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Man rescued from toilet portable toilet might be bad enough. But one man in Huntingdon Ville Pa., who recently found himself in that situation only made things worse for him-
Authorities said the man had to be
rescued affer he got into the portable rescued atter he got into the portable
toilet to regain his keys - and go stuck. Kids playing at a nearby recreational their mother. The woman then called poIice, who went 10 Elins fied in Lower
Merion Township and found the man

The man, whom police did not identify,
had taken off his shoes and pants for the
task. He told police he had heen in the predicament for at least 45 minutes.
later, and treated for cuts and bruises.

Faith invoked in lottery pealing to a higher authority - but it may Lottery officials have noticed that many players use numbers that form a cross on The trend was particularly evident dur-


On average, Fantasy 5 pays 34 firstprize numbers on a pay slip. The June 16 st of any since the game began in 1989. trying to invoke a higher power to help it's $\$ 1,500$ per winning ticket," a lottery


Drawing date: Saturday, July
Winning numbers:
Estimated jackpot: $\$ 4$ million
Winners: 0
Next drawing: Vednesday, Jul
Estimated jackpot: $\$ 6$ million
On this date in history



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## Locin weather

Hot weather should be back for the next few days, but that doesn't mean the clouds won't return, too after a mostly sunny Thursday. Expect high temperatures of about 98 Thursday and Friday, 97 Saturday and 96 Sunday. Morning lows should be in the mid-60s throughout the rest of the week and into the weekend.

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 during business hours, 8:30 a.m. -5 p.m.
## Fourth's fireworks start early in Muleshoe



Something for almost everyone can be found in the summer entertainment brought to Muleshoe by Joe's Boot Shop. At top, Red Steagall delivers his classic country sound Saturday flanked by bandmates Rich O'Brien (left) and Danny Steagall. At lower left, the

## Campaign's annual visit

 to star bike safety, puppetsThe annual visit to Muleshoe by th

for July 10 this year.
The local visit will be highlighted $b$
a bicycle safety program, sponsored by at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the First Assembly of God. This will be followed by a bicycle parade to the city park, where Push
American members will present a pupAmerican members will present a puppet show designed to teach tolerance
for the handicapped or those who are different in some way
The riders raise more than $\$ 350,000$ annually to fund programs benefitting the handicapped
The Jennyslippers annually help pro vide lunch and lodging for the 35 mem bers of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity who make the trip
This year, participants in the bike safety program and parade will be able to participate in active games and be provided healthy snacks - plus be

Push Americis's hivesest fund-rixiser and awareness campaign is the Journey of Hope, in which college student visit communities across the country.
This will be the 13th year for the Journey of Hope bicycle trek, which consists of two teams - one crossing the country on a northerly route and another on a southerly route. The ride reportedly has raised more than $\$ 6 \mathrm{mil}$ lion since its founding

The student members of the teams ride for an average of 70 miles a day for 63 days. They traverse 23 states and the District of Columbia from the start of the trip (June 11 this year) to the end (Aug. 12).
The 1988 Journey of Hope traveled from San Diego, Calif., to Washington. D.C. Since 1989, the starting point has been the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco.
A network of 500 volunteers assists in logistics and event planning.
emotional tenor of Freddie Fender drifts out over the crowd Monday, while at lower right Shauna Chanda belts out the type of gospel she delivered during the noon hour Saturday, Monday and Tuesday

Landowners canget help to rebuild native habitat SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
South Plains landowners who are willing to develop habi some new tools at their disposal
According to John Hughes, a biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Lubbock, private landowners can take advantage of a unique incentive aimed at rare-species conservation.
"The High Plains Partnership for Species at Risk is : program designed to assist private landowners with habital development and enhancement for declining wildlife such as the lesser prairie chicken, black-tailed prairie dog and bur rowing owl," Hughes said
"While these species are not listed as threatened or endan gered under the Endangered Species Act, the USFWS wishe to provide technical assistance for landowners interested in developing habitat for these species," he added

This assistance comes in the form of cost-share payment for rangeland habitat improvements such as cross-fencing, water development and reseeding," Hughes said
"Our hope is to improve habitat conditions enough for these species so that listing under the Endangered Specie Act is unnecessary," he said.
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## Around Muleshoe

Basketball team to sell enchiladas


Insect pests threatening various crops in Texas

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

COLLEGE STATION Texas hay farmers are facing a potential threat from fall armyworms, while crop producers across the state are battling other insect problems, the Texas Agricultural Extension
Fall armyworms are moth larvae that feed on grassy crops and forage.
Dr. James Robinson, ExtenOverton, Texas, said army worms are a problem mainly
highly fertilized hay.
"In a forage situation, pro-
ducers need
cause armyworms can reduce the amount of hay that can be
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$\qquad$ ne that caused severe damage n 1998, Robinson said.

