to

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## Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Hey, everyone, we will be open Monday, Feb. 16, Presidents' Day. So come on in and enjoy the fun and fellowship, plus the good eats.

Wednesday, Feb. 4, if you were not at the center, you missed a great birthday party. Mr. A. E. (Eugene) Redwine was surprised with a party at noon time at the center.

Needless to say he was so surprised to see relatives from Lubbock waiting on

him for lunch.

The birthday cakes were beautiful. His daughter, Donna and her husband, Jerry Don Glover, hosted the party. It was a wonderful day for Eugene and Mildred. Eugene was celebrating his 90th birthday. They also celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary. God bless you both.

On Tuesday, Feb. 17, the Rotary Club will be at the center for lunch. We are looking forward to

having them. We always like to show the center off. So make plans to join them for lunch and fellowship.

Tuesday is also Bunco day for all you players. Be at the center by 10 a.m. The winners receive good prizes.

Thursday is the Bingo day. We have a lot of fun and fellowship playing Bingo. We ask that you bring a can of food for the food bank. There are so many that need

help. We are blessed to live in a community that is willing to help their fellowman.

Just a reminder that we do have computers here for you senior citizens if you need to use one. We also have a fax machine should you need to have something faxed to you or send a fax to some one else. We also have copying machines for the seniors to use. This is your center, use it for your better life.

We still have several of our senior citizens under the weather. We pray you will soon be well. We miss you at the center.

Some of our senior citizens have lost loved ones. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.

Monday, Feb. 16 — Grilled chicken breast, macaroni and cheese, peas and carrots, salad, wheat rolls and cherry cobbler.

Tuesday, Feb. 17 — Brisket, pinto beans, potato salad, pickles, onions, peppers, cornbread and cake.

Wednesday, Feb. 18 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll and brownies.

Thursday, Feb. 19 — Stew, salad, cornbread, fruit and cookies.

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# Obituaries

## Benjamin Gramling

Benjamin Memory Gramling, 83, of Muleshoe, died on Sunday, Jan. 25, 2009, at the Santa Cruz Skilled Nursing Center in Santa Cruz, Calif.

He was born on June 4, 1925, in Stanton, to Benjamin Madison Gramling and Viola Elnora Johnson-Gramling, grew up in Robert Lee, and graduated from Robert Lee School in June 1942.

He served in the Marine Corps, 1942-1946, and received his teaching degree from North Texas

State College, Denton. He began his career at Muleshoe Independent School District in 1961. His career with the Muleshoe High School spanned over 28 years.

Gramling was preceded in death by his second wife, Wanda Gramling, and is survived by his first wife, Barbara Gramling, their children — Peter Martin Gramling, Anne Marie DeSoto and Benjamin Matthew Gramling; nine grandchildren, five great grandchildren and one great-great-grandson.

## Carla Shafer

Memorial services in celebration of the life of Carla Susan Shafer, were held on Tuesday, Feb. 10, at Oak Leaf Banquet Hall, 3921 Naco Perrin Blvd, San Antonio.

Shafer died on Feb. 5, 2009. She was born on Feb. 10, 1963,

Shafer was preceded in death by her mother and father — Glenda and Sonny Shafer; and a brother — Alick Shafer.

Survivors include a daughter — Lia Payne; a son — Eric Payne; and a sister — Tonya Shafer.



Carla Susan Shafer

Memorials may be sent to the Marrow Foundation at [www.marrow.org](http://www.marrow.org).

## MHS blood drive set

United Blood Services will be holding a blood drive Friday, Feb. 13, from 9:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m., in the choir room of at Muleshoe High School.

Individuals interested in donating should make an appointment by contacting Sharon Villa at 272-7309 or Crystal Vasquez at 272-7302.

Donors will need to bring photo identification. Anyone under the age of 16 will need parental consent and if unable to provide a photo ID, will need a copy of his or her school transcript.

## Focus on Faith

Continued from page 4 experiment with a chemistry set and branched out to minor explosives. Life is unfair enough to anyone named Roach.)

A little later, we were allowed to pedal on down past the Klaus' house (Mom and Pop Klaus owned the A & W Root Beer drive-in on Sixth Street. Great folks!) and beyond.

Somewhere along the line we added new horses to our stable of rides.

Lee Meadows, a really nice gentleman who worked at Northwest Texas Hospital, donated to the cause an old four-wheeled frame that probably came off the bottom of a hospital meal cart.

We laid plywood on the top and learned to spin it for some centrifugal excitement as we launched down the hill.

Skates were fun, too. At first, they were the kind you stuck to your street shoes using a skate key (which was always lost). Then we pirated the wheels from old skates, nailed them to 2X 4s, and tried skate-boarding.

hose boards were a far cry from the present NASA-engineered marvels complete with retro-rockets. Any pebble would stop our thin steel wheels cold, with unpleasant results.

Then came bikes, and our world began expanding by city blocks and then down and around West Hills Park.

And then we were push-or roll-starting an old VW Beetle whose starter was on the fritz.

The rest is history. We're in our 50s now and our world is still expanding.

What a shame if God's people fail to explore and serve past four walls, or the city limits, or national borders, or denominational lines, or even time itself.

God's kids are part of a very large kingdom indeed. How sad if we allow our own sometimes stunted minds to make it seem small when the world itself and time can never truly constrict it.

## Hugo Vasquez

Church services for Hugo Vasquez, 41, of Muleshoe, were held on Monday, Feb. 9, at Immaulate Conception Catholic Church of Muleshoe with Father Pat Maher officiating.

Rosary was said on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 7-8, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Muleshoe.

Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Vasquez died on Friday, Feb. 6, in Lubbock. He was born on March 18, 1967, in NL Mexico to Isauro and Consuelo Vasquez, and married Yolanda Garcia in Muleshoe on March 18, 1989,

Hugo owned and operated Hugo Vasquez Construction in Muleshoe

and was a building contractor. Hugo was a Catholic.

Survivors include his wife — Yolanda; two sons — Victor and Uriel Vasquez; a daughter — Samantha; his mother — Consuela Vasquez of Muleshoe; five sisters — Margarita Guterrez of Muleshoe, Rosa Amelia Vasquez of Muleshoe, Juana Vasquez of Muleshoe, Maria Consuelo Facundo of Michigan and Maria Elizabeth Reyes of Muleshoe; and seven brothers — Francisco Vasquez, Isauro Vasquez Jr., Israel Vasquez, Marco A. Vasquez and Joel Vasquez, all of Muleshoe, and Alberto and Rolando Vasquez, both of Snyder.

