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*Bailey County EMS talks with the passenger in the vehicle that crashed into the Dollar General Store.
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Court discusses appraisal board composition

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Concerns about the makeup of the Bailey County Appraisal District's governing board were raised during the Bailey County Commissioners' Court, during a special meeting on Wednesday, June 24.

Precinct # 2 Commissioner C.E. Grant brought up the issue, expressing his concerns about the fact that the Muleshoe Independent School District has effective control of the board because it currently controls three of the board's seats.

Grant said that originally, MISD only appointed two of the board's positions; however, when Three-Way School District closed down the local school district apparently inherited Three-Way's seat.

Precinct # 2 Commissioner Butch Vandiver expressed similar concerns, noting that he was uncomfortable with the process that allowed one public entity to control the appraisal district's governing board.

At this time, the appraisal district's board is composed of appointees from Bailey County, and City of Muleshoe and the school district.

The fourth public entity in the Muleshoe area

with taxation powers, the Muleshoe Area Hospital District, isn't represented on the board.

However, according to Title 1 of the Texas Property Code, Subtitle B, Chapter 6, Subchapter A, Sec. 6.03,d, the five-member board's voting entitlement is determined through a specific formula based upon the percentage of the total tax dollars each of the taxing entities receive.

"The voting entitlement of a taxing unit that is entitled to vote for directors is determined by dividing the total dollar amount of property taxes imposed in the district by the taxing unit for the preceding tax year by the sum of the total dollar amount of property taxes imposed in the district for that year by each taxing unit that is entitled to vote, by multiplying the quotient by 1,000, and by rounding the product to the nearest whole number. That number is multiplied by the number of directorships to be filled..." the tax code says.

It continues, saying, "The chief appraiser shall calculate the number of votes to which each taxing unit other than a conservation and reclamation district is entitled and shall deliver written notice to each of those units of its voting

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It's been a hard month for local couple

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

"It was pretty close," Muleshoe Police Det. Cassie Crandell said about Monday's accident at the Dollar General Store on W. American Blvd., in which a 91 Chevrolet crashed through the store's entrance narrowly missing customers inside, but there were no injuries.

Crandell confirmed

reports that at least one customer, Starla Ellis, was just feet from the front door, at the soda pop cooler, when the vehicle made its unexpected entrance.

According to Crandell, Leo Jones, 83, of Muleshoe, was approaching the store's handicapped parking space, located directly in front of the entrance, when he stepped on the vehicle's

accelerator pedal instead of the brakes, sending the vehicle over the concrete parking barrier and into the store.

Jones was accompanied in the vehicle by his wife, Catherine Jones.

She added that this has been an especially tough month for the Jones family.

They recently returned from an out-of-state trip to discover that their

home had burned.

Crandell estimated at least \$20,000 damage to the store.

This is the second time in a two month period that someone has crashed through the store's front entrance.

In regards to the loss of their home, an account for donations has been set up for Leo and Catherine Jones at Muleshoe State Bank.

MAHD moves forward with behavioral unit

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Area Hospital District's board of trustees voted to utilize some of the hospital's existing bed space for a geriatric behavioral unit instead of renovating a portion of the old nursing home located adjacent

to the hospital during Thursday's regular meeting.

Previously, it had been the recommendation of Jason Anglin, the hospital district's CEO, to renovate the old nursing home space, but after a survey by behavioral health specialists with

Horizon Health and a tour of the company's facilities in Artesia, the recommendation changed to utilizing some of the hospital's unoccupied rooms.

"I think Horizon would be a great partner to work with," Anglin said. However, he also

conceded that both company's from which the district received proposals — Horizon and Diamond Health, were equally qualified.

"I was very impressed," the hospital's director of nursing, Margaret Heathington said about

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School board approves high school GMP increase

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Independent School District's board of trustees adopted a \$14,544,610 budget for FY2009-10 during Monday's regular meeting.

According to Business Manager Trae McNeill, the budget is based upon a one cent increase from last year's \$1.37 per \$100 of valuation that was recommended at the school board's June 15 meeting.

"This has been the most challenging year of the 22 year's (I've been with the district)," said McNeill, who will be retiring in the near future, "because of the changes made by the Legislature."

Of the budgeted amount, 47 percent, \$6,868,785, has been set aside specifically for instruction.

"I appreciate the time you've put into it," said board member David Tipps, referring to the upcoming year's budget.

Although the budget was based upon a slight increase, no one appeared to speak in opposition during Monday's public hearing on the budget.

In other financial

east side of the cafeteria at \$80,957.

