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## Page one


Alaskan village seeks road King Cove, Alaska, a remote town populated by about 250 families are campaigning for something they've wanted for years in their small town: a road.
A tight-knit village of native fishermen and cannery workers, King Cove has been campaigning for the road with single-minded intensity since the mid- 1980 's.

The National Audobon Society has denounced the village's "golden gravel road" as a wasteful boondogle and an unacceptable incursion into a designated wilderness.

Makeup, prayer dooms Chief The town council of Gold Hill, OR, voted to fire Police Chief Katie Holmboe for selling Mary Kay cosmetics out of her cruiser and praying on behalf of a suspect she believed was possessed by the devil.
Holmboe, who was the town's only paid police officer, also reportedly required suspects to profess their faith in God before she would release them.

Pakistan bans lavish feasts
Pakistan announced a ban on lavish wedding feasts.
Explaining such celebrations cause financial hardships for the poor and middle classes, lawmakers voted in May to restrict families to a wedding meal at home for relatives and house guests.

Larger gatherings can take place at hotels and clubs outside the home, but no food may be served - only hot and cold non-alcoholic drinks.
Watch those New Mexicoplates
SANTA FE, NM - Due to the closure of the Correction Industries tag plant at the Santa Fe Penitentiary's main facility, the New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division will not be able to distribute license plates.
The tag plant was closed to make necessary emergency repairs, and will not re-open for three to four weeks. This will not prohibit customers from registering their vehicles at local field offices.
In response to the closure, the Corrections Industries Division has worked out an agreement with the state of Utah to produce New Mexico license plates.
New Mexico will provide Utah with the necessary materials to produce plates. The Motor Vehicle Division expects to have plates available in field offices by August 1 .

## Bell Ranch updating lists

The Bell Ranch in northeastern New Mexico is attempting to update its mailing list of past employees of the Bell Ranch and the Red River Valley Co.
Any past employee who has moved in the past 5 years, or who has never received Bell Ranch Reunion information imay send their address to: Bell Ranch, Bell Ranch, NM, 88441 to be placed on the list.


## Extended forecast

Highs in the upper 90s, lows in the 70s with a chance of evening thunderstorms.

## By HEATHER SHIPMAN

## Journal staff writer

Bailey County residents will face maximum fines for dumping trash illegally, the Bailey Commissioners promised Monday following a regupromisedMonday following are
lar meeting at the courthouse.

The Commissioners had dis-
for county residents, which would have contracted with Duncan Disposal Company of Lubbock to place a large, roll-away dumpster on county property. The purpose of the transfer station would have been to discourage people from dump-

County residents can choose from many waste disposal companies and individally contract with the company of their choice for a fee. Rather than pay the fees, some have been dumping trash along county roadways.
and more in the rural areas and is
not only a criminal
health violation to
County Judge M
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## Muleshoe's Boys of Summer

By RICK WHITE Managing Editor
One day it could be picking up trash at the city park. Another day clearing weeds in an alley. Mostly, it's helping out where they are needed.
Joseph Mata and Joseph Quintana said they are having fun working for the City of Muleshoe this summer. They enjoy working outside. Wouldn't have it any other way.
"I rather be outside than in an office," Mata said last week while taking a breaking from weedwacking a drainage ditch near the golf course.
It's a job more than any thing," said the Muleshoe High School senior, who plans to attend college and possible studying engineer ing. He said most of the money he makes goes toward


Will eat weeds for food
Muleshoe summer youth workers Joseph Quintana, Joseph Mata and Rodney Alanis taking a break rom weedwacking a drainage ditch near the golf course. Hiring of additional summer help provides work for Muleshoe youth and gives the city crews a chance to keep up with extra chores.
times, but other than that, it's okay," get during the summer.
said Quintana, also going into his senior year at Muleshoe

The City hired three full-time employees for the summer

The city can use all the help it can
"We use the guys to help us get ahead during the summer," Fisher said. "Otherwise, we'd spend all year trying to catch up.
City worker Juan Flores oversees
Catch up."
the summer help, which also include two other summer employees hired through the Summer Youth Employe Job Training Program. The JTP proSee SUMMER, page 2


Patriotic reflection
An American flag reflects in the sunglasses of Landon Parham of Lazbuddie during the annual Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture 4th of July parade.