## Mable Wood

Funeral services for Mable Wood, 96, of Sudan, were held on Monday, Feb 9, at Sudan Church of Christ with the Rev. Robert Roecker of the Sudan First Baptist Church and Joe Wood officiating.

Burial was in Sudan Cemetery.

Wood died on Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009, in Littlefield. She was born on Jan. 30, 1913, to W.G. and Earnah Williams in Hunt County, and married Robert Ray Wood in Sayer, Okla., on Dec. 22, 1932.

He preceded her in death on April 25, 1986. She was also preceded in death by two sons —

Calvin Wood on May 12, 1993, and Dan Wood on July 2, 1992.

Wood was a homemaker and a member of the Sudan Church of Christ. She was a graduate of Wellington High School.

Survivors include her daughters-in-law — Naomi Wood Foster of Lubbock, Mary Wood of Sudan; seven grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Sudan EMS or the Sudan Fire Department, PO Box 491, Sudan, Texas 79371.

## 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.

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# Sports

## Lady Hornets slip away from varsity Lady Mules

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Tulia Lady Hornets slipped away from the Lady Mules Tuesday night in the final quarter.

The Lady Mules led 29-27 going into the final eight minutes of play. Tulia heated up at the right time to out score the Lady Mules 19-9 to leave town with a 46-38 win over the Lady Mules.

The Lady Mules had dropped a heart breaker in Dimmitt when the Bobbies drained a 3-pointer that cleared the net as the final buzzer sounded in overtime. The Bobbies had won 52-49.

The Lady Mules evened the score Friday night when the Bobbies came to town. Tough Lady Mule defense in the second quarter set the stage for the win as they out scored the Bobbies 12-7 to open a 25-17 lead at the intermission.

The Lady Mules cruised through the second half for a 52-45 victory with just one game left to play.

Tuesday's games may not decide all the district playoff representatives. The best case scenario would put the Lady



Photograph by Stacy Conner

The Lady Mules fight for the ball during the game against the Lady Hornets.

Mules in a four-way tie for second place while the worst case would eliminate the Lady Mules. And in the middle could be a three-way tie for third.

Tulia jumped out to a

17-12 lead over the Lady Mules in the opening period. The Lady Mules clamped down on the defense and held the Lady Hornets to a single point in the second quarter.

The Lady Mules over took and passed Tulia in the second quarter with a pair of free throws by Yvonne Gardea. Sarah Johnson scored seven in the first period and five in the second for 12

points in the first half.

Morgan Smith drained a 3-pointer in the second quarter after making a basket in the first period for five points at the half.

Janae Pyle converted an old-fashion 3-point play in the first period. The Lady Mules led 22-18 at the intermission.

Johnson, Gardea and Pyle made a basket each in the third quarter and Gabby Agundis made one from the charity line. Tulia scored nine in the third quarter to cut the Lady Mule lead to 29-27 entering the final eight minutes of play.

Johnson nailed a 3-pointer and added a basket in the final quarter and Smith made a pair of baskets for the Lady Mules nine last period points.

The Lady Hornets knocked down three 3-pointers and two baskets in the final quarter. They also made six of 10 from the charity line.

Johnson led all scorers with 19 points. Smith added nine points, Pyle had five, and Gardea made four and Agundis chipped in one.

Smith was more active offensively against

Dimmitt and broke the scoring ice 13 seconds into the game with a driving lay up and scored two more baskets in the period.

Agundis stuck back an offensive rebound. Johnson made a pair from the free throw line and drained a 3-pointer as time ran out in the first period to give the Lady Mules a 13-10 lead.

The Lady Mules clamped down on the Bobbies in the second quarter and held them to seven points. Smith kept up the heat on the Bobbies with a free throw, a bucket and a trey for 12 first half points.

Johnson, Gardea and Val Olivas each scored a bucket in the second quarter to give the Lady Mules a 25-17 lead at the half.

Dimmitt came roaring back with 13 points in the third period. Smith scored a lone free throw in the third and Agundis made a short jumper.

Johnson provided most of the artillery for the Lady Mules and banged home a 3-pointer and drove the lane for three baskets.

The Lady Mules led 37-30 with eight minutes

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## Hornets' 'sharpened stingers' blunted after first quarter

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Tulia Hornets came to visit the Mules with their stingers sharpened and poured in 24 points in the first period to lead the Mules 24-15. But the Mules controlled the next three periods and sent the Hornets home with a stinging 61-58 loss.

The Mules allowed a five point lead to slip away in Dimmitt but built on a four point lead in the final quarter Friday night. The Mules sent the Bobcats home with a blistering 72-62 defeat.

Cooper Washington only scored two points in the opening quarter

against Tulia but Dillon Gallman opened the night with a 3-pointer and added a second in the quarter. Nick Hurtado sandwiched a trey between two buckets for seven in the first period. The Mules trailed 24-15 going into the second quarter.

Washington began

to take control of the paint with two buckets and a pair of charity tosses. Beau Avila and Hurtado added a bucket in the quarter. Wes Wood scored a bucket while being fouled and converted the charity toss for a three-point play. Lane Wood ripped the net from outside

the arc as the Mules out scored the Hornets 16-9 and trailed 33-31 at the intermission.

Washington pounded in eight in the third quarter and Hurtado made a pair of buckets to knot the game at 43-43 with eight minutes left to play.

Gallman and

Washington made six points each in the final quarter and W. Wood had a bucket and two charity tosses for four points. Zach Toscano made a bucket to give the Mules 18 in the final quarter while holding the Hornets to 15.

Washington led all scorers with 22 points on the night. Hurtado dropped in 13 points and Gallman had 12. W. Wood added seven points, L. Wood made three and Avila and Toscano chipped in two each.

The Mules light up the score board with four 3-pointers in the first quarter. Gallman knocked down two and Hurtado and W. Wood made one each. Avila, L. Wood and Nathaniel Chavez added a basket each. The Mules led 23-18

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Wes and Lane Wood sign letters of intent with ENMU on Feb. 3.

