

## 'Keepers of Legend' retains most of cast

By JOANNA GALLMAN  
Journal staff writer

Preparations for the second season of Mule-Plex Productions' "Keepers of the Legend" began Monday as playwrights and performers gathered for the first rehearsal of the season.

Cast members will rehearse for four weeks until the show's opening July 3. Alan Finney, executive producer and music director of the production, said that the show will be greatly improved from its opening season.

"Our biggest improvement will be having wireless microphones," he said, adding that the Mule-Plex has purchased a partial sound system of amplifiers and speakers that will significantly increase the quality of the play.

City Council members rejected Finney's request for \$10,000 from the Motel/Hotel tax fund toward a complete sound system for the production May 21.

Finney said that although the proposal heightened publicity of the play, rejection of the proposal would greatly limit the production's service to community.

"I didn't mean for it to be such a big deal," he said. "The

money is there to do it, and it will go unused," Finney added that producers of the play cut back on lighting in order to purchase the partial sound system this year.

Mule-Plex productions spent approximately \$40,000 on the play last year. Finney said that with the purchase of the sound system, expenses for the season would total \$50,000. Purchasing the remainder of the sound equipment will depend on the number of tickets sold, he said.

Approximately 150 volunteers participate in the production, including more than 30 cast members.

Finney said that the plot of the play remains unchanged from its previous season. Set in the early 1900s, "Keepers of the Legend" centers around Muleshoe's plight to organize a county government. Finney said the play incorporates romance, as well as the legend of the Muleshoe sandhills in the tale of the town's struggle for representation in legislature.

While minor changes were made in minor characters for the season, all cast members playing lead roles returned for a second season, including

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### Out of this world

Robert Shafer, co-owner of Shafer Nursery, wears a spaceman-like protective suit while spraying Evergreen trees for spider mites Monday at a home on 18th Street.

## Vandals damage cemetery

By JOANNA GALLMAN  
Journal staff writer

Ninety headstones lay knocked over or broken in the Bailey County Cemetery, the result of a vandalism spree Monday night that thoroughly disgusted Bailey County Sheriff Jerry Hicks.

"This is about the lowest crime someone could commit," said Hicks. "It doesn't get any lower than this."

Hicks, who spent Tuesday afternoon cataloging the names on the headstones that were damaged, said that an undetermined number of vandals entered the cemetery and kicked the stones over. He said that there had to have been at least two individuals involved, due to the sheer size of the stones, some of which weigh 500 pounds or more.

Hicks said the vandalism occurred some time after the downpour that drenched the city around sundown Monday.

A private citizen who drove past the cemetery Tuesday morning reported the overturned stones, Hicks said.

The sheriff's department has talked to several people in connection with the case, which Hicks says has been given priority due to its nature. He was confident that the suspects would be apprehended.

"The names will eventually come out. Anyone that does this has to be a real low life," he said. "As far as I'm concerned, that's as low as they come."

Until a year ago, the vandalism would have been considered a third-degree felony, punishable by 2-10 years in prison. However, recently revised statutes reduced the crime to a fourth-degree felony. Un-

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## Downpour falls within city limits

By JOANNA GALLMAN  
Journal staff writer

Deep blue storm clouds thundered overhead Monday as a storm system swept through the Muleshoe area, dropping substantial amounts of rainfall in the city, but

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leaving no trace of moisture in surrounding areas.

Muleshoe received 1/2 inch of rain, bringing the monthly total to .85" for the months of May and June, and near an inch for the year.

A normal amount of rainfall for the first six months of the year in Muleshoe would be 6.85", according to Betty Wall, who maintains precipitation records for Muleshoe at the Southern

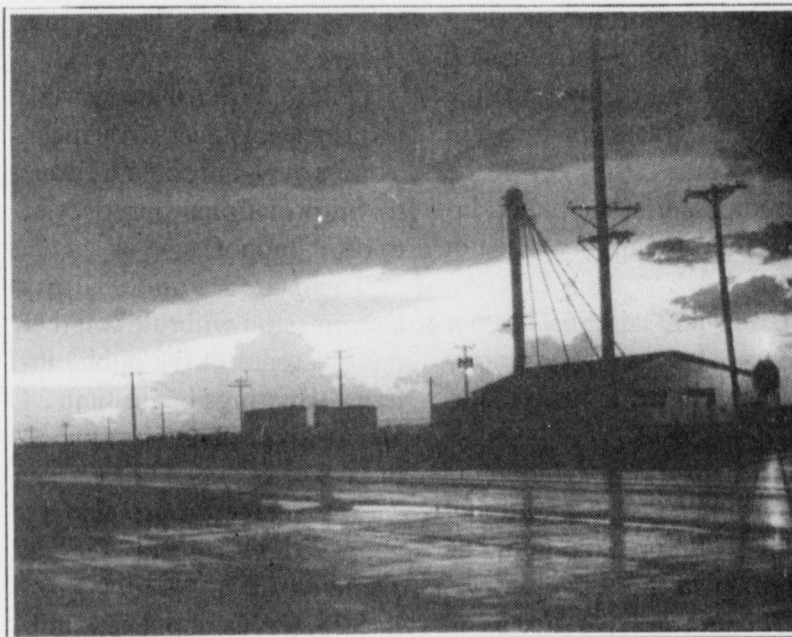
Regional Climate Center in New Orleans.

John Jameson, an observer for the National Weather Service in Lubbock, said that the successive string of storms have been caused by movement of the dryline over the high plains.

"The dryline forms north and south over the Panhandle. It separates the moist air from the gulf from the dry air over Arizona," he said. "As the dryline moves east it picks up moisture and heat. Everybody in front of the dryline will pick up moisture in the form of thunderstorms."

"The dryline and upper-level disturbances work hand-in-hand. We just haven't had any

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### Stormy Monday

Storm clouds linger to the west of Muleshoe near U.S. 84.

## Muleshoe man finds friendship through hobby

By RICK WHITE  
Managing Editor

Christmas ornaments started R.G. Bennett toying with the idea of finding a hobby to keep him busy after being forced into early retirement by a pair heart attacks.

The Christmas ornaments were three tractors that fit in the palm of Bennett's hand.

Seven years later, the one-time farmer numbers 350 in his private collection of toy tractors and farm equipment and another 250 that are for sale. Bennett said he has sunk about \$12,000 into his hobby.