Jaimica celebration set Sunday, July 20

The 1998 Jaimica celebration is cteled Sunday, July 20 from noon Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. The Jaimica is an annual fund-raising ev hosted by the Immaculate Conception Catho Church of Muleshoe. Funds are benefit and upkeep of the church,

Every year there are food and activity bo and plenty of fun to help raise money for
church. Entertainment will be provided by church. Entertainment will be provid
bands performing throughout the day bands performing throughout the day

Booths will consist of everything from a dunk ing booth to a wide variety of foods. Homemade gorditas, tacos, and tamales are just some Mexican delicacies one can expect to find during the day-long festivities.

A raffle will be held and tickets will be sold for $\$ 5$ each. Prizes include a complete computer

## Stanley Cup to be displayed at Big Texan Steak Ranch

AMARILLO, TX - The oldest and one of the largest trophies in international sports is about to meet one of biggest and most famous steak houses in the world.

The Stanley Cup will be on display at the Big Texan Steak Ranch, home of the free 72 oz steak dinner, on July 20.

The Stanley Cup is the trophy awarded annually to the National Hockey League champions, who for the past two seasons have been the Detroit Red Wings.

It's an NHL tradition for "The Cup" to make a visit during the summer months to the hometown of each player on the championship team.
handle, is the massage therapist for the Red Wings. H Wings. Huddleston's name will be engraved on the three-foot-high trophy along with each team

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Most people may not associate the Texas Panhandle or four-and-a-half pound steaks with professional hockey. But Bobby Lee, co-owner of the Big Texan Steak Ranch is a former semiprofessional player and bona fide hockey aficionado. Huddleston, who has a friendship with Lee that spans several years, thought the internationally famous restaurant would be a great setting to share the Stanley Cup with his

The stop at the Big Texan will be the only time the trophy is displayed in Texas this year. According to Huddleston, "The Cup" is scheduled to leave New York City the morning of July 20 and arrive in Amarillo that afternoon. An official NHL representative will accompany the cup throughout its stay. The next morning it will be back on an airplane, accompanied by an NHL representative headed for Vancouver, Canada. Huddleston laughed as he recounted his statement to Red Wings general manager Ken Holland
 See CUP, page 2

## Around Muleshoe

Lewis earns promotion to captain
Sudan native Melanie M. Lewis has been promoted to the
ranks of captain in the U.S. Air Force.
Lewis is the director of the Commander's Action Group for the 72 nd Air Wing, Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma City, OK.
Her husband, Air Force Captain Larry J. Lewis, Jr., is the son of Ella J. Schubert of Bryan, TX
He gaduate from Sudan High School in 1990 and received a bachelor's degree in 1994 from the U.S. Air Force Academy Colorado Springs, CO

## "Legend" '98 in production

Mule-Plex production company is in the process of prepar-Mule-Plex production company is in the process of prepar-
ing the 1998 edition of the "Keepers of the Legend souvenir ing the
Persons who are interested in program ad are invited to conA signature page is available for those who want to show sup A signature page is available for those who wand"
The fourth annual production is scheduled for August 7-10 at the Muleshoe Heritage Complex. Tickets are now on sale and advance tickets at $\$ 8$ per person. Gate prices will be $\$ 10$ for adults and $\$ 5$ for children. Tickets are available at the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, 101 S. 1st,
$r$ from Mule-Plex members.
For more information, call $272-5612$.

## Cancer screening set for August 3

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital System will conduct a breast cancer screening at Muleshoe Area Medical Center
August 3 .
Breast c
Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning
the battle against cancer is early detection the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month
Participants receive a low-cost screening that includes at mammogram and instruction in self-examination by a registered nurse. The total cost is $\$ 75$ and a minimum of 15 women
are needed to register for the mobile mammography unit to are needed to register for the mobile mammography unit to
come to area towns come to area towns.
Funding is available through the Texas Department of Heath for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are
done by appointment only. Call $1-800-377-4673$ info Harris achieves $\mathbf{4 . 0}$ grade-point average
Emily Harris of Muleshoe has achieved a 4.0 grade-point
verage for the 1998 spring semester at the University of North average for the 1998 spring semester at the University of North
Texas at Denton and has been named to the President's list. Texas at Denton and has been named to the President's list. with a course load of 12 hours or more were named to the with a course 1 lo
President's List.
Emily is the daughter of Royce and Kay Harris of Amarillo and the granddaughter of O.G. and Loyce Killingsworth and the late Earl and Farene Harris, all of Muleshoe.

