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## Students, Teachers Approve Program

around Muleshoe

Muleshoe Athletic Boosters will present a Mens', Womens, and Mixed Division Volleyball Tournament, March 7-9.

The double elimination tournament will be played in the Muleshoe Junior High gym.

T-Shirts will be given for first and second places and trophies will be presented 1st through 3rd place teams.

Entry fee is \$45 per team, and deadline for entry is March 1.

A concession stand will be available, and all proceeds will go to the Athletic Boosters.

For additional information, or to enter a team, call Alex Garcia, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at (806) 272-4390; Marsha Watkins, 272-5632; Vickie Hardwick, 272-4345 or Larry Rasco, 272-5269.

### IT'S COOKIE TIME!!

The youth of Calvary Baptist Church are once again conducting their annual cookie drive.

They are taking orders for giant (9-inch) Valentine cookies. These are iced and decorated sugar cookies personalized with your own message to that very special person.

Place your order now. They are \$3.75 and delivered inside the city limits.

Contact any Calvary Teen or call 272-5319 or 272-4012.

The Calvary Teens added, "Thanks once again for helping us to go to church camp in June."

There will be a meeting for leaders, parents on anyone interested in Cub Scouts on Thursday, February 7, at 4 p.m. at Kristy's Plants.

You are encouraged to be present to help the Cub Scout program in Muleshoe.

The Muleshoe High School class of 1981 is planning their ten year reunion and need help locating the following people:

Juanita J. Ibarra, Tammy Dawn Knight, Jose Guillermo Orozco.

If anyone knows the whereabouts of these persons, please call Leslie Dale at 272-5176 or Sharon Burris, 272-5383.

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## Precious Beginnings To Make Appearance

Giving birth is a routine event. Don't you ever believe it, not even for one moment. It is a momentous occasion, whether it is your first child, or your eighth child, and Muleshoe Area Hospital District looks at it that way.

For that reason, in the near future, MAHD will be renovating, remodeling and redecorating their OB and Nursery departments.

Precious Beginnings Birthing Suite will be born at the hospital, replacing the current delivery room, post-partum room and nursery.

Richelle Watkins, OB nurse, said they will be turning their OB department into an ultra-modern, comfortable and relaxing suite, for both the new mother, father and other relatives and friends.

Included will be a waiting room for the father, and those who will be waiting with him.

MAHD will be purchasing the birthing bed, and memorials and donations are being sought to help with the \$10,000



READY FOR RADIO AUCTION DAY--During a meeting last Friday, the Bailey County Division of the American Heart Association finalized plans for their annual Radio Auction Day. This annual event will be this Saturday. From left are Virginia Bowers and Hugh Young, co-chairmen of the Radio Auction Day; and Laura Seales, president of the Bailey County Division. (Journal Photo)

## Texas Cattle Feeding - An Economic Giant, Says Speaker

Texas Cattle Feeding -- An Economic Giant, was the title of a program presented to the Muleshoe Rotary Club Tuesday at noon.

J. B. Douglas of Wes-Tex Feeders presented the program, along with some awesome facts and figures about the cattle industry in Texas, and in the local area.

He gave a brief background after being introduced by Rotarian Mark Heckman. Douglas said the cattle feeding industry started in the late 20's and early 30's in Texas when farmers were faced with cotton and corn by-products. They started feeding cattle, but it wasn't a very big operation at the first.

Then, in 1948, Sudan Feed Yards was started. From this area, the industry grew to the north, through the Panhandle of Texas, into Oklahoma and Kansas.

At first, the young Texas industry feed the cattle the extra grain, then shipped them

to packing plants in the mid-west.

In the 50's, the first packing houses were constructed in the area, and by the 1960's-70's, most of the feedyards that exist in this area today were constructed.

In 1990, in Texas alone, the cattle industry generated \$11 billion; supported 40,000 households in the state, and generated another \$1.4 billion in support businesses.

Douglas said that in the last five years, cattle feeding has been a relatively profitable operation, following a wide swing in prices from 1973 to 1986, with a \$20 swing in market prices for cattle not uncommon.

"In the mid-60's through the early 70's, all you had to do with cattle to profit was to own them," added Douglas. "Then, in the 1970's the cattle price dropped and grain prices increased \$4."

Douglas then discussed how the poultry market had overcome the beef market. He said "the poultry people had done their research, while we (beef people) sat back and sold roasts and hamburger and let the world go by."

Then, according to Douglas, the health scares came along, and people were said to be eating too much red meat.

"From there," added Douglas, "everything we did was

### Small Businesses Become Eligible For New Loans

U. S. Sen. Phil Gramm has announced that small businesses in 70 Texas counties are eligible to apply for low-interest emergency loans to help recover from damages and losses due to the drought and excessive heat, rainfall and tornadoes that plagued the Texas agriculture industry in 1990.

Businesses located in counties affected by drought and excessive heat during the 1990 crop year have until August 26, 1991 to file an Economic Injury Disaster Loan application. Local and area counties are: Bailey, Cochran, Crane, Dawson, Gaines, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock and Lynn.

wrong."

He said poultry surpassed beef for the first time in 1989, with the average person eating 79 pounds of poultry per year, to just over 70 pounds of beef.

He said poultry is still gaining a little, but now, the beef producers are turning out leaner red meat.

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## Local Heart Chapter Plans Radio Auction

February is Heart Month, and last Friday, members of the Bailey County Division of the American Heart Association met at Sage's Restaurant to finalize plans for the annual Heart Month Radio Auction Day.

It will be held this Saturday at KMUL Radio in Muleshoe.

Local merchants and individuals are donating a lot of 'top' merchandise for your bids, so the Bailey County Chapter encourages you to listen in -- then call in your bids on the items to be offered.

Laura Seales, president, was in charge of the meeting, and most of the board was present.

Mrs. Seales said that all local school cafeterias will be serving Heart Healthy Meals during the week of February 11-15 and school board members and the board of trustees of MISD will be attending a seminar on how to detect the 'Early Warning of Heart Attacks.'

Posters are on display in various locations around town and news releases have been given all local news media, according to Linda Turner.

Virginia Bowers gave a treasurer's report, and told how much money has been designated as goals for the local chapter.

It was also reported that Three Way School will 'Jump For Heart' on February 14. Proceeds will go for research into cardiovascular diseases.

Hugh Young reported on plans for the Radio Day Auction and said they would be numbering and tagging merchandise on Monday night at the Five Area Telephone Cooperative Board room -- and announced that a new born bull calf would be auctioned by the local chapter.

## In-School Television New Teaching 'Tool'

According to students and teachers in Muleshoe High School and Watson Junior High School, the majority feel the new Channel 1 TV program in the schools is successful.

Tom Boutell, teacher at Watson Junior High School; Todd Shipman, eighth grader from WJHS and Tiffany Angeley, MHS junior, polled teachers and students regarding the new program and reported to members of the MISD Board of Trustees Monday night.

Boutell explained to board members how the TV system is utilized in the two schools.

He said programs are taped in New York and beamed by satellite for reviewing and possible approval by the local schools. With four 30-second commercials, the total program runs for 12 minutes, and is divided into two six minute segments for the students.

He said it is proving to be a viable working tool for teachers, and for students, who keep up with current events and news, geared toward youth.

He said the installation of the system was very timely, as it occurred just about the time of the Gulf War and Saudi Arabia, and the system covers events felt important for the students to study.

Teachers for the most part, feel it is a very good tool, he said, adding, "it gives the students a look at the world. A lot of the students don't get a chance to watch the news, and it is proving to be very helpful to social studies' and history

students."

He also said it is helping the students with language and vocabulary.

The programs can be recorded for later viewing, added Boutell.

Boutell also said a majority of the teachers feel the new program is worthwhile as it is very good broadening the students' minds, and is incredible timing with the Gulf War.

Live hook-ups are available in the classrooms, and the teachers can allow the students to monitor CNN quick-breaking news. "This gets the students to asking questions," he added, "and could lead to other things.

