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City Council approves early retirement plan

By TERESA STONE Journal staff writer

Muleshoe City Council members Monday decided not to establish an official extension policy for utility payments.

The policy would have set specific guidelines, procedures and fines for the customer and the city in case of delinquent payments.

City Manager James Fisher said he has received several requests for an extension policy, however he would prefer to continue working with the people on a case by case basis, instead of adopting a formal ordinance.

Fisher stated in Monday's City Council meeting that the proposed ordinance would actually be less flexible for the city and its customers. The policy would tie the city's hands in granting extensions under extenuating circumstances, he

Fisher reassured the Council that if a family is experiencing a financial setback or an emergency, the city does everything to work with them. Muleshoe residents can seek assistance from the South Plains Community Action Program when they have funds available, said Fisher.

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DESHAZO DUET



Shayla Hall (left) and Bianca Gonzales sing Jingle Bells as part of a Christmas performance by DeShazo third-graders Monday. The students performed several Christmas classics for the DeShazo PTA.

ELECTIONS '98



Jack Bates

Bates seeks

Jack Bates has announced his intentions to seek reelection for Precinct 1 Justice of

of the Peace for 15 years and has 330 hours of school train-

He has lived in Bailey County for 70 years and farmed for years in the Fairview community.

Peggy Fried of Muleshoe

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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

Early Christmas deadlines

Due to the Christmas holidays, advertising deadlines for next week's Muleshoe and Bailey Journals have been moved up.

The deadline for the Thursday, Dec. 25 edition of the Muleshoe Journal will at noon, Monday, Dec. 22. Thursday's edition will be printed a day early and distributed Tuesday

The deadline for the Sunday, Dec. 28 edition of the Bailey County Journal will be at noon, Wednesday, Dec. 23.

The paper will be printed and distributed on its regular schedule.

The Journal regrets any inconvenience the early deadlines might cause.

Revised hydrologic maps available

To keep area residents informed of ground water availability, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 in Lubbock has just published its hydrologic atlas series, which has been updated to reflect 1995 ground water conditions.

Atlases are now available for Lynn, and Parmer Counties, as well as the parts of Armstrong, Castro, Crosby, Deaf Smith, Floyd, Hockley, Lamb, Potter, and Randall Counties lying within the Water District boundaries.

"The hydrologic atlases have been updated every five years since their

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second time in less than a

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Muleshoe plays at Portales

Friday before taking a nine-

day Christmas break.

I-27 Tournament.

least four points.

original publication in 1981. We have revised the 1990 atlases to include new water-table elevation and saturated thickness maps depicting ground water conditions as of 1995. This revision helps enhance the estimation of ground water availability within each of the counties served by Bailey, Cochran, Hale, Lubbock, the Water District," said Don determine how deep they need to McReynolds, technical division direc-

> Each hydrologic atlas features a specific county and contains maps depicting the elevation of the land surface, the elevation of the base of the Ogallala Formation, the elevation of the water table, and the saturated

thickness of the Ogallala Formation within the county. The atlas packet also contains an informative booklet discussing the Ogallala Formation and an explaination of how to use the maps contained in the atlas.

By reviewing the information contained in the maps, irrigators can drill to reach water and how deep they would have to go to complete a well to the bottom of the water-bearing formation.

To update the original maps, technical division personnel used

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LOOKING AHEAD

Lady Mules open district Friday

Off to a 7-5 start, the Muleshoe Lady Mules open their 1997-98 District 1-3A season Friday by hosting Sanford-Fritch at the Watson Junior High School gym.

The junior varsity game is scheduled to start at 6:30 p.m. and the varsity game at approximately 8 p.m.



LETTERS TO SANTA WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE NEXT TWO EDITIONS OF THE MULESHOE JOURNAL.

LOCAL WEATHER

	High	low	Pre.		
Friday	40	16	_		
Saturday	52	13	_		
Sunday	67	19	_		
Monday	70	20	-		
Total to date	21.	21.16 inches			

EXTENDED FORECAST

Partly cloudy Thursday and Friday with lows in the 20s, highs in the mid 50s. Saturday, colder with a chance of rain and snow, lows in the mid to upper 20s. Highs in the upper

KMUL radio celebrating Mules 40 years of Spanish music swat

When Noe Anzaldua moved to Muleshoe 40 years ago, he never would have imagined that he would soon be launching a radio broadcasting career.

Soon after his arrival into town, Anzaldua was asked to translate and record a commercial in Spanish for the local radio station KMUL.

"I had never made a spot before, never even held a microphone close," said Anzaldua, who admitted that at first he was reluctant but after almost two weeks station owner Gilbert Lamb finally convinced him to give it a shot.

After the commercial was completed, Lamb asked Anzaldua to host a 30-minute radio show in Spanish every Saturday and Sunday.

The show was the beginning of Spanish broadcasting in Muleshoe. With the increasing number of Spanish speaking residents, the demand for more air time was soon apparent. Quickly, Anzaldua's airtime increased.

Then in 1992 when Anzaldua took over as general manager of KMUL, the station changed its format to continuous

radio, Anzaldua realizes that many things

Spanish broadcasting. Looking back on the last 40 years in

have changed.

"First we used 78s, then 33s and 45s, to cassettes and now CDs which make programming much easier."

Another major change in the radio business, Anzaldua said, is that the big bands no longer give live shows from the stations like they used to do.

Anzaldua looks back fondly on his

"I have really enjoyed meeting the people and the opportunity that the radio station has given me to help people in the community."

Helping people has always been a priority for Anzaldua. Many times he has rallied support from the KMUL listeners to help local families in need.

To celebrate his 40th anniversary with KMUL, Anzaldua is once more doing something for the community.

He is trying to assure that all local children will have at least one present this Christmas by sponsoring the local Toy Give-away, Sunday afternoon at Back Stage West.

Also during the celebration, the station will hold a drawing for cash prizes and turkeys, and has organized a dance scheduled for the evening.



reelection

the Peace in Bailey County. Bates has served as Justice

He is married to the former

Harrison **County Clerk** candidate



Sherri Bessire Harrison

Sherri Bessire Harrison of Muleshoe has announced her candidacy for the office of Bailey County Clerk.

Harrison, a native and life long resident of the Muleshoe area, graduated from Muleshoe High School and attended Texas Tech University for 2 1/ 2 years. She also graduated from The Sterling Legal Assistant School in Phoenix, Ariz.

In 1992, Harrison returned to Muleshoe and began working as a legal assistant for Attorney Gordon Green. In 1994, she became a certified legal assistant after passing a nationally recognized exam.

"I think my legal background and working with the County Clerk's office will be beneficial in serving the public," said Harrison, who is a member of the West Texas Association of Legal Assis-

Harrison and her husband Alan have two children, Shelbi and Conner. Both the Bessire and the Harrison families are long time residents of Bailey County and the Muleshoe area.

AROUND MULESHOE

Local church performs Christmas play Team ropers wanted by MHS club

The First Assembly of God will be performing their Christmas play, "The Visit" at 7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 20, and Sunday, sponsoring a Team Roping at Dusty Rhodes Arena on January Dec. 21. Everyone is invited to come.

KMUL hosts "La original" give-away

In honor of Noe Anzaldua's 40th anniversary with KMUL, the local Hispanic radio station is hosting a toy give-away, a drawing and a dance on Sunday, Dec. 21 at Backstage West.

The Toy Give-Away will be held from noon to 3 p.m. Parents are asked to accompany their own children. Refresh- semester have been announced by South Plains College. ments and food will be available. A pinata, filled with candy, will also be part of the celebration. Anyone wishing to donate day and evening registration. For the Lubbock campus, registoys can contact the station at 272-4273.

registering at local merchants. First prize is \$250, second prize 24. \$150, and third prize is \$100.

The dance will be held from 7 p.m. to midnight. Los Rieleros campuses. Classes at the Reese Center begin Feb. 25. Del Norte and Corazones Del Norte will be playing.

The Muleshoe High School DECA Chapter is interested in 17, 1998. The students would like to hear from anyone interested in this event. For more information contact Michael Thompson at 806-965-2382, Josh McElroy at 806-272-3902, or John Paul Bustillos at 272-5729.

SPC sets spring registration dates

LEVELLAND — Registration dates for the spring 1998

The registration date for the Levelland campus is Jan 15, for tration is Jan. 14 for returning students, and Jan. 15 for new Area residents can enter the drawing to be held Dec. 21, by students. Sign-up for the Reese Center in Lubbock is Feb. 23-

Classes will begin Jan 20 at the Levelland and Lubbock

To get an announcement placed in Around Muleshoe call 272-4536. Deadlines are Monday and Thursday by 5 p.m. The Journal reserves the right to edit for content and space.