## Woods sign with ENMU

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

Assistant High School Principal Vince Erdman set the stage for the double signing that took place in a packed Muleshoe High School Library recently.

He said, "It is National Signing Day in America and high school football players can sign their letters of intent to play for the college of their choice."

"Muleshoe High

School is proud to be sending two of our finest just across the state line to Eastern New Mexico University," Erdman said. "Lane and Wes Wood hope to not only advance their football skills at Eastern but also increase their academic skills as well."

Several family members joined Lane Wood and Wes Wood at the signing table.

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# Sports

## Wes, Lane Wood sign with Eastern New Mexico University

Muleshoe's head football coach David Wood was acting as coach, dad and uncle to the boys.

Muleshoe Assistant Superintendent Don Wood was the presiding administrator as well as dad and uncle.

The boy's mothers, Tonda and Jody Wood, also joined them at the table along with a sister, a brother, a niece and grand parents. It was a very happy occasion for all involved.

When ask about his choice of Eastern New Mexico University Lane said, "They made us a great offer and it is close to home. Maybe a little closer to home than I had first thought I might like but really, I just wanted to play some more football."

"I would have gone other places but being able to continue to play on the same team with Wes really capped it off for me," Lane added. "There is a good chance

that we will get some playing time soon."

Lane Wood was chosen by the Texas Sports Writers as the Co-MVP on defense and first team all-state linebacker. He racked up 95 solo tackles and 58 assists during this past season. He made 11 tackles for losses, two sacks, and hurried the quarterback 10 times.

Lane was credited with causing one fumble, intercepting one pass and broke up eight passes. He recorded nine big hits and made one special team tackle. But he played

on both sides of the ball and rushed 137 times for 1501 yards, an 11 yard per carry average.

Lane averaged 107.2 yards per game rushing and scored 14 rushing touchdowns. He also caught 65 passes for 806 yards, a 12.4 yard per catch average and converted eight passes to touchdowns. He accounted for 2307 yards of offense for the Mules.

Wes Wood had some of the same thoughts as his cousin, Lane, but he also said, "I really had no idea how nerve

racking making this decision would be. This really takes a load off my shoulders. Eastern made us a really good offer and now Lane and I get to start down a new road," Wes said.

"We visited some other schools but it seemed that our playing opportunities would come sooner at Eastern than in some of the other schools. The Greyhounds are rebuilding and want to move to the Spread Offense we ran the last few years."

"I look forward to being a Greyhound but will always be a Mule at heart," conclude Wes Wood.

Wes Wood set a new Panhandle passing record with 64 touchdown passes in a season. He completed 278 of 439 passes on only had eight picked off. He threw for total of 4546 yards. That is 2.58 miles of offense through the air.

Wes occasionally got to play defense and made 13 tackles and had five assists. He broke up two passes and made two

special team tackles.

Coach David Wood was beaming with pride as he watched the boys sign the papers to play for the Greyhounds. Following the signing Coach Wood said, "This is a dream come true for these two boys. As both a coach and parent you hope all the athletes get this opportunity."

"In reality we know that not all our kids will want to continue to play but it is really nice when they get the opportunity to continue their education on a scholarship," he added. "This is a dream come true for these two boys. They have dreamed and talked about playing college football ever since they first began to throw a ball around in the back yard."

"We don't know where this road will take them. They still have a lot of growing to do and they will have a great time. Our whole family is looking forward to watching them play on Saturdays," said Coach Wood.

## Varsity Mules...

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after one quarter.

The Mules cooled down in the second quarter with Washington leading the Mules with seven points of the Mule's second quarter points. The Mules held Dimmitt to 12 to hang on to a 33-30 lead at the intermission.

The Mules picked up the scoring pace in the third period with Hurtado making back-to-back 3-pointers and Gallman made his third of the game to begin the second half. W. Wood and Washington had a basket each for 13 points and again held Dimmitt to 12 to lead 46-42 with eight minutes to play.

Defense seemed to leave the gym as the Mules out scored Dimmitt 26-20 in the final quarter. Gallman drained a pair of treys and W. Wood made one 3-pointer. Hurtado nailed a 3-pointer and made two free throws.

Gallman led the Mules with five 3-pointers and 17 points. Hurtado hit four treys and made 16 points. Washington dropped in 13 points, W. Wood and Chavez added nine each. Avila and L. Wood chipped in three each.

The Mules traveled to Friona Tuesday to face the Chieftains for the second time this season. The Mules will return home Friday when the Childress Bobcats visit and then will close out the regular season February 17 when Floydada Whirlwinds blow in to town.

Floydada leads the district at 7-0 and traveled to Dimmitt to visit the 3-4 Bobcats Tuesday. Childress is 5-2 and the Bobcats will host the 1-6 Tulia Hornets. The Mules are 4-3 and take on the 1-6 Friona Chieftains.

## Lady Mules fall to Tulia...

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Dimmitt had their most productive period in the fourth quarter with 15 points. Johnson continued to pump in the points for the Lady Mules with a 3-pointer to start the quarter and added a pair a buckets during the frame.

Gardea finished a fast break and was three of four from line and Smith made a charity toss and a bucket to match the Bobbies with 15 Lady Mule points in the final period.

Johnson led all scorers with 23 points that included three 3-pointers and she set a new school record for assists during a season.

Smith finished with 16 points and Gardea added seven. Agundis dropped

in four points and Olivass chipped in two.

The Lady Mules are in a must win situation in Friona Tuesday night and they control their own destiny. The Lady Mules defeated Friona 64-49.

Floydada is the only team to clinch a playoff spot with a 6-3 record entering their final game in Dimmitt against the 3-6 Bobbies.

Tulia and Friona are tied at 5-4 with the Lady Hornets traveling to Childress to take on the 4-5 Lady Cats. The Lady Mules are tied with Childress at 4-5.

Tuesday night could clear up the playoff picture or three teams could be tied for first or Floydada could win the district at 7-3 and as many as four teams could be tied for second.

## JV ladies fall to Tulia

By Delton Wilhite  
Sports writer

The JV Lady Mules held down the Tulia Lady Hornets through three periods but failed to come away with a win.

The Lady Mules led 30-24 entering the final eight minutes. The Lady Hornets out scored the Lady Mules 12-4 to take home a 36-34 victory.