In the future, we are possibly looking at taping the programs for viewing by homebound students.

"I, personally, feel it is a wonderful teaching tool," concluded the WJHS teacher.

Todd Shipman said he had polled junior high school students, and the majority of sixth graders told him, "It's okay." He said they like the program a lot as it keeps them updated.

Some of the students don't like the commercials, and the program is boring to some of the students, added Todd. "It's really neat," said most of the sixth graders.

For the seventh grade, Todd said most of the students said, "It's really good. It keeps me updated, and helps me learn about the world."

Eighth graders concluded, "We really like it. It's very educational and helps us learn more about what's going on in the Gulf."

He said the overall consensus from WJHS is that the students approve the new TV program.

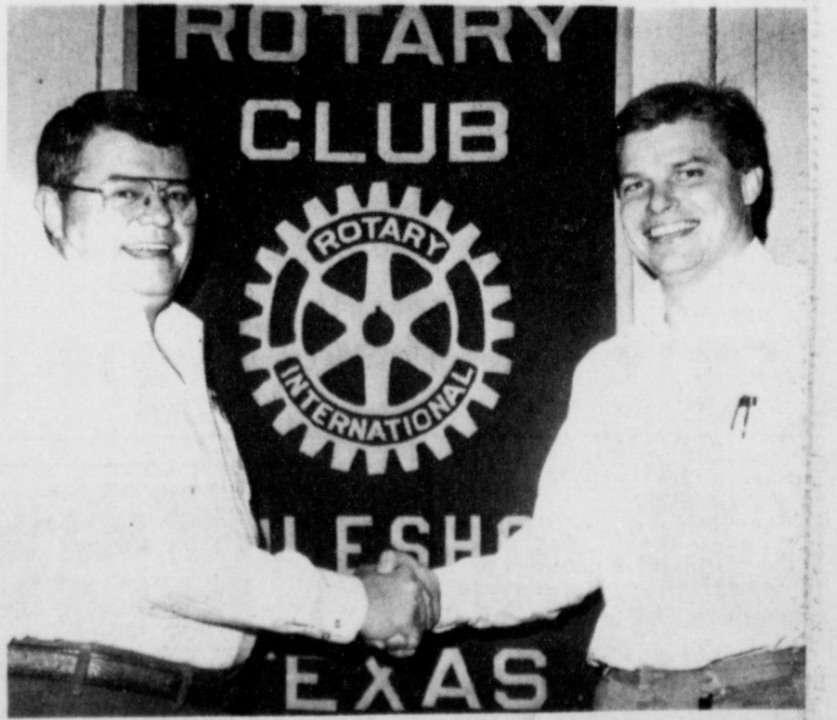
From MHS, Tiffany said the Cont. Page 6, Col. 3

### MAC Holds Drawing Here Last Saturday

Last Saturday afternoon, the Muleshoe Activities Committee conducted a drawing on Main Street, giving away some \$400 in MAC Bucks.

Nola Treider won \$120; Mary Autrey, \$85 and Ruby Garner, \$80.


John Stevens said the next MAC drawing will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 2.



CATTLE FEEDER TALKS TO ROTARY--The impact of the fed cattle industry on local and Texas economy was the focus of a talk by J. B. Douglas, left, as he spoke to the Muleshoe Rotary Club Tuesday. He is being congratulated by Mark Heckman, Rotarian in charge of the program for the day. (Journal Photo)

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# Farm Bill Must Change

The president of the National Farmers Union says farmers and other rural Americans are growing increasingly frustrated with low farm prices and believe major changes are needed in the 1990 farm bill.

Speaking at the Texas Farmers Union convention in Austin Saturday, NFU President Leland Swenson said reopening the farm bill is his organization's number one priority in the coming year. "We cannot afford not to reopen the farm bill," he said. "Its structure will do nothing to stem the economic erosion that's occurring in agriculture."

Swenson told the group that commodity prices have fallen so rapidly that the economic situation for farmers has changed dramatically since the farm law was passed. "Wheat prices fell over a dollar a bushel; dairy prices by over three dollars a bushel in the last six months of the year," he said.

Farmers Union recently kicked off a petition campaign to reopen the bill. Swenson said

## Ruby Brantley Funeral Services Set Today

Funeral services for Ruby Brantley, 79, will be held at 11 a.m. today, Thursday, Feb. 7 in Ellis Funeral Home Chapel of the Chimes with the Rev. Richard Edwards, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiating.

Graveside services will be conducted at 4 p.m. in the McAdoo Cemetery with the Rev. Carl Coffee of McAdoo officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe. Justice of the Peace Todd W. Ellis pronounced Mrs. Brantley dead at 11:50 a.m. Monday at her home.

Born Dec. 10, 1911, in Mart, TX, she had been a resident of Muleshoe 1957, moving here from McAdoo. She was a homemaker and a member of the Missionary Baptist Church of McAdoo. She married T.J. Brantley on July 13, 1931, in Matador. He died Feb. 6, 1979.

Survivors include two sons, Curby Brantley of Muleshoe and Norman Brantley of Garland; three grandchildren; and four great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Bailey County E.M.S.

the purpose of the drive is to show Congress and the Bush Administration the amount of dissatisfaction farmers have with the farm bill. The farm group is endorsing a program that would utilize supply management techniques and higher

## Justina Villegas Funeral Services Held Wednesday

Funeral services for Justina Villegas, 77, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6 in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Father Pat Maher, pastor, officiating.

Rosary was celebrated at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Ellis Funeral Home.

Burial was in Muleshoe Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe. Justice of the Peace Todd W. Ellis pronounced her dead at 1:50 a.m. Monday at her home.

Born April 4, 1913, in Mexico she had been a resident of Muleshoe 18 years, moving here from Mexico. She was a homemaker and a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Her husband, Delfino Villegas died in 1981.

Survivors include three sons, Jose Luis Villegas of El Paso, Daniel Villegas of Lovington, N.M., and Ruben Villegas of Muleshoe; five daughters, Antonia Herrera, Margarita Ortega and Rosa Quezada, all of Muleshoe, and Anita Valdez of Longmont, Colo., and Julia Serrano of El Paso; a sister, Socorro Leyva of Mexico; two brothers, Reyes Gomez and Jesus Gomez, both of Mexico; 50 grandchildren; 40 great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren.



RUBY BRANTLEY

program loan rates as ways to stimulate market prices. "That will allow farmers to get their income from the marketplace and save the government money at the same time." Swenson said.

The farm leader said the frustration rural people experienced during the 1980's farm crisis has expanded to urban areas. Swenson stated that the deregulatory agenda of the '80s led to the savings and loan debacle, a crisis in the transportation industry, and scandals on Wall Street and in the commodity futures trading industry. "Americans have become increasingly disenchanted with the concentration of wealth into the hands of fewer and fewer people and with the unwillingness of our leaders to effectively deal with the national debt." At the same time, he said, America is facing economic crisis on several fronts, including in agriculture and health care. "One of every six Americans has no health insurance" said Swenson.

The NFU chief also said that Americans must recognize the importance of agriculture to the nation's economy. He said agriculture represents twenty percent of the country's gross national product, and is the only industry that has a positive balance of trade. "We simply take our food supply and our food production system for granted."

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## Courthouse News

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Leon Warren and wife Carol A. Warren, Flory Fonville and husband, Billy Wayne Fonville, Maye Ewins and husband Francis L. Ewins, John Ray Warren and wife, Oleta Marie Warren, Alice Faver and husband, Dean Faver, and Leta Albright and husband, Benny I. Albright to Barbara J. Warren-The Northwest part of Labor No. (25), League No. (193), Foard County School Lands in Bailey County, Texas.