The previous wall design basically left the existing wall with "garage door-sized" entrances to the common area that will stretch from the cafeteria to the gymnasium entrance.

Other business Monday included:

High school design change approved

related news, the school board approved a \$226,757 increase to the guaranteed maximum price for the high school expansion.

The change will pay for the addition of plastic laminate to strengthen the sheetrock walls in the corridors and common area at a cost of \$145,800, and a new wall on the

- Voting to renew the district's property insurance through the Texas Association of School Boards' Risk Management Fund at a cost of \$68,028.

Although this amounts to an increase of \$7,648, Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets pointed out the district's hail damage

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MISD board members, administration toured the high school's expansion site during Monday's board meeting. Pictured above, they watch as one of the new gymnasium's showers is being tiled.

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For more information or to pre-register, call Charlene Treider at 272-5738. Class size is limited to 30.

This program, taught by trained volunteers, was developed in 1979 and has been updated every few years. It is aimed at reminding older motorists of driving skills and techniques they once learned but perhaps fail to use regularly.

AA meeting set

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. Second. Please use the west side entrance. For information about these meetings call 806-965-2870.

July 4th softball touney

The Independence Day Softball Tournament, to be held at the Rocque Flores Softball Field July 3-5, has been changed from a co-ed tournament to a men's and women's tournament. The entry fee is \$150 per team. Contact Patty Banks at 272-5831 for additional information.

Class of '53 is returning

The MHS class of 1953 enjoyed their 55th graduation anniversary last year at the homecoming football game and followed that victory all the way to the Mules' state championship.

This year the class decided to "come home" again for their 56th anniversary over the Independence Day weekend.

More than 25 former students have indicated their plans to be in Muleshoe with others calling daily to promise their attendance.

The class plans to be at the Onieta Wagon Senior Center on Friday and to "dig in" at the fish and chicken lunch, and enjoy visiting there.

The class has reserved the Onieta Wagon Senior Center from 4-10 p.m on Friday, and invites friends and families to stop by and visit.

Videos of prior reunions may be shown, and possibly put in an "oldies" CD to try out the dance floor.

The class also plans to be at the senior center on Saturday morning for their tournaments and to partake of the brisket lunch at noon.

The Jennyslippers have invited the class to ride on their 4th of July float.

Saturday afternoon from about 2:30-8 p.m., the class will gather at the Girl Scout Hut, 215 W. 2nd, to visit and to watch videos of interest before most leave to go to the new city park for the entertainment and fireworks.

Visitors are again invited to drop by the Girl Scout Hut to visit.

The class decided to meet again for the breakfast buffet at the Dinner Bell on Saturday and Sunday mornings before heading out.

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Editorial

Texas: The Two-Star State

The State of Texas is known for big ideas and dreams, great national leaders, and admittedly with a few exceptions strong state leaders, as well.

It's a state proud of its position in these United States, proud of its history, and proud of its sovereignty over all that its borders enclose.

Unfortunately, even as we pen this editorial, it is our fear that Texas sovereignty may be going the way of the Great American Bison.

Proud of its flag with its single, lone star, what will Texans do when a great swath of the Texas landscape is ripped from its farmers and ranchers, and handed over to foreign control, if not actual ownership? Do you add another star to the flag... one for each side of the six lane mega highway under the control of a foreign corporation?

While advocates for the Trans Texas Corridor are quick to point out that the land under the corridor will remain in the state's ownership, it's a dubious claim. We could point out at least two other instances in which control of Texas land claimed by other national or indigenous interests were wrested away, and wouldn't be surprised if this time it weren't the Texans who end up with the short end of the stick.

While the special session set to begin Wednesday, July 1, has only a limited agenda, it is our understanding that agenda isn't limited enough, and will include additional efforts by Gov. Rick Perry toward highway privatization.

If the governor's plans continue, at what point will the selling of Texas' sovereignty end?

Thoughts from the cemetery

Several years ago my younger brother told me he'd taken his bag chair out to Paint Creek Cemetery near Robert Lee, unfolded it on his cemetery plot, sat down, and written a column or two for his church newsletter. He said he figured he might as well get some use out of that plot while he could still enjoy it. Weird.

Weird may be contagious. As I write, I'm sitting against a tree I've borrowed at a beautiful area cemetery. I own no land here. I just like this peaceful place. Occasionally, I'll climb onto my motorcycle, head over 15 miles or so to this spot, lean up against a nice tree, eat a sandwich, and read (or write) a little.

Cemeteries are conducive to thinking. So are funerals. It's an unusual person who doesn't think a few serious thoughts at a funeral. We're all just waiting our turn to be the honored guest.

