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Muleshoe, Bailey County upset census predictions

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

On Nov. 3, 1948, the Chicago Tribune made the mistake of predicting that Thomas Dewey was going to defeat Harry Truman in the presidential election... a journalistic error that has followed the newspaper since that day.

Predictions are a chancy thing, often resulting in error, sometimes huge errors.

In the eyes of Bailey County officials, the predictions for Bailey County's 2010 census were just that... a huge error, and those same county officials couldn't be happier for it.

According to Muleshoe City Secretary LeAnn Gallman, preliminary estimates for both the city and Bailey County indicated a population drop. For the City of Muleshoe, the preliminary estimate was 4,200, a drop of 330 residents or 7.29 percent from its 2000 census total of 4,530, and in the mind of local officials a huge undercount of what many believe to be one

of the most progressive communities in West Texas.

"We're very pleased with our census numbers," Gallman said Monday. "It says great things about our community."

Instead of the predicted drop, Muleshoe and Bailey County's 2010 census numbers show

of 303, which marks a significant increase in city revenue.

"We're real excited about the increase in the census," she added. "It just proves that we are progressive... that Muleshoe is a growing place to be."

Comparing the Bailey County count to surrounding counties,

2010 Census Results

County	2010 census	2000 census	Percent change
Bailey	7,165	6,594	8.66%
Cochran	3,127	3,730	-16.17%
Lamb	13,977	14,709	-4.98%
Parmer	10,269	10,016	2.53%
Castro	8,062	8,285	-2.69%

a significant increase — 13.86 percent for the city, which added 628 residents in the last decade, and 8.66 percent for the county, which has increased by 571 during the same period.

Pulling local utility numbers, Gallman said the city's water connections have grown from 1,802 in 2000 to 2,105 as of Monday, an increase

the local 571 resident increase compares to a 603 decrease in Cochran County, a 732 decrease in Lamb County and a 223 decrease in Castro County.

Of the surrounding counties, only Parmer County's census numbers show an increase, with a 253 resident gain since the 2000 totals.



Photograph by Stacy Conner

Mule Ryan DeLeon pitches during a recent baseball game.

Mules drop game to Floydada

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules dropped their second district ball game of their young season to Floydada Saturday 8-1.

Ryan DeLeon threw a seven hit game while recording five strike outs.

The Mules remained scoreless until the final inning.

Joey Ramirez walked to lead off the top half

of the seventh inning and stole second base. He went to third on a sacrifice by Dameon Snell.

Juan Guerrero laced a single to right field that brought Ramirez home.

The Whirlwinds scored three runs in the first inning and four in the second to open a commanding lead over the Mules.

Floydada's final run came in the fifth inning

after the Mules blanked them in the third and fourth innings.

The Mules also held them scoreless in the sixth inning.

The Mules are 0-2 and hosted the Friona Chieftains to try and get back on track Tuesday afternoon.

The Mules will be on the road to Littlefield on Saturday and return home March 29 to host the Dimmitt Bobcats.

Muleshoe producer urges attendance at HPWD meetings

Area residents, farmers and ranchers have only a few more opportunities to make their voices heard over the proposed amendments to the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District's rules.

Earlier this week, the HPWD held meetings at Hereford and Littlefield, and similar meetings are set for March 24 at the Dimmitt Middle School Auditorium, from 9 a.m. until noon, and the Plains Cooton Cooperative Association's board room, in Lubbock, from 3-6 p.m.

On March 25, from 9 a.m. until noon, a meeting is set for the Plainview Country Club and Conference Center.

Everyone who depends on water from the Ogallala aquifer needs to attend the public meetings on proposed water restriction regulations next week,

said Jimmy Wedel of Muleshoe, the Corn

from cities, counties and schools districts in the communities whose economies depend upon agricultural production," Wedel said.

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"There are ways to conserve water without destroying the livelihoods of hardworking families and eroding job growth..."

Producers Association of Texas vice president and an agricultural producer.

"People can make a difference. If you have concerns about the impact of the proposed rules, don't expect your neighbor to go to the meeting and do it for you," Wedel said.

The HPWD #1 regulations on Feb. 22 that would restrict irrigation use of water from the Ogallala in a 16-county region to no more than 15 acre-inches per year per contiguous acre, and require installation of meters on all wells in high decline areas beginning Jan. 1, 2012.

"It's vital that water district board members hear, not only from agricultural producers, but also

of hardworking families and eroding job growth, property values and the tax base of this whole region. These meetings are your opportunity to work with the board to produce a workable plan to conserve water without disastrous economic consequences," Wedel added.

Corn Producers Association of Texas held community meetings last week in Dimmitt, Farwell, Plainview and Olton that were attended by more than 400 people who raised many concerns and questions about the proposed water regulations.

"The five board members of the water district need to hear the concerns and questions of producers, business owners and elected officials and, we hope,

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Photographs by Terry Brewster

Tough enough...

Motorcyclists may have the reputation of being "tough and wild." But to display those "tough looking patches" some of the gentler arts must come into play. Pictured above, one of the vendors at the annual Muleshoe Roadriders' rally sews on a patch.

Pictured on the left, Lonnie Adrian mounts the Muleshoe Roadriders' flag prior to the event's "poker run."

