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## Chamber banquet is a Pearl; a LuLu

By **MARTHA TOLES FROST**  
 City Editor

Hee Haw's Cornfield County was revisited Saturday night during the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture's annual banquet in the Muleshoe High School cafeteria.

It was the second year in a row for the steak and shrimp dinner, serving approximately 300 area residents who were willing to fork out the \$50 ticket price — the Chamber's major fund raiser for the year.

South Plains College's Bluegrass Group provided appropriate pickin' and singin' music for "Muleshoe's Own Hee Haw."

Darla Rhodes, who played the role of Minnie Pearl, came up with the script for the Hee Haw production.

J.B. Douglas emceed as Roy Clark, Paula Braddock played the man-loving LuLu, Bill James (as understudy for Scotty Mills who was involved in one-act play) was Junior Samples, Jack Young played Grandpa Jones (including announcing the menu) and Sharon Plott, as Patsy Cline, sang "Walkin' After Midnight" and "Crazy."

David Tipps played the slow-talking Lavern and Liz Tipps portrayed the uncouth, toothless Idalee.

Heather Hooten and Michelle Williams played the Daisy Mae Girls, popping up from behind a cornfield set made by Dale Hughes and painted by Dawn Williams. The two also constructed and painted the Hee Haw sign at the entrance, complete with a Mule.

Chamber members decorated the clothes line which hung over one of the tables with clothing to be given away as door prizes. A super-sized pair of women's panties were provided by Hugh Young from an unknown source.

Lavon Hunt arranged for the program during which Chamber Board members, dressed as hillbillies, served the meal to a crowd of people who were obviously enjoying the food and the entertainment.

Victor Leal and Sam Whalin cooked the steaks, which were donated by West-Tex Feed Yard. Bruce Barrett donated the potatoes, which were prepared along with the shrimp and corn by Starla Ellis, Robert Shafer, Jim Henderson and other board members.

Door prizes of \$20, \$50 and \$100 were given to selected people who could answer Hee Haw trivia questions. Laura Seales won the grand prize, a rooster. And Sammie Hall won a soft-centered, gold-plated



**Service with a smile**  
 Holly Hutton (left) and Megan Harlan serve up home cooking at the Chamber's steak and shrimp dinner held at the Muleshoe High School cafeteria Saturday night.

Journal photo by Martha Toles Frost

cow patty. After the Chamber banquet, the crowd moved to the MHS auditorium for the presentation of Employee, Business, Farm Family, Woman and Man of the Year.

After the awards ceremony, Mike Snider of Gleason, Tenn. "where the heaviest industry is a 400-pound Avon lady" entertained the well fed with his wit and Bluegrass music. Snider's subjects included

everything from eating leftovers as a child, to fashioning his wife a fur coat out of road kill so she could "put on the dog," to the bumps on the boots at Joe's Boot Shop.

## Saluting the town of Muleshoe

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture's annual banquet Saturday was a rousing success in part to a bout of insomnia.

All the parts for a quality banquet were **Rick White** already in place — an

all-you-can-eat steak and shrimp dinner, top-flight entertainment and plenty of volunteers, but Darla Rhodes made it special by writing a script for "Muleshoe's Own Hee Haw," the long-running comedy featuring the hillbillies from Cornfield County.

Rhodes had been thinking about how to write the script for weeks. It came together one night for "twinkle toes," and after staying up most of the night, it was done. According to my informant, when the owner of Joe's Boot Shop has something on her mind late at night, she wiggles her toes until she works it out.

Rhodes also did a favorable impression of legendary country flirt Minnie Pearl.

So in Hee Haw fashion, here's to Darla Rhodes.

SA-LUTE  
 Then there's Paula

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## Ag receipts dropped 12 percent last year

By **RICK WHITE**  
 Managing Editor

Bailey County Agriculture cash receipts were down 12 percent in 1995, according to the county extension service's annual report.

The total gross receipts for crops and livestock in 1995 were \$71.37 million, down from \$81.49 million in 1994, but in line with the four-year average between 1992-95 of \$76.65 million.

But it's the bottom line that has county farmers and ranchers worried.

Rising production costs have eaten into profit margins to the point that nearly half the farmers lost money last year, according to county extension agent Curtis Preston.

"Over the years, the cost of production keeps going up and the price they get for their crops

hasn't really gone up that much," Preston said. "They had to spend a lot more money on irrigation and insect control. It was a pretty bad insect year because of the mild winters lately."

The continuing drought can be blamed for the big drop in feed crops, down \$2.37 million at \$10.5 million in 1995, and even more alarming, down almost \$10 million from the four-year average.

Cotton was down almost \$5 million from 1994 at \$21.42 million, but still more than \$5 million above the four-year average.

The total of a crops in 1995 was \$45.12 million, down \$6.6 million from 1994 and \$4.5 million from the four-year average.

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### Bailey County 1995 Ag receipts



(In thousands of dollars)

Commodity	1994	1995	92-95 avg.
<b>Crops</b>			
Wheat	1,995	1,852.5	3,185.01
Corn	8,378	5,569	7,603.01
Ensilage	72	92	551.00
Hay	1,632	1,450	1,450.00
Sorghum	2,787	3,400	6,661.40
Feed crops total	12,878	10,511	16,195.87
Cotton	26,189	21,420	16,067.87
Cottonseed	4,113	3,264	2,432.75
Food corn	984.5	.00	246.13
Vegetables	1,541	869	2,127.00
All crops totals	51,717	45,115	49,952.87
<b>Livestock</b>			
Milk total	2,621	2,419	2,154.50
Feed beef	20,400	17,000	16,763
Milk cows	95	70	300.88
Beef total	24,077	20,913	20,025.75
Hogs	63	47.5	62.63
All livestock total	29,761	26,254	26,770.66
*Ag cash receipts total	81,493	71,385	76,664.78
* — Reflects current dollars not adjusted for inflation			

Source: Bailey County Extension Service

## MHS One-Act cast members recognized at district contest

Four cast members of Muleshoe High School's one-act play *Danton's Death* were recognized for outstanding performances at the District One-Act Play contest in Friona March 29.

Carlos Rojas was named District Best Actor for his role as Danton.

Scotty Mills and Tyson Montcrief were named to the District All-Star Cast. Mills played St. Just and Citizen. Montcrief played Simon, Fouquier, Jacobin and Citizen.

For her roles as Danton's wife, Julie, and Citizen, Kenzie Brown was named to the Honorable Mention District All-Star Cast.

*Danton's Death*, a play set during the French Revolution, was judged one of the top two plays at the contest, along with Friona High School's *Midsummer Night's Dream*.

Six plays will compete in the Area One-Act Play Contest hosted by Muleshoe Saturday, April 6 beginning at 1 p.m. Admission is \$3 per person for all six performances.

The plays will last approximately 38 to 39 minutes each. Muleshoe's play is scheduled to begin between 3:30 and 3:45 p.m., director Kerry Moore said. There is no admittance once a play has begun, and no photography is allowed during performances.

Plays being given first on Saturday are *A Company of Wayward Saints* by Sanford-Fritch, *Into the Woods* by Denver City, *The Foreigner* by Perryton and *Danton's Death* by Muleshoe.

