

Commissioners accept resignations

County clerk, sheriff leaving at end of month

By TERESA STONE
 Journal staff writer

County Commissioners accepted resignations from County Clerk Billie Downing and Sheriff Jerry Hicks during Monday's meeting.

Hicks is retiring after serv-

ing Bailey County for 16 years as Deputy and Sheriff.

Downing, who has not given a reason for her decision, has been serving the county since January of 1995. Both resignations become effective Dec. 31.

After accepting Hick's resignation, the Commissioner's Court appointed Coy Plott to complete Hick's unexpired term as Bailey County Sheriff.

"It's nice to be working at home again," said Plott, who

has worked as a deputy in Lamb County. "This gives me a chance to be involved in my community and help out."

Plott, who has lived in Muleshoe since 1988, has been involved in law enforcement for seven years.

Last Friday, Plott was sworn in as a Bailey County deputy.

Although the term is not up until 2000, the commissioner's appointment of Plott is only valid until the November 1998

general election.

Texas law requires that Hick's unexpired term be filled during the next general election.

If elected by the voters, Plott will have to run again in the regularly scheduled Sheriff's election in 1999 for a new term.

Commissioners did not appoint a replacement for Downing, although several ex-

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Bailey County Judge Marilyn Cox swears in Coy Plott Friday as a County deputy. Plott will take over as sheriff Jan. 1

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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS



Don Carter was sworn in as Muleshoe police chief Friday by Bailey County Judge Marilyn Cox.

Float winners announced

Hundreds of people braved the cold Saturday and ventured to downtown Muleshoe to watch the annual Christmas parade last weekend.

The parade, sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce, included 17 floats, the Mighty 'M' Band, the West Texas A&M buffalo mascot and a special guest appearance by Santa and Mrs. Claus.

This year's theme for the celebration was "A Children's Christmas."

The Chamber recognized three floats for their creativity in keeping with the theme.

First place was awarded to Muleshoe Young Riders for its "Hard Candy Christmas" float. Second place was awarded to Richland Hills Baptist Church for its "Mary had a Little Lamb" float and third place was awarded to First Baptist Church of Muleshoe for its "It all Happened in the Country" float.



Don't forget to drop your letters to Santa off here at the Muleshoe Journal, 304 W. 2nd or mail them to us at PO Box 449, Muleshoe, TX, 79347. We must have your letters here by 5 PM, December 19th so that we have time to ship them to the North Pole. Hope you've been nice!

LOCAL WEATHER

	High	low	Pre.
Friday	45	21	—
Saturday	43	28	—
Sunday	58	35	—
Monday	64	37	—
Total to date	20.11 inches		

EXTENDED FORECAST

Thursday through Sunday, cloudy and very cold with a chance of snow. Highs 25-30, lows 15-20.

SANTA'S NEW RIDE



Santa and Mrs. Claus made a special appearance during Saturday's Christmas parade

Officials offer winter weather tips

Winter is well on its way and the inevitability of severe weather is descending upon the South Plains.

Although most natives know what to expect from a West Texas winter, many are waiting to see if the warming of the eastern Pacific waters, known as the El Nino, will have any effect on the local weather.

In the past El Nino winters have produced some of the snowiest winters around Muleshoe, reports the National Weather Service (NWS). In fact, the greatest snow storm and snowiest season happened in 1982-1983, which is the strongest El Nino ever recorded.

But Muleshoe is far enough north of the equator, where the effects of El Nino are the greatest, that the recorded results of the phenomenon are inconsistent, especially since many factors can affect the weather.

On average, El Nino results in an 80 percent increase

in precipitation for the area from November through March, reports the NWS.

However even with the predicted increase in precipitation, the NWS states that the area would still only receive about 6 inches total during the five months.

Regardless if El Nino will effect Muleshoe or not, the fact remains that the weather is gradually getting colder, the possibility of dangerous conditions are increasing, and people are starting to travel more for the holiday season.

As travelers start on their way, no matter if the trip is 20 miles or 200 miles, preparations need to be made in case of severe winter weather, said DPS Safety Officer, John Gonzales of Lubbock.

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Mules capture DC title

DENVER CITY — Muleshoe has taken a big game hunter mentality so far this season.

The target this weekend was the host of the Denver City Tournament.

The Mules won three games in two days, including a convincing 70-54 triumph Friday against the Denver City Mustangs.

Sandwiched around the Denver City game were hohum wins against Seagraves (67-60) and Plains (72-67).

Muleshoe (8-1) finished the three-day, round-robin tournament tied with Denver City with a 3-1 mark. The Mules were awarded the tournament title due to least points allowed.

Muleshoe coach Ralph Mason said the Mules have shown the ability to get up for big games but still lack the wherewithal to put away lesser opponents.

Douglass Field returned from an eye injury with a 12-point, eight rebound effort in the Denver City win.

Matt Mason added 12 points on four 3-pointers and Dustin Cleavinger finished with 11 points against the Mustangs.

Muleshoe shot 48 percent from the field, including 8 of 17 from 3-point range.

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Muleshoe student lands in fashion magazine

By RICK WHITE
 Managing Editor

Being the oldest son of a professional photographer, Rhett Kerby never had a chance to become camera shy.

Although he was the subject of dozens of his mother's portraits while growing up, Kerby never dreamed one day his face would grace the pages of an international fashion magazine.

But the 16-year-old Muleshoe High School sophomore was surprised to learn that he is part of a multi-page layout in Emporio Armani, a fashion magazine released this summer showcasing Armani clothing.

Kerby was used as an extra in a fashion shoot done in March at an abandoned drive-in restaurant in Littlefield by freelance photographer Ruedi Hofmann of New York.

The black-and-white magazine photo features Kerby sitting next to a juke box with exotic Brazilian teenage model Adrianna Lima dancing next to him, while teasingly playing with his black cowboy hat.

Kerby, who was paid \$100, said he has no real desire to model again.

"It was something fun to do," said Kerby, who taught Lima how to two-step during a shooting break. "At first I felt awkward, but the other (professional) models helped me feel comfortable. After that, I was pretty relaxed."

Besides the 15-year-old Lima, who Kerby admitted was probably the most beautiful girl he'd ever seen, the week-long photo session featured two professional male models.

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Muleshoe sophomore Rhett Kerby's picture appeared in an Armani fashion magazine that was released this summer.

AROUND MULESHOE

Alcoholic Anonymous meeting

Alcoholic Anonymous (AA) meetings in Muleshoe are held from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. every Thursday and Friday at the Bailey County Sheriff's office

Christmas Card Project needs help

The Christmas Card volunteers at Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center are seeking donations from community members and businesses for the annual fund raiser. All donations, regardless of how big or small, will be greatly appreciated.

Donations will be used for Spring patio renovations to include a new patio cover, repainting patio furniture, and new plants for the garden. Also, extra chairs and card tables for the nursing home will be purchased with extra funds.

Donations can be dropped off at the local banks, or to Joyce Stancell at the nursing home. Also, donations can be mailed to Christmas Card Project, P.O. Box 202, Muleshoe, TX. 79347.

Donations need to be made by Wednesday, Dec. 17. All contributors will be individually recognized in the annual Christmas Card to be published in the Bailey County Journal Dec. 22. For more information contact, Lona Embry or Joyeline

Costen.

Open House honoring Rowena Meyers

The staff at the Central Plains MHMR is hosting an Open House in honor of Rowena Meyers who is retiring after serving the Muleshoe community for 26 years. Meyers has touched many lives through her work and her church.

