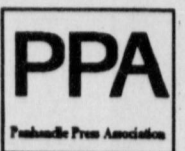




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## Council nixes decision to name park

By RICK WHITE  
Managing Editor

Despite an impassioned plea by City Councilman Juan Chavez, fellow councilman Monday overturned an earlier motion that named the old city park after migrant farm workers activist Cesar E. Chavez.

The Council voted 3-1 to overturn a July 16th motion naming the park, located on the east side of the city, after Chavez, a somewhat controversial Hispanic farm labor leader in California in the 1960s-70s.

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Juan Chavez cast the lone dissenting vote. Councilman Cliff Black was absent.

The original motion angered members of the Hispanic community, who felt the general public wasn't involved in the decision and that if the park was going to be named, it should bear the name of a local, influential figure.

"It's not just the name," said Joe Ambriz, who collected 178 signatures on a petition against the naming of the park. "It was the way it was put together. The public was not informed."

Ambriz was one of more than a dozen citizens at the meeting, most protesting the dedication. Several chastised the Council for making a hasty decision without gathering more public input.

Ambriz originally spoke out on the issue at a July 29 meeting.

Councilman Larry Kirk voiced concern over the controversy.

"I feel we can make more friends by naming

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**The big dipper**  
U.S. Rep. Larry Combest and Sarah Harris, marketing director of Muleshoe Pea & Bean, check the ingredients in a jar of black-eyed pea dip given to him during a visit to the facility Monday.

## Combest at home during city visit

U.S. Rep. tours Muleshoe Pea & Bean

By RICK WHITE  
Managing Editor

His white starched shirt, bold tie, and polished black boots were in sharp contrast to the Wrangler jeans and baseball caps the rest of the group.

Still, U.S. Rep. Larry Combest (R-Lubbock) looked comfortable in his surroundings Monday as he toured Muleshoe Pea & Bean's cleaning and storage facility.

His laugh was long, his political rhetoric short as he visited with more than a dozen local pea and bean producers.

He told stories of days when his family grew just enough red beans to go with corn bread, of days laboring in his dad's cotton fields.

"He helped restore my faith in the government," said Joy Glover, office manager at Muleshoe Pea & Bean. "I think it says something that he didn't announce he was coming here (to the media) because he wanted to talk with us and learn about our business."

"He's always been up front with us, even if it wasn't necessarily what we wanted to hear," said Muleshoe Pea & Bean co-

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owner Sam Harlan. "And we appreciate that."

Combest was instrumental in gaining the region a double-crop status, which allows the planting of fruits and vegetables behind harvested crops. More specifically, it provided an opportunity for Bailey County to develop a black-eyed pea and pinto bean industry.

"I just came down to see it first hand," Combest said. "It's an important opportunity to expand into a new crop. One of the ideas behind the farm bill was to provide farmers more flexibility."

Under previous farm bills, fruits and vegetables could only be grown on ghost acres or on a farm with a history of fruit or vegetable production.

Combest also recently introduced a bill into Congress to assure the planting of fruits and vegetables on ghost acres, which was not clearly defined.

The bill was passed quickly and unanimously by the House

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## Defense shines in MHS intrasquad scrimmage

By RICK WHITE  
Managing Editor

The defense drew most of the praise Saturday after Muleshoe High School's intrasquad scrimmage at the high school practice field.

The Muleshoe coaching staff put together four different defensive units made up of varsity and junior varsity players during the hour and a half controlled scrimmage — with similar results.

Defensive dominance.

"I told them after the scrimmage that I'm tired of going against our defense," Muleshoe head coach David Wood said. "We've put a lot of emphasis on defense. We're going to stop some people."

Stopping people was something the Mules rarely did during a disastrous 0-10 season last year. Some games they hardly slowed their opponents down.

Muleshoe's defense allowed 30.3 points per game, including 40 or more points four times.

But Saturday the Mules clogged holes, flew to the ball and gang tackled.

"The intensity was super," Wood said. "They really swarmed to the ball."

Wood especially praised the play of the secondary.

