## County selects Abilene firm for long-distance phone services

## By SAMUEL VILLARREAL

## Journal staff writer

The Bailey County Commissioner's Court was simply looking out for the taxpayer's best interest when it selected a company outside the county to provide its long distance phone service, according to Bailey County Judge Marilyn Cox.
Five-Area
Celephone of COUNTY
Muleshoe, COMMISSION serving as a long-distance carrier in November, was not competitive when the county sought bids, according to Cox.
Five-Area's fees are 58 percent higher than the Abilene-based Action Telecom Co., according to

County long-distance bills run between $\$ 400$ 500 a month.
The Commissioner's Court voted unanimously during a Sept. 30 meeting to go with Action Telecom.
"You don't know much respect I have for FiveArea Telephone," Cox said. "They're one of the best things we have going in the community. But it was a business decision we made knowing we have a responsibility to handle the taxpayers' money wisely."
Cox said the Court has a unwritten guideline that they will spend up to 12 percent more to stay with

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Morris the cat
MHS senior Daniel Morris helps install a new roof on Leal's restaurant Monday. Morris and the rest of the MISD students enjoyed a day off from

State overhauling school curriculum

By SAMUEL VILLARREAL Journal staff writer
Texas public schools are facing their first major overhaul of curriculum in more than 10 years.
The State Board of Education feels that the current curriculum is outdated and is not providing students with the necessary skills to enter the market place.
Emphasis will be placed on applied skills rather than classroom theory, according to Bill Moore, Superintendent of the Muleshoe Independent School District.
MISD has been anticipating changes fo
Moore said. far off from what we teach now," Moore said. "There will not be a lot of changing necessary.

The MISD Board of Trustees discussed the new curriculum at length Monday during its regular bi-monthly meeting.
School Board President Cindy Purdy told the board it is in the best interest of the district toadopt the new standards. While they are not required to adopt the changes as a district,

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exit level test will be based on the new curriculum, Purdy said. Students mustpass these exit level test, known as the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, or TASS, to graduate from any Texas public school.
The proposed curriculum moves away from traditional memorization of items such as multiplication tables and scientific formulas while emphasizing the use of modern technology such as scientific calculators and the Internet as learning tools.
The new currigulum has been in development for about a year and a half, according to Moore. The 2,000 page revision is the combined effort of more than 300 people, including public school officials, state universities and parents.

The State Board of Education is in the process of finalizing changes in the curriculum for all students in kindergarten through 12th grade.

The Region 17 Education Service Center will hold a pub-

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Brown keeps it in family
Claire Brown must have felt left out.
In week one of the Journal's weekly football contest, Brown's husband and two children swept the top three spots.

Now in the sixth week, it's mom's turn as the Lazbuddie resident beat five others in a tie-breaker to win the $\$ 15$ first prize.
Six contests correctly forecast the winner of 16 of 18 games right (a tie game is considered a win), with Brown clairvoyant enough to predict a high-scoring game between Notre Dame and Washington in the tie-breaker game. Brown picked 61 combined

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11. River Road
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13. Navy
14. Philadelphia
15. Dalhart
16. Texas Tech
17. Florida State
18. Houston
tie-breaker (74 points)


Bike-a-thon champ
Brittany Thomason shows off a new bike she won for collecting the most donations during the annual St. Jude's Bike-a-thon Oct. 5. Also pictured are winners Gradee Adrian (left) and Ryan Powell. Five-Area Telephone donated the bike.

## Soph shines in Longhorns' 56-42 win

LAZBUDDIE - Sophomore quarterback Josh Morris proved the perfect complement to senior Justin St. Clair Friday.
With Morris completing 9 of 9 passes for 154 yards and three touchdowns and St. Clair rushing for 105 yards and three touchdowns, Lazbuddie defeated Three Way, $56-42$, in the District 3-1A opener for both teams.
Even though its the first week of the district season, the game carried seriuos playoff implications for both teams.

The win puts the unbeaten

Longhorns (6-0) in good posi tion to earn one of the district's two state playoff spots.
The loss leaves Three Way (4-2) with the unenviable task of beating Whitharral, the state's second-ranked team and prohibited district favorite, this week to have any realistic hope of earning its first playoff berth since 1987.
"It was very big step toward making the playoffs," Lazbuddie coach Mark Scisson said. "It was a huge game. We knew it was going to make the loser a longshot to make the playoffs. The Longhorns withstood a
stellar effort by Three Way tackled." quarterback Jesus Perez. Perez completed 15 of 24 passes for 239 yards and three touchdowns and rushed for 157 yards and another touchdown.