The final two plays to be performed will be Friona's *Midsummer Night's Dream* and Seminole's *Imaginary Invalid*.

## Spring ahead

Daylight savings time begins at 2 a.m. Sunday. Before you go to bed Saturday night, be sure to set your clock forward one hour.

First proposed by Benjamin Franklin to save candles and avoid wasting daylight, the plan has been widely accepted since 1987.

Daylight savings time, which provides a longer evening of light, lasts from the first Sunday in April until late October.



## Texas Ag Dept. looking south for help

If Mexican ranchers buy Texas heifers to restock their depleted herds, fed cattle prices in Texas could increase over \$22 per head, according to a report by the Texas Agricultural Extension service and the Texas A&M University Department of Agricultural Economics.

The report was requested by the Texas Department of

Agriculture in January after the U.S. Department of Agriculture authorized \$125 million in export credit guarantees for Mexican ranchers to purchase U.S. replacement heifers and cows to restock their herds, depleted because of the severe drought in Mexico during 1994 and 1995.

The study assumed that with the loan-assisted program

Texas ranchers could export 350,000 replacement heifers per year for the next three years.

The study estimated the increase in the price of the remaining Texas feeder steers and heifers after the removal of 350,000 heifers from the Texas markets. It also estimated the price change in fed cattle prices and the income impact from the sale of the

heifers. According to the report, the total impact on the Texas economy from the revenue from the sales and the increased price effect, taking into account the additional business generated for each dollar of cattle sales, would be \$822.55 million.

The hot line for listing cattle for sale is (800) 660-COWS.

AROUND MULESHOE

### Community Easter Sunrise Service at 7:30 a.m. April 7

A community Easter Sunrise Service sponsored by the Bailey County Ministerial Association is scheduled for 7:30 a.m. Easter morning, April 7.

The sunrise service will take place at Richland Hills Park (the new city park) near the tennis courts. Jack Stone of the First Assembly of God Church will speak.

In case of inclement weather, the service will be held in the sanctuary of the 16th & D Church of Christ.

Coffee and donuts will be served at the fellowship hall afterwards at the 16th & D Church of Christ.

### Floral Design classes at Rheta White Studio in Muleshoe

Rheta White will teach a floral design workshop from 10 a.m. until noon Tuesdays and Thursdays for three weeks, beginning Tuesday, April 9, at 228 Main St. in Muleshoe.

April 24, 25, and 26, Bob Tonney of Missouri will teach oil and pastel painting. Reservations must be made two weeks in advance. Call 272-4888 or 272-3889 after 6:30 p.m. for more information or to register.

### West Camp Baptist Church invites former members to potluck

The West Camp Baptist Church invites all former members to a potluck dinner at noon April 13 in the Depot at the Muleshoe Heritage Complex.

### Local lender earns award for peak performance in loan growth

AUSTIN — The Federal Land Bank Association of Muleshoe was one of eight agricultural lending cooperatives out of 47 FLBA offices within the Tenth Farm Credit District to be recognized as "Pinnacle Performers" by the Farm Credit Bank of Texas.

The award was given for loan portfolio growth and new business generated for 1995.

### 1988 Muleshoe High School grad reenlists in Marines for four years

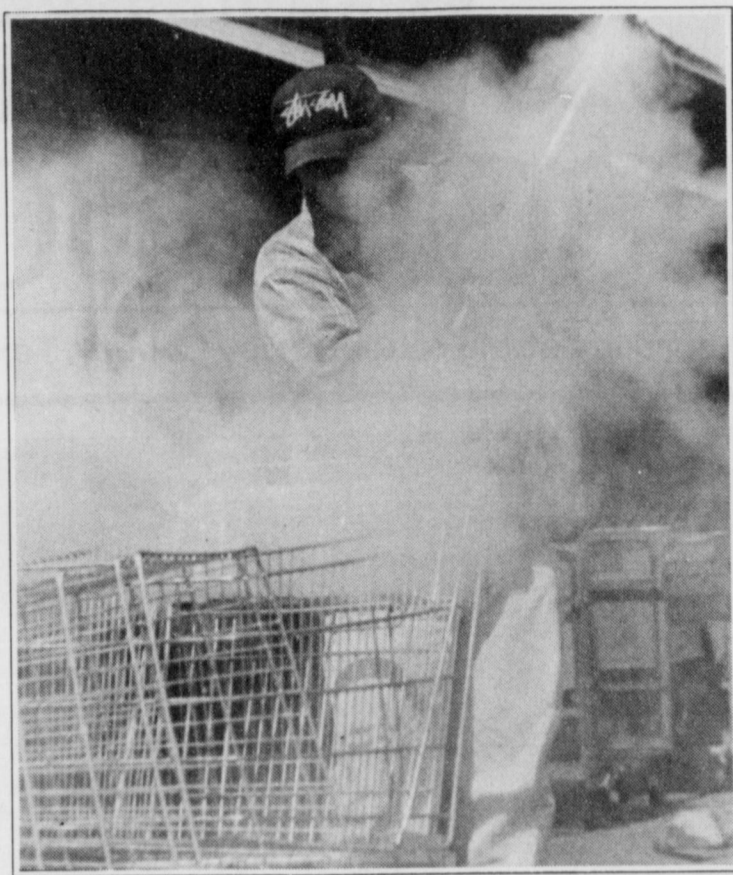
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Marine Sgt. Johnny Garcia, son of Alicia P. and Manuel R. Garcia, Sr. of Muleshoe, recently reenlisted for four years while serving with 24th Marines, 4th Division, Kansas City, Mo.

The 1988 graduate of Muleshoe High School joined the Marines in January 1989.

### Maple student nominated as Tandy Technology Scholar

MAPLE — Jessica Brooke Hood at Three Way School in Maple has been awarded a 1996 Tandy Technology Scholars certificate.

The academic top two percent of graduating seniors are



### Mr. Clean

Richard Corder of Plainview steam-cleans grocery carts outside the Pay-and-Save last week.

eligible to receive certificates recognizing their academic achievements.

Each school may nominate a senior who is outstanding in mathematics, science or computer science. Winners are eligible to compete for 100 \$1,000 scholarships.

Each certified school may also nominate an outstanding teacher in mathematics, science or computer science. These teachers receive a certificate of recognition and are eligible to compete for the 100 \$2,500 cash awards.

### Blood drive at Trinity Baptist secures 59 pints of blood for area

Approximately 59 pints of blood were donated during a Texas Blood Institute drive March 12.

The blood drive, which drew 63 volunteers, was sponsored Trinity Baptist Church and Muleshoe Texas Blood Institute Advisory Committee.

About 100 units (approximately a pint) are needed to serve the 22-hospital area, and the Lubbock area is not meeting its needs, according to Pat Kennamer, a TBI blood program consultant.

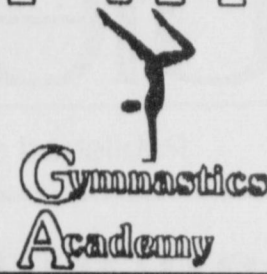
The Trinity Baptist Church is one of the four local churches that take part in the quarterly blood drives. The others church involved are Church of Christ, Assembly of God, United Methodist.

