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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

Millennium glitch ups fee

A customer who returned a movie to a Colonie, N.Y., video-rental store found that the late fee had gone up — by \$91,250.

A Y2K glitch caused the computer system at Super Video to misinterpret data and read that the customer's tape was 100 years late.

"It's pretty easy to identify the problem," the store owner said. "Either the account is correct or there is a late charge of \$91,250."

He joked that he was tempted to collect on a couple of late tapes and head to Florida for the winter.

But instead, he fixed the problem with simple math and a ball-point pen.

Wall-to-wall wiener dogs

The Spokane County (Wash.) Humane Society is wall-to-wall with wiener dogs.

The society has bought out a prolific Stevens County kennel in an unusual deal to end what board members considered a miniature dachshund "puppy mill."

The 23 purebred adult dogs arrived Monday at the society's shelter.

Boy, 5, 'borrows' diamonds

Donna Thivierge's 5-year-old son couldn't let his mother go empty-handed this Christmas.

Little Michel "borrowed" his mom's wedding ring and a diamond pendant. He carefully wrapped the jewelry in a bag as a gift.

When the Manchester, Conn., woman discovered that her ring and pendant were missing, she reported the items stolen, but Michel kept his secret.

On Christmas Day, he presented the gifts to his mother. She called the insurance company to cancel her claim, but said she couldn't be mad at Michel because his intentions were good.



Drawing date: Saturday, Jan. 1
Winning numbers: 11-13-23-25-27-32
Estimated jackpot: \$10 million
Winners: 1
Next drawing: Wednesday, Jan. 5
Estimated jackpot: \$4 million

On this date in history

Jan. 6/7 — Jan. 6 is Sam Rayburn Day in Texas. He was born in Roane County, Tenn., and served as speaker of the Texas House in 1911-12 before serving as speaker of the U.S. House from 1944 to 1961 (born Jan. 6, 1882).

Jan. 8/9 — On Jan. 8, Edwin J. was elected Texas' first Republican governor (1870).

LOCAL WEATHER

The forecast calls for mostly fair Thursday and Friday, with morning lows in the low 20s. Highs should reach about 50 on Thursday and 57 on Friday. Partly cloudy conditions are expected during the weekend, with temperatures on Saturday rising from about 26 to 59 and on Sunday from about 32 to 60.

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Nine candidates enter primaries for county offices

By **RONN SMITH**
Editor

Eight Democrats and one Republican registered as candidates for Bailey County elected offices by the 6 p.m. Monday deadline, according to County Clerk Sherri Harrison.

The incumbent sheriff and an incumbent commissioner face opposition in the March 14 Democratic primary, and the commissioner also will have a Republican opponent in the November general election.

Sheriff Coy Plott is opposed by

his chief deputy, Ronnie Kemp, while Precinct 1 Commissioner Floyd "Butch" Vandiver faces Donald Harrison in the primary.

Vandiver, who is serving his eighth year as a commissioner, also faces Jack Dunham in the general election. Dunham is the only Republican who filed for a county office.

Dunham also opposed Vandiver in 1996, running as a Democrat.

Running unopposed as Democrats are Berta Combs for county tax assessor-collector, Gary Don Gartin for Precinct 1 constable

and Gerry Pierce for Precinct 3 constable.

Plott's campaign has emphasized his record of community service during the past years he has been sheriff, while Kemp's emphasize has been on his long-time law-enforcement background, mostly with the Albuquerque Police Department.

Combs is emphasizing her service with the county's office for aging services and veterans' affairs.

The other local candidates have not yet released public statements.

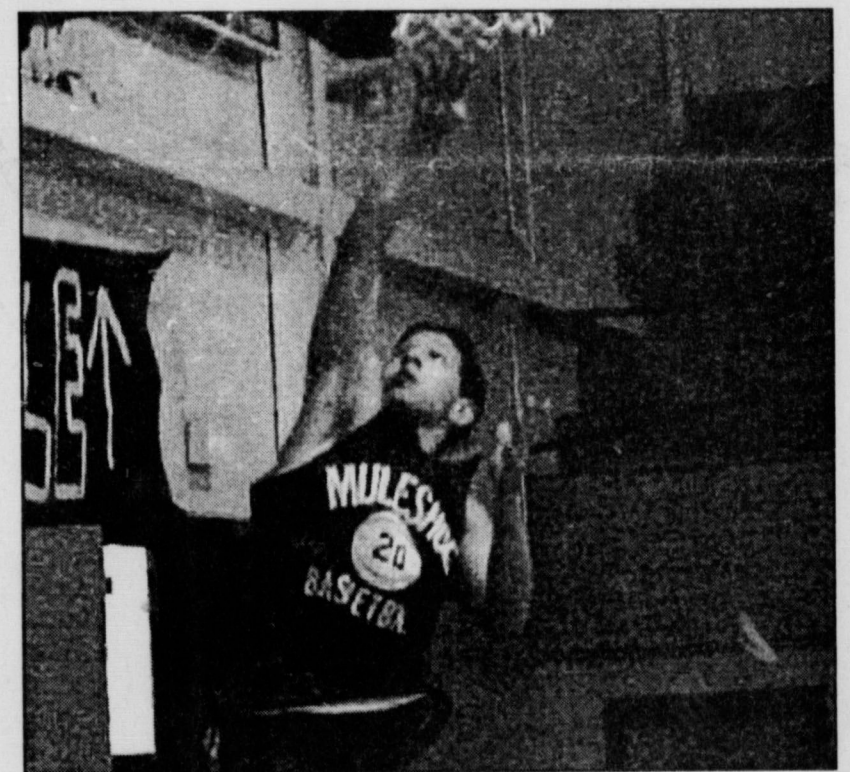
In statewide races, the major interest was among Democrats vying to oppose U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison in this fall's general election.

The five candidates in that race are (in alphabetical order) H. Gerald Bintliff of Leonard, Don Clark of Mesquite, former state Rep. Charles Gandy of Austin, Gene Kelly of Universal City and Bobby Wightman-Cervantes of Dallas.

Texas House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, is unopposed in his re-election bid.



Journal photos: Janie Sherbon



Freshmen hit it hard

The freshmen Mules didn't waste any time Tuesday returning to the tough workouts after their Christmas vacation. Above, Andy Scott (left) and Ruben Ovalle each keep their eye on the ball. Above right, Tim Hutton stalks A.J. Flores as Flores tries to outrun him. And at right, Fabian Fabela goes for two. The freshman boys play at Friona on Jan. 6 while the freshman girls take on Friona at Muleshoe. Next week they all play and then head to the Levelland Tournament on Jan. 13-15.

45-year effort culminates in ag lab, partnership

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

LUBBOCK — Forty-five plus years of effort by those concerned about the future of Great Plains agriculture culminated recently in the announcement of a three-way agricultural research partnership and the official dedication of a state-of-the-art plant stress and water conservation laboratory in Lubbock.