CITY

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Council members agreed the public would be better served by handling each case individually, therefore no action was taken on the proposed ordinance.

Also Monday, the council adopted an early retirement policy for city employees vested in the retirement system and retiring before age sixty

City employees are vested after 10 years of full-time service. Anyone over age 60, who

has worked for the city fulltime for at least 10 years, is eligible for early retirement. Anyone with at least 25 years

of service, can retire at any age. The city's new policy makes available to early retirees, group health insurance for a period of 18 months from the date of retirement.

The policy makes the insurance available to the retiree at their expense. The city does not pay any portion of the insurance cost.

In other business Monday,

cently retired Director of Public Works Cleve Bland as a con-

Bland's services as a certified inspector for pest control, water, waste water, solid waste, plumbing and building are needed by the city since no other city employee is qualified to perform the inspections.

Bland's contract with the city will span over 18 months, which is the anticipated time to fully train and certify other city workers.

Also during Monday's the council agreed to retain re- meeting, Fisher was granted

authorization to solicit bids for group health insurance.

Fisher told the council that he is concerned over the cost and quality of service provided by the city's current insurance company. Therefore, he would like to seek out other companies that could better serve the city employees.

Prior to adjournment, Councilmen Larry Kirk requested that the issue of personal property tax be on January's agenda for discussion due to increased concern expressed by constituents over the tax rate.



Public Television

Christmas at St. Claf

The world-renowned choirs of Minnesota's St. Olaf College raise their voices this holiday season in Christmas at St. Olaf, a new one-hour special. The annual St. Olaf Christmas Festival was named "one of the 10 Christmas events in the U.S. not to be missed" by the New York Times. The four-day observance during the first week of December attracts an audience of more than 15,000 people to Northfield, Minnesota.

The college's 450-voice choir and 100-member orchestra performs a rich repertoire of classic Christmas compositions, along with familiar Yuletide carols and Scandinavian songs sung in the original language.

Christmas at St. Olaf will be broadcast Wednesday, December 24th at 8:00 p.m. It repeats Thursday, December 25th at 12:00 p.m.

Merry Christmas, George Bailey

The 1997 Christmas season marks the end of the year-long 50th anniversary celebration of "It's a Wonderful Life," Frank Capra's warm and inspirational family film classic. Sadly, it is also a year in which we pay final tribute to James Stewart, the great star of the film and the most beloved of Hollywood's leading men.

Merry Christmas, George Bailey is a unique one-hour "concert" version of "It's a Wonderful Life," using a Lux Radio Theater script originally broadcast on the CBS radio network in 1947, with James Stewart, Donna Reed, and Lionel Barrymore recreating their famous

Following in the tradition of Lux Radio Theater, a legendary weekly radio drama of the 1930s and 40s, Merry Christmas, George Bailey enlists today's top Hollywood stars in its dramatization of this classic holiday story: Bill Pullman (George Bailey), Hume Cronyn (Mr. Potter), Sally Field (narrator and George Bailey's mother), Nathan Lane (Clarence the Angel), Charles Durning (Uncle Billy), Chris Farley (bridge keeper), Hal Holbrook (George Bailey's father), Martin Landau (Mr. Gower), Edward James Olmos (Mr. Martini), Joe Mantegna (Nick), and Christian Slater (Harry Bailey and Sam Wainright).

Rhea Perlman plays dual roles as Mary's nosy mother and George's Aunt Tilly; Richard Dreyfus stands in for the original radio host, Cecil B. DeMille, and four popular child actors, including Kirsten Dunst and Jonathan Taylor Thomas, portray the Bailey children.

The condensed radio drama will be taped live on December 8th, 1997. in the historic Pasadena Playhouse. The all-star cast will be arrayed in chairs at the back of the stage, stepping forward to the vintage radio microphones to perform their scenes.

Merry Christmas, George Bailey will be broadcast Thursday, December 25th at 11:00 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. on KENW-TV.

Channel 3 Television from Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, New Mexico

Peace officier training course offered at SPC

A Basic Peace Officer \$392. course begins Jan. 20 at South Plains College. Registration all persons wishing to become traffic law, professionalism and deadline is Jan. 16.

days, Tuesdays and Wednes- tion on the US Constitution tact the SPS Law Enforcement days evenings through May 11 and Bill of Rights, Code of Office at 806-894-9611, ext. at SPC in Levelland. Cost is Criminal Procedures, use of 2291

The course is designed for commissioned peace officers. The course will meet Mon- Topics will include informa-

force, mechanics of arrest, firearms, emergency medical care, ethics and the penal code.

For more information con-

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

425 cattle, 244 hogs, 166 sheep and goats. Market fully steady on all classes of cattle, with stronger demand on stocker strs and Packer cows & Bulls 100 higher. We will have one more sale this year, December 20th. There will be NO SALE Dec. 27th. First Sale of 1998 will be January 3rd. So, mark your calendars. We would also like to thank all of our customers for their patronage, and we wish everybody a Merry Christmas

and a Happy New Year.

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

SATURDAY, DEC. 13, 1997

FOR INFORMATION ON SALES OR TO CONSIGN CATTLE, CALL (806) 272-4201

Seller, City	#	Туре	Wt.	CWT	or PH	1
Jason Jesko, Muleshoe	5 C	har Strs	187 11	os. at	\$122.00	
F.G. Tompkins, Ft. Sumner	BW	F Str	235	lbs. a	\$99.00	
Carroll Black, Muleshoe	BW	F Str	275	lbs. a	t \$96.00	1
Trina Johnson, Littlefield	Blk	Bull	360	lbs. a	t \$90.00	
Antonio Lopez, Muleshoe	Hol	Str	370	lbs. a	t \$60.00	
J.V. Stancell, Muleshoe	3 M	xd Bulls	480	lbs. a	t \$84.00	
ACU, Morton	4 M	xd Strs	454	lbs. a	t \$89.00	
Knox Cortese, Ft. Sumner	Bro	wn Str	475	lbs. a	t \$81.00	
Luis Sotelo, Clovis, NM	Blk	Str	500	lbs. a	t \$85.00	
Alma Rodriquez, Bula	Lim	o Str	510	lbs. a	t \$87.50	
Paul McKinney, Wolfforth	.2 M	xd Strs	670	lbs. a	t \$74.00	
KP Farms, Lubbock	.3 M	xd Hfrs	362	lbs. a	t \$73.00	
Kasey Whatley, Muleshoe	.Cha	ar Hfr	435	lbs. a	t \$77.00	
Joe Brown, Lubbock	.2 R	ed Hfrs	490	lbs. a	t \$72.00	
Felix Hipolito, Plainview	.Bra	ng Hfr	705	lbs. a	t \$65.75	
Randy Johnson, Muleshoe						
Moss Ranch, Lubbock	.Blk	Cow P5			\$525.00	
Bobbie Williams, Shallowater	.RW	F Cow P5			\$400.00	
Joe Wheeler, Muleshoe	.Blk	Cow	1470	lbs. a	t \$37.75	
Moss Ranck, Lubbock						
J.V. Stancell, Muleshoe						
Don Bandy, Bovina	.2 N	xd Cows	1200	lbs. a	t \$35.25	
Diamond Y Cattle, Muleshoe	.Lim	o Cow	1170	lbs. a	t \$36.00	
Jack Douglas, Littlefield	.Bra	ng Cow	1155	lbs. a	t \$34.00	1
Jennings Bros., Muleshoe						
Alfredo Soto, Farwell	.WF	Bull	1000	lbs. a	t \$50.00	1
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ster District service area may obtain Kids Eat Free

The Holiday Season is upon us. Shopping consumes much of our time and money. We can't give you more time, but we want to free up some of your money. For the entire month of December, we are going to feed your kids for free. How can you beat a deal like that? Children twelve and under are invited to come to Leal's and order any item off the children's menu, and we'll pick up the tab. Just another way to show you our appreciation for your loyal support over the past forty years. Happy Holidays!

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Drinks not included.

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How do you know it's CHRISTMAS?

So, How do you know it's Christmas?

'Cause the sheep can always tell.

They follow a little tradition and have for quit a spell. On Christmas Eve around midnight, the sheep, wherever they

All rise in quiet unison and fixate on a star.

And from their stirring comes a sound, a chuckling Tra, La, La That weaves and builds itself into a soft melodious BAA

Which carries like a dove's lament when nights are very still As if they're calling for someone beyond a yonder hill.