## DUMPING

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partment is strict about things that could possibly cause harm to the health of others. She added that if the Health Department investigate and finds

## SUMMER

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gram is sponsored and paid for by a grant from the South Plains Community Action Associa tion.
Flores said safety is his number one concern. He also wants o make sure the job is a positive experience.
"And when they get into the workforce, they'll know what do," Flores said. The Muleshoe Independen School District independen din ployees in its JTP program. process," said MISD facilities director Sam Whalin
unsanitary conditions, the
County and/or the persons responsible for the dumping will be told to remove the hazard as soon as possible If action is not aken immediately the Health

Department could impose a $\$ 1,000$ a day fine to both the County and the person responsible for the hazard.

Because of the potential cost for the transfer station might reach up to 1,050 a month, no action was taken on item 15 which asked that a dumpster be placed for county use. The decision was made istead to enforce laws already in place. The Commissioners votedunanomously to approach the situation in that
manner.
Cox said the County will be much more aggressive about catching people who dump any kind of waste material any other place than dumpsters and pursue maximum fines and penalties.
The first offense is a Class B
misdemeanor, which can result
in a fine of up to $\$ 2,000$ and or jail time of up to 6 months if the accused offender is convicted. Offenders may also be ordered to perform community service of 24 to 100 hours for the first offense.

A second conviction would be considered a Class A misdemeanor, resulting in fines can be up to $\$ 4,000$, a year in jail and up to 200 hours of community service

We are going to crack down very hard on trash offenders and we'll use any means legally possible to get a conviction," Cox said.

In other business Monday the Commissioners Court: - Approved an easement at e request of Coleman $R$. Young for the purpose of burying a waterline for livestock use

JAIMICA
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system, a washer-dryercombination, a $36^{\prime \prime}$ color television, 22 cubic foot refrigerator and a self-cleaning oven. Tickets may be purchased from lo cal businesses such as Viola's, KMUL Radio, and Muleteam Laundry.
Some of the entertainment for the Jaimica are Jackie D. and Milagro of Lubbock Third Generation of Clovis and Grupo Deseo of Earth "There will be something or everyone, children through adults, " said Jose Triana, owner of Muleteam Laundry and member of the Catholic Church


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## CUP

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## hat Amarillo was "right on the

"This is a great thing for Amarillo, " Lee said with a wide grin. " I really believed hat my only shot at ever seeing the Stanley Cup would be for De Dallas Stars to win the championship. During the playffs I kept thinking that if i happened, I would plan a trip downstate to see the Cup and share that experience with my wo boys.
"I got hooked on hockey when I was only ten or rears " Lee explain "When we we explaing When we were growing up my brothers and I used to make replicas of the Stanley Cup out of Mom's mixing bowls and aluminum foil, so this really is
a dream come true for me. The only problem with having the Cup on display here at the Big Texan is that it's going to be difficult for me to be a mature, responsible businessman that day. I just want to be a kid! Lee and three of his siblings operate the internationally famous restaurant founded by their father, R.J. Lee, almost four decades ago. The Big Texan Steak Ranch originally was located on Old Route 66. The towering sign of a longlegged cowboy was a major landmark along the mother road. When interstate 40 opened Lee moved the Big Texan to its present location on the eastern edge of Amarillo. Today the restaurant seats almost 400 people.

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Rodriguez - Orozco
Jennifer and Jessica Rodriquez and Diznee and Haley Orozco announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their parents, Charlotte Rodriquez and Ismael Orozco. They plan to marry July 18 at 2 p.m. at the St. Mary's Cathedral 1200 South Washington in Amarillo. A reception will beheld at the Amarillo Federation of Women's reception will be held at the Amarillo Federation of Women's
Clubs, Inc. 2001 Civic Circle. A dance is planned from 8

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## YOUNG-HUGHES

Tisha (Young) Hughes,
bride of Dale Hughes, was bride of Dale Hughes, was July 11 in the home of Inez
Bobo.
Tisha is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Young of Muleshoe. Dale is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Hughes, also of Muleshoe.
The couple wed July 12, 1998.

Special guests were Pat Special guests were Pat
Young, mother of the bride; Janie Hughes, mother of the groom; Ruby Helen Douglas
great-aunt of the bride, Sandra and Kayla Ellis, sister and niece of the groom. Hostesses were Margaret Adams, Vicki Black, Inez Bobo, Annette Bonds, Julie Cage, Carol Cox, Myrt Feagley, Sammye Hall, Diana Harrison, Sue Holt, Cindy Purdy, Lindy
Schuster, Wilma Smith, Lavern Winn and Terry Young.
Hostesses' gift was a pair of antique American 1940's end tables with carved legs.

