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## Auditor revisits issues concerning assessor office cash accounts

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Bailey County received a "clean" unqualified audit during Monday's regular commissioners' court, however, questions were raised once more about the tax assessor/collector's office and the way the cash accounts in the office were being handled.

"The records need to be timely and accurate," auditor Becky Roberts, CPA, of Abilene said, a situation she indicated just isn't happening.

While funds aren't missing, Roberts said, the assessor's office inability to provide a monthly reconciliation of its accounts hinders the county's ability to maintain proper internal controls over its cash, and needs to be addressed.

Similar comments

were noted in last year's audit.

Following the accusations launched by the auditors last year, Bailey County Tax Assessor/Collector Melba Clark denounced the auditor's statements, and said her office and books were open to the state comptroller for examination.

In regards to the the recent audit itself, the auditor's report states that the county's total assets for the year ending Sept. 30, 2010, were at \$5,493,087, and its total liabilities were \$4,358,820.

At the same time, the county's general fund totaled \$1,287,372 and its debt service fund was at \$404,926.

In other business, the court:

- Received an

application to close some of the roads in the area of CR 610. Action was postponed until next month's meeting to allow the county attorney time to examine the submitted documentation.

- Received a report from Bailey County extension agent Curtis Preston in which he noted that beginning in March, the extension office is required to charge \$10 for participating in any of the agency's programs.

- Took no action regarding the filling of the vacancy in the position of county constable, following a 30 minute closed session.

"I don't see any need to appoint someone," Precinct 1 Commissioner Butch Vandiver said, apparently expressing the sentiments of his fellow commissioners.

Since the death of County Constable Gerald Pierce last year, the responsibilities of the county constable have been fulfilled by the Bailey County Sheriff's Department.

- Took no action on the county's existing burn ban.

- Received the country treasurer's April report and approve the March report.

- Approved conservation worksheets totaling \$4,350.



### No giants visible at the top

Looking up the flowering stalk of the Agave "Century plant" located on West Avenue D, in Muleshoe, as it reaches for the sky, almost gives the impression the fabled "Jack" should be headed down with a golden harp, or at least a goose, and with an angry giant in pursuit. If that is the case, then Jack needs to take care because this particular stalk is protected by needle sharp spines.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

## MJ editor honored as Area 1 conservation business professional

Larry Thornton, managing editor of the *Muleshoe Journal*, was honored on Tuesday, May 3, at the Conservation Honors Banquet, held at Wayland Baptist University, Plainview.

Thornton was presented the Business/Professional Individual award for his contributions to the Texas soil and water conservation program in Area 1 of the State of Texas.

Area 1 consists of 51 counties in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains area.

The purpose of the Conservation Awards Program is to recognize and honor Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs) and individuals who have dedicated their time, efforts and talents to making wise use of renewable natural resources.

Other recipients of this year's Area 1 conservation awards included:

Dan Cobb of Levelland, Resident Conservation

Rancher; Bruce Lehman of Tahoka, Resident Conservation Farmer; Don Welch, of Crowell, Resident Conservation Farmer; Charles Bowers of Pampa, Resident Conservation Farmer; Tim Gee of Claude, Resident Conservation

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## Former attorney general addresses Muleshoe High School students

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Former US Attorney General Alberto Gonzales had some words of advice for Muleshoe's

high school students recently: Why not me... why not you.

Reminding the students that he himself came from humble beginning, was encouraged by friends to attend college while serving in the US Air Force, Gonzales — who is currently a member of the faculty at Texas Tech University, said, "If this poor kid from humble, Texas, the son of a construction worker and cotton picker, can become the attorney general of the United States... anybody can do it. If you want to do it."

"If you get an education and you prepare yourself, you can do it," he said.