Tulia had pounded the Lady Mules 49-36 in the first round of district.

The Lady Mules bounced back on Friday

to down the Dimmitt Bobbies 42-25. Brenda Rodriquez light up the scoreboard from behind the arc in the first half with four 3-pointers to give the Lady Mules a 24-11 lead at the intermission.

The second half was more of the same with Ali Eagle bombing away from long range with three treys to hold off the Bobbies.

Ericka Rodriguez and B. Rodriguez had

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**Read these clues to fill in the crossword to discover seven popular gifts given on Valentine's Day:**

- The first kind of this gift may have been made out of shells and bones. We know that the ancient Egyptians gave this gift made out of gold with precious stones to kings. Do you like the color and sparkle of silver or gold?
- These sugary messages were invented by Oliver Chase in 1847. Today, the Necco company makes about one hundred thousand pounds of these a day!
- These used to be made by hand and delivered in person. Today they are machine-made and are big business. Children give them out to classmates and friends at parties. People send about one billion Valentines all over the world through the postal system each year!
- According to the Chocolate Manufacturers Association, the first box for this sweet treat was introduced by Richard Cadbury. It had a painting of his daughter holding a kitten on the cover. Later, he created the first heart-shaped box.

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6. \_\_\_\_\_  
7. \_\_\_\_\_

poems chocolates  
candy hearts  
jewelry  
lovebirds  
cards flowers

5. Red roses are thought to be the most romantic of these. They are the most popular kind given on Valentine's Day. Yellow roses are thought to say "joy" while pink roses say "I appreciate you." Florists sell about 190 million roses for Valentine's Day.

6. These snugly birds, along with doves, have been popular to give or use in designs for Valentine's Day. A zoological park in England is offering an "adoption" package, which includes a pass to the zoo to take your loved one to see these birds at the park. The money raised goes to care for the animals.

Can you find and circle 12 words that have 3 syllables as in the word "Val-en-tine?"

7. The oldest of these is thought to be the one discovered on a clay tablet written about 4,000 years ago. It was from a priestess to a king. It was found in Sumer which, if you look at a map, would be largely in the area of Iraq (where the first form of writing is said to have been invented).

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Match these sayings to their meanings:

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- eat your heart out
- half-hearted
- heart of gold
- heart of stone
- have your heart set on something
- having a heart-to-heart
- take something to heart
- to your heart's content
- heart is in the right place
- heart skips a beat

- is kind and caring
- to want something a certain way and not be willing to work out a different way to do it
- make an important promise
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- be jealous of someone
- frightened or excited
- as much as you want
- change your mind
- meant well
- have a meaningful talk

**Friendly Messages!**

Here are some fun Valentine messages. They each have a "play on words." Can you write the name of the animal that completes each pun on the blanks?

No kidding, I want to \_\_\_\_\_ to recess? (tuna)

I'm your 'mane' man, and I'm not "\_\_\_\_\_." (steer)

"\_\_\_\_\_ wanted to be your friend." (whale)

You make me want to sing a "\_\_\_\_\_." (goat)

You're "\_\_\_\_\_ above average." (lion)

I'll "\_\_\_\_\_ you in the right direction." (Owl)

Hive

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# Sheep shearing incident explained in greater detail

In my most recent column, I spoke of having skinned a sheep alive. That sounds like a terribly cruel thing, it looked that way, it was cruel and I hated it.

Now here's what happened. In my younger days, as I "grew up" I worked on a little cow ranch over in New Mexico. It was known as the "Hawk Ranch." It belonged to a man named John Hawk, but

*Something worth saying...*  
By Glen Williams

he didn't stay there very much.

I tended to his cattle, for which he paid me \$30.00 a month. Another boy stayed there with me and tended to the farm land. He was paid \$10.00 a month.

About the years 1939-

40 John went down in East Texas and bought about 4,000 sheep - mostly grown ewes and lambs. But he didn't know much about sheep and wasn't prepared to care for them like they should be.

In 1941 it rained 41

inches so that winter was wet and cold. And those sheep begin to die as if that was what they were supposed to do.

By that time I had got married and my wife and I had moved out and were living on a little place we had bought. It was near by so I continued to help them when they needed help.

I had herded cattle and sheep for several years and had assisted one large sheep operation at shearing time.

I herded for a man named Hiley Boyd so I knew quite a bit about them. They are different from other animals in that they are inclined to be gentle, and they have to be led.

You can't do much good trying to drive them. Note the scripture "He is led as a sheep to

the slaughter."

If you know how to handle them they don't give much trouble. Note again "and like a lamb dumb before his shearer opened he not his mouth."

They don't resist as you shear them, or work them otherwise.

John had made arrangements to sell the hides, so he made a deal with me to skin them.

They had a place they would throw them as they died. It was out of the wind and rain, but there was not light. And I would go, generally after night, and remove their skins.

Not once did that sheep bleat, move, or indicate that she wasn't quite dead. But when I removed the hide she tried to get up.

That was a real blow

to me. It's the only time I ever saw a live animal with its hide removed, and I am not looking for any more.

"He is led as a sheep to the slaughter." That, in my judgment, is a picture of the crucifixion of Christ. "As a lamb, dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth."

Christ did not speak, nor resist in any way, the charge they brought against him."

And next, "In his humiliation his judgment is taken away," whatever penalty they assessed he was ready to pay it. Who shall declare his generation?"

Those who love him and are related to him. "For his life is taken from the earth." That we might live the life he lived for us here.

## Lamb referendum announced by USDA

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced it will offer lamb producers, feeders, and first handlers the

opportunity to vote in a nationwide referendum on whether to continue or terminate the Lamb Promotion.

The referendum will be held Feb. 2-27, and will be conducted at USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) county offices.

To be eligible to vote,

persons must certify and provide documentation, such as a sales receipt or remittance form, which shows they have been engaged in the production, feeding, or slaughtering of lambs during the period, Jan. 1, 2008 through Dec. 31, 2008.

**Thanks for reading!**



# The Sudan Buzz

## Volunteers awarded \$350,000 to improve Sudan water service

Local volunteers in the City of Sudan will start a project this spring to replace an estimated 2,000 linear feet of dead-end water line, thanks to help from a grant for \$350,000 from the state Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA).

The project, which will benefit 953 persons, will take place citywide.

