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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

Landlord filmed nosing nude

Restaurant owners trying to figure out who was stealing their stock installed video cameras to catch the thief — and made a startling discovery.

They allegedly caught their landlord, a city firefighter, downing expensive food and wine in the place after hours . . . in the nude.

Albert Hohmann has been suspended without pay after being arrested on charges including burglary, petty larceny and criminal mischief, a fire department spokesman said.

Hohmann, 46, lives on the second floor of the house he leases to the Tottenville Inn New York City.

Michelle Macula, a partner in the restaurant, said surveillance tapes recorded after business hours caught him in the act.

"We saw him just walking around naked," she said. "He went behind the bar and made himself a drink."

The kindness of strangers

A South Texas hotel housekeeper who'd been robbed last year did something nice for a member of the Toronto Raptors — and came away \$1,000 richer for her kindness.

After the Raptors' loss to the San Antonio Spurs earlier this month, an unidentified member of the visiting NBA team apparently left behind a money clip loaded with \$5,000 cash in his hotel room, according to officials at Plaza San Antonio.

When Tomasa Luna, a 61-year-old housekeeper, found the clip, she promptly turned it in.

The guest called the hotel about the missing money a few days after checking out and rewarded Luna when he found out what she'd done.



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On this date in history

Feb. 24 — Col. W.B. Travis sends his famous letter from the Alamo vowing, "I shall never surrender or retreat" (1836).

Feb. 25 — The Navy Commission of the Republic of Texas arrives in New Orleans to consider selling off the Texas Navy (1841).

Feb. 26 — The goddess of Liberty is placed atop the Texas state Capitol building (1888).

LOCAL WEATHER

Partly cloudy conditions are forecast to continue through the weekend. High temperatures are expected to reach the high 60s through Saturday, climbing to about 74 on Sunday. Morning lows are predicted at about 40 Thursday morning, falling to 32 on Friday before rising to 35 Saturday and 39 Sunday.

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Mules advance with 68-41 stampede

By KEVIN WILSON
Writer

The Mules jumped out to a 13-4 first quarter lead and never let up Tuesday in a 68-41 playoff victory over the Dalhart Wolves.

Bret Clements had 21 points for the Mules, who never trailed.

Muleshoe held Dalhart to 17-of-45 shooting from the field, including 4-of-17 from the three-

point line.

The Mules also limited Dalhart's second chances, holding the Wolves to five offensive rebounds.

"They crash the boards real hard, and that's something we talked about this week," Mules head coach Ralph Mason said.

Meanwhile, the Mules were all over the boards, grabbing 39 rebounds. They were led by Darrell

Lewis with nine.

"We didn't have a lot of size (compared to Dalhart)," Lewis said. "We knew if we crashed the boards, we could beat them." Lewis' work on the boards helped offset his 1-for-9 effort from the field. He did hit 5-of-8 from the line, though, to finish with seven points.

With five minutes left in the first quarter, the game was tied 4-4.

The Mules then ended Dalhart's hopes quickly with a 9-0 run. The Wolves' Garland Swecker answered with a three to put the score at 13-7.

Dalhart played a tight man-to-man defense to limit the Mules' outside shooting. It seemed to work, as Muleshoe went 2-of-10 from the arc.

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Journal photos: Beatrice Morin

Bands do their thing

Band students from Muleshoe High School and Watson Junior High combined their efforts last week in a pops concert featuring mainly songs from popular culture. Jenny Bush and Adriana Gonzales (above left) of the junior high's flute section perform on "Twist and Shout!" while high school bass clarinet player Christi Adrian (above right) booms through "Allied Honor March." And at right, saxophonists Ike Norman and Elizabet Lozano get their chance to shine on "Rootbeer Rag." The high school program also included selections from the movie "Tarzan," including "Two Worlds," "Trash in the Camp" and "You'll Be in My Heart."



Man given probation in baby-scalding case

By RONN SMITH
Editor

Roberto Contreras of Muleshoe entered a plea of guilty to manslaughter Monday in connection with the May 1999 scalding death of a 3-year-old. He was given a 10-year suspended sentence and fined \$2,500.

Contreras had at one point faced a possible murder charge. His girlfriend, Leticia Hernández, remained in Bailey County Jail under \$50,000 bond on murder charges after her trial — scheduled to begin Feb. 21 — was delayed. No new date has been set.

Contreras and Hernández were arrested after 3-year-old Jesús Angel Hoya was taken to a hospital in Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, suffering

from third-degree burns over the lower part of his body.

The boy was Hernández's son. He died after being returned from Mexico to a Lubbock hospital.

A doctor at the hospital became suspicious and called El Paso police. Hernández was taken into custody in Juárez, turned over to Mexican immigration officials and deported back to the United States, where El Paso police took custody from the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Contreras, then 33, and Hernández, then 19, lived together at 414 W. Second in Muleshoe. Contreras was arrested at the residence. An 8-month-old child in the home was taken into custody by Child Protective Services.

Before the toddler died, Hernández had been charged with first-degree injury to a child and Contreras was charged with third-degree injury to a child.

A Bailey County grand jury in June 1999 indicted Hernández for capital murder and Contreras for manslaughter/capital murder.

Authorities allege that Hernández dipped the boy into scalding water — reportedly because she thought his potty training was progressing too slowly.

Contreras was charged in the case because of his "failure to obtain immediate medical attention after a severe burn injury" and his role in delaying medical treatment by the flight to Mexico, according to court records. His bond origi-

nally was set at \$35,000, but eventually was lowered to \$10,000.