Cornerbacks and safeties provided good run support and defended the pass well when the quarterbacks had

### Meet the Mules

Muleshoe High School's annual "Meet the Mules" is at 7 p.m. Thursday at Benny Douglas Stadium. Members of the MHS coaching staff, football and cross country teams, cheerleaders and band members will be introduced.

enough time to throw.

"The secondary has been a surprise," Wood said. "They're really working well together."

The offense was another story.

Players are still struggling with complex terminology of the new offense, which features a short passing game and is more precision than power.

Much of the offense depends on timing and crisp execution, which was missing during the scrimmage.

"Every year I've coach this offense it's started out like this," Wood said. "The complexity of the offense always puts us behind."

Wood said it all comes down to the players gaining confidence in what they're doing.

One aspect Wood was disappointed with was players maintaining and finishing off their blocks.

"That's something we're

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**Not much room**  
Matt McClanahan (dark jersey) closes in on Gilbert Vela (4) during Saturday's Muleshoe High School intrasquad scrimmage at the high school practice field. The Mules host Floydada in a scrimmage Friday starting at 5 p.m.

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## More than 200 riders expected

Almost 200 riders are expected for the Tour De Muleshoe bike tour Aug. 31.

The bike tour is part of Muleshoe's annual Mule Days Labor Day weekend celebration Aug. 31-Sept. 2.

Pre-registration is through Aug. 23. Riders can register the day of the tour from 7-9 a.m. at the Bailey County Coliseum. The entry fee is \$20 per rider, with all proceeds going to the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation, the race sponsor.

Ride packets include water bottle, ride number, route map, collector T-shirt and meal ticket. The meal is a spaghetti dinner following the ride.

Tour de Muleshoe features three tours, 10 miles, 40 miles and 100 kilometers. All three rides start at the Bailey County Coliseum at 9 a.m. and follow a triangle course.

The 10-mile course is flat with good shoulders and one rest stop. The 40-mile course (two rest stops) begins with small rolling hills the first 10 miles, followed by 12 miles of scenic sandhills, ending with 18 miles of small, smooth ups and downs. The 100k course (three rest stops) follows a similar road conditions for longer distances.

All the courses end up back at the starting line.

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**City spraying for mosquitoes  
Friday weather permitting**

The City of Muleshoe will be conducting aerial spraying for mosquitoes Friday, Aug. 23, weather permitting. Otherwise, the city will be sprayed as soon as the weather permits.

**Two Muleshoe dispatchers receive certificates in emergency medical dispatch**

Muleshoe Police Department dispatchers Ramon Martinez and Cindy Meeks were recently state certified in emergency medical dispatch.

The dispatchers are now able to provide medical instructions to callers while waiting for the ambulance to arrive.

Four of the MPD's six dispatchers are now certified.

**Muleshoe High School selects drum majors for 1996-97 season**

Drum majors for the 1996-97 Mighty 'M' Band are Melissa Mata, Sr., Steven Madrid, Jr., and Nathan Keller, Soph. They were selected in tryouts on Saturday, August 17, 1996.

**Reserve season tickets for Mules available at high school through Aug. 23**

Persons who held reserve seats for the 1995 football season can pick up the tickets at the Muleshoe High School Business office, located at 514 W. Ave. G., through Aug. 23.

Ticket holders may pick up their tickets in person, by mail with the ticket holder's personal check, or by third party when purchased with a ticket holder's personal check.

Reserve tickets may be purchased from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Town hall meeting on property tax relief Aug. 29 in Lubbock**

LUBBOCK — The Citizens' Committee on property Tax Relief, appointed by Gov. George W. Bush to gauge public opinion on property tax reform, will conduct a town hall meeting Thursday, Aug. 29.

The meeting is at the Methodist Hospital Kniping Center, 3615 19th St. A public briefing on the property tax will begin at 9:30 a.m. The town hall meeting begins at 10 a.m.

The hearing is one of 14 the committee will hold throughout Texas.



**Silent hero**

Muleshoe Police Department dispatcher Mary Soto recently was recognized as a Silent Hero by the Advisory Commission on State Emergency Communications. She is pictured with MPD acting police chief Jay Livingston

**Lawrence to perform during Littlefield's Denim Festival Sept. 2**

Country and Western performer Tracy Lawrence will sing Sept. 2 during Littlefield's Denim Festival Aug. 31-Sept. 2.