District Extension direct Bob Robinson in Amarillo said trips, flea hoppers, boll wee ils and beet armyworms have been reported as pest problems in Panhandle.
He said rain during the past several days has been benefi val to the region's corn crop and has relieved irrigation pressure. He added that western corn rootworm beetles are be
ginning to emerge
halted both sorghum planting and wheat harvesting
Scott Durham, district Ex id dearworms in San Angelo corn crops, while fungicide and weed control have been applied to peanuts.
Recent rains in his area have
proved forage and livestock
conditions, Durham added, bu more rain is needed. Tanks re supplemental feed
Farther west around Fort Stockton, rains have helped to the point that restocking started

## There are tax breaks parents need to take

 more credit - wis children








In order for parents to be el gible for the credit, a child must be 16 years of age or younger at qualify as a dependent.
Taxpayers can receive a $\$ 400$ redit for each qualifying child will increase to $\$ 500$ per child or tax years beginning with
 each qualifying child, which means a family with three chicdree 16 years of age or younger can take a $\$ 1,200$ tax credit on heir 1998 tax return.
The child credit is phased out or married taxpayers filing jointly with adjusted gross incomes between $\$ 110,000$ and $\$ 120,000$, and for single taxpayers and heads of household with AGIs between $\$ 75,000$ and $\$ 85,000$.
Here's how it works. The credit is reduced $\$ 50$ for each $\$ 1,000$ of AGI over the $\$ 110,000$ threshold for marfried, joint-filing taxpayers ( $\$ 75,000$ for taxpayers who file as single).

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couple (filing jointly) with an AGI of $\$ 115,000$, the child
credit is reduced by $\$ 250(\$ 50$

$\qquad$ one or more extra withholding
$\qquad$ Another be available is for child- and dependent-care expenses inmay work. To qualify, the child-
$\qquad$ work outside the home, to ac
tively seek employment, or to be a full-time student, and the care must be for the child
protection and well-being The care may be provided day-care center, baby-sitter' camp or at home. If the care is provided at home, money paid for domestic services such as cooking, cleaning and other household duties qualify only if the work is done partly for the care and well-being of the child.
To qualify for the credit in 1998, the child must have been under the age of 13 and generally the taxpayer must be able to claim the child as a deependent. (Other special-needs individuals, including spouses, also may qualify.)

Landowners who are interestes in wildlife conservation but wary of government involvement can receive assurances that they will not be subject to future governmental regulation if they agree to mainain or improve habitat
"These assurances help re-

Labial
managing habitat for rare ape cies," Hughes said. " We want to assist landowners in manag ing for rare species while eliminating their fears of fut ture restrictions on land use." More information is avail able by contacting Hughes at (806) 472-7225 move the disincentives of john_p_hughes@fws.gov


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Twirling to the top
Brandi Nichols, head twirler at Sudan High School, recently was named Miss Majorette of Texas (intermediate level) and will compete in the Miss Majorette of America pageant in July at the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Ind. The high school senior, who competed in model, street and solo competition, is the daughter of Jimmy and Cindy Nichols.
Caution advisable when traveling with credit cards