"Basically I do it because I'm a kid at heart and I still like to play with toys," said the 51-year-old Bennett, who worked for the Five Area

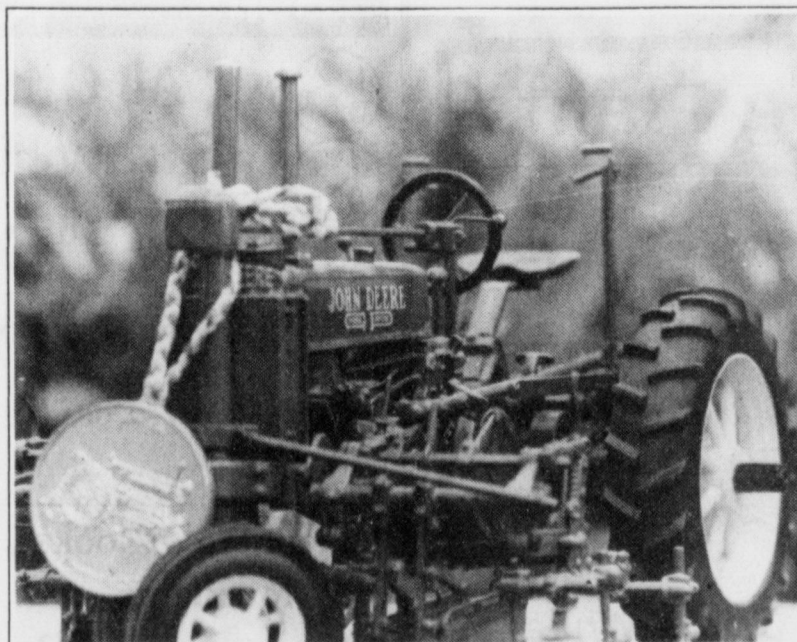
Telephone Co. for more than 20 years before being forced to retire in 1988. "I needed something to do to keep me busy."

The signature green of John Deere farm equipment dominates one shelf of a cabinet in the den of Bennett's Muleshoe home. Other shelves are crowded with the miniature replicas of International and Minneapolis-Moline tractors.

"Like in real life, the name John Deere brings more money," Bennett said.

Some of the tractors date back to the 1940s, while others are much more recent models.

The old models are cruder, because of much more antiquated manufacturing techniques, but bring top



### Toy tractor

R.G. Bennett of Muleshoe collects toy tractors like this John Deere replica. He has more than 350 in his collection.

dollar because of their scarcity. The newer models have cleaner lines and much more detail, but are more abundant, and therefore, are worth substantially less even though the craftsmanship is much better.

Most of his tractors have

come through trades with other collectors or by word-of-mouth.

Bennett also reconditions and customizes tractors.

Pointing to a weathered tractor on the shelf, a Ford replica in obvious need of

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## SPS official disputes merger would cost customers in Texas

By RICK WHITE  
Managing Editor

A consultant for the Office of the Public Utility Council believes the proposed merger of Southwestern Public Service and Public Service Co. of Colorado would actually cost SPS customers in Texas more money.

Steven Andersen, a regulatory economist with Economic and Policy Analysis Inc. in Austin, said in written testimony that the proposed merger would cost Texas ratepayers almost \$32 million more over a 10-year period. The testimony was filed with the Public Utility Commission last week.

OPUC is a state agency that represents residential and small

business concerns.

SPS spokesman Bill Crenshaw called the statement "incredible."

When SPS and PSCo announced the plans to merge in August, the two public utilities estimated they would save about \$770 million in the first 10 years after the merger.

Down-sizing its labor force by about 8 percent and increased purchasing power were the two major reasons given by Crenshaw for the projected savings.

Andersen contends that because SPS is a low-cost, highly efficient company, it would have to absorb some of the costs of merging with the big-

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AROUND MULESHOE

**Local youths performing with Spirit Wind '96 choir**

Twyla Gear, Amanda Messenger, and Amy Marricle, of Muleshoe, will perform with Spirit Wind '96 at First United Methodist Church in Muleshoe, June 9, at 11 a.m.

The Northwest Texas United Methodist Annual Conference Choir is a select group of United Methodist senior high youth from the Panhandle and West Texas area. The Muleshoe girls were selected from more than 180 youth who auditioned in Lubbock, Amarillo, Abilene, and Midland in January.

The choir will tour twelve West Texas cities this year, and will travel to the east coast and Washington D.C. next year.

Following this year's tour, the group will celebrate its 18th anniversary in Midland July 14-16.

**Animal rabies shots available through city clinic June 13**

Bailey County residents can get rabies shots for their animals during a clinic from 2-5 p.m., Thursday, June 13 at the old fire station across the street from the Muleshoe Police station.

The city requires rabies shots for all domestic animals. The fee is \$9. City tags can also be purchased for \$1.

For more information, contact Muleshoe Animal Control Officer Mary Vasquez.

**Muleshoe students graduate from PEP High School**

Four Muleshoe students were among 19 to receive diplomas from PEP High School May 23.

Kim Donaldson, Cyle Marr, Ernie Paez, and Raul Guerrero were members of the largest group of students to graduate from the nine area cooperative at-risk school.

Seniors at PEP may receive their diplomas at PEP or at their home school.

Two other Muleshoe students received awards at ceremonies preceding graduation. Maria Frias and Jesus Nunez received perfect attendance awards.

**WJHS cheerleaders to host cookout June 8**

The WJHS cheerleaders will be hosting a hamburger cookout Saturday, June 8. The cookout will be in front of Joe's Boot Shop from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Tickets for the cookout will be \$5. Chips, a drink, and a brownie will be included with the hamburger. All proceeds will go toward sending the cheerleaders to summer camp.

For more information, call Linda Flores at 272-4152.



**Retirement celebration**

Anne Camp, librarian at the Muleshoe Area Public Library, was honored with a retirement reception Friday at the Bailey County Coliseum. Camp retired after 32 years of public service.

**Two area students among 511 who received WTAMU degrees**

Deborah Gallman, Courtney Graves, and Galin Latham were among 511 students to receive degrees at West Texas A & M University May 11.

Gallman, of Lazbuddie, was one of 73 graduates to receive a master's degree. Gallman graduated with a master of education in administration. She graduated cum laude.

Graves, of Muleshoe, graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in speech.

Latham, also of Muleshoe, graduated with a bachelor of science in pre-dentistry. She graduated cum laude.

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**Merger**

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ger, and less efficient PSCo.

The result might be net savings, but in many cases, it would result in higher costs than SPS stand-alone costs.

Gabriel Garcia, assistant public counsel for the OPUC, said that utilities have already begun down-sizing labor forces in an effort to stay competitive and SPS is actually purchasing its fuel supplies (coal, natural gas) at cheaper prices than many larger public utilities in the state.

He said that labor force reductions should not be attached to the merger because they would have taken place without the merger. PSCo has already down-sized twice in the

last two years.