About 200 riders participated in this year's rally, and about 85 took part in the run.



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Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

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Annual art show

The Muleshoe Art Association will be hosting its annual art show on Wednesday, April 6, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Muleshoe State Bank's meeting room.

Entries for the art show may be submitted April 4, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. non-members may enter for \$10, and members for \$5, plus their \$20 annual dues.

Categories are oils, acrylics, water colors, pastels and miscellaneous. Judging will be held on April 5, at 9 a.m., with the critiques and awards being at 1:30 p.m. on the same day.

Free computer classes

Free computer classes are being offered at the Muleshoe Area Public Library. The courses are: E-mail basics, searching for a job online, and Applying for a job online.

Call the library at 272-4707 to sign up or for additional information.

DCP signup deadline

The deadline to sign up for the 2011 Direct and Counter-cyclical Payment (DCP) program is June 1, 2011.

For more information about DCP, please contact the Bailey County FSA office at 806 272 4538. Information can also be obtained on line at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

Project Graduation meeting

The next meeting for Project Graduation is set for Monday, March 28, at Five Area's meeting room.

Project Graduation 2011 provides a safe, substance-free, non-alcohol, parent sponsored graduation celebration for the 2011 MISD graduates.

Individuals and businesses wishing to contribute to the project may send their donations to Project Graduation 2011, c/o Zanea Carpenter, 215 S. First, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

Lazbuddie blood drive

The Lazbuddie community blood drive is set for Monday, March 28, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., at the Lazbuddie Methodist Church's fellowship hall.

For an appointment to donate, call 331-8800 or 1-877-574-8800. Photographic identification or a donor card are required to donate.

Women's softball

The Muleshoe Softball League is now accepting entries for the Women's Spring League. If you are interested in entering a softball team contact Carl Patterson at 946-8854, Rudy Perez at 806-729-2100 or Janie Salazar at 806-891-1452.

Prom, banquet date announced

MHS Junior/Senior Banquet and Prom will be on the evening of Saturday, May 14.

Students will be treated to "An Evening in Paradise," sponsored by the Class of 2012.

For additional information contact Valorie McCamish at Muleshoe High School, 272-7303.

Talent show set for May 7

Muleshoe High School FCCLA is sponsoring a talent show on May 7 to benefit Bailey County Relay for Life. Entries are open to all Muleshoe Independent School District students and their families.

Registration forms may be picked up at any school. The deadline for registration is March 25.

For more information contact Valorie McCamish at MHS at 272-7303.

Sins of the Spirit are always the deadliest

A few years ago, I did something I'd never done before. Along with two writing partners, I tried my hand at penning some short pieces for what we hoped might become a series of gift books.

We had in mind some little volumes entitled something like, "Dear Mom," "Dear Dad," "Dear Teacher," etc. I even pitched a name for the series: "Enderables." The writers were named Barnett, Shelburne, and Shelburne. (I christened us BS-squared.)

Alas, most small publishers aren't interested in gift books and the big boys already have plenty of folks writing plenty of that kind of stuff, so our efforts will likely never turn into ink. But it was a lot of fun lining up words with my brother and our dear friend Joe Barnett.

Thinking of Joe recently, I remembered another piece he wrote. Joe's one of those athletic insomniacs who gets up way too early to run way too far, and has for years. I expect him to live to be 120.

In his essay, Joe talked about the kinds of dangers a runner worries might mess up a good run: dogs, big trucks, SUV's, etc. But one day he realized that those obvious threats are less truly dangerous than the ones a runner barely thinks about.

Runners worry about dog bites but rarely think much at all about mosquito bites, West Nile virus, encephalitis, etc. Joe made the excellent



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

point that in our lives we tend to worry about the big and obvious sins — theft, drunkenness, murder — when in fact the less obvious threats to our souls such as bitterness, resentment, an unforgiving spirit, and so on, may be far more deadly.

In fact, the sins of the spirit are always the deadliest of all.

Consider self-righteousness, for example. All self-righteousness is religious but religion is not the object of all self-righteousness. Whenever our noses go up — at work, at play, or at worship — and we play the snob, it's just like the little skunk raising its tail.

Things are about to get stinky. People learn to recognize the signs and usually have enough sense to back away if they can.

Self-righteousness is, of course, a form of pride, and pride is by its nature competitive. It's not enough to be good at what we do, we must consider ourselves better at it than those around us. We take what's good and twist it.

It is good, for example, to be conscientious in our work, but it is not good to think that we are more conscientious than, well, almost anyone else. If we beat the daylight out of the people around

us, we needn't be surprised when we end up friendless and alone.

Fellow strugglers make excellent friends. Folks we've put down and think we've bested in almost every area? Not so much.

So, don't you just hate being around self-righteous people? Careful now. It's possible

to be self-righteous about not being self-righteous.

See what I mean? The sins of the spirit are always chasing us, ready to bite us on the backside.

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HPWD meeting...

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Wedel said everyone should come to the meetings with written comments to leave with the board members and to speak about how they will be affected and provide suggestions to improve the regulations.

"It doesn't have to be anything formal, but the board needs to hear constructive suggestions on how to make their conservation plan better," he said.