Come to think of it, a recent funeral really made me think. I'd been asked to sing at the service for the father of two gals who are friends of mine. One of the sisters I met during my growing up years in Amarillo where she and her husband were attending the Bible school my dad had started. We went



Focus On Faith

Curtis Shelburne

to the same church and knew many of the same folks, most of them part of the same group in the same church tradition.

Now, years later, her father's funeral was being held at a church with those same roots. At that service were a number of longtime dear friends from those days gone by.

In fact, the pastor's wife babysat my brother and me when we were small!

Years later, when I moved to Muleshoe, I met the other sister. She and her husband are well-loved members of the First Baptist Church. He and I have sung in a quartet and in other groups together many times.

At the funeral that day was their pastor who is a close friend of mine, and many other good friends and loved ones from that church.

As I looked out over the congregation, I realized I was witnessing what for me was the intersection of two worlds, people from two worlds who I love deeply but who'd never even met each

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Getting ready for the Mules!

It's never too early to start planning a football celebration in Muleshoe. The annual "Meet the Mules" night for the defending state champion Mules has been set for Aug. 18 at 7 p.m. at the football stadium, according to Superintendent Dr. Gene Stephens.

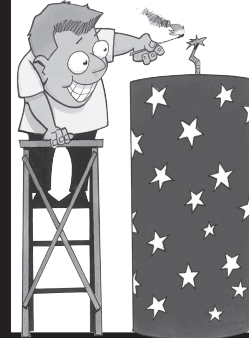


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County commissioners' court...

Continued from page 1 entitlement before Oct. 1 of each odd-numbered year."

In other business, the commissioners' court:

- Discussed the county bills, totaling \$109,615.95, prior to approving payment.

In particular, the commissioners questioned the cell phone

bills received from Bailey County EMS, the county's ambulance service, until County Treasurer Shonda Black explained that the higher than usual phone bill was due to an error in the county's finance software, and the \$405 referred to in the list of bills was a correction that had accumulated since Oct. 1.

- In departmental reports, County Judge Sherri Harrison addressed another issue with the EMS, noting that a large number of ambulance calls hadn't ever been faxed to the company the EMS contracts with for billing services.

- Approved the Texas Vine annual maintenance

grant contract for 2009, and authorized the county judge to sign it, along with a related service agreement for the program.

- Waived the probationary period for county employee Kyle Whitaker's salary.

- Approved the sixth budget amendment for the FY 2009 budget.

MAHD board approves mental health proposal

Continued from page 1 the tour at Artesia.

It was pointed out that several of the hospital's critical assess certified beds are normally empty, and the conversion of the existing empty rooms for a behavioral unit would be considerably less expensive.

"After seeing what you've done at Artesia, I think this will be a good program for both of us," board president Bill Liles said to John Piechoki of Horizon, who appeared

at Thursday's meeting.

Following his lead, board member Zona Gatewood moved that the district contract with Horizon.

Diamond Health wasn't represented at Thursday's meeting.

Concerning the hospital district's service expansion plans, it was noted during Chief Financial Officer David Burke's report that the expansion of the district's rural health clinic "isn't dead in the water, but

has probably been put on hold until next fiscal year.

In other business, the hospital district board:

- Approved contracting with Morgan Financial to provide "front end" collection services for the hospital district for 12 percent of the collected amount.

Anglin said it would be more efficient to pursue collections with a company such as Morgan Financial prior to turning the accounts over the law

firm of Perdue, Brandon, Feiler, Collins & Mott of Amarillo, which the MAHD board voted to contract with at last month's meeting.

According to the district's chief financial officer, David Burke, the hospital district's 12,000 outstanding accounts total about \$2 million.

"I think anything is better than what we have now," board president Bill Liles said about the decision to contract with Morgan Financial.

Fun, festivities, food featured on the Fourth

If you've been waiting for a great summer weekend in Muleshoe, then this Saturday is it!

Independence Day in Bailey County, filled with fun, festivities and of course... food!

Don't forget to turn out for the annual Muleshoe Independence Day parade.

This year's parade has the theme of "A Blast from the Past," and will include a variety of awards to be presented to selected parade participants.

Among the awards to be presented at this year's event are: Best Float, Best Tractor, Best Car and Best Bicycle, along with an award for

the Most Creative float, based upon its adherence to the parade theme.

Registration forms are still available at the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture office.

The July 4 parade is set to begin at 10 a.m., on Main Street. The parade entries must report to the Boy Scout Hut on South Main street at 9:30 a.m.