"ORCA is pleased to assist the people of

Sudan in their efforts to improve their quality of life," said Charles S. (Charlie) Stone, ORCA's executive director. "This grant comes from ORCA's Small Towns Environment Program, or STEP, a competitive grant program with a self-help approach to community improvement."

In January 2009 ORCA awarded more than \$1.7 million in grants through STEP, bringing water and

sewer improvements to eight rural communities and benefitting 1,792 persons.

"STEP grants are funded by the Texas Community Development Block Grant program, the largest such program in the nation and a vital resource for communities with limited funding for infrastructure," said Mark Wyatt, Director of ORCA's Community Development division.

The grant was

approved by the State Review Committee, a 12-member committee of locally elected officials appointed by the Governor to advise the agency on the use of its community development funds. State Review Committee

For the 2008 funding cycle ORCA allocated \$2,254,353 for the STEP fund. The agency received \$71,779,088 for the administration of the Texas CDBG non-entitlement program

from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This amount reflects a 2.5 percent cut in funding since fiscal year 2007.

Rural cities with populations less than 50,000 and counties that have a non-metropolitan population under 200,000 may apply for ORCA's Texas CDBG program only if they are not eligible for direct funding from HUD.

This program serves approximately

1,017 eligible rural communities, 245 rural counties, and provides services to over 375,000 low- to moderate-income beneficiaries each year.

ORCA makes the broad resources of state government more accessible to rural communities. The agency provides rural-focused state and federal resources for community development, economic development, disaster recovery, housing and rural health. ORCA is the federally designated State Office of Rural Health.

### Sudan community invited to eat with sweetheart

Sudan ISD parents are invited to come to the Sudan School cafeteria on Friday, Feb. 13, at noon to eat with their "little sweetheart."

The meal will be "Sweetheart Pizza," or you can choose chicken nuggets with green beans, mashed potatoes, strawberries, fresh fruit and milk or tea.



### Muleshoe man involved in accident

Wednesday, Feb. 4, a Muleshoe man was involved in a one car accident in Sudan. The unidentified driver lost control of the pick-up he was in, hitting a utility pole that with a platform attached to it holding three transformers and sending them to the ground. Powers was out in parts of town for several hours. Sudan Fire and EMS were on the scene and Sudan EMS took the man to Lamb Healthcare Center to be checked out.

## Buzz-A-Licious Recipes

Ruth Hall sends the recipe this week. Very easy pie to make.

**Mystery Pie**  
Beat till stiff 3 egg whites

Fold in 1/2 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. baking powder

Fold in 1 cup sugar, 1 cup crushed graham crackers

Add 3/4 cup chopped pecans, 1 tsp. Vanilla

Cook in pie plate (greased and floured) for 25 minutes at 350 degrees. Cool.

Cover with whipped cream, then shave chocolate over the top. (She says she uses a Hershey bar).

**Sudan Happenings...**

- Feb. 11 — KFC, 4 p.m., First United Methodist Church
- Feb. 12 — Sudan City Council, 6 p.m., Sudan City Council Chambers
- Feb. 16, UMW Circle, 5 p.m., First United Methodist Church
- Feb. 17 — Masonic Lodge, 8 p.m., Masonic Hall
- Feb. 18 — Church of Christ Ladies Bible Study, 10 a.m., Sudan Church of Christ

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# Sports

## JV Mules take second win against, but fall to Dimmitt

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The JV Mules took their second win of the year over the Tulia Hornets Tuesday night at home.

The Mules had defeated Tulia 37-27 earlier in the season.

The Mules could not catch the fleet Bobcats of Dimmitt on Friday night as Dimmitt took home a 58-50 win over the Mules.

Jonathan Perez pounded away from outside the arc with a pair of treys in the first half. Rico Alacorn did all of his damage in the second quarter with a pair of buckets that included an old-fashion three point play and another free throw for six points in the first half.

Ryan Hall scored a bucket in the opening period as did Sergio

Montejano. Larry Richardson made a driving lay up after picking a Hornet's pocket in the second quarter. The Mules trailed 24-18 at the intermission.

The Mules came out firing in the third period with Richardson, Perez and Matthew Martinez all dropping in 3-pointers. Martinez and Alacorn also had a bucket each as well as a

charity toss apiece.

The Mules out scored Tulia 15-3 in the third to take a 33-27 lead into the final quarter. The Mules kept the heat turned up to hold off the Hornets in the final period. Alacorn made two baskets and Hall added one. Perez made two free throws and Martinez chipped in one.

Perez led the Mules in scoring with 11. Alacorn

was just one behind with 10 points and Martinez dropped in seven points. Richards made five points, Hall four and Montejano chipped in two.

Dimmitt was too strong for the Mules but the Mules put up a fight before going down to defeat. Perez bombed away from down town for four 3-pointers in the game. He made three in the final quarter.

Isaias Guerro made back-to-back 3-pointers in the opening quarter and Mark Quezada also ripped the net from behind the arc in the open period. The Mules trailed 15-14 after one quarter.

The Mules dropped off in the second period and the Bobcats took advantage to take a 30-22

lead at the intermission. The Mules came out strong in third quarter but only cut one off the Dimmitt lead and went into the final quarter trailing 42-35. The final quarter was close but the Bobcats out scored the Mules 16-15 to go home with the win.

Perez led the Mules in scoring with 14 points. Richardson, Guerro and Hall made six points each. Ryan DeLeon, Alacorn and Montejano added four points each while Quezada and Martinez chipped in three points each.

The Mules were on the road in Friona Tuesday night and return home Friday to meet Childress.

The Mules will wrap up their season on their home floor against Floydada on Feb. 17.

## Bobbies 'cruise' to win over eighth grade ladies

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Lady Mules closed out the home portion of their basketball season against the Dimmitt Bobbies.

The Bobbies ran out to a fast start in the opening quarter and then cruised to a 48-22 win over the Lady Mules.

Morgan Burris scored the Lady Mules only point of the opening

quarter by making one of two from the charity line. The Bobbies led 13-1 entering the second quarter.

The Lady Mules had a much better second period and out scored the Bobbies 10-7.

Laura Loya led the charge with two free throws and a basket for four points. Mandy Scolley made on from the charity line and a basket for three points.

Jessica Kube made two

from the line for two points and Tessa Garner chipped in one point. The Lady Mules trailed 20-11 at the intermission.