"The burden of proof is on SPS and PSCo," Crenshaw said. "We must prove that the \$770 million in net savings will occur for the customers. If the merger is not in the public interest, the regulators will not approve it."

Crenshaw said SPS has not reviewed Andersen's testimony yet, but will file rebuttal material by June 18.

Crenshaw added that intervenors like OPUC "routinely become party to regulatory meetings of this sort."

Ten groups have filed as intervenors in Texas, including the Golden Spread Electric Co-op, which represents 14 rural

electric companies, Energas and several of SPS' largest customers.

Crenshaw said that intervention does not necessarily mean disapproval, but could be done for informational purposes or to offer support.

The state's Public Utility Commission will rule whether the merger is in the public interest. Hearings begin June 24 and are expected to last two to three weeks.

The merger must also be approved by several federal agencies.

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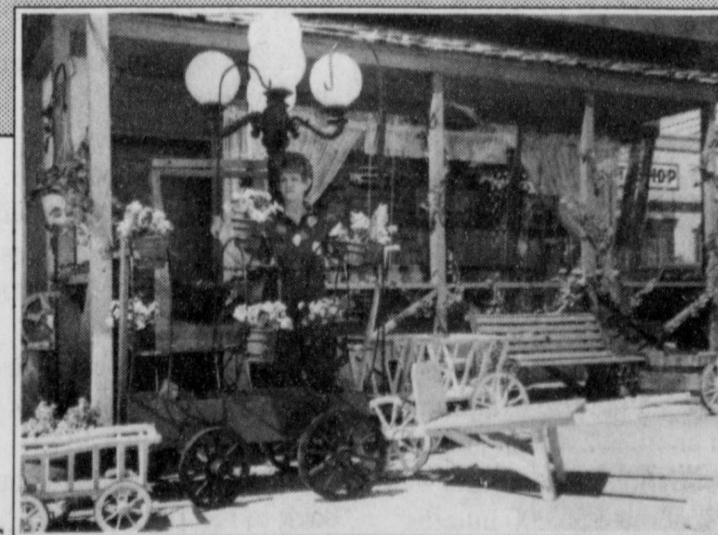
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**Splash, splash**

A tractor takes a bath in a puddle at the intersection of U.S. Highway 84 and 12th Street. Monday's storm dumped about a half-inch of rain, flooding several city streets.

**Downpour**

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fronts to break them up," he said.

Monday's 20-minute downpour momentarily turned several streets to fast-flowing rivers, but did little for farmers and their withering crops around Muleshoe.

Five communities surrounding Muleshoe reported trace amounts or no rainfall at all.

Storms that dropped .09" in the city Sunday left amounts that varied from no rainfall in Lariat, to 1/2 inch in Maple. An employee of the Needmore Gin reported 1/10 inch, while

Enochs reported 3/10 inch.

Large hail, high winds, and funnel clouds were reported across the South Plains Sunday, according to Larry Vannozzi, an employee of the Weather Service in Lubbock.

Bailey County Sheriff Jerry Hicks said he got caught in a substantial hail storm four miles north of Progress Sunday, but it is not known if it caused any crop damage.

Two tornadoes were reported to have touched down just across the border in New Mexico Sunday.

One was reported in Milnesand, in southern Roosevelt County near Bledsoe. Another was spotted in Crossroads, in northern Lea County.

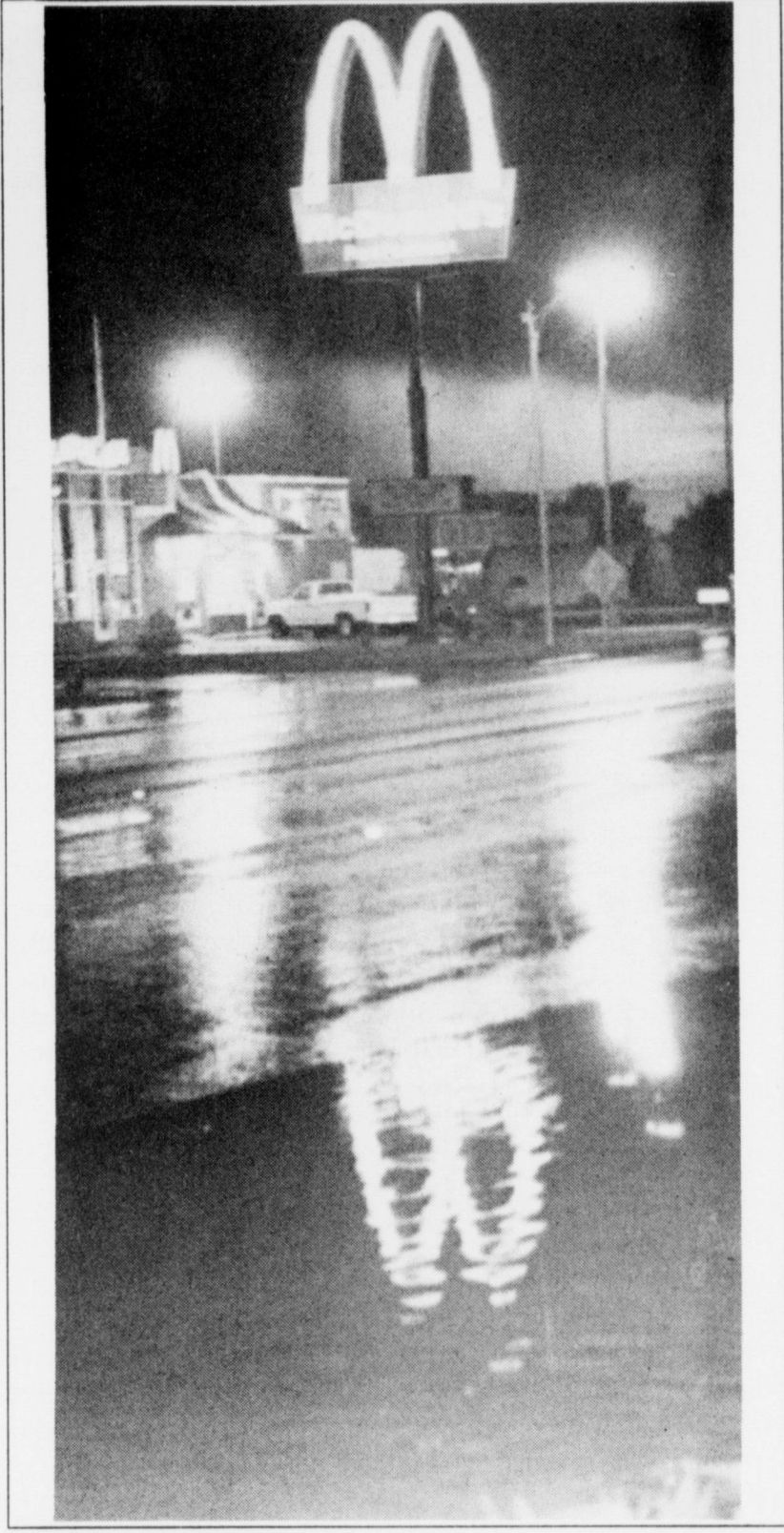
A National Weather Service official said that it is possible that it was the same tornado.