The Muleshoe High School blood drive will be from May 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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In order to be published, a letter must contain a person's signature and phone number. The persons name will be published along with the letter. No letters will be published that do not contain a signature.

The newspaper reserves the right to edit content which may be lengthy or contain potentially libellous material. Letters may be mailed, faxed or brought to the Muleshoe Journal.

### Editor apologizes for carelessness

This is a letter of apology to John W. Smith, of 1503 W. Ave C., who has taken some heat for supposedly writing a *Letter to the Editor* criticizing city leaders for not being more prompt in selecting a new Police Chief.

Mr. Smith brought it to my attention that he wasn't the one who wrote the letter. The letter the *Journal* received was signed J.W. Smith.

It is completely my fault for failing to properly check the authenticity of the letter.

My apologies to Mr. Smith.

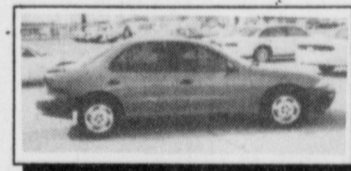
— Rick White  
Managing Editor

### Correction

In a March 31 Bailey County Executioner, was incorrectly Journal article about Muleshoe identified as Jake Caswell. High School's one-act play *Danton's Death*, the actor Ben Caswell portrays Billaud, Seagroves, who plays the roles of Robespierre, Citizen and Jacobin.

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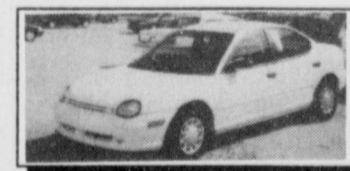
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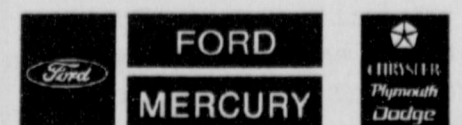
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# Cotton being replaced by feed crops

AUSTIN — Texas producers intend to plant less acres of cotton, rice and peanuts during 1996, with more acres of corn, sorghum, wheat and soybeans.

Based on results of a March 1 survey conducted by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, Upland cotton acreage is forecast of 5.5 million acres, down 14 percent from last year. Planting of Pima cotton is expected to increase 17 percent to 42,000 acres.

Growers intend to plant 2.15 million acres of corn, 2 percent more than last year and the same in 1994. Rice acreage is expected to decrease 6 percent from last year to 300,000 acres.

State Statistician Dennis Findley cautioned that this report is an early indication of producers' intentions to plant. "Actual planted acreage may vary considerably depending on the final passage of a farm program, the weather, production costs, anticipated prices at harvest and the results of this report," he added.

Producers intend to plant 3.5 million acres of sorghum during 1996, up 30 percent from a year ago and up 25 percent from 1994.

Prospective soybean acreage, at 290,000 acres, is up 16 percent from last year, while acreage intentions for sunflowers are forecast at 40,000 acres, down 9 percent.

Texas winter wheat acreage, at 6.0 million acres, is 3 percent more than a year ago and unchanged from the 1994 crop.

Planted acreage for peanuts

is forecast at 270,000 acres, down 2 percent from 1995.

Spring corn and sorghum planting got off to an early start in the Rio Grande Valley in February and continued ahead of normal during March. Soil moisture conditions across the entire state are extremely dry, however, and dry plantings are in jeopardy. A general rain is needed across the entire state to provide the needed planting moisture.

United States Upland cotton producers intend to plant 15.2 million acres, down 10 percent from last year. Pro-

spective corn acreage increased 12 percent to 79.9 million acres, while sorghum acreage increased 12 percent to 10.6 million acres.

Rice acreage is forecast at 3.0 million acres, 4 percent below the previous year. Soybean planting intentions are 62.5 million acres, virtually unchanged from last year.

Winter wheat seedings for the nation are estimated at 52.0 million acres, up 7 percent from the previous year and up slightly from the previous published estimate.



### Dippin' delight

Janae Pyle, the five-year-old daughter of Tracy and Billy Pyle of Muleshoe, colors an egg at the Kinder Korner pre-school in preparation for Wednesday's Easter egg hunt.

## Annual PCG meeting April 12

LUBBOCK — "Change is a Challenge" and meeting new challenges head-on will be the focus of Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers' 39th Annual Meeting, April 12. The meeting is being held in conjunction with the Texas Cotton Ginners' Association Trade Show and convention, April 11-12.

The just announced agreement on a new farm bill by the House-Senate Conference Committee makes this year's speaker selection especially timely for all High Plains Cotton producers. Both of this year's speakers come from the United States Department of Agriculture Consolidated Farm Service Agency (FSA) and will be discussing details of the development and imple-

mentation of the next farm bill.

This year's speakers are: Richard O. Newman, Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, and Wayne Bjorlie, Director Fibers and Rice Analysis Division.

"We are pleased to have two excellent speakers addressing this year's meeting," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "Their comments will be especially timely now that the Conference Committee has sent a compromise farm bill to the House and Senate for final approval next week."

Johnson notes that further information about the bill, which has been renamed the Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform (FAIR) Act of 1996, will be made avail-

able as soon as possible.

Other scheduled agenda items for the PCG meeting include the presentation of two awards. The Distinguished Texan in Agriculture Award from Texas A&M University will be presented to Mr. Don Anderson of Lubbock. A second presentation, to the Outstanding High Plains Cotton Agent for 1995, will also be presented at the meeting.

The 39th PCG Annual Meeting will begin, April 12, with registration from 8:30-9 a.m. and is scheduled to end at 12 noon. The PCG meeting will be held in Room 107 of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The PCG Board of Directors will meet that afternoon in Room 108-109 starting at 1:30 p.m.

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# Sports

## Short takes

### Final rounds of District 2-3A golf Friday

Muleshoe junior Kyle Embry is in the hunt for individual title and the Lady Mules will try to hold on to the second spot Friday in the third and final round of the District 2-3A golf tournament.

Embry and Floydada's Justin Payne are tied for the district lead and will tie off at 9 a.m. Friday at Muleshoe Country Club. The Mules have a 54-stroke lead.

The MHS girls hold a 19-stroke lead over Littlefield. The girls tournament is at Friona CC.