The legend herders passed on down attributes this tradition

To one late night in Bethleham. A heavenly petition Wherein a host of angels came and lured them with a song.

The herder's left in haste, they say, and stayed gone all night

Well sheep don't do too well alone. They've never compre-

State cotton production increases by 22 percent

AUSTIN — Texas Upland ber," State Statistician Dennis cotton production for 1997 is Findley reported. expected to total 5.3 million according to figures released by Texas Agricultural Statistics Service. This estimate is 2 percent less than the Nov. 1 with 509 pounds last year. forecast.

"Except for some weather delays about mid-month, harvest made significant progress on the Plains during Novem- ules developed at gin yards.

bales, 22 percent above 1996, is estimated at 5.3 million acres, 29 percent more than last year. Yield is expected to average 489 pounds is 61 pounds less 480 pounds per acre compared than a year ago.

> pleted in North Texas. On the Plains harvest made good progress and backlogs of mod-

Production on the Southern from a year ago. High Plains is estimated to tocent more the previous year's production. Average yield at

The Northern High Plains Harvest was almost com- crop, estimated at 750 thousand bales, is 8 percent less than last year. In the Low Plains, production is estimated at 690 thousand bales, up 62 percent

United States Upland cot-Statewide harvested acreage tal 2.75 million bales, 23 per- ton production is expected to total 18.83 million bales, down 1 percent from last year.

> Yield is expected to average 665 pounds per acre compared with 701 pounds in 1996. Harvested acreage is estimated at 13.2 million acres, 5 percent more than a year ago.

Have a nice day



hended that on that night they waited up, the world was upended.

So now when daylight shortens up nights get long and cold I make my check at midnight like we've done since days of old

And if I find the flock intent and standing all around I listen for the heavenly host above their throaty sound And scan the dim horizon in an effort to discern

The sign the sheep are seeking, that their shepherds will return.

And I am but a watchman in this drama that replays Around the earth this time of year, and so I stand and

And though I see no special star or hear no sweet noel. I know it must be Christmas, 'cause the sheep can always tell.

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ters and incidents into a breathtaking novel about early Texas. Available at The Muleshoe Journal, 304 W. 2nd St., Muleshoe, TX, 79347 • 272-4536.

MAPS

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water-level measurement data taken in the Water District's network of 1,209 privately-owned water wells, as well as supplemental measurements in other wells.

For the updated 1995 maps, wells were measured at a density of one well per one square mile whenever possible.

Persons residing in/or owning land within the High Plains Water District service area may obtain copies of the 1995 hydrologic atlases free of charge from the Water District office in Lubbock.

Anyone residing outside of the Water District may purchase the atlases for \$5 each (plus postage and handling) by contacting the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, 2930 Ave. Q, Lubbock, TX 79405-1499, or by calling (806) 792-0181.

Sixty Texas counties have Christmas tree farms where buyers can

choose and cut their own trees. When a tree is harvested, another is

planted in its place. While growing, one acre of Christmas trees can produce enough oxygen for 18 people. Texas Christmas tree farms host

approximately 640,000 tourists year round, and generate

Real trees make scents

nearly \$400,000 in sales tax revenues yearly.

Give your tree a little "tender loving care"

bleach and one cup of water. This reduces the growth of micro-organisms that can block the tree's

Make a fresh cut at the base of the trunk at least one-half inch or more above the original.

Place the tree immediately in a sturdy stand that

Check your tree stand daily and replenish the water supply. A tree may drink as much as a gallon

Recycle. Check your local newspaper for recycling

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, and Texas Christmas Tree Growers Association.

For the Texas Christmas tree farm nearest you on the Internet:

locations and let your tree continue to keep ou

http://agrinet.tamu.edu/forest/x-mas.html

ability to absorb water

environment beautiful.

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#76297A

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#76116A Reg. \$20,995 Sale Price

95 CHEVY 1/2 TON PICKUP

Ext. Cab 4X4

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Thursday, Dec. 18, 1997

Muleshoe stumbles in tournament finale

ABERNATHY — Muleshoe finally paid the price for a mediocre performance against a lesser opponent.

Aaron Coy knocked down a trio of 3-pointers in the fourth quarter and scored 23 points Saturday as Lubbock Cooper held off Muleshoe 54-52 in the fifth-place game of the I-27 Tournament.

"We had our heads in the clouds," said Muleshoe coach Ralph Mason, extremely disappointed in his team's effort Saturday.

Two days earlier, Muleshoe took eventual tournament champion and District 1-3A rival Tulia to overtime before suffering a two-point loss at the buzzer.

Mason has been grasping for answers why his playoffcaliber team is still prone to play down to the caliber of its opponents.

Cooper (7-5) outscored Muleshoe 19-9 in the second quarter and never trailed. Coy, Davis Jones (17 points) and Shane Shuttlesworth (11 points) combined for all of the Pirates' points in the quarter.

Muleshoe (11-3) picked up its defensive intensity in the

BASKETBALL

I--27 Tournament

BOYS Friday

Consaoltion quarterfinals

Trinity Christian 76, Nazareth 66 Hale Center 82, Crane 39 Happy 62, Colorado 56 Abernathy 59, Shallowater 49 Championship semifinals Tulia 47, Slaton 33 LCHS 60, Whiteface 53

Fifth place semifinals Muleshoe 66, Idalou 56 Cooper 74, Littlefield 68 OT Saturday

Guarantee games Nazareth 71, Colorado City 39 Consolation semifinals

Trinity Christian 71, Happy 62 Hale Center vs Abernathy (n) Consolation final Hale Center 72, Trintiy Christ. 65

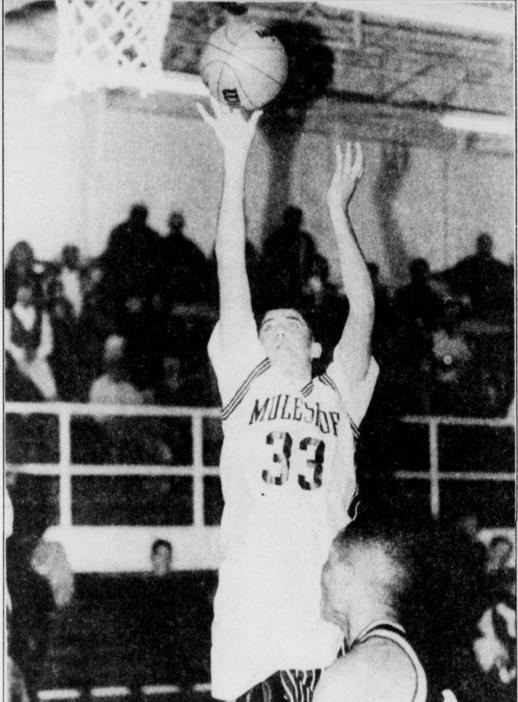
Fifth place Cooper 54, Muleshoe 52

Third place Whiteface 80, Slaton 72 Championship Tulia 58, LCHS 49 OT

second half, but couldn't overcome a poor shooting night, Mason said. Muleshoe shot just 34 percent from the field.

Dustin Cleavinger led Muleshoe with 16 points and Bret Clements added 10.

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Smooth sophomore

Muleshoe sophomore Bret Clements shoots over a Tulia defender during Thursday's second round game in the I-27 Tournament in Abernathy.

> We will close Dec. 24 at 4 p.m.!

We're closed

Gerber, 3-pointers power Nazareth **past MHS 62-40**

NAZARETH - A swift start doomed Muleshoe the first time the teams met.

A fast finish foiled Muleshoe's chances in the second meeting.

Powered by a 24-point fourth quarter, Nazareth beat Muleshoe 62-40 Monday.

Junior post Erin Wilhite led Muleshoe (7-5) with 15 points and senior Any Locker finished with 10.

K'Lynn Gerber led Nazareth (10-3) with 18 points. Freshman Shawna Gerber and Cassie Birkenfeld added 11 points each.

Nazareth beat the Lady Mules 62-38 in the semifinals of the Canyon Classic earlier this month, by jumping out to a 27-14 first-quarter lead.

Monday, the Lady Swifts outscored Muleshoe 24-8 in the fourth quarter.

"We played so well for so long," Muleshoe coach Jim Gruhlkey said. "But they came out and hit a couple of quick 3-pointers and it was all downhill from there."

Nazareth connected on four of its seven 3pointers in the final eight minutes.

In the junior varsity game, Nazareth beat the Lady Mules 52-35.