Gonzales answered questions from the students, ranging from the hardest decisions he



Alberto Gonzales

had to make while in office — which included some of the decisions he made regarding the "war on terrorism, which followed the Sept. 11 bombing of the World Trade Center, to the ultra-conspiracy questions that always pop up regarding Area 51 and the Kennedy assassination, both of which he said he didn't

"have the the need to

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### Go, Tyson!

Youngsters from Dillman Elementary, such as the one pictured above, took part Friday, May 6, in sending Muleshoe High School's Tyson Turnbow to the state tennis and golf tournaments held this week in Austin.

Photograph by Terry Brewster

## Swimming pool to open on Memorial Day

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

It's that time again! With the hot, dry... in some cases "smoke filled" days of West Texas, one of the things that can make the day

bearable is water, and if it's not falling from the sky, then Muleshoe area residents have to locate it somewhere else.

City Manager David Brunson stepped in with a bit of assistance during

Monday's extremely brief city council meeting with the announcement that Muleshoe's water park would be opening at 1 p.m. on Memorial Day, May 30.

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### A different look this week...

If you've noticed a slightly different look to this week's front page, it may be because what are called "Black Gutters," the black lines running through the space between the columns of text.

In the newspaper business, black gutters are traditionally used to honor the passing of a newspaper staff member, or its current or former publisher — similar to hanging a wreath on a business' door at the passing of its owner.

In this case the gutters honor former publisher Chris Bradford, whose obituary is on page 5.



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## Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

To post an announcement send an email to editor@muleshoejournal.com

### Athletic banquet

The Muleshoe High School Athletic Banquet will be held on Monday, May 16, at 6 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Tickets for the event are \$10.

### May 17 town meeting set

Cong. Randy Neugebauer will be hosting a town meeting on Tuesday, May 17, from 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m., at Muleshoe High School, in the Kerry Moore Auditorium.

For additional information call 888-763-1611 or visit www.randy.house.gov.

### Relay for Life fund raisers

Several fund raising events have been set to benefit the Bailey County Relay for Life. Among the events are:

- Muleshoe ISD FCCLA is selling "Mules for a Cure" t-shirts — adult sizes \$15, children sizes \$10, and hoodies \$25. Contact Val McCamish at 272-7303 at the Muleshoe High School or any FCCLA student to order.

- A Fancy Nancy Tea Soiree will be on Sunday, May 15, at DeShazo Elementary gym, 3-5 p.m. There will be 10 fancy events offered for \$20.

All proceeds to benefit the American Cancer Society Faith, Hope, and the "Jayci" Joy Relay for Life team.

### MHS Prom, banquet

MHS Junior/Senior Banquet and Prom will be on the evening of Saturday, May 14. Students will be treated to "An Evening in Paradise," sponsored by the Class of 2012.

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

### MHS awards

Muleshoe High School's Celebration of Educational Excellence awards night has been set for May 19, at 6:30 p.m., in the Kerry Moore Auditorium.

### MulePutt course to open

The Jennyslippers' MulePutt Golf is now open for parties. The Jennyslippers is currently planning an Armed Forces Day tribute at the MulePutt course — located between the Bailey County Coliseum and Muleshoe's Heritage Center, on May 21, beginning at 3 p.m. and ending at 11 p.m.

Admittance is \$1 per person, per game.

Regular season hours are Friday - Sunday, from 7-11 p.m. The Putt is also open for parties, all Nelda 272-4071 or Elaine at 806 729-6753 for information.

### Debator scholarships needed

Muleshoe High School debaters are in need of Muleshoe businesses or individuals to help with \$250 scholarships to the Texas Tech Debate Camp.

An individual or business may contribute any amount. Make checks out to: Muleshoe High School Speech/Debate Fund and mail or bring it to the MISD Administration Office, 514 W. Ave. G., before May 25.

### Retirement reception

A retirement reception has been set for May 16, from 3:30-5 p.m., in the Watson Junior High Library top honor Jan Morris and Lindy Schuster for their many years of service in education.