His sentence includes performing 400 hours of community-service work.

The plea was entered in 287th District Court in Muleshoe before Judge Marvin F. Marshall of Plainview.

On the same day, Marshall also sentenced Jesús José Vargas of Muleshoe to an eight-year suspended sentence, a \$1,500 fine and 240 hours of community-service work in a sexual-assault case.

Vargas pleaded guilty to sexual contact with an underage girl. The terms of the plea-bargain included dropping a charge of aggravated sexual assault involving another minor girl.

AROUND MULESHOE

Mammograms set at hospital

A breast-cancer screening clinic is scheduled for March 6 at Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 S. First St.

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

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

All exams are by appointment only. Appointments and/or more information are available by calling (800) 377-4673.

Farm Bureau installs payment box

Bailey County Farm Bureau has announced the installation of a payment box at the organization's office for customers who cannot make it to the office during business hours.

Customers are asked not to leave cash in the box.

Public calendar

Feb. 24—6 p.m. Muleshoe PTA, in the gymnasium at DeShazo Elementary School. Fifth-graders will entertain with a musical program titled "Freedom."

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.

HONORS

TECH HONOR ROLLS

Five Muleshoe-area students have named to honor rolls at Texas Tech University for the fall 1999 semester.

They include Alyssa Blair Saylor, a freshman English major, who was named to the president's list for earning a perfect 4.0 grade-point average.

To be eligible for the honor rolls, students must be enrolled for at least 12 semester hours of credit.

Those making the dean's list, with grade-point averages from 3.5 to 3.9, include Samantha Anne Caswell, a senior major; Chelsey Kay Conklin, a sophomore exercise and sports sciences major; Deepa Dinkar Bhakta, a freshman pre-pharmacy major; and Don Julian Lenau, a freshman substance-abuse studies major.

GLOVER

Keetha Lynette Glover of Muleshoe was among about 3,500 fall 1999 graduates of Texas A&M University at College Station.

Glover received a bachelor of science degree in interdisciplinary studies.

SPC HONOR LIST

Jeremy Freeman and Kandy Wilcox, both of Muleshoe, are among the students at South Plains College in Levelland who were named to the dean's honor list for

the fall 1999 semester.

Students named to the dean's list must earn a minimum grade-point average of 3.25 while enrolled full-time at the college, plus have no failing grades in any class.

THOMAS

Elisabeth Thomas of Lazbuddie High School has been selected as a participant in the Texas Aerospace Scholars Program.

She will participate in on-line Mars exploration activities and attend a summer workshop at NASA in Houston, working with engineers and graduate students in various activities.

She was nominated by Lazbuddie schools.

McELROY

Josh McElroy of Muleshoe took first place in novice after-dinner speaking and was the only junior-college representative to reach the finals in varsity prose at the Texas Intercollegiate Forensics Association spring tournament earlier this month at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

McElroy is among the members of the forensics team at South Plains College in Levelland.



Thomas

Farmers, ranchers turn to nature tourism

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

In the Panhandle along the Canadian and smaller rivers, a group of 37 landowners have formed the Texas Prairie Rivers Region Inc. to supplement their traditional farming and ranching income.

The group offers horseback riding, hiking, wildlife view-

ing and other outdoor activities on their collectively owned 330,000 acres.

On the edge of the Hill Country in southwest Texas near Eldorado, the 7,100-acre X Bar Ranch has branched out from raising sheep and cattle into recreational tourism by offering overnight stays at historic

ranch houses as well as mountain biking, hiking and horseback riding, wildlife viewing and ranch tours to those who want to get away from it all.

And in South Texas near Kingsville, the B-Bar-B Ranch — originally part of the historic King Ranch — offers

bird-watching, hunting, fishing and business retreats at its working cattle ranch.

These are just a few examples of agricultural producers who have expanded use of their land to include recreational tourism to supplement agricultural in-

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HONOR ROLL

WATSON JUNIOR HIGH FOURTH SIX WEEKS Sixth Grade

- Joe Ambriz
- Brady Black
- Ashley Dickson
- Lindsey Hall
- William James
- Chelsea López
- Vanessa López
- Rodrigo Mendoza
- Lorenzo Nuñez
- Janice Pacheco
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- Randall Radford
- Christine Reeves
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- Sarah Sexton
- Madison Smith
- Hillary Tipps
- Cami Vandiver
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Seventh Grade

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- Erin Allen
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"They were a lot more aggressive than I'd seen," Mason said.

Muleshoe countered the defense by driving to the hoop and going inside to Clements, who had 10 points in the first half, which ended with a 30-16 Mule lead.

Clements was a bigger factor in the third quarter, where the Mules put it away. Clements had nine points in the third, which ended with a Jeff Shelburne layup and a 47-26 advantage.

Clements also aided on defense. He spent most of the night guarding Brad Fisk, who shot 0-for-7.

The free-throw differential was also a big advantage for Muleshoe. The Mules took 26 free throws and hit 19 of them.

Dalhart shot only seven free throws, connecting on three.

Mitch Mason hit as many free throws (7-of-9) as Dalhart attempted and shot 4-of-7 from the field to finish with 15 points.

Dalhart was led by Kade Morrison, who had eight points in the loss.