Other downtown activities will include:

- A July 4 celebration at Carolyn's Christmas Creations.

Carolyn's is planning one of its biggest extravaganzas ever.

Country and western performer Dave Nash will serve as this year's master of ceremonies for the big talent show on Carolyn's lot immediately following the parade.

In addition to the talent contest, Carolyn's will have Starbright the Clown who will be making animal balloons for the children, and face painting by artist D. D. Ellis.

- Barbeque lunch at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. The lunch will feature brisket and beans.

Tickets for adults are \$5, and children under 10 are \$3. The center will be open for visiting and games

- Williams General Store will be holding a variety of activities at its location on West American Blvd.

Among those activities will be a free Dummy

Roping, held by the Muleshoe Hat Company, after the parade, for ages 4 and under, 5-8, and 9-12, with buckles to be presented to the winners.

- Farmers Insurance will be giving free rides on the Moo Choo Choo in their parking lot after the parade until 2 p.m. They will also be giving away free Child Identification kits, and have other activities to be announced later.

Other activities will be taking place in the new city park rather than on Main Street.

Music in the park will be featured once more at the 2009 Muleshoe Independence Day gathering as the Boot Scooters Band returns to perform in the new city park.

The band is scheduled to perform from 8 p.m. until shortly before the fireworks start, according to chamber officials.

This year all vendors will be located at the New City Park.

According to chamber officials, the currently scheduled events are as follows:

- The annual softball tournament, July 3-5, sponsored by the Muleshoe Softball Association. Roque Flores Softball Field, entry fee \$150, 14 player roster, 3-2 pitch.

The tournament will be men and women, with first, second and third places to be awarded. Call Patty Banks at 272-5831 for more information.

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But all of us who love and trust the same Lord are members of the family. As I saw two worlds from my own experience intersecting, I found myself even more eager for that great day when the Father throws a family reunion the likes of which our universe has never seen, when the whole family gets together for the best party ever!

For now, I better motor on. If I stay here much longer someone may start digging a hole.

School board...

Continued from page 1 claims from the past year totaled more than \$275,000.

- Approved changes to next year's high school and Gateway student handbooks that are in line with the changes previously approved for Watson Junior High.

- Approved the minutes from the district's previous meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS

Lindsey King graduated from the University of Texas at Houston Medical School on May 28th.

Lindsey is the wife of Adrian King (formerly of Muleshoe) and daughter in-law of Kenneth and Toni King of Muleshoe.

Lindsey is the daughter of Tammi Wallis of Farwell and Allen Rich of Amarillo.

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

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There are three chances to win, a \$5,000, a \$3,000, or a \$2,000.

The center will be serving a brisket, bean, cornbread, with all the trimmings lunch from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.. The lunch is open to the public. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children, 10 and under.

The center will be open from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. All of you seniors and guests come on in and enjoy the fellowship and fun. There will be dominoes, eighty, bunco, and any other game you want to play. So join your

family and friends at the center on the Fourth.

The Class of 1953 will have a gathering at 4 p.m. on Friday at the center. All of you members of the class of 1953 come join in the fun and fellowship.

We are happy to have you come and enjoy our center. We also invite you to come on Saturday and enjoy the lunch and fellowship.

Tuesday, July 7, is Bunco playing day. Call a friend and come enjoy. The games begin at 10 a.m., come early and have coffee.

We appreciate Interim Home Health for assisting us with this.

Wednesday, July 8, will be the regular monthly board of directors' meeting. The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. here at the center, and is open to the public. We invite you to come if you

have any suggestions or ideas on improving the happenings at the center.

Thursday, July 9, Ben Jackson with Hearing Technology of Lubbock, will be at the center at 9:30 a.m. If you need his services, make plans to come in on this date.

Thursday is also Bingo playing day for all you bingo players. So bring a can of food for the food pantry, and come on in for a great afternoon of fun and fellowship. LaShea Mason with NursCare is our fun caller for the bingo. We enjoy and appreciate her very much.

Menu for July 6-10:
Monday, July 6 — Chicken and dressing, gravy, California veggies, cranberry sauce, salad, wheat rolls and iced cake.
Tuesday, July 7 —

Cheeseburger, chili, ranch style beans, lettuce, tomatoes, onion, peppers, chips and banana pudding.

Wednesday, July 8 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll and apple cobbler.

Thursday, July 9 — Meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, carrots, salad, biscuits, fruit and cookies.

Friday, July 10 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad.

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Obituaries

Eunenia Muller

Church services for Eugenia Lee Muller, 86, of Amarillo and formerly of Sudan, were held on Tuesday, June 30, at the Sudan Church of Christ with Art Lynch of Dumas officiating.