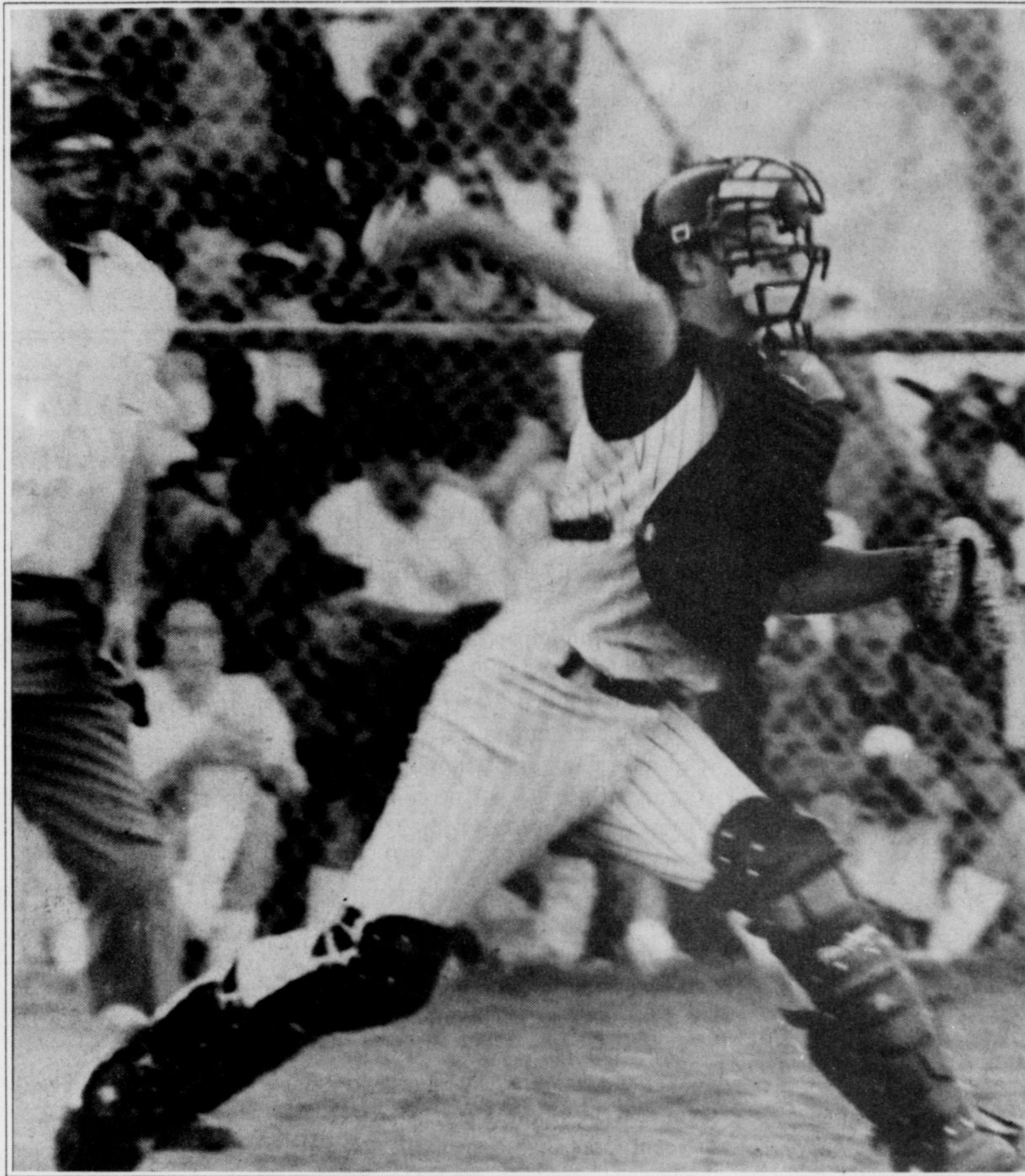
### Muleshoe LL holding 2nd sign-up April 4

Muleshoe Little League Baseball is holding a second sign-up for Tee Ball, Minor League and Babe Ruth Thursday, April 4, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Muleshoe State Bank.

Boys and girls born between August 1980 and August 1990 are eligible. Birth certificates must be present during sign-ups.

Fees are \$25 for the tee ball and Minor League and \$35 for Major League and Babe Ruth.

## Mules hold off Shallowater in 2-3A opener



### The release

Muleshoe junior catcher Michael Woodard throws down to second base on a steal attempt during the Mules' 109-9 win over Shallowater in the District 2-3A opener for both teams Tuesday at the city Babe Ruth field. Muleshoe, 8-9 overall and 1-0 in the district, plays at Floydada Friday.

One word describes the District 2-3A baseball season ahead.

Competitive.

Muleshoe High School got its first taste Tuesday of what most likely will be a season-long battle to defend its district title, holding off Shallowater, 10-9, at the city Babe Ruth field in the league opener for both teams.

Muleshoe (8-9 overall) was out-hit 15-5, but capitalized on 11 walks, two hit batters and five errors.

"From the teams I've seen, and talking to coaches, it's going to be a dogfight all year," Muleshoe coach Brad Hill said. "It going to come down to who makes the plays. We've got the sticks. If the bottom part of the order can be productive and get a few hits we'll be okay."

Senior Gabriel Mendoza, hitting eighth after being hit for most of last year, came through Tuesday with a pair of two-run singles as Muleshoe built a comfortable 7-2 lead after two innings.

Muleshoe led the rest of the way, but Shallowater (7-12) had the Mules squirming late.

Shallowater scored twice in the third on four singles, a stolen base and an error against Layne Kemp (2-3), who went the distance for Muleshoe. Center fielder Edward Olivas' running catch on a soft liner to short center with two runners on ended the threat.

Shallowater pulled within 7-6 in the fifth on run-scoring singles by No. 8 and No. 9 hitters Chris Shannon (three hits) and Adam McDonald.

Muleshoe's sometimes erratic defense bailed out Kemp again when freshman second baseman B.J. Gonzales threw out a runner at the plate with the infield in for the second out of the inning.

Meanwhile, Shallowater reliever Peter Garza was mowing down Muleshoe hitters after coming on with two outs in the second. Garza retired 8 of the first 9 batters he faced (six on groundouts), allowing only a one-out walk in the fourth.

Muleshoe took a 10-6 lead in the fifth, scoring three runs on three walks, two hits and two errors. Then held on.

Shallowater got two back in the sixth on a Shannon's long, double to left-center and then made things interesting in the seventh.

Leadoff hitter Mark Martinez singled with one out, stole second and third, and scored on Rusty Workman's third single of the game. Workman stole second, the Mustangs' eighth stolen base of the night, but Kemp left him stranded when he got cleanup hitter Tony Ortiz to chase a curveball in the dirt for the final out.

Other district scores Tuesday: Friona 15, Dimmitt 8; Floydada 6, Littlefield 3.

## Lady Mules keep on Friona's tail

SUDAN—Muleshoe High School girls tack coach Donnie Wiley wanted to see how the Lady Mules stacked up against Friona before the District 2-3A meet April 12-13.

So he detoured the Lady Mules from their scheduled meet at Sundown to go head-to-head with Friona at Friday's Sudan Invitational.

It's too close to call.

Class A Whiteface won the meet with 99 points, Friona finished second with 87 points, the Lady Mules third with 81 and Shallowater fourth with 73.

The Muleshoe junior varsity finished sixth in the boys meet with 30 points. Shallowater won the meet handily with 116 points and Farwell was second with 98.

The Lady Mules won six of 16 events, but are too thin to cover all the events.

MHS junior Cari Faver continued her dominance, sweeping the 1,600 and 3,200 for the third time in five meets. Faver, battling the gusting winds, ran the 1,600 in six minutes and 9.48 seconds and the 3,200 in 13:41.71, winning both by at least 30 seconds.