Lawrence will replace Littlefield native Waylon Jennings, who canceled his performance at the festival because of scheduling conflicts.

Other attractions during the festival will include a style show, street dance, parade, shooting exhibition, and an antique tractor show and pull.

**Castro County Harvest Days slated Sept. 2-7 in Dimmitt**

A Labor Day picnic and barbecue at the Dimmitt Courthouse Square will kick off a week-long celebration of Castro County Harvest Days Sept. 2-7.

The week's activities include a Canterbury Villa Appreciation Reception honoring the County's elderly, a go cart and three wheeler training and obstacle course, the County Fair, an arts and crafts show, parade and street dance.

For more information, call the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce at (806) 647-2524.

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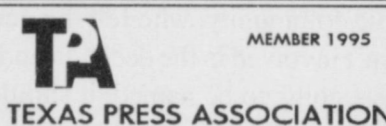
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I really appreciate all the time and hard work that everyone has done for the Muleshoe Young Riders. Everyone pulling together made it a very successful year. I thank everyone of you from the bottom of my heart.  
*Starla*

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## Congressman views snub as temporary setback

By RICK WHITE  
Managing Editor

U.S. Rep. Larry Combest's goal is to one day be the chairman of the House Agriculture Committee.

And he's not about to let a Republican Party powerplay squash it.

"I will be the chairman some day," the six-term Republican congressman from Lubbock said Monday while visiting with about a dozen farmers at Muleshoe Pea & Bean. "It's not all over yet. We'll see what happens in November. The door isn't closed yet."

Combest hinted that there might be a change atop the GOP party.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich dangled the prestigious House Ag Committee chair in front of retired Oregon Congressman Bob Smith as an incentive to return to politics.

Combest was in line to become the next House Ag chairman, if the GOP retains the House majority. But Gingrich promised to restore Smith's seniority if he returned, which bumped Combest to second in line for the Ag Chair.

The GOP said they were worried about losing a Republican seat in Congress if controversial incumbent Wes Cooley ran again.

But insiders claim that the GOP is punishing Combest for bucking against the party on the 1996 Farm Bill, winning concessions for the lucrative cotton industry in his district.

Several area farmers told Combest they appreciated him taking a stand.

"I've not always been a Combest man, but I just wanted to come here and tell you we appreciate that you stood up for us," said Jerry Don Glover, a Lazbuddie farmer and acting executive director of the Texas Corn Producers Board.

"If I had to a chance to do it over, I'd do it again," Combest replied.



### Hungry hombre

Colt Ellis, 6, son of Starla and Todd Ellis, fills his plate during the Muleshoe Young Riders year-end cookout Saturday at the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge. More than three dozen Young Riders received horse blankets and belt buckles.

## Combest

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and is expected to do the same when the Senate returns from recess.

"We need to get everything fixed and set early enough so people can get their finances in place for next year," Combest said, adding that there was also this sort of "fine-tuning" after both the 1985 and 1990 farm bills were passed.

Muleshoe Pea & Bean Mike Cleavinger said producers need to understand the new provisions because of the new farm bill's zero tolerance nature. A misinterpretation of the rules or a miscalculation of acres can get a farmer tossed out of the program for full seven years of the program.

Black-eyed peas cannot be grown on government contract acres.

Black-eyed peas and beans

are viewed by some as an alternative to corn.

"I think corn's days are limited because water is limited," Cleavinger said.

Corn is a water hog, gobbling up nearly three times as much water than is needed for beans.

Backers also claim black-eyed peas have an advantage over grain sorghum, which is often planted behind failed cotton. Black-eyed peas planted in early June can be harvested well before the first frost.

Combest left Monday clutching a jar of black-eyed pea dip made from local peas, promising to return when the plant is in full operation.

Area producers have already learned Combest keeps his promises.