Friends and community members are invited to attend the Open House from 2-5 p.m., Dec. 16 at 119 E. Ave. C.

Elementary PTA meeting Dec. 15

There will be a Muleshoe Elementary PTA meeting held at the DeShazo gym at 6p.m., Monday, Dec. 15.

Third grade students have prepared a program of Christmas music and holiday fun.

Birkenfield wins \$300 Lowe's spree

Donald Birkenfield of Muleshoe won a \$300 shopping spree and a free turkey from Lowe's Market. The award was part of a raffle sponsored by Alpha Zeta Pi of Muleshoe. Proceeds will benefit local charities.

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WEATHER

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"People need to plan ahead and be prepared," said Gonzales. "Take extra food and blankets, just in case you do get stranded and always let someone know where you are going and when to expect you."

Gonzales said that one of the main problems this time of year is that travelers are in a hurry. "People need to slow down. Speed is a major factor in accidents. Just because you may be the only car on the road, it doesn't mean it's safe to drive fast. Many collisions involve only one car."

"Also, don't over drive. Fatigue is a big problem as people rush home from work, load up the kids and then drive for hours. They don't realize what a risk they are taking by driving tired. They jeopardize their own life, their families, and others on the road."

WEATHER TERMS

As drivers do take to the road, it is recommended to listen to the weather forecast to know what to expect.

Here are some winter terms that may be heard throughout the winter.

Winter storm watch — conditions are favorable for hazardous winter weather to develop within 12 to 24 hours, though it is still an uncertain event. This watch includes possible blizzard conditions, heavy snow, accumulations of freezing rain or drizzle, or heavy sleet.

Winter storm warning — hazardous winter weather is imminent or already occurring. Heavy snow, dangerous accumulations of freezing rain or drizzle, or heavy sleet is expected. These elements could create conditions leading to injuries or loss of life.

Winter weather advisory — issued for a mix of winter weather that will create a significant inconvenience. This is typically issued when freezing rain, drizzle and/or light snow is expected to create hazardous driving conditions.

Freezing rain or freezing drizzle advisory — an accumulation of ice making roads and other exposed surfaces hazardous. Also possibly causing tree branches and power lines to break.

Gonzales also emphasized the importance of wearing seat belts, driving while sober, and driving in the daytime. "Visibility at night is further

decreased with snowy or rainy conditions," said Gonzales. "This always creates a possibly dangerous situation when you can't see well."

Holiday spending tips help control debt

The day after Thanksgiving was the busiest shopping day of the year and if consumers failed to plan for their expenses, many will find themselves in financial trouble with overspending during the holiday season.

With just a few weeks left before Christmas, Consumer Credit Counseling Service (CCCS) warns consumers it's still not too late to prepare a holiday spending plan.

"It is easy to get caught up in pre-holiday sales and incentives; however, if consumers establish strict guidelines and other expenses, the end result will be a more enjoyable holiday season, free from the worries of credit and debt problems due to overspending," according to Marianne Gray, president of CCCS.

CCCS offers the following tips for surviving the holiday debt free:

Prepare a list of your holiday expenses. Along with gifts, include all the added expenses that accompany the holiday season, such as travel and entertaining costs.

Review your gift list and cross off unnecessary gifts such as those for acquaintances or co-workers. Only buy gifts for family and close friends.

Suggest new family traditions that help with expenses such as drawing names or setting spending limits. Don't spend more than you've allotted each person on your list.

There is still time to take advantage of lay-away pro-

grams. Pay for your gifts with cash and avoid using credit if possible.

When using deferred billing plans, begin putting funds aside immediately to avoid any interest charges when the bill comes due next year.

If you must use credit, use only those cards or accounts with the lowest interest rates and most advantageous repayment plans.

Once you've purchased items for everyone on your list — stop shopping.

Happy Holidays

KERBY

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Kerby's session took one day. Like most West Texans, Kerby said he prefers blue jeans and a T-shirt to Italian designer clothes. The black felt hat and bolo tie he wore in the shoot were his own.

Kerby was selected for the session during a search for extras at Littlefield High School. The casting director told Kerby's mom Susan that she liked his "baby face."

It must be all the baby pictures.



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Irrigation conference Jan. 7

AMARILLO — Ideas and technologies that guide irrigation decisions will be the focus of the Jan. 7 irrigation conference, says Leon New, agricultural engineer with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Our goal is to give growers information they can use to make key decisions," said New, who has organized the event scheduled at the Civic Center for more than two decades.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with the program's first hour to include time for trade show tours and free coffee and donuts. The \$7 registration fee also includes a catered lunch.

The opening session begins by 9:30 a.m. where speakers will address topics featuring irrigated soybean production and well and pump performance. Other briefings will include precision production using yield monitors and site mapping.

An overview of the Texas Water Plan (with a review of S.B. 1) will be presented by C. E. Williams, manager of the Panhandle Ground Water District.

For more information, contact Leon New, Extension agricultural engineer and irrigation specialist, or Regina Linder at (806) 359-5401, or any county agricultural agent.

CHRISTMAS PARADE



2nd place float

Richland Hills Baptist Church's float earned second prize Saturday night in the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce's annual Lighted Christmas Parade. Pictured on the float, which featured the theme "Mary had a Little Lamb," are Gradee Adrian (in truck), Dakota Pitcock (front), Paul Rodriguez and Amber Adams.



Leading the parade

The Muleshoe High School Mighty "M" Band helped lead the annual Lighted Parade down Main Street Saturday night. Hundreds of adults and children braved near freezing temperatures to watch the parade.

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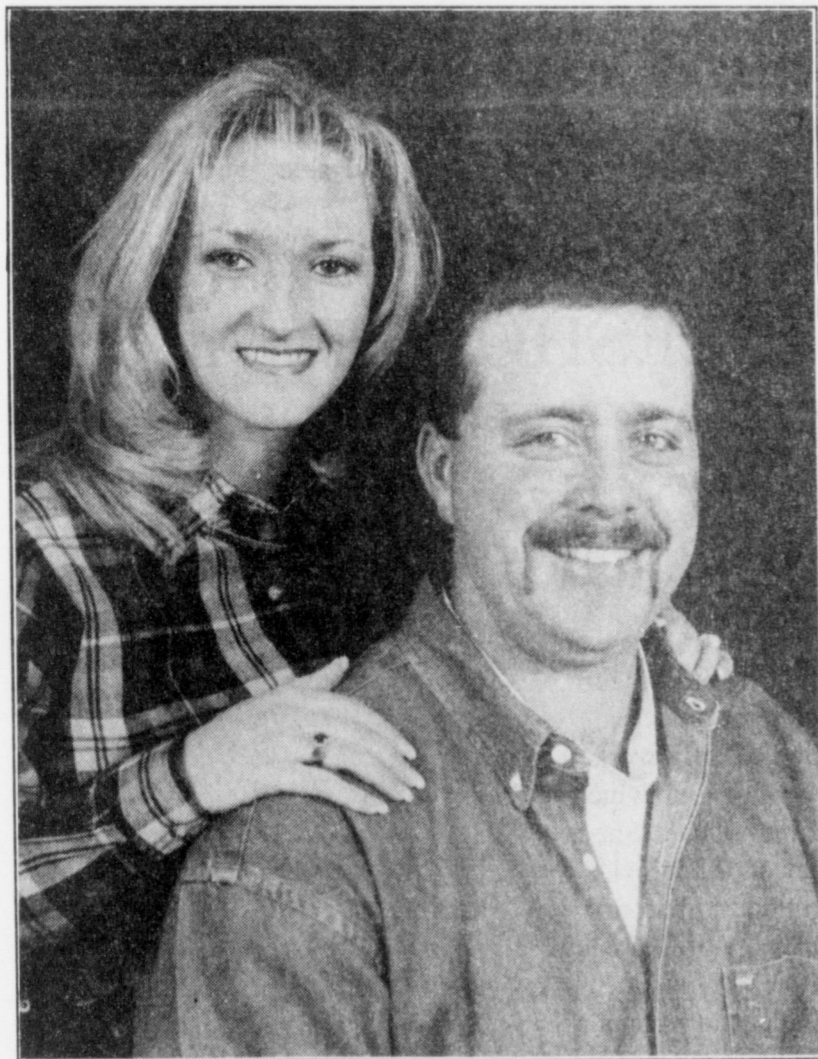
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Greg is the grandson of Elbert and Frances Hamilton formerly of Muleshoe, now of Buffalo.