The 64,000-square-foot laboratory will house research scientists-partners from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service, Texas Tech University and Texas A&M University.

The unique partnership was finalized at a summit meeting in December 1998 — giving each entity an equal stake in coordinat-

ing and developing new food and fiber research programs.

"We at Texas A&M are truly excited about this new partnership. It underscores our commitment to share campuses and research resources with other universities and agencies," said Dr. Jim Butler, Texas A&M's associate vice chancellor for agriculture and life sciences.

"We are very pleased to be a partner in this effort at this new research facility," he added.

Scientists at the lab will conduct fundamental and applied research on plant stress and molecular biology to improve crop yields and the quality of commodity end-products.

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State-of-the-art cotton system set

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Commodity Credit Corp. Executive Vice President Keith Kelly has announced a new state-of-the-art electronic system to improve service and delivery of information relating to the sale of cotton in the corporation's inventory.

The system, known as Cotton On-Line Processing System, uses Internet technologies to greatly expand access to Commodity Credit's services while reducing costs.

The corporation recently conducted two small cotton sales utilizing COPS successfully.

Cotton loan forfeitures in 1999 have created the largest inventory in recent years. It is anticipated that Commodity Credit will sell more than 100,000 bales of upland and extra long-staple cotton in the coming months.

A portion of the system is operational and may be accessed by entities that store cotton owned by Commodity Credit and by potential buyers of such cotton.

Gins and warehouse operators that have obtained an access code from the Kansas City Commodity Office may now receive their quarterly invoices electronically to verify

accuracy and generate payment.

This process reduces the use of hard-copy documents and mailings, and expedites the warehouse operators' capabilities for payment.

Bidders may access Commodity Credit's sale catalogs through COPS and, if interested, place an offer electronically.

Successful offers will be invoiced and the receipts transferred electronically.

Companies that have not received the publication may request from the Kansas City Commodity Office Cotton Branch at (816) 926-6662 or e-mailing lpbromley@kcc.fsa.usda.gov.

Mules extend record to 10-6 over holidays

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

The Muleshoe Mules went 3-3 during the Christmas break, but a strong record before that has left them at 10-6 so far on the season.

Most recently, in Lubbock's Caprock Tournament, the Mules took their two opening games (67-62 over Lubbock Estacado and 49-43 over Lamesa) before falling to Tyler John Tyler 43-35 and Trinity Christian 78-53.

In both the games they won, the Mules were behind by two points at halftime.

In the Estacado game, the high scorer was Muleshoe's Mitch Mason with 18, followed closely by Bret Clements and

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AROUND MULESHOE

School board to be recognized

The Muleshoe Independent School District is joining with other districts around the state during January, School Board Recognition Month, to recognize the contributions elected school trustees make to their communities.

Muleshoe Mayor Robert Montgomery is scheduled to attend the Jan. 10 board meeting to present an official proclamation for School Board Recognition Month.

The Muleshoe board is among the 8 percent of school boards in Texas to receive commendation for accumulating the maximum number of training hours throughout the year.

"These public servants are elected to serve by local citizens and receive no compensation for their tireless efforts," Superintendent David Hutton said. "These people unselfishly contribute their time and talents toward the advancement of public education. They represent a continuing commitment to local control and decision-making."

Muleshoe board members include President Cindy Purdy, who has served for 12 years; Vice President Curtis Shelburne, who has served for 11 years; Arnold Price, eight years; Secretary Nick Bamert, two years; Sergio Leal, one year; and David Tipps and Thurman Myers, who are both in their second year of service.

Youth basketball signup set

Muleshoe Youth Basketball scheduled another signup for boys in grades three through six from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Jan. 5 at the offices of Precure Electric, 422 N. First St.

There also will be tryouts for the boys on Jan. 8 in the Watson Junior High School Gymnasium.

Scheduled times are 8:30 a.m. for grades five and six, 10 a.m. for grades three and four. All participants will need to bring, not wear, their gym shoes to the tryouts.

More information is available by calling Carroll Precure, 272-

4844 or 272-5073, or Robert Lepard, 272-4957.

Girl Scout cookie sales starting

Girl Scouts from several counties are scheduled to attend a kickoff for their annual cookie sales from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Jan. 7 at the J.C. Penney store in Lubbock's South Plains Mall.

The cookies will be on sale from Jan. 8 to March 5.

This year's selection includes the Thin Mint, Original Samoa (caramel and toasted coconut), Tagalong (layered peanut butter and chocolate), Do-Si-Do (oatmeal peanut butter cremes), Striped Chocolate (chocolate chip and pecan with chocolate stripes and a bottom coating of chocolate), Trefoil shortbread, Apple Cinnamon and Lemon Drops (crispy cookie with cream lemon chips).

The cost will be \$3 per box.

More information is available by calling (806) 745-2855.

Mammograms to be available

A breast-cancer screening clinic will be held Jan. 18 at South Plains Health Care Providers, 208 W. Second St. in Muleshoe.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram, a breast risk appraisal and individual breast self-examination instruction by a registered nurse.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for residents who qualify.

All exams will be by appointment only. More information is available by calling (800) 377-4673, or from any Girl Scout.

Public Calendar

Jan. 6 — Noon. Muleshoe Area Hospital District board of directors, in the dining room of Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

The deadline for items to appear in Around Muleshoe is 5 p.m. Monday for Thursday's edition and 5 p.m. Thursday for Sunday's edition. Items may be brought to the office at 304 W. Second, mailed to P.O. Box 449, called in to 272-4536 or faxed to 272-3567.

LABORATORY

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The facility has offices, labs and greenhouses, and will house 20 researchers, technical support staff, and administrative and maintenance personnel.

"We can optimize shared use of equipment and other resources by placing

USDA-ARS, Texas Tech and Texas A&M University researchers together at one site," explained Floyd Horn, USDA-ARS administrator.

The new facility replaces the USDA-ARS Plant Stress and Water Conservation Laboratory built north of Lubbock

in the 1970s.

The new building is one of 19 Agricultural Research Service research facilities on the southern Great Plains and will house the Plant Stress and Germplasm Development Unit and the Wind Erosion and Water Conservation Unit.

Researchers in those units are studying remote sensing to detect irrigation and crop nutrient deficiencies; how the behavior of confined livestock affects animal health and air quality; and ways to move stress-preventing genes into plant germplasm.

MULES

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James Barrett with 14 each.

Darrell Lewis also chipped in nine.

The same four players dominated the boards for Muleshoe, with Clements grabbing seven rebounds (three offensive), Shelburne five, Barrett five (with two offensive) and Lewis four (one offensive).

Barrett shot 100 percent both from the field and the free-throw line.