There is a rematch of sorts on Friday, when the Mules play Seminole. On Tuesday of last week, Seminole's girls team knocked the Lady Mules out of the playoffs (but has since been eliminated by Perryton). The Muleshoe boys, then, have a chance to exact some revenge.

What remained unsure Tuesday night was where the Muleshoe-Seminole rematch will be. Mason asked to play at Levelland, while Seminole is looking at Lubbock Coronado.

However, Mason said Coronado has a faulty clock and said he did not want that to be a factor in the game.

Muleshoe 13 17 17 21 -68
Dalhart 7 9 10 15 -41

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Clements 9-15 3-4 21, Mason 4-7 7-8 15, Lewis 1-9 5-8 7, Black 2-4 2-2 6, McClanahan 2-20-0-4, J. Shelburne 2-7-0-0 4, Latham 1-2 0-0 3, Williams 1-1 0-0 2, Tucker 1-1 0-0 2, Bruns 1-3 0-0 2, Dominguez 0-0 1-2 1, Atwood 0-0 1-2 1, Riley 0-0 0-0 0, S. Shelburne 0-0 0-0 0

DALHART

Morrison 3-5 1-2 8, Swecker 3-4 0-0 7, Brannon 2-20-0-5, Jessop 2-4-0-4, Brayn 1-5-2-3-4, Cunningham 2-60-0-4, Copeland 2-4 0-0 4, Guatney 1-3 0-0 3, Scott 1-2 0-0 2, Fisk 0-7 0-0 0, Marquez 0-2 0-0 0, Frische 0-1 0-0 0

Rebounds - Muleshoe 39 (Lewis 9) Dalhart 20 (Jessop 3), 3 pt. - Muleshoe 2-10 (Latham 1-1) Dalhart 4-17 (Brannon 1-1), Steals - Muleshoe 11 (Mason 4) Dalhart 7 (Brannon, Bryant 2), Blocks - Muleshoe 2 (Clements 2) Dalhart 2 (Jessop 2), Fouledout - Guatney.

Texans urged to plug thousands of abandoned water wells

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
COLLEGE STATION — Clean, clear water makes it possible for us to enjoy the food we eat, the conveniences we have and the pleasures of everyday life. Protecting this vital resource is the responsibility of all Texans.

However, it is estimated there are more than 150,000 abandoned water wells in the state, according to Dr. Bruce Lesikar, agricultural engineer with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Abandoned water wells increase the risk of contamination to groundwater, Lesikar said.

"We dump trash into them, spray chemicals over them and for the most part pretend they don't exist. However, that's an attitude that's illegal in Texas."

Texas law makes landown-

ers responsible for plugging abandoned wells and liable for any resulting contamination or injury.

A well is considered abandoned if it has not been used for six consecutive months and is unusable because it is deteriorated, Lesikar said.

Water wells come in all different shapes and sizes. Early Texas settlers used large-diameter, hand-dug wells to access shallow groundwater. Many times, these wells remained long after the residence was gone.

Other wells were mechanically driven into the ground; the most common wells are installed using rotary drilling rigs.

A casing is placed down the drilled hole to access the groundwater below.

A functioning water well

serves as a channel for bringing groundwater to the surface. An abandoned well, likewise, serves as funnel for carrying contaminants from the surface to the groundwater below.

"Products we use around the home, in agricultural operations and in industrial processes can contaminate the groundwater supply," he said.

A water well also may pass through two different aquifers and have a deteriorated well casing that allows water from the different aquifers to mix.

A well casing can develop a hole in the elevation of the upper aquifer and allow the water from the upper aquifer to flow down the casing to the lower aquifer and contaminate it.

Some wells pose a considerable danger to people, wildlife and the environment. Wells

have been used as dumping sites, filled with trash, oil or other debris.

"Abandoned water wells need to be properly closed," he said.

Some landowners may be able to do the job themselves. In some cases, it is recommended that a licensed water well driller or pump installer is hired to seal and plug an abandoned well.

Landowners who plan to do the work themselves must first contact the Water Well Drillers Program of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation with their intent and method they plan to use.

They also should request a state well plugging form. Within 30 days of plugging the well, they must send a copy of the form to the department and

a copy to their local groundwater district, if one exists.

Abandoned wells can be fixed by:

- Determining the size of the well;
- Removing obstructions from the well;
- Disinfecting the well;
- Removing the casing;

- Filling the well with plugging materials (which can include cement, bentonite, bentonite grout or native clay or caliche); and

- Filing the plugging report; Further information about plugging abandoned wells is available from county Extension agents.

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comes during times of continuing low commodity prices and drought.

Recreational and nature tourism is not a silver bullet to save farms and ranches, but its potential as an additional income source appears to be growing in Texas, where 97 percent of the land is privately owned and where the urban population continues to increase rapidly, accounting for more than 80 percent of the total population.

Biking trails, nature trails and hiking trails have been ranked by Texans among the state's top 10 most-needed recreation facilities.

In a poll of 3,000 Texans conducted in 1998 by Texas A&M University, trail-based activities such as hiking, bicycling and horseback riding also were listed as the three most popular activities while close to home or while away on vacation.

Other surveys have indicated that more Texans participate in trail use than in golfing or hunting.

Texas has 167 million visitors a year with 14 percent or 23 million involved in "nature activities," according to a recent Texas Department of Economic Development study.

Birdwatchers also are an important and affluent segment of nature tourism. Nationwide, Americans spend about \$29 million each year on observing, feeding and photographing wildlife. And at High Island, Texas, birders spent more than \$2.5 million in lodging and other travel-related activities from April to May in one season.