Lynsie Black led Muleshoe with 13 points and Ellen Wood added seven.

Muleshoe (40) - Myers 1 0-0 2, Field 1 5-8 7, Whitt 0 0-10, Copley 00-00, Morris 00-00, Hooten 00-00, Locker 5 0-0 10, Williams 3 0-0 6, Benham 0 0-0 0, Wilhite 6 2-3 15. Totals 15 7-11 40. 3-pointers: Wilhite.

Nazareth (40) — Birkenfeld 5 0-2 11, S. gerber 3 4-5 11, Shulte 1 0-0 2, Wethington 1 0-0 3, K. Gerber 8 1-1 18, Hoelting 2 3-4 7, Pohlmeier 3 0-0 9. Totals 23 8-12 62. 3pointers: Pohlmeier 3, S. Gerber, K. Gerber, Birkenfeld, Wethington.

Muleshoe Nazareth

15 8 9 8 9 13 16 24

Farwell beats fading 'Horns in title game

FARWELL —Playing four games in six days caught up with Lazbuddie.

Ryan Roberts scored 20 points and Mark Lunsford added 12 points as Farwell beat leg weary Lazbuddie 56-46 in Saturday's championship game of the Farwell Invitational Tournament.

Because of an extended run in the six-man state football playoffs, Lazbuddie had just two days of practice and one game to prepare for the Farwell Tournament.

Lazbuddie coach Phil Warren said the lack of basketball conditioning and practice started showing in the second half.

"We just didn't have the legs," Warren said.

Chris Smith led Lazbuddie (3-1) with 15 points and Jason Thomas added 11 points.

"We just didn't shoot the ball well and Farwell did a good job of keeping us off the boards," Warren said.

BASKETBALL

Farwell Tournament

at Farwell HS BOYS Friday

Championship semifinals

17 91811 55 **FRIONA** LAZBUDDIE 15131516 59

Leading scorers — Friona: Daniel 18, King 11. Lazbuddie:: Morris 20, Thomas 18. Farwell 66, Elida 56

Consolation semifinals Grady, N.M. 89, Dora 72 Texico 80, Melrose 31

Saturday Seventh place Dora 65, Melrose 42 Fifth place

Texico 58, Grady 55 Third place Friona 76, Elida 70 Championship

LAZBUDDIE 8101711 46 14141315 56 FARWELL

Smith 16, Thomas 11. Farwell: Roberts 20, Lunsford 11. **GIRLS** Friday

Championship semifinals Farwell 62, Texico 2 Friona 46, Dora 21

Consolation semifinals

GRADY 14161117 58 16131719 LAZBUDDIE Leading scorers — Grady: Fury 17, Borden 11. Lazbuddie: Warren 24, Morris 14, Engelking 13, Brown

Elida 74, Grady, N.M. 59

Fifth place LAZBUDDIE 14121522 63 **MELROSE** 10 5 925 49

Leading scorers — Lazbuddie: Engelking 22, Warren 18. Third place Texico 37, Dora 33

Championship Farwell 36, Friona 33 Leading scorers -- Lazbuddie:

Lazbuddie was 2 of 18 from 3-point range against the Steers, who improved to 7-6.

In contrast, the Longhorns made 6 of 11 3-pointers in Friday's 59-55 semifinal win against Friona.

Josh Morris led the way with five 3-pointers and 20 points as the Longhorns pulled out the win by outscoring the Class 3A Chieftains 16-11 in the fourth quarter.

Thomas added 18 points for the Longhorns.

Warren said shutting down Friona big man Quint Ellis and holding the Chieftains to a pair of 3-pointers were the keys.

Justin Daniel led Friona with 18 points. Aaron King added 11 points and Ellis finished with

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Lazbuddie girls rebound, finish fifth

FARWELL — Lazbuddie rebounded from a surprising opening round loss to finish fifth at the Farwell Invitational Tournament.

Holly Engelking scored 22 points and Roxann Warren added 19 points as the Lady Longhorns whipped Melrose, N.M. 63-49 Saturday in the fifth place game.

Verity Rush led the Lady Buffs with 15 points.

Lazbuddie opened the tournament Thursday with a 59-47 loss to Dora, N.M., which lost

its next two games.

Lazbuddie coach Carey Sudduth described his team's effort against Dora sluggish and lackadaisica.

"I coach effort. We don't do a bunch of fancy things," Sudduth said. "One of the things I count on is we're going to play hard."

Kia Morris led Lazbuddie (10-2) with 17 points.

Amanda Bilberry scored 15 points for Dora and Julie Caviness added 13.

Warren led a renewed effort

in Friday's consolation semifinal, scoring 24 points and grabbing 16 rebounds in a 65-59 win against Grady, N.M.

Morris added 14 points, Engelking finished with 13 and Scottie Brown chipped in 10 as four Lady Longhorns finished in double figures.

Kristi Fury led Grady with 17 points.

"I think we learned a pretty good lesson Thursday," Sudduth said. "That we just can't walk out on the floor and expect to play with people."

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JV Mules falter in title game rematch

PLAINS—Seminole didn't have to wait long to exact revenge.

Meeting for a tournament title for the second time in two weeks, Seminole slammed Muleshoe 46-22 Saturday in championship game of the Plains Junior Varsity Tourna-

The Indians outscored Muleshoe 18-3 in the fourth quarter to seal the win.

James Barrett and Matt Mason led Muleshoe with five points each.

The Mules beat Seminole 56-55 last weekend in the championship game of the Muleshoe JV Tournament.

Muleshoe advanced to the championship game Friday with a 45-41 semifinal win against host Plains

Plains outscored Muleshoe 22-5 in the fourth quarter to make it close. Mason led a balanced attack with nine points.

Mason scored 15 points and Jesse Reyes added 14 points in a 69-37 romp over Post in Mules' tournament opener.

First round Muleshoe 69, Post 37

Muleshoe (69) — Hodge 4, Posadas 2, Baeza 2, Latham 4, Black 5, Reyes 14, Mason 15, Bruns 6, Ramage 2, Campolla 2, Hahn 6, Turney 7. Totals 29 5-14 69. 3pointers. Reyes 2, Mason 2.

Post (37) — Gorman 5, Collozo 2, Conner 6, Jefferson 6, Curtis 6,

Ortiz 12. Totals 16 4-9 37. 3-pointers: Gorman.

17 16 14 20 69 Muleshoe 10 8 11 9 Post Semifinals

Muleshoe 45, Plains 41

Muleshoe (45) — Hodge 2, Posadas 4, Barrett 6, Black 5, Reyes 4, Mason 9, Bruns 2, Ramage 5, Hahn 6, Turney 2, Vaughn, Baeza, Latham, Campolla. Totals 15 10-13 45. 3-pointers: Mason 3, Barrett 2.

Plains (41) - Sisson 4, McGinty 6, Delgrade 2, Luna 18, Tarango 5, Bennett 6. Totals 15 10-19 41. 3pointers: Luna.

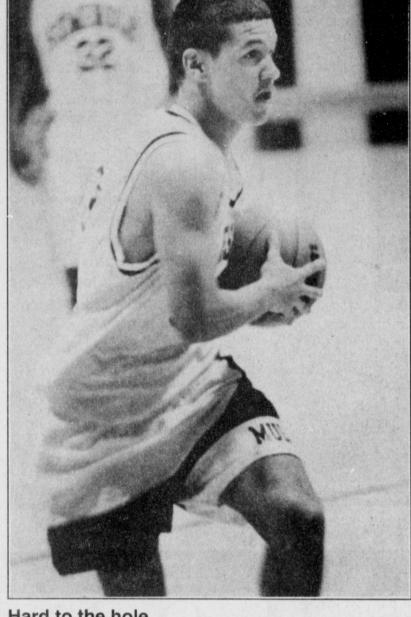
13 9 18 5 45 Muleshoe 8 9 2 22 41 **Plains** Champinship

Seminole 46, Muleshoe 22

Muleshoe (22) - Posadas 2, Barrett 5, Black 2, Mason 5, McClanahan 4, Hahn 2, Turney 2, Hodge, Baeza, Latham, Vaughn, Reyes, Bruns, Ramage, Campolla. Totals 9 2-9 22. 3-pointers: Barrett, Mason.

Seminole (46) — Berry 2, Ogden 3, Cavazos 8, Villalva 3, Dale 4, Clay 7, Alaniz 8, Martinez 12. Totals 21 5-8 46. 3-pointers: Cavazos 2, Ogden, Clay.