The couple plans to wed, January 17, 1998 at Valley Grove Baptist Church in Stephenville.

Muleshoe students inducted into National Honor Society

Twenty one Muleshoe High School students were inducted into the National Honor Society on Monday evening during an induction ceremony at the 16th and D Church of Christ.

Officers for the upcoming year were also announced Monday evening.

Members inducted into the 1997-1998 National Honor Society were Sherri Altman, Kendra Benham, Katie Black, Kenzie Brown, Angela Castorena, Cassidy Cleavinger, Damon Davenport, Lisa Garcia, Amy Hooten, Amy Locker, Brienne Locker, Gerardo Loya, Steven Madrid, Matt Mason, Mandy Myers, Larry Pineda, Shelbi Robinson, Chris Shelburne, Julie Slayden, Rhonda Warren and Chanda Weatherbie.

HOLIDAY SAVINGS

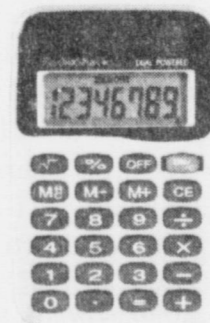
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Muleshoe JV edges Seminole at buzzer

Muleshoe beat tournament bully Seminole 56-55 on Jesse Reyes' 3-pointer at the buzzer Saturday in the championship game of the Muleshoe Junior

Varsity Tournament at WJHS gym.

Meanwhile, the Muleshoe freshmen rallied from an opening round loss to win the consolation title.

SATURDAY
Muleshoe JV56
Seminole55

Rebounding a Seminole free throw

with five seconds left, Muleshoe pushed the ball up the floor and into the hands of Reyes, who buried the game-winner as the buzzer sounded.

Mitch Mason led Muleshoe (6-1) with nine points while Kyle Hahn and Matt Turney added eight points each.

Twelve of 15 Mules that played scored.

Seminole had beaten an overmatched Friona freshmen squad 107-15 in the semifinals after putting a 41-point loss on the Muleshoe frosh in the first round.

Muleshoe JV (56) — Hodge 4, Posadas 1, Barrett 3, Baeza 2, Latham

3, Reyes 5, Mason 9, Bruns 3, McClanahan 6, Campolla 4, Hahn 8, Turney 8, Black, Vaughn, Ramage. Totals 225-1156. 3-pointers: Mason 3, Barrett, Latham, Reyes, Hahn.

Seminole (55) — Cavazos 12, Villalva 2, Dale 2, Meeks 2, Alaniz 20, Martinez 10, Johnson 7, Totals 236-1355. 3-pointers: Cavazos 3.

Muleshoe 21 9 9 17 56
Seminole 10 10 14 21 55
Muleshoe 9th67
Springlake-Earth37

Darrell Lewis scored 12 of his game-high 20 points in the first quarter as Muleshoe roared out to a 23-6 lead and never looked back.

Jeff Shelburne added 17 points for the Mules (4-2).

Muleshoe (67) — Williams 8, Nichols 3, Broyles 3, Ramirez 4, Garcia 3, Chavez 9, Lewis 20, Shelburne 17, Pool, Otwell. Totals 278-2337. 3-pointers: Williams 2, Shelburne 2, Chavez.

Springlake-Earth (37) — James 2, DeLeon 11, Shorey 8, Bratton 5, Castillo 8, Angeley 2. Totals 1213-3237. 3-pointers: none.

Muleshoe 23 18 19 7 67
SL-Earth 6 10 5 15 37

FRIDAY
Muleshoe JV61
Farwell35

Eric Posadas led a balanced attack with 13 points as Muleshoe cruised to a 61-35 win

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Muleshoe's Kyle Hahn and Jesse Reyes battle for a rebound

BASKETBALL

Muleshoe JV Tournament

BOYS

Friday

Championship semifinals

Muleshoe JV 61, Farwell 35

Seminole 107, Friona 9th 15

Consolation semifinals

Muleshoe 9th 59, Morton 28

Springlake-Earth 50, Olton 47

Saturday

Seventh place

Olton 72, Morton 50

Consolation final

Muleshoe 9th 67, SL-Earth 37

Third place

Farwell 48, Friona 9th 23

Championship

Muleshoe JV 56, Seminole 55

GIRLS

Friday

Championship semifinals

Hereford JV 46, Muleshoe 9th 39

Springlake-Earth 41, Farwell 38

Consolation semifinals

Muleshoe JV 39, Hereford 9th 19

Olton 47, Friona 32

Saturday

Seventh place

Friona 45, Hereford 9th 33

Consolation championship

Muleshoe JV 46, Olton 30

Third place

Farwell 38, Muleshoe 9th 36

Championship

Springlake-Earth 32, Hereford JV 28

MHS frosh 4th; JV Mules capture consolation title

A furious Muleshoe fourth-quarter rally fell short when Farwell's Brandi Taylor chunked in a late 3-pointer, giving the Lady Blue a scintillating 38-36 win against the

Lady Mule freshmen Saturday in the third place game of the Muleshoe Junior Varsity Tournament.

Meanwhile, the Muleshoe junior varsity rebounded from an opening round loss to win the consolation championship, whipping Olton 46-

30 in the title game.

SATURDAY
Farwell38
Muleshoe 9th36

Muleshoe rallied from a five-point deficit in the last three minutes to take a 36-35 lead on Chyla Torres' steal and layup.

But Taylor swished the game-winner from the left side with 10 seconds left.

After trading quick turnovers, Muleshoe's potential game-winning 3-pointer at the buzzer fell harmlessly short.

Shari Alanis and Myndi Heathington led the Lady Mules (3-3) with 11 points

each. Megan Tipps scored four of her six points in the second quarter as Muleshoe grabbed a 23-18 halftime lead.

Muleshoe (36) — Tipps 6, Alanis 11, Flores 3, Torres 5, Heathington 11, Norman, Hernandez, Parker. Totals 129-1936. 3-pointers: Flores, Torres, Heathington.

Farwell (38) — Gast 3, Lunsford 11, Woods 5, Edwards 6, Herington 4, Taylor 9. Totals 153-938. 3-pointers: Lunsford 2, Gast, Woods, Taylor.

Muleshoe 8 15 5 8 36
Farwell 9 9 10 10 38
Muleshoe JV46
Olton36

Lynsie Black scored 18 points and Stacy Locker added 14 points, including four 3-pointers, as Muleshoe steadily pulled away from Olton.