### CORRECTION (with Vendor's Lien):

Jimmy Ray Banks and wife Bobbie Banks to Guadalupe Rejino and wife, Petra V. Rejino All of the (SW/4) of Section (50), Block "Y", W.D. & F.W. Johnson Subdivision No. (2) Bailey County, Texas Save and Except: A (1) acre tract previously conveyed to Lanny Trussell and wife Linda L. Trussell as set out in Deed dated June 5, 1979, recorded in Vol. 137, Page 671, Deed records of Bailey County, Texas.

Charles D. Thomason and wife Pamela Thomason to Ramon Mendoza and wife Janie Y. Mendoza-3.25 acres of the John DePaw Subdivision of parts of Sections (38), (39), (54), and (55), in Block Y, W.D. & F.W. Johnson's Subdivision No. 2, Bailey County, Texas.

### COUNTY COURT

Roberto Torres Ruiz-Transporting an Alcoholic Beverage; \$200 fine

Eloisa Reyna Garcia-Theft;

\$1,000 fine

Richard Michael Morris-Possession of Marijuana under 2 oz.-3 months probation

### CIVIL MINUTES

Fry & Cox, Inc. VS W.R. Butcher, Jr.-Order

BCAD Vs De Sautell, Beverly A. c/o Cliff De Sautell-Order of Dismissal

Janis Carol Strahan and Gary Neil Strahan-Order of Dismissal

Tammy R. White VS Great Republic Insurance Company-Order for Discovery

BCAD VS Grand Lodge No. 388-Order

## Crime Line ALERT

From the Bailey County Sheriff's Department, Chief Deputy Don Carter has a recent crime that cash rewards are being offered through the Crime Line.

Bailey County Crime Line is now offering a \$500 cash reward for information leading to the arrest and indictment of suspects involved in the theft of six flatbed utility trailers from the Muleshoe Animal Clinic.

The crime took place sometime between January 29, 1991 and January 30, 1991.

Call 272-HELP, and remember -- you will remain completely anonymous.

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From the Bailey County Sheriff's Department, Chief Deputy Don Carter has three recent crimes that cash rewards are being offered through the Crime Line.

Bailey County Crime Line is now offering a \$750 cash reward for information leading to the arrest and indictment of suspects involved in the theft of electrical wire from Claunch Gin, Bula; Nickels Gin, 11 miles east of Muleshoe on Highway 70 and Eastern Grain Elevator, two and a half miles east of Lazbuddie on SR145.

The crimes took place sometime between January, 1991 and February 1991.

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BCAD VS Lyons, Lee Aller, Dec'd and the Unknown Heirs-Order

BCAD VS DKK Leasing Co., Inc.-Order of Dismissal

Janie Contreras Porras and Eugene Mario Porras-Order on Motion To Dismiss

BCAD VS Orvdie Burris-Order of Dismissal

## Sudan News by Ann Gaston

Thursday, January 13, 1991, a community meeting was held to discuss Economic Development of Sudan. The meeting was held in the Sudan High School Cafeteria at 7:00 p.m. All persons who were interested in the future of Sudan attended.

Denise Prokep, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prokop of Garland, Tx. was on the Dean's List at Texas Tech University with a GPA of 3.769. Denise is an Arts and Science Major and is a freshman. Miss Prokop is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dorman Chester of Sudan.

The Cardinal Cheerleaders of Trinity Valley Community College in Athens, Texas, wrapped up an unprecedented third consecutive win in the National Cheerleaders Association finals Saturday, Jan. 5 at the Dallas Convention Center.

Chris Griggs of Sudan is a member of the 1991 NCA Division II National Champion Cardinal squad.

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**AREA FARMERS HONORED**--The Northrup King Company of New Deal honored five area farmers at a growers appreciation banquet held Jan. 28 in Abernathy. The men were recognized for outstanding seed yields. Jack Sageser and Chris Sageser, both of Cotton Center, were the Top Hybrid Sorghum Sudangrass producers. Royce Barnes, Lazbuddie, was Top Hybrid Forage Producer. John Starnes, Cotton Center, was Top Hybrid Millet Producer. Top Sudangrass Producer went to Tommy Joines, Cotton Center. (L-R) Jack Sageser, John Starnes, Royce Barnes and Chris Sageser. (Guest Photo)

## February Market Watch

Texas consumers will find some good February buys in supermarkets, although crude oil prices, swinging with the volatile events of the Persian Gulf war, will continue to increase some food costs at checkout counters.

"Quite a wide range of foods will be available in ample supply despite the December-January freezes and higher fuel and transportation costs," said Dr. Dick Edwards, a food marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Edwards said produce, some meats -- especially beef and poultry--and cold-weather foods will be discounted in February.

"The dip in beef prices seen recently will continue in early February," Edwards said. "All beef prices will be off about 10 percent and specials will take prices of these cuts to 25 to 30 percent below December's non-sale prices."

But, Edwards said, the beef surplus that caused prices to drop will end later this month, so consumers may want to buy extra packages for family freezers.

Chicken keeps getting in a stronger price position with greater production efficiency, he added.

"The market should continue to see sale prices of 49 cents a pound for whole chickens," Edwards said. "Turkey prices of 79 to 89 cents per pound should be seen frequently."

Canned tuna, generally heavily discounted in February and March, will cost more because of the use of "dolphin safe" methods of harvest. Leading processors in the industry are prohibiting the use of drift nets on tuna boats, a more cost-effective means of catching tuna but one that has been criticized for drowning dolphins and other species.

While canned tuna will still

be on special, Edwards said prices will range from 59 to 69 cents per can rather than previously sale prices of 49 cents per can.

Edwards said table oranges will be in shorter supply as a result of California freezes, but orange juice prices will be down because of greater supplies for the same reason.

Cold-weather foods, including soup items, baking commodities and some breakfast foods, will be discounted.

"Soup packaging has expanded greatly during the past five years," Edwards said. "Canned soups now have a premium line and varieties of dry soup mixes continue to increase. The latest entry in a single serving of microwavable soups. Watch for discounts and coupons for use with soup purchases."

It's about time for baseball fans to watch training camp games.

## 4-H Enrollment Jumps

Membership in Texas's largest youth organization has taken a record leap.

Over the past year, enrollment in 4-H has increased 30 percent, a surge from 308,000 to 402,000.

"That means that the 4-H program now reaches about one out of every eleven young people between the age of 9 and 19," said Dr. Lynne Thibodeaux, assistant director of the 4-H and youth development programs with Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"The increase in membership is due partly to new 4-H initiatives in Texas schools that provide educational curricula for classes in life sciences," she said. "School courses in food

science, and environment, agriculture, horticulture and home economics have been enhanced by 4-H program packages in these and other technical subject matter areas."

One of the most popular 4-H enrichment courses is "Blue Sky Below My Feet," which introduces children in the third through sixth grades to hands on adventures in space technology and the expanding opportunities in this industry.

Thibodeaux also credits the success of the program to a variety of learning opportunities provided through 4-H projects that are based on current research and designed for children in specific age groups.

"The 4-H program goes far beyond instilling knowledge in youth," Thibodeaux said. "It focuses on blending current information and technology to help children develop life skills."

Young people learn how to make decisions, solve problems set goals, be sociable and to deal with failures and setbacks through positive and productive activities, she said. Parents also benefit by spending quality time with their children.

"Various programs are presented by county Extension Service agents who are dedicated professionals," she said, "while more than 54,000 volunteers throughout the state lend tremendous support and leadership to 4-H."

Statistics reveal that 4-H membership appeals to a wide range of youth--adolescents and teens, rural and urban from all ethnic groups. In Texas, about two-thirds of 4-H members are white, while minority enrollment has increased to more than 30 percent.

Over half of the members live in cities and suburbs, a third live in towns and 13 percent live on farms. Children between the ages of 10 and 13 make up 59 percent of the membership; 28 percent are 9 or younger; and 13 percent are 14 and older.

## Muleshoe Squares News



LOUVENIA GARLINGTON

### Ms. Garlington Attends Leadership Conference

Louvenia Garlington just returned from BeautiControl Cosmetics' Leadership Conference in Dallas. After attending business workshops and receiving training on BeautiControl's latest product innovations.