If residents are unable to attend these meetings to present comments, written comments must be submitted directly to the water district by 5 p.m. on April 1.

For more information about the proposed regulations, visit www.texascorn.org.

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'Beautiful' junior high program emphasizes self worth

It's always exciting to hear stories about how the faculty and staff of Muleshoe ISD are "Building the Future, One Student at a Time." I want to share two stories about how our faculty and staff influence the lives of our students for the better.

First, let me tell you about a program at Watson Junior High School. Three staff members at the junior high — Angel Hunt,

School News

By Dr. Gene Sheets, Superintendent, MISD

Cari Pate, and Kimberley Woolbright — organized a program for young ladies called "Beautiful You."

Fifty-five girls from Watson Junior High and four girls from Lazbuddie came to an evening where they shared openly about finding the ability to see beauty and worth within themselves.

Our staff built great relationships with the girls, and the girls learned that they are beautiful and worthy of good things in their lives.

One young lady shared what she had learned from evening. She wrote, "There could never be a more beautiful you! True beauty is on

the inside. Don't judge a book by its cover. And ladies, don't ever let anyone put you down. You are unique and amazing in every way possible. You are loved, and you 'are worthy!' Don't be plastic, and just let your inner beauty shine bright!"

I have heard great comments about this program. I am very proud that our faculty and staff care enough about our students to spend

quality time with them, helping them realize that they are important and worthwhile.

One of our school board members summed it up very well when he commended Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Pate and Mrs. Woolbright, "The seeds you planted in these young women will produce much fruit in their lives. Your dedication to these young women and all of our students is appreciated."

I want to share another story about the influence of the faculty and staff on one of our Muleshoe High School graduates.

There are other stories like this about former students, but this one is especially beautiful.

There is sometimes an unwarranted perception that students that graduate from smaller schools do not have the ability academically to compete with students

from larger schools with more opportunities.

Kate Lepard was a 2007 Muleshoe High School graduate who has been attending Texas Tech University. She has just been notified that she has the highest GPA of graduating seniors for May 2011.

Kate has been asked to be the College Banner Bearer for the May ceremony for the College of Mass Communications at Texas Tech University. What a great honor for a wonderful young lady!

Parents can be proud of the education that Muleshoe schools are providing.

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Muleshoe Country Club Ladies Association

The March meeting of the Ladies Association of Muleshoe Country Club was held on Wednesday, March 16.

The members were served a lunch of smoked barbecue brisket, garlic bread, potato salad and key lime pie.

The meal, which was served in a St. Patrick's Day theme, was prepared by Judy Wilbanks, Anita Black and Jeri Flowers. The meal was followed by a business meeting.

During the meeting, plans for the annual Ruidoso trip were discussed.

Several of the ladies showed an interest, and it was set for June 20th, tentatively.

Treena Matthews gave the Hi-Plains golf report. She urged more ladies to participate in that golf league, and several members decided to join.

A Hi-Plains golf play-day is a good money maker, and the ladies

association is set to host one in July.

Anita Black gave the Country Club report and Jeri Flowers then gave the play day report:

- Jan. 19 — High score, second game was Treena and Elinor Yerby.

- Jan. 26 — Most outs second game was Treena, Analita Haley and Claudine Elliott.

Feb. 16 — Third low hand score in the first game was Jenny Bamert.

March 2 and 9, there were no card players.



Jeri Flowers, Helen Templeton, Pat Kirk and Jeanetta Precure.

The birthdays for the month of March were acknowledged: Lynn Campbell, Claudine Elliott, and Judy

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Senior Citizen News

By Katrina Scott

Hold on to your hats as March blows out and April springs in.

Spring fling at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center is set for Tuesday, March 29, from 7-10 p.m.

Come join in the dance, exercise, fun and fellowship with your area friends. This will begin our second and fourth Tuesday night dances at the center.

Hope to see you here for a fun night out in Muleshoe.

Remember, on Thursday at 1:30 p.m., we have Bingo call your friends and come for a good time. LeShea Mason with Samaritan Hospice should be with us this Thursday.

We have seen new faces enjoying the center. We welcome all of them and hope they become regular visitors.

The senior center is here for all of the senior citizens in Muleshoe and surrounding areas to enjoy. So, don't sit home alone come on down visit with friends and enjoy passing the time of day.

Our decorating gang has been busy again stop by for coffee and see the beautiful Easter decorations.

The center is blessed to have such talented ladies to keep our center looking so beautiful.

Menu for March 28 - April 1:

Monday, March 28 — Chicken casserole, carrots, salad, wheat rolls and pudding.

Tuesday, March 29 — Barbecue brisket, pinto beans, potato salad, cornbread and cake.

Wednesday, March 30 — Grilled steaks, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat rolls,

and apple- blueberry cobbler.

Thursday, March 31 — Chili dogs, salad, chips, onions, relish, cheese, cottage cheese and fruit.

Friday, April 1 — Fish and Chicken strips, gravy, pinto beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad.

Country club ladies... Continued from page 3

Wilbanks. Happy birthday to these ladies!