Kayla Johnson added seven points for the Lady Mules (4-1), who lost to tournament champion Springlake-Earth in Friday's opening round.

Muleshoe (46) — Black 18, Benham 2, Johnson 7, Locker 14, Wood 5, Hancock, Adrian, Whitt, Toscano. Totals 1511-1646. 3-pointers: Locker 4, Johnson.

Olton (30) — Anderson 6, Contreras 14, McFadden 4, Caraway 2, Vest 4. Totals 142-1130. 3-pointers: none.

Muleshoe 11 13 11 11 46
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Lady Mules third at Canyon

CANYON — Playing its best three-game stretch of the season, Muleshoe finished third in the Canyon Classic Saturday with a 49-37 win against Happy.

Erin Wilhite had 14 points and 10 rebounds as Muleshoe (6-4) pulled away from the Cowgirls in the fourth quarter.

Mandy Myers added 13 points and Amy Locker had 10 points and seven rebounds for the Lady Mules, who displayed better balance in the tournament than they had in recent games.

Clinging to a four-point lead, Wilhite scored eight points and Lindsey Field added five in the fourth quarter as the Lady Mules closed with a 19-11 run.

In Friday's semifinals, Nazareth beat Muleshoe 62-38, scorching the Lady Mules with eight 3-pointers. Muleshoe opened the tournament with an easy 62-44 win against Vernon.

"I think we learned some things this weekend," Muleshoe coach Jim Gruhlkey said. "Happy was the most physical team we've played and we adjusted to their style. And we were able to also adjust to the refs."

Nazareth, which lost to Canyon in the championship game, bolted to a 27-14 first-quarter lead behind a trio of 3-pointers by Tanya Wethington. Wethington didn't score the rest of the game.

"We missed a lot of easy shots early and they were knocking down 3-pointers," Gruhlkey said. "And Nazareth is not the kind of team you can make up ground on."

Nazareth's latest phenom, freshman Shawna Gerber, rained in five 3-pointers and finished with 23 points.

K'Lynn Gerber added 13 points for the Lady Swifts.

Wilhite and Field led Muleshoe to a 49-37 win against Happy.

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BASKETBALL

Canyon Classic

Dec. 4-6

at Wilson HS

GIRLS

Friday

Championship semifinals

Nazareth 62, Muleshoe 38

Canyon 60, Happy 27

Consolation semifinals

Merkel 55, Vernon 35

Tascosa 54, Roswell Goddard 34

Saturday

Seventh place

Roswell Goddard 68, Vernon 43

Consolation championship

Tascosa 52, Merkel 46

Third place

Muleshoe 49, Happy 37

Championship

Canyon 55, Nazareth 43

All-tournament team:

Jamie Hellums, Merkel; Berkley Johnson, Tascosa; Erin Wilhite, Muleshoe; Lindsey Field, Muleshoe; Evan Lair, Happy; Jaci Cumby, Happy; Shawna Gerber, Nazareth; Amy Pohlmeier, Nazareth; Lindy Lombard, Canyon; Jolee Ayers, Canyon.

Offensive MVP:

K'Lynn Gerber, Nazareth. **Defensive MVP:** Candi White, Canyon.

LHS falls in FM 211 title game

Lazbuddie couldn't contain Klondike's inside-outside combination of Melissa Kinnear and Kandace Etheredge, dropping a 74-46 decision in Saturday's championship game of the FM 211 Shootout at Wilson and New Home high schools.

The loss was the Lady Longhorns first after opening the season with seven straight wins.

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BASKETBALL

FM 211 Shootout

Dec. 4-6

at Wilson, New Home HS

GIRLS

Friday

Championship quarterfinals

LAZBUDDIE 10201517 62

ROPES 7 3 7 7 24

Leading scorers: Lazbuddie: Holly Engelking 16, Roxann Warren 15, Ropes: Means 7.

Klondike 50, Dawson 41

Loop 52, Harmleigh 51

Grady 64, New Homes 47

Consolation quarterfinals

Whitharral 43, Meadow 32

Wilson 68, Spade 32

Amherst 38, Jayton 31

Cotton Center 52, Southland 45

Consolation semifinals

Whitharral 69, Wilson 28

Amherst 74, Cotton Center 32

Saturday

Championship semifinals

LAZBUDDIE 17 22 6 7 52

GRADY 12 16 3 13 50

Leading scorers: Lazbuddie: Roxann Warren 17, Holly Engelking 15, Scottie Brown 11.

Grady: Madison 14, Yates 13, Romine 11.

Klondike 52, Loop 34

Consolation championship

Whitharral 43, Amherst 21

Third place

Grady 53, Loop 35

Championship

LAZBUDDIE 10 6 18 12 46

KLONDIKE 19 14 22 19 74

Leading scorers: Lazbuddie: Morris 15, Engelking 14, Klondike: Etheredge 24, Kinnear 21, Pinkerton 11.

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Featured Patient

Evelene Harris was born in Muleshoe and has lived here all her life. Up until her hip injury, Ms. Harris worked part time as a medical records clerk. She has also worked with Green Thumb, an organization which helps find jobs for older individuals. She is a former Editor of The Muleshoe Journal.

Ms. Harris has five children: Sharon Williams of Lubbock, Denna Bass of Plainview, Cindy Cargile of the Lariat community, Marilyn Gable of Muleshoe, and Kenneth Harris of Lazbuddie. She has eleven grandchildren. Ms. Harris was married to the late Wayland Harris who had worked for the local telephone company for 30 years.

Ms. Harris enjoys crocheting and reading. She is a member of TOPS and is a Jennyslipper. She is a member of the Muleshoe Church of Christ.

Ms. Harris hopes to return to work after recovering from her injury, and she is certain that she would never have made it this far without the girls at M.A.H.H.A.



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MULES

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Arlie Jordan led Denver City with 15 points.

"The kids were really focused," Mason said. "They knew it wasn't going to be a friendly environment to play in. They came out and took the game away from them right away and never let them get back in it."

The Muleshoe coach said his biggest concern is getting his team healthy.

Layne Kemp missed Saturday's game against Plains with an eye injury and Cleavinger battled the flu throughout the tournament.

Earlier Friday, Muleshoe held off Seagraves 67-60.