Three Way coach Danny James said it just came down to a few plays.
"We rolled up about 500 yards of offense; we did about everything we needed to do to win the game," James said. "We just let them score too many points.'
"I felt good about how we played," James added. "I just didn't feel good about how we

## Three Way held 491-361

 edge in total yards.Morris, inserted into the starting lineup three games ago when St. Clair was moved to running back, threw a 70 -yard touchdown pass to Brice Foster with $3: 17$ left to seal the win.
"I don't usually like to start sophomores," Scisson said. "Buthe's come through for us. Ithought he might feel the pressure, but he hasn't.'
St. Clairgave Lazbuddie the
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LHS 56, Three Way 42

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Morris (Thomas kick)

## Accident sends 8 <br> to hospital

MULESHOE - A two-vehicle accident just west of the city limits sent eight Muleshoe residents, including a 2 -yearold boy and a pregnant woman, to area hospitals Sunday night.
The child, David Flores, was in serious condition, and 28 year-old Guadalupe Flores, who is pregnant, was in satisfactory condition at University Medical Center, a hospital spokeswoman said Monday.
They were riding in a Dodge Ram Charger headed west on U.S. 84 about 8 p.m., when the Dodge hit a Chevrolet pickup coming from County Road 163, a Department of Public Safety spokesman said.
The other four occupants of the Dodge were treated for minor injuries at Muleshoe Area Medical Center with minor injuries.
Trooper L. Kirk said Chad Beall, 22, was driving a 1996 Chevrolet pickup truck south on the county road when he failed to yield right of way at a stop sign at U.S. 84.

The trooper said the westbound Dodge, driven by Luis Flores, 33, struck the driver's side door of the truck and both vehicles came to rest in the highway median.

Beall and a passenger in the pickup, both of whom Kirk said appeared to have been wearing seat belts, were taken to Muleshoe Area Medical Center with minor injuries.

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Forum on school curriculum Oct. 21
The Region 17Education Service Center will be holding

Aa hearing Oct. 21 for the purpose of gainimg pubic opimion of new public school curriculu. .ish from $7-9$ p.m. in the Lubbock High School auditorium,
200419 th Street, in Lubbock. Individual desiring to provide testimony will register on a form provided at the auditorium. There will be a five minute time limit for each individual.
For additional information about the hearing, write Mike Peebles, Jerry Hogue, or Lisa Leach at Region 17 Education Service Center, 1111 West Loop 289, Lubbock. Texas, 79347 or call (806) 792-4000. Aeview ministration Building at 814 West Avenue MHS Honor Society holding ceremonies
The Muleshoe High School National Honor Society will hold induction ceremonies Saturday, Oct. 19 at 7:30 p All family members and friends are invited to attend. Health clinic offering flu shots
The Texas Tech Health Clinic, formerly Texas Department of Health, will be giving influenza shots Friday, Oct. 25 , from 8-11 a.m. and from 1-3 p.m. The clinic is located at 118 west Avenue C in Muleshoe
Recipients must be 18 or older. Cost for the shots will be $\$ 10$. The shots are also covered under Medicare part B. For more information, call Judy Jacobs at 272-556
Band parents holding meeting
Parents of the Muleshoe High School Band will meet Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. in the Band hall.
Topics to be discussed will include preparations for the UIL trip Oct. 26. The parents are also making plans to form a band parent organization and will be discussing fund raising. Oklahoma Lane holding reunion
It was decided at the last Oklahoma Lane Reunion, in 1994, to have a reunion every two years, for all present and former Oklahoma Lane residents, teachers, students, par ents and all.
The date of this years' reunion is Nov. 29, the day after
Thanksgiving. The reunion will be held in the Oklahoma
ane school building, which is now the Methodist church Registration will began at 9 a.m. with coffee and doughnuts being served. Lunch will be catered at noon, with a cost of \$6 each.
This will be a time of visiting and reminiscing with riend and classmates. If you have pictures you would like o display they will be welcome.
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will attend the lunch so they can let the catering service know how many to prepare for
Contact Lois Billingsley, Rt. 1 Box 101, Farwell, Texas 9325 (806) 825-3411 or Harold and Avis Carpenter, Rt 1 Box 42, Farwell, Texas 79325 (806) 825-2176 for more information.
Local graduate receives promotion Private Kalam R. Puckett was promoted to Private First
Class on Sept. 1, 1996 by the U.S. Army. PFC
Puckett is currently assigned to the 557th
MaintenanceCompanyof he national Training Center Support Batalion in Fort Irwin, Calif., where he is a diesel mechanic. he is a diesel mechanic. Puckett is a 1994 Mule-
shoe High School graduate and is currently attending Barstow Col-