BeautiControl Cosmetics, which kicked off its 10-year anniversary celebration at the January conference, was again ranked by Forbes magazine in the "Top 200 Best Small Companies" for 1990. Business Week and Inc. magazines have also recognized BeautiControl as one of the best and fastest growing publicly-held companies in North America.

Ms. Garlington's local consultants who include Sheryl Morris, Sherri Kennedy 272-3204, Dana Scoggins 272-4847, Wilma Magby 272-4067 and LaVelle Clayton of Earth 257-3780.

The Muleshoe Squares were busy during December with several dances which included: Federation dance, Petus three club Christmas party and our own club party and donation of toys to the EMS toy drive.

January was started off by attending the Federation New Years Dance and Blackeyed Pea Supper in Lubbock, then the West Texas Caller Lab Dance in Farwell, and the Roswell dance this past weekend.

The club danced every Thursday in January attempting to start lessons. We apologize to those that came for not having enough students for lesson to make.

Several work nights were held at the Kalbus home to prepare for our anniversary dance. Those attending the last one were treated to B.Q. chicken, homemade sausage and sauerkraut, salad and dessert.

Our 10th Anniversary dance will be Saturday, February 9th, 8:00 at the Coliseum. We invite anyone that would like to come by and watch for awhile to join us.

### Going Away Reception To Honor McCalls

Mrs. Ann Johnson presented her piano students in a winter piano recital, held in her home January 27.

Students performing classical, pop pieces, and duets were Erin Wilhite, Kristen Nichols, Landon Nichols, John Bryan Cowart, Jessica Burch, Don Burch, Gina Jarman, and Alison Ivey.

Following the recital, family and friends attending were served refreshments.

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## 50 Years Ago

1931

### SCHOOL MAY CLOSE MARCH 1 IF TAXES ARE NOT PAID

That the Muleshoe Public School will continue until the close of February, but will be forced to close at that time, is the statement of Superintendent W.C. Cox, who says letters have been mailed out by the school board to each patron and property owner in the district urging that every effort possible on their part be made toward the paying of all or at least a part of their school taxes.

It is only on this basis that the school can be continued and the school board in their anxiety to continue the school have offered to remit all penalty and interest to those who will pay their taxes by the close of February.

## 50 Years Ago

1941

### ASKS CAR OWNERS TO SECURE TAGS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Stating that only 261 automobile license tags have been sold to date, Sheriff Raz Renfro urged car owners to get their tags as soon as possible, so as to avoid a last minute rush.

There are approximately 1750 tags to be sold in the county, 1,250 of them passenger car tags. Of the remaining 500, there are 200 for commercial trucks and 300 farm truck tags. Very few of these truck tags have been taken to date.

1951

## 40 Years Ago

1950 GINNINGS NOW 5,353 BALES

Only 5,353 bales of cotton had been ginned in Bailey County from the crop of 1950 prior to Jan. 15, a report issued from the Bureau of Census through Marion F. Harris, special representative of the bureau for Parmer and Bailey Counties, this week showed.

The bureau said this compared with a total of 66,893 bales ginned to the same date last year.

The 1950 production for the county had been variously estimated at seven to nine thousand bales, and apparently has fallen much below the earlier guesses.

## 30 Years Ago

1961

### FOOD, CARS LEAD IN LOCAL RETAIL SALES

To what extent are the changing times effecting the buying habits of Bailey County residents? How much of their

money are they allotting for food, for clothing, for household equipment? How much for cars?

A definite adjustment appears to have taken place the past year, reflecting the business recession and growing unemployment. The housewife's budget at least, for the present, is along a more conservative line, with a smaller portion for her money going for the bills, and a larger portion of her money going for the basic needs.

### INVENTORY REDUCTION SALE

Wringer type washers \$110; 15 cu ft. refrigerator \$300; 21 cu ft. freezer \$320; 36 inch electric range \$145; automatic washer \$190; Dryer \$149; Stereo \$350; Hi-Fi \$75; and record players \$15.95.

### 'PRONGED' DOE IS BAGGED BY FORMER RESIDENT

When Johnny Bruton of Fort Worth went hunting near Mason, he had his 'bag' certified by a state game warden and sworn to by a Notary Public.

Seems the young man, the son of Mrs. Jewel Bruton, bagged a five-point doe.

Now bagging a five-point buck is one thing...but a five-point doe???

He was hunting on New Year's Day when he came across a five-point deer which had been hit in the front leg by another hunter sometime earlier in the season. He killed the deer, and when he started to field dress it, the young man got quite a shock...five-point deer just aren't does....Usually.

## 20 Years Ago

1971

### REGISTRATION FOR '71 VOTERS SETS RECORDS

A record high in vote registration was noted this year, on an off election year, according to figures released by the Bailey County Tax Assessor, Jean Lovelady.

Near noon Tuesday, Mrs. Lovelady and her deputies were still counting the registrations received from the substations, but she expected the county to go above 3,200 registered voters by the time they finish the count.

She also explained the new voting precincts and said there will now be eight voting boxes in the county following re-districting of the county a year ago.

### '71 REGISTRATION FOR VOTING IS EXTENDED

Well, it's not over, after all...vote registration, that is. County Tax Assessor Jean

Lovelady received a telegram from Secretary of State Martin Dies Friday afternoon that registration for voters for the 1971 election has been extended until Feb. 28.

The new ruling will give those who 'forgot' to register in the first go-round which ended on January 31, to register for the all-important elections coming up in the near future.

## 10 Years Ago

1981

### SPECIAL CLASSES SET



CELIA WILLIAMS

### FOR GIFTED STUDENTS

"Educators have long been aware of the need to provide special instruction to a group of students known as gifted" states Harold Horne, superintendent of the Muleshoe School system.

Muleshoe ISD has made the implementation of the Gifted/Talented program one of the priorities of the Five-year Plan which was approved by the local board of trustees and submitted to the Texas Education Agency.

## Jennyslippers To Sponsor

### Skate/Walk-A-Thon Feb. 16

The Jennyslippers are sponsoring a gigantic Skate-A-Thon-Walk-A-Thon for all ages, to raise funds for the big 4th of July celebration (and especially for the fireworks).

"Thousands of people came and enjoyed our 4th last year and they'll be back!" said Nelda Merriott. "We need your help! We are encouraging adults, as well as children, to pick up a sponsor sheet at the Muleshoe Public Library, then go out and get those pledges!"



### Ashley Lynn Betz

Rowland and Cynthia Betz of Earth are the proud parents of a daughter, Ashley Lynn, who born at 10:38 p.m. Thursday, January 31 in Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

Ashley Lynn weighed seven pounds and four ounces. She is the first child for the couple.

Grandparents are Armando and Valentina Davila of Earth and Rowland and Mary Ann Betz of Red River, N.M.

Great grandparents are Petra Garcia of Earth and Ruth Betz of Pennsylvania.

Can you walk or skate for four hours (the maximum)?"

"We'll be skating and walking (your choice) at the Bailey County Civic Center in the arena on Saturday, February 16, from 1 to 5 p.m. Come a few minutes early to get checked in. There'll be refreshments, too, for all participants!"

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There's dozens of great prizes to be earned: bicycles, skates, Justin Roper boots, Walkman, gift certificates, skateboards, footballs, basketballs and calculators!

"If you would just like to come out and walk with friends, come on out. The perimeter of the arena will be set aside for walkers. We sincerely appreciate the fine support that the people of Muleshoe and the surrounding area always give to the 'Jennyslippers'" Mrs. Merriott continued.

### Just A Suggestion

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## Sudan Woman Has Four Family Members In Military

By Ann Gaston

"Mom, the war has started" were the words spoken to Celia Williams by her son Anthony in January.

Celia Williams has four children in the military at this time, all of whom graduated from Sudan High School. Her oldest son Joel, who is 31 years old, was sent to Saudi Arabia in November from Germany.