## Melons offer several clues for harvest time

Yard and Garden tips
By CURTIS SMITH
NM State University Horticulture Specialist
Question: How can I tell when my watermelons and cantaloupes are ripe enough to eat? I want to have a barbecue and serve fresh, ripe melons. I prefer to serve them from my garden, but I also want to know how to select them at the produce stand.
Answer: Whether growing or buying melons, it is discouraging to select melons which are not ripe, and most people prefer melons which are ripe and freshly picked from the garden.

Watermelons give you several clues as to when to harvest Observe the tendril, a small curly stem (pigtail) on the water melon vine directly opposite the point where the melon is attached to the vine. When the melon ripens, this tendril dries and turns brown or gray. The melon also develops a "soil spot" where the melon sits on the soil, unless you periodically turn the melon. Don't turn the melon, because you want to use this soil spot to determine ripeness in the melon. When the melon is immature, the spot is greenish or white. As the melon ripens the

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Williams - Combs Larry and Denise Williams of Houston announce the engagement of their daughter, Lorin Heather, to Gregory Scott Combs, son of Larry and Berta Combs of Muleshoe.

Lorin graduated with honors in Classics from the University of Texas at Austin, where she was a member of Eta Sigma Phi, Mortar Board and Omega Phi Alpha.

She is currently employed with the law firm of Thornton and Summers and will attend the University of Texas School of Law in the fall.

Greg graduated with honors from Western Texas College where he was a member of Phi Theta Kappa, and studied computer science at the University of Texas at Austin

Greg is presently a soft ware engineer at Metrowerks. An August wedding in Austin is planned, followed by a trip to Cozumel.






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To the hole
Josh Slayden of Muleshoe goes to the basket during the 4th of July 3 -on- 3 basketball tournament.

Polls show farmers have good image with public

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By MACE THORNTON
American Farm
Bureau Federation
Everywhere youlook, com-
panies are using farmers or a
perceived image of farmers to iell products. Farmers like the ads that portray them as edu-
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people who care for the envi ronment. Ads, however, that portray them as grasschewing, strawhatwearing bumpkins don't get many "thumbs up" in farm country.
Advertisers could care less. They know a winner when they see one. And they know a secret that has become almost psychologically impossible for farmers to accept. Americans ike and trus farmersregardless of
stereotypesand believe they stereotypesand believe they contribute a great deal to soci ety, according to public opinion research (focus groups and nationwide pol the American Farm Bureau Federation's public relations

Many farmers don't believe it. According to AFBF's na-
tionwide survey of farmers, only 47 percent thought the general population felt positively toward them. However AFBF's nationwide survey of consumers showed that 85 percent of Americans said farmers contribute a great deal to soci ety. That mark was slightly lower than firefighters ( 89 percent) and teachers ( 87 percent),
but was higher than members of the clergy ( 71 percent), business people ( 50 percent), bankers ( 32 percent) and politicians ( 13 percent). On a separate question, 89
percent of respondents to the consumer poll said they would believe a farmer talking in an advertisement about the challenges he or she faces. Even when braced by those numbers, most farmers still have a hard time swallowing the notion that the public thinks

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## No time to watch $-\quad$ BAXTER the moon rise <br> BLACK <br> ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

I didn't have
tains last night.
I'd gone out to get something and noticed a glow on the silhouette of China Peak. 'A fire, 'I thought. But it was still to wet for timber or brush to be burnin '
Then, as I watched, the curve of the moon tipped over the rim. It was golden as an egg yolk and lit the sky. "How beautiful," I said aloud to myself. It continued rising. declar ing itself so fast you could almost see it moving.
I heard the horses bang the feed tub. I walked over and peeked into the corral. They gave me the eagle eye, ears up. I'd just shod the new horse and quicked his right front a little. He was standin' on it square. I felt a little lighter.
I glanced back at the moon. The top third sat on the jagged edge of the earth's incisors. It was sneakin' up on the valley I stared a moment. 'Somethin' that big ought to be makin' a sound,' I thought. Like a rumbling locomotive or a creak ing timber. Maybe the moaning of hi-line wires in windstorm. I listened. Nothing but nightbird and the distant humming of a track on the highw.
I found the feedtag I was lookin' for and stuck it in my
pocket. Too late to call the feedstore tonight pocket. Too late to call the feedstore tonight but I'd have it
ready when I called the next morning. Then I remembered