lege. He is the son of Larry
Kalam R. Puckett and Cheryl Puckett of
Muleshoe. Grandparents include Richard and Barbara Puckett of Muleshoe, LaVayne Williams of Lubbock and Gedonne Williams of Denton.
Soup \& Sandwich Lunchoeon Thursday The Soup and Sandwich Luncheon meeting for October will be held this Thursday, Oct. 17, from noon to 1 p.m. at the fellowship hall of the 16th and D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.
Community members, business people, and anyone else interested, are invited to enjoy this monthly soup and sandwich luncheon. The meal is offered on a free-will donation basis. Call 272-4619 for more information
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Annual Peanut Festival Oct. 25-27 at ENMU

POTRTALES - The 23rd annual Peanut Valley Festival will be held Oct. 25-27 at Eastern New Mexico University .

The Festival which is sponsored by The Associated Students Activities Board (ASAB) will open at 3 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 25 and continue through 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 27. Artists, crafters, and food vendors from New Mexico, Texas, Colorado, Arizona, and California will offer a cornucopia of wares in nearly 100 different booths.

The Starlite Swingers Square Dance Group will continue a long-standing Peanut Valley Festival entertainment tradition by performing on Friday evening beginning at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Campus Union Building Ballroom, and will dance until the Festival closes at 8 p.m.
The Festival will be open from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Saturday, the 26th, and many activities are planned. The Carnival will offer a variety of activities and attractions and will be open throughout the day. All community or university organizations are invited to take advantage of this fundraising opportunity! Applications are available in the ENMU Housing Office or by calling (505) 562-2631. The Peanut Games, another Peanut Valley Festival tradition will once again be held as part of the Carnival. An assortment of activities involving peanuts,

School board Continued from page 1 lic hearing for the purpose of gaining public opinion on the new curriculum. The hearing will be held Oct. 21 from 7-9 p.m. in the Lubbock High School auditorium,
Street in Lubbock.
Board member Max King urged community members to attend the meeting.
"Most of what people know is what has been written by the press," King said. "People in the community should become
make an effort to find out more about the new curriculum."
In other action, Aramark Corporation representative Jason Jones also discussed the possibility of a working contract with Morton ISD. If Aramark is awarded the contract, food services for Morton ISD will be managed from Muleshoe.
peanut patties, and/or peanut butter are planned for kids of all ages. Prizes will be awarded in a number of categories. The 1996 GAMES are being cosponsored by KICA/K-Classic Radio. For additional information contact Rick Smith at (505) 762-6200.

The Route 66 Cloggers will represent Amarillo and the Texas Panhrandle at the Festival. They will display their
fancy footwork in two rousing sets at 12:30 and 3:30 in the Ballroom.
The annual Scholarship Auction will also take place in two parts on Saturday, the 26th. The proceeds from the auction which features items donated from the arts and crafts vendors go toward scholarships for members of $A S A B$, the hosting student organization. Festival goers are encouraged to take advantage of these opportunities to obtain valuable merchandise while contributing to this very worthy group of student volunteers. Also in the Ballroom, the auction will take place form 1-2:30 p.r
and from 3:30 until 5 p.m. Capping Saturday's enter tainment will be a stage perfo mance by comedy-juggler, Bill Fry at 5 p.m. Bill, a Peanut Valley Festival regular, will also participate in the afternoon's Carnival and will provide roving entertainment and juggling lessons throughout the day.
money since Morton ISD would help pay for managementfees. Iones is not currently at liberty todiscuss figures, but said that $i t$ would be a substantial savings for Muleshoe ISD The board of trustees also recognized Debra Jennings a the October Support Staff Member of the Month.

Jennings is a native of Lazbuddie and hold an associate degree from South Plains College in Levelland
Before working for MISD, Debra spent fifteen years as the bookkeeper for the Farmers Coop Elevator. She has served MISD for the past five years, first as the bookkeeper, then moving into the area of payroll and insurance.
The board also received report from Aramark Corporation representative Jason Jones.