Burial followed in Littlefield Cemetery.

Muller died on June 28, 2009, in Amarillo. She was born on April 8, 1923, in Haskell County to Wesley Chatwell and Alma Martin, and married Dawson Muller in Littlefield on Dec. 20, 1941.

He preceded her in death on March 29, 1972.

Besides her husband and parents she was also preceded in death by a son-in-law, Joe Don

Parrott. Muller was a long time resident of the Sudan community and moved to Amarillo in 2002. She was a 1941 graduate of Sudan High School and a member of the Sudan Church of Christ. She was a seamstress, and retired from the American Cotton Growers Denim Plant in Littlefield.

Survivors include two Sons — D.W. Muller of Aleta, and Shawn Muller and his wife of Whitesboro; two daughters — Alma Lora Parrott of Amarillo and J'Lee Davis of Tulia; a brother and his wife — Dr. J.W. and Barbara Chatwell of Littlefield; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Elizabeth Worm

Graveside services for Elizabeth Worm, 67, of Farwell were held on Wednesday, July 1, at Lazbuddie Cemetery with Bro. Jeff Coffman officiating.

Worm died on June 27, 2009, in Farwell. She was born on June 19, 1942, in Plattsburg, N.Y. She was preceded in death by a granddaughter.

Worm attended Calvary Baptist Church while living in Muleshoe.

After she was 50 years of age, she obtained her nursing license, and was a nurse for Farwell Convalescent Center, and

Parkview Nursing Home in Muleshoe. She also worked for Samaritan Hospice on weekends.

Survivors include a son and his wife — Robert and Stephanie Cleveland of Roswell, N.M.; a son — Barry Cleveland of Texas; a daughter and her husband — Diane and Larry O'Connell of Townsend, Mont.; and a daughter — Tammi Burton of Friona.

She is also survived by a brother — Bruce McGregor, and sister — Connie Brown, both of New York; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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Billye Doty

Funeral services for Billye Frances Doty, 78, of Sudan were held on Saturday, June 27, at the First Baptist Church of Sudan with Benny Baker officiating. Burial followed in Sudan Cemetery.

Doty died on Wednesday, June 24, in Lubbock. She was born on July 3, 1930, to James Clayton and Myrtle Alva Wells in Lubbock, and married Wayne Doty in Circleback on Dec. 25, 1951.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother — Kenny, a sister — Mary Beth, and a granddaughter

Doty was a long time resident of the Sudan community, and a member of the First Baptist Church of Sudan.

She was a 1947 graduate

of Sudan High School, attended Draughn's Business College and worked for the Sudan Beacon News, Pay & Save Grocery and Dood's Frame Shop.

Survivors include her husband — Wayne Doty of Sudan; a son and his wife — David and Sheila Doty of Littlefield; a son — Donald Doty of Lubbock; two daughters and their husbands — Karen and Billy Wayne Gore of Sudan, and Jo Gaye and Larry Schmitt of Hobbs, N.M.; three sisters — Wanda Patton of Lubbock, Linda Cawkoski of Wimberly and JoAnn Chester of Sudan; and a brother — Robert Wells of Topeka, Kan.; six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Sudan EMS, PO Box 491, Sudan, Texas 79371.

Ruben Silva

Ruben Silva, 47, of Amarillo died Sunday, June 21, 2009.

Services for Ruben Silva, 47, of Amarillo, were held on Thursday, June 25, in Angel Funeral Home Chapel of the Angels. Burial followed in Llano Cemetery.

Silva was born on Aug. 9, 1961, in Juarez, Mexico, to Casimiro Silva and Julia Perez. He was preceded in death by his mother.

Silva worked in the construction field.

Survivors include a son — Ruben Silva Jr. and mother Norma Nunez Silva of Borger; three children — Omar Silva, Rene Silva and



Ruben Silva

Julieta Silva and mother Clara Tovar of Amarillo; a sister — Rosa Reveles of Amarillo; four brothers — Faustino Silva and Roque Silva, both of Mexico, Raul Silva of Denver and Rodolfo Silva of Muleshoe; and his father — Julia Perez of Mexico.

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Chamber Business of the Month honored

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently recognized Kuka's, 924 W. American Blvd., as the June Business of the Month. The owners are Ramon and Maria Sanchez, and their daughter, Maria Sanchez. Pictured on the right are Cory Collins, Isabel Hernandez, Mina Samaniego, Celie Parham and Sharla Johnson.