District favorite Kendra Benham won the shot put (34-61/4) and Allyson Field turned some heads by winning the high jump (4-10) in her first meet of the year.

Jo Beth Gilleland added a win in the 300-meter hurdles (53.22) and a third in the 110-hurdles, and the Lady Mules earned 20 points by winning the 400-meter relay (54.33) with a team of Brandi Harrison,

Megan Harlan, Carolyn Schuster and Benham.

Matt McClanahan led the JV Mules effort, finishing second in the 300 hurdles (45.62) and third in the 110 hurdles (17.79).

### San Angelo Relays

SAN ANGELO—Muleshoe finished 11th in Division III at the San Angelo Relays March 29-30 at Angelo State University.

Chad Johnson was third in the discus (140-2) and sixth in the shot put (48-61/2) for the Mules and Daniel Garbarino finished fourth in the 110 hurdles (15.1) and fifth in the 300 hurdles (42.0).

Garbarino's time in the 300 preliminaries was under 40 seconds and he was leading in the finals when he caught his trail leg and fell.

Dimmitt established itself as the clear-cut favorite in the 2-3A meet by finishing fourth with 51 points in a talented field. Floydada's Zack Abshier won the discus (153-6) and finished second in the shot put (50-101/2), helping the Whirlwinds finish in a tie for seventh with 24 points. Friona tied for 13th with 13 points.

### Sudan Invitational GIRLS

Team — 1. Whiteface 99, 2. Friona 87, 3. Muleshoe 81, 4. Shallowater 73, 5. (tie) Smyer, Sudan 50, 7. Nazareth 47, 8. Trinity Christian 24, 9. Anton 23, 10. Amherst 18, 11. Farwell 17, 12. Lazbuddie 14, 13. Bovina 3.

### Field events

Triple jump — 1. Highly, Shallowater, 33-2; 2. Foote, Whiteface, 331/2; 3. Bourland, Sudan 32-41/2.

Discus — 1. Carthel, Friona, 117-

3, 2. Fiel, Friona, 106-11; 3. Shout, Shallowater, 91-10.

Long jump — 1. S. Hill, Trinity Christian, 15-23/4, 2. Aronce, Friona 15-1; 3. Williams, Shallowater, 14-9. 6. Gilleland, Muleshoe.

Shot put — 1. Benham, Muleshoe, 34-61/4; 2. Everett, Whiteface, 31-61/2; 3. Carthel, Friona, 31-5.

High jump — 1. Fields, Muleshoe, 4-10, 2. (tie) Foote, Whiteface, Row, Whiteface, 4-8.

### Running events

3,200 — 1. Faver, Muleshoe, 13:11.11; 2. Ball, Nazareth, 13:41.71; 3. Abarea, Friona, 14:13.00.

100 hurdles — 1. Boyles, Shallowater, 16.77; 2. Magby, Lazbuddie, 17.06; 3. Gilleland, Muleshoe, 17.17.

400 relay — 1. Muleshoe 54.33 (Benham, Harrison, Schuster, Harlan); 2. Whiteface 54.39, 3. Shallowater 54.67.

800 — Williams, Anton, 2:37.0; 2. Lance, Sudan, 2:40.0; 3. Jones, Amherst, 2:41.19, 5. Aguirre, Muleshoe.

100 — Mosley, Smyer, 12.60; 2. Sample, Whiteface, 13.03; 3. Williams, Anton, 13.11.

800 relay — 1. Shallowater 1:56.60, 2. Sudan 1:56.88; 3. Whiteface 1:58.69.

400 — Schmucker, Nazareth, 64.71; 2. Jones, Amherst, 69.59; 3. Williams, Anton, 70.82.

300 hurdles — 1. Gilleland, Muleshoe, 53.22; 2. Aronce, Friona, 53.83; 3. Foster, Lazbuddie, 53.91.

200 — 1. Foote, Whiteface, 27.61; 2. Mosley, Snyder, 27.84; 3. Hill, Trinity Christian, 28.11.

1,600 — 1. Faver, Muleshoe, 6:09.48, 2. Warren, Shallowater, 6:39.36; 3. Birkenfield, Nazareth, 6:39.46.

1,600 relay — 1. Nazareth 4:33.50, 2. Sudan 4:43.34; 3. Friona 4:44.70. 6. Muleshoe (Harrison, Aguirre, Faver, Gilleland).

### BOYS

Team — 1. Shallowater 116, 2. Farwell 98, 3. Sudan 81, 4. Nazareth 50, 5. Melrose, NM 33, 6. Muleshoe JV 30, 7. Smyer 29, 8. (tie) Bovina, Amherst 20, 10. Anton 19, 11. Trin-

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## Seminole beats MHS in wild 18-12 slugfest

Muleshoe High School was blown out Friday, not by the gusting sandstorm that temporarily stopped the game in the fourth inning, but by the booming bats of the Seminole Indians.

Rallying from a six-run deficit, Seminole banged out 12 hits and scored 15 runs in its last three at bats and beat Muleshoe, 18-12.

"We came out flat after the break," MHS coach Brad Hill said. "They've got some guys that can hit."

It was the bottom of the order that did in Muleshoe pitcher's Layne Kemp. No. 7 and No. 9 hitters Thomas Vizciano and Hector Condarco each had three hits and combined for five RBI and scored six runs.

Gonzales doubled, tripled and scored three runs for the Muleshoe (7-8). Michael Woodard and John Embry each had a pair of singles in MHS' 11-hit attack.

Muleshoe was leading 6-3 when the umpires stopped the game after Seminole right fielder Cody Fleming froze like

a deer caught in headlights trying to locate Embry's line drive in a blinding sandstorm.

Edward Olivas and Kemp started the fourth with back-to-back doubles. A two-run single by Woodard (two hits, 3 RBI) when played resumed gave Muleshoe a 9-3 lead.

Then Seminole started to tattoo Kemp.

Josh Clark and Darren Kruger had two-run singles in the fifth, when the Indians scored seven times to take a 10-9 lead. Kemp hurt himself with three walks in the innings.

Condarco had an RBI triple and Clayton Harris had a two-run double as Seminole upped its lead to 14-9 in the sixth against Gonzales.

MHS pulled within 14-12 in the bottom of the sixth on a rally started by Gonzales double and finished by Matt mason's pinch-hit RBI single.

**Seminole 18, Muleshoe 12**  
Seminole 011 174 4 18 17 3  
Muleshoe 301 503 0 12 11 5  
Guerra, Clark (5), Harris (6) and Dunn; Kemp, Gonzales (6) and Woodard. 2B—SHS: Dunn, Harris, Gabe, Ray, Vizciano; MHS: Olivas, Kemp, Gonzales. 3B—SHS: Conarco; MHS: Gonzales.



**Bring it on home**  
MHS junior Rodney Alanis trots home with the Mules' seventh run in the third inning of a 10-9 win over Shallowater Tuesday in Muleshoe.

## Seventh-inning rally lifts JV Mules past Portales

Matt McClanahan started and ended a six-run rally in the bottom of the seventh inning, leading the Muleshoe junior varsity to a 15-14 win Thursday over Portales (NM).