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
COLLEGE STATION
Vacation travel leads to a host
card-carrying Americans who use credit to purchase ev erything
While using credit tards may be an easy method for keeping track of expenses, there are sev eral points to keep in mind to void unexpected problems. Sue Lynn Sasser, a family economics specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extensio Service, said using a credit card to pay for vacation expenses has many benefits.
ey provide us with a form of identification when making purchases, and they'reeven re quired by many hotels and ental-carcompanies,"she said. They give us greater protec
ion against theft or loss than cash because they have a lim ted liability of $\$ 50$ if they are sed fraudulently by someon else. Losing $\$ 50$ is certain better than losing everything, she added.
Credit cards provide a record of purchases and are good to have when an unexpected ex pense or emergency come about
"Even if you're a person who likes to pay cash or carry travlers' checks, taking at leas one credit card when traveling can keep you from being stranded or provide you with instant cash if there's a prob lem," she said.
Rebates, reward points, price protection, extended warranties, lines of credit and travel insurance are just a few of the many benefits offered to cusomers.
But there are some important points to keep in mind when using credit cards.
"Most importantly, people need to realize that credit cards can also create problems if not handledcarefully,"Sasser said. "For example, carrying too many credit cards makes iteasy overspend on that vacation,
and then we're left with an increase in debt. That's a quick way to turn a restful, peaceful, fun time into a family nightmare.
Carrying too many credit ards can make it difficult fo them, she said
"If we have a wallet full of credit cards, it's easy to lose one and not even realize it until t's too late," she said. "Again, that turns a fun time into a
stressful situation rather quickly."
Carry credit cards in a secure place - such as locked in the car's glove box - instead of a purse or suitcase.
"A credit card can ease pay ing expenses while on a
summervacation," Sasser said. "But one needs to use the credit card in a responsible manner in order to enjoy the vacation rather than have unexpected problems ruin the trip away from home.
$\mathcal{S}$ ENIOR CITIZENS Bailey County Senior Citizens met June 26, with 17 members present for a covered-dish lun-

Participating were Dorothy Browning, Buster and Wanda Kittrell, Alton and Margarite Epting, Crystal Walton, Clifton Finley, Aline Cox, Margaret Collins, Theron Eubanks, Harlin and Betty Davis, Clara Coffman, Boa and Eulaine Phillips and Opal Ruthardt.
Buster Kittrell acted as president in the absence of J.C. Shanks. He also gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Eubanks gavethe program, "Saturday Morning," which members described as very "true-to-life." Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.
The AARP seniordriving course for June 28-29 at the Five Area Telephone building was announced.

June birthdays were announced for Coffman and Walton, and the Phillipses celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Dismissal was by Eubanks.

## Health Department offers hepatitis C guidelines

## SPECIAL TO THE JOUR-

 NALThe scenario is frighten-
ing: A virus causing a disease of the liver lurks in the body, sometimes for decades, without symptoms
The treatment is difficult - injections three times a week for six to 12 months, often resulting in strong side effects.
The long-term results of infection for some can lead to cirrhosis of the liver, a liver transplant or
is hepatitis C
Hepatitis C is a common chronic blood-borne infection and the leading cause of liver transplants in the United States.
In this environment it is not surprising that there is a lot of misleading information "Hepatitis C is a virus
spread by direct contact with spread by direct contact with
infected blood. We age people to get tested for age people to get tested for
used injection drugs not pre-
scribed by a doctor, or if they received dialysis, or had blood transfusion or solid or gan transplant before 1992 when blood was first screened for hepatitis C ," said Sharilyn K. Stanley, M.D., associate comissioner of disease conrol and prevention with the Texas Department of Health. In addition, people with he mophilia who received
clotting factor concentrate before 1987, those exposed to hepatitis C -infected blood through needle sticks or open sores and children born to mother infected with hepatiis C are at risk of infection and should be tested.
People with human immu nodeficiency virus or sexually transmitted diseases also should consider being tested since there is a high co-infection rate.
Many of those infected ex perience no symptoms
symptoms that appear briefly six or seven weeks after infection. Symptoms include nausea, jaundice (yellow skin and eyes), dark urine, lightcolored stools, stomachache, loss of appetite, mild fever, flu-like illness and fatigue. There is no vaccine for hepatitis C. Contact your health-care provider for further information on hepatitis C testing.

In the United States, the general population is not at risk of contracting hepatitis $C$ through vaccinations, dental work or body piercing when universal safety precautions are practiced," Stanley said. "Sterilization of instru
ments, disposableneedles and good handwashing prevent the spread of the virus," she

## added.

Hepatitis C cannot be transmitted through donating blood. Since July 1992, the blood supply has been

Furthermore, the virus i not spread through casual conact such as hugging, shaking hands or using telephones used by infected people
Erroneous reports claim that veterans and emergency workers are more likely to be infected with hepatitis Howerver, the Centers for Disease Control and Preven ion Studies indicate thes groups have no higher rate o infection with the virus than individuals of the same age and sex in the general populaion.
Even though the virus i difficult to treat, there is hope or people who test positive or hepatitis C
"Those with the hepatitis C virus can make behavioral hanges to help prevent furher damage to their liver, suc as not drinking alcohol. Ther re als re also encouraging new reatments being developed, treatments bei