Chamber Employee of the Month honored

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently recognized Renda Logsdon of Fry Cox True Value Hardware as the June Employee of the Month. Pictured above are Ed Cox, Celie Parham, Renda Logsdon, Cory Collins, Sharla Johnson and Mark Anthony.

Jennyslipper News

The Jennyslippers met for their regular noon meeting at the Muleshoe Girl Scout Little Hut on Tuesday, June 23.

June Green, president, opened the meeting and Nelda Merriott gave the prayer of thanksgiving.

It was reported that Todd Newberry, cub master of the Cub Scouts, and Cheryl Puckett, cub scout den mother, with members of their organization will help operate the Mule Putt Golf Course on specified weekends. This is sincerely appreciated.

Several parties have been held at the Mule Putt Golf Course and this helps the Jennyslippers pay for the groundskeeper, the electric lights and other expenses of operation.

Ruby Green and Elaine Parker reported enjoying working a

rest stop for the Tour de Muleshoe.

Mickey Merriott was hired as groundskeeper for the Mule Putt Golf Course, furnishing all of the necessary equipment.

The Jennyslippers will host the PUSH (People Understanding the Severely Handicapped) America at the First Assembly of God Church Family Life Building on July 14.

These are a group of young men who ride bicycles across the United States raising awareness and funds for the severely handicapped. The Jennyslippers have hosted them since they began their journeys some 18 years ago. In Muleshoe, they are treated to their first steaks on their journey and say that Muleshoe is their very favorite stop. They

enjoy the home-made desserts, too.

The Jennyslippers will host the World Championship Mule Shoe Pitching Tournament on July 4 at 3 p.m. at the Jennyslipper Mule-putt Golf Course beside the Coliseum. Cash prizes will be awarded the winners: First place in Doubles, \$100, and second place, \$50. For first place in Singles, \$50, and \$25 for second place.

There is a \$5 per person entry fee.

Businesses and individuals are encouraged to sponsor a team and join the fun.

Mule-Putt Golf will be open for golfing from 1-7 p.m., on July 4, and the public is invited to watch the tournament and enjoy the afternoon. Golfing is only \$1.75 per game for the course.

August sales tax holiday will be bigger

Great news for back-to-school shoppers. For the first time since it began in 1999, the annual August sales tax holiday will include many school supplies.

"A lot of families look forward to saving their hard earned money during the sales tax holiday weekend," Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said. "Now they can make their back-to-school budgets stretch even further because more than two dozen school supply items will be tax-free."

House Bill 1801 identifies school supplies priced less than \$100 that will be exempt from state and local sales tax for the tax-free weekend.

Pens, crayons, calculators, notebooks, rulers, scissors and lunch boxes are a few of the items on the list.

These items are in addition to school backpacks and most clothing and shoes priced less than \$100 that are already tax-free the weekend of Aug. 21-23.

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- _____ to cool off
- _____ red, white and blue bunting from buildings
- _____ the Declaration of Independence
- _____ a pie-eating contest
- _____ decorated bicycles
- _____ places, battlefields and buildings where people fought for liberty
- _____ in the parade
- _____ fireworks light up the sky
- _____ patriotic songs
- _____ our country's flag
- _____ with your family and friends

Help me find and circle all the words that begin with the letter 'f' on this page!

I love decorating my bicycle and riding it in the parade. I love eating hotdogs and watermelon. And the fireworks are so cool! But, what is all the celebration really about?

This is our celebration of our country's independence. It means that we are not controlled by other countries. We are free. That's why we also call the Fourth of July **Independence Day.**

1 picnicking
2 raising
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4 marching
5 swimming
6 watching
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A Fourth of July Picnic!

Some people who live near the shore go to the beach and dig a pit in the sand and cook food in it. When the food is cooked, everyone visits and eats. Follow this color key to find out what this fun picnic is called: **R = Red B = Blue W = White.**

Yeah, clams... make sure it's clams.

Menu
Clam chowder
Steamed lobster
Steamed clams
Corn on the cob
Small red potatoes
Roasted onions
Lemonade
Blueberry pie

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Lady Mules attend ENMU basketball camp

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules are not waiting for school to start to begin to prepare for the 2009-2010 basketball season. They attended the Eastern New Mexico University Team Camp this past week.

They played 13 games in just three days during the camp. The Lady Mule team was made up of varsity members and girls that are vying for positions on the team.

The girls also got a taste of college life as they stayed in an ENMU dorm and ate in the cafeteria on campus. There were 16 teams attending the camp.