Jameson said that no rainfall is predicted for the remainder of the week. Highs in the 90s and lows in the 60s will prevail through Sunday, he said.

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Parents are somewhat of a disappointment to their children. They don't fulfill the promise of their early years.

—Anthony Powell



**Golden rainbow**

A puddle along U.S. Highway 84 reflects the golden arches from the McDonalds across the road after Monday's storm.

**Texas DPS approves equipment**

AUSTIN — Recently the State of Texas Department of Public Safety, Breath Alcohol Testing Program approved the latest equipment in the battle against drunk driving. The Draeger Ignition Interlock system passed all requirements and offers the latest alcohol detection; fuel cell technology. This system is alcohol-specific, will not give false readings as older, solid state sensor-based units can, and is not sensitive to vehicle exhaust or altitude. This equipment will be used on repeat offenders as mandated by new Texas Statutes. These laws require interlock devices on all individuals who are charged with a second or additional drunk driving offense. State officials estimate that thousands of offenders will be required to have these on their vehicles within the next 12 months.

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**Vandals**

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less the estimate of the damage exceeds \$20,000, making the crime an automatic third-degree felony, persons convicted of a fourth-degree felony would most likely get probation.

The sheriff's department is currently attempting to reach the next of kin of the graves that were damaged. Relatives will be responsible for expenses to repair the graves unless the vandals are positively

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Hicks said that cemetery vandalism is not a rare occurrence.

"Every once in a while it happens," he said. "But I've never seen anything like this."

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## All 2-3A team includes two MHS seniors

Muleshoe High School seniors Alfredo Gonzales and Edward Olivas were selected to an All-District 2-3A baseball team dominated by juniors.

Seven of the 16 first-team members were juniors, including the most valuable player, catcher Monty Anderson of district champion Floydada. Four more were sophomores.

Floydada, Littlefield, Dimmitt and Shallowater all had three first-team selections.

Gonzales, who was second in the MVP voting, was selected as a utility player. Gonzales batted a team-high .413 with seven doubles, a triple, a home run and 24 RBI. He also led the Mules, 13-14 overall, in runs scored with 36 and stole 14 bases while playing a solid shortstop.

Olivas hit .241 in the lead-off spot with five doubles and three home runs. The speedy center fielder was also able to run down a lot of balls hit into the gaps and possessed a strong arm.

MHS sophomores Layne Kemp and Rodney Alanis, and junior Jarrod Redwine were

## Baseball

### All-District 2-3A

Pos	Player	Team
P	Aaron Clark, jr	Littlefield
P	Jason Nino, jr	Dimmitt
C	Trey Insor, jr	Littlefield
C	Monty Anderson, jr	Floydada
1B	Chris Shannon, jr	Shallowater
1B	Zeke Nino, sr	Dimmitt
2B	Aaron King, so	Friena
SS	Tomas Barrientos, jr	Floydada
3B	Tony Ortiz, so	Shallowater
OF	Lance Looper, sr	Friena
OF	David McClellan, so	Littlefield
OF	Edward Olivas, sr	Muleshoe
OF	Matt Martinez, so	Shallowater
OF	Michael Mercado, sr	Floydada
UTL	Alfredo Gonzales, sr	Muleshoe
DH	Luis Nino, jr	Dimmitt
MVP	Monty Anderson, jr	Floydada

#### Second team

Angel Aleman, jr, P, Floydada; Cody Favor, sr, P, Littlefield; Moses Reyes, sr, P, Friena; Todd Jordan, jr, C, Shallowater; Mitch McNeese, fr, 1B, Littlefield; Layne Kemp, so, 2B, Muleshoe; Zach Matthews, so, SS; Dimmitt; Rodney Alanis, so, 3B, Muleshoe; Rusty Workman, jr, OF, Shallowater; Neal Nelson, sr, OF, Floydada; Jarrod Redwine, jr, OF, Muleshoe; Peter Garza, sr, UTL, Shallowater; Jesse Mendez, jr, DH, Friena.

selected to the second team.

Kemp, selected as a second baseman, hit .211 with four doubles and a home run. The right-hander was 5-9 on the mound while logging a team-high 82.1 innings.

Alanis was selected as a

third baseman after hitting .358 with five doubles, a home run and a team-high 34 RBI. He batted .414 in district.

Redwine hit .309 with three doubles, two triples and three home runs. He was selected as an outfielder.

## TAAS tests offered from July 15-19

Muleshoe High School has available out-of-school examinee registration packets for the exit level TAAS and TEAMS tests, according to MHS counselor Linda Marr.

During each regular exit level test administration, individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the TAAS test, but have met all other graduation requirements, may retake the necessary section(s). You must complete a registration form if you are an out-of-school examinee or if you are enrolled in grade 10, 11, or 12 in the spring of 1996 and wish to test at a site other than your home district.

The administration of the TAAS will be given during the week of July 15-19.

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and who wish to register to retake the exit level TAAS or TEAMS tests, may pick up a registration packet at any high school campus, district central office, or education service center. The test registration form must be completed and returned in the pre-addressed envelope to Iowa City, Iowa, by no later than 5 p.m. June 14.

Questions concerning the summer exit level test should be directed to the Texas Education Agency, Student Assessment Division, (512) 463-9536.

## Pioneer Days and Rodeo lasts all week

CLOVIS — It's rodeo time again as Clovis holds its annual Pioneer Days and Rodeo.

The 26th Annual PRCA Rodeo is Thursday through Saturday, starting at 8 p.m. at the Mounted Patrol Arena.

World champion barrel racer Sherri Cervi is back to defend her title. She is from Marana, Ariz., and is the daughter-in-law of Mike Cervi,

a stock contractor, who provides roughstock for the Pioneer Days Rodeo.

The One Armed Bandit, named the PRCA Speciality Act of the Year five times, will perform his talents as a dog and horse trainer.

For more information on Pioneer Days contact the Clovis Chamber of Commerce at (505) 763-3435.