Flowers then announced the teams for the golf scramble: Team one — Anita Black, Tammy Black, Elinor Yerby and Analita Haley; Team two — Helen Templeton, Jeri Flowers, Pat Kirk and Jeanetta Precure; Team three —

Treena Matthews, Judy Wilbanks, Christie Whitt and Kay Field.

Lynn closed out the meeting by presenting the March Drawing. This month Elinor Yerby was the lucky winner.

Laverne Winn adjourned the meeting.

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We would like to thank Oneita Wagon Senior Center staff and friends for their kindness and great care.

To Pastor Richard Rodriguez and First Assembly of God, thank you for all the services that were provided.

Thank you to Shawn & Sonia Rejino, Lydia & Mark Torres, Olivia & Tomas Barrera, Beto & Nora Cruz, Oralia & Jessie Sotelo, Irma Marquez Family. We are truly blessed to live in such a caring community and have such wonderful friends and family.

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Obituaries

Benny Pena

After a long and full life, Benny Pena, 83, of Muleshoe passed away on Friday, March 11, 2011, in San Antonio.

He was born in Ft. Sumner, N.M., in March 1928.

A memorial service will be held on April 2, at 11 a.m., at the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe.

Until recently, Benny was a long-time resident of Muleshoe, Texas where he was happy with a career as a true cowboy — caring for his horses and tending to cattle throughout the Texas Panhandle.

Benny is survived by his wife of 57 years, Georgia Pena of Muleshoe; daughters Kathryn Jacobs of Boerne and Christina Ybarra and husband Francisco of Canyon; and one son, Benjamin Pena and wife Selina of Boerne. Benny had two grandchildren — Arthur Pena of Dallas and Sierra Ybarra of Canyon.

He was preceded in death by a daughter — Patricia Pena, in 1990.

Benny was one of 13 children and learned very early how to take care of himself and others. He was raised on a large ranch near Ft. Sumner, N.M., and tagged along during the work day in a saddle bag while he was still an infant. By the age of 3, he was riding horses and helping out with ranch chores.

In high school, he excelled in football, basketball, and track. Upon graduation, he was awarded a scholarship to the Highlands University football program, but was soon drafted into the Army where he served his full tour of duty in Germany. He returned to Ft. Sumner in 1953 and married Georgia. They moved to



Muleshoe in 1957.

In addition working as a cowboy, Benny also competed in steer roping and team roping events in New Mexico and Texas. In 1963, he won first place at the Lovington, N.M., Steer Roping challenge on his favorite horse Beano. Benny was an active member in the American Quarter Horse Association.

Benny was well-known for generosity to his friends and to his community. He often times brought food to people in need, delivered fruit and vegetables to friends, brought fresh flowers to the Methodist Church Sunday School class, and cared for any animal that needed special attention. Benny never turned away a person or animal that needed his help.

Benny's wishes were to be cremated upon his death in San Antonio. A family service will be held at a later date to honor his life as a husband, a father, and a friend.

The family suggests donations be made to the Muleshoe Senior Citizens Center, PO Box 292, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or the First United Methodist Church, 507 W. Second Street, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

To leave condolences for the family, visit www.ebensbergerfisher.com and select the Obituaries tab. Arrangements with Ebensberger-Fisher Funeral Home, Boerne.

James "Buster" Evins

Chapel services for James H. "Buster" Evins, 93, of Littlefield, formerly of Muleshoe, were held on Monday, March 21, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel of Muleshoe with the Rev. Monty Leavell officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Family visitation was held on Sunday March 20 at Ellis Funeral Home.

Mr. Evins died on Thursday, March 17, 2011, in Littlefield. He was born on March 27, 1917, to William Wesley and Mary Elizabeth (Haden) Evins in Woodard, Okla., and married Ethlee Lynn in Bula on Aug. 10, 1941. She preceded him in death on May 14, 2009. He was also preceded by his parents, three brothers and two

sisters. Mr. Evins moved to the Bula area in 1925 in a covered wagon. He worked on the family farm until he enlisted in the US Army during World War II.

He returned to the Muleshoe area where he farmed until he retired in 1998, and then moved to Littlefield in 2009.

Survivors include two sons — Kenneth Evins of Tulsa, Okla., and Derrel Evins of Dimmit; two daughters — Barbara Black of Amarillo and Beverly Dreyer of Three Forks, Mont.; a sister — Mary Ellen Bryan of Colorado Springs, Colo.; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the First United Methodist Church, Sunday School Renovations, 507 W. Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

Engagements



Barrett, Medina to wed

Bruce and Cindy Barrett announce the engagement of their daughter, Megan Barrett of Houston, to Emmanuel Medina, also of Houston.

The prospective bride has a BBA in marketing from Texas A&M University and an MB from West Texas A&M University.