The eight teams from New Mexico were Portales, Hobbs, Cliff,

Clayton, Socorro, Santa Rosa, Elida and Dora. The eight from Texas were Lazbuddie, Dalhart, Andrews, Andrews JV, River Road, Boys Ranch, Dumas and the Lady Mules.

The tight schedule of games called for a different format. The games were two 16-minute halves with a running clock. The clocked stopped in the final two minutes of each game as long as the lead was 10-points or less. A tie resulted in an overtime period that was a sudden death free throw shot off.

The teams alternated players shooting a single free throw and the first miss with a corresponding made shot settled the game.

Thursday and Friday's competition was Round Robin play and then the teams were seeded into Saturday's single elimination tournament.

The Lady Mules lost their first game in Round Robin play to Santa Rosa in overtime 1-0. They bounced back and defeated Boys Ranch by 20 and wrapped up Thursday night's games with a win over Dumas by three points.

Dora defeated the Lady Mules Friday morning by three points but again the Lady Mules rebounded



to defeat Lazbuddie by 36. Hobbs took down the Lady Mules by 16 points and Cliff defeated them by three. Socorro dropped the Lady Mules by eight points.

If the seeding had been done at that point the Lady Mules would have been seeded in last place and had to have played the number one team in the tournament on Saturday. The Lady Mules pulled out all the stops and played Portales to a tie in regulation.

Three Lady Mules in a row knocked down a crucial free throw in the overtime shoot out. Portales could only answer twice and the win moved the Lady Mules to a ninth seed.

The Lady Mules defeated the eighth seeded Elida team by

13 in the opening round of the tournament. The number three seeded Portales team felt they had a lot to prove against the Lady Mules but fell short by seven points in regulation.

The Lady Mules met the number two seeded Dalhart squad in the semi-finals and took them down by four points. The victory put the Lady Mules in the finals against the number five seeded team from Hobbs.

The Hobbs team won the tournament by 19 points. The eight Lady Mules that had attended the camp were very leg weary after playing so many games in a very short time but were very pleased with their performance in the tournament.

Obituaries

Melba Cunningham

Chapel services for Melba Cunningham, 81, of Muleshoe, are scheduled for 11 a.m., Thursday, July 2, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Jeff Coffman officiating. Burial will follow in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Cunningham died on Monday, June 29, 2009, in Muleshoe. She was born on July 13, 1927, to Earl Boyd and Gladys Estelle Flippin in Dumont, and married R.B. Cunningham in Paducah on July 14, 1945. He preceded her in death in 1997.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; a son — James Cunningham in 1996; and brothers — Robert and Kenneth Flippin.

Cunningham had lived in Muleshoe since 1967, having moved from Morton. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Muleshoe. She worked twenty-five years as a law enforcement dispatcher for the Muleshoe Police Department and the Bailey County Sheriffs' Department.

And, with her husband operated the Cunningham Boot Shop in Muleshoe.

Survivors include a son — Richard Cunningham of Muleshoe; a daughter and her husband — Kay and Gary Knowlton of Muleshoe; three sisters — Sadie Martin of Mineral Wells, Willona Park of Arlington and Boydine Overton of Kisseee Mills, Mo.; a brother — Wayne Flippin of Ft. Worth; four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Calvary Baptist Church, 1733 West Ave. C, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.



Chamber welcomes new business

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture welcomed Hamilton Big Country Ford, 1112 W. American Blvd., to the community on June 23 with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

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July 4th

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The adults division starting at 8 p.m. the cost will be \$10 for 20 pitches.

T-shirts and prizes for division champions.

Proceeds go to Muleshoe Youth Softball.

For more information call Julie Debruin, 272-7548.

Locks of Love...

Clarissa Rejino, 5, the daughter of Sonia Rejino, donated nine inches of hair to Locks of Love on Tuesday, June 23. Pictured on the right is Clarissa and stylist Crystal Regalado of the Family Hair Salon, who cut her hair.



Patterson elected as new County Democratic chair

Earlier this month the Executive Committee of the Bailey County Democratic Party met and accepted the resignation of County Chair Linda McGonagill who resigned for health reasons.

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In the fading twilight of life... Part 2

A lady asked me recently if I have much trouble in thinking of things to write about for the paper.

No, I don't. However, I have to put in considerable time getting my thoughts and facts together and presenting them in the most effective way possible, or at least in the best way that I can.

When we speak of "the fading twilight of life," I know what that suggests. But there is much more than that involved in the general subject of death and life.

I was never taught very much about those things as a child, or as I grew up. So the knowledge that I have, limited as it is, I gained by experience, conversation and personal study.