## Riders

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#### SCRIMMAGES

Aug 23.	Groom (Silverton)	5:00
Aug. 30	Chillicothe (Matador)	6:00
<b>REGULAR SEASON</b>		
Sept. 6	Meadow	7:30
<b>Sept. 13</b>	<b>Melrose</b>	<b>7:30</b>
Sept. 20	Samnorwood (Silverton)	7:30
<b>Sept. 27</b>	<b>New Home</b>	<b>7:30</b>
<b>Oct. 4</b>	<b>Jesus Chapel</b>	<b>7:30</b>
<b>Oct. 11</b>	<b>Three Way*</b>	<b>7:30</b>
Oct. 18	Silverton*	7:30
Oct. 25	Cotton Center*	7:30
<b>Nov. 1</b>	<b>Whitharral*</b>	<b>7:30</b>
Nov. 8	Amherst*	7:30

#### JV AND JUNIOR HIGH

<b>Sept. 5</b>	<b>Meadow</b>	<b>6:30</b>
Sept. 12	Melrose	5, 6:30
Sept. 20	Samnorwood	5:00
Sept. 26	New Home	5, 6:30
Oct. 3	Silverton*	5, 6:30
Oct. 10	Three Way*	5, 6:30
<b>Oct. 17</b>	<b>Silverton*</b>	<b>5, 6:30</b>
<b>Oct. 24</b>	<b>Cotton Center*</b>	<b>5, 6:30</b>
Oct. 31	Whitharral*	5, 6:30
<b>Nov. 7</b>	<b>Amherst*</b>	<b>5, 6:30</b>

Home games in bold

\* — District 2-1A games



#### Jump ball

Safety B.J. Gonzales (dark jersey) and receiver Manuel Campolla battle for a pass Saturday during Muleshoe High School's intrasquad scrimmage at the high school practice field.

### Three Way Eagles

#### SCRIMMAGES

<b>Aug 23.</b>	<b>Cotton Center</b>	<b>5:00</b>
Aug. 30	Hermleigh (at Wilson)	5:00
<b>REGULAR SEASON</b>		
Sept. 7	at Buena Vista (Sands)	7:30
<b>Sept. 13</b>	<b>Jesus Chapel</b>	<b>7:30</b>
Sept. 20	Wellman	7:30
Sept. 28	Groom (Silverton)	2:00
<b>Oct. 4</b>	<b>Melrose (homecoming)</b>	<b>7:30</b>
Oct. 11	Lazbuddie*	7:30
<b>Oct. 18</b>	<b>Whitharral*</b>	<b>7:30</b>
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Nov. 8	Silverton	5:00

Home games in bold

\* — District 2-1A games

### Combest delivers research funds

Lubbock—U.S. Representative Larry Combest (R-Texas) on Monday brought the \$8.1 million balance due on promised research funds for Texas Tech University Plant Stress and Water Conservation Laboratory's \$14.6 million construction.

In 1988, Combest successfully made the case to Congress and President Ronald Reagan to build a consolidated laboratory to develop improved crops and planting methods to withstand drought and temperature extremes.

The bill, Public Law 100-339, was Combest's first piece

of legislation to become law, and is the fulfillment of work begun in 1977 under the 19th Congressional District's first congressman, the late George Mahon. Combest noted that the money comes to Tech within the framework of balancing the budget.

The laboratory at Texas Tech had been one of only two agricultural research facilities consistently meeting the funding standards based on need and merit. Combest's securing funds for laboratory construction will bring together 18 researchers now working in separate labs on campus.

### Council

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it nothing than we can by naming it something," Kirk said.

The original action resulted from a petition begun by Chicanos Unidos Campesinos in favor of naming the park after Caesar E. Chavez. The petition, with 89 signatures, was presented to the Council by Juan Chavez. The motion passed unanimously.

"He lived among discrimination, but never accepted it," an emotional

Juan Chavez said during the discussion phase of Monday's meeting. "Bailey County farm workers have lived among discrimination, but I don't expect them to accept discrimination."

"I thought you (the Council) knew what you were doing at the time," Chavez continued. "I guess (former City Manager Dave Marr) told you it would be controversial. Now we know what we live with here."

### Scrimmage

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going to work on this week," Wood said. "And the next week too."

Muleshoe hosts former District 2-3A rival Floydada Friday at Benny Douglass Stadium in a controlled scrimmage. The freshman start at 5 p.m., followed by the junior varsity and varsity.