Muleshoe ISD would save

## Going straight



## Phone

Continued from page 1 local businesses.
Five-Area's savings plan calls for a 10 -percent deduction on long-distance phone bills over $\$ 25$ per month, Cox said. Since only a few of the phone lines used by the county run over $\$ 25$ per month, the savings were not substantial enough to stay within the County's budget of 12 percent allowance for in-county business.

The county has 25 phone lines plus faxes and modems. age people from using local businesses when possible," Cox said.

During a Commissioner's Court meeting Monday, the Court voted to seek a grant that would allow area fire departments access to ground water
rural areas.
The Dry Hydrant Grant would be used to purchase special equipment that hooks into irrigation wells so firefighters will have access to water in rural areas.

Some parts of the county are so far from Muleshoe that firefighters need somewhere they can hook up to water," said

The court approved a mo tion to transfer old school records to the Muleshoe Independent School District. The records are stored in the old county jail, located in the attic of the County Courthouse. The records were stored in the courthouse because at onetime the school superintendent was also the county judge, Cox said.


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## MHS hosts Perryton Saturday

## By RICK WHITE

 Managing EditorMuleshoe had its choice of directions Friday after Frion exploded for four touchdowns in the second quarter and took a 27-0 halftime lead.
The Mules chose the path less traveled in recent years, rallying in the second half to at least make the Chieftains ner-
vous. "We had an opportunity to go one of two ways, Mule shoe head coach David Wood said. "We just could have laid down or we could save some face and get after it.'
Muleshoe scored a pair of touchdowns early in the fourth quarter to trim the Chieftains' lead to $27-14$ before falling 34
"Now we have something we can take away from the game, something we can build," Wood said. "We
outscored a heck of a Friona team, 14-7, in the second half. Muleshoe (0-6 overall, 0-3 in District 1-3A), will still be searching for its first win since the end of the 1994 season when it hosts Perryton in a rare Saturday afternoon game (2 p.m.) at Benny Douglass Sta dium. The game was switched from Friday night because of the travel distance
Muleshoe has lost 16 straight.
Perryton (1-5, 0-3) is just as hungry for a win, especially after being stung by an alleged hazing incident that led to the suspension of 12 players for two games.
"They 're just as hungry as we are," Wood said. "I'm sure they're looking at it like a game they can win."
Perryton's lone victory was a 22-19 decision overGuymon, Okla., in the second week of the season.

Saturday's game should be a low-scoring contest.
Muleshoe (26 points) and Perryton ( 63 points) are the two lowest scoring teams in the district.
"It should be a pretty even ball game," Wood said. "Ithink it's going to come down to whoever is stronger in the fourth quarter.

The return of starters Michael Woodard and Douglass Field this week leaves the Mules near full strength for the first time al season. Only lineman Michael Cortez (knee) is missing.
Field (ankle) and Woodard (elbow) missed the Friona game.
The next four games will determine where Muleshoe is in the rebuilding process
"It won't be a test, but more of a landmark $c_{0}$ where we are," Wood said. "It's not a test because I don't want them to think they failed if we don't win."

Wood is excited though. "We match up better against our next four opponents," said Wood, who has maintained all along that it's not necessary to win to show progress.


Finding a hole
MHS sophomore Manuel Campolla finds a little running room during a kickof return in Friday's game at Friona. The Mules host Perryton at 2 p.m. Saturday at Benny Douglass Stadium.

## Thee Way: no rest for the weary

IX-MAN PREVIEW the task of beating one of the op-ranked teams in the state to eep his team's playoff hopes alive.
Coming off a disappointing 14-point loss to Lazbuddie, the Eagles face second-ranked Whitharral, a 6-0 team that has outscored its opponents 310 -
$\square$
A loss would leave the Eagles at 0-2 in the six-team of offense a game, but face the

## Lady Mules soak up

 first title at SundownSUNDOWN - The Mule- shoe Lady Mules continue their surge toward becoming one of the top Class 3A teams in West Texas.