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**America on Wheels** also looks into what some social critics consider the cultural backlash of the automobile — its negative effects on the environment, social relations, and public health. Also explored is the competition for dominance on America's highways as U.S. automakers race to keep up with the ever-growing competition from imports.

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**America on Wheels** will be broadcast Mondays at 9:00 p.m. beginning June 10th. The series repeats Saturdays at 7:00 a.m. beginning June 15th.

## Whose Death is it Anyway? Tough Choices for the End of Life

Joy Edwards sits in her living room talking with her family of grown children. Their own infants and toddlers are sleeping comfortably in their laps or playing nearby. Except for the conversation, it seems like a typical afternoon at Grandma's. But Edwards was diagnosed with breast cancer 10 years ago and now it has spread. The prognosis? Incurable. She has gathered her family together for a reading of her "advanced directive," indicating how she wants to die: no life support, no feeding tubes. "I'm tired. I fought this a long time," she says.

Edwards' story and the personal experiences of four other individuals and their families are featured in **Whose Death is it Anyway? Tough Choices for the End of Life**.

At the heart of the discussion are such end-of-life concerns as appointing health-care proxies (those who help make decisions when the patient can no longer do so), pain management, and living wills. Other critical topics include legal rights, cost of life-sustaining treatments, family conflicts, comfort care, and the choice of home, hospital, or hospice when death becomes imminent.

Most of the audience members are people who have been affected personally by difficult end-of-life decisions. The audience also includes physicians, social workers, nurses, lawyers, and clergy.

**Whose Death is it Anyway? Tough Choices for the End of Life** airs Tuesday, June 11th at 2:00 p.m. It repeats Friday, June 14th at 10:00 p.m.

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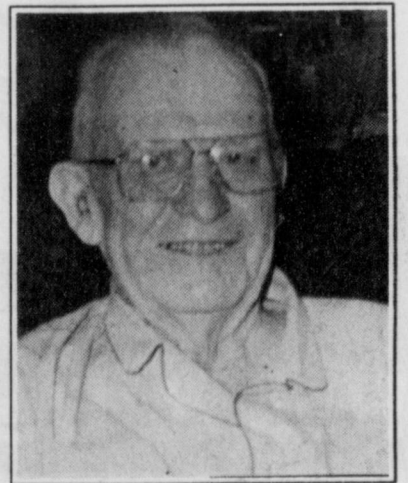
### Featured Patient

Walter Kaltwasser is married to Gladys Kaltwasser, and they have 3 children - Pat Madison of Arlington, Vicki Lynn of Eunice, NM and Kevin Kaltwasser of Lubbock. They have 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Being in and around Farwell most of his life, Mr. Kaltwasser was a farmer. They belong to the First Baptist Church of Farwell. He used to be the mayor, on the water and school board and the fair board for Parmer County. He was in the air force and served during World War II.

For 11 years, Mr. Kaltwasser was a trustee for Wayland Baptist University. From there, he and Gladys received the Flame award. They have given financial help to the scholarship fund and have helped 30 students to attend Wayland Baptist University through the years.

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## Muleshoe soloists take top honors

Two Muleshoe High School band members received gold medals May 27 at the Texas State University Interscholastic League Solo and Ensemble Contest.

Shannon Noack and Gerardo Loya received Division I ratings in the class 3A division of the contest, which was held at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

Noack performed "Nocturne," a piano solo by Frederic Chopin. Loya performed the first two movements of Giuseppe Tartini's "Concertino," a clarinet piece.

Second Division silver medalists included Melissa Mata, who performed "Aria," an alto saxophone solo; Samuel Villarreal, who performed "Prologue and Jubilo," a multi-percussion solo; and Jennifer Patterson, who performed "Sonata," a piano solo.

Jennifer Patterson, Yolie DeHoyos, Gerardo Loya, and Stephanie Guerrero composed a clarinet quartet which also performed at the contest. The quartet performed "Chase of the Centaurs" and received a



### Practice makes perfect

Gerardo Loya, a sophomore and Mighty "M" Band member, relives moments of glory from his performance at the state University Interscholastic League solo and ensemble contest. Gerardo received a division I rating on his clarinet solo, "Concertino."

Division 2 rating.

Soloists attending the state contest must memorize their

solos and earn a Division I rating at the regional UIL contest in February.

## Cain to host miniature golf tourney

Hollis Cain, Republican candidate for District 85 of the Texas House of Representatives, will host a miniature golf and hot dog social from 4-10 p.m. this Sunday at the miniature golf course near the Bailey County Civic Center in Muleshoe.

While the casual, come-and-go event is free of charge to the public, donations will be accepted.

Cain, a Lamb County rancher and businessman, has lived in the Springlake-Earth community since 1965.

After farming for 17 years, he worked in banking and insurance. He also owned and operated an auto parts store before returning to ranching full-time in 1989.

Cain is a 1971 graduate of Texas Christian University's selective Ranch Management School.

Cain's previous public service includes nine years on the Springlake-Earth School Board. Gov. George W. Bush appointed Cain last year to serve on a statewide educational oversight committee.

The Earth Chamber of Commerce named Cain, his wife, Charlotte, and their three daughters as the Outstanding

Farm Family in 1981. Cain, a deacon and Sunday School teacher at First Baptist Church, Springlake, was also honored by 4-H with the Spur Award for "outstanding adult leadership."

"I've spent my entire life investing in my family," Cain said. "And my concern for them and for the families of this district is the only reason I entered the race." Cain said the families in the district and statewide have been adversely affected by legislation, especially in the last quarter of the century. Cain said he will campaign on specifically the effect of legislation in the areas of education and family income.

"All the power has been consolidated in Austin," he said. "Parents have less and less say in their children's education, and less discretion in how they spend their money. Taxes, especially on property, have sky rocketed."

Cain said that lobbyists and special interests are partly to blame. He also said incumbents, such as his opponent, rely too heavily on lobby money. "After the representatives go down to Austin, they change," he said. "They no longer represent the district."

Cain also challenged his opponent's reputation as "bipartisan" and "conservative."

"A look at his voting record over the last 24 years will clear up that myth," he said. "A lot of his bipartisan reputation comes from the fact that Gov. Bush had to work with my opponent to get his widely popular reforms passed."

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## Keepers

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Cassidy Cleavinger, Laura Wood, Heath Scott, Buddy Beach, and Tina Davis.

"All the main characters that sang solos are back," Finney said. "But some of the things they did last year weren't even in script, so the improvisation will be different. And the kids from last year grew up, so we had to get some younger kids."

Cast members from last year's production were given precedent in this year's selection, Finney said. He said that he usually has particular people in mind for members of the cast.