I'd promised to call the neighbor. He wanted to borrow the brush hog soon as I was done with it. I'd finished that afternoon.
I quickstepped back to the house. As I crossed the drive I noticed the lane was dark but the tops of the trees were sparkling like they'd been sprinkled with glitter. "Man," I said to myself," It's to bad some photographer isn't here to capture this incredible picture. No one would believe it was real."
I stepped up on the porch, made a mental note to fix the railing that was hangin' like a broken arm, and opened the screen door. I held it a moment and looked back to the east. The dogs watched me hesitate, thinkin' I might not be done outside.
The moon shone like a yellow headlight waist deep in a pool of dark water. Gonna be full tonight, I thought as I walked in the house and made for the phone. The screen door slammed behind me and my lost opportunity
I didn' thave time to watch the moon hang itself in the sky. A scene so timeless it has been watched by Neanderthal men, Pharaohs, Moses, Michalangelo, Columbus, even Pancho Villa and Garth Brooks.
But not me, I didn't have time. I had to make a call.

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| $\qquad$ <br> These lunches are served with a drink \& dessert. |
| Mon.- Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Peas \& Salad Tues.- Chicken Quesadillas Weds.-Steak Fingers, Gravy, Fr. Fries, Toast \& Salad Thurs.. Sirloin Steak, Baked Potato \& Salad Fri.- Catfish, Hush Puppies, Fr. Fries, Salad \& Toast |
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## Combest hears concerns

of Plains cotton growers
Congressman Larry Combest (R-TX) addressed a well-at-
tended meeting of Plains Cotton Growers Inc. board of directors in Lubbock July 15
Combest fielded questions and discussed a wide variety of opics related to agriculture generally, and specifically, cotton. Other topics covered ag credit issues; Farm Service Agency loan processing; Fast Track; International Monetary Fund; and China's Most Favored Nation status.

Producers expressed strong concern that cotton growers on the Plains are being placed at an unfair disadvantage as the Chinese government floods the world market with excess pro duction.

One grower commented, "If Chinese growers are getting 90 cents and more a pound for their lint and we're getting a quarter less, it's an uneven playing field and it's not fair." Combest agreed. Another added, "While market prices in the U.S. remain low and 1998 production costs high, American cotton farmers are competing, not with Chinese farmers, but with the Chinese
government. Their government is putting money in, ours is not"

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## Hosplta Admissions

The Muleshoe Area
Medical Center reported admitting the following pa-

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July 2 - Cornelius Bradshaw, Fernando Castaneda, Anouly Chandara, Sanjuanita Garcia, Hazel Hay, James Herriage, Geneva Lemons, Geraldine Lopez, Erwin Nieman, Erasmo VelaCruz July 3 - Cornelius Bradshaw, Kathryn Hancock, Geneva Lemons, Laura Tritsch
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Bradshaw, Kathryn Hancock, Geneva Lemons, Laura

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Business of the Month
Barrett Produce was named as the Chamber of Commerce\& Agriculture business of the month for July. Pictured are (L-R) Darren Box, Richard Barrett, Susie Sowder, Laura Precure, Cade Box, Ronda Box, Lavon Hunt, Jason Box, Sheila Stevenson,
Lynn Box, Robert Shafer, Joe Flores and Ken Box.


## Business of the Month

Regina Clarkson, secretary for Pat Angeley CPA, was chosen as the Chamber of Commerce \& Agriculture employee of the month for July. Pictured are (L-R) Lavon Hunt, Laura Precure, Susie Sowder, Adrian Meador, Regina Clarkson, Pat Angeley, Sheila Stevenson, Robert Shafer, Joe Flores and Tub Angeley.

## GARDEN TIPS

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spot develops a cream or yellowish color This indicates ripeness. Thumping the melon to determine ripeness is difficult. However, people with a musician's ear may wish to choose their watermelon by thumping it. A dull thud sound indicates ripeness, or perhaps over-ripeness. A
ringing sound heard when the melon is thumped ringing sound heard when th
indicates an unripe melon.