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LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

The Muleshoe Ladies Golf As－ sociation held its monthly meeting June 21 in the Muleshoe Country Club＇s dining room
Members were served vegetable salad，beef Stroganoff，baked po－ tato，rolls and peach cobblertopped with vanilla ice cream．
Tables were decorated with for－ est green cloths topped with vanilla－scented candles and daisy floral arrangements．
After President Darlene Henry called the meeting to order，Sheryl Engelking was thanked for the decorations．
June birthdays included Cookie Bamert，Neets Foster，Anit Allgood and Jana St．Clair
After discussing the food short age at the Bailey County
Ministerial Alliance＇s Food Pan－ Ministerial Alliance＇s Food Pan should bring supplies for the pan－ try to the association＇s July luncheon
Bamert as she wanted to expres appreciation to the membership for the support she received dur－ ing a recent illness．She also asked for continued prayer
Rempe，who is home from the hospital．Prayer was requested for her，also．
The association＇s concession stand for the Men＇s Partnership Low－Ball Scramble was dis－ cussed．Those who were not scheduled to work a shift during the scramble（June 24－25）were asked to make cookies and bag them in small Baggies ready to sell．
Linda Elder reported that the association added five points to its High Plains score．Yolonda Philips won low net in the first flight； Helen Templeton won low putts and Linda Elder


Winners in the June 21 sponsored by the Muleshoe Ladies Golf Association are（from left）Kay Field，Helen Templeton
in the second，Pat Kirk won low putts in the third and Neets Foster
won low net and low putts in the fifth．
High Plains will have its next tournament in Hereford．
Engelking handed out play－day balls to Allgood and Claudine On May 31，Elliott won closest chip on the No． 6 hole During our June 7 scramble， Kay Field，Deborah Noble and Elliott won with a score of 69 Field was congratulated for her eagle on hole No．15．Allgood and Henry were awarded play－day
balls for the best on five pars． Bamert drew for the door prize， which was awarded to Field． After the luncheon，four the winners being Elder， Templeton and Field with a score



Members in attendance wer Allgood，Bamert，Elder，Elliott， Engelking，Field，Foster，Henry， Kirk，Noble，Philips，Templeton， Tammy Black，Ronda Box， Analita Haley，Dorothy St．Clair， Jana St．Clair，Judy Wilbanks and

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## JARAMILLO

Terri Villa and Freddie Jaramillo Jr．of Muleshoe are the parents of a daughter，Tay－ lor Camile Jaramillo，born at 11：39 p．m．July 1 in Lamb
Healthcare Centerat Littlefield Healthcare Center at Littlefield． She weighed 5 pounds， 15 long．
Grandparents are Camilo and Belia Villa and Lily Reyna．

## There are options for home offices ${ }^{\bullet}$

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
Are papers piling up on the kitchen table？Want to get the computer out of the family room and away from the kids？The solution may call for a separate home office．
＂The advantages of working at
home are hard to ignore，but so are the distractions，＂said Rich－ ard Roll，president of the American Homeowners Asso－ ciation．＂Try to avoid household clutter and chaos in setting up your home office．＂
The home－office experience can be either blissful or awful， depending on how the office is depending on how the office is
set up－or set off from the rest set up－or s
of the house．
of the house．
It＇s critical to pick the right location or food，noise and foot traffic will distract from the work to be done．
Make it work by taking into account all the household＇s per－ sonal and professional needs． If the office needs privacy and quiet，the best locations will be a spare bedroom or the basement． First，take inventory of the space that will be needed for office equipment，including per－ sonal computer，printer，fax machine or copier．It may be necessary to remove a bed and replace it with a pullout sofa． replace it with a pullout sofa．
A finished basement or attic is the ideal location．In order to be the ideal location．In order to be comfortable，a window air con－
ditioner and insulation may have to be added to the attic and a space heater to the basement． If meeting space for clients is needed，then the office will re－ quire a more private，formal space than a bedroom can pro－ space．
vide．
The
entrance entrance．
Someone who is not really work－at－home person and where space is at a premium may find that a desk and cubbyhole in the kitchen or family room is enough for keeping track of bills or work－ ing on the computer．
The most attractive，practical option is to build a home office