Joel has been a SPC or ammunition carrier in the Army for seven years. At one time, Joel was on the front line, fortunately he was rotated before "Desert Storm" began. Celia last spoke to Joel on the phone about two weeks ago and received a letter before the war started. On both occasions, Celia said "he was more worried about me than himself." Joel also asked her to stay strong for the family which is becoming harder everyday. Joel has one son, Joel Jr., who lives in Lubbock.

As Celia and I talked, I couldn't help but notice all of the pictures of her children and grandchildren. She has 15 children and nine grandchildren. Her daughter Kathie and her family were just a few. Kathie and her husband, Ricky Moore, are living in San Diego, Ca. where Kathie is stationed. They have three children, two daughters, Tangie, 11; Tamara 10, and one son, Perris 3. Kathie is 27 and joined the Navy over two years ago. Although Kathie is now working in an office, she could be called into combat at anytime.

Celia spoke to Kathie last week on the phone. While speaking to Kathie, she was interrupted by someone telling her (Kathie) to get away from the window. A terrorist had a hand grenade and was threatening to throw it through the

window. He was quickly apprehended. Kathie was also concerned about her mother, especially since the war had begun and knowing Joel was in Saudi.

Next would be Donald, 22, and is in the National Guard. Donald will be reporting to Lubbock very soon and could be sent to fight. He joined the National Guard in June of last year.

Anthony is 21 and is stationed in Alabama. He joined the Army in September of 1990 to become an MP (Military Police) and as I said earlier, he called to tell his mom that the war had started before it hit the news media.

The war has had an impact on us all, but nothing compared to the families of the service men and women.

Celia would just like to tell her children, "May God guide and keep you until your return. We are behind you all the way and we love you a lot. May God also keep those who are home waiting for the return of their families."

The following are addresses of the Williams children: Pvt. Anthony Williams, 451-31-4299, Co. C 787 M.P. BN (1st PLT), Fort McClellan, AL 36205-5073; Kathie M. Moore 1570 D Black Eagle Drive, San Diego, CA 92126-7028; SPC Joel Williams 451-31-2761, Operation Desert Storm, 30th Support Group 2nd Coscom 7th Corps, ATTN 226th S&S Co., APON.Y. 90623; Donald Williams, P.O. Box 282, Sudan, Tx. 79371.

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**Questions & Answers**  
**From Bob Bullock**

With Scud and Patriot missiles flying, environmental terrorism contaminating the Persian Gulf with crude oil and our nation's armed forces engaged in a full scale war against Iraq, legislative developments in Austin are seen in a new light. It's not that these State issues have diminished in importance to Texans, it is just that we now see them from a different perspective. The liberties that we take for granted every day on the floor of the Texas Senate are the very liberties the allies are fighting to restore in Kuwait.

On the same day that war broke out in the Persian Gulf, Lt. Governor Bob Bullock announced committee appointments in the Texas Senate. News of the outbreak of war overshadowed good news for Senate District 31.

For the first time in 14 years, the Senator from Senate District 31 has been appointed to the Finance Committee. This is clearly the most important committee in the Texas Senate. Lt. Governor Hobby probably described it best when he said, "There are two kinds of bills, one, budget bills and two, all the others." In my view, the State budget is the hub of government from which all of the spokes emanate. Serving on the Senate Finance Committee will put me in the center of that hub. It will also place me in a strategic position to insure that State institutions in Senate District 31 receive fair and equitable treatment.

The Finance Committee works harder and longer hours than any other Senate Committee. That's fine with me. I didn't come to Austin to play golf.

Another appointment that I am extremely pleased about is my appointment to the Senate Education Committee. Over half of the entire State budget is spent on public or higher education. Thus, serving on the Education Committee puts me at the heart of this major enterprise. With the recent Texas Supreme Court decision relating to the way we pay for public education, the work of the Senate Education Committee will be more important than ever before. The school children of this State are our future. What we do with regard to public school finance in the next 60 days could impact our State well into the 21st century. I don't take this responsibility

lightly. Steering away from the headlines, I will also take on the challenges of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee. This Committee deals with smaller scale topics such as the creation of municipal utility districts, police officer and firefighter union issues and seemingly every problem that arises in the City of Houston and Harris County.

When I called home to tell my family about my committee appointments, my 11-year old son, Andrew, demonstrated his keen political insight. He cut to the truly important, politically significant issue of seniority. He said, "Yea, Dad, those appointments are great but did you get a bigger office? Did you get a parking spot closer to the door?" I was pleased to answer both questions in the affirmative. I do indeed have a parking spot that is closer to the entrance of the Capitol. And my Senate office is no longer located on the third floor just outside of the Senate gallery where all of the elementary school classes line up before going into the gallery. My new office, 332, is located in the "back hall" on the third floor behind the Senate Chamber. It is far quieter, more convenient and, yes, Andrew, it is bigger.

**Sudan News**  
*by Ann Gaston*

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The gossip you hear isn't important, and often not true.

**Texas Senate Week In Review**

The House and Senate concurred January 31 and sent to Governor Richards the first bill of the 72nd Legislature fifteen days after Bob Bullock and Ann Richards took office. Senate Bill III is the bill sponsored by Senator John Montford that begins to remedy the state's cash flow shortage. S.B. III was passed out of the Senate and on to the House on Monday. On Tuesday, the bill was reported back to the Senate with amendments. The Senate concurred with the House amendments and sent the bill to the governor. At 4:00 p.m. Thursday, S.B. III was signed into law. The bill includes a spending reduction of \$77 million, rather than the originally proposed spending freeze. It also expands the oversight authority of the Legislative Budget Board.

In other business, the Senate Nominations Committee met to

consider several gubernatorial appointments on Tuesday, including the Reverend Zan Wesley Holmes, Jr., the first African-American appointed to serve on the University of Texas Board of Regents, and Ms. Allison Leland, wife of the late Congressman Mickey Leland, the first African-American female to serve on the Texas A&M University Board of Regents. Final confirmation is expected in the full Senate next week.

Also on Tuesday, January 29, the Subcommittee on Regulatory Agencies had a day-long hearing on proposed legislation, Senate Bill 179, relating to the settlement of contested cases pending before regulatory agencies, including the Public Utility Commission. The Subcommittee, chaired by Senator Peggy Rosson, El Paso, has heard testimony, but has taken no action.

On Wednesday, January 30, the Subcommittee on Elections and Ethics, chaired by Senator Steve Carraker of Roby, met at 9:00 a.m. in the Senate Chamber to hear testimony on Senate Bill I and Senate Joint Resolu-

tion 8, sponsored by Senator Bob Glasgow of Stephenville. This is the legislation to create an ethics commission to oversee public officials' and lobbyists' financial expenditures. Governor Ann Richards, former Congresswoman Barbara Jordan, and

newly appointed Secretary of State John Hannah were among those testifying in support of this package. Testimony will go on for several days. The package has received strong support from Lt. Governor Bob Bullock.

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**Poster Essay Contest**

The U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA's) Region VI has announced its second annual poster and essay contest as a part of U.S. Small Business Week activities. National Small Business Week will be observed May 5-11, 1991. The theme of this year's Small Business Week activities is "Small Business: Building America's Future."

Walter Fronstin, district director for SBA's Lubbock office, said today that Elementary, Junior High and Senior High students in the 71 northwest Texas counties serviced by the Lubbock office are being invited and encouraged to participate in this year's contest.

Participating students are required to convey, through words or drawings, the importance of small business to the nation. The Small Business Week theme must be incorporated into the posters or essays submitted to the SBA, Fronstin said.

Area students interested in entering the contest are urged to contact the Lubbock SBA office or their school's Principal for more information. The SBA's commercial telephone number is (806) 743-7462; or call, toll-free, 1-800-676-1005. Jason Wrench, Lubbock, and

Mikael Purvines, Panhandle, were students from this area who received recognition for their artistic and literary skills in the 1990 competition. Wrench received a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond for his Lubbock District winning poster. Miss Purvines received both District and Regional honors and \$300 in U.S. Savings Bonds for her winning essay.