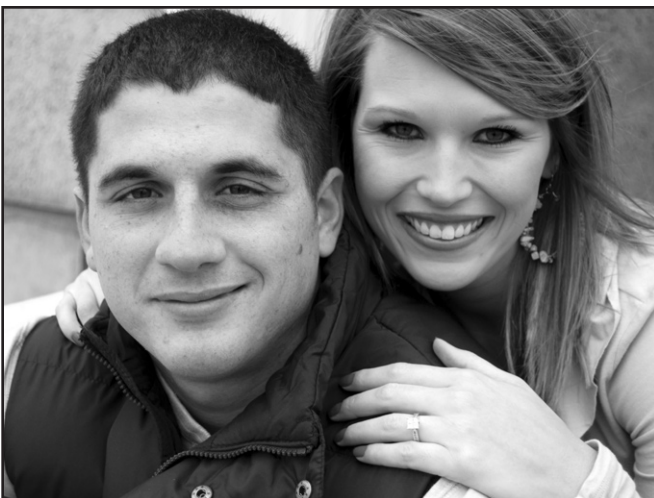
She is currently employed with Turner Construction Company as a marketing coordinator.

The prospective groom is the son of Rolando and Belinda Medina.

He has a bachelor of science in construction engineering from Texas Tech University, and is employed by SER as a project manager.

The wedding has been set for May 21, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

A reception will be held at Bamert Seed immediately following the ceremony.



Black, Lujan to wed

Rex and Brenda Black announce the engagement of their daughter, Marlie Beth Black of Lubbock, to Seth Lujan, also of Lubbock.

The prospective bride graduated from Muleshoe High School in 2004 and from West Texas A&M in 2008 with a bachelor of science in advertising and public relations.

The prospective groom is the son of Stuart and Sherry Lujan.

He graduated from Elkhart High School in 2002 and from West Texas A&M in 2007 with a bachelors in economics, and is currently enrolled in Texas Tech University to pursue his master in business

administration. The wedding ceremony has been set for July 1, 2011, at 7 p.m., at the Baker Building in Lubbock.

Births

Jazlynn Toscano

Adrianna Toscano of Muleshoe announces the birth of her daughter, Jazlynn Andrea Toscano at 2:14 p.m., on March 14, 2011, at Lamb Healthcare Center.

Jazlynn weighed six pounds, nine ounces at birth, and was 19 inches in length.

She is the granddaughter of Angela Ledezma and Armando Toscano.

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Sports

Lady Mules open district play against Floydada

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mule softball team hit the road to Floydada Saturday to open district competition against the Lady Winds.

The Lady Mules jumped on Floydada early and then blew away the Lady Winds 21-9 in six innings.

Erica Rodriguez walked on four straight pitches and then stole second base to start the game. She then moved to third on a passed ball.

Heather Gutierrez also drew a walk and stole second base.

Val Olivas blasted a double to deep right field to pick up the first two runs of the day.

Tori Alvarado changed places with Olivas at second base with a line shot double to right center and Olivas was able to just trot across the plate.

Alixis Cortez bunted to third a little too hard and was thrown out at first but sacrificed Alvarado to third.

Alvarado stole home for the Lady Mules fourth run before the final two outs were made.

The Lady Mules led 4-0 after the first half inning.

Marissa Cortez struck out three of the first four batters she faced.

The only base runner for the Lady Winds died on third base to and Floydada remained scoreless through the first inning.

Daniella Mendoza took the count full before drawing a walk to lead off the second inning for the Lady Mules.

She took off on the first pitch and stole second base to get in scoring position.

An error on the third baseman allowed Dom Mata reach first.

Olivas parked the first pitch to score three runs and give the Lady Mules a 7-0 lead after an inning and a half.

Floydada scored their first two runs in the second inning with two outs before M. Cortez recorded her fourth strike out of the day. The Lady Mules led 7-2 after two innings.

The Lady Mules were only blanked in the third inning and gave up two more runs to the

Lady Winds. The Lady Mules led 7-4 after three innings.

The Lady Mules sent eight batters to the plate in the top of the fourth inning and scored four runs.

Rodriguez led off with a single to right field. An error on the pitcher allowed Gutierrez to reach first. Olivas drew a walk to load the bases.

A. Cortez was hit by a pitch to force in a run. Sabrina Chavez singled to right field to score two runs.

Chavez worked her way around the bases and finally crossed the plate before the final two outs were made.

The Lady Mules had pushed their lead to 11-4 after three and half innings.

The Lady Mules gave up a single run in the bottom of the fourth before M. Cortez fanned the third out. The Lady Mules led 11-5 after four innings.

Twelve Lady Mules saw the plate in the fifth inning and they pushed seven runs across.

Mata took the count full before drawing a walk to

lead off the fifth inning. Rodriguez singled to left and Gutierrez walked to load the bases.

Olivas singled to right field to score two runs. She was forced out on a fielder's choice on a tap to the short stop by Alvarado but the Lady Mules' third run crossed the plate on the play.

Linda Sanchez drew a walk before M. Cortez singled to center field to score two runs.

An error on the first baseman allowed Mendoza to reach first base. Mata was hit by a pitch on her second trip to the plate.

Rodriguez singled just

over the head of the third baseman to bring home the final two Lady Mule runs of the inning.

The Lady Mules had increased their lead to 18-5.

Floydada scored four runs to stay alive and prevent the 10-run rule from being invoked.

The Lady Mules led 18-9 after five complete innings.

Olivas walked and stole second base to start the sixth inning. Alvarado's line shot double to the left center scored Olivas.

Alondra Villareal walked on four pitches. A hit batsman and an error

by Floydada allowed the final two Lady Mule runs to come home. The Lady Mules had pushed their lead to 21-9.