## O BITUARY

## DONALD LEWIS

Services were held Wednes
Methodist Church for Donal Lewis， 82 ，of Sudan．The Revs． Lyndal Fletcher and Jim Hawthorne officiated．Burial was in Sudan Cemetery． Ellis Funeral Home of Suda handled arrangements．
Mr．Lewis was born July 9
1917，at Lone Tree，N．D．He died July 2 at Lamb Healthcare Center in Littlefield．
He married Thelma Dudgeon on Sept．12，1943，in Long Beach Calif．
They moved to Sudan in 1976 from Rochester，Minn．，where he had been a painter for $S$ Mary＇s Hospital for 17 years． He was a member of the Sudan Senior Citizens and the First United Methodist Church of Sudan．
He is survived by his wife；a Hudson，Fla．；and severa nieces and nephews．
The family suggests memo－ rials to the Sudan Emergency Medical Service Fund or the First United Methodist Church
onto your home，but it＇s also the most costly．The property value and property taxes would go up， too．
More information on any as pect of home ownership is available on the Internet at www．ahahome．com，the website of the American Homeowners Association．


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ARIES－MARCH 21／APRIL 20
保 own plans for you on Monday and Tuesday．This person needs your help with a
family matter While you don＇t want to get involved，you must．Don＇t get discour－ family matter．While you don＇t want to get involved，you must．Don＇t get discour－ TAURUS－APRIL $21 /$ MAY 21
Don＇let a minor error by a loved one drive you crazy this week，Taurus．This
person doesn＇t mean to create any problems．It is an honest mistake．Just let it go；it＇s not worth getting upset about．A close friend turns to you for advice．B honest with him or her－even if what you have to say won＇t be appreciated．
GEMINI－MAY 22／JUNE 21
A pusiness associate gets into trouble at work early in the week．Instead of letting this person flounder，help him or her out Your efforts will be appreciate and rewarded．That special someone wants to talk to you on Thursday．Don get nervous－this is going to be a positive conversation． CANCER－JUNE 22／JULY 22
Keep your emotions in check when a loved one says something to upset you， she really means．This can lead to an honest conversation that actually will enhance your relationship．Scorpio plays a key role
LEO－JULY 23／AUGUST 23
A close friend turns to you for help with a personal problem on Wednesday． While you realize that this person got into this mess on his or her own，he or she needs your assistance to get out ofit．Do what you can．That special someon has a surprise for you during
VIRGO－AUG 24／SEPT 22
An important business associate is counting on you to get something done this week，Virgo．Don＇t let him or her down．Work diligently to accomplish the task．
This person is sure to be impressed with your efforts and will reward you An This person is sure to be impressed with your efforts and will reward you．An
interesting person asks you out late in the week．Say yes，because it will be a interesting person asks you
good time．

LIBRA－SEPT 23／OCT 23 ． may hurt your ego，listen to what he or she is saying．It makes sense and can help you to reach your full potential．Sagittarius plays an important role on Fir
SCORPIO－OCT 24／NOV 22
You are faced with an interesting dilemma early in the week．Don＇t back away from this challenge．You certainly can handle it，and you can make some impor－
tant financial gains from it．A close friend reveals his or her true feelings for you Let this person down gently，because you don＇t want to damage your friendship． SAGITTARIUS－NOV 23／DEC 21
Your professional life is getting to be too much to handle right now，Sagittarius． Before making a drastic decision，take time for yourself to think about what you what．Taking a break from the stress will help you to see things
That special someone asks you an important question．Be honest．
CAPRICORN－DEC 22／JAN 20
A loved one introduces you to an interesting person during the middle of the week，Capricorn．Don＇t be shy．This person is sure to like you．Just be yourself， and you＇ll make a good impression．Business associales ask you out late in the week．Say yes，because if＇s sur
AQUARIUS－JAN 21／FEB 18

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week，Aquarius．You can handle it Alf with an incredibly long to－do list this work diligently．Then，you＇re sure to make great strides．Those close to you will be impressed with your organizational skills．
PISCES－FEB 19／MARCH 20
Try not to turn your back on a friend in need this week，Pisces．This person comes to you，because he or she doesn＇t know what else to do．If you stay calm， comes to you，because he or she doess t know
you＇re sure to find a solution to ti is problem．