In the tournament win over Lamesa, Clements dominated all scorers with 21. Mason added nine for Muleshoe and Jeff Bruns seven.

Clements grabbed nine rebounds (three offensive) while Lincoln Riley added six (one offensive).

In the loss to Tyler, scoring was spread among Clements (eight), Lewis and Mason (six each), Barrett and Bruns (five each), Clint Black (three) and Shelburne (two).

Thomas Mitchell poured in 28 for Tyler.

Clements and Lewis led in rebounds for Muleshoe with five and four, respectively.

In the Trinity loss, Bruns and Shelburne led the Mules' scoring with nine points apiece, followed by Lewis with eight and Clements with seven.

Dustin Patterson had 15 and Micah McNutt 14 for the winners.

For the Mules, Bruns had nine rebounds, Lewis six and Matt McClanahan, Clements, Mason and Barrett each had four.

Although the Mules trailed 59-35 by the end of the third quarter, they kept up with Trin-

ity in the 19-18 fourth quarter.

Before the tournament, the Mules had buried Nazareth 77-50 on Dec. 21 and lost a close one to Portales, 40-36 on Dec. 20.

In the Nazareth game, Clements and Mason led the scoring with 18 and 16 respectively. Kade Wilcox chipped in 14 for Nazareth.

The Mules also got nine from Lewis, seven from Shelburne, six from Sammy Baeza and five from Black.

Rebounding was an all-around team affair against Nazareth: Clements grabbed nine, Black seven and Mason five; Bruns, Barrett, McClanahan, Shelburne and Ryan Hodge all had three apiece; and Riley, Lewis, Jessie Reyes, Delwyn Latham and

Eric Posadas each had one apiece.

In the Portales game, Clements led all scorers with 11; followed by Portales' Dathan Culpepper at 10, Muleshoe's Mason with eight, Barrett five and Latham four.

In rebounds for the Mules, it was Mason with six, Clements five and Riley four.

For the season to date, Clements leads the Mules in scoring with a 15.2 average per game and rebounds with 9.3 per game.

He is followed in both categories by Mason at 12.3 points and 4.9 rebounds per game.

Clements is making 53.3 percent of his field goals attempted and 52.6 percent of his free throws.

Black has made 100 percent

of his free throws (4-of-4). Posadas leads in field-goal percentage with 71.4 (5-of-7) followed by Riley at 66.7 (10-of-15).

The Mules were playing Denver City at press time Tuesday night.

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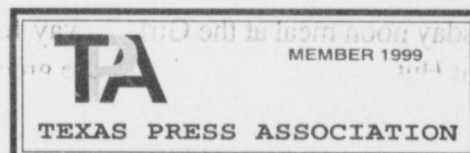
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For registration information, call 769-4025.

New veggie varieties are overwhelming — again

By RONN SMITH
Editor

Each year, it seems, the plant breeders (and seed companies) think we need a new variety of every vegetable known to mankind — and some that aren't very well-known to most people.

To list just the ones that are being touted as promising would take more space than a column, so I'm going to list a few at a time and hope you'll spot something you want to try.

Let me stress that I don't know for sure that these are all new for 2000. They're all on somebody's list as new for this year, and I don't remember growing them before — that's our criteria here.

As an example, just look at how many new beans there are (and this is not a complete list by any means, I'm sure):

- 'Benchmark' (53 days) — High-yielding bush-type white-seeded type for green beans. Said to be notable for holding its pods well off the ground. (J.W. Jung Seed Co., Park Seed)

- 'Brio' (54 days) — The Vermont Bean Seed catalog calls this the bean of the year for 2000. What does that mean? Who votes on "bean of the year"? I know not. But this sounds like a good variety to try in our area — heat-tolerant and high-yielding bush bean, with shiny round stringless pods.

- 'Bush Blue Lake 47' (58 days) — Another in the endless offspring of the standard 'Blue Lake,' as I'm sure 'Tenderlake' (see below) also must be. Stocky



6 1/2-inch pods that are almost string-free. According to the Burpee catalog, this is an improved version of 'Blue Lake 274.'

- 'Fordhook Standard' (57 days) — Another member of a big family, from Burpee Seed Co., this 'Fordhook' variant is a filet bean that's described as sweet and crunchy. Also has unusually small leaves, which would make the pods more visible.

- 'Masai Gourmet' (55 days) — High-yielding bush-type baby French filet. (J.W. Jung Seed Co., Park Seed)

- 'Neopolitan Pole' (60 days) — For people who like pole beans but want something different from 'Kentucky Wonder,' this one is supposed to be notably disease-resistant with flat 8 1/2-inch pods and a sugary taste. (Burpee)

- 'Roma II' (59 days) — Romano bush-type with smooth, flat pods. (Territorial Seed Co.)

- 'Tenderlake' (52 days) — Early and disease-resistant bush bean. (Wal-mart)

- 'Trueblue' (54 days) — A pole bean aimed especially at hot-summer areas, with fairly

short (5-inch) pods. (Park Seed)

Then there are specialty beans, with new listings such as:

- Edible soybean — 'Sayamusume' (75 days) is a high-yielding new type of this increasingly popular vegetable. (Territorial Seed Co.)

- 'Butterbaby' (75 days), according to the Burpee catalog, has "buttery flavor and firm, tender texture" — and the photo is mouth-watering. If you've never tried growing soybeans for food, this might be the one to tempt you into trying.

- Black eyed peas — There's one, 'California Blackeye 46' (60 days), that's listed as a new variety in the January-February issue of *Gardening How-to* magazine, but I think it's been around for awhile. Maybe it's one of those that's "new" to somebody's catalog. (Park Seed, Territorial Seed Co.)

Of course, even if you buy your bean seed early, you can't

really plant it for quite a while yet, so what about the things that we can start early — especially if you're willing to do it indoors or in some type of cold frame.

- Beet — 'Bull's Blood' (35 days for baby beets or 55 days for full roots) is a round variety with purple-red leaves. Beets are better started in the ground, by the way, rather than indoors. But they'll grow here just about all winter in an old-fashioned hotbed. (Johnny's Selected Seeds)

- Cabbage — 'Savoy Express' (55 days) is a savoy-type (crinkled leaves) to 1 1/2 pounds. It's an All-America Selection, so it should be available just about anywhere. Note that savoy cabbages are generally not quite as cold-tolerant as the typical cabbages, so you probably don't want to start this until late February unless you use a cold-frame of some type.

use in place of it.

Happy planting!
Questions and suggestions can be directed to Garden Writer, Route 2, Box 880, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.



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JENNYSLIPPER NEWS

The Jennyslippers met Dec. 28 for their regular second-Tuesday noon meal at the Girl Scout Hut.