Letters to the editor must be signed and include a contact telephone number, also faxed or emailed letters must also include the transmission number or e-address, for verification to be considered for publication in the *Muleshoe Journal*.

## 'And now, here's your seven-day forecast...'

I'm afraid I've missed my best chance ever to be a weatherman. Weatherperson. Meteorologist. Atmospheric prognosticator.

If there ever was a year to break into the business, this was the year. If to be successful at such, all you have to do is aim at a half-way accurate forecast and hit the target more often than you miss, even the most intelligent yard dogs could do a jim-dandy fine job of weather-forecasting this year.

All they'd have to do is to face the camera and bark once for dry and windy or twice for windy and dry.

I think I could do it. "And now," I'd intone in a cheery up-beat voice, "here's your seven-day forecast: hot, dry, windy, dusty, brown. Batten down the hatches and watch as a good bit of Texas flies right by your window."

As a lover of words, I might be able to work in some descriptors: depressingly dusty, suck-the-life-out-of-you dry, woefully windy.

To be really good at it, I'd need to vary the forecast a bit. Some days, I'd predict, "Dusty, dry, hot, windy, brown." Others, it would be, "Windy, hot, dry, dusty, brown."

What separates really exemplary weather wonks from average meteorological minions



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Curtis Shelburne

is precision, accurately predicting whether the weather on any particular day will be windier than hot, or hotter than windy, or dustier than dry.

But the basic forecast in my part of the country for way too many months on end has been pretty much in the bag. I've been wondering why they even go to a weather segment. Why not just pack the weather guy away and wait to trot him out until something actually changes?

In the meantime, just use the time saved from the pretty much useless weather segment to expand the news and sports.

We could consider more ramifications of Charlie Sheen's meltdown, or replay the royal wedding in even more stunning detail and give a truly in-depth psychological analysis of the real reason the prince kissed his bride twice.

I know this sounds surly. Shooting the meteorological messengers probably won't help the situation.

The governor recently asked Texans to pray for rain. I already had been. I am. It might have been good if our forefathers had prayed more a long time ago about

the wisdom of settling in what is basically a desert, but on most days, I'm glad they made the choice they did.

I've thought about them a lot lately — especially the ones who lived through the Dust Bowl days. Some of those folks went crazy. In the midst of that much wind and dust, it was the only sensible thing to do.

How I wish we could divert a good chunk of the presently-flooding Mississippi over to my part of the country, but I

don't suppose...

Here's my forecast: Someday it will rain. And here's my hunch: There's a 100 percent chance that living life successfully in drought-times, flood-times, and anytime, calls for faith in the One who gives us life and rains down scads of blessings on us in all times.

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Muleshoe High School Auditorium  
800 W. 3rd Street  
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10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

For more information regarding this town hall, call Congressman Neugebauer's office, toll free, at 888-763-1611 or visit his website: [www.randy.house.gov](http://www.randy.house.gov)

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Kayla Schulte, Nick Bamert and Larry Furgeson, of Blackwater Valley SWCD, congratulate Larry Thornton after he is presented with Area 1's 2011 Conservation Business/Professional award.

## Conservation awards... Continued from page 1

Farmer; Matt Patterson of Morton, Resident Conservation Rancher; Frank Mininger of Gruver, Resident Conservation Farmer; John Perrin of Hereford, Resident Conservation Farmer; Jack Terry of Sweetwater, Wildlife Conservationist; Stan Friemel of Canyon,

Resident Conservation Farmer; Larry Newsom of Brownfield, Resident Conservation Farmer; Palo Duro SWCD #147, Outstanding Conservation District; Lynn county SWCD #119, Runner-up Conservation District.

At the banquet,

students who participated in the SWCDs' essay and poster contests were also recognized. They included:

Essay contest (ages 13-18) — Dakota Earnest of Plains, first place; Caleb Posey of Rotan, second; and Israel Silva of Booker, third.