Garden Spot of the Week
Contrasting styles of planting are in evidence in these recent selections as the Jennyslippers' Garden Spot of the Week. Above, a bed in the garden of Francis Purdy, 1805 W. Avenue D , demonstrates the effectiveness of a variety of plants set out with abandon (selected for June 14-20). Below, a bed of geraniums at the home of Ricky and Raygena Barrett, 1716 W. Avenue D, shows the effectiveness of one variety planted in large numbers (selected for


SPC announces fall orientation dates
Plains College in Levelland this fall have been announced. Orientation is scheduled July 17-21 for vocational nursing 22 for other majors.
Advising and pre-registration are scheduled July 20 , July 27.

More highways, railroads mean more danger


KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON
Texas still holds bragging
rights to more miles of railroad
and more miles of highway than
any other state. Unfortunately,
that means there is a greater
chance for accidents and fatali-
ties at our highway railroad
crossingsthan in any otherstate.
Too many Texas drivers still
gamble with fate by disregard-
ing thoseflashing warning lights
and crossing gates.
I have been participating in
Operation Lifesaver and simi-
lar awareness programs since
1978, whin I was acting chair-
man of the National
TransportationSafety Board, in
hopes of changing such high-
risk behavior and persuading
everyone to be more cautious
when approaching railroad
crossings.
In 1999 Texas experienced
364 vehicle-train collisions,
more than any other state: 41
people were killed and another
171 injured. That's way too
many. Thepreventionofcrashes
between vehicles and trains
needs to remain a high-priority
public safety issue until the
deaths and injuries are a
memory, not an ongoing statis-
tic.
Grade-crossing collisions are
preventable when drivers heed
the advance warning signs and
approach all grade crossings
 In addition to saving your life
and the lives of your loved ones, heeding railroad warning lights
can save you a ticket as well Texas state law requires motor-
ists to obey all signals indicat ists to obey all signals indicating
the approach of a train.
Thirty-eight percent of Texas public grade crossing $(4,679)$
are equipped with active warn are equipped with active warnIng devices(i.e., automatic gates
and/or flashing lights and bells or coordinated highway-traffic or coordinated highway-trafnic
signals) to alert motorists that a signals) to alert motorists that a
train is approaching.

## Here are the Federal Highway Administration's

 Administration's tips for safelynavigating railroad crossings: navigating railroad crossings

- Always expect a train; - Always expect a train; if you see a train approaching a crossing; to warn you. Other noise m
mask the train's warning. - Don't attempt to cross the tracks unless you are certain the vehicle you are driving will clear on the other side; - Never shift gears while crossing railroad tracks;
- Watch for obstructions that may block your view of an ap-
proaching train, such as
vegetation, buildings, stationg vegetation, buildings, stationary railroad cars, etc
afect Slow down and be prepared frects conditions at crossings; to stop at the first railroad warnrain, sleet and snow can impair our vision and make it harder
- Look up and down the tracks. It difficult to judge the dis ance and the approach speed of a train as it moves toward a crossing. If in doubt, be safe crossing. If in doubt,
stop and wait; and ng sign. According to the U.S. Departmotorist is 40 times more likely be killed if involved in vehicle-train crash than in any other type of highway collision. Idon't want one single Texion. be a part of these grim statistics.



Cambri Lewis pauses during her June 10 bridal shower.
Shower honors Cambri Lewis

A bridal shower honoring Cambri Lewis of Omaha, Neb., was held June 10 at the 16th and D Church of Christ in Mule-

Lewis is the bride-elect of Eric Allison.
Hostesses were Terry Byers, Glenda Copley, Rhonda Copley, Amanda Messenger, Ashley Pool, Tonya Pool, Diane Saylor, Juana Shelburne, Pam Thomason, Robin Welch, Carol Williams, Melissa Williams and Pat Young. The hostess gift was a vacuum cleaner. The wedding is scheduled July 8 in Las Vegas,


Lisa Ann Puckett pauses during her June 24 bridal sho
Shower honors Lisa Puckett
Lisa Ann Puckett was honored with a bridal shower June
24 in the country home of Regena Clarkson.
Puckett recently became the bride of Kalam Puckett. Hostesses, in addition to Clarkson, were Ellen Ladd, Nelda Merriott, Carol Cox, Pat Angeley, Rickie Warren and Carolean Stroud. Hostess gifts were a micro-

## New 4-H specialist

## to serve South Plains

SPECIALTOTHEJOURNAL
LUBBOCK-Jay"Brad" Davis recently was named South Plains 4-H program specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Davis, 32, will provide leadership for the Extension 4-H program on the South Plains and work closely with 4-H'ers, their parents, volunteer leaders, county agents and other specialists in coordinating district and statewide 4-H activities. Texas 4-H strives to help children and teen-agers evercome obstacles and reach their full potential by working closely with responsible adults and older youths who serve as role models to the younger generation.