The Lady Mules surprised Class 4A Hereford Saturday en route to their first meet title this season at the Sundown Oil Patch Run.
Bunching its 2-5 runners within 19 seconds and 10 places of each other, Muleshoe edged Hereford, 53-57. Hereford had three runners in the top 10 , including individual winner Bethany Townsend. Townsend was the only runner to break the 12 minute barrier with a time of 11:53.7.
Sundown finished a distant third with 102 points in the 15 team meet.
"It's good for them to win a meet," said Muleshoe coach

## CROSS COUNTRY

## Sundown Oil Patch run

Saturday at Sundown
GIRLS
Team - 1. Muleshoe 53, 2. Hereford 57, 3. Sundown 102, 4. Farwell 123, 5. Shallowter 151, 6. 8. Hart 206, . Lubbock Cooper 167, 8udan 206, 9. Lazbuddie 247, 10. Oudan 257, 11. Levelland 273, 12. Tahoka 347, 15. Littefield 345, Individual (top 20 ). Bethanny Townsen 20 ) - 1 . 11:53.70; 2. Priscill Hercford, Muleshoe, 12:01.90; Cano, Bovina, 12.02, 80. 4 Melissa Romero, Sundown, 12:04. 50: 5 Jamic Harrison, Hercford, 12:08.20 6. Erica Delagado, Hereford

Kim Zollinger. "It means a lot to them.
Five Lady Mules recorded personal bests on the flat two mile course.
Senior Priscilla Aguirre fin shed second for the Lady Mules. Continuing her dramatic improvement, Aguirre shaved 30 seconds off her per shaved 30 seconds of her personal best time and just missed breaking the 12 -minute mark with a time of 12:01.9.
Freshman Stacy Locker broke into the top 10 for the first time this season with a ninth-place finish. Locker's time was $12: 23.8$. Senior Cari Faver was 11th (12:26.40) freshman Lynsie Black 12th (12:28.9) and senior Brandi Harrison 19th (12:42.3). Only Faver failed to record a personal best.

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blitz-happy team that has shut out five of its six opponents. "They are so quick and put so much pressure on you," James said. "You don't know who's coming (on the blitz), and from that point they're very hard to prepare for."
"They just have an excellen
"They athletes," James added haven'tseen anything they can
do."
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DISTRICT 1-3A ROUNDUP
Dimmitt's last-minute, 31-28 loss to Dalhart created a logian behind district-leading Friona (3-0) Four teams, including Dalhart and Dimmitt, are a game back at 2 -

## Dalhart 31, Dimmitt 28

Brent McDaniel's 20-yard
1-3A standings

## completed a22-point comeback.

Dimmitt (4-2) scored 28 un nswered points in 28 unquarter to take a 28-6 lead. Zack -Matthews scored on a 60 -yard interception return and a 70 -yard run in the second quarter for the Bobcats.

Josh Reynolds' 5-yard ouchdown pass to Cody Copeland cut Dimmitt's lead to 28-14 at halftime.
After a scoreless third quar ter, Tyler Kruse scored on a 43
yard run and a 4 -yard pass in the Dalha
fourth quarter to tie the game at $28-28$
Dalhart (2-3-1) rushed for 252 yards and held a 355-276 edge in total yards. Matthews led all rushers wth 119 yards on nine carries. Reynolds threw for 102 yards and three touchdowns. River Road 21, Perryton 9

Rowdy Lundegreen passed for 133 yards and three secondhalf touchdowns as River Road avoided an upset
River Road (2-4, 2-1) took the lead for good, 14-9, in the fourth quarter on Lundegreen's 15 -yard pass to Jerry Billington (two touchdowns). Lundegreen sealed the win with a 19-yard touchdown to Andy Dunlap.
Perryton (1-5, 0-3) took a 3-0 halftime lead on Rafael Medina's 20 -yard field goal. Medina's third field goal, a 26 -yarder, gave Perryton a 9-7 lead in the fourth quarter.
River Road held a 284-171 edge in total yards. Perryton was 0 7 passing.
Tulia 21, Sanford-F ritch 14
Austin Dunn's 10-yard run with three minutes left snapped a
Tulia (3-3, 2-1) took a 14-7 halftime lead on a 1 -yard run by
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## Sundown

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Senior Jo Beth Gilleland finished out of the scoring, but still recorded a personal best time of 13:06.4. Freshman Bobbie Benham ran a 13:36.
The Lady Mules run Saturday at the South Plains College Cross Country Festival in Levelland in their final tuneup before the District 1-3A meet Oct. 26 at Thompson Park in Amarillo.
"We're not getting a big head," Zollinger said. "We've worked hard and we have to
continue to work hard to get out of district."
The top two teams and five ndividuals advance to regionals.
Muleshoe's strong show ings at recent meets stamps the Lady Mules as the district favorite.
Preseason favorite SanfordFritch and Dimmitt pose the biggest threats.
'Don't kid yourself, they'r going to be gunning for us, Zollinger said.