The method with the greatest chance of success forchoosing a ripe watermelon is "plugging," or cutting a plug out of the melon to look at the flesh just beyond the rind. Some watermelon sellers will plug melons for you, others do not. Plugging is not acceptable practice in the grocery store unless the produce manager does it for you. In the garden, plugging ruins the watermelon if it is not ripe.
Cantaloupes, honeydew melons, and other small melons do not produce the tendril like watermelons, so that clue is absent. They often do not produce a tell-tale soil spot, but they do give other clues. The cantaloupes with netted rinds have a "ground color" below the netting. When this color changes to a golden color, the melon is ripe. These melons will also soften at the end away from the stem as they ripen, so you
can press gently with your thumb to choose the can press gently with your thumb to choose the
ripest melon. There is also a sweet fragrance which is obvious when smelling the rind of a ripe melon. When many of these smaller melons are ripe, the stem just naturally separates from the melon. This is called "slipping." When choosing a melon in the garden, the surest way to pick one which is ripe is to wait until the stem "slips"
from the melon easily. Melons sold at produce stands and at grocery stores must be shipped, so they are harvested at the "half slip stage". Melons harvested at full slip stage from the garden will be sweeter than those from the store. However, using the clues of color, softness, and fragrance will allow you to pick a melon which is ripe.
Ash bark beetles
Question: My ash tree has a lot of dead twigs this year. They are at the ends of branches that still have some healthy growth. I have also noticed that a lot of the twigs have fallen out of the tree when the winds blew. These twigs seemed to break straight across when they fell out. What is wrong with my tree?

Answer: It sounds like your tree has been infested by the ash bark beetle. This beetle is especially causing damage to green ash trees. Although, it seems to prefer green ash trees, it can cause damage in other ash trees which are under stress from improper irrigation, pruning or weather-related injuries.
The ash bark beetle is a small black, or mottled gray beetle in the adult stage, or small, white, legless grubs with brown heads. These larvae will be found in tunnels under the bark of the branches. You may also notice small, "ven tilation" holes in the twig due to the bark beetle. The branches seem to break straight across, because the twigs are often girdled so there is less wood at one point and the branch snaps at that point. Once you confirm that ash bark See GARDEN TIPS, page 7


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Lady Mules throughout the school year Thursday and Sunday in the Muleshoe Journal

## IMAGE

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highly of them．Why？Farmers take very seriously their mission of producing the world＇s most affordable and safe food supply． Producing the goods that feed，clothe and shelter fellow humans is a matter of deep commitment and pride．But，if someone attacks the process，or worse，makes light of it，farmers will likely take it as a personal affront．

The public ranked farmers（ 92 percent）slightly ahead of environmentalists（ 86 percent）and scientists（ 87 percent）when asked to rate who＇s more effective in conserving natural re－ sources and caring for the environment．In fact，more than two out of every three people（ 71 percent）agreedstrongly or somewhatthat the use of land for agriculture is actually good for the environ ment．Only 32 percent of the farmers surveyed thought the public

## GARDEN TIPS

 From page 6beetles are responsible for the symptoms you described，you may use several techniques to limit the damage due to bark
Keep your trees healthy so that they will be less attractive to the beetles．Proper pruning， irrigation，and fertilization will help keep the trees healthy． Once they are infested，the in－ sects and diseases that they carry will weaken the trees

Infested branches and twigs mould be pruned from affected
trees．These twigs and branches must be disposed of in a man－ ner to prevent emergence of
the adult beetles which will then reinfest ash trees．Shredded twigs may be placed into acom－ post pile which，if properly constructed，will generate suf－ ficient heat to kill the bark beetle larvae．
Other organisms in the com－ post pile will also help prevent emergence of the adult beetles to lay eggs and cause further infestation．

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#### Abstract

Legal  South Plains Health Pro in Muleshoe，Texas is seeking to expand office space in the immediate future．W．I．C．is currently soliciting bids for space Each bid received will be reviewed by South Plains zation the feasibility of utilizing the proposed site to fulfill W．I．C．requirements．Bids must be submitted by July 31， 1998 and include a floor plan，square foot age，maintenance re sponsibilities and term of lease with renewal op American Disabilities Act （ADA）guidelines，provide a reception／waiting area two（2）office size rooms， locking storage，area for conducting classes to ac－ commodate 8 －10 people， restroom，minimum 1200 square feet，area for cor tification of height，weight， hematocrits with availabil ty to running water，as well as easy access to other health care ser vices．Please address bids to the attention Ms．Barbara Khaleeq WIC Director， 2807 W Fth Street，Plainview Texas 79072．If you have any questions，please contact Ms．．Barbara Khaleeq，at（806）293 of 8 amen the hours Monday through Friday nate on the basis of race color，religion，national origin，age，sex or dis－ ability．Write to Secretary of Agriculture，Washing Ion，D．C． 20250 or call 1 800－942－3678．Published in the Bailey County Jour－ Journal July 16， 1998. Weight Loss Herbalife Distributor Call for products （806）272－3463． Legal

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