Burris heated up in the third quarter with three points. Kube and Scolley made a basket each. The Lady Mules trailed 18-30 entering the final quarter.

Linda Sanchez scored her only two points of the game in the final quarter. Loya added a bucket for the Lady Mules.

Loya led the Lady Mules in scoring with six points. Scolley added five points, Kube and Burris dropped in four each. Sanchez made two points and Garner chipped in one.

The Lady Mules traveled to Friona to meet the Maidens for their final game of season Monday. The Lady Mules will move outside and change their basketball uniforms for track togs to finish the school year.

## JV ladies...

Continued from page 7 the range from behind the arc against Tulia in the opening half as they both drain a pair of treys. Sandy Mojica and Jenna Whitworth made a bucket each in the opening half as the Lady Mules ran out to a 20-12 lead over the Lady Hornets.

Heather Gutierrez nailed the Lady Mules only 3-pointer of the second half in the third period but she added a pair from the charity line in the final quarter. Amy Regalado also hit a pair of charity tosses as the Lady Mules went five-of-seven from the line for the win.

B. Rodriguez led the scoring charge for the Lady Mules with 10 points and E. Rodriguez added eight. Whitworth and Gutierrez scored five points each, Mojica dropped in four and Devnie Orozco chipped in two.

Gutierrez pumped in two buckets and Abigail Regalado made one in the opening period to give the Lady Mules a 13-4 advantage over the Bobbies in the first period. Gutierrez banged home her third bucket of the game in the second quarter while Orozco ripped the net from behind the arc.

B. Rodriguez added one from the charity stripe to go with her four first half treys. The Lady Mules had opened a 24-11 lead at the half. Gutierrez added two baskets and a free throw in the second half. Eagle and Ab. Regalado added a bucket each in the final two quarters.

B. Rodriguez led the scoring charge with 13 points against Dimmitt. Gutierrez and Eagle were not far behind with 11 points apiece. Ab. Regalado dropped in four points and Orozco chipped in three.

The Lady Mules traveled to Friona Tuesday night to complete their season on the road. They defeated Friona 38-33 at home in the first round.

## Seventh grade ladies defeat Dimmitt

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The seventh grade Lady Mules played their final home game against the Dimmitt Bobbies.

The high pressure Lady Mule defense did not allow the Bobbie offense to get untracked in the opening period.

The Lady Mules had poured in 12 points before the Bobbies made their only point just before the period ended.

The Lady Mules continued to hold the Bobbies down for three more periods for a 34-13 win.

Lilianna Vasquez led the first period charge for the Lady Mules with two buckets and two free throws for six first period points.

Brittany Prater, Desiree Reyna and Esmeralda Flores score a basket each in the opening frame.

The Bobbies had their

best quarter of scoring with five points in the second period.

Vasquez and McKenna Dunham scored a basket each in the second period to give the Lady Mules a 16-6 lead at the intermission.

The Lady Mules heated up in the third period with Prater making two from the charity line and Vasquez made one free throw.

Adrienne Precure scored two baskets and Flores tacked on one bucket.

The Lady Mules out scored the Bobbies 9-4 to take a 25-10 into the final quarter.

Flores popped the net twice in the final quarter and added a free throw for five points.

Prater and Reyna each added a basket to give the Lady Mules nine points in the final period.

The Lady Mules held

the Bobbies to three points in the final quarter.

Flores and Vasquez led the Lady Mules with nine points each.

Precure and Reyna dropped in four points each and Dunham chipped in two.

The Lady Mules finished the season on the road in Friona before moving outside and transition to track and field competition.

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## Engagement



James Coffman and Elizabeth Terrell

### Terrell, Coffman engagement announced

The Rev. Jeff and Judy Coffman of Muleshoe announce the engagement of their son, James Coffman of Arlington, to Elizabeth Terrell, also of Arlington.

The prospective bride is the daughter of Delynda and Ricky Terrell of Blossom. She is a 2007 graduate of Paris High School, and is currently a sophomore at Arlington Baptist College in Arlington. She is a general study major.

The prospective groom is a 2007 graduate of Muleshoe High School. He is also a sophomore at Arlington Baptist College. He is a music ministry major.

Both are members of the ABC Ensemble, which performs each weekend of the semester and several weeks of the summer. The ensemble will perform in Muleshoe on March 15 at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m., at the Calvary Baptist Church, 18th and Ave C.

The wedding is set for July 11, 2009, at the Calvary Baptist Church in Muleshoe.

### Special services set for First Assembly

The First Assembly of God in Muleshoe will be holding special services with Pastor Renee Moore of Muskogee, Okla., during the morning and evening of Sunday, Feb. 15. The public is invited to attend.



Renee Moore

## Births



Kamry and Kennedy King

### King twins' birth announced

Jared and Laci King of Muleshoe announce the birth of their daughters, Kamry Michele and Kennedy Marie, on Oct. 26, 2008, at 6:31 p.m., at Covenant Lakeside of Lubbock.

They weighed six pounds, five ounces at birth and were 18 inches in length.

Kamry and Kennedy have one sibling, Karlon King, age 3.

Their grandparents are Penne King of Plainview, and the late Tim King, Christi Durham of Plainview, and Randy Durham of Sanger.

## Jennyslipper News

The Jennyslippers held their installation banquet at the Family Life Building of the First Assembly of God Church on Jan. 27.

The program began with Cari Ann Kidd leading the Pledge of Allegiance. The invocation was pronounced by Judge Jack Young and a bountiful meal was served.

The theme was a "Denim Celebration" and the tables were decorated with centerpieces of a carved mule by Chris Green, husband of June Green. Favors were 'cloths-pin mules. Denim placemats graced the tables. Most of the group wore their denims. It was a West Texas setting.

The group was welcomed and commended for coming out in the very cold weather. Dr. Grant and Mrs. Nitzel and their family were introduced. He is an associate of Dr. Kyle Sheets.

The Nitzel children presented musical entertainment for everyone's enjoyment which included piano, guitars, violins, and saxophone as well as vocal selections. The talented children received many rounds of applause and were appreciated by the group.

Bernita Sheets presented a slide program depicting their trips to Kenya, taking medical supplies and a huge "boxcar-type" container of needed items.