Muleshoe 7 5 7 3 22 Seminole 812 8 18



Hard to the hole

Muleshoe's Jesse Reyes drives for a layup during the Muleshoe Juniuor Varisty Tournament earlier this season.

Mule JV jumps on Nazareth early in 64-44 win

NAZARETH — Muleshoe buried Nazareth early underneath a 3-point barrage en route to a 64-44 win Monday in a junior varsity game.

Jesse Reyes scored 11 points and Jeff Bruns added nine points as Muleshoe won its 10th game of the year.

The Mules (10-2) connected on five of their six 3-pointers in a 44-point first half.

Matt Kern led Nazareth with 14 points.

Muleshoe (64) — Hodge 2, Barrett 7, Baeza 2, Latham 6, Reyes 11, Mason 8, Bruns 9, ramage 2, McClanahan 2, Campolla 8, Hahn 7, Turney, Posadas, Black, Vaughn.

Totals 23 12-15 64. 3-pointers: Mason 2, Latham 2, Barrett, Bruns.

Nazareth (44) - Farris 2, Wethington 13, Olvera 6, McLain 9, Kern 14. Totals 15 12-22 44. 3-pointers: Wethington, McLain.

16 28 10 10 Muleshoe Nazareth 9 11 16 8 Records: Muleshoe 10-2. Next game: Dec. 19 at Portales, N.M.

STUMBLES

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Mason said he wasn't concerned with the low point total.

"Our defense it what gets our offense going," Mason said.

Friday, Muleshoe jumped out to a big early lead and cruised past Idalou 66-56.

Cyrus Norman continued his excellent tournament play with a team-high 15 points. Matt Mason added 13 points and Matt McClanahan finished with 10.

Muleshoe built a 17-point lead through three quarters before Idalou made the score respectable with a 25-point fourth quarter.

Saturday Fifth place game **COOPER 54, MULESHOE 52**

Cooper (54) — Rowan 1 1-2 3, Coy 7 4-6 23, Brooks 0 0-0 0, Schaffner 0 0-0 0, Jones 8 1-1 17, Fuller 0 0-2 0, S. Shuttlesworth 4 0-0 11, Holcomb 0 0-0 0, R. Shuttlesworth 00-00. Totals 206-11 54. 3-pointers: Coy 5, S. Shuttlesworth 3.

Muleshoe (52) — Lewis 0 0-0 0, Shelburne 0 0-0 0, Sinclair 2 0-0 4,

'HORNS

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six.

In Thursday's opener, the Longhorns held on for a 63-60 win against Dora, N.M. despite owning a 61-37 edge on the boards.

Thomas led Lazbuddie with 21 points and nine rebounds. Chris Smith added 15 points and 10 rebounds and Adam St. Clair chipped in 10 points.

Mason 23-48, Norman 10-03, Field 10-02, Clements 42-210, Kemp 31-2 9, Cleavinger 8 0-2 16. Totals 21 6-1052.3-pointers: Kemp 2, Mason,

Cooper 10 19 13 9 54 11 9 16 16 52 Muleshoe Friday

Fifth place semifinal **MULESHOE 66, IDALOU 56**

Idalou (56) - Spann 1 1-2 3, Heinrich 0 0-0 0, H. Bozeman 6 5-8 20, Lutrick 0 3-3 3, Isom 2 0-0 4, McCall 3 1-2 7, Anciso 0 0-2 0, M. Bozeman 7 0-0 16, DeLeon 0 3-4 3, Brumley 0 0-0 0. Totals 19 13-20 56. 3-pointers: H. Bozeman 3, M. Bozeman 2.

Muleshoe (66) — Lewis 1 0-0 2, Shelburne 1 2-2 5, Sinclair 1 2-2 5, Mason 4 3-4 13, Norman 5 4-4 15, Field 1 3-4 5, McClanahan 2 4-8 10, Clements 2 1-2 5, Kemp 0 0-0 0, Cleavinger 2 2-2 6. Totals 19 21-28 66. 3-pointers: Mason 2, McClanahan, Shelburne, Sinclair, Norman.

Idalou

16 9 6 25 19 16 13 18 Muleshoe



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Lady Mules capture Coronado crown

LUBBOCK — After losing in the first round of its own tournament last weekend, Muleshoe rebounded to win the Coronado Junior Varsity Tournament, beating the Coronado sophomores 45-30 in Saturday's championship game.

Clinging to a one-point lead, Muleshoe outscored Coronado 16-2 in the fourth quarter.

Ellen Wood led Muleshoe (8-2) with 11 points. Brandi Whitt added nine points and Bobbie Benham finished with seven for the Lady Mules.

Stacy Locker scored eight points and Wood added seven as the Lady Mules held off Floydada 37-36 in Friday's

semifinals.

In the opening round, Lynsie Black led three Lady Mules in double figures with 12 points in a 50-18 win against the Denver City sophomores.

Kayla Johnson and Benham and added 11 points each against Denver City.

Coronado JV Tournament

Dec. 11-13 First round

Muleshoe 50, Denver City sophs 18 Muleshoe (50) - Black 12,

Benham 11, Johnson 11, Locker 4, Adrian 2, Wood 8, Whitt 2, Toscano, Hancock. Totals 21 8-14 50. 3-point-

Denver City (18) - Boyd 2, Arnold 2, Garcia 4, Savage 5, Parker 5. Totals 8 2-6 18. 3-pointers: none. Muleshoe 19 11 11 9 50 **Denver City** 1 4 9 4 18 Semifinals

MULESHOE 37, FLOYDADA 36

Muleshoe (37) — Black 5, Benham 5, Johnson 4, Hancock 4, Locker 8, Wood 7, Toscano 6, Adrian, Whitt. Totals 8 20-35 37. 3-pointers:

Floydada (36) — DelaFuenta 1, Galvan 4, Wyrick 5, Everett 2, Emert 7, Sanders 7, Cisneros 2, Hartline 6, Reddy 2. Totals 1113-2236.3-pointers: Wyrick

6 7 10 14 37 Muleshoe Flovdada 10 4 9 13 36

Championship Muleshoe 45, Coronado sophs 30 Muleshoe (45) - Black 6, Benham 7, Johnson 4, Locker 4, Wood 11, Whitt 9, Toscano 4, Hancock, Adrian, Cowart. Totals 16

12-22 45. 3-pointers: Johnson. Coronado (30) — Anderson 4, Hightower 4, baker 7, Hernandez 2, Whitefield 3, McDonald 6, Brunley 4. Totals 14 2-8 30.

Muleshoe 9 13 7 16 45 Coronado 13 69 2 30

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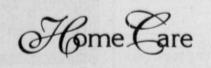
Featured Patient

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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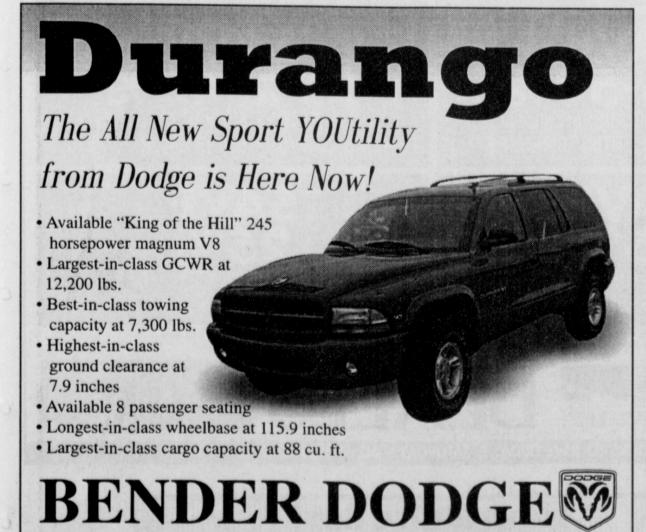


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EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



Janice Bradshaw (seated) was named the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture's December Employee of the Month. Bradshaw works as a legal secretary in the office of attorney Cris Cleavinger. Also pictured: (from left) Hugh Young, Dawn Williams, Teri Hahn, Robert Shafer, David Tipps, Wade King and Cris Cleavinger.

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3 tsp. salt

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Combine all ingredients except shortening and mix well. Using a pastry blender or two knives, thoroughly cut in shortening. Store in an airtight container in a cool, dry place. Makes enough for eight batches of brownies.

To make brownies: Combine 2 cups brownie mix, 2 eggs, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1/2 cup chopped nuts. Stir just until all ingredients are moistened. Spread in a lightly greased 8-inch square baking pan. Bake in 350 degree oven 20 to 25 minutes or until set in center.