Anticipating a need for nature tourism guides, outfitters and other professionals, Southwest Texas State University three years ago established a minor in nature and heritage tourism. The university also is home to the Center for Nature and Heritage Tourism, which focuses on rural tourism product development.

However, like an industry in its infancy, there still are many misunderstandings about nature and recreational tourism, especially among banking, legal and insurance professionals, according to some landowners.

One major misunderstanding involves landowners' liability. In 1985, the Texas Legislature began providing limitations to

landowners' liability.

Landowners are covered under the law if they do not charge for recreational use on land or, if they do charge, those charges are no more than four times their annual property taxes on agricultural land.

For example, a landowner who pays \$1,000 a year in property taxes and charges only \$3,500 annually in recreational fees has limited liability under the statute.

For those charging recreational guests more than four times the annual agricultural property taxes, landowners have limited liability if they maintain the following minimum amounts of liability insurance on the property: 1)

\$500,000 for each person; 2) \$1 million for each single occurrence of bodily injury or death; and 3) \$100,000 for each single occurrence for injury to or destruction of property.

Obtaining financing for recreational tourism ventures also can be difficult, since the industry is so new.

To help landowners with financing, the Texas Department of Agriculture offers loan guarantees through the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority's Loan Guaranty Program for agriculture-based nature tourism business startups or expansions.

More information about the loan guarantees and other available nature tourism resources is

available by contacting the department's Finance and Agribusiness Development office at (512) 475-1614, (512) 475-1619 or fax at (512) 475-1762.

Texas farmers and ranchers are known for their innovation and persistence when making a living off the land.

And with the state's growing urban population seeking countryside retreats, more producers are considering nature and recreational tourism as a new income source to help sustain their operations.

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"John Brown's Holy War"

On December 2nd, 1859, a tall, gaunt, fifty-nine-year-old man was executed in Virginia before 1500 armed guards. Just a month earlier, few had heard of John Brown, a former sheepherder who had embarked on a violent crusade to end slavery. Now his name divided North from South. Was he a martyr or a madman, a fanatic, or a hero? More than a century later, John Brown remains one of America's most controversial and misunderstood figures.

Born in Connecticut and raised in Ohio, John Brown was the child of devout Calvinists who believed that life on earth was an ongoing trial, and that the true believer had to adhere to a strict code of right and wrong or else answer to God.

By 1831, the anti-slavery movement had spread from Boston to western states. In 1837, the abolitionist publisher Elijah Lovejoy was shot to death in Illinois by a proslavery mob. At a memorial service, Brown rose from his seat and issued a vow: "Here before God, in the presence of these witnesses, I consecrate my life to the destruction of slavery."

"Brown denounced slavery in language fierce and bitter, and thought that slaveholders had forfeited their right to live," noted Frederick Douglass. "He thought that he had no better use for his life than to lay it down in the cause of the slave."

Then, in 1854, Congress passed the Kansas-Nebraska Act, giving settlers the right to decide whether their territories would be slave or free; and outsiders on both sides of the slavery issue began moving in.

By the summer of 1859, Brown had decided to launch his crusade against slavery into the South by attacking the federal arsenal at Harper's Ferry, Virginia.

On the evening of October 16th, 1859, Brown and twenty-one men — fugitive slaves, college students, free blacks, and three of his own sons — quietly entered Harper's Ferry. Outnumbered, the arsenal's single guard surrendered. But then a passenger train started to approach and the baggage master ran to warn the passengers. He was shot and killed, the first victim of Brown's war against slavery in the South: a free black man.

As the news from Harper's Ferry spread to Richmond, a company of Virginia militiamen stormed into town. Soon eight of Brown's men were dead or dying, five others were cut off, and two had escaped.

Although he was completely surrounded, Brown refused to surrender. Marines stormed the building, then captured and held them while a lynch mob howled outside.

Just days after the raid, Brown's trial began. It would take a week. On November 2nd, the jury deliberated for forty-five minutes and reached their verdict: guilty of murder, treason, and inciting slave insurrection. The South rejoiced in Brown's execution.

"John Brown's Holy War" on **The American Experience** airs Monday, February 28th at 9:00 p.m.

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Many residents in North Carolina face especially bad times

To put national disasters in perspective, including flood, fire, drought, wind, earthquake, volcano, pestilence and boils, the Bible records that God's first choice was flood.

North Carolina's coastal plain, 100 miles wide, stretches north to south across the state between Raleigh and the Atlantic coast. It has no high ground, no Mount Ararat. The rivers run across the plain like a groove cut in a kitchen table. When the rivers overflowed their banks last fall, the water spread across the table like spilled chocolate milk.

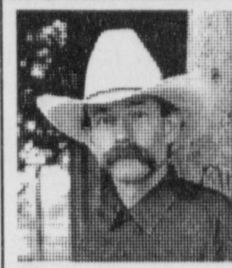
The causes were Hurricane Den-

nis and Hurricane Floyd — with 140 mph winds — not to mention Irene. The culprit was rain — 35 inches in 10 days. The catastrophe was flood — over the tops of the houses.

The coastal plain is an intense agricultural region. Cucumbers, sweet potatoes, tobacco, cotton, soybeans, broilers, turkeys, hogs, cattle ... many diversified small farms.

But diversified farming doesn't do much good when it's all 4 feet under water.