The Lady Mules blanked the Lady Winds for the second time of the day and left for home with their first district win of the season.

The Lady Mules were back on the road Tuesday traveling to Abernathy.

The Lady Mules return home to host the Littlefield Lady Cats on Saturday and then travel to Idalou on a Monday game March 28.

The Dimmitt Bobbies will visit the Lady Mules on Saturday, April 2

Turnbow receives top honor

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Tyson Turnbow was selected as the Offensive Player of the Year by the coaches of District 2-2A for the 2010-2011 basketball season.

He led the Mules to the Region I Finals in Midland.

Turnbow finished the season with 502 total points with 224 coming on two-point field goals, 162 points on 3-pointers and 116 free throws.

He passed out 185 assists, pulled down 217 rebounds, made 92 steals



Tyson Turnbow

with 258 of them coming from outside the arc. He passed out 33 assists and snagged 73 steals. Washington scored 375 total points, pulled down 255 rebounds, passed out 45 assists and made 44 steals.

Jonathan Perez, Zach Toscano, Isaias Guerra and Matthew Martinez were named as Honorable Mentions to the all-district squad.

Perez was the Mules point guard and pasted out 140 assists, made 128 points, 119 rebounds

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It's not horseshoes!

Close doesn't count in the game that's been described as America's past time.

Pictured above, Mule Damion Snell makes a play to get a runner who forgot to tag up during a recent game.

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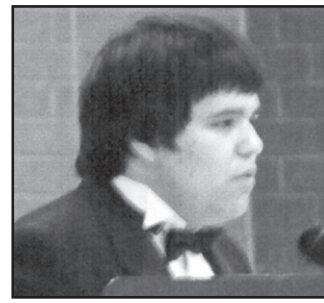
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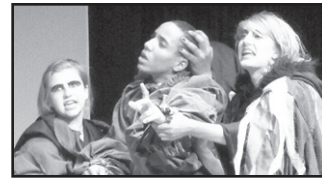
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Basketball honors... Continued from page 6

and 80 steals.

Toscano dropped in 256 points, 74 assists, 98 rebounds and made 67 steals. Guerra was the normally the first Mule off the bench and specialized in defense. He scored 122 points, handed out 40 assists,

grabbed 59 rebounds and stole the ball 40 times. Martinez scored 163 points with 90 of those coming from behind the arc. He had 25 assists, 43 rebounds and 32 steals.

The Texas Association of Basketball Coaches named Turnbow and

Hurtado to their TABC All-Region Team.

The Texas High School Coaches Association honored Turnbow and Sergio Montejano for making the THSCA Academic All-State Team.

All of the Mules honored this season were seniors and will not be back in a Mule basketball uniform next season. and

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The Sudan Buzzer

Sudan ISD student receives national art honors

By Savannah Sain
Sudan Correspondent

Hailee Gonzales-Diaz from Sudan High School has received a prestigious award for her outstanding artwork through The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards, a national program that recognizes outstanding creative teenagers and offers scholarship opportunities for graduating high school seniors.

This year, 185,000 works of art and writings were submitted. Approximately 10,000 students earned Gold Keys which qualified their work for national review.

Only 1,500 works earned National Medals this year.

Gonzales-Diaz's art teacher is Mrs. Neal Kleman.

The nonprofit Alliance for Young

Nettes golf team is doing well this year

By Savannah Sain
Sudan Correspondent

The Sudan Nettes golf team has had much success this spring.

Led by senior Emylee Gonzales, the Sudan Nettes have placed in their last two meets and Gonzales has placed individually.

Team members include Gonzales, KyLee Shultz, Caitlyn Netherland, Keela Chester, Ashlee Koontz and Harlee Koontz.

At the Farwell Tournament, Gonzales placed second individually, and the team placed second overall.

At the Sundown Tournament, Gonzales placed third individually with the team placing third overall.

The District Golf Tournament will be held at the Yoakum County Golf Course near Plains on Wednesday, April 6, with an early start.

Artists and Writers, which demonstrates the awards, will honor national winners at a special ceremony at the world-famous Carnegie Hall in New York City on May 31.

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teens have consistently gone on to form the core of the generation's creative leadership, not only by producing artwork with worldwide impact, but also by teaching, leading art museums, writing screen plays, producing films and exemplifying the values of creative self-expression that the Awards encourage.

This year's winners join the ranks of some of our country's most revered artists and writers who have received Scholastic Art and Writing Awards when they were high school, including Robert Redford, Andy Warhol, Truman Capote, John Lithgow, Joyce Carol Oates, John Baldesarri, Phillip Pearlstein, Zac Posen, Sylvia Plath, Richard Avedon, Robert Indiana and Abdi Farah.

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Barrett, Lennon qualify for state speech meet

By Savannah Sain
Sudan Correspondent

Josh Barrett and Brooke Lennon competed at the Texas Forensics Association State Tournament in Dallas over the spring break holiday.

Competitors from all over Texas and every classification competed for a chance to move on to national competition.

Barrett and Lennon qualified for the state tournament after earning enough points from various speech tournaments with their duet acting routine.

Barrett and Lennon did not move on to the final rounds, but they did earn a spot in Sudan High School history by being the first duet acting group to qualify for the TFA State Tournament.