McClanahan opened the seventh with a triple and his bases-loaded walk with one out ended the game. McClanahan's was the last of seven-straight walks.

McClanahan and Johnny Flores had three hits each for MHS and Aaron Purdy added two. The Mules (4-3) had 11

hits. Ruben Ruvalcaba started the game for MHS with Larry Pineda relieving in the fourth.

After two scoreless innings, Muleshoe took a 4-1 lead in the third. Matt Mason had an RBI double and Flores and Dustin Cleavinger added RBI singles.

Portales took an 11-5 lead into the sixth when the Mules scored four times to pull within 11-9. Joe Garcia capped the rally with a two-run single.

Portales 001 4153 14 9 0  
Muleshoe 004 0146 15 11 4

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By: Keith R. Warren

As of this coming August 31, 1996, there will be no more hunting or fishing licenses issued as we have known in the past. Taking its place is a new consumptive outdoor use permit.

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This new system was developed to make it easier for the Texas Parks and Wildlife department. There will be less paperwork involved for the seller. It will be much faster to issue than the previous license. The license holder will no longer be required to sign each of the tags. Non residents will be able to purchase their per-

mit at any place that sells resident permits. Plus, at any given time, it will be possible to get an accurate report on not only the number of permits issued but a better picture of the user such as age, sex and residency.

There will be draw backs such as keeping up with the tags. The old license had detachable tags. The new system will have tags. However, removal of certain tags will turn one piece of paper (your permit) into two, possible three or more. Keeping up with tags will be a problem. Remember to pick up the heavy paper envelope (license holder) at the vendor issuing the permit.



New York was the first state to require the licensing of motor vehicles. The law was adopted in 1901.

## Sudan

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ity Christian 12, 12. Lazbuddie 11, 13. Whiteface 8, 14. Shallowater JV 4.

**Muleshoe finishers** — McClanahan, 2nd, 300 hurdles, 45.62; 3rd, 110 hurdles, 17.79; Lewis Hines, 5th, 100; 1,600 relay (Hines, McClanahan, Gilbert Vela, Paul Olivarez), 5th; 400 relay (Hines, Vela, Joe Quintana, Greg Pena), 5th.

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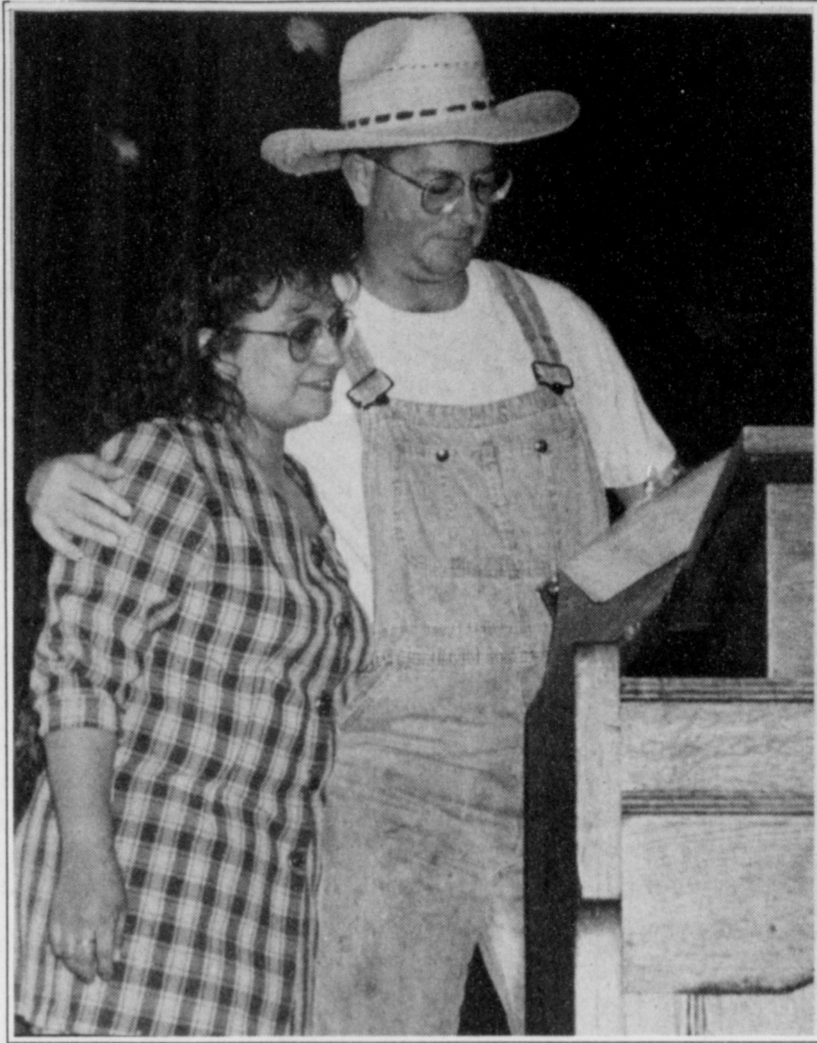
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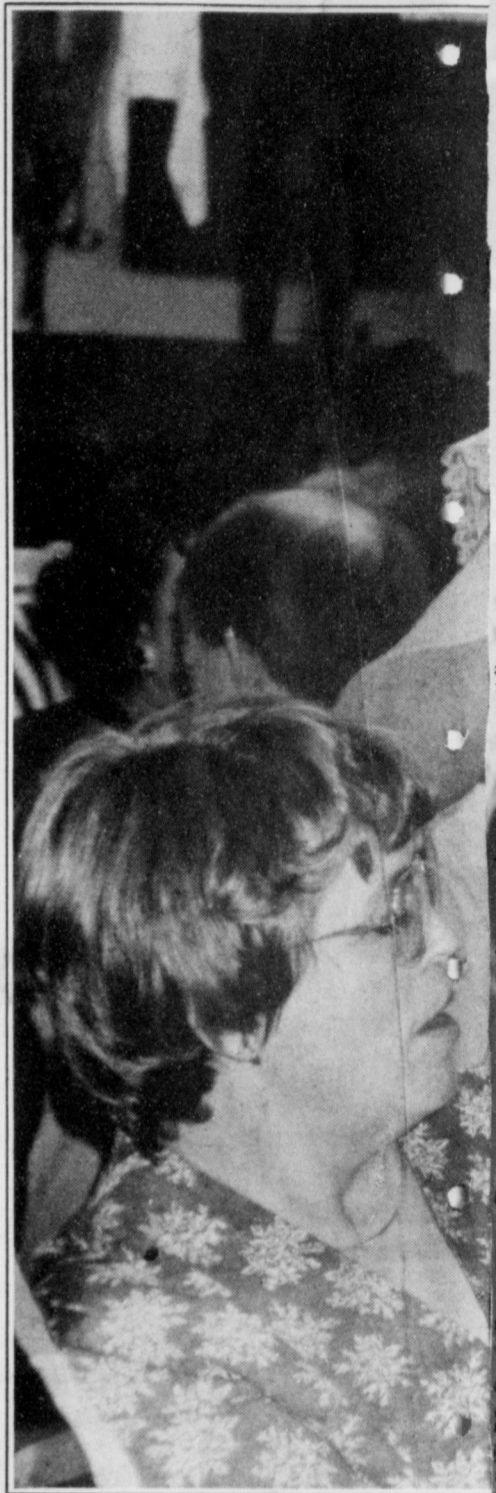
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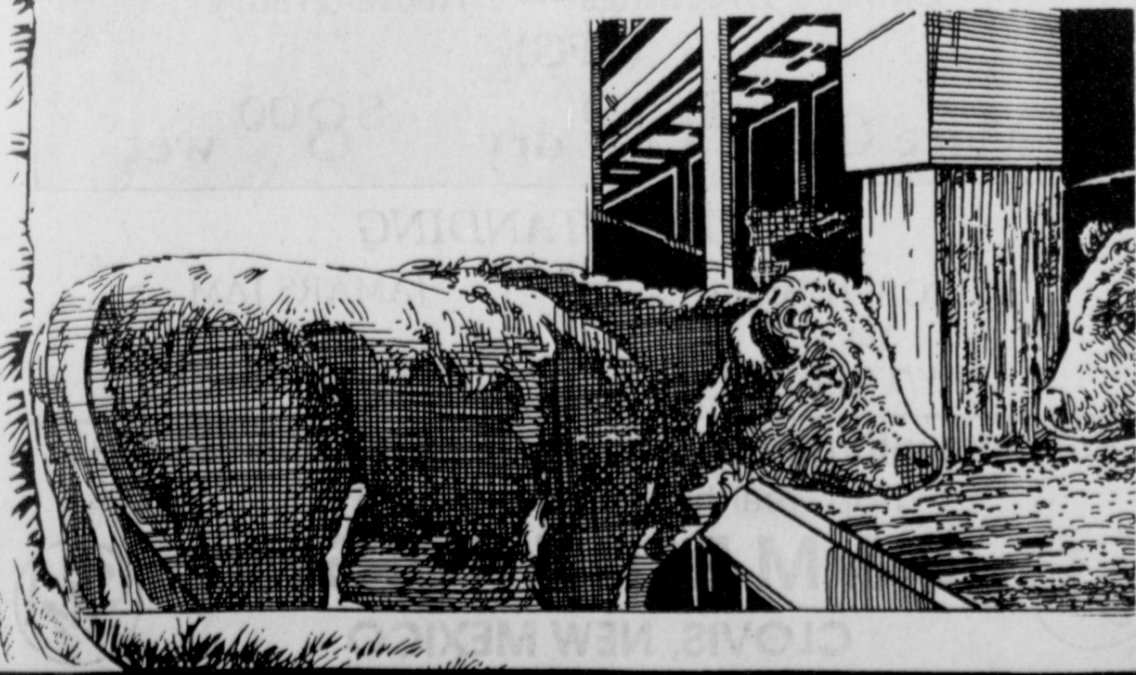
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# Commerce banquet