Although there was loss of human life, it was not as high as the toll taken in the recent earthquakes.



BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

In North Carolina, people were trapped in their houses by the rapidly rising water; some did not escape.

The loss of livestock was extensive ... no high ground. Farmers could only open the barn doors. Hogs swam out the windows. Chickens hunted for a high perch, cows tried to take advantage of

topographical humps, dogs and cats found rooftops, ducks fared better than turkeys, but in the end they died by the tens and hundreds of thousands.

Now the floodwaters have abated, but the tragedy continues.

Farmers were forced out of their homes with the coats on their backs. Upon returning they found

a barren mess of unimaginable proportions. Many had day jobs, but the jobs were often in agriculture-related businesses.

Their homes are unlivable, their fields are gone, their livestock scattered and unidentifiable, their financial resources drained. It has been a long winter for our fellow farmers on the coastal plains of North Carolina.

Help came pouring in from public and private agencies. I know it is appreciated, but how many bureaucrats brought a mud shovel and stayed past the speeches? A mountain of grunt work still lies ahead.

We, all across the country, who know the blessing and the terror of weather can sympathize and pray that in rebuilding they don't lose hope.

And maybe by spring planting time, a dove will have flown by and left an olive branch on their windowsill.

OBITUARIES

ESTEBAN FLORES

Services were held Monday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Muleshoe for Esteban Flores, 84, of Amarillo. The Rev. Patrick Maher was the celebrant. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Ellis Funeral Homes handled arrangements.

Mr. Flores was born March 7, 1915, in Sonora, Texas. He died Feb. 17 in Amarillo.

He married Lupe Bara on Oct. 24, 1943, in Mason, Texas. She died April 20, 1984.

He lived in Muleshoe from 1952 to 1984, when he moved to Amarillo. He worked as a sheep shearer for King Feed Lot.

He is survived by two sons, Daniel Bara and Roy Bara, both of Amarillo; two sisters, Clara Castorena of Muleshoe and Theresa Reyes of Uvalde, Texas; two brothers, Ralph Flores and Jesús Flores, both of Muleshoe; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

EUGENE SCHACHER

Services were held Monday at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina for Eugene H. Schacher, 63, of Lazbuddie. The Rev. Ed Sweeney was the celebrant, assisted by Dea-

con John Niño. Burial was in Friona Cemetery.

Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona handled arrangements.

Mr. Schacher was born June 14, 1936, at Nazareth. He died Feb. 18 at home.

He married Vernie Birkenfeld on Nov. 7, 1964, at Nazareth. He had farmed in the Lazbuddie area since moving there from Nazareth in 1962.

He was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church and the Fourth-Degree Knights of Columbus.

He also was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in Korea from 1956 to 1958 in the Army Honor Guard.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Becky Sava of Colorado Springs and Cathy Schacher of Lubbock; a son, Daniel Schacher of Lazbuddie; five sisters, Rosalie Davis of Los Altos, Calif., Georgie McCormick of Amarillo, and Catherine Hochstein, Leona Maurer and Margie Albrecht, all of Nazareth; two brothers, Bobby Schacher and Edwin Schacher, both of Nazareth; and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, David Schacher, on July 8, 1990.

The family suggests memorials to Crown of Texas Hospice (1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo 79101).

CLEO SEAGROVES

Services were held Monday at Trinity Baptist Church in Muleshoe for Cleo Seagroves, 81, of Muleshoe. The Rev. Jim Green officiated. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Ellis Funeral Homes handled arrangements.

Mrs. Seagroves was born Feb. 20, 1918, in Franklin County, Texas. She died Feb. 19 at Littlefield Hospitality House in Littlefield.

She married Stanley Seagroves in Abilene on Nov. 17, 1939. He died on May 5, 1993.

She moved to the Muleshoe area from Abilene in 1944 and was a longtime member of the Longview Baptist Church. When it closed, she moved her membership to Trinity. She was a homemaker and a cook at the Muleshoe school cafeteria.

She is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, James Howard and Peggy Seagroves of Muleshoe and Robert Stanley and Betty Seagroves of Childress; a daughter and son-in-law, Gayle Ann and

Ricky Richerson of Clovis; nine grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center (106 W. Avenue H, Muleshoe 79347).

JEWELL GRIFFITHS

Services were held Wednesday at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe for Jewell Stevens Griffiths, 94, of Muleshoe. The Rev. Stacey Conner officiated. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Ellis Funeral Homes handled arrangements.

Mrs. Griffiths was born Sept. 17, 1905, at Lavon, Texas. She died Sunday in Clovis.

She married Harrol Griffiths on July 14, 1929, in Hale Center. He died Jan. 9, 1963.

She had lived in Muleshoe since 1953, moving here from Bledsoe. She was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church and had been a representative for Germania Insurance in Muleshoe.

She is survived by a daughter, Jane Rudd of Muleshoe; a sister, Opal Robison of Muleshoe; two brothers, Dean Stevens of Albu-

querque and Bill Stevens of Murrieta, Calif.; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity.

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Love at First Sight

Enter any child born in 1999 who you fell in love with at first sight — children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends, etc.



Entry Deadline is Monday, April 3, 2000 at 5 p.m.

This year's contestants will appear in the April 9 edition of the Bailey County Journal. A panel of unbiased judges will pick the most attractive picture to be the 1999 Cutest Baby. All baby pictures will be printed. Babies need not be born in this area.