Those present were Ruby Green, president; Peggy Bruton, Andrea Kemp, Nelda Merriott, Billie Downing, Bobbie Harrison, Doris Wedel, Ellen Ladd, Joy Williams and Donna Kirk.

Opening prayer was by Downing. Secretary Alene Bryant was not present due to a broken foot, and the minutes from the last meeting were tabled, as was the treasurer's report.

Elected as officers for the year 2000 were Bruton, president; Harrison, president-elect; Bryant, secretary; and Kemp, treasurer.

The annual installation banquet will be at 7 p.m. Jan. 24 in the Bailey County Coliseum Meeting Room. It's pot-luck, and Jennyslipper families are encouraged to attend also.

Green and Downing went to

the Mule-Putt Miniature Golf Course and put the equipment away for the winter, cleaning the green and winterizing.

Delivery of newcomer welcome packs will begin next week.

Kirk reported on the couple the club adopted for Christmas. The Jennyslippers gathered up food and numerous Christmas gifts for the couple. Green and Kirk delivered them and the couple was delighted and appreciative.

Our first meeting in the new year will be at the Carrousel at noon Jan. 11, the second Tuesday of the month. Visitors and guests are always welcome.

Our Scripture verse for this meeting and the coming year was Mark 5:16: Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your father which is in heaven.

This report was submitted by Merriott in the absence of Bryant.

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Dec. 27 — Alfonso Cabello Jr., Linda De La Rosa, Ruby F. Everett and Mildred N. Ferrell.

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Ladies Cruel Girl Shirt (\$54 value)

Rhonda Myers of Muleshoe
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Kelly Harrison of Muleshoe
Justin Youth Boots (\$65 value)

Ricky Webb of Three Way
Resistol Straw Hat (\$75 value)

Clinton Koufman of Shallowater
Resistol Straw Hat (\$75 value)

Sheila Allison of Portales, NM
Ladies' Cruel Girl Jeans (\$54 value)

Ashley Mason of Plains
Crumrine Jewelry (\$50 value)

Alison Swink of Dimmitt
Southwestern Entertainment Center (\$850 value)

Starla Ellis of Muleshoe
Dun Dee Belt (\$50 value)

Jana Pyle of Muleshoe
Dun Dee Belt (\$50 value)

Susan Kerby of Muleshoe
Walls Jacket (\$105 value)

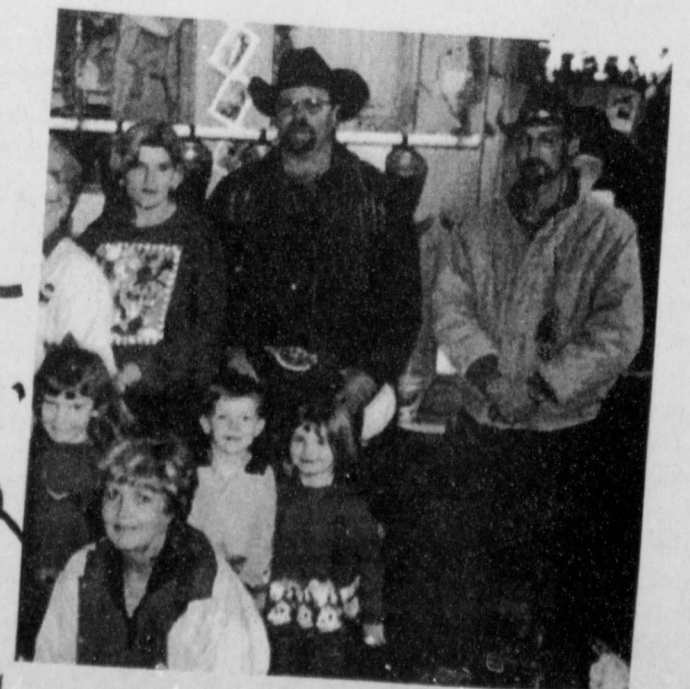
Lonnie Bussey of Texico, NM
Force Ten Leather Bag (\$299 value)

Gail Gladden of Muleshoe
Anderson Bean Boot (\$199 value)

Starla Ellis of Muleshoe
Justin Chukkas Adult Size (\$85 value)

Kait Grau of Grady, NM
Justin Chukkas Youth Size (\$79 value)

Sheila Allison of Portales, NM
M&F Hatbands (\$25 value)



ENGAGEMENT



WARRICK-SCOTT

William and Chris Warrick of Allen, Texas, and Ronald and Joyce Scott of Muleshoe announce the engagement of their children, Jaime Warrick of Allen and Heath Scott of Lubbock.

The wedding is scheduled for 1 p.m. March 11 at the South Garland Baptist Church in Dallas. A reception will be held at the Ellis Castle Crown Ballroom, also in Dallas.

The bride-elect is a 1994 graduate of Allen High School and received a bachelor of science degree in interdisciplinary studies (elementary education) in 1999 from the University of North Texas in Denton.

The prospective groom is a 1991 graduate of Muleshoe High School and received a bachelor of science degree in interdisciplinary agriculture from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He received a paramedic license from South Plains College in Levelland in 1999 and is a Life-Tech EMS paramedic.

The couple will reside in Lubbock after the wedding.

OBITUARIES

KARLA CONNOR

Services were held Tuesday at the Muleshoe Church of Christ for Karla Stroud Connor, 41, of Dallas. Harry Riggs officiated. Burial was in Bailey County Cemetery.

Ellis Funeral Homes handled arrangements.

Mrs. Connor was born April 15, 1958, in Friona. She died Sunday at her parents' residence in Muleshoe.

She was a Muleshoe High School graduate and was employed for 10 years as a secretary with the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center. She married Dwayne Connor in Daleville, Ala., on April 10, 1998. She had moved to Dallas late in 1999 from Gastonia, N.C.

She was a member of the Muleshoe Church of Christ.

She is survived by her husband; her parents, Truman and Martha Stroud; her grandmother, Leola Stroud; a sister, Lori Hall; and a brother, Joe Stroud. All are from Muleshoe.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society or the New Mexico Christian Children's Home (1356 New Mexico 256, Portales 88130-9411).

CAROLYN ALLISON

Services were held Monday at the First United Methodist

Church of Muleshoe for former resident Carolyn Allison, 51, of Lubbock. The Revs. Brad Reeves and Bill Kent officiated.

Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Eulogies were given by Larry Allison of Lamesa, a cousin of the deceased, and John Skogland III of New York City, a nephew.

Musical selections were presented by her cousins, Becky Walker, Beth Askew, Kenni Fewin, Steve Osborn, Jim Allison and Kristi Coleman. Organist was Marshal Cook and pianist was Sally Messenger.

Ms. Allison was born June 1,

1948, to Harold and Jean Allison of the Pleasant Valley community.

She was a 1966 graduate of Muleshoe High School, where she was active in the Mighty "M" Band and Future Homemakers of America. She also was involved in 4-H and became a State Gold Star girl in 1966.