Their next time to perform will be at the UIL Zone One Act Play competition this Saturday in Sudan.



Emylee Gonzales, KyLee Shultz, Caitlyn Netherland, Keela Chester, Ashlee Koontz and Harlee Koontz.

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Notice The City of Muleshoe is soliciting bids for the sale of the following described properties: Block 30, Lots 1-10, Country Club Addition Block 31, Lots 1-10, Country Club Addition Block 32, Lots 1-5, Country Club Addition Minimum bids will be determined by the appraised value as determined by the Bailey County Central Appraisal District. Sealed bids shall be marked "Property Bid" and returned to the Muleshoe City Hall no later than 4:30 p.m., Wednesday April 6, 2011. For a map of the described property and bidding instruction please contact the City Hall at 215 S 1st Street, Muleshoe, Texas 79347, 806-272-4528. *Published in the Muleshoe Journal March 23 and 30, 2011.*

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concerning the position can be obtained by contacting, Richard Hawkins at (806)272-7329 or Carl Krug at (806)272-7400. M.I.S.D. is an equal opportunity employer.

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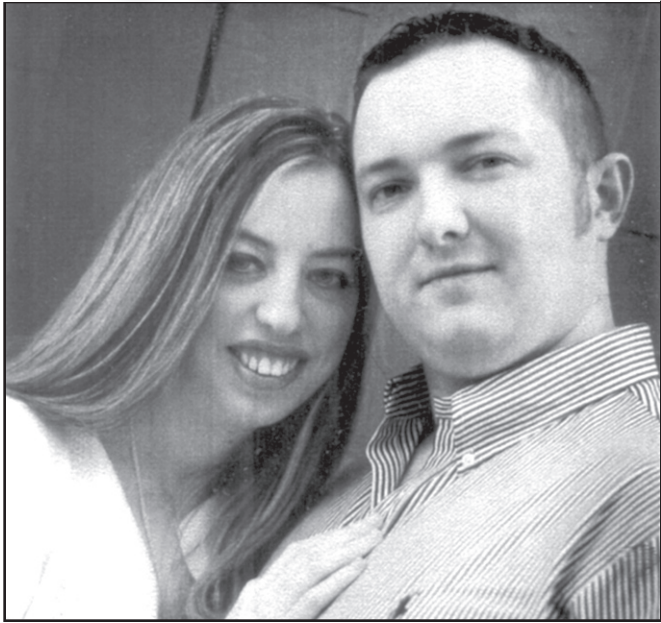
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Engagement



Thorn, Rolan to wed

Garvin and Janette Thorn of Lazbuddie announce the

Online survey under way

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To participate, go to <http://extensionissues.tamu.edu>. The online survey should take you no more than 10 minutes to complete, and will provide us with valuable insight into the issues facing citizens in Bailey County.

The online forum is open, and will remain open for input until midnight on April 7

The link to the survey is prominent on the website, but should you have any problems, contact the extension office at 272-4583.

engagement of their daughter, Triston Marie Thorn, to Jared Blake Rolan.

The prospective bride is a fourth grade teacher in Dalhart.

The prospective groom is the son of Lenna Rolan of Portales, N.M., and Loyd Rolan of Clovis, N.M.

He is a conductor for B.N.S.F. Railway in Alliance, Neb., where the couple will reside.

Discussing the 'rich young ruler's' question

This is one more comment regarding eternal of everlasting life.

We have shown that the two terms are changeable. And it's obvious, I think, that they are used in different capacities.

And I believe that not understanding this fact is one thing that prompts or lays the groundwork for different interpretations of Christ's answer to the Rich Young ruler's question as to what good thing could he do that he might not inherit eternal life?

To get the question before us, here is Christ's answer to it, "if thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven, and come and follow me."

You will note, the word 'and' appears four times in his answer, two of which are supplied by the translators.

And the word "perfect" means maturity, or full grown, and will also note, this is basically the same answer as given by mark and Luke.

Now, here is one reason for my comments on it-

Something worth saying...

By Glen Williams

and I assure you there is no personalities involved. But rather a search for truth and for the good of those that read it.

In more that 60 years of relations with our people — the Primitive Baptists — I have heard few comments about the Rich Young Ruler, and very few by preachers stating their opinion, or trying to teach it to their people. And almost without exception, those who did mention it seemed to believe he was asking what he would have to do in order to go to heaven in the next life.

And to this they would say, that Christ would in effect be telling him that "if you think you can go to heaven 'by your good works' you need to get rid of all those riches, and give the money to the poor."

I heard one brother say two or three times, in sermons at meeting, that Christ's answer was

"folly" nothing more.

Folly means "want of understanding" "foolishness" "sin" criminal weakness or unbecoming conduct.

Now, I want to ask: Is that the Christ we worship? I don't think so. For under no circumstances could I believe anything like that. So here is the story, as I understand it.

As far as we know the Young Ruler was a good man, a government official, probably a member of the Sanhedrin.

He evidently knew some of the disciples, observed their style of living and their form of worship — and he wanted to be one of them.

So he came to Christ and asked what he could do to be one of them or, if you will, "What good thing can i do that may inherit eternal life?"