Bring your favorite photo along with \$10 to the Muleshoe Journal office at 304 W. 2nd Street, Monday-Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. or mail the coupon below with your child's photo and \$10 to Cutest Baby 1999, c/o Muleshoe Journal, P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. You may pick up your baby's picture during office hours after Monday, April 10, 2000. Arrangements must be made to return photos by mail!

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We urge you to get involved in your local government.



Journal photos: Beatrice Morin

Downtown gets benches

Four new benches were installed downtown on Main Street last Saturday, courtesy of a group of Boy Scouts and their leaders. The work was part of Roger Whipple's Eagle Scout project. At left above, Whipple handles

unloading one end of a bench from a pickup while T.J. Hutto and Tyson Purdy help out on the other end. At right, Whipple makes his first attempt at drilling into a sidewalk to anchor one of the benches. Others helping with the work included Dr. Bruce Purdy, Chuck Smith and Derek Purdy.

PUBLIC RECORD

MULESHOE POLICE

Feb. 11 Carmen Vega Jr., 36, assault - family violence.
 Feb. 13 Christopher Scott Bisson, 30, public intoxication.
 Feb. 14 Ruben Reyna, 35, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle - DWI (two).
 Feb. 15 Jennifer Lee Brigman, 41, warrant on a theft by check charge.
 Feb. 16

Juan Pacheco, 35, public intoxication by chemical means.
 Feb. 18 Gabriel Juárez, 18, DWI.
 Feb. 18 Matthew Newman Davis, 22, warrant - deadly conduct.
 Feb. 19 Ruben Ramos Gutiérrez, 23, public intoxication - immigration hold.
 Feb. 19 Petra Christina Avitia, 33, assault - family violence.
 Feb. 19 Alicia Padilla Rios, 29, public intoxication.

Ruben Reyna, 35, assault - family violence.
 Feb. 16 Alice Flores Marrufo, 33, public intoxication.
 Feb. 16 Maria De Los Angeles Rodríguez, 23, DWI.
 Feb. 16 Julio Chávez Cardenas, 33, DWI (one) - immigration hold.
 Feb. 20 Michael Ray Rodríguez, 39, DWI.
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
 Feb. 13 Robert Wayne Berry, 33, public intoxication.

Douglas Eugene Stoneking, 25, DWI.
 Feb. 16 Sylvia Flores Olivarez, 32, Bailey County warrant - motion to revoke probation (forg-

ery).
STATE POLICE
 Feb. 13 Larry Dan Baker, 45, DWI (first).

HONORS

MILLER
 Lazbuddie High School graduate John Colby Miller was among 1,290 students graduating from the University of Kansas at Lawrence at the end of the fall 1999 semester.

Miller received a bachelor of science in education degree in the field of physical education.

He is the son of Mike and Pamela Miller of Route 1, Muleshoe.

COX
 James Eldin Cox of Muleshoe was among 1,981 students named to the dean's academic honor list for the fall 1999 semester at Baylor University in Waco.

In order to make the dean's list, a student must be enrolled in at least 12 semester hours and maintain a grade-point average of at least 3.7.

Cox is a junior at Baylor.



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Art rides high

Twenty-one Muleshoe High School students participated in the Regional Visual Scholastic Arts competition Feb. 19. Included are (standing, from left) Ryan Saylor, Bryce Embry, Louis Simpson, Jojo Elizarraraz, Agustín Estrada, Ryan Hodge, Matt Conklin, Kristy Martin, Sonny Chávez and Daniel Patterson; (front row, from left) Natalie Ovalle, Christi Adrian (who was selected for the state competition later in Houston), Juana Segura, Bobby Guerrero, Erienne Hill, Randy Bohler, Stephanie Marlow, April Kelly and Erica Whalen. Receiving a "4" rating in the regional competition

put the students' into a second judging, 10 percent of which went on to state competition. Muleshoe students earning two "4" ratings (and medals) were Adrian, Conklin, Ovalle, Kelly and Roxanne García. Earning one "4" and a medal were Bohler, Hodge, Embry, Martin, Chávez, Elizarraraz, Hill, Patterson, Whalin, Segura, Marlow, Lela Hancock and Paul Rodríguez. García, Hancock and Rodríguez are not pictured; Hellen Adrian is the students' art teacher. "I was just thrilled with all the kids' work," Adrian said.

Some fats are essential to well-balanced diet

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

HOUSTON — Dietary fat might have a bad reputation among many health-conscious eaters, but certain types of fat are essential to a well-balanced, heart-healthy diet.

"There are some fatty acids that the body does not make that we must get from the foods we eat," said Dr. Rebecca Reeves, a registered dietitian with Baylor College of Medicine's Behavioral Medicine Research Center.

Basically, there are three types of fat — monounsaturated, polyunsaturated and saturated.

Monounsaturated fat has been found to actually lower

the levels of LDL, or bad cholesterol, when substituted for saturated fat in the diet. An added benefit is that some studies suggest it does not decrease the level of HDL, or good cholesterol. It can be found in olive and canola oil, avocados and nuts.

"While there is good scientific evidence of the benefits of monounsaturated fat, moderation is still the key," Reeves said.

Polyunsaturated fat has LDL cholesterol-lowering properties, but lowers HDL levels as well. It can be found in sunflower soybean, corn and safflower oils.

Saturated fat is found in animal

and dairy products and tropical oils. Research has shown an association between consumption of this type of fat and higher cholesterol levels, which together can greatly increase the risk of heart disease.