"I call and beg them to help," he said, adding that fewer than five people have responded to advertising requesting actors. Once the production is secure enough to pay the actors, open auditions will be held, he said.

Wood and Cleavinger were

asked to audition for the season production of "Texas" in Palo Duro Canyon, but Finney said he discouraged the girls from auditioning, adding that he felt "Keepers of the Legend" surpassed "Texas" in several areas.

"All of our songs are original—so is the script. And they have about a 30 year head start," he said. "It (Keepers of the Legend) is a very fun project. It's definitely the biggest thing that could happen to Muleshoe."

Finney said he has hopes that the play will become an annual event that will spark tourism and growth in Muleshoe. The play attracted 1500 people in its first season. Finney expects much larger crowds in the play's second year — up to 3,000-4,000 for the seven performances.

"The show itself is a community effort that everyone should be involved in and be proud of," he said. "The underlying motive is to get something going in Muleshoe. Once it gets going, it will continue to grow."

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## Taking a Journal back in time



### Compiled by Lesli Radford

The following are excerpts taken from past issues of the Muleshoe Journal.

#### 5 years ago

##### June 6

Watson Junior High built new science rooms on the north side of the building.

Pink grapefruit, according to New York, was a "hot, new citrus fruit."

Two new herbicides that help control Johnson Grass were introduced to the county. They were Accent and Beacon.

##### June 1

The Muleshoe Lion's Club held its first annual car show. Cars such as the Model-T were present. People from Texas and New Mexico participated.

FAT-TV from New York filmed a rodeo scene at Joe's Boot Shop and Anna's House of Beauty for a portrait of a small town beauty salon. They also filmed a scene at the old drive in theatre, and from there, went to Earth to shoot more scenes.

#### 10 years ago

##### June 1

FM1760 was closed due to flooding. 2.1 inches of rain was recorded that day.

Tawna Stewart and Danny Ward announced their engagement and planned to wed the 21st of that month.

Pay-n-Save offered an 8 oz. can of Folger's coffee for \$4.99.

Members of the Muleshoe High School art class painted

the Mule Memorial Sign at the Memorial Site including Spencer Reamy and Jaime Torres.

##### June 5

A new dining room was being built for the nursing home.

A series of storms produced 5.13 inches of rain the first week of June.

Dacia Stewart was the "Leader of Tomorrow".

Reydon Stanford and the Anchor Brothers Band sang with the Maines Brothers Band at the Coliseum.

#### 25 years ago

##### June 1

The Chamber of Commerce sponsored a city-wide Clean up Campaign.

Thirty-three ounces of Downey fabric softner was only \$.69.

##### June 6

Gail Locker and Benny Bruns were married.

Sliced bacon at the Piggly Wiggly was \$.49 for a pound.

A Sports Quiz in the paper asked Who was the commissioner of the NBA? (Remember this was 1971...) The answer was Walter Kennedy.

#### 50 years ago

##### June 6

Malone Milk Co. Plant, located on the northwest corner of the Courthouse square, was opened by Dudley Malone.

Subscription rates for one year in the county was \$1.50 and out of the county if was \$2.00.

Chocolate candy bars were 5¢.



### Handy man

R.G. Bennett spends about five hours a week reconditioning and customizing toy tractors in his workshop in Muleshoe.

### Tractors

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repair, Bennett traced its history; from a 25-cent afterthought at a yard sale, to a \$25 investment, and with repair, a \$125 collector's item.

Bennett said he spends about five hours a week in his workshop. "Anymore than that, and it wouldn't be a hobby anymore."

Bennett will be one of approximately 20 collectors and dealers taking part in the

Muleshoe Kiwanis fifth annual Farm Toy Show Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bailey County Coliseum. Admission is \$1 for adults, 50¢ for children over 12. Children 12-and-under are admitted free when accompanied by an adult.

"There's two reasons we like to do it, one is to visit with other collectors and the other is to talk about our collections," Bennett said.

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## Parasite pitted against fire ants

COLLEGE STATION — Scientists at Texas A&M University are looking to a tiny parasite to take the sting out of the red imported fire ant problem in the United States.

"We are hopeful that it will work," said Jerry Cook, a graduate assistant with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. "It's got a lot of promise."

The almost microscopic insect, called "Caenocholax fenyasi", is closely related to beetles but looks more like a fly, Cook said. Even magnified 30 times, its larvae appear only as a small dot.

The association between the parasite and the fire ant was

found by Dr. Spencer Johnston, associate professor of entomology at Texas A&M University. He was dissecting fire ants for genetic material when he found the parasite.

The parasite is extraordinary in that the females give birth to live larvae. The male larvae finds a fire ant while the female finds a bush cricket in which to develop, Cook said.

The male larvae attaches itself to a foraging ant to be carried back to the nest. It then infects an immature ant so that it can mature as the ant does. It bores into the abdomen, feeding on the ant.

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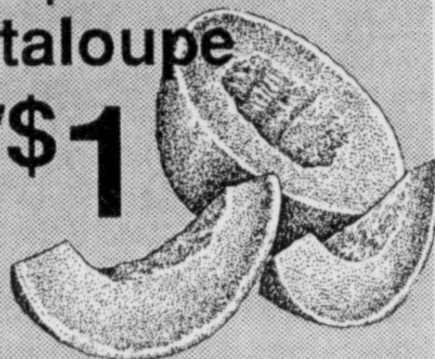
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# Enochs News

By Mrs. J.D. Bayless

Alayna Price of Lubbock spent the weekend with her grandparents, Keith and Troy Price.

Ellen Bayless was in Morton to have a heater hose put on her car Thursday morning. She visited with the Senior Citizens. She ate lunch with them.

Marion Walker of Mt. Vernon died Sunday evening. He was a former resident of our area. I express my sympathy to his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Blackstone attended the high school graduation of a granddaughter, Jaclyn Piece at Friona, Friday evening.

Roger Jones and Clay, of Luders, are visiting his mother, Mrs. Lorella Jones, and brother, Wendell.

I was sorry to hear that Darlene Alexander is a patient in the St. Marys Hospital in Lubbock. Get well soon Darlene.

Ronnie and Paula Rapstine and children, Maianda, Ashley and Chandler, spent Friday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nichols. Saturday, the Rapstines, and children, went to Carlsbad Caverns.

Visiting Myrna Turney on Memorial Day was a grandson, Matt Turney, of Muleshoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Turney visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Nix. Their son, Monty, is home from college to spend the summer.