She also was a 1970 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in fashion merchandising. After graduation, she worked first at Margaret's in Lubbock and then as a buyer for Frost's Department Store in San Antonio.

Next she became warehouse and office manager, fabrics II division of woman's clothier Howard B. Wolf in Dallas and served as a fashion consultant for The Casual Corner boutique. She also acted as a marketing representative for these companies at international trade shows at the Dallas Trade Mart.

In 1977, she became the manager of the Wichita Falls store of Grigsby's Rag Doll, an upscale women's specialty store.

In 1978, she opened and managed a similar store in Lubbock's Memphis Place Mall. In this capacity, she was selected for Leadership Lubbock and served on Lubbock's Planning and Zoning Board.

She later served as a retail fashion consultant at Malouf's department store.

Health concerns caused her to retire from merchandising in 1990, although she remained active in church and community affairs.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Lubbock.

She is survived by her mother, Jean Allison of Muleshoe; her beloved friend, Bo Evans of Lubbock; a sister and brother-in-law, Veta and John Skoglund Jr. of San Antonio; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Fred and Martha Allison of Lubbock and Jim and Nancy Allison of Muleshoe; and seven nieces and nephews, John Skogland III of New York City; Olivia Allison, Daniel Allison, Stuart Allison and Marissa Allison, all of Lubbock; and Wyndi Allison and Austin Allison, both of Muleshoe.

She was preceded in death by her father and by a brother, Jack Allison.

Casket bearers were cousins, Jim Allison, Winston Allison, Larry Allison, Bobby Allison, Mack Allison, Sam Allison, Tom Didlake, Mike Andreas, Pat Andreas, Steve Osborn, Jimmy Grizzle and Wiley Grizzle.

The family suggests memorials to the Jack Allison Division of Opportunity Plan Inc. of Canyon (79015), the Muscular Dystrophy Association or the First United Methodist Church of either Lubbock or Muleshoe.

TOPS NEWS

Rose Sain was honored as the best loser at the TOPS No. 34 meeting Dec. 4 at the Church of Christ on American Boulevard. The first runner-up was Alene Bryant.

Ten members were present for the weigh-in conducted by weight recorders Betty Jo Davis and Bryant.

Polly Otwell led a discussion about the best and the worst things that have happened in the past 100 years.

The improvement of medicine and health care were mentioned as some of the better

Children's money choices can become habit-forming

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

COLLEGE STATION —

A recent survey by *Zillions* magazine found that kids are spending more money on snacks than on anything else — about \$5 a week on drinks, candy, chips, cookies and other foods.

An economist with Texas A&M University suggests that parents encourage children to manage their money so that their spending habits affect their lifetime financial well-being.

"When young people are given money upon request or as an allowance, they will likely think it is meant for spending, unless they get some coaching. Parents should talk about choices they have about spending, saving and sharing money," advises Dr. Lynn White, family economics specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Zillions found that school vending machines are a major point of purchase for today's youth. If kids save 50 cents each day instead of dropping it into the coin slot, how much could they would save by the time they graduate?

White suggests using this formula: 50 cents multiplied by 180 school days multiplied by the number of years they have until high school graduation.

For example, by saving 50 cents a day, a third-grader would save \$900 by graduation. That amount does not include interest.

"And it's never too late to start

saving," White added. "A ninth-grader would save \$360. A senior could save almost \$100."

Parents can also consider matching their savings as a reward incentive.

"Savings could be even more if you teach them how to choose a savings account where their money can earn interest," White said. "I also think children should be given opportunities to learn about consumer decision-making and money management."

The Texas 4-H program offers the Consumer Critter Crew project to children in grades three through five. Consumer Life Skills and Consumer Decision Making programs are designed for youth in grades six through 12.

High School Financial Planning is another program available from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with the National Endowment for Financial Education.

The latter program is designed to sharpen the skills of high school youth.

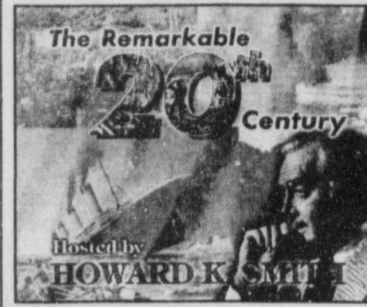
"Think about this," White said. "Children who save \$28 a week in an investment that earns an average of 9 percent a year from age 20 to age 65 could retire a millionaire. The secret is to teach children to start early and save regularly and to ask themselves every time they use money, 'What are my choices?'"

Each choice a child makes builds or reduces their financial well-being now and over a lifetime.

More information is available by contacting any county Extension agent.

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The Remarkable 20th Century, a 10-part documentary series, chronicles the 20th century decade-by-decade with an in-depth look at the events, places, and people that shaped the world today. From the World Wars to the World Series, the series covers the most compelling stories through interviews with people who were there as observers as well as those who made history. The program features interviews with Gen. Colin Powell, Henry Kissinger, Walter Cronkite, Rev. Jesse Jackson, Tom Brokaw, Senator Daniel Inouye, Buzz Aldrin, Rosa Parks, Betty Friedan, Quincy Jones, several centenarians, and many more. Award-winning journalist Howard K. Smith hosts.

From "1900-1910," the first episode, to 1990-1999, the final episode, **The Remarkable 20th Century** examines countless major events—from the mass production of the automobile, the Wright brothers' inaugural flight, Thomas Edison's inventions, and the St. Petersburg Square massacre in Russia, to the deaths of Mother Teresa and Princess Diana, and President Clinton facing impeachment charges.

The Remarkable 20th Century can be seen Sundays at 10:00 beginning January 9th.

2000 SEASON ANTIQUES ROADSHOW

Antiques Roadshow, one of television's most unexpectedly popular series returns to PBS for a fourth season. The series has quietly become PBS's top-rated program, with almost 14 million viewers tuning in each week.

Antiques Roadshow cameras capture the moments of revelation and emotion as experts and owners together explore the fascinating stories behind yard sales bargains, family heirlooms, and even dumpster-diving trophies — culminating in the appraisers' often startling disclosures about the objects' historical, aesthetic, and market value. The new season travels to Columbus, Ohio; Birmingham, Alabama; Tampa, Florida; Providence, Rhode Island; Baltimore, Maryland; Toronto, Ontario, Canada; Salt Lake City, Utah; and Des Moines, Iowa.

Antiques Roadshow can be seen Mondays at 7:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m. and Thursdays at 9:00 p.m. The new season begins Monday, January 10th.

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Exotic animals kept as pets raise risk of disease, injury

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

The ultimate gift-giver may have endeared himself to his true love with swans, calling birds, French hens, turtle doves and a partridge in a pear tree, but experts at the Texas Department of Health say such living presents can be a problem.