More than 997,000 urban and rural youngsters and their families participate in Texas 4-H each year, taking part in activities that strengthen family and home life and give youngsters a realistic view of how their interests, skills and talent interests, skills and talents relate to everyday life and the working world.
Davis grew up on a farm at Acuff in Lubbock County and farmed himself from 1991 to 1995. He has an associate's degree from South Plains College in Levelland and bachelor's and master's degrees from Texas Tech University in Lubbock.
More information about 4H is available by contacting Davis at (806) 746-6101 or any county Extension office.

## Most of Texas to be declared cattle TB-free


The majority of Texas - 252 of its 254 counties - could be declared free of cattle tuberculosis infection when new federal TB regulations go intoeffect late this year or early next year. Texas and other states have been working to eradicate this bacterial infection of cattle since 1917, when about 5 percent of the nation's herds were known to have the chronic disease that causes internal lesions, and that posed a health threat in the days before pasteurization of milk. Texas, New Mexicoand Michigan are the only states notalready carrying the "accredited TB free" designation from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Under the new TB regulations, New Mexico would gain the "free" classification.
"The USDA is poised to institute new cattle TB regulations, and states - or areas of states that cannot be declared free of the disease will have more requirements when moving cattle out of state," said Dr. Terry Beals, Texas state veterinarian and executive director for the Texas Animal Health Commission. "Cattle herds in 252 of 254 TB infection for more than five years, and we will be asking the USDA togrant Texas 'split-state' status so the majority of the state's 153,000 herd owners can continue to move cattle interstate without restrictions," he said.
On the other hand, it could be tougher to transport cattle out of El Paso County and a small por--
SPC schedules pre-entrance nursing exam
A summer pre-entrance exam has been scheduled for July 14 for people
wishing to enroll this fall in the assowishing to enroll this fall in the asso-
ciatedegree nursing program at South ciate degree nurs ing program at $S$ Plains College in Levelland.
Students successfully completing SPC's stwo-year associate degree nursing program will receive an associate of applied science and will be eligible to apply to take the State Board Exam for registered nurse licensure. Testing is scheduled for 9 a.m to noon in the nursing computer lab. The fee is $\$ 25$.
Pre-registration
Pre-registration is available by call
counties that will not make the "cut for TB-free status," Beals said.
State and federal animal-health officials will meet with the area's producers todiscuss the impending regulations
(Mountain time) July 18 Agriculatural Research and Extension Center on the southeast edge of El Paso (near the intersection of Interstate 10 and Americas Avenue).
"In the El Paso Milk Shed, all but one of the 10 dairies have had recurring bouts of low-level TB infection during the past 15 years. infection during the past 15 years.
A beef her in the area also was found to be infected during the mid-1990s and was depopulated. The two cattle herds now quar antined in this milk shed, which along the U.S.-Mexican border in El Paso County and a small area of Hudspeth County," Beals said.
He emphasized that these dair threat, as pasteurized dairy prod ucts and cooked meat are safe to

## consume.

"In a last-ditch effort to finally eradicate this disease and stop he recurrence of infection, rep resentatives from the U.S.
Department of Agriculture have approached the 10 producers about a possible one-time buyour and liquidation of the herds, Beals said. "Under the agree ment, dairy cattle would be banned from the sites indefinitely.
hough this could solve the long lerm issue of re-infection, the area still could not be declare
three years after the last infected herd is destroyed."
"We are working with EI Paso
area producers to determine how best todraw the split-state boundaries and address other concerns
of producers, so that we might minimize the impact on the area. encourage cattle producers to neet with us, as these issues will affect us for the fores
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## Proper feeding is the key in raising healthier mares and foals