Britt and Cindy Alexander and children, Christopher and Paige, from San Antonio, are here visiting his grandmother, Faye Jones and his mother, Darlene Alexander, also Christen Turer and friend, Andy, have also been visiting with them they left for Phoenix, Ariz. Monday morning.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stanley was a

son-in-law, Alton Jones, of Shallowater, he came to help do some things for them.

Dusty Stroud, of Whiteface, visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Goldman Stroud, Tuesday and ate lunch with them.

Mr. and Mrs. D.M. McBee's grandchildren, Alysha, Adam and Reese Webb, of Lubbock, are visiting her grandparents.

Guests spending Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nichols, was her brother, Bryant Sanderfer, from Kallstell, Montana. Other guests visiting with them were her sister, Vernice Stevens, a niece, Barbara Brown of Morton, and a son, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Nichols and children Kirsten and Landon, of Muleshoe.

Thursday night, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nichols and Bryant Sanderfer, visited in the home of Barbara Stevens, and a son

Dennis, enjoyed supper with them.

Memorial Day guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Price, was her brother, Evett Bilibrey from Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dupler, from Andrews, spent the weekend with their daughter, Jarrol and Beverly Layton and daughters, Ashley and Lauren.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pollard, were a daughter, Charlene Lewis and Jacy, of Littlefield, Megan and Chelsie. They all went to Brittney Kirby's high school graduation at Dora, N.M. Mrs. Roxie Stroud also went to her granddaughter, Brittney's graduation, Sunday afternoon.

We were proud of the rain received Saturday night. Some received 3 tenths and others received 6 tenths. Some got their cotton hailed out.

## LHS yearbook staff excels in Panhandle competition

Six members of the Lazbuddie High School yearbook staff received honors for the 1994-95 LHS yearbook in the Panhandle High School Press Association and Interscholastic League Press Conference competitions.

Individual awards presented at the Panhandle High School Press Association competition are as follows:

**Evajo Alcalá:** second place Student Life Design, second place News Photo, first place Academics Design, first place Feature Photo.

**Marisol Godinez:** first place Clubs Design, first place Portrait Page Design.

**Ivette Reyes:** first place Sports Photo, third place Sports

Page Design.

**Rachelle Rice:** first place Reporting Copy.

**Kimberly Smith:** first place Advertising.

**Joanna Gallman:** second place Student Life Design, first place Feature Copy.

**Staff:** first place Cover Design, first place Mini-Mag Design, first place Division Page Design, first place Theme Development.

The yearbook was awarded the Sweepstakes in all classifications of participating schools.

Awards received at the Interscholastic League Press Conference were:

**Ivette Reyes:** second place Community Feature.

**Marisol Godinez:** second place Student Life Spread, first place Class Section Spread.

**Evajo Alcalá:** second place Academic Spread.

**Joanna Gallman:** second place Student Life Spread, first and third place Student Life Feature Story, second place Academic Feature Story.

**Kimberly Smith:** first place

Community Feature.

**Staff:** first place Theme Selection and Development.

The yearbook received the Award of Distinguished Merit in the competition.

Yearbook staff members included: Marisol Godinez, Ivette Reyes, Evajo Alcalá, Janis Hernandez, and advisers Sarah Black and Marsella Jennings.

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## Muleshoe Cattle Market

### Saturday, June 1, 1996

STEERS		HEIFERS	
Weight	per #	Weight	per #
200-300	\$55-\$65	200-300	\$45-\$55
300-400	\$50-\$63	300-400	\$40-\$50
400-500	\$45-\$55	400-500	\$37-\$47
500-600	\$45-\$52	500-600	\$40-\$47
600-700	\$45-\$52	600-700	\$40-\$50
700-800	\$48-\$52	700-800	\$40-\$50

PACKER COWS	BULLS	BRED COWS
Others..... \$20-\$30	Others..... \$30-\$37	Others..... \$200-\$325

#### REPRESENTATIVE SALES

Seller, City	#	Type	Wt.	CWT or PH
Ray Cole, Anton	4	Hol. Bulls	219 lbs.	at \$31.00
Bill Bradley, Amherst	7	Hol. Strs.	480 lbs.	at \$25.00
Jim Martinez, Clovis, NM		Rwf. Str.	240 lbs.	at \$60.00
Brad Carter, Amherst		Blk. Bull	320 lbs.	at \$63.50
Tim Ford, New Deal		Rwf. Bull	345 lbs.	at \$58.00
Terome Clemmons, Muleshoe	2	Rwf. Strs.	393 lbs.	at \$52.50
Gail Wilcox, Muleshoe		Rwf. Str.	770 lbs.	at \$52.00
Ed Moore, Muleshoe	2	Yell. Strs.	620 lbs.	at \$48.25
Alan Black, Jr., Sudan		Red Hfr.	365 lbs.	at \$46.00
Bill Kiser, Anton		Blk. Hfr.	330 lbs.	at \$51.00
Hip O Cattle, Muleshoe		Rwf. Hfr.	405 lbs.	at \$45.00
Roy Tarango, Dimmitt		Char. Hfr.	475 lbs.	at \$47.50
Larry Carter, Levelland	6	Limo Hfrs.	572 lbs.	at \$47.50
Mike Hand, Friona		Char. Hfr.	640 lbs.	at \$49.25
Terome Clemmons, Muleshoe	4	Mixed Hfrs.	720 lbs.	at \$25
Gail Wilcox, Muleshoe	8	Mixed Hfrs.	703 lbs.	at \$30
Jack Douglas, Littlefield	2	Blk. Hfrs.	880 lbs.	at \$39.00
R.C. Douglas, Lubbock	3	Char. Hfrs.	867 lbs.	at \$40.25
Clay Bandy, Friona	4	Mixed Pair		\$440.00
Bill Kiser, Anton	10	Red Pair		\$465.00
Mike Ritchie, Amherst		Red Pair		\$350.00
Kenneth Carson, Shallowater		Red Pair		\$390.00
Horace Betts, Amarillo	6	Mixed Pair		\$355.00
Duane White, Farwell	2	Wf. Cow	1415 lbs.	at \$31.25
Keem Cattle Corp., Lubbock		Brown Cow	895 lbs.	at \$27.75
Pete Davies, Bovina		Char. Cow	1055 lbs.	at \$26.00
Henry Cowan, Spade		Red Cow	1645 lbs.	at \$29.00
Robert Almazan, Hereford		Hol. Bull	1290 lbs.	at \$34.00
Leon Dupler, Andrews		Rwf. Bull	1850 lbs.	at \$37.50

**The Muleshoe Cattle Market is brought to you each week by Muleshoe Livestock Auction, located east of Muleshoe on U.S. 84. Muleshoe Livestock conducts sales every Saturday, beginning with hogs, sheep and goats at 10 a.m. and cattle following at approximately 12 noon.**

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**Employee of the month**  
Edward Orozco (center), of Bratcher Motor Supply, was named Employee of the month for May. Charles Bratcher, Dale Hughes, and Tommie Bratcher observed the presentation of the award, which was given by Chamber of Commerce president J.B. Douglas.