"Buying or giving exotic pets such as monkeys, hedgehogs, prairie dogs, reptiles, or other wildlife potentially can be dangerous to both humans and the animals themselves," said veterinarian Jane Mahlow, director of the department's Zoonosis Control Division.

These unusual animals can bring with them dangerous, sometimes deadly, diseases.

African pigmy hedgehogs and reptiles such as snakes, lizards, turtles and iguanas, for instance,

carry strains of *Salmonella* bacteria in their intestines.

The salmonella bacteria do not make the animal sick but in people can cause serious cases of severe diarrhea, fever, vomiting, abdominal cramps or even death, especially in young children, the elderly and those with immune-compromised systems.

A person does not have to have direct contact with the reptile but can get the bacteria from another person who handles the reptile or from household surfaces the animal may have touched.

"Everyone who touches the reptile or its cage should always wash their hands afterwards," Mahlow said. "Also, the kitchen sink is no place to bathe reptiles or to wash their dishes, cage or aquarium."

Reptiles should not be loose to roam around the house, especially

if young children are in the home. Salmonella can live on furniture and in carpets. "And reptiles should never be kept in child-care centers," Mahlow said.

Monkeys, too, seem irresistible with their child-like qualities and humorous antics. However, macaques and Asian monkeys including the rhesus, commonly carry the herpes B virus.

Like salmonella in reptiles, herpes B causes no noticeable disease in macaques. But in humans, the virus (also known as monkey B virus or simply B virus) leads to an illness that can cause death. Monkey bites are the primary way humans get herpes B virus.

Cute and curious, prairie dogs draw attention to their natural villages on the plains of West Texas. But these wild rodents come from the same area in the state where

bubonic plague is found. People may become infected by being bitten by fleas that carry the plague organism.

"Wild animals are best left in the wild," Mahlow said. "They can be unpredictable, possibly posing a threat to people of severe attack. And rabies from wild animals is always a concern."

Wild animals themselves can face almost as many problems living in captivity. Most will not live long in an average household.

Their diets are different from domesticated pets, and the wrong food can lead to serious nutritional deficiencies. Many require as much care and attention as a human infant.

And while cute and cuddly as a baby, an animal may become aggressive or moody as it matures.

Releasing a wild animal back into nature after months or years in captivity is usually a death sentence for the animal.

Complicating the problems for wild and exotic animals is the growth of sales on the Internet. Hundreds of sites offer all types of animals from alpacas to zebras. Sellers as far away as New Zealand or as close as West Texas can provide — for a hefty price — reindeer, llamas, camels, kangaroos, iguanas, parrots, pythons, marsupials or any of dozens of other creatures.

Various restrictions apply to owning and importing different animals.

For instance, federal public health regulations prohibit selling turtles less than 4 inches long because of salmonella risks. Importing non-human primates into

the United States as pets also is prohibited.

There also are restrictions on owning endangered or fur-bearing animals such as raccoons, beavers, mink, muskrats, opossums and otters. Other regulations restrict importation of livestock as well as importing, exporting or transporting species of foxes indigenous to North America, and coyotes or raccoons.

"Animals are not ornaments or oddities to show off," Mahlow said. "The selection of a pet needs to be based on family considerations, the time available to devote to the animal and the safety and health precautions required."

More information is available by contacting Mahlow at (512) 458-7255 or Emily Palmer of the health department's communications office at (512) 458-7400

Mood swings can be more than growing pains for teens

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

HOUSTON — The teenage years can be filled with emotional turmoil, but certain events can cause feelings of depression and despair to take a deadly turn.

"Adolescents may seem more reactive than adults and their moods often have dramatic ups and downs," said Dr. Flossy Eddins-Folensbee, an assistant professor of psychiatry at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

The desire to make good grades, be part of a peer group, excel in sports, or meet parental expectations can put great pressure on the younger generation. The stress is enough to make some teens turn to suicide, now the third leading cause of death for this age group.

Certain behaviors, such as changes in eating or sleeping habits, withdrawal from friends and family and feelings of despair, could signal depression. It is important for parents to remember that this is a treatable problem and they should arrange for the teen to get professional help.

Sometimes a certain event can trigger feelings of loneliness, hopelessness or rejection. For teens who have recently experienced a breakup with a boyfriend or girlfriend, a parents' divorce, failing a class or not making a team, suicide might seem like the only answer.

One or more of the following behavior changes could be a suicide warning sign:

- A sudden drop in grades;
- Drastic changes in physical appearance and peer groups;
- Writing "goodbye" notes and letters to friends;
- "Cleaning house" by giving away favorite belongings or throwing items away; and/or
- Extreme boredom or withdrawal from favorite activities.

A family history of suicide or the recent suicide of a friend, teacher or relative also could increase a teen's risk.

"Parents and other adults should not discount talk of suicide as a ploy to get attention," Eddins-Folensbee added. "If they suspect a teen is contemplating suicide, they should take it seriously, confront the issue and consider a professional evaluation."

According to Eddins-Folensbee, one of the best things parents can do is to keep the lines of communication open.

Teens who have an affectionate home environment, where feelings are openly expressed and expectations are geared toward each individual child, tend to be more resilient to life's stresses.

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Toy stories

Representatives from South Plains College's forensics and business and professional speech classes show off some of the toys the group donated to Hockley County Family Outreach during the holiday season. Surrounded by Barbies, Slam Crunch wrestlers, teddy bears and books are (from left) Jessica Smith of Shallowater, Laura Dickinson of the college's speech faculty and the group's sponsor, Kidron Lewis of Littlefield, April Langelhennig of Brownfield, Linday Holder of Welch, Josh McElroy of Muleshoe and Danielle Lehrman of Brownfield.

Cattle market up despite drought

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

COLLEGE STATION — Beef producers got a Christmas bonus this year, in spite of a drought that has plagued Texas for most of the past five years.

"There is a bright spot in the livestock business because feed prices are a little lower," said Dr. Travis Miller, agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and a member of Gov. Bush's Drought Preparedness Council.

Dr. Ernie Davis, an Extension beef economist, said feedlots are looking at dwindling herd sizes across the state, and so are hoping to buy as many cattle as they can.

"There are more lighter-weight cattle out there for two reasons: No. 1 is we don't have the winter pasture because of the dry weather. And No. 2, feedlots are looking at smaller herd numbers. They understand that they've got fewer feeder cattle, and they are scrambling to get them before they run out."

Davis also pointed to an increase in demand for beef and new innovative ways to market cheaper beef cuts. That leads to increasing the overall value of the carcass, he said.