Reeves recommends that no more than 30 percent of daily calories come from fat, with saturated fat making up 10 percent or less of the total.

As a whole, dietary fat is important for proper growth and development. It carries the fat-soluble vitamins A, D, E and K, and aids in their absorption in the intestine. Fat is also involved in protecting organs in the body from injury the lining of brain tissue and regu-

lating body temperature.

Recently, a fourth type of fat has gained attention. Trans-unsaturated fat, found in hydrogenated foods, is particularly harmful. It raises LDL levels and triglycerides and lowers HDL levels. Trans-unsaturated fat is found in stick margarine, shortenings and many baked, fried and snack foods. Traces of it occur naturally in beef, butter, milk and lamb fats.

"A person needs to be aware of where the fat in their diet is coming from, reduce saturated fat intake and choose more polyunsaturated and monounsaturated fat," Reeves added.

High-fiber, low-fat diet nutritional for teens

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

HOUSTON — Few teens have eating habits that mirror U.S. dietary recommendations for fat and fiber.

But those who do so have more nutritious diets overall, according to research in the February on-line issue of the *Journal of Pediatrics*.

"Teens whose diets were rich in fiber and low in total fat consumed more vitamins and minerals and less total cholesterol and saturated fat than their peers," said Dr. Theresa Nicklas, a nutritionist with the USDS/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine.

The diet's nutritional advantages included more iron, zinc, calcium, folate and vitamin C, niacin, thiamine, riboflavin, magnesium, phosphorus and vitamins A, B6, and B12.

To assess eating habits, hundreds of 15-year-old students were asked to recall what they had eaten in the prior 24 hours. Reports from 319 teens fell into one of four eating patterns: high-fat/high-fiber, high-fat/low-fiber, low-fat/low-fiber and low-fat/high-fiber. These were further analyzed for nutritional content.

Food reports classified "low-fat" met the U.S. dietary recommendation that fat provide no more than 30 percent

of total daily energy, while "high-fat" diets had levels of 40 percent or more.

"High-fiber" diets provided at least 20 grams of fiber and met the "age-plus-five" recommendation for this age group. The age-plus-five recommendation is five grams of fiber plus one gram per year of life through age 20. "Low-fiber" diets contained 15 grams or less.

According to Nicklas, although the low-fat/high-fiber diets provided higher levels of nutrients, the energy level was about the same as those from most other groups.

"This eases concern that low-fat, high-fiber diets might be too low in energy for growing teens, and that those who choose this eating pattern are overly calorie conscious," said Nicklas, a Baylor professor of pediatrics.

A low-fat, high-fiber diet is recommended for all Americans over the age of 2 to reduce cardiovascular disease and cancer risk.

Individuals who met the dietary recommendations for fat and fiber eat more whole-grain breads and ready-to-eat cereals, fruit, salads, beans, vegetables, smaller portions and leaner cuts of meat, skinless poultry, low-fat dairy products, and few fried and high

fat foods.

Yet despite the nutritional and disease-preventing advantages of a low fat/high-fiber diet, only one-third of the 319 students in the study had this eating pattern, including just 9 percent of those from non-white teens.

"We know that low-fat, high-fiber diets are healthier. Now, we need to do a better job of helping teens make appropriate food choices, such as opting to snack on fruit and vegetables instead of munching in low-fiber, high-fat treats," Nicklas said.

Senior citizens need safe-sex advice, too

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

When was the last time you discussed the "birds and bees"? If it's been a while, it might be time to brush up on the facts of life.

Until lately, AIDS awareness campaigns have been focused on young people. Unfortunately, the number of older Americans with HIV is on the upswing.

A virus called HIV, short for human immunodeficiency virus, causes AIDS, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome.

HIV attacks the body's immune system. It is not HIV, per se, that kills people, but AIDS-related diseases that eventually overpower the person's overburdened and weakened systems.

CDC statistics show that the fastest-growing AIDS rates are for people 50 and older — up 22 percent between 1991 and 1996, compared with a 9 percent increase among people 13-49.

What's behind this demographic shift?

More and more people in their 60s and 70s are beginning new relationships. Viagra has allowed many older men to revive their dormant sex lives, and many older women are finding themselves single again after a long monogamous relationship.

A survey, sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons, also found that condom use, the cornerstone of the public-health campaign against sexually transmitted HIV, is an awkward topic for many older people because they are not concerned about pregnancy.

Currently, there are distressingly few AIDS education and prevention efforts aimed at seniors. Researchers say that fewer than 11 percent of people over age 50 have talked to their doctor about the risk for HIV or other sexually transmitted diseases. Sadly, many physicians are reluctant to discuss sex with their patients.

In older people, sexual activity rather than drug use is cited as the most common cause of HIV infection.

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Early treatment available for babies' heart defects

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
HOUSTON—Once a fetus with a heart defect has been diagnosed at Texas Children's Hospital's Heart Center in Houston, a team of highly trained cardiologists prepares for the baby's arrival.

In a word, that is what perinatal cardiology is — preparation.

Most mothers go to Texas Children's Heart Center echocardiography lab after an obstetrician's ultrasound that indicates a heart defect in the unborn child. Regular ultrasounds are limited in that they give only an overall view of the fetus's development.

The echocardiograph (an ultrasound of the heart) evaluates the heart in detail: its anatomy, function and the flow of blood. Evaluating the baby's heart in detail before it is born allows specialists to prepare for giving the baby the best possible outcome.