The Nitzel children perform during the Jennyslippers banquet

The people of Kenya are a very needy people living mostly in huts with dirt floors with no electricity or running water. Due to AIDS being rampant in the 20 to 40 age group, there are large numbers of orphans left.

The Jennyslippers are donating various items for this cause as they need just everything that we take for granted, candles, plastic bags, sheets, towels, plastic containers, and quilts, as the nights are often 40 degrees.

Elaine Parker, retiring president, thanked the outgoing officers and commended them for their excellent service to their community. She also presented plaques, year bars, and gifts to them.

Jennyslippers had numerous projects during the past year which included the "Toast to Texas," a rest-stop for the Tour de Muleshoe, operating the

Mule-Putt Golf Course, two muleshoe pitching tournaments, making three floats for parades — Christmas, July 4th and Mule Days.

For Octoberfest, they opened the golf course for free golfing and face-painting for the youngsters. They joined with the Rebekah Lodge for the annual Thanksgiving Dinner, which required 26 turkeys this year.

Nancy Kidd, a former \*resident, installed the incoming officers and brought laughter with her 'side-bar' remarks, while reminding them of their expected duties.

Installed were Ruby Green, vice president;

Nelda Merriott, secretary, and June Green as president. Onieda DeLeon, treasurer, was unable to attend. Elaine Parker will continue on the board as past-president.

Parker presented June Green, the incoming president with her gavel and president's pin. Green spoke of the many up-coming events for the coming year and perhaps adding some new ones. She issued an invitation to all local women to join the Jennyslippers and enjoy the fun of being involved in the community.

Doug Bales closed the banquet with a benediction.



Jennyslipper officers Ruby Green, Elaine Parker, Nelda Merriott and June Green

## Muleshoe Art Assn. News

Valentine refreshments enhanced the Feb. 3 meeting of the Muleshoe Art Association in the Five Area Telephone Co-op training room.

Association president Ginnie Seifert conducted the meeting and Sandra Chancey presented the financial update and read the minutes. Both were approved.

Members watched a training video featuring acrylic painting and Nelda Merriott won the door prize.

Sandra Chancey, Ginnie Seifert and Nelda Merriott are continuing to show at the Bailey County Coliseum and Ann Sowder's works

will remain at the Muleshoe Public Library through February.

Look for Jackie Hinderliter's and Ginnie Seifert's displays during March and April at the Library.

Discussion of the annual art show scheduled for April 7 completed the meeting. The show is open to the public.

Interested parties are invited to join the group at the next monthly meeting on March 3.

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## Children's health insurance program: Compassionate and cost-effective

With the U.S. economy in recession and unemployment soaring, many American families are struggling to meet their fundamental needs: a heated home, groceries, adequate clothing, and medical care.

According to health officials, when the economy suffers, many people give up routine care, including checkups, immunizations, and treatment for minor conditions.

Without medical attention, many illnesses become significantly worse and more expensive to treat.

Unfortunately, a large segment of Texas' population may face rising obstacles to health care, including 21 percent of our children who are uninsured.

Now, more than ever, we must prudently leverage our state and federal resources so children have access to care.

State-provided health coverage for children is a two-dimensional issue.

First, every compassionate person



**Kay Bailey Hutchison**  
UNITED STATES SENATOR, TEXAS

knows we should take care of children; their health affects their education and their future.

Second, it delivers a cost saving for Texas taxpayers to use federal dollars at a 72 percent match to treat children, rather than state and local taxpayers for emergency room treatment with no federal match.

The State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), a joint federal/state initiative, was created to provide a backstop for children who are ineligible for Medicaid, but whose families cannot otherwise afford health insurance.

If not for this program, many children would go without insurance coverage altogether. Economic studies have shown that uninsured individuals either seek treatment for minor infirmities at emergency rooms, or they avoid treatment until an illness or injury becomes serious

and costly.

Each scenario burdens the health care system with extra, and in many cases avoidable, costs that are often passed on to taxpayers and families in the form of higher insurance premiums and taxes.

Recently, Congress considered legislation to reauthorize this program. The bill was not perfect, and I supported a number of measures to improve the legislation.

Though some of the changes we sought were not adopted, I voted for the final SCHIP bill because it provides critical federal funds for young Texans' health care needs, which are not currently being met.

Furthermore, the federal match could ease some of the state budget limitations that have prohibited Texas from doing more to address this growing problem.

The Congressional Research Service projects that, under this

legislation, Texas' SCHIP allotment will rise 72 percent from roughly \$550 million to over \$945 million.

This funding will make a significant difference in the lives of families who are struggling to provide their children with care.

The Center for Public Policy Priorities reports that, unfortunately, more than half of our uninsured children in Texas who could be enrolled in Medicaid or SCHIP today are not. Because SCHIP funding is provided to the state in the form of a block grant, if Texas does not utilize these dollars, we will lose them.

In fact, the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities projects that Texas has forfeited nearly \$1 billion in SCHIP funding to other states over the past 10 years - even as the rate of uninsured children in Texas has swelled to the highest in the nation.

During times of

hardship, citizens across our state find ways to help Texans who are less fortunate. Likewise, our policies must show compassion to those in need, while also protecting taxpayer dollars.

Our state has taken some steps to raise and strengthen these programs, but budget constraints at the state level have impaired its ability to do more.

The SCHIP bill, which the President signed into law on Feb. 4, may

address these shortfalls by making funding available to swiftly enroll eligible children so they are provided the necessary medical services without added taxpayer burden.

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Doug & Tanya Crawford

## Local youth wins calf scramble

Craig Black of Muleshoe, a Muleshoe FFA member, was among the winners in the Calf Scramble event during the Feb. 4, matinee performance of the Rodeo at the 113th edition of the legendary Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo.

Craig's parents are Cliff and Carren Black.

The Calf Scramble, which allows 16 students to compete at each of the 30 Stock Show Rodeo performances, has eight



performance winners.

The young people are high school students out to catch and halter a calf with

hopes of winning a \$500 purchase certificate that will help buy a registered beef or dairy heifer for a yearlong 4-H or FFA project.

Winners must care for their animals throughout the year and return for the 2010 Stock Show to exhibit it in the Junior Heifer Show.

Those who do the best job will be in line for scholarship funds when they enter college. Last year, scholarship grants were made to 61 young people.