Gift idea: Pack brownie mix in a decorated cloth bag along with the recipe. Add a batch of freshly baked brownies packed in an old fashion tin.

CINNAMON ORNAMENTS

1 can (4 oz.) cinnamon

1 Tbsp. cloves

1 Tbsp. nutmeg

3/4 cup applesauce

2 Tbsp. white glue

In medium bowl, combine cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg. Add applesauce and glue; stir to combine. Work mixture with hands 2 to 3 minutes or until dough is smooth and ingredients are thoroughly mixed. Divide into 4 portions. Roll out each dough portion to 1/4 inch thickness. Cut dough with cookie cutters of desired shapes. Using a straw or toothpick, make a small hole in top of ornament. Place cutouts on wire racks and allow to dry at room temperature for several days until completely dry. Thread ribbon through hole in ornament.

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For gifts, place in air tight jelly jar and tie ribbon around lid. Hot glue appropriate decorations on outside.

PUPPY CHOW

Melt together in microwave or double boiler

1/3 cup Margarine

1 cup peanut butter

1 pkg. (12 oz.) chocolate chips Stir to mix. Pour over

1 box (17 oz.) Crispex cereal

Measure into large plastic bag

3 cups powdered sugar Add coated cereal mixture. Gently work plastic bag back and forth several times until cereal separates and is coated well. This

keeps well and will freeze.

Recipes supplied from Sheryl Bordon of "Creative Living" seen on PBS at noon Tuesday and Thursday.

RIRTHS

Brian and Tiffany Boehning of Muleshoe announce the arrival of their son Triston Paul. Triston was born Dec. 5, 1997 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. He weighed 6 lbs. 4 oz. and was 20 1/4 inches long. Grandparents are Tub and Pat Angeley of Muleshoe.

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riculture.

The program will offer continuing education units for pesticide applicators, certified crop consultants and the master gardener vegetable specialty. Applicators are require to obtain 5 CEU's of training each year to retain certification. The \$25 registration fee includes lunch.

Speakers from Texas A &M University, the University of Arkansas and the University of Nebraska will present vital information adding value to fresh vegetables, new vegetable marketing opportunities, techniques for growing earlier harvests, and innovative production systems.

A session on Integrated Pest Management will focus on field proven practices and address date control measures for insects, diseases and weeds.

"Commercial vegetable

growers, commercial market gardeners and master gardeners will find this conference and tradeshow a rich source of useful information on vegetable crop management and marketing," said Dr. Roland E. Roberts, Extension Service vegetable specialist at Lubbock who has coordinated the conferences since 1971.

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McDonald's was named the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture's December Business of the Month. Pictured are (from left) Dawn Williams, Robert Shafer, co-owners Ruth and Jerome Sena, Wade King, Teri Hahn and Hugh Young.

Somehow, the words "Thank You" do not seem adequate for all of the kindliness shown to our family the last few weeks.

First, our heartfelt thanks to all of the E.M.S. personnel who were there for us during the tragic accident that took C.E.'s bother-in-law's life. The compassionate caring and concern they gave to C.E.'s sister, Myrna, will never be forgotten. The hugs, the shoulders we leaned on and the tears they shed with us touched us deeply. Ralph, Ben, Curby, Glenda, Donna, Starla, Larry, Kem, Jackey and Joe, we love each and every one of you. D'Anne and Staci, "Thank you" for being there. Brother Stacy, you are always there to help and comfort, "Thank you."

The hospital staff was efficient and caring. The extra room and coffee were greatly appreciated. "Thank you" to Dr. Jubay and the staff at M.A.M.C.

Thank you to everyone for the flowers, calls, visits, food and outpouring of love shown to us during our tragic loss and C.E.'s subsequent surgery. We live in a wonderful, compassionate community which cares for one another. Thank you for being there for us.

Our Love, C.E. and Sharon Grant & Family Myrna Girard & Family

BITUARIES

DAN BLANCHARD

Memorial services for Dan Blanchard, 68, of Jameston, Calif. will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 22, 1997 at First Baptist Church, Jayton, Texas. Rev. H.T. Stanaland of Jayton and Rev. Bob Wright of Spur will be officiating.

Burial will follow in Stratford, Tex.

Blanchard was born Feb. 16, 1929. He married Wanda

Arnold in 1949. He is survived by his wife. He had three children, Patricia, Don, and Ted, who preceded him in death. They were killed in a train/car accident in Stratford, Feb. 1967. He is the son-in-law of Temple Arnold.

Blanchard was a law enforcement officer in Levelland, Abernathy and Stratford in the '60s.

LILLIE T. WUERFLEIN

Lillie T. Wuerflein, 91, died Tuesday, Dec. 16 at Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center. Memorial services are pending with Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home in Earth.

BILLY J. DARNELL

Billy J. Darnell, 80, died Monday, Dec. 15 at Kristi Lee Manor in Colorado City, Tex. Memorial services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home in Muleshoe.

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Zero-percent interest offers

Responding to consumer complaints, our Consumer Protection Division has forced a wide variety of national and regional retailers to



change the way they advertise zeropercent interest offers. Many consumers complained that they were misled into believing that no interest would be charged when retailers advertised, "No Payments, No Interest for One Year.'

In fact, interest was tallied from the date of the purchase. Consumers could avoid paying the interest charge only if they paid the debt before the one-year grace period ended. Consumers who waited a year before making payments were required to pay the full amount of

In response to our efforts, a number of major retailers agreed to modify their advertising to clearly explain the steps consumers must take to avoid paying interest on their credit purchases. The advertising must also disclose any minimum purchase needed to qualify for the zero-percent interest offer, the specific products to which the offer applies, and the interest rate that will be assessed if the consumer does not comply with the terms of the offer. This information should be available to you, and you should read it careSafeguarding your credit

If you are buying a product or service on credit, it may be tempting to accept the financing plan offered by the seller. However, you should

first shop around to see whether you can obtain financing that gives you a better interest rate and more favorable repayment terms.

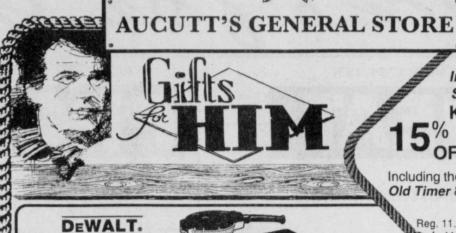
Read the fine print carefully. If you are unsure about any terms or conditions in a credit or financing agreement, ask for a clarification. If you do not get a satisfactory answer to your questions but still want to buy the product, seek financing elsewhere.

Do not sign any credit applications that have blank spaces. An unscrupulous lender or salesperson can fill in the blanks later, to your detriment.

For more information

For more information on consumer protection issues, visit our site at http://www.oag .state.tx.us, where you will find all of our consumer protection brochures, plus the 1997 Consumer Protection Division Annual Report.





Schrade Knives

Including the popular Old Timer & Uncle Henry.

Palm Grip Sander 2.0 Amps, 15,000 OPM

Detachable Dust Collection P Dual Counter Balance Low

1/4 Sheet

Heavy Duty

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12.OV 3/8' **Heavy Duty** Versa-Clutch

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Chainsaw

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10 lbs. (powerhead)

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3/8" LP semi chisel chain

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Cordless Drill/Driver Kit Dual Range VSR 0-450/0-1400 RPM

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Pack™ Batteries & Steel Case

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d3850b-Reg. 239.99



Welcome **Richard!**

At Jones Pontiac GMC

Buick, we are proud to announce the recent appointment of Richard Kelley as our new General Manager of Sales and Service. Richard brings over 35 years of automotive experience to the staff at Jones. We invite all of Richard's friends and customers to come on in for a cup of coffee or just to say howdy!







Steel Fullsize Toolbox Crossover—Single Lid White

6604153-Reg. 164.79 60" Treadplate

Chest Tool Box Premier - 5th Wheel

CRTCW60PIC-Reg. 369.00 Aluminum

Tool Box C63A-Reg. 528.00.

Homelite

HL Series

Generator

Full protective open frame Briggs and Stratton Kool bore engir

SAVE

\$100!

ONLY

269°°

55,000 BTU Portable Heater

Quickly heats a 32'x40' work area. Heats up to 12 hours on one fillup of kerosene. Clean burning and nearly 100% energy efficient 4603125-Reg. 244.39

Sale Items Similar

LR Series Generator

5 hp @ 3600 rpm, 2500 Watts (Int.)