## Re-Elect <br> RICH MAGBY

as Bailey County Constable Precinct 1
as a Write-In Candidate On Nov. 5th


## Standings

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Jeremy Patton and a 3-yard struggle, with the teams comrun by Zachery Ramos. Sanford-Fritch (2-4, 1-2) tied the game in the third quarter on
run.

The game was a defensiv
downs and completed 44 of 85 passes for 632 yards and an other nine touchdowns.
St. Clair rushed for two ouchdowns and passed 1 yards to Seth Black for another, giving Lazbuddie a $24-16$ lead in the second quarter.
Perez put Three Way on top, $30-24$, with a 6 -yard run and a 5 -yard pass to Lupe Landeros.
Morris gave the Longhorn a 32-30 halftime lead on a yard pass to Jason Thomas. In six-man, the quarter back can't run. By pitching the ball to St. Clair, it makes him "He's just so much more dangerous now," Scisson said.

3-1A standings


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"They should get this cleaned up pretty soon', I kept thinking as I passed the fence each time I made a plane trip. Little did I know.
"It's artwork," I was told one day. "They paid somebody big bucks to dump their old farm iron there.
My reaction, which apparently was a common one, was... "What!
It is, in fact, a public art project entitled Fence Line Artifact.
Since then I have driven by the fence countless times. One day I began to sense that the fence was more than just a boondoggle boneyard. The western plains are not often described as beautiful. They are treated as a place you must cross, to get to the majestic Rockies or verdant Midwest. Over years, the plains have become a productive part of American Agriculture. But a farmer must accept that it takes a little more work.
D.I.A. is 53 square miles. It swallowed up many prairie farms. Places homesteaded in the last century. Farms that often felt more
drops of sweat than drops of rain. Homes of people who lived a little closer to nature's whims than most of us.
This machinery displayed along the artwork fence; a Massey Harris model 44 tractor, a 16 row Oliver Superior grain drill with iron wheels, a John Deere chopper model 10 , a prehistoric bean thresher and other similar dinosaurs, all came form farms now wiped off the face of the plains by
D.I.A.

Farmers have a tendency to keep their old equipment. The expressed thought is, "I might be able to sell it someday or might be able to rob parts off it." The unexpressed thought is more complicated, 'I farmed this place for thirty years, I rode to the moon and back on the seat of this tractor. I couldn't have done it without her. She deserves some recognition.'
The creators of Fence Line Artifact have turned our boneyard into a monument. It is a tribute to the people and machinery who have made it possible for civilization to cling, albeit tenuously, to the windy, unpredictable, unforgiving plains.
I stood beside the old Massey Harris model 44 and looked north at the gigantic airport terminal. My hand rested on the seat. The paint was worn off, the steel was as smooth as glass.
Lotta miles, I thought, to make it shine like that. Lotta miles..

## MHS Mighty 'M' Band

## C Rop report

AUSTIN - Beneficial moisture Sept., however, the effects of the Sept., however, the effects of the
1996 drought continued to be reflected in the Oct. 1 production foreflected in the Oct. 1 production fore-
cast of spring-planted crops released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service.

The 1996 Texas Upland cotton crop is expected to total 3.85 million bales, up 200,000 bales from Sept. 1, but 14 percent below 1995. Harvested acreage is estimated at 4.1 million acres, 29 percent less than last year as the earlier drought caused poor stands and resulted in greater than normal abandonment. The yield is expected to average 451 pounds per acre, compared with 372 pounds last

## year.

Corn production is forecast at 171.0 million bushels, down 21 percent from last year and 28 percent below the record set in 1994. Based isexpected to average 95 bushels per isexpected to average 95 bushels per
acre, 19 bushels less than in 1995, and unchanged form Sept. 1 forecast.
Texas peanut production is expected to increase 4 percent from last year, to 563.8 million pounds. Statewide yield, at 2,050 pounds per acre
is 50 pounds above both last year and last month. Irrigated peanuts have made good progress across the state
this year, and Sept. rainfall benefite this year, and Sept. rainfall benefited
dryland peanuts. Peanut haryest dryland peanuts. Peanut harvest is
underway underway.
Sorghu
Sorghum production is forecast at 107.0 million hundredweight (cwt) 47 percent above last year and up 4 percent from last month. Harvested acreage is estimated at 3.90 million acres, up 63 percent from 1995, as sorghum replaced some lost cotton acreage. Yield, at 2,744 pounds per acre, is expected to be 280 pounds below last year.
Rice producers expect to harvest 18.18 million cwt, up 2 percent from 1995. Yield is forecast at 6,100 pounds per acre, 500 pounds more than a year ago.
The 1996 Texas soybean crop is forecast at 7.83 million bushels, up 31 percent from last year's production. Harvested acreage is expected to increase by 13 percent, and yield is expected to average 29 bushels Texas wheat production for 1996
There with 25 las Texas wheat production for 1996 totaled 75.4 million bushels, practi-
cally the same as 1995 . Yield, at
bushel from 1995 while harvested acreage increased 100,000 to 2.9 million.