"For the first time since 1976, we've seen a significant increase in demand for beef," he said. "Hog numbers are down, and there has been a lot of money spent on the beef checkoff program. Retailers finally woke up and saw that these fast-food restaurants were beginning to take

away their beef sales. They decided to get some of those beef sales back by going with shelf-ready, or partially prepared, products that are ready to eat in 10 minutes. You've got that going on all across the nation right now."

Davis predicts beef prices will continue an upward climb, with some of the highest prices to come during the fourth quarter of 2000.

"Actually, the peak could be extended to 2001," he said. "If people don't start expanding herds, this thing is going to dwindle down even smaller. So that means prices are going to go up."

Lower grain prices are enabling producers to hang on to cattle even though pastures are dried up and there is little available forage.

Curtis Burlin, owner of the Navasota Livestock Auction Co. in Navasota, Texas, said, "The cattle market has just run off in the last six weeks. It's got to be because of the cheap feed. The corn crop was massive in the Midwest's Corn Belt."

"The market is fantastic. Producers are having some money to buy feed," Burlin said. Therefore, producers can keep cattle instead of having to sell them off.

Several factors are fueling the increased beef demand by consumers. Lisa Williams, spokesperson with the Texas Beef Council, said, "We're seeing beef demand stabilize and then turn upward for the first time in 20 years."

Two things are positively impacting demand: a strong U.S. economy and export market.

"Consumers are understanding what a great nutrition value beef is, and the demand for new convenient beef products is increasing," Williams added.

Microwavable hamburgers that come in re-sealable bags saw more than \$1 million in sales in the first 50 days after their debut in July. Also, a new seven-minute microwavable pot roast is becoming very popular.

"We're trying to get to a consumer who wants a meal like mom used to make," Williams said. "But the consumer doesn't want to put the time and effort into it."

Light rains across most of the state in November and December have had little effect on pasture growth, Miller said.

Most of the state's winter wheat — upon which many producers depend for grazing — is in dire need of moisture, whether to produce pasture or a grain crop.

"Many ranchers are in the fourth or fifth month of feeding in an effort to maintain herds," Miller said. Livestock culling has increased slightly, with some producers completely liquidating their herds.

Some of the state's producers — especially those with only surface ponds — are hauling water or moving livestock to other pastures, said Dr. Stephen Hammack of Stephenville, Extension livestock specialist.

Ocean discovery is focus of school lecture on April 1

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

CORPUS CHRISTI — A one-stop opportunity for high school students and their teachers who want to get better acquainted with the diverse environmental, economic and social facets of the state's coastal lands and waters will be offered April 1 in Corpus Christi.

The 17th annual Marine Education Symposium is an adventure "uniquely structured to allow both high school youth and classroom educators to develop a greater understanding and appreciation for the influence the oceans have on our daily lives and future," said Willie Younger of Palacios, Texas, an Agricultural Extension Service marine education specialist.

The morning session will include concurrent lectures on ocean and coastal issues. The afternoon provides the opportunity for participants to be involved with in-depth, hands-on field study.

The event will be on the island campus of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

Registration is open to all Texas teachers, regardless of grade taught, and students in grades nine through 12. Enrollment is \$10 per person and includes field-trip transportation and lunch.


Early registration is recommended, as the assignments for concurrent lectures and field trips are done on a first-come basis. Younger also said special attendance may be considered for eighth-grade students if a clear demonstration of special interest in coastal waters, lands or people is presented to the organizers.

The event is an outreach effort of the Extension Service and the Texas A&M University Sea Grant College Program.

Sea World of San Antonio is offering a \$400 scholarship to one of its Year 2000 Adventure Camps for a Texas classroom teacher, to be drawn from the names of those registered with 10 or more students at the symposium.

Further information or a registration packet can be obtained from Younger at (361) 972-5370 or w-younger@tamu.edu.

More information about the Sea World/Busch Gardens Adventure Camps is available at <http://www.seaworld.org/AdventureCamp/acforteachers.htm>.



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Help Your Heart Recipes

This recipe is intended to be part of an overall healthful eating plan. Total fat intake should be less than 30 percent of your total calories for a day — not for each food or recipe.

Lemon Roll with Blueberries

<p>22-ounce can lemon pie filling</p> <p>16-ounce package angel food cake mix</p> <p>1 tablespoon confectioners' sugar</p>	<p>2 cups fat-free frozen whipped topping, thawed</p> <p>¼ teaspoon grated lemon zest</p> <p>12 ounces fresh blueberries (1½ cups)</p>
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Preheat oven to 350° F. Line a 10 x 15-inch jelly-roll pan with wax paper.

In a large bowl, combine pie filling and cake mix. Beat on medium setting for 5 to 7 minutes. Spoon into pan.

Bake for 25 to 30 minutes, or until a cake tester inserted in center comes out clean.

Sprinkle a dish towel with confectioners' sugar. Invert cake onto towel. Peel away and discard wax paper. Neatly trim edges of cake roll. Starting from a short end, roll up cake in dish towel. Let cool on a cooling rack for 2 hours.

Put whipped topping in a small bowl. Stir in lemon zest.


Unroll cake and spread with whipped topping; re-roll. Freeze until whipped topping is firm, about 2 hours.

To serve, cut into 16 slices. Sprinkle with blueberries.

Serves 16.

Nutrient Analysis per Serving				
273 kcal	Calories	51 mg	Cholesterol	1 g
5 g	Protein	314 mg	Sodium	1 g
57 g	Carbohydrates	3 g	Total Fat	1 g
1 g	Fiber			1 g
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				Polyunsaturated Fat
				Monounsaturated Fat

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Steak Marinated in Beer and Green Onions

<p>2 pounds boneless top sirloin steak, all visible fat removed</p> <p>Marinade</p> <p>1½ cups light beer (regular or non-alcoholic) (12 ounces)</p> <p>4 green onions, minced</p> <p>2 tablespoons light brown sugar</p> <p>2 tablespoons dry sherry</p>	<p>1 tablespoon grated fresh gingerroot</p> <p>1 tablespoon light soy sauce</p> <p>2 medium cloves garlic, minced, or 1 teaspoon bottled minced garlic</p> <p>1 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes</p> <p>1 teaspoon acceptable* vegetable oil</p> <p>Dash of red hot-pepper oil</p>
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Put steak in an airtight plastic bag.

In a medium bowl, combine marinade ingredients. Pour over steak and turn to coat evenly. Seal and refrigerate for 1 to 24 hours, turning occasionally.

Preheat grill on medium-high.

Drain steak, then grill for 8 to 12 minutes per side, or until desired doneness.

Serves 8.

*Use canola, safflower, soybean, sunflower, sesame, or olive oil.