All entries receive a special T-shirt with their contestant number. Participants who fail to catch a calf receive a certificate for a pair of Justin boots.

## Community celebration set for Thursday at the coliseum

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 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 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.

Following the ceremonies Mules Head Coach David Wood will be providing commentary on the game film for those wish to "re-live" Muleshoe's victory.

## NEWSPAPER POLICIES

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**FAX 806.272.3567 or e-mail editor@muleshoejournal.com**

## 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 has been granted, the college or university should send the info via email to: editor@muleshoejournal.com.

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PROPOSED AIR QUALITY REGISTRATION NO. 79823L003

**APPLICATION** Don Pool Construction, L. C., has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an Air Quality Standard Permit, Registration No. 79823L003, which would authorize construction of a Concrete Batch Plant located 0.5 mile west of County Road 123, approximately 1.0 mile south of the intersection of County Road 123 and FM 1760. The intersection is approximately 4.0 miles west of Muleshoe, Bailey County, Texas. The proposed facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter including (but not limited to) aggregate, cement, road dust and particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on January 26, 2009. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Lubbock regional office, and the Muleshoe City Hall, 215 South First Street, Muleshoe, Bailey County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application.

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The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application will be held 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.

If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the

executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application.

If a hearing request is timely filed, the executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the application, and a Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

**After the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If any comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on a mailing list for this application.**

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING** You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may approve the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** A contested case hearing will only be granted based 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 those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. To request a hearing, a person must actually reside in a permanent residence within 440 yards of the proposed plant. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and Registration Number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5)

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If a hearing request is timely filed, additional notice will be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

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**INFORMATION** Written public comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the 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 regarding the TCEQ can be found at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Don Pool Construction, L. C., P.O. Box 2110, Clovis, New Mexico 88102-2110 or by calling Mr. Shane Self, Engineer-In-Training at (806) 353-6123.

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**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

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Mattress Queen eurotop with box spring, Brand new. \$135. 806-438-3110. *1ch2/12*

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### SERVICES

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**RICHLAND HILLS - PARKRIDGE - HIGHLAND**  
• NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, auto spklr, fenced yd., covd. patio, workshop/stor. bldg. \$175K!!  
• 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. A&H, built-ins, FP, auto spklr, jacuzzi tub in master, auto spklr., sunroom w/ wet bar, lg. basement, finished 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 spklr., 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/wkshop, 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 spklr., add. lot w/stor/workshop Bldg.!! \$173,000!!  
• 2 NICELY REMODELED DUPLEX UNITS & 1 NEW Duplex unit!!! PRICED TO SELL!!  
• BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM BUILT 3-2-2 Brick Home, built-ins, FP, isolated master, safe rm., patio, nicely landscaped, spklr. sys., fenced yd.!!  
• NICELY REMODELED 3-2-2 Brick, new Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 3125' lv. area, spklr. sys., fenced yd., MORE!!  
• VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, fireplace, utility, new paint, carpet, tile, atrium doors, blinds, 7 fans, cov. patio, stor. bldg., fenced yd.!! MORE!! \$130,000!! Price Reduced!! \$115,000.  
• VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Dual Fuel Heat Pump, built-ins, FP, basement, cent. vac. & humidifier systems, auto spklr., workshop/storage, fenced yd., corner lot!! \$169,500!! 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 spklr., & stor. bldg.!! \$139K!!  
• NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. Geothermal heat pump, built-ins, 2 FP, sunroom, hot tub, approx. 2448' lv. area, screened porch, cellar, auto spklr., stor. bldg. \$149K!!

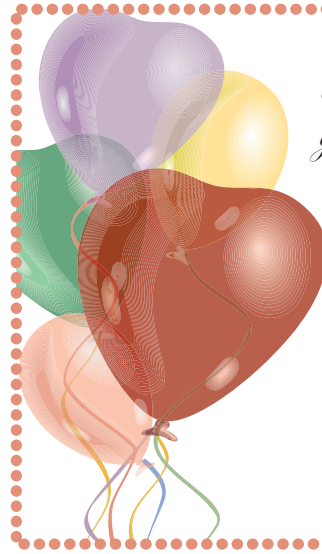
**HIGH SCHOOL AREA**  
• NICE 2-1 1/2-1 Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, basement, screened patio, fenced yard, approx. 1762' lv. area!! \$82,000!!  
• REMODELED 3-1-1 Home, Cent. A&H, New paint, carpet, siding, fenced yd., stor. bldg.!! Reduced - \$55,000.  
• Nice 2-1 1/2-2 Home, Cent. Heat & Air, built-ins, lg. utility/work area, basement, workshop/storage area, fenced yd., 1567' lv. area!! \$69,500!!  
• Nice2-2-2 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, 16500 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!!

# HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!



*Keith,  
I Love You more today than  
yesterday!!*  
Tracy



*We Love You  
Very Much*



*Mom & Dad*

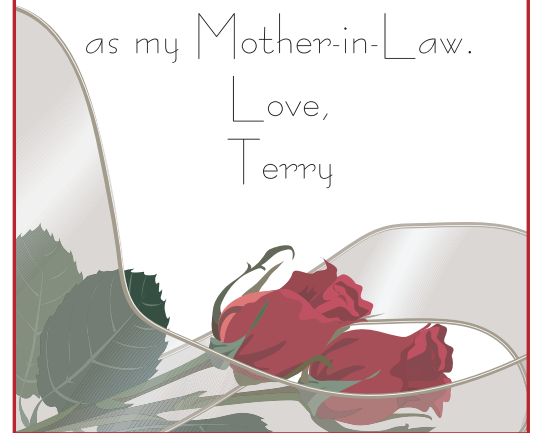
*"...Love covers over all wrongs."  
Proverbs 10:126*

*"Love puts the fun in  
together, sad in apart and  
the joy in the heart."  
Unknown*



*Happy Valentines Day!  
Evalyn  
Just wanted you to know  
how lucky I feel to have you  
as my Mother-in-Law.*

*Love,  
Terry*



*I Love You Lynn!*



*Thanks for being my  
Sweetheart.*

*Jimmie Kay*



*Love has nothing to do with  
what you are expecting to  
get - only what you are  
expecting to give.*

*Katherine Hepburn*



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BROWNIE BAKER DANISH ASSORTED	\$1.09
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