Fronstin said the deadline for submitting entries for the 1991 Poster and Essay Contest is March 15. All submissions will remain the property of the U.S. Small Business Administration and may be displayed during Small Business Week. Any essays or designs used in promotional campaigns will be credited to the artist/author.

**Artists Receive Less**

The National Endowment of the Arts will drastically cut the number of grants it makes, lopping off nearly \$13 million in funding to artists and arts groups this fiscal year.

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If children named themselves, changes would be made.

**From The Senate**

*By: Teel Bivins*

Earlier today State Senator Teel Bivins (R-Amarillo) was appointed to two of the most powerful committees in that body by the newly sworn-in Lt. Governor, Bob Bullock. Bivins will serve on the Senate Finance Committee which hears all bills dealing with state funds. Bivins also received an appointment to the Senate Education Committee.

Bivins, one of only two Republicans appointed to Finance, said, "I am very excited about this appointment. It is said that there are two types of bills: those referred to the Finance Committee and all the others. The state budget is the hub from which all the spokes of government emanate. Serving on the Finance Committee puts me at the center of that hub."

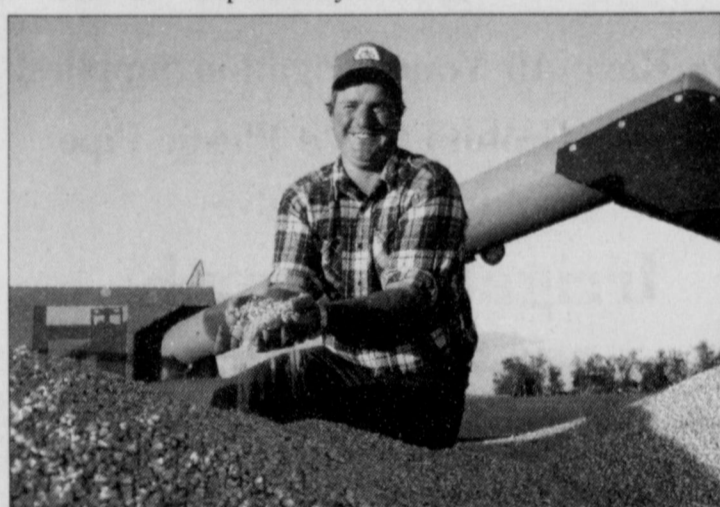
The first term Senator also

stated, "Bob Bullock is known for making judgements based on character and ability. I am honored that he has seen fit to appoint me to these important committees." Bivins went on to say, "Education and finance are two of the most crucial issues the 72nd Legislature is likely to work on. I am glad I will be able to represent my District on these committees."

Bivins was also appointed to the Intergovernmental Relations Committee which historically has heard legislation dealing with the operation of local and county governments. The Committee also hears bills governing the way the state interacts with local governments. Bivins said, "This appointment gives me an excellent opportunity to continue my crusade against state mandates without funding."

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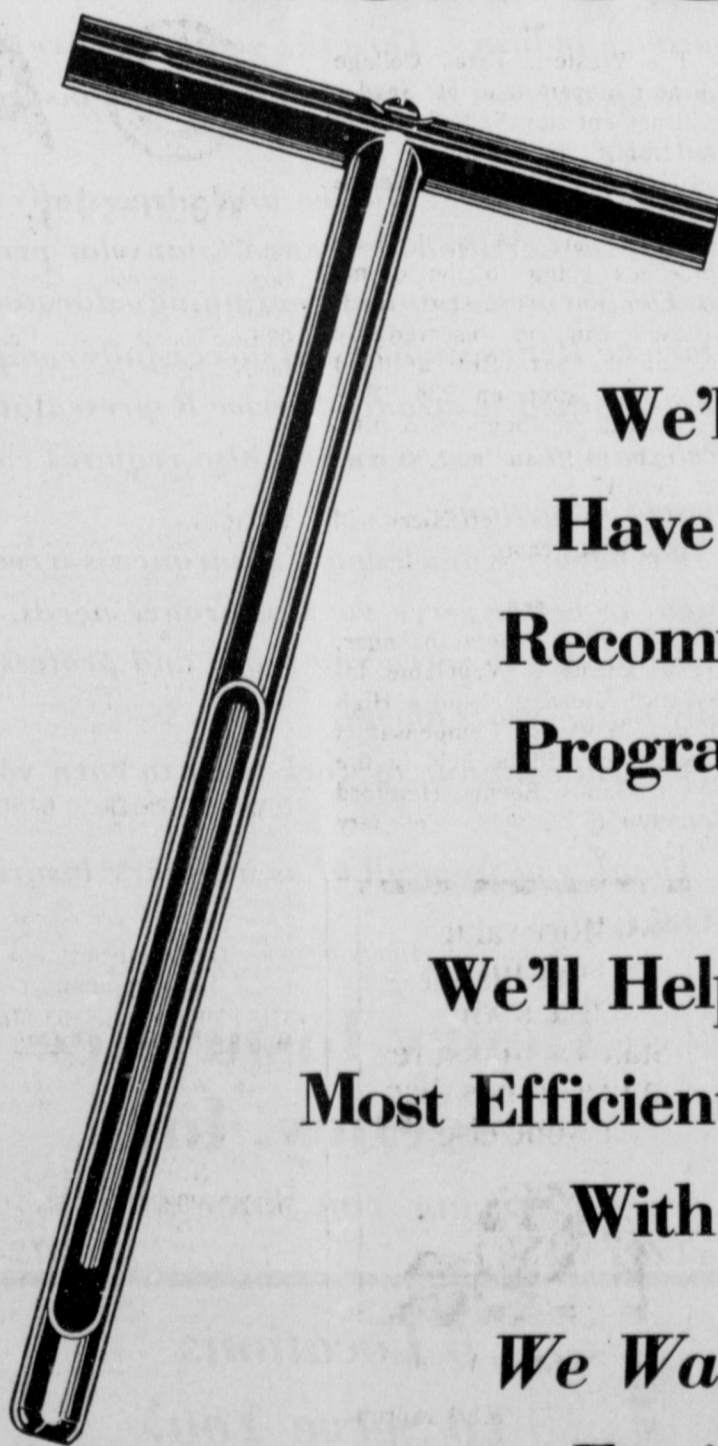
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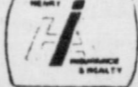
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## U.S. Postal Rates Change

Even though new postage rates are not effective until February 3, two new non-denominated postage stamps went on sale Jan. 24, at the U.S. Postal Service to make it more convenient to apply first-class postage when new rates take effect at 12:01 A.M. on February 3, 1991, said Arguello, Postmaster.

The use of non-denominated stamps is intended to ensure a more manageable transition to the new rate structure.

"Our new flower stamps is valued at 29 cents and is valid, full-rate first-class postage anywhere within the United States Postal System," Arguello said.

And, for the first time, we're issuing a second non-denominated make-up stamp, bearing text describing its value, worth 4 cents. It can be used in combination with any 25-cent stamp to make up the difference in the old and new full first-class domestic rates. This single, widely available stamp will make it much more convenient for the American people to make up the price difference and use their existing supplies of 25-cent stamps."

The 29-cent flower stamp, available in booklets, coils, sheets and embossed envelopes, and its running mate, the 4-cent "Make-Up" stamp, are available today at post offices across the nation. Customers can also order these stamps by phone (1-800-STAMO24) or through the stamps by mail program locally.

"The postal service is trying to make it easy for its customers to get the right combination of postage stamps when the new rates go into effect February 3," said Arguello, Postmaster.

Over eight billion "Flower" stamps, the non-denominated stamps representing the new 29-cent first-class rate, and nearly two billion "Make-Up" rate stamps, also non-denominated, but worth four-cents, went on sale in post offices for customers to use with existing supplies of 25-cent stamps to cover the full, first-class rate.