Essay contest (ages 13 and under) — Callie Crum of Earth, first; Blaine Patton of Silverton, second; and Brittany Cano of Spur, third.

Poster contest — Claudia DeLeon of Tulia, first; Roberto Treviso of Farwell, second; and Shannon Ortiz of Spur, third.

## Gonzales speaks to students... Continued from page 1

know." Regarding the war on terrorism, Gonzales admitted he "didn't always get them right," referring to instances in which the U.S. Supreme

Court ruled against the decisions made by himself and his justice department.

When asked about his thoughts regarding the death of Osama Bin

Laden, Gonzales said he was much more interested in the students thoughts on the issue, because of the changes that resulted in society following the Sept. 11

attack. "You grew up in an America that was much different from the America I grew up in," he said.

Other "hot" national issues discussed included Arizona's immigration laws.

Gonzales pointed out that perfection can't be expected of public figures, saying the two things the voting public should expect are integrity and the official's best effort to do the job.

## City council acts... Continued from page 1

Admission to the water park is \$3 per person, according to city officials.

In other business, the council:

- Approved the initial request from the Muleshoe Heritage

Foundation for up to \$2,000 in motel/hotel tax funds to be used to advertise and promote the annual Tour de Muleshoe, which is set for June 18.

- Approved the initial request from the

Muleshoe Rotary Club for up to \$1,200 in motel/hotel tax funds to be used to advertise and promote the annual Memorial Day Roping on May 30.

- Approved the city's financial statement ending April 30.

## Honor society induction set for Thursday

Muleshoe High School will be inducting its new members into the National Honor Society on Thursday, May 12, at 7 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall of the Muleshoe First United Methodist Church.

The 2010-11 National Honor Society officers include: Natalie Head, president; Shayla Carpenter, vice president; Jenna Whitworth, secretary; and Ivon Mendoza, public relations.

Inductees for the 2010-11 school year include: Matthew Ambriz, Beau Avila, Walter Bartholf, Baylee Bessire, Robert Brewster, Marielena

Campos, Mateo Castillo, Sabrina Chavez, Carly Krug, Alyssa Leal, Lourdes Martinez, Kristen McCoy, Patrick

Mendoza, Belinda Pacheco, Stephanie Vasquez-Posada, Tanya Molina, Adelene Rivas and Erika Rodriguez.



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## NOTICE OF WORK DAY

Bailey County Cemetery  
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The Directors of the Bailey County Cemetery Association invites all of the community to the old cemetery on May 21 for a work day to prepare the cemetery for our Memorial Day Service. May 21 is on Saturday and we generally work from 8 AM till everything is ready. With all this wind we have lots of trash that needs cleaning up. Trash and old flowers etc. can be placed by the roadways in the cemetery for pickup by our crews. Since there is a burn ban we will have to place this trash in an area East of the cemetery for later burning. We will have mowers and trimmers going if there is grass and weeds. So far, no rain and few weeds or grass.

Please note- our NEWSLETTER to friends and family will be published in AUGUST, 2011.

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## Grand opening held

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture held a ribbon cutting on May 6 for the grand opening of Ice Express, at 516 West American Blvd.

Friends and family gathered to help celebrate with owners, Israel and Lizette Vasquez.



## Pvt. Gonzales graduates from artillery training course

Army Pvt. Rudy M. Gonzales Jr. has graduated from the Basic Field Artillery Cannon Crewmember Advanced Individual Training course at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla.

The course is designed to train service members to maintain, prepare

### Military News

and load ammunition for firing; operate and perform operator maintenance on prime movers, self-propelled

Howitzers, and ammunition vehicles; store, maintain, and distribute ammunition to using units as a member of battery or battalion ammunition section; perform crew maintenance and participate in organizational

maintenance of weapons and related equipment; and establish and maintain radio and wire communications.

Gonzales is the son of Rudy R. and Rosita G. Gonzales of Muleshoe.