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Rowena Meyers, who has served the Central Plains Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center for almost 25 years, was named Woman of the Year. Presenter Robert Shafer commended her for serving God, family and job.

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**Not the gossiping kind**  
Daily Mae Girls Michelle Williams (left) and Heather Hooten pop up from a corn field to salute the audience.

## White

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Braddock, who stole the show as the horizontally-enhanced, man-loving LuLu. SA-LUTE.

As a person who has spent most of his life trying not to fit in, it always struck me funny how proud people are of their roots. After witnessing the community pride in putting on the banquet, the people of Muleshoe have a whole lot more to be proud of than "Old Pete" and actor Lee Horsley. It's a town of mostly wonderful people, minus a few grouchy ones.

Some people have whined that the Chamber must be "mighty proud" of their banquet to charge \$50. Most of the whiners are the same one's who wouldn't buy tickets when they were \$12.50.

Entertainment is too hard to find in Muleshoe to be dickering over the price. It's not like a Broadway show comes through town each week.

Last week, I had the pleasure of meeting three of Muleshoe's icons.

In only a short period of time, I found out why R.A. "Brad" Bradley is thought of as Muleshoe's next-door neighbor, former mailman Elmer Davis is everything Cliff Claven is not, and why they only made one Patsy Chance.

I also found out I'm a damn Yankee. I was aware that I'd be called a Yankee when I moved here from Connecticut. But now I

found out I'm a damn Yankee cause I stayed.

It was a good week. Plus, I'll be able to tell a great story about the time I

attended a Hee Haw banquet in Muleshoe, Texas.

*Rick White is the Managing Editor of the Journal.*

## Ag Receipts

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The drought has also been felt in the cattle industry, driving feed costs up in an already low cattle market. The price of beef has dropped from a high of \$1.03 a pound to 68 cents at the end of 1995.

Bailey County feedyards

grossed \$17 million in 1995, down \$3.4 million, but in line with the yearly average.

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# Banquet

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Employee of the Year was awarded to Angelica Toscano, who has been an employee at Leal's Restaurant since she was 12 years old.

"I believe her award was well deserved," said Victor Leal. "She has been an incredible employee for the last 24 years and a nice person to be around. When she's there, you know that every thing's going to be OK."

"She laughs at herself and especially at her employer," said presenter Bill James, who commended Toscano for being a reliable employee and an excellent wife and mother. Angelica is married to Henry Toscano and they have two children, Jenny and Michael.

Business of the Year was presented to Joe King of Western 66, which grew out of a 1949 partnership between Harold and Bob King's Western Fertilizer Company.

Lary Hooten, who presented the award, explained that the business acquired a Phillips Petroleum franchise in the 1950s, and the business was carried on by Elizabeth and Joe King after the death of Bob King.

Joe King, its present owner, has run the business since 1987 with his son Wade. Hooten said Western 66 had the first key-operated and the first card-operated fuel stops in Muleshoe.

Farm Family of the Year was awarded to Marshall, Tonya, Ashley and Jordan Pool, who farm 3,200 acres of corn, carrots, wheat and cotton while also enjoying golf,

fishing, snow skiing and water skiing together.

Presenter David Tipps called Marshall Pool, who is a graduate of Texas Tech University, a "computer nerd" who has been using computers innovatively in his farming practice since 1979.

Tonya Pool is active in the Muleshoe schools, serving on the site-based committee at Watson Junior High School.

Even though no one in her family is involved in the varsity baseball program, she shingle-handedly runs the concession stand for each varsity home game.

Teenagers Ashley and Jordan help with the farm work all summer by hoeing and running errands for their mom and dad.

Woman of the Year was awarded to Rowena Meyers, who has served at Central Plains Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center for almost 25 years.

Robert Shafer commended Meyers for serving "God, family and job. She has two daughters, Winn Cantwell and Merryl Hadley, and a son, Dennis Watson; and she has five grandchildren. She is married to W.E. (Jinks) Meyers, who has three sons and eight grandsons.

Rowena Meyers was born in Shamrock, raised in Portales, and has lived in Muleshoe since 1948. She was surprised by having her whole family attend the awards ceremony.