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
GUTHRIE - Texans love their horses - whether the animals are kept in ranchette paddocks or ranch-sized pastures In fact, Texans spend anestimated $\$ 342$ million annually buying and selling horses - whether they be miniatures, saddle ponies, work ing quarter horses, thoroughbreds or draft stock.
Feeding horses is an industry in itself, but the bottom-line for horse owners to remember is "they all need good groceries," according the June 2 Western Rolling Plains Mare and Foal Clinic in Guthrie,

The clinic included presenta tions on feeding and nutrition, live-animal demonstrations on starting young colts and body con dition scoring and a tour of the ilities at the 6666 Ranch
Cilties at the 6606 Ranch. the King, Kent, Dickens andStonewall county offices of the Texas Agricultural Extension service:th 6666 Ranch, Tongue River ranch
nd Purina, Pfizer and Hoescht. Feeding mares and foals for optimum health, reproduction and rowth need not be a complicated mator as horse owne "Horse reproductive rates are low in comparison to other spe ies, but what you can achieve your breeding operation largely depends on mare body condition going into the breeding season, said Dr. Don Topliff, equine nuritionist, and processor and head of West Texas A\&M University's Division of Agriculture. "Mare eed areser tank of body cond stresses of breeding, foaling, lac tation, rebreeding and reconditioning.
"We typically rate body condi tion from 1 to 9 - with 1 being very poor to barely alive, and 9 are many different levels of bod condition. Mares that are moder ately thin (4) to extremely fat (9) dition , bug theal body co between fleshy (7) and fat (8) Too often, we expect thin mares
(4-7) to breed, foal and nurse thei foar while regaining body condi tion. That's expecting too much. percent orners can achieve 90 rates in mares by providing a sound health progran adin optimum body condition, Topliff said. Tips include:

Follow a regular de-wormin and vaccination program, Feed on a regular schedule providing each horse 1 percent of its body weight in roughage each

- Feed by body weight, not by volume, and never force horses to compete for feed-put outenough feeders (troughs, pans) for ever horse, plus one; and
- Feed large-particle concen trates that are at least 10 percent crude fiber; this will encourage slow eating.

Weanling to yearling horses require a different feeding strat egy, said Pete Gibbs, Texas A\&M Extension horse specialist based at College Station

Young horses require feeds that allow them to achieve sound structural development (bone and
feed according to their growthrate. Colts that exhibit rapid growth will reach their mature height and weig $\qquad$ achieve mature height and weight until they are about 3 years old. At either growth rate, we need to feed o avoid developmental orthopedic diseases such as contracted endons and epiphysitis," he said. "Foals learn to feed from their mother, but we need to remember that mare rations often don't fill a colt's nutritional requirements. For example, an oats and alfalfa ration won't provide enough protein specially lysine-balanced calcuim/phosphorus ratio heirdiet. And remember that freechoice supplements are a bad
choice for young horses. We need choice or young horses. We need ensure adequateuptake," he added. Even though young horses will require their own ration starting at 2 to 6 months of age, balancing the energy, protein and mineral conent of their rations isn't hard to
cent lysine, 7 percent calcium, percent phosphorus, about 3.4 per cent crude fat and about 6 percent crude fiber fits the bill nicely for most weanlings, Gibbs said.
"If you use creep feeders, put he feeders close to where the mares eat but make sure the mares n't get the colts' creep feed. Young horses eat light portions Imost continually - they eat al ay long," he added. "So provide nough creep feeders and feed for every colt to get something to ea egardless of the pecking order
"With a good nutrient program, you can start weaning colts at four months of age. Once they start weaning, their ration should 70 percent concentrates and 30 per ent roughage. It's also a good eal to divide their daily ratio three portions and feed each portion at eight-hour intervals.
Weanling horses cannot thrive grass pasture - they must ment from hay. But as weanlings become yearlings, horse woner can adjust their ration to contain an adjust their ration to contai
, (ure). By this age, young horses typically exhibit moderate growth rather than rapid growth Gibbs noted.
"How we feed, and the nutrients we feed, determines the success of any exercise program. Don't forget that yearlings require more calcium in their diet once they enter a forced exercise program," he concluded. "Stay away from feeding anabolic steroids - it just isn't a good idea for young horses. You will be more successful, and your hors will be healthier, if you simply get them on a good balanced feed and keep them on it year-round. Texans canget Extensionpub lications on horse management form their local county ExtenInternet(http://an extension.tamu.edu)
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