The private is a 2006 graduate of Muleshoe High School.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding..."  
Proverbs 3:5, NIV

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# Obituaries

## Christopher Bradford

Funeral services for Christopher Jim Bradford, 63, of Brownwood, was held on Friday, May 6, at Davis-Morris Funeral Home Chapel in Brown County with Gerald Stocksdale and Ted Kell officiating. Burial followed at Eastlawn Memorial Park.



Visitation was held on Thursday evening at the funeral home.

Bradford died on Wednesday, May 4, 2011, in San Angelo. He was born on May 27, 1947, in Jacksonville to Odell and Phyllis (Lamden) Bradford.

He married Joye Bradford on June 10, 2000 in Brownwood.

Bradford was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps and of the Viet Nam conflict.

He was in the newspaper business most of his life (1959-2007) beginning as a street hawker in Midland in 1959 and after working at several Texas newspapers he retired in 2007, after owning three weekly newspapers — the *Muleshoe Journal*, *Castro County News* and *Olton Enterprise*, along with his wife, Joye.

Survivors include his wife — Joye; a son — James and wife, Karen of Las Vegas, Nev.; a son — Michael of Alpine; a sister — Marlene

and husband, Doug of Dimmit; two step-sons — Tim Perkins and wife Susan of Evant; Shane Perkins and wife Jana of Farwell; a step-daughter — Jennifer Perkins of Brownwood; 17 grandchildren — Taylor and Tyler Bradford of Alpine, Zachary, Jordon, Shelby and Ashlee Bradford of Las Vegas, Nev., Jace, and Slade of Farwell, Davalynn, Hadley and Bryson Munroe of Brownwood, Jody and Meredith Coffman of Granbury, Wesley and Ashley Scruggs of Fort Worth, and Audray Coffman of Stephenville; five great-grandchildren — Averie, Jace, Jacob, Madison and Ashlynn.

Also, Mary Mcilroy, mother of his sons. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made of Cherokee Children's Home, Cherokee Texas.

Condolences may be left for the family at [www.davismorrisfuneralhome.com](http://www.davismorrisfuneralhome.com)

## Jerry Hutton

Jerry Dwain Hutton, 66, of Muleshoe, went home to be with our Lord on Friday, April 29, 2011, after a lengthy illness.



A "going home" service was held on Monday, May 2, at Trinity Christian Center Church with Pastor Reydon Stanford and Curtis Shelburne officiating.

Honorary pallbearers were the Dinner Bell Coffee Bunch. Burial was at Resthaven Cemetery in Lubbock.

Jerry was born on Feb. 6, 1945, in Littlefield to Horace and 'Rene' Hutton. He grew up south of Muleshoe and graduated from Muleshoe High School.

Jerry served with the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture as chamber manager before going into farming. His parents, and an older brother, Horace Luther Hutton Jr., who died as a small child, preceded him in death.

Jerry and Betty married in 1994, and were members of Trinity Christian Center Church, where he was also a deacon.

He had a deep love and compassion for people who were in need, and would often be seen ministering to someone less fortunate.

Survivors include his wife—Betty; a daughter — Traci Wilkinson of Grapevine; a son — Dwain Hutton of New Braunfels; a brother — Terry Hutton of Lubbock; two sisters — Betty Pressley of Lindle and Sharron Putman of Arlington; five grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, and a church family that loves and misses him very much.

If you would like to make a donation in memory of Jerry, the family suggests that it be made to the Trinity Christian Center Benevolence Fund, P.O. Box 334, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

## Engagement



### Baca, Saenz engaged

Frank and Elisa Baca of Muleshoe announce the engagement of their daughter, BreAnn Estella Baca, to Luis Carlos Saenz of Muleshoe.

The prospective bride graduated from Muleshoe High School in 2010 and is currently enrolled in the cosmetology program at Clovis Community College. She is a lifeguard at the city pool.

The prospective groom is the son of Carlos and Rosa Saenz of Muleshoe. He graduated from Muleshoe High School in 2007.