The Mules jumped out to a 42-32 halftime lead and

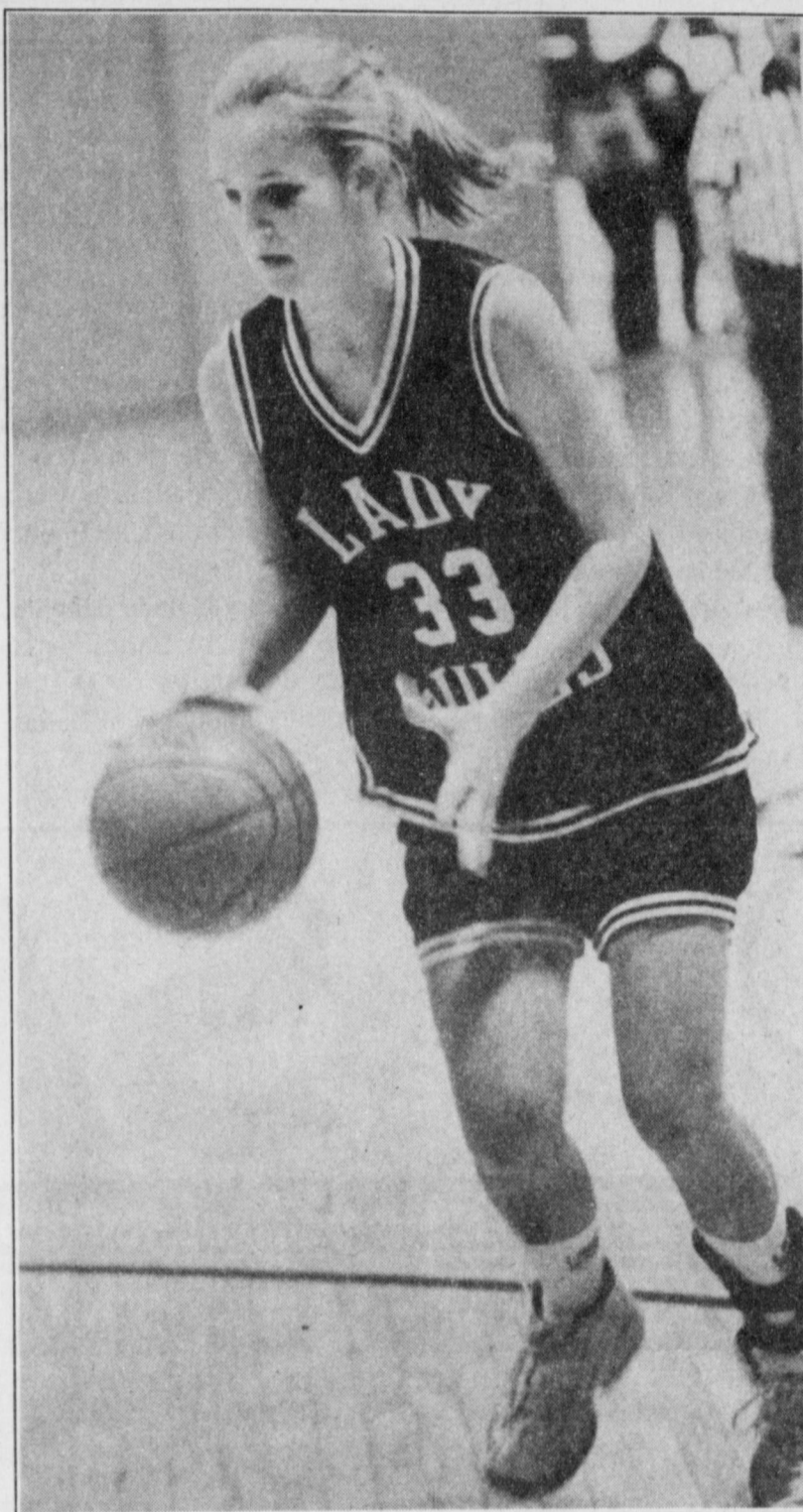
stretched their margin to 14 points after three quarters.

Cyrus Norman led a balanced Muleshoe effort with 13 points as the Mules shot 50 percent from the field and connected on seven 3-points.

Mason, Bret Clements and Kemp added nine points each while Cleavinger collected eight points and 12 rebounds.

Saturday, Cleavinger paced four Mules in double figures with 18 points and added eight rebounds in a 72-65 win against Plains.

Field contributed 14 points and five rebounds, Mason Sinclair had 11 points and five assists and Carlton Lewis had 11 points as the Mules beat Plains for the second time this season.



Muleshoe freshman Myndi Heathington collects herself before firing off a shot Saturday in the Muleshoe Junior Varsity Tournament.

BOYS

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against Farwell in the championship semifinals.

Jesse Reyes added nine points while Kyle Hahn, Jeff Burns and Clint Black chipped in seven points each.

Muleshoe (61) — Hodge 2, Posadas 13, Baeza 2, Latham 2, Black 7, Reyes 9, Mason 6, Bruns 7, McClanahan 2, Hahn 7, Turney 4, Barrett, Vaughn, Ramage, Campolla. Totals 22 12-25 61. 3-pointers: Posadas 3, Reyes, Bruns.

Farwell (35) — Zachary 4, Goetsch 13, Roberts 5, Frase 7, Crawford 6. Totals 14 6-17 35. 3-pointers: Roberts.

Muleshoe	18	13	11	19	61
Farwell	12	3	11	9	35
Muleshoe 9th	59				
Morton	28				

Darrell Lewis led three Mules in double figures with 16 points as Muleshoe rebounded from a first-round loss with a 59-28 win.

Moses Garcia added 15 points for the Mules while Shelburne finished with 12.

Muleshoe (59) — Williams 3, Nichols 2, Ramirez 1, Garcia 15, Chavez 4, Lewis 16, Otwell 6, Shelburne 12. Totals 23 10-17 59. 3-pointers: Garcia 3.

Morton (28) — Silhan 6, Pine 2,

LADY MULES

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shoe with 14 points each.

In the tournament opener, Field led a balanced attack with 11 points.

Eight Lady Mules scored at least five points against Vernon.

Senior guard Keisha Whitt had her best all-around effort of the season, finishing with eight points, six rebounds, six steals and three assists. Junior Melissa Williams added eight points and six rebounds.

The Lady Mules played at Farwell Tuesday.



LAZBUDDIE

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Etheredge scored a game-high 24 points and the 6-2 Kinnear kicked in 21, wearing the Lady Longhorns out with the pick-and-roll.

"We just ran out of gas," said Lazbuddie coach Carey Sudduth.

Sudduth said his team was drained emotionally and physically by Lazbuddie's tough loss in the state football playoffs Friday night and an 8 a.m. semifinal game Saturday morning.

Kia Morris scored 15 points for Lazbuddie in the championship game and Heather Engelking finished with 14 points.

Lazbuddie edged Grady 52-

50 in the semifinals on two Engelking free throws with less than a minute left.

The Lady Longhorns raced out to a 39-28 halftime lead, but scored just 13 points in the second half.

Sudduth called it his team's best half of the season, "but then I think our legs got a little weary."

Roxann Warren led Lazbuddie with 17 points. Engelking added 15 points and Scottie Brown finished with 11.

Engelking scored 16 points and Warren scored 15 in a 62-24 quarterfinal win Friday against Ropes.

Lazbuddie played at Boys Ranch Tuesday.

SCOREBOARD

DENVER CITY TOURNAMENT

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FRIDAY

MULESHOE 67, SEAGRAVES 60

Muleshoe (67) — Lewis 0 0-0 0, Shelburne 2 0-0 4, Sinclair 3 0-1 7, Mason 3 2-2 9, Norman 5 2-2 13, Field 1 0-0 2, McClanahan 1 3-3 6, Clements 3 3-3 9, Kemp 3 0-0 9, Cleavinger 4 0-0 8. Totals 25 10-11 67. 3-pointers: Kemp 3, Sinclair, Mason, Norman, McClanahan.

FG: 18-35. 3-pt FG: 7-15. Rebounds: 26, 8 off. (Cleavinger 12). Blocks: 5 (Mason, Cleavinger 2 each). Steals: 8 (Clements, Kemp 2 each). Assists: 18 (four with 3 each). Turnovers: 19.

Seagraves (60) — Bandy 2 0-0 6, Davis 4 0-0 8, Bryant 0 0-0 0, Durham 8 1-4 1, Smith 2 0-2 4, Luckey 2 0-0 5, Patterson 1 4-6 6, Shankin 4 3-4 12, Lucky 1 0-2 2. Totals 24 8-18 60. 3-pointers: Bandy 2, Lucky, Shankin. Turnovers: 12.