Both stamps went on sale Jan. 24 at post offices around the country. To reduce lines in post offices, the postal service offers a number of ways to make purchasing stamps more convenient.

One convenient method, for both consumers and businesses, is stamps by phone. By calling 1-800-STAMP24, Visa, Mastercard, or Discover card holders can place an order right over the phone. There is a \$3 service charge per order. Stamps are received in five days.

Stamps by mail is another popular method. By filling out a postage-free form (available at local post offices or from letter carriers), customers simply enclose a check to cover the amount, and stamps will be mailed back in three to five days.

There's also postal vending equipment available in most postal lobbies with 24-hour access. Newer vending machines dispense stamps and stationery in all forms and some accept up to \$200 bills. Coin changers are available at most locations.

For those who prefer more personal contact, about 25,000 retailers, including most major supermarkets, sell booklets of stamps at their checkouts for the same price charged at the post office. This adds the convenience of buying stamps while doing other shopping.

For those who don't have time to make it to the post office, the postal service has nearby postal contract stations located in private businesses, offering a full-range of postal products and services. The prices are the same, too. The "Flower" stamps will be available in all the traditional forms: sheets, coils in three sizes, and booklets of 10 and 20. The "Make-Up" rate stamps are in sheets, but customers can buy the stamps in any quantity.

Nearly 10 billion of these "transitional" stamps were printed and distributed to help make the swith-over to the new rates a smooth one. The production process alone took 16 months to complete.

It's difficult to imagine that many stamps. Just to help, consider this: It took 4,000 rolls of paper to print the new stamps. Not impressed? Each roll of paper is nearly four miles long (21,000 feet) and 20 inches wide. Still not impressed? If placed end-to-end, that would stretch roughly from New York to Hong Kong and back.

The stamps have been stored in the postal service's under-

ground facility, a cavernous, temperature- and humidity-controlled storage facility near Kansas City, Missouri.

The postal service will produce an additional 42 billion stamps this year. "Chances are, with these kind of quantities and the number of convenient ways they're offered, customers will find it easy to buy the stamps they need all across the country," Arguello said.

The United States Postal Service has announced a new 35-cent half-ounce rate for letters going to Mexico. The rate for one ounce, previously the smallest increment to Mexico, is now 35 cents, up from 25 cents. The new rate will take effect on February 3, 1991.

We decided to implement the half-ounce increment, which normally will cover letters up to two pages, Arguello said. In doing so, we significantly lessen the total impact on our customers in Muleshoe.

The half-ounce increment may be confusing at first, so Arguello encourages postal customers to weigh their letters to Mexico at the Muleshoe Post Office or on an accurate letter scale before mailing them.

Any letters on which postage has not been fully paid will be returned to the sender, since there is no procedure for collecting postage due on international mail.

An overall increase in International letter rates today is the result of action taken in 1989 by the Universal Postal Union (UPU), a specialized United Nations Agency Governing International Postal Policy.

"Under the old UPU compensation structure for letters, postal administrations received only about one-third of the actual cost of delivering mail originating in another country," says Arguello. "Effective in 1991, a revised compensation system provides a higher rate per kilogram of letters to more closely match actual delivery costs. The result is higher rates for International Mail, not just in the United States but all over the world. A letter from Mexico to the United States, for example, will cost about 68 cents," Arguello said.

There is always a right and wrong way, and the wrong way always seems the more reasonable.

-George Moore.

## Creative Writing Class Spotlights Teachers

Students from the creative writing class for first semester continue to spotlight teachers at Muleshoe High School. Two departments are featured this week: teachers in the business department and teachers from the special education department.

COLLEEN TOLLETT

by Rebecca Gonzalez

Mrs. Colleen Tollett is a well-known teacher at MHS. She has taught here for four years, and her current assignments include computer applications, computer math, and computer science.

Mrs. Tollett graduated from high school in Portales, New Mexico and later attended and graduated from Eastern New Mexico University in Portales. She and her husband of nineteen years, Dennis, have two children. Jolene is thirteen and Kolby is eight. The family stays quite busy with extra-curricular activities for the children including showing animals at various livestock shows and basketball. When she has time to enjoy hobbies, Mrs. Tollett especially enjoys reading; her favorite food is cheesecake.

Teaching is Mrs. Tollett's chosen career because she wants to prepare young people for the world of work. Her goal is to help them become productive citizens in today's technological society. She hopes to continue teaching at MHS.

APRIL SMITH

by Rebecca Gonzalez

The student body and faculty at MHS warmly welcomed April Smith to our school for the 1990-91 school year. This is her first year of teaching; however, she did her student teaching here under the guidance of Lucy Faye Smith. Her current teaching assignments include typing and accounting.

Mrs. Smith came from Portales, N.M., and she and her husband Weldon have one son, Gregory Cade. Her favorite hobby is playing with her son. The Smiths moved to Muleshoe this year from Portales. She earned both her bachelor and her master's degree at Eastern New Mexico University.

Mrs. Smith chose teaching as her career in order to help prepare the youth of today to become our future leaders. She also feels that it is important that all people have an equal, quality education. The students feel that she is giving them just that opportunity and believe that she is doing an excellent job in her teaching capacity at MHS.

MARY NELL BLEEKER

by Charlene Reyes

Mary Nell Bleeker teaches special education, an area that she enjoys very much. She feels excited about each new year. Important goals for her include helping each student learn to

the best of his or her ability and to become a credit to their world. In addition, she desires to see better cooperation between teachers and students and she hopes to raise her own expectations in all area.

Mrs. Bleeker has always liked working with young people and has fulfilled this desire through church and Scout activities since her children were small. After working as a teacher's aide, she knew that she could be a good teacher. She attended McMurry College for two years earlier in her life, the returned to college, this time at Texas Tech University; she completed her degree in 1983 and immediately started teaching. When asked if she thinks students that graduate from college today are as qualified as previous teachers, she replied, "Probably better qualified, but still, all teachers have to have the experience of teaching and no one gets that fully in college."

Mrs. Bleeker was raised in Olton, Texas, where she graduated from high school. She likes to cook, and she enjoys her family and neighbors, as well as her church work. She belongs to the Methodist Church. She and her husband Vernon have two girls, two boys, and eight grandchildren. When asked to choose three words that best described herself, she replied, "Patient, bossy, and kind."

In her teaching techniques, Mrs. Bleeker prefers a student/teacher relationship that includes friendship attributes. She stated, "We need to work together as a unit to improve our school." Mrs. Bleeker hopes to teach until time for retirement; after that, she hopes to keep busy with people and with making our community better. Her words of remembrance to the graduating seniors for 1991 are, "Muleshoe High School students are the best. Remember we are good, but we can always get better."

CATHERINE BALDWIN

by Alva Duran

Mrs. Catherine Baldwin is a special teacher at MHS. She has taught in Muleshoe for only two

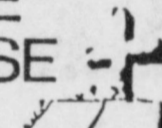
years; prior experience, however, includes eighteen years elsewhere. She was inspired to become a teacher because she had a favorite teacher and wanted to be just like her. Her mother and two sisters were also teachers. Her husband is an instructor at ENMU, following several years of teaching at Texas Tech University. They have four children.

Mrs. Baldwin is a native Texan who grew up in Olney and graduated from North Texas State University, Denton, Texas, in 1953. According to Mrs. Baldwin, the schools were different when she began teaching than they are today. For example, students studied more or dropped out; they were also more respectful in school and demonstrated good manners. When asked what she would change about school today, she replied that she would allow students to more fully explore their individual interests and talents and take more electives. This would give more students the chance to work part time and develop in their own areas of expertise.

Mrs. Baldwin's interests, outside of her teaching career, include cooking, sewing, decorating, and reading. She is especially interested, however, in her grandchildren. Her hobbies are quilting, learning gourmet cooking, and entertaining.