He is employed at Joe's Boot Shop in Clovis, N.M.

The wedding has been set for July 16, 2011, at 3 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church with Father Sergio Leal officiating.

A reception will follow at the Clovis Civic Center.

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## Death Notices

### Jim Green

Portales, N.M., resident Jim Green, 87, died on May 6, 2011, in Portales. He was born on Jan. 19, 1924, in Ira. Funeral services were held on Monday, May 9, at Emmanuel Baptist Church.

## Births

### Ashtyn Kerby birth announced



Ashtyn Jae Kerby

Tyson and RJ Kerby of Midland announce the birth of their daughter, Ashtyn Jae Kerby, on May 1, 2011, at 11:47 p.m.

At birth, Ashtyn weighed seven pounds, seven ounces, and was 18.5 inches in length.

Her grandparents are Robbie and Stephanie Barrett of Friona, and Al and Susan Kerby of Bovina.

### News about your college student

If your college student is graduating or has made the Dean's or President's List, in order for that information to appear in the *Muleshoe Journal*, we must receive notice from the respective educational institution.

Your son or daughter must sign a release so the information can be sent to us.

Have them visit their bursar's office to sign a form indicating they wish to share their good news!

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# Sports

## Lady Mules fall to Alpine Lady Bucks in area matchup

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Alpine Lady Bucks lived up to their eighth place state rankings in the Area round against the Lady Mules.

They got past the Lady Mules in consecutive games at Midland's Freddie Ezell Softball Complex in Ulmer Park 18-0 and 15-0.

The Lady Mules had reached the Area round of the Texas State Playoffs by defeating the Childress Lady Cats during a terrible sandstorm.

The Lady Mules defeated Childress for the Bi-District Gold Glove and advanced.

The 27-8 Lady Bucks were the District 4-2A champions with a 6-0 record and received a bye in the first round of the playoffs.

Lauren Hardin pitched a perfect game against the Lady Mules on Friday afternoon and recorded 11 strike outs and only faced 15 batters.

The Lady Cats blasted six home runs to provide their pitcher with plenty of run support.

They scored four runs in the first inning, three in the second and nine in the third.

They tacked on two more in the bottom of the fourth to defeat the Lady Mules 18-0.

Tori Alvarado broke up Hardin's hopes of a second perfect game by blasting a ground ball just out of the reach of the short stop for a single in the second inning.

Sabrina Chavez hit a ground ball to the short stop side of second base.

The Lady Buck short stop scooped up the ball

stepped on second for the force out on Alvarado and fired a strike to first to complete the double play. Alondra Villareal zipped a ground ball past first base for the Lady Mules second base hit in the third inning. She went to second on a past ball.

Alexa Fuentes put a slow roller on the ground that the short stop charged and fired to first and the ball came flying back across the diamond from first to third to tag out Villareal for the third out.

The Lady Mules never threatened after that.

Alpine sent 12 to the plate in the top of the first inning and scored six runs on six hits.

They added five in the second inning, one in the fourth and three in the top of the fifth.

The Lady Mules held Alpine scoreless in the top of the third inning for the only time during the series.

Linda Sanchez camped under a towering fly ball to center for the first out. Val Olivas scooped up a ground ball at short and fired to Sabrina Chavez at first for the second out.

Alvarado moved deep into foul territory for a high pop foul near the screen. She squeezed the ball for the final out of the inning.

"We were a young team and got better as the season went along," said Lady Mule coach Jason Cole.

"We began to play better by the time district rolled around. We lost a couple of games we

would like to have had back but it worked out by the last game of the regular season," he said.

"The kids had great attitudes all season long and worked hard to get better. They were already talking about next season on the bus ride home and what they need to do to get better," said the coach.

"We had two goals this season. We wanted to reach the playoffs and then win some playoff games. When we met Childress in Lockney our kids went in to that game expecting to win," he added.