Nutrient Analysis per Serving				
164 kcal	Calories	75 mg	Cholesterol	3 g
25 g	Protein	121 mg	Sodium	0 g
0 g	Carbohydrates	6 g	Total Fat	3 g
0 g	Fiber			3 g
				Saturated Fat
				Polyunsaturated Fat
				Monounsaturated Fat

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JOURNAL INFORMATION...News You Can Use

EDITORIAL INFORMATION

(1) In order to help accommodate our readers, we urge everyone to keep in mind that the newspaper is put together on Tuesday and Friday. To increase the probability that your information will be placed in your preferred edition, the earlier that stories, information about meetings or any editorial subject is brought to the Journal office the better!

(2) Deadlines for "Around Muleshoe" and "Around the Area" — Monday at 5 pm (Thurs. edition) and Thursday at 5 pm (Sun. edition).

(3) The following represents a list of information that appears **FREE** in the Journal:

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(4) Pictures run in the Journal are given away **FREE OF CHARGE** to the public on a first come, first serve basis. (Some exceptions apply.)

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(1) Display ads are located throughout the newspaper. Ad costs are based on the number of column inches that the ad occupies. The Journal's open rate is \$3.40/col. inch. **Discounts are available under certain conditions.** Borders and artwork are added at no extra cost!

(2) DEADLINES FOR DISPLAY ADVERTISING are Tuesday at Noon (Thurs. edition) and Friday at Noon (Sun. edition). If you are a business or individual in need of placing a DISPLAY AD or you have questions about display advertising, call Leah at 272-4536.

(3) Classified ads are located on the NEXT TO LAST PAGE OF THE NEWSPAPER. These ads include (but are not limited to) FOR SALE, LEGAL NOTICES, HELP WANTED, GARAGE OR ESTATE SALES, VEHICLES, FOR RENT, ETC...

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CREATIVE LIVING

Information on making flans, fabric travel bags and premixed salads will be featured on "Creative Living" on Jan. 4 at 1 p.m. and Jan. 8 at 3 p.m. (All times are Central).

"Creative Living" airs on public broadcasting station KENW-TV from Eastern New Mexico University in Portales.

Jane Butel of Albuquerque will demonstrate how to make a wonderful Southwestern dessert called flan.

Lana Bennett of Flemington, N.J., a representative of Singer Sewing Co., will demonstrate making fabric travel bags in a variety of sizes and shapes.

Nancy Berkoff of Long Beach, Calif., a representative of Ready Pac, will show ways to use the company's pre-make salsa mixes.

Party cleanup and mix and match dressing will be featured Jan. 4 at 10:30 p.m. and on Jan. 6 at 1 p.m.

Deborah Durham of Resolve Carpet Cleaner in Wayne, N.J.,

will show what she calls the "Morning-After-Party" Survival Kit. It's designed for everyone who loves to entertain but hates the tedious, time-consuming post-mortem clean up.

Cheryl Niehoff of Washington, D.C., an independent sales manager for Weekender Casual Wear, will show how to turn nine pieces of clothing into 27 different outfits.

"Creative Living" is produced and hosted by Sheryl Borden of Portales.

The show is carried on more than 100 PBS stations in the United States, Canada, Guam and Puerto Rico and is distributed by West Link of Albuquerque.

Viewers can request copies of materials offered on the show by sending a first-class stamp for each handout requested. Send the stamps, along with name, address and booklets requested, to "Creative Living" Requests, c/o KENW-TV, 52 Broadcast Center, Portales 88130.

Energy Star marks appliances that save energy, money

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL COLLEGE STATION — Appliances labeled "Energy Star" by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency save consumers money and conserve energy, states a housing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Consider that a typical household does nearly 400 loads of laundry per year, using about 40 gallons of water per full load with a conventional washer.

"A full-size Energy Star clothes washer uses 20 to 25 gallons per load," explained Janie Harris, Extension Service housing and environment specialist.

"You could save as much as 7,000 gallons of water per year and the energy that would have been needed to heat that water. This adds up to savings for you and a big boost for the environment," she added.

But what exactly is an Energy Star appliance?

"The Energy Star may be found on clothes washers, refrigerators, dishwashers and room air conditioners. An appliance receives the Energy Star rating if it is significantly more energy-efficient than the minimum

government standards, as determined by standard testing procedures," according to Harris.

Though the amount by which an appliance must exceed the minimum standards is different for each product rated and depends on available technology, these products are always among the most efficient available, according to the EPA.

Although energy-efficient models sometimes cost more initially, Harris said, any extra up-front cost can often be made up with savings on the utility bill.

"One helpful way to figure out if buying an Energy Star appliance makes sense for you is to think of two price tags," Harris said.

The first price tag is the purchase price from the appliance store.

Check to see if the local utility company offers a rebate on the purchase and installation of Energy Star-rated appliances.

The second price tag is the cost to operate the appliance over its lifetime. Consumers pay to operate the appliance every month for as long as they own the appliance.

"You might be surprised

to see how much it can cost to own an appliance that seems like a good deal up front," Harris added.

Energy Star clothes washers use less water to get clothes thoroughly clean. They come in top-loading and front-loading designs.

Energy Star washers use sensor technology to closely control the incoming water temperature. To reduce water consumption, they spray clothes with repeated high-pressure rinses to remove soap residues rather than soaking them in a full tub of rinse water.

"What this means is nearly 50 percent less water and 30 to 40 percent less energy used per load," Harris said.

Some Energy Star models can be stacked or mounted under a counter top.

This is a useful feature for people short on space, such as apartment dwellers, she said. Check with manufacturers to see which models are available in this configuration.

The refrigerator is the single biggest power consumer in most households. A typical refrigerator made around 1990 uses more than 900 kilowatt hours per year — that's the same amount of

energy you would use by leaving a 1,250 watt hair dryer on for a month! And the older your refrigerator is, the more power it burns. Energy Star refrigerators must exceed minimum federal standards for energy consumption by at least 20 percent.

"Manual defrost refrigerators are not covered under the Energy Star program, but are generally more efficient than automatic defrost refrigerators. Proper maintenance of manual defrost refrigerators is necessary to realize the energy savings," Harris said.

Energy Star dishwashers save by using both improved technology for the primary wash cycle and by using less hot water to clean. Energy Star dishwashers must exceed minimum federal standards by at least 13 percent.

Energy Star room air conditioners feature high-efficiency compressors, fan motors and heat transfer surfaces.

"It is important to buy an air conditioner that is the correct size for the room," Harris said. "A properly-sized unit will remove humidity effectively. It is more effective to completely con-

dition a room than running a larger unit for a shorter time." The U.S. Department of Energy offers guidelines and tips on purchasing clothes dryers, ovens and ranges and water heaters.

Also, be sure to read the Federal Trade Commission's "Energy Guide to Major Home Appliances" for gen-

eral information about shopping for an efficient appliance.

Energy Star appliances are carried by retailers nationwide. To see a list of all qualified products or to find specific models that qualify for the Energy Star rating, go to <http://www.energystar.gov>.

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