Man of the Year was presented to George Washington, longtime coach and educator

in Muleshoe, who still attends nearly every sporting event in Muleshoe, as well as making his presence felt at local businesses, according to presenters Mike and Terri Hahn.

Born in Quitaque, he was the ninth of twelve children. He joined the Navy at 17 while he was still in high school, finishing his secondary education after World War II ended.

He married Lois Brown in Oklahoma, where he attended Panhandle A & M, earning a bachelor of science degree in 1952.

He coached in several small

towns in Oklahoma and Texas before settling in Muleshoe in 1958, where he was assistant football coach and a history teacher.

He has two children, Lana Lewis and Mark Washington, and three grandchildren. He is member of the First Baptist Church in Muleshoe and is active in the Masonic Lodge.

After the annual presentations, Chamber president J.B. Douglas recognized David Tipps as outgoing president and retiring directors Bill Moore, Pat Prater, Mark Morton and Lavon Hunt.

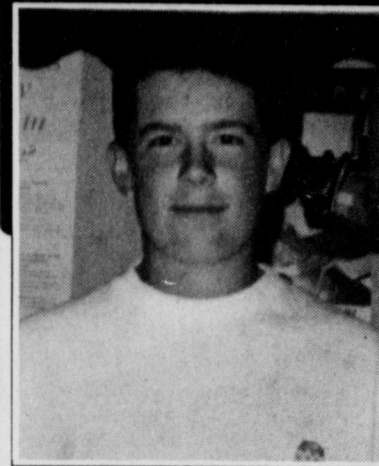
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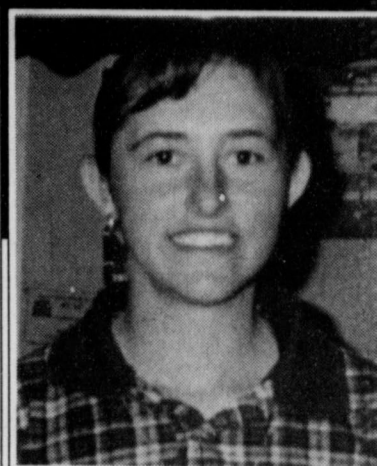
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## Western 66 Congratulates the Mule & Lady Mule of the Week!



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Junior Kyle Embry finished 2nd in the Farwell Tournament. He tied for the lead as district medalist. Kyle is the son of Derrel & Kathy Embry.

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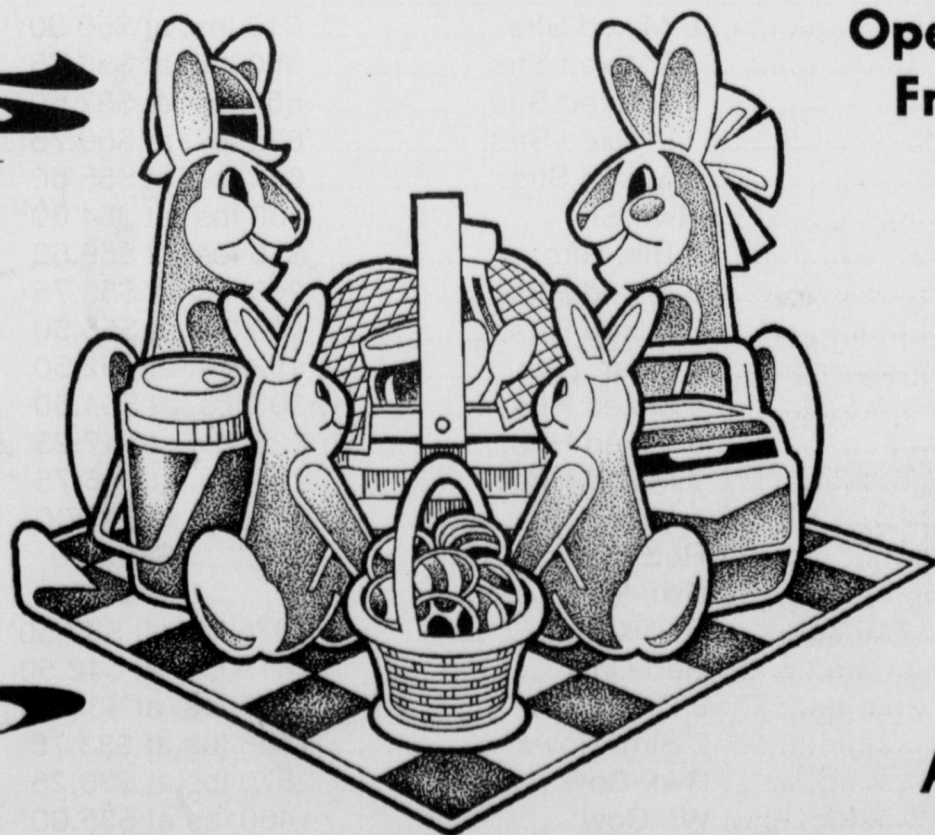
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## Enochs News

By Mrs. J.D. Bayless

Lucille Butler, of Littlefield, and Mrs. Mildred Butler, of Weatherford, visited their brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Key, Tuesday afternoon. Bill had come home from the hospital Monday morning.

Mrs. Carolyn Kirby, of Three Way, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Goldman Stroud, Monday.

Visiting Lill and Harry Polard were all of their children, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Sinclair, of Muleshoe, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Lewis, of Littlefield, and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Polard, of Morton, and all of their grandchildren.

Mrs. Evone Wakefield, of Dimmitt, and son, Steve Wakefield, of Dallas, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Key, Monday.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Teaff,

Sunday, were Rev. Ray and Olene Cunningham and Ellen Bayless.

Guests in the home of Mrs. Lorella Jones and Wendell, were her daughter, Mrs. Susie Shields, of Lelia Lake and granddaughters, Roslyn Sellers of Seagraves and Patrice

Woods of Canyon. A son Roger Jones and son, Brady, of Luders. They spent several days with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nichols and son, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Nichols, Kristen and Landon, went to Lake Ived, fishing on school break.

Mrs. Dale Nichols spent Sunday night, Monday night, Tuesday night and Wednesday night, with her grandchildren, Kristen and Landon Nichols, while their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Nichols went to Houston to an Electric Meeting.

## Tops News

TOPS Chapter Number 34 met at the Muleshoe Church of Christ on Thursday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. Leader, Laverne James called the meeting to order. The TOPS Pledge was recited and the fellowship song was sung. James led the group in prayer.

Betty Jo Davis, weight recorder, called the roll with 18 members answering with the amount they had lost or gained.

Minutes were read by Aurora Mata, secretary. They were approved as read.

Best loser for the week was Laverne James. Lucille Harp was first runner-up and Ruth Clements, Alma Robertson and Mollie Davis were runners-up.

Aurora Mata installed the new officers, who will take over the first meeting in April.

The new officers are: Leader, Laverne James, sec-

retary, Evelene Harris, treasurer, Ruth Clements, weight recorder, Betty Joe Davis, and assistant weight recorder, Alene Bryant.

Charms were awarded to last years leaders and committee appointees. Thank you for a great year and congratulations to the new leaders for this year.

The meeting was adjourned with the good night song.

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