Students and faculty at MHS feel that Mrs. Baldwin is a wonderful person and teacher and are glad to have her as part of the MHS staff.

### BIBLE VERSE



"Gold is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

1. Where is this verse found?  
2. By whom was it believed to have been written?

Answers:

1. The Psalms.  
2. By King David and directed to his chief musician to be set to music.

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However, if you passed your 65th birthday or became disabled before January 1, file a new application to receive additional exemptions.

If you haven't received an exemption on your present home, or if you moved to a new home, make a new application for 1991.

The deadline for applications is April 30, 1991. Contact your appraisal district before then if you need more time.

For more information, get a free copy of the pamphlet, *Taxpayer's Rights, Remedies, Responsibilities*, at your appraisal district office or from the State Property Tax Board in Austin.

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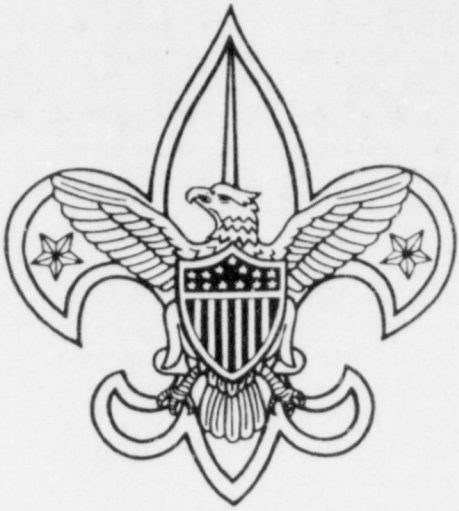
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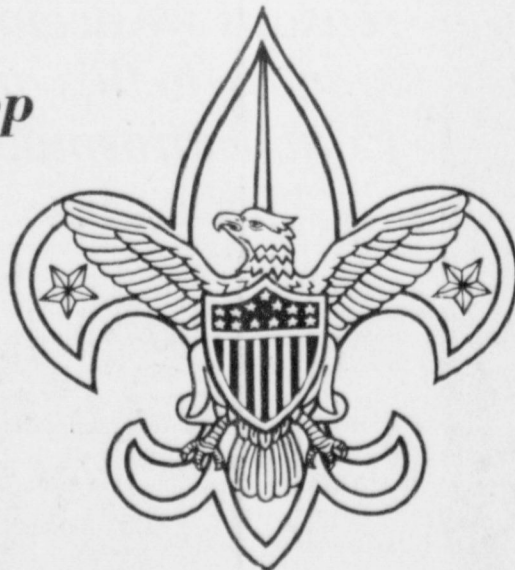
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## Health News

Heart care has come a long way in the last 20 years, yet whether or not to have heart surgery is still a difficult and often confusing decision to make.

On Saturday, February 2, *Health Matters*, underwritten by Methodist Hospital, will report on bypass surgery as well as new methods that aim to eliminate the need for heart surgery.

You also will learn how bypass surgery kept television interviewer Larry King on the fast track and why the operation is now losing ground to new alternatives.

Join general and thoracic surgeons Donald Bricker, M.D., and Donald Robertson, M.D., and find out about other options for heart patients.

A community service of KCBD-TV and Methodist Hospital, *Health Matters* airs each Saturday at 5 p.m. on Channel 11.

Despite all the brands of over-the-counter pain pills on the market, only three ingredients in these medicines really matter: aspirin, acetaminophen and ibuprofen.

Occasional use of aspirin can help eliminate a headache, lower a fever, soothe minor aches or pains and ease sunburn. Some studies suggest regular use of aspirin may help ward off heart attacks and strokes and boost the immune system. However, it's important to see your doctor before taking aspirin or any other medication on a regular basis.

According to Patrick Pritchett, pharmacy director at Methodist Hospital, the major drawback of aspirin for the typical user is the chance of stomach irritation. The medicine can aggravate stomach ulcers and may cause stomach upset. Pritchett warns that aspirin should not be given to children with viral infections due to Reye's syndrome, a rare but serious illness.

Ibuprofen, like aspirin, is an anti-inflammatory drug. Ibuprofen is often effective against arthritis and the redness, pain and swelling resulting from certain injuries, but it also can cause stomach irritation.

Aspirin's largest competitor, acetaminophen, has few side effects. It's easier on the stomach, but it also has a major drawback: it does nothing for inflammation.

According to Pritchett, there is no single agent of choice. If you have a twisted ankle, aspirin or ibuprofen is recommended. If you have a headache, acetaminophen is a good choice.

As with any over-the-counter medication, if you're unsure what to take, consult your physician or pharmacist.

## The Chamber Corner

by Nancy Kidd,  
Chamber Manager

The best bargain in town in the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture. Your membership investment goes farther than you realize. A business begins with a base of ten dollars and an individual pays four dollars per month to be a member of the most active and enthusiastic group in town, totally devoted to the betterment of Muleshoe.

The Chamber is the clearing house for all inquiries about Muleshoe. The Chamber office handles phone calls, mail requesting information about businesses, area attractions, individuals, economic development and other.

The Chamber prepares packets to help promote tourism in Muleshoe, more area meetings and give general information to people thinking about relocating in Muleshoe.

The Chamber maintains an office and staff to assist visitors, the people of Muleshoe and handle the Chamber and community activities.

The Chamber is the center for information on other areas as well as Muleshoe. We try to have ready information for the public on a variety of subjects and geographic areas.

The Chamber recognizes area people and business with honors and presentations. Fun type activities are also hosted to boost the morale of the town. Contests are held and presentations made.

The SOS system is conducted to advise the town businesses and individuals of different messages that are vital to their welfare.

Entertainment and activities are scheduled when possible. All types are tried to accommodate a variety of needs.

The Chamber has different projects to handle the needs of the town and area. In 1991 the Chamber will host a leadership program for Muleshoe, continue to work on retail promotions, work with area groups and organizations to bring in conventions, tournaments, hold festivals, meetings and other activities, and continue the membership quarterly meeting/meal.

The Chamber also hosts seminars and workshops to train and help the businesses and people of Muleshoe.

In addition to all the above, the Chamber handles the Fourth of July Celebration, the Christmas parade, the Community banquet, the Community Clean-up; helps with other city celebrations and activities and countless other items.

The Chamber also bears the cost of training people to handle these activities in the best possible way.

The Chamber sets a budget by the number of memberships and the projects planned for the year. When members cancel or decrease their investments, or new projects are added the budget suffers.

The Chamber is extremely proud of all members. We need and appreciate each and every one. Please tell others of the need for their membership for the betterment of their community, and "Thank You" for your support.

## Patients in Muleshoe Area Medical Center

FEB. 1-4  
FRIDAY

Eric Smith, Mary Edmiston, Joe Blaylock, Marie Fritts, Herron Washington, Edith Lee, Anna Englant, Cynthia Betz and Baby Girl Betz

SATURDAY

Ashley Beggs, Eric Smith, Marie Fretts, Herron Washington, Edith Lee, Anna Englant, Cynthia Betz and Baby Girl Betz

SUNDAY

Ashley Beggs, Guadalupe Hernandez, Eric Smith, Travis Lambert, Marie Fretts, Edith Lee, Cynthia Betz and Baby Girl Betz

MONDAY

Ashley Beggs, Guadalupe Hernandez, Eric Smith, Travis Lambert, Marie Fretts, Edith Lee, Cynthia Betz and Baby Girl Getz

## Sudan News by Ann Gaston

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Visiting with Winona Dudgeon was Roy Don Dugeon, Philda and Danny Ray from Crane. Ray and Vinian Dudgeon from Milani, Hawaii.

Ray and Vinian and Winona Dudgeon went to Ruidoso so Vivian could see some snow and on to White Sands. This was the first visit to Texas and New Mexico for Vivian. She was greatly impress with all of it. First time to ever see snow.

They took back lots of cotton balls, stalks, boregrass pods and weeds.

While here Vivian gave a program at school on Philipines and Hawaii.

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