If the fetus has problems in utero (in the womb), such as a cardiac dysfunction, cardiologists can begin treating the baby by administering medication to the mother.

"It's a matter of making the diagnosis and interpreting it to the family so they understand the implications for the pregnancy," said Dr. Nancy

Ayres, medical director of Texas Children's echocardiography lab.

Perinatal cardiology care is a constellation of the diagnosis, intervention and preparation. It can impact decisions such as where a mother delivers the baby.

For example, if the echo has shown that the baby's heart has a slow rhythm, the baby may need a pacemaker implanted very soon after birth. A mother might be advised to deliver the baby at a hospital near a pediatric specialty hospital.

This speeds the transportation of the baby to a neonatal intensive care unit, where it can receive the specialized neonatal care it requires.

Depending upon what Ayres finds during the fetal stage, she also can determine if a cardiologist or a neonatologist should be at the delivery.

"I am the baby's cardiologist and advocate. I use my expertise in pediatric cardiology to help the team devise a game plan for the best way to care for the mother, baby and family," Ayres said.

"It's a unit. It's not an isolated baby — it really is a maternal-fetal unit and a family you're caring for," she added.



Mulshoe Cattle Market

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2000

745 head of cattle, 260 hogs and 261 sheep and goats for a total of 1,266 animals were sold at the February 19th sale. Market steady-2 dollars lower on stocker cattle. Feeder cattle 1-3 lower. Pairs and Bred cows steady. Packer cows also sold steady.

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

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REPRESENTATIVE SALES

Seller, City	#	Type	Wt.	CWT or PH
Ricky Fierro, Plains	Hol. Bull	305 lbs.	at \$90.00
Mario Marufo, Mulshoe	.....	3 Hol. Strs	323 lbs.	at \$88.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	.....	3 Char. Bulls	157 lbs.	at \$260.00
Rebecca Carrasco, Mulshoe	.....	Char. Bull	255 lbs.	at \$116.00
Taylor Moore, Earth	.....	RWF Str	280 lbs.	at \$121.00
Carol Nicholson, Olton	.....	YWF Bull	300 lbs.	at \$116.00
Randy Johnson, Mulshoe	.....	Blk. Bull	305 lbs.	at \$118.00
Lewis Bros., Mulshoe	.....	RMF Bull	383 lbs.	at \$109.00
Johann Teichroel, Seminole	.....	Blk. Str	360 lbs.	at \$112.00
S&H Cattle, Littlefield	.....	Yell. Bull	395 lbs.	at \$112.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	.....	4 Brang. Bulls	425 lbs.	at \$102.00
NMCC, Portales, NM	.....	2 Char. Strs	475 lbs.	at \$98.00
NMCC, Portales, NM	.....	13 Red Strs	691 lbs.	at \$82.50
Chico Cattle, Abernathy	.....	BMF Str	505 lbs.	at \$99.00
Meghan Hill, Abernathy	.....	BMF Str	575 lbs.	at \$90.50
Wesley Hill, Abernathy	.....	Red Str	675 lbs.	at \$84.00
MC Osborn, Friona	.....	6 Blk. Strs	690 lbs.	at \$87.50
MC Osborn, Friona	.....	2 Mxd. Strs	785 lbs.	at \$80.00
Leon Musick, Portales, NM	.....	13 Blk. Strs	657 lbs.	at \$87.00
Perry Cumpston, Texico, NM	.....	Blk. Hfr	245 lbs.	at \$102.00
Lewis Bros., Mulshoe	.....	6 Red Hfrs	334 lbs.	at \$109.00
Randy Johnson, Mulshoe	.....	Yell. Hfr	375 lbs.	at \$97.00
Johann Teichroel, Seminole	.....	RWF Hfr	410 lbs.	at \$91.00
Reece Bennett, Farwell	.....	4 Blk. Hfrs	424 lbs.	at \$85.00
Leon Musick, Portales, NM	.....	5 Blk. Hfrs	454 lbs.	at \$88.50
Marcelo Maldonado, Lubbock	.....	RMF Hfr	460 lbs.	at \$89.00
S&H Cattle, Littlefield	2 Mxd. Hfrs	505 lbs.	at \$87.50
Dunman Ranch, Novice, TX	10 Blk. Hfrs	546 lbs.	at \$89.00
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Luis Melendez, Sudan	Blk. Hfr	675 lbs.	at \$80.00
Randy Johnson, Mulshoe	RWF Pair	\$740.00
Howard Cattle, Anton	2 Red Pairs	\$800.00
C&H Cattle, Tulia	2 Brin. Cows P7	\$570.00
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Howard Trust, Anton	Blk. Cow	1460 lbs.	at \$40.00
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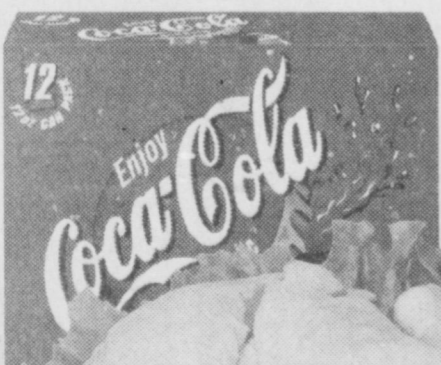


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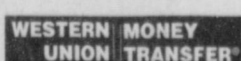
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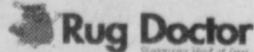
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