United States corn production, at 9,0 billion bushels, is up 22 percent from last year's crop. A yield of 123.0 bushels per acre is forecast, up 9.5 bushels form last year. The sorghum crop is expected to increase 73 percent, to 446.2 million cwt . The U.S. Upland cotton crop is expected to total 17.6 million bales, up 1 perent duction is forecast at 2.35 billion The U.S. peanut crop is estimated at 3.41 billion pounds, 1 percent tbelow a year ago. U.S. rice production is orecast at 176.1 million $\mathrm{cwt}, 1$ per-

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## advances at regionals

by SAMUEL VILLARREAL
Journal staff writer
The Muleshoe High School Mighty 'M' Band received a first division rating Saturday at the University Interscholastic League Region XVI Marching Contest.

Muleshoe High School Band Director Rob Lovett was pleased by the outcome of the contest.

It was nice to see the hard work of the students recognized and rewarded," Lovett said
By earning a first division rating, the highest rating given in a UIL marching band contest, the band qualifies for the UIL Area A Marching Contest to be held Oct. 26 at Jones Stadium in Lubbock.
Other Class 3A bands from Region XVI that qualified for the UIL Area A contest are Denver City, Littlefield, Brownfield, Seminole.
The UIL Area A Marching contest will include bands from Perryton to El Paso who received first division ratings. The top two bands advance to the state marching contest to be held in Mesquite Nov 4.

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| Spicy Sole and Tomatoes |  |  |  |
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| 1 pound bonele sole, flounder fillets, about $1 / 2$ cut into 4 piec Vegetable oil <br> $1 / 2$ cup chopped <br> $1 / 2$ teaspoon bottl garlic | s, skinless or whitefish inch thick, s pray nion d minced |  | $141 /$-ounce can diced tomatoes teaspoon drained capers peppercorns dashes bottled red hot pepper sauce |
| Rinse fish and pat dry. Set aside. <br> Spray a large skillet with vegetable oil. Place over mediumhigh heat. <br> Add onion and garlic to hot skillet and cook until tender, about 5 minutes. Stir in remaining ingredients. Bring to a boil. Arrange fish on top. Return to a boil. Reduce heat, cover and simmer for 4 to 6 minutes or until fish flakes easily with a fork. Remove peppercorns before serving. <br> Serves $4 ; 1 / 4$ pound fillet per serving. Preparation time: $10 \mathrm{~min}-$ utes. Cooking time: 4 to 6 minutes. |  |  |  |
| Nutrient Analysis per Serving |  |  |  |
| 121 kcal Calories 20 gm Protein 6 gm Carbohydrate |  | Cholesterol Sodium Total Fat | 0 gm Saturated Fat <br> 1 gm Polyunsaturated Fat <br> 0 gm Monounsaturated Fat |

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Dillman Superkids
The Dillman Superkids for October are (back row, left to right) Micah Pace, Monica Sanchez, Henry Ruiz, Kati Brown, Patrick Orozco, (front row) April Apodaca, Alyssa Martinez, and Frankie Reyes.

T OPS NEWS
By Polly Otwell

TOPS Chapter Number 34 met at the Muleshoe Church of Christ, Thursday, Oct. 10, with acting leader, Alma Robertson, calling the meeting to order. The TOPS Pledge was recited and the fellowship song sung. Robertson then led the group in prayer.