He kneeled before the Lord and addressed him as Good Master. I don't

know how anyone can show more reverence than that.

Rather than being a corrective account given to a young man about what might be beyond this life, and how to attain that, I think this sets forth some true principles of what life should be here and what should be our relations with each other today, tomorrow and while we live on this planet.

I therefore plan to continue with this subject and try to explain not what I believe, but what I think is the best teachings of God's Word on it.

I have nothing in mind other than to explain what I believe to be the teachings of the scriptures, and why I believe it.

As you know this is not the only time the question came up before the Lord, neither is "selling out" the only answer.

But this is Monday morning, and I'm getting really interested, so until next week I will say, to be continued.

As the lady on television says, "Have a good day."

Happy 20th Birthday, Rolley!
We all wish you were here with us!
March 17, 2011
R.I.P. Rolando Isaiah Saucedo

Jenisis Armijo, daughter; Lorena Armijo, baby's mom; Duve, grandmother; Rolando Sr., father; Lilly, mother; Felicia, sister; Demetrie & wife; Cristal, brother; Zachary, youngest brother; Jordan & Yaslin, nephew & niece; Connie Cavasos, grandmother; and all your friends love and miss you!

Need Money for College?

Applications for at least four \$1000.00 scholarships to be awarded this spring by BAILEY COUNTY ELECTRIC CO-OP are due at the Muleshoe office by April 4th.

Applicants must be a high school senior who will graduate this spring or have received their GED.

Seniors graduating in May and will be attending an accredited College, University, Junior/Community College, Trade/Technical School, or Business School and live in the area and have received electric service from Bailey County Electric for at least one year are eligible to apply.

Application forms have been supplied to high school counselor's offices. Full rules of the scholarship program are provided with application forms.

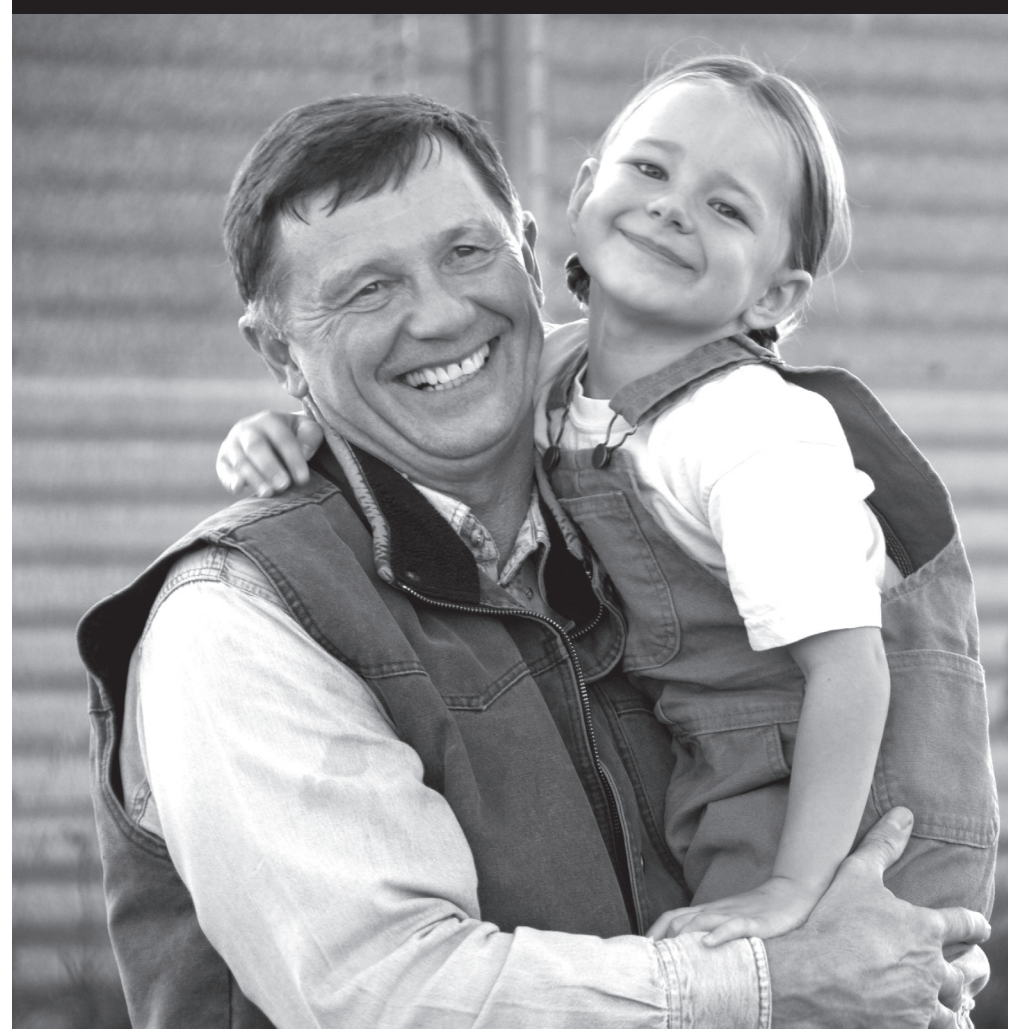
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