Muleshoe	20	22	13	10	67
Seagraves	17	15	11	17	60

MULESHOE 70, DENVER CITY 54

Muleshoe (70) — Lewis 2 2-2 6, Shelburne 3 1-2 7, Sinclair 0 1-2 1, Mason 4 0-0 12, Norman 4 0-1 9, Field 5 1-3 12, McClanahan 0 0-0 0, Clements 4 1-1 9, Kemp 1 0-0 3, Cleavinger 5 0-0 11. Totals 28 6-11 70. 3-pointers: Mason 4, Norman, Field, Kemp, Cleavinger.

FG: 20-41. 3-pt FG: 8-17. Rebounds: 31, 11 off. (Field 8). Blocked shots: 4 (Cleavinger 3). Steals: 15 (Lewis 3). Assists: 24 (Mason 10). Turnovers: 22.

Denver City (54) — Villegas 4 0-0 9, Gonzales 2 1-2 5, Byrd 0 0-0 0, Doheskey 2 0-0 5, Jordan 5 2-4 15, Arzate 2 2-4 6, Curtis 4 0-2 8, James 2 0-0 4, Boyd 0 1-4 1, Hunt 0 1-2 1. Totals 21 7-18 54. 3-pointers: Jordan 3, Villegas, Doheskey. Turnovers: 22.

Muleshoe	19	20	20	11	70
Denver City	8	15	22	9	54

SATURDAY

MULESHOE 72, PLAINS 65

Muleshoe (72) — Lewis 5 0-0 11, Shelburne 0 0-0 0, Sinclair 4 2-2 11, Mason 2 3-5 8, Norman 2 0-0 5, Field 6 2-2 14, McClanahan 1 1-2 3, Clements 1 0-0 2, Cleavinger 6 5-10 18. Totals 27 13-21 72. 3-pointers: Lewis, Sinclair, Mason, Norman, Cleavinger.

FG: 22-41. 3-pt FG: 5-17. Rebounds: 32, 12 off. (Cleavinger 7). Blocked shots: 8 (Clements 4). Steals: 11 (Norman 3). Assists: 17 (Sinclair 5). Turnovers: 16.

Plains (65) — Bennett 1 0-0 2, Caballero 3 2-4 10, Cullins 3 0-0 9, Bout 5 3-8 15, St. Romain 1 0-0 2, Estrada 2 0-0 4, Redman 8 4-8 20. Totals 24 9-21 65. 3-pointers: Cullins 3, Caballero 2, Blout 2, Garcia.

Muleshoe	16	16	22	18	72
Plains	17	15	13	20	65

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SATURDAY

MULESHOE 49, HAPPY 37

Muleshoe (49) — Myers 5 3-4 13, Field 2 5-12 9, Whitt 0 0-0 0, Copley 0 0-0 0, Morris 0 0-0 0, Locker 4 2-6 10, Williams 0 1-2 1, Benham 1 0-2 2, Wilhite 6 2-2 14. Totals 18 13-27 49. 3-pointers: none.

FG: 18-44. 3-pt FG: 0-2. Rebounds: 41, 16 off. (Wilhite 10). Blocked shots: 3 (Field 2). Steals: 5 (Benham 2). Assists: 11 (Williams 4). Turnovers: 13.

Happy (37) — Cumby 5 2-2 15, Lair 3 4-4 10, Pearson 2 3-9 8, Sandler 1 0-0 2, Moudy 0 0-0 0, Croy 0 0-0 0, Petty 0 2-2 2, Landis 0 0-0 0. Totals 11 11-17 37. 3-pointers: Cumby 3, Pearson.

FG: 11-43. 3-pt FG: 4-21. Rebounds: 27, 4 off. Turnovers: 9.

Muleshoe	4	13	13	19	49
Happy	8	9	9	11	37

FRIDAY

NAZARETH 62, MULESHOE 38

Muleshoe (38) — Myers 3 0-0 6, Field 5 4-7 14, Whitt 0 0-2 0, Copley 0 0-0 0, Morris 1 0-0 2, Locker 0 0-1 0, Williams 0 0-0 0, Benham 1 0-0 2, Wilhite 6 2-2 14. Totals 16 6-12 38.

FG: 16-41. 3-pt FG: 0-6. Rebounds: 16, 7 off. (Wilhite 6). Steals: 4 (Field 2). Assists: 10 (Myers 3). Turnovers: 12.

Nazareth (62) — Birkenfield 5 0-0 10, S. Gerber 9 0-0 23, Schulte 0 0-0 0, Wethington 3 0-4 9, K. Gerber 5 3-4 13, Hoelting 0 0-0 0, Pohlmeier 2 0-0 4, Schucker 0 1-2 1. Totals 25 4-10 62.

FG: 25-48. 3-pt FG: 8-17. Rebounds: 25, 6 off. Turnovers: 7.

Muleshoe	14	6	8	10	38
Nazareth	27	12	7	16	62

THURSDAY

MULESHOE 62, VERNON 44

Muleshoe (62) — Myers 3 1-2 7, Field 5 1-2 11, Copley 2 0-0 5, Morris 2 0-0 4, Hooten 0 0-0 0, Locker 1 3-4 5, Williams 4 0-0 8, Benham 4 0-0 8, Whitt 3 2-5 8, Wilhite 2 2-2 6. Totals 26 9-16 62.

FG: 26-58. 3-pt FG: 1-7. Rebounds: 34, 12 off. (Williams, Meyers, Whitt 6 each). Blocked shots: 3 (Williams 2). Steals: 17. (Whitt 6). Assists: 13 (Whitt 4). Turnovers: 12.

Vernon (44) — Byars 0 0-0 0, Noah 0 0-0 0, Walters 3 0-0 6, Matthew 3 2-4 8, Henry 2 0-0 4, Haynes 3 0-0 6, Keischnick 0 0-2 0, Adkins 1 0-0 2, Richardson 7 4-6 18. Totals 19 6-12 44.

FG: 19-48. 3-pt FG: 0-4. Rebounds: 34, 10 off. Turnovers: 23.

Muleshoe	19	18	10	15	62
Vernon	12	3	12	17	44

GIRLS

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Olton	8	9	7	6	30
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FRIDAY

Hereford JV46

Muleshoe 9th39

Muleshoe stayed even with tournament runner-up Hereford until late, dropping a 46-39 decision in Friday's championship semifinals.

Megan Tipps led Muleshoe with 11 points while post Tommie Hernandez added nine points inside.

Muleshoe 9th (39) — Tipps 11, Alanis 4, Torres 5, Heathington 8, Scott 2, Hernandez 9, Parker, Flores. Totals 16 6-17 39. 3-pointers: Heathington.

Hereford JV (46) — Perrin 12, Bailey 2, Martin 9, Hill 5, Schlabs 2, Chavez 11, Fangman 5. Totals 15 15-30 46. 3-pointers: Perrin.

Muleshoe	11	6	11	11	39
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Hereford	14	9	11	12	46
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Muleshoe JV39

Hereford 9th19

Ellen Wood led three Lady Mules in double figures with 11 points as Muleshoe rolled to a 39-19 win against the Hereford freshmen.

Lynsie Black and Kayla Johnson added 10 points each for Muleshoe, which doubled a 10-point halftime lead by outscoring Hereford 15-5 in the third quarter.

Muleshoe JV (39) — Black 10, Johnson 10, Hancock 2, Locker 3, Wood 12, Whitt 2, Benham, Adrian, Toscano. 3-pointers: Locker.