Betty Jo Davis, weight recorder, called the roll with 15 members answering with the ha
amount of weight they had los or gained. Minutes were read by Evelene Harris, secretary, and were approved as read. Best loser for the week was Lucille Harp and Cheryle DeGriffinreid as runner-up. Jewell Peeler started a new contest, it will continue for six weeks (Little Montinue or six and (Litle Mules on parade deck out in beautiful blue


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Featured Employee
Amy Smith has lived in Earth for a year, since moving from Turkey, TX. She is married to Brandon Smith, a coach at Earth High School.
Amy enjoys doing crafts, shopping and being with friends and family. She and Brandon go to Springlake Baptist Church.
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E. Nell Parkinson

BULA - Funeral services for E. Nell Parkinson, 81, of Bula, were held Monday, Oct. 14, at the Hammons Funeral Home Chapel in Littlefield with the Rev. George C. Price Jr., officiating.
Burial followed in the Littlefield Memorial Park under the direction of the Hammons Funeral Home of Littlefield.
Mrs. Parkinson died Saturday, Oct. 12, in the Muleshoe Area Health Care Center. She was born Aug
Quail, Texas.
She married C.C. Taylor in 1943. He died in 1963. She then married Abram A. "Parky" Parkinson, June 30, 1967 in Las Vegas, Nev. Hedied April
10, 1987. She moved to the 10, 1987. She moved to the
Bula area in 1986. She was a seamstress and a school teacher. She was a Methodist. She was preceded in death by three brothers, Gene, Ben
and E.P. Farmer and one sister Eralee Dowdy
Survivors include two sis-
ers, Cordie Millie Claunch of Bula and Lorilla Jones of Enochs; numerous nieces and

## FB contest

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points, which was closest to the actual 74 points scored in Norte Dame's 54-20 win. Francisco Torres of Muleshoe claimed the $\$ 10$ second prize with a tie-breaker total of 56. Lisa Reed of Friona won the $\$ 5$ third prize with a tie breaker total of 51 .
Others correctly picking 16 of 18 games were Thomas Reed of Friona, Nathan Crawford of Lazbuddie and R.G. Wilson of Muleshoe.

The Journal received 41 en-

Lady of Guadalupana Candidates


Silbestra Diaz, left, Phelicia Alarcon, middle, and Dez'Rae Contreras, right, are all candidates for the Queen of Our Lady of Guadalupana. The event will be held Dec. 12 at the Muleshoe Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. The contest is sponsored by the GuadalupanaSociety and is open to girls 6-12 years old.

## Police log

## ARRESTS

Muleshoe Police Dept.
Oct. 4-Rachel M. Gutierrez, 21, charged with
Oct. 5-Cristoval Luera Garza, 30, charged with burglary of a habitation.
Oct. 7-Julian Lopez Dominguez, 28, charged with public intoxication
Oct. 7-Juan Jaime, Jr., 21, charged on DPS warrant with failure to report address

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Oct. 7-Gilberto Fabela, 1, charged with driving with suspended license license.
Oct. 8 -Adolfo M. Roche, 40 , charged with issuance of ad check
Oct. 8 -LinoLee Salas 25 charged with burglary of a habitation.
Oct.9-Rudy Toscano, 35 charged with public intoxica-

## Accident

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Beall was later taken to Lubbock hospital because of pre-existing medical condition aggravated by the accident. Kirk said David Flores w

Oct. 12-Roberto Valles Vargas, 19, cited with driving without a license and failure to maintain proof of financial responsibility
Oct. 12-Hilda Balencia, 32 , cited for driving without a license, failure to maintain proof of financial responsibility, and expired tags.
Oct. 13-Maximino Lopez Vasquez, 53, charged with public intoxication.
Oct. 13-Susano Cer vantes, Jr., charged with driv ing while intoxicated, and cited for driving without a license and failure to maintain proof of financial responsibility. Oct. 14-Ivan David Ramirez Lopez, charged with public intoxication and Sherif's office

Oct. 1-Melinda Dawn Moon, 22, charged with driv ing without a licence and
surance
Oct. 2-Elbia Herrer Villa, 33, charged with theft.
Oct. 2 - Diana Lizette
Vaquez, 23, charged with theft.
Oct. 2 - Niki Yaphet Davis, 25 , charged with driving while licence suspended. Oct. 4-Rachel Marie Gutierrez, 30, charged with burglary of a habitation.
Oct. 6 -Michael R. Monroe, 25 , charged with unauthorized use of a vehicle. Oct. 7-Jearldean Lewis 27, charged with theft by check Oct. 8-Justin Kent Obenhaus, 23 , charged with possesion of marijuana. Oct. 13-Alberto Ernes Wentz, 22, charged with public intoxication.
Oct. 13-Kevin Clyde Freid, 22, charged with driving while intoxicated. Super Cab into but not buck seat, and none of the other five occupants of the Dodge were wearing their seat belts.

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