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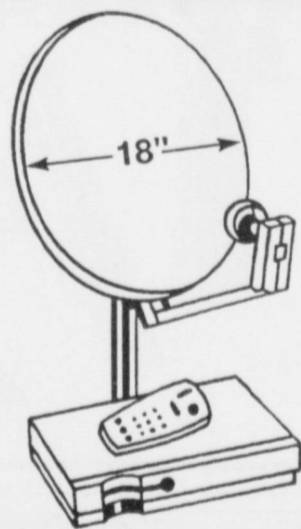
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# Rookie pens her own success story

I walked into the Muleshoe Journal expecting the worst.

It was mid-April, I hadn't even finished my first year of college, and I figured that with a bit of luck I might get a job sweeping the newsroom floor or emptying Lois Lane's wastebasket.

That's why I walked into interviews during my first month as a "Journal staff writer" expecting my subjects to scoff, "You can't be the reporter — where's the real reporter?"

But the summer wore on, and as more people began to identify me as "the newspaper lady," I became more confident in my reply, "Yeah, that's me."

I have to admit the summer was nothing I expected.

I learned about taxes and retirement plans and city government long before I thought I would have to. I met people

**Joanna Gallman**  
Staff writer

whose ideologies and wisdom will forever influence my view of life, and I made life-long friends with people I worked with for only three months.

There were only a few days that I would have gladly traded a broom for my pen and paper — days when I felt like a deer caught in the headlights, or the bullseye of a dartboard.

Looking back, those were the days I learned the most.

At times, I felt like a referee caught in the midst of childish skirmishes. "Builds character," I would tell myself as I tried to sort out fact from fiction.

Remarks like, "that's really complicated for someone her age to under-

stand," do not sting as much when you know you've done your best to be accurate even when those supposedly in the know struggled to understand the issues.

On those days, there's comfort in knowing that sometimes even automatic cameras can't focus. After all, life is often blurry.

Even getting doused by a speeding car while taking rain photos eventually makes for a good story back at the office.

There's no doubt that the things I've learned this summer can't be learned from a school book. I've enjoyed each lesson, but most of all, I've cherished the chance to do what I love.

It was a great summer.  
*(Joanna Gallman is returning for her sophomore year at Texas Tech. She is an English major.)*

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# OBITUARIES

## Pearl Cox

Memorial services were held for Pearl Cox, 88, of Muleshoe Wednesday, Aug. 21 at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Stacy Conner, pastor, and Rev. David McIntire officiating.

Burial followed at the Muleshoe Memorial Park under the direction of the Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

Mrs. Cox died Aug. 18 at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center after a lengthy illness.

She was born Feb. 21, 1908 in Sand Mountain, Ala. She married Jack Cox Feb. 2, 1931 in Las Cruces, N.M. He preceded her in death Aug. 31, 1963.

Mrs. Cox moved to Muleshoe from Atoka, Okla. in 1928. She was a homemaker and member of the First Baptist Church in Muleshoe.

Survivors include one daughter, Holly Millsap of Muleshoe; two sisters, Joysey Lee Burgess of Grandbury and Myrtle Carter of Muleshoe; one grand daughter, Debra Hart of

Lubbock; and three great-grandchildren, Jackie Cummings, and Heath and Nathan Hart.

Casket bearers were R.A. Bradley, Melvin Griffin, Buster Kitrell, Steve Hart, Ed Cox and Ike Wilcox.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Muleshoe Area HealthCare Center.

## Kathy R. Hargis

WHITEFACE—Memorial services are scheduled for KaChy R. Hargis, 33, of Whiteface Thursday, Aug. 29 at the First Assembly of God with the Rev. Bunk Skelton and Rev. Henry Russell officiating.

Burial is at Whiteface Cemetery under the direction of the Ellis Funeral Home of Morton.

Mrs. Hargis died Aug. 14 at Seagraves.

She was born in August of 1963 in Lubbock. She married Jimmy Hargis April 12, 1982 in Muleshoe.

Mrs. Hargis has been a resident of Whiteface since 1987, moving here from Morton. She was a homemaker and a lead

cook at Whiteface Girls Town. She was a member of the First Assembly of God Church in Whiteface and Morton.