## Tops News

By Polly Otwell

TOPS Chapter Number 34 met at the Muleshoe Church of Christ on Thursday, May 30, 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.

Berry Jo Davis, weight recorder, called the roll with 16 members answering with the amount they had lost or gained. Minutes were read by Evelene Harris, secretary, and were

approved as read.

Best loser for the week was Alene Bryant. Cheryl DeGroffenreid was first runner-up and Jewel Peeler was second runner-up, as reported by assistant weight recorder, Alene Bryant.

Leader Laverne James discussed "Social Eating Out." She talked about to do when other people encourage you to eat more at a social event, and learning to socialize in conversation rather than from the

buffet. Members gave examples and how they were able to cope with it.

Side one is still in the lead under the leadership of Alma Robertson. Molly Davis' side two is giving them a good contest though.

The Pray for Rain Contest will end June 13. Next week is award night. Everyone is encouraged to attend, especially if you are to receive an award.

The meeting was adjourned with the good night song.

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**BAXTER BLACK**  
ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

Several years ago this month, I was invited to the 75th Annual Southwestern Saskatchewan Sheep and Woolgrowers slash/combo Stockdog Trials in Maple Creek, Saskatchewan.

The night before the big do I sat in Bernice's kitchen as she cut leg o'lamb into one inch squares for shish kabob. I was helping skewer. The banquet was sold out, over 400 expected so there was a lot of cutting and skewering.

"How ya gonna cook this meat?" I asked. She explained she had four backyard BBQ grills lined up with an engineer and a fireman for each. Sounded good to me.

Saturday afternoon I spent at the fairgrounds watching the dog trials.

That evening at the armory, four BBQ grills 'bout the size of a Toyota tire were set up on the lawn at the West entrance. A gentle breeze wafted through the cottonwood trees and carried the inviting scent of hot colas and sizzling shish kabob into the packed building.

Inside, the crowd was excited, loud and beginning to perspire. Folks seeing neighbors and friends, jostling at the bar and anticipating. Soon smoke began to thicken in the hall. I was taking a long time to cook the kabobs.

The first forty or so people were served. The lamb fat drippin' on coals forced a continual restoking. During the

next two and a half hours, the crowd grew restless but remained ever Canadian polite.

By the time the last group was served, the tables, silverware and walls were slick. Sweating people were glistening with lamb fat. Cottonwood fluff clung to cheeks, hats and the occasional butter pat.

The M.C., a big boy wearin' a western suit and black cowboy hat took the stage. He looked like a bronzed statue of a drafthorse somebody'd sprayed with WD 40.

A succession of dignitaries brought congratulations for commissioners, premiers and prime ministers, not to mention a thorough review of the association's history including a reading of the entire minutes of the first meeting in 1914. A dance followed.

It was such a success that two years later I was invited back for the second annual 75th Annual Southwestern Saskatchewan Sheep and Woolgrowers slash/combo Stock Dog Trials.

This time of year, cottonwood silk in the air makes me think of those good folks in Maple Creek and of others in small rural communities like Burke, Blackwell and Berrian Springs. Sunray, Syracuse and Spring Grove. Portales, Bloomfield, Livingston, Lacomb, Wisner, Omak, Big Piney and Xenia.... They represent the finest we country people have to offer. I sure am proud to be a part of y'all.

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### Muleshoe High School

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**12th Grade** — Candelar Garcia, Araceli Gardea, Holly Hutton, Lauri Puckett, Dacia Stewart, Teri Williams and Barak Harlan.

### Lazbuddie

**"A"**  
**6th Grade** — Savannah Black, Jodie Coker, Kayla Kimbrough, Candice Randolph, Shannon Redwine

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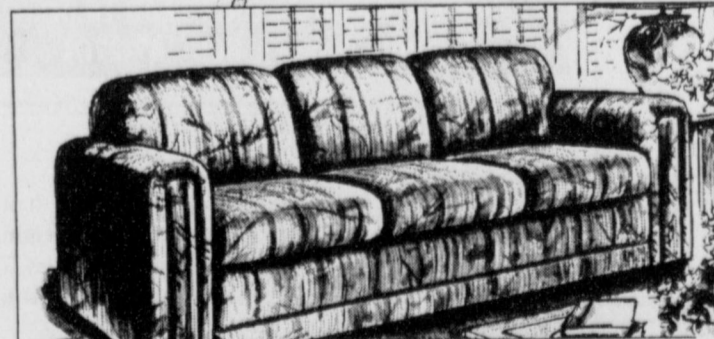
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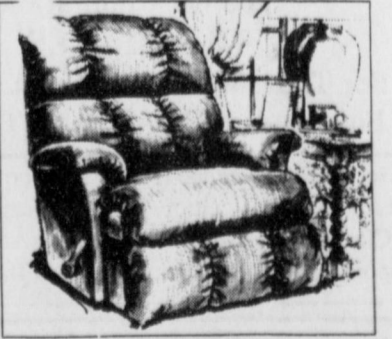
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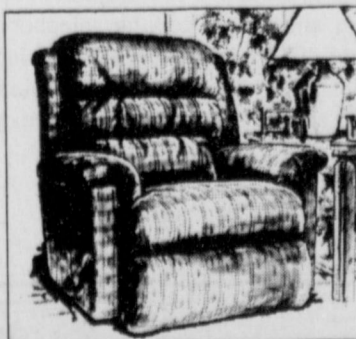
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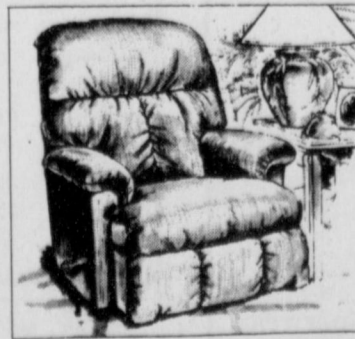
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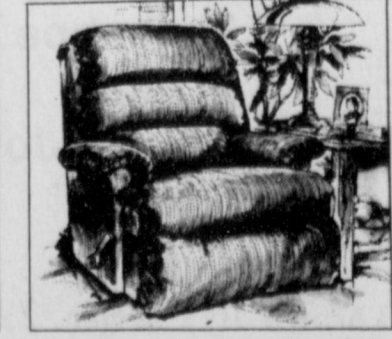
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