Briggs and Stratton cast iron sleeve engine Twist-lock 240v receptacle 573⁹² 8 hp @ 3600 rpm, 4400 Watts (Int.) LR4400—Reg. 749.99.....

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REAL ESTATE **AUTOMOBILES** HELP WANTED GARAGE SALES

Mon-Sat 7.30-5:30 Sunday 12:00-5:00 USE AND ENJOY! CIOVIS, NEW MIGARDS

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NO JOKE \$1,125 ? Week net.

Tired of empty promises? Work from home with proven turn key system. Not MCM. 800-322-6169 x 9944. 50t-6tc

FOR SALE ATTENTION!!

Kirby Sales & Service 207 W. 7th next to Sonic Drive-in. (505) 762-4991 Call for FREE Home demonstration or Repair work. Clovis, NM 35t-tfc

Whirlpool Electric range-6 mo. White on white, like new. Purchased new home with built-in range. Must sell 499.00 Call 272-4063. 50t-tfc

Kimbell organ with entertainment ctr all together. Call 272-5263 or see at 505 E. Austin. Helen Hall. 50t-4tch

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* Remodeling, bathrooms

* Carports & Patio * Fence's

* Tile

* Concrete * All phase's. 505-762-7689. 50t-6tpd

VEHICLES

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

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

95' Ford Windstar Van. 34,000 miles loaded. Call 272-5861. 51t-2tpd

EXTRA INCOME FOR '97

Earn \$500 - \$1000 weekly stuffing envelopes. For details - RUSH \$1.00 with SASE to:

GROUP 5 6547 N Academy Bivd.Dept N Colorado Springs, Co. 80918

MOBILE HOMES

home 2 brm, 2 bath. Needs to be moved. Air conditioning and heat included, take over payments. 965-2967.46t-tfc.

FLEETWOOD **HOME CENTER**

Portales

BANK LIQUIDATION ALMOST NEW 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.

HUNTING

Hunting Leasing. Pheasant hunting 360 acres. Call 806-946-8348. 51t-

HELP WANTED

Wanted truck drivers, 16 X 60 Skyline mobile some experience, CDL required, be home most everynight. (915) 758-9855. 49t-5tc

"AVON", Representatives Needed Now! No Inventory Required, IND/ SALES? REP, Toll Free, 800-236-0041.51t-6tpd

14 yr. old, wants to do baby-sitting during Christmas break.Call 272-6818. 51t-2tch

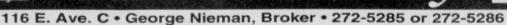
Now Hiring. Asst. Mgr. Experience required. Apply in person Muleshoe DQ. Ask for Steve Hamilton. 51t-2tch

Our agency is looking for a caring, compassionate RN or LVN for full time staff position. Experience with Medicare and home health preferred. Please call (806) 383-3255 to find out more information about this position. 51t-

RV/LVN

We need a nurse! Professional self-motivated RN or LVN needed for contact visits. Experience in home health preferred. Call Brian at (806) 385-3255 for more information. 51t-4tch

Nieman Realty



RICHLAND HILLS

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

PARKRIDGE - NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, cov. patio, fenced yd. \$50's!!

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

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

2-1-1 Home, floor furnace, win. fer. air, fenced yd, stor. bldg., \$19,500 !!L-1

Commercial Bldg. & Lot, Approx. 1790' area, Numerous

3-1-1 Brick, Cent. Heat!!! \$25K!!! HS-4

HIGH SCHOOL

uses!! \$22K!!!

Nice 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins fenced yd., MORE !!!

Very Nice 3-1-1-Brick Home, cent. Heat & Air, built-ins, fans, woodburning stove, nice carpets, storage bldg., fenced yd., More!!!\$40's!!! HS-7

NICE 2-1-1 Brick, Heat Pump, nice carpets, well insulated, storm windows & doors. \$30's!!! HS6

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

.......... NICE R.V. STORAGE, 14' X 40' metal bldg. 12' doors, corner lot!!

RURAL 3-2-2 Home on .92 acre at edge of town, Cent. Heat, evap. air, DW, storage bldg., fenced yd., & MORE !! \$30K!!

.......... W. of SUDAN-NICE 3-3-2 Brick Home, 5 acre tract on Hwy. 298, Cent. Air & Heat, built-ins, large Quonset Barn, MORE!!!

JUST LISTED- NICE 4-1-2 Home, Heat Pump, Built-ins fenced yd.., 2 Stor. bldgs., approx. 10 acre tract, on pavement

close to town!! \$ 50's !!!

5 Acre tract on pavement close to town!

W. of Sudan- 177 acre tract in CRP !!! Price To Sell !!!

.......... Needmore- 1.44 ac., 3 bldgs., \$5k!!!

We're Trimming Prices for You.

See ya at

PRICES EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 17-24, 1997

PRIME RIB ROAST
PORK ROAST
COOKIC BONE IN
BUTT PORTION HAM 97¢
SHANK PORTION HAM 87¢
DARC
HALF HAMS \$117
DAD S BONELESS
WHOLE HAMSLB 98¢ HORMEL CURE 81 BONE-IN
SPIRAL CUT HALF HAM \$259
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TOP SIRLOIN STEAKS
BAR S REGULAR OR THICK SLICED MEAT BOLOGNA
BAR S 1 LB. JUMBO MEAT
FRANKS1 LB. PKG 99¢
BAR S 12 OZ. REGULAR OR KIELBASA SMOKED SAUSAGE
BARS
COOKED HAM10 OZ. PKG \$199
CHOPPED HAM10 OZ. PKG \$169
CLINDAY HOUSE WHOLE
SMOKED TURKEYS \$135
HORMEL CURE 81 BONELESS
MINI HALF HAMSLB \$359
SMOKED HAMEACH \$599
HORMEL
LITTLE SIZZLERS12 OZ. PKG 99¢
REGULAR, MESOUITE OR LOW SALT BLACK LABEL
HORMEL BACON1 LB. PKGS 2/\$5
BAR S BACON
OSCAR MAVER RED RIND
MEAT BOLOGNA16 OZ. PKG \$159
OCCAD MAYED LITTLE LINIK
SMOKIES16 OZ. PKG \$229

HALVES, PIECES OR BITS ELLIS PECANS
ALL TYPES (LIMIT 4) (ADDITIONAL PURCHASES \$1.29) COCA-COLA OR
DR. PEPPER 6 PK. 12 OZ. CANS \$122
LOWE'S
BROWN'N SERVE ROLLLS12 CT. PKGS 2/\$1 SELECTED VARIETIES • TOSTITOS® SALSA/DIP • FRITOS® DIP • RUFFLES®
DIPREG. \$2.19 11 0Z. SIZE 2/\$4
ACCORTED
DORITOS® TORTILLA CHIPSREG. \$3.19 SIZE \$229
POTATO CHIPSREG. \$2.99 SIZE 2/\$4
9.5 OZ. SWISS • 8 OZ. BACON FLAVORED • 10 OZ. IWIGGS SESAME & CHEESE STICKS • 13.1 OZ. SOCIALBLES • 8 OZ. CHICKEN IN A BISKIT • 8 OZ. VEGETABLE THINS • 9-10 OZ. REDUCED FAT/ORIGINAL/LOW SALT/MULTI-GRAIN WHEAT THINS • 10 OZ. OAT THINS • 6.75-7 OZ. ORIGINAL/REDUCED FAT/LOW SALT BETTER CHEDDARS • 8.5-9.5 OZ. ORIGINAL/REDUCED FAT/GARDEN HERB/LOW SALT TRISCUIT • 8.5 OZ. ORIGINAL/FRENCH ONION TRISCUIT THIN CRISPS • 7-8 OZ. RITZ/CHEESE NIPS/FAT FREE PRETZEL/RITZ SOUR CREAM & ONION/WHEAT THIN/WHEAT THIN RANCH AIR CPISPS • 8 OZ. HONEY/CINNAMON HONEYMAID CRISPS

NABISCO SNACK CRACKERS.... 2/53 • 10 OZ. SWEET MIDGET PICKLES • 16 OZ. BREAD &

BUTTER SLICES • 16 OZ. WHOLE DILL • 16 OZ. SWEET GHERKINS • 16 OZ. WHOLE SWEET PICKLES • 24 OZ. FRESH PACK DILL SPEARS • 24 OZ. KOSHER DILL SPEARS PICKLES......your choice 2/\$3 SHURFINE JELLIED OR WHOLE