Survivors include her husband, Jimmy, two daughters, Alisha and Sheena Hargis; her parents, Bobby and Thelma Warton of Morton; her grandmother, Ellie Warton of Morton; one sister, Julie Johnson of Crane; and four brothers, Jerry, Mike and Tony Warton, all of Nacona, and Ronnie Warton of Roswell, N.M.

## Donna Jo Myers

LUBBOCK — Memorial services were held for Donna Jo Myers, 64, of Lubbock Wednesday, Aug. 21 at the Sanders Memorial Chapel of Lubbock with Rev. Bobby Broyles officiating.

Burial was at the Abernathy Cemetery under the direction of Sanders Funeral Home.

She died Saturday, Aug. 17.

She was born July 18, 1932, in Burlington, Kan. where she graduated high school. She married Robert E. Myers of

Lubbock on July 24, 1981.

She was a member of various organizations, including the American Association of Sheriff's Posse and Riding Clubs of which she was a treasurer for seven years, the Lubbock Riders, the West Texas Raiders, and the Garrison Ladies-4th Calvary Wives. She worked for Briercroft savings and Loan Co. before becoming full-time housewife.

Survivors include her husband, two sons, Randy Jordan of Shallowater and Hank Jordan of Lubbock; her daughter, Retha Jordan of Victoria; three step-sons, Jerry Myers of Stanford, Robert Myers of Tyler and Lee Myers of Abilene; one step-daughter, Lanita Myers of Dallas; two grandchildren, Todd and Joshua Jordan; one sister, Leta Ehmann of Lawrence, Kan.; one aunt, Bernice Hildebrand of La Roy, Kan.

The family suggests memorials to the local chapter of the American Heart Association.

## Hunting income can compensate for crop losses

AUSTIN— Hunting lease income for Texas farmers and ranchers will be more important than ever this year with crop losses caused by the drought.

Despite the dry weather, wildlife officials are predicting good deer and turkey hunting through much of the state this fall, Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said today.

"Although ranchers have sold off many of their cattle and other livestock due to a lack of feed, competition among wildlife species for existing forage remains acute," Perry said. "If fry conditions continue, wildlife officials say that a heavier than normal harvest may be required this year, particularly for white-tailed deer, to prevent starvation and

long-term damage to habitats that support all species."

In Texas, spending on wildlife-related activities reached \$3.6 billion, with hunting and fishing accounting for \$2.5 billion, according to the latest survey available—the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's 1991 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife Associated Recreation. Perry noted

that much of this income goes to agricultural producers, who manage rural properties, and to rural businesses.

"Since the last major drought in the '50s, wildlife-related activities have become big business for farmers, ranchers and rural communities," Perry said. "Increasing numbers of hunters, fishing enthusiasts, birders,

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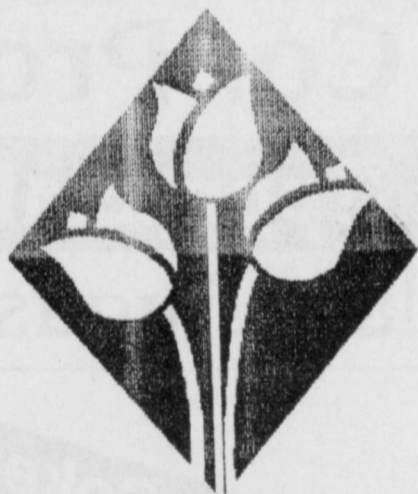
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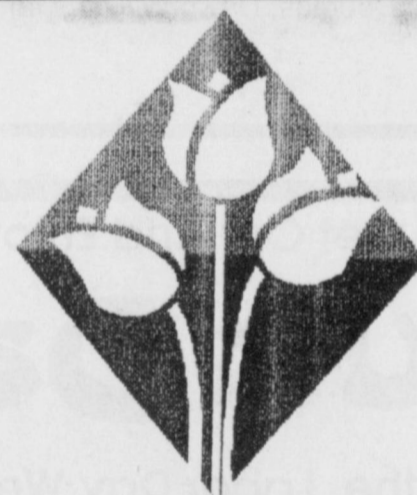
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