But I intend to present a series of writings, each related to the others, and broadly based with the principle theme being the works to be done in the transfer of property

Something worth saying...
By Glen Williams

to be had at different times and under different circumstances.

This is a broad subject, and it is important, but it is not designed to be a deeply researched and scholarly work that only a great scholar could produce.

You know I couldn't do that if I tried. But rather a few facts and technical terms that we are faced with every day, especially when there has been a death in our community.

The first funeral I ever attended was that of an elderly man of our community. I was just a kid, and it affected me for a long time. The next one was a new born infant baby.

Bud Jordan's life had faded away in the twilight. And the little

baby's had just begun. My father had made both of the coffins, and my mother had assisted with the preparation of each body.

The services were held in the open at the grave sides, and during the service for the baby it began to rain. And as the mother and father stood over the baby some of the folks held the coffin lid, and an umbrella over them to shield them from the rain.

I will remember seeing them as they both cried, said little prayers, and finally he said, "Isn't that a sweet and beautiful little baby?" And they bid her "good by."

The first funeral I ever conducted was a seven-month-old baby girl called "Toby."

One of the most recent

funerals was an elderly lady. Her husband was already deceased, and she left nine grown children, six girls and three boys. That was a family that truly loved each other, they stayed together and cared for each other.

Shortly before the services got under way the oldest girl said to me, "I don't want to try to tell you what to say, but I don't think you would want to say very much about our mother being a good woman and a good mother for the people here know her. They know she was a good woman. They don't have any questions about those things. But we children, we need direction, and we need to be taught to love each other as we have never loved before."

And I said, "That is exactly what I had in mind."

Those are the things I tried to tell them in the service that afternoon.

For they understood, and they believed, that their mother, and their father, had departed this life in peace, and had left reputations of which they might justly be proud.

This brings us back to where we began and it is, I think, a good example of what I was trying to speak of before — the needs of those that remain.

In our own situation we are going to have to make some changes. We have most of those things

pretty well attended to, but now some things have changed.

One of the witnesses is deceased, one of those chosen to conduct the services has serious problems and the one who is to lead the singing will, quite likely, not be available. And there's other things that must be updated.

So, in addition to writing letters for the paper, we have work to do. See what I mean?

Publication of Obituaries

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

The Sudan Buzz

Council takes action on CDBG projects

The Sudan City Council met Monday, June 29, to conduct public hearings on the submission of an application for funds from the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program's Texas Capital fund through the Texas Department of Agriculture to provide improved facilities in the city's downtown district.

The council also:

- Discussed and

acted on a resolution that established the boundaries of the Historic Downtown Commercial District (HCDC).

- Discussed and acted on a resolution that designates areas within the designated HCDC as slum/blighted and in need of improvement.

- Discussed and acted on a resolution that adopts a public access plan to be utilized during infrastructure

construction projects funded through the Texas Capital Fund-Downtown Revitalization Program.

- Discussed and acted on adoption of a citizen participation plan for all Texas CDBG projects.

- Discussed and acted on resolution that authorizes submission of an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for a 2009 Texas Capital Fund — Downtown Revitalization Program grant to construct sidewalk and handicap-accessibility improvements in the designated HCDC.

All resolutions were voted on and approved.

The 2009 Seal Coat Project was discussed and the project will start the last of July or the first week in August.

The project will be done by Park, Hill, Smith & Cooper.

Other items of business discussed included the damage all-terrain vehicles are doing to city streets.

It was decided that printed information about the damage the ATVs are doing will be distributed to each household in Sudan.

Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, N.M., has contacted Sudan and will hold a town hall meeting on Tuesday, July 7, at the community center to talk about and explain the new aircraft they are receiving. Everyone is invited to attend.

Buzzing away...
By Norma Burnett



Not much is happening in Sudan this summer guess there are a lot of people are on vacation.

Hope everyone enjoyed the wonderful rain Saturday night. I think we received around 1-1/2 inches. Every drop is appreciated.

Sympathy is expressed to the families of Billie Doty and Eugenia Muller this week. Thoughts and prayers are with these families.

See ya next week and don't forget to send me your news.

Buzz-A-Licious" Recipes

This recipe is from Kristy Synatschk and it was submitted by her grandmother Gwen West.

- Confetti Dip**
2-8 oz Packages Cream Cheese
1-8 oz. Package Ranch Dressing Mix
Beat above mixture together till smooth.
Stir in 1 medium Bell Pepper -chopped
Add 1 (4oz.) Can Chopped Ripe Olives
1 11oz. Can Whole Kernel Corn - drained
1 small can Chopped Green Chilies
Refrigerate for 2-3 hours and serve with chips and crackers.

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