CRANBERRY SAUCE.....16 OZ. CANS 88¢ SHURFINE REGULAR OR FAT FREE CHICKEN BROTH.....14.5 OZ. CAN 3/\$1

WHOLE YAMS.....23 OZ. CAN 69¢

GROUND CINNAMON..... OZ. JAR \$169 SCHILLING BROWN, COUNTRY,

CHICKEN OR TURKEY GRAVY MIXES 87-2.75 OZ. PKGS 2/\$1 LITE, FRENCH ROAST, ITALIAN EXPRESSO, COLOMBIAN

SUPREME OR REGULAR FAC MAXWELL HOUSE COFFEE.. 11-13 OZ. CAN \$279

NAVE	
ORANGESLE	2/\$1
ORANGES	35 4/ 1
APPLESLE	0/54
	3S Z/ 1
GIANT SNO-WHITE	0/50
CAULIFLOWER	LB 2/3
TEXAS	
GRAPEFRUIT	8/1
CDEEN	
ONIONSBUNCHE	s 4/\$1
FRESH	
BROCCOLI	2/\$1
DOLE	,
SALAD MIX1 LB.	DVC RR¢
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CELERYSTALK	2/\$1
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BANANASLBS	4/00
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BLUE BUNNY FAT FREE YOGURT OR ASSORTED FLAVORS PREMIUM, FAT FREE, NO SUGAR ADDED OR FAT

SHURFINE GRADE A

SHURFINE

FREE NO SUGAR ADDED

ICE CREAM......1/2 GAL. ROUND 2/\$5 COUNTRY CROCK REGULAR OR CHURN STYLE

SHEDD'S SPREAD...... 3 LB. TUB \$159 CREAM CHEESE.....8 OZ. BOX 69¢ APPLE, DUTCH APPLE, CHERRY OR PEACH MRS. SMITH'S PIES......26-37 OZ. 2/\$5

LARGE EGGS......DOZEN 78¢ PIE CRUST SHELLS......15 OZ. 2 CT. 99° SHURFINE DEEP DISH PIE SHELLS.....2 CT. 12 OZ 99¢ LAND O LAKES REGULAR,

UNSALTED OR LIGHT BUTTER.....1 LB. BOX \$239 SOUR CREAM......1/2 PINTS 2/\$1

• FRENCH ONION • GREEN CHILI SHURFINE ULTRA WHIPPING CREAM......1/2 PINTS 2/\$1

CRESCENT ROLLS.....8 OZ. CAN 99¢ RHODES 36 CT. LITE WHITE. WHEAT, WHITE OR 24 CT. TEXAS

DINNER ROLLS......48 OZ. PKGS 2/\$5 SHURFINE REGULAR OR LITE WHIPPED TOPPING.....8 oz. 2/\$1 CALIFORNIA OR FLORIDA CITRUS PUNCH SUNNY DELIGHT.....128 OZ. JUG \$199

KRAFT ASSORTED (LOW FAT NOT INCLUDED) SHREDDED CHEESE...... 8 OZ. PKG \$169 • MILD MEXICAN • 2% MILK • AMERICAN • SWISS • PIMENTO AMERICAN SUPER SLICE • PIZZA FLAVOR SUPER SLICE

KRAFT CHEESE SINGLES......12 OZ. PKG \$189 . GROUND GINGER . T.T OZ. GROUND NUTMEG

• .65 OZ. POULTRY SEASONING • 1.12 OZ. PUMPKIN PIE • .6 OZ. GROUND SAGE • .5 OZ. RUBBED SAGE • 1 OZ. VANILLA EXTRACT

SCHILLING SPICES.....\$199 CORN-KITS, BIS-KITS, PAN-KITS, OR YELLOW/WHITE/SWEET CORNBREAD MIX MORRISON KITS...... 6 OZ. PKGS 3/\$1 ASSORTED CANNED

• FRUIT COCKTAIL, REG./LITE/NATURAL • VERY CHERRY MIXED FRUIT . CHUNKY FRUIT REG./LITE/NATURAL • PEACHES SLICED RASPBERRY FLAVOR • PEACHES YC HALVES REG./LITE • PEACHES YC SLICES REG./LITE • PEACHES YC NATURAL • PEACHES FREESTONE SLICED

• PEARS HALVES REG./LITE/NATURAL • PEARS SLICES LITE DEL MONTE FRUIT.....15-15.2 OZ. CAN 79¢ 6 OZ. LARGE RIPE PITTED/ 5.75 OZ. STUFFED SPANISH SHURFINE OLIVES..... 99¢

MINUTE RICE.....28 OZ. BOX \$259

HEALTH & BEAUTY

FAST RELIEF

ALKA-SELTZER.....36 CT. \$299 7.2 OZ. SINGLE PACK SUGAR FREE OR 9 OZ. TWIN PACK PANGBURN'S MILLIONAIRES.....your choice \$599

SHURFINE HEAVY DUTY ALUMINUM FOIL.....18"X37.5" 99¢ SHURFINE WHITE BATH TISSUE.....4 ROLL PKG 79¢

SHURFINE HEAVY DUTY COMPARTMENT PAPER PLATES.....15 CT. PKG 99¢

• 400 GOLD PLUS GC 135 • 200 GOLD PLUS GB 135 400 ROYAL GOLD 135

KODAK FILM.....24 EXP. \$399 • 2 PK. D,C • 4 PK. AA. AAA • 1 PK. 9-VOLT

ENERGIZER BATTERIES..... 2/\$5 • CUT GREEN BEANS REGULAR/NO SALT • FRENCH SLICED GREEN BEANS

 VP CRISP 'N SWEET GOLDEN CORN • GOLDEN CREAM STYLE CORN REGULAR WHOLE KERNEL GOLDEN CORN

REGULAR/NO SALT WHOLE KERNEL SWEET GOLDEN CORN • SWEET PEAS REGULAR/NO SALT

• 200 ROYAL GOLD 135 GOLD MAXIMUM

SHURFINE VEGETABLES......12-15.5 OZ. CANS 3/87¢ BETTY CROCKER ASSORTED REGULAR OR LIGHT **READY TO**

SPREAD FROSTING.....12-16 OZ. CAN \$139 BETTY CROCKER ASSORTED SWEET REWARDS OR SUPERMOIST CAKE MIXES......18-18.25 OZ. BOX 79¢

BAKER'S ANGEL FLAKE COCONUT......14 OZ. PKG \$119 BAKER'S REAL CHOCOLATE CHIPS.....12 OZ. PKG 89¢ IMPERIAL PURE CANE

PUMPKIN......15 OZ. CANS 3/\$1 SHURFINE BROWN OR POWDERED SUGAR.....2 LB. BAG 79¢

GOLD MEDAL ALL PURPOSE FLOUR...... 5 LB. BAG 79¢ MANDARIN ORANGES...11 OZ. CAN 2/\$1

SHURFINE CRUSHED, CHUNK OR SLICED IN NATURAL JUICE PINEAPPLE......15.2 OZ. CAN 59¢ SHURFINE CHERRY LITE, APPLE OR CHERRY

PIE FILLING......20-21 OZ. CAN 99¢ SHURFINE CORN SYRUP.....32 OZ. BTL 99¢

EAGLE BRAND REGULAR OR LOW FAT (CHOCOLATE NOT INCLUDED) CONDENSED MILK.....14 OZ. CAN \$199 KEEBLER GRAHAM CRACKER ORIGINAL.

REDUCED FAT, OR BUTTER FLAVOR 9" READY CRUST 6 OZ. PKG 79¢ SHURFINE MINI OR REGULAR MARSHMALLOWS...10-10.5 OZ. PKGS 2/51

SHURFINE BERRY/APPLE/RASPBERRY/CHERRY/GRAPE/STRAWBERRY CRANBERRY COCKTAILS64 OZ. \$199

.3 OZ. SUGAR FREE OR 3 OZ. REGULAR JELL-O GELATIN DESSERT ... SM. BOX 3/\$1 **COOK & SERVE OR INSTANT ASSORTED**

2.9-3.9 OZ. REGULAR OR 1.3-1.5 OZ. SUGAR FREE JELL-O PUDDING.....sm. BOX 59¢ KRAFT COLBY, COLBY-JACK OR CHEDDAR LONGHORN HALFMOON CHEESE.....10 OZ. PKG \$179

KRAFT ASSORTED 100% GRATED PARMESAN CHEESE......8 OZ. CAN \$299 KRAFT REGULAR OR LIGHT

CHEEZ WHIZ......16 OZ. JAR \$279 KRAFT REGULAR OR LIGHT

VELVEETA SPREAD..32 OZ. BOX PRE-PRICE \$4.19 \$399

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