Hereford 9th (19) — Bullard 2, Brinkham 2, Fry 2, Perez 6, Schumacher 1, Crenshaw 6. Totals 8 3-6 19. 3-pointers: none.

Muleshoe	10	8	15	6	39
Hereford	2	6	5	6	19

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OBITUARIES

STEPHANIE MUNIZ

Stephanie Muniz, 14, of Sudan died Dec. 5, 1997 at her home.

Memorial services were held Dec. 8 at Sudan Cemetery with Rev. Clarence Huber of Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Littlefield officiating.

Stephanie was born Feb. 13, 1983 in Amherst. She was an eighth grade student in the Sudan schools. She had Leukemia for the past several years.

Survivors include her mother Margarita Muniz of Sudan, sisters, Angelica and Victoria Muniz of Sudan; brothers, Sammy Muniz of Dallas and Benny Muniz of Sudan.

CARY PURDY

Cary Purdy, 48, of Boynton Beach, Fla. died Dec. 6, 1997 at Bethesda Hospital in Boynton Beach.

Memorial services were Dec. 10, at First Baptist Church in Muleshoe with Pastor Stacy Conner officiating.

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

Purdy was born Oct. 15,

1949 in Littlefield. He married Deborah Lewis on Dec. 21, 1987 in Muleshoe. Purdy had lived in Boynton Beach, Fla. for nine years, moving from St. Louis, MO. He was a Baptist and worked as a chef.

Survivors include his wife Deborah, parents John and Frances Purdy of Muleshoe; brother, Bruce Purdy of Muleshoe; and three nephews.

The family request memorials be made to the American Heart Association, 3403 73rd St., Lubbock, TX 79423 or to the American Cancer Society at 3411 73rd St., Lubbock, TX 79423.

JOHN L. SEATON

John L. Seaton, 74, of Muleshoe died Dec. 7, 1997 at Muleshoe Area Health Care Center.

Memorial services were held Dec. 10, at First United Methodist Church with Rev. officiating.

Burial followed at Lazbuddie Cemetery under the direc-

tion of Ellis Funeral Home.

Seaton was born Nov. 5, 1923 in Pottawatomie County, Okla. He married Novalene Rink on Oct. 6, 1943 in West Camp of Bailey County. She

preceded Seaton in death on Oct. 26, 1996.

Seaton moved to Muleshoe in 1928 moving from Pottawatomie County, Okla. He was a farmer and a member of the First United Methodist Church in Muleshoe.

Survivors include daughters, Jackie Scoggin of Muleshoe, Johnee Clark of Mauriceville, Tex., Olena Gerhardt of Hous-

ton; sister, Laura Marsh of Texline, Tex.; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The family request that memorials be sent to Meals on

Wheels in Muleshoe, Bailey County Courthouse, 300 South First in care of Berta Combs.

CAROL SMITH

Carol Smith, 63, of Earth died Dec. 6, 1997 in Earth.

Memorial services were held Dec. 10, 1997 at First Baptist Church in Springlake with Rev. Stacy Conner officiating.

Burial followed in Earth Memorial Cemetery under the

direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral home.

Smith was born May 30, 1934 in Dimmitt. She married Roney Smith in 1954 in Earth.

He preceded his wife in death in 1974.

Smith had lived in Earth since 1954 moving from Lazbuddie. She worked as a clerk at City Hall. She was a member of Springlake Baptist Church.


Survivors include daughter Terri Smith of Earth; sister, Mitzi Tompkins of Dallas; brothers, Jimmy Ivy of Dallas, Ronald Ivy of Dimmitt.

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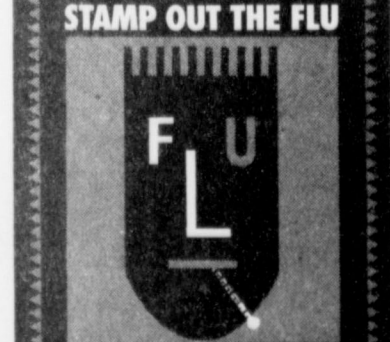


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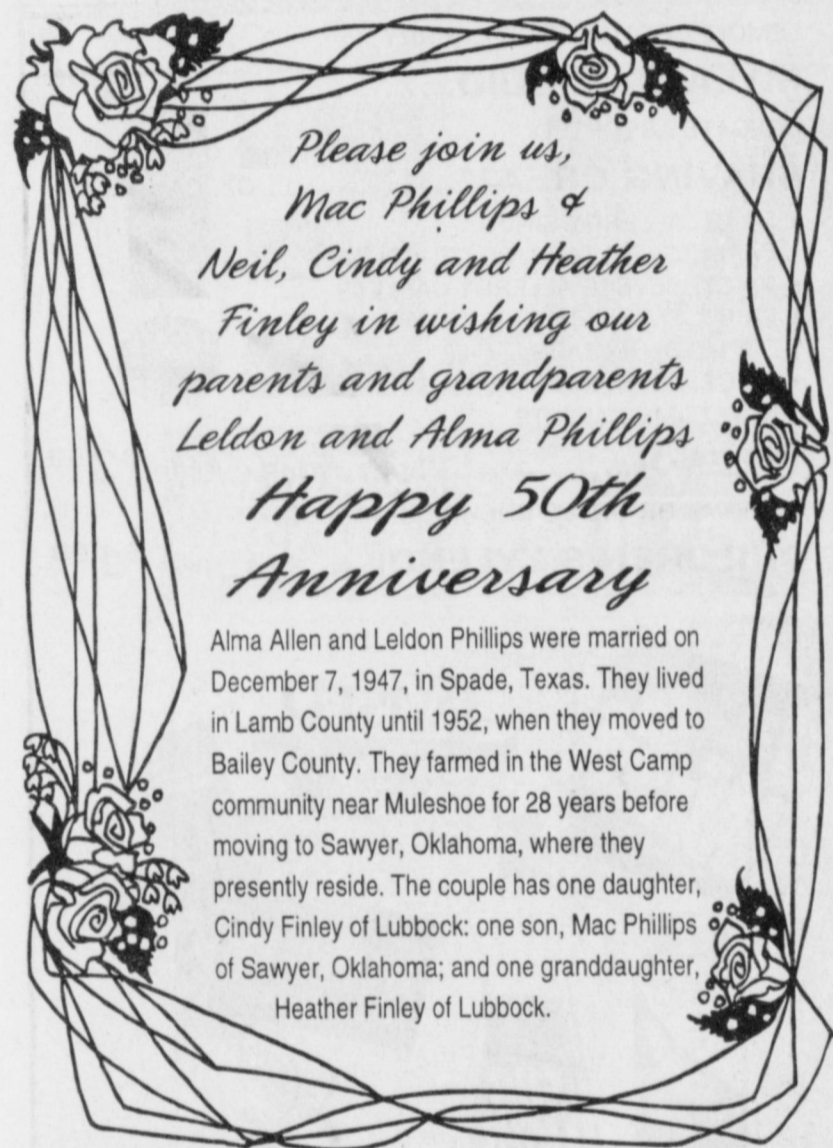
Commissioner Bennie Claunch suggested that in order to make the temporary appointment fair, everyone in the county must have the opportunity to apply for the job.

The other commissioners agreed and decided to call a meeting for this specific purpose to be held at 10 a.m., Monday, Dec. 19, at the Bailey County Courthouse.

Anyone interested in serving the remainder of Downing's unexpired term is encouraged to attend the meeting.

For more information on the position, contact Judge Marilyn Cox at the Bailey County Courthouse or call 272-3077.

The commissioner's appointee for County Clerk will serve until Dec. 31, 1998. Bailey County voters will be casting ballots for the new County Clerk in the general election on Nov. 3, 1998.



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Alma Allen and Leldon Phillips were married on December 7, 1947, in Spade, Texas. They lived in Lamb County until 1952, when they moved to Bailey County. They farmed in the West Camp community near Muleshoe for 28 years before moving to Sawyer, Oklahoma, where they presently reside. The couple has one daughter, Cindy Finley of Lubbock; one son, Mac Phillips of Sawyer, Oklahoma; and one granddaughter, Heather Finley of Lubbock.


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FOR SALE

1995 Chevy Cheyenne short bed pickup. Tilt, cruise, air, auto., 4.3 Vortec engine, silver color. Under 13,000 miles. Very sharp! \$14,000 (505) 356-5509 45t-1tnc

1994 GMC SLE extended cab with short bed. 350, V-8, automatic, tilt, air, cruise, power windows and lock. \$14,000. (505) 356-5509. 45t-1tnc

Console/ Spinet Piano for sale. Take on small payments. See locally. 1-800-343-6494. 50s-2tptd

HELP WANTED

Caprock Feeders, to ship fat cattle. Would be on call employee, paid by head ship, need horses in tack. For more information call Brian 225-4400 ext. 30. 49t-2tc

Wanted truck drivers, some experience, CDL require, be home most everynight. (915) 758-9855. 49t-5tc

MOBILE HOMES

16 X60 Skyline mobile home 2 brm, 2 bath. Needs to be moved. Air conditioning and heat included, take over payments. 965-2967.46t-1tc.

FOR SALE

ATTENTION!
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MOBILE HOMES

BANK LIQUIDATION ALMOST NEW 4 BEDROOM 3 BATH ONLY \$53,500. NO SALES TAX, ALL OPTIONS INCLUDE, AC, SKIRTING UNDER \$500 PER MONTH. SEE AT PORTALES HOMES # 2 IN CLOVIS 505-762-3488 (3500 Mabry Dr.) DL. 772. Se Habla Espanol

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RICHLAND HILLS

3-3-1 Brick, cent. Heat, Evap. Air, built-ins, 2000' + lv. area, fenced yd., stor. bldg. MORE!! \$60K !!! RH-2

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HIGHLAND AREA

3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, gas log FP, fenced yd., stor. bldg., MORE!! Price Reduced!! HL-5

2-1-1 Home, vinyl siding, wall furnace heat, fenced yd. \$17,000!!! HL-1

LENAU - COUNTRY CLUB AREA

2-1-1 Carport Home, wall furnace, nice carpet, storm shelter, stor. bldg., fenced yd. \$20's!!! CC-3

NICE 3-2-1 Home Bldg. Heat pump, DW, nice carpet, fans, fenced yd. More!! \$30's!!!

2-1-1 Home, Cent. Heat, built-ins, Hardwood floors! \$19,500!! L-3

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Commercial Bldg. & Lot, Approx. 1790' area, Numerous uses!! \$22K!!!

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BUSINESS FOR SALE-SNACK SHACK - Lot, Buildings, furniture, and fixtures!!!!

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CHUCK TENDER
- ROAST OR STEAK**.....LB **\$1.69**
- BEEF BONELESS
- ARM ROAST**.....LB **\$1.59**
- JUMBO PACK CHICKEN
- DRUMSTICKS OR THIGHS**.....LB **59¢**
- SELECT SLICED
- BEEF LIVER**.....LB **\$1.09**
- BEEF
- OX TAILS**.....LB **\$2.29**
- DECKER
- MEAT BOLOGNA**.....12 OZ. PKG **89¢**
- YOUR CHOICE DECKER BEEF
- FRANKS OR BOLOGNA**.....12 OZ. PKG **\$1.39**
- DECKER
- COOKED HAM**.....10 OZ. PKG **\$2.29**
- DECKER
- COTTO SALAMI**.....12 OZ. PKG **\$1.39**
- WILSON REGULAR OR POLISH
- SMOKED SAUSAGE**.....1 LB. PKG **\$1.69**
- DECKER MEAT
- CORN DOGS**.....1 LB. PKGS **2/\$3**
- DECKER REGULAR, MESQUITE,
OR MAPLE
- SLICED BACON**.....12 OZ. PKG **\$1.19**
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- WHOLE HAMS**.....LB **\$1.79**
- CORN KING BONELESS
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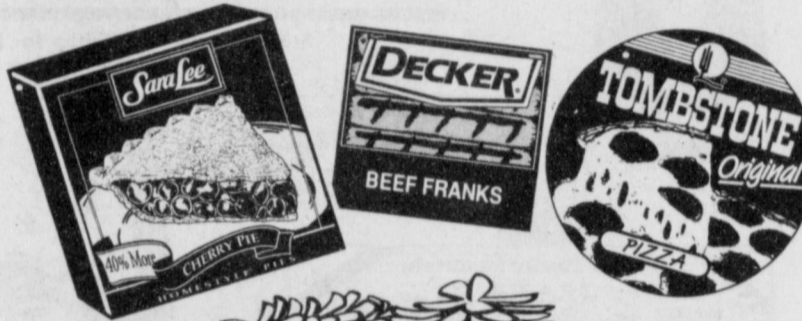
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- CIDER OR JUICE**.....64 OZ. PLASTIC BTL **99¢**

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- TOMATOES**.....4 CT. **99¢**
- CRISPY
- CARROTS**.....1 LB. PKGS **4/\$1**
- CELLO WRAPPED
- LETTUCE**.....HEAD **69¢**
- GREEN SKIN
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- PIZZA**20.5-23.6 OZ. PKGS **2/\$6**
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- HOMESTYLE PIES**.....37-40 OZ. PKGS **2/\$5**
- SHURFINE
- SOUR CREAM**.....1/2 PINT **69¢**
- SHURFINE
- MARGARINE QUARTERS**...16 OZ. PKGS **3/\$1**
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- ASSORTED
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- ASSORTED
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LIGHT/DIET/REGULAR
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- BLUE BELL**
- ICE CREAM**.....1/2 GAL. **2/\$5**



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ONION TRISCUIT THIN CRISPS • 7-8 OZ. RITZ/CHEESE
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- COLGATE ASSORTED
- SHAVING CREAM**.....11 OZ. CAN **89¢**
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- TYLENOL**.....YOUR CHOICE **\$3.59**
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- CHILDREN'S TYLENOL**.....30 CT. PKG **\$1.99**



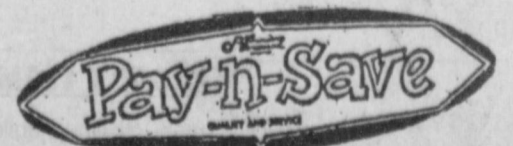
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- DR. PEPPER**.....ALL TYPES **2/\$3**
- REGULAR, REDUCED FAT, LOW SALT,
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- RITZ CRACKERS**...14.5-16 OZ. BOXES **2/\$5**
- SHURFINE
- VEGETABLE SHORTENING**....3 LB. CANS **2/\$3**
- BETTY CROCKER ASSORTED TUNA OR
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- DISH DETERGENT
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- 83-87 OZ. BOX POWDER
100 OZ. LIQUID ULTRA
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- WISK DETERGENT**.....YOUR CHOICE **\$4.99**
- REG./FAT FREE/LIGHT WISH-BONE
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