"We had great parent and fan support all season long. It was fun year to be a coach."

"The seniors will be missed but we have some really good kids coming up take their place. Hard work this summer by the girls will payoff in big dividends next season. Next season could well be the Lady Mules best season since the program was started," concluded Cole.

## Junior Baca to run in Texas State Track Meet

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

There are three rules that a long distance runner does not break if he wants to win.

Rule I is to never get boxed in and not be able to run your race.

Rule II is to never allow a competitor to pass you on the inside.

And Rule III is to never pass on a curve.

But sometimes heart and desire can over come broken rules.

Frank Baca Junior, better known to his family, friends and Mule fans as Junior Baca broke the rules in the finals of the 800-meter run. He qualified with a silver medal time of 1:58.29 to run in the Texas State Track Meet.

The State Meet is held in Mike A. Myers Stadium on the University of Texas campus in Austin. He is scheduled to run at 12:30 p.m., on May 14.

Baca started in lane five and when the group crossed the cut-in point the he found himself boxed in by the runners collapsing on him from the out side.

He was forced to stay in fifth place until the final curve of the first lap.

A small gap opened up to the inside and he shot from fifth to first in a distance of a 100 meters by passing everyone on the inside.

He led after the first lap with a time of 57.00 seconds. He continued to lead into the first curve of



the final lap.

Runners from Crane, Stanton and Sonora decide to make their move and passed Baca with 300 meters left in the race.

He continued to run in fourth place until 250 meters were left in the race and he was passed by the runner from Comfort.

Baca's comfortable kicking distance is about 175 meters from the finish line.

Baca hit the gas at that point and passed the competition while running the final curve way out in the third lane.

Baca's move to the front on the curve shocked the other competitors and he continued to pull away from the pack.

The competition had to make the decision to start their final kick earlier than their comfort point or just watch Baca pull

so far in front that they would never catch up.

They kicked early and began to chase Baca toward the finish line. The runner from Stanton finally ran Baca down with 30 meters left in the race.

Baca tried to fight him off but just did not have enough gas left in the tank. Stanton broke the barrier two meters in front of Baca with a 1:58.04.

"It was a great race," said Mule coach Kirk Byrd. "Junior (Baca) improved his personal best time today by two seconds! When an athlete lets his heart do the running, I just don't have the heart to mention the three rules that he broke. All I could do was pat him on the back and say 'Great job Junior!'"

"We have some small things to work on still before we leave for Austin but most of them are just the mental part of running the race," concluded Byrd.

Baca told Coach Byrd

after the race, "Coach, I did not know I could run that fast."

Baca still wants to run faster times and win back-to-back-to-back gold medals.

He has his sights set on Kyle Atwood's three gold medals and times. Atwood ran a 1:55.14 as a sophomore to win his first Texas State Track Gold Medal in 2000.

He returned as a junior to again take the gold medal with the blistering time of 1:53.98.

Then as a senior Atwood was able to loaf to his third consecutive gold medal with a 1:56.71.

Baca has Atwood's best time posted on his bulletin board in his bedroom. That is the first thing he sees in the morning and the last thing he looks at before he goes to sleep.

He even ran two miles on Mother's Day because as he said, "Mom, I love you because I can not miss a single day of

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"Both LIP and ELAP provide agricultural

producers with a vital safety net to help them overcome the damaging financial loss caused by natural disasters," said Kim Hanlin, executive director for USDA Farm Service Agency in Bailey County.

LIP compensates livestock owners and contract growers for livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality due to adverse weather, including losses due to wildfires.

Hanlin adds, "A notice of loss must be filed with FSA within 30 days of when the loss

of livestock is apparent. Livestock that die within 60 days of the date of the qualifying event, but prior to Oct. 1, 2011, will be considered eligible for loss benefits."

USDA has established normal mortality rates for each type and weight range of eligible livestock, i.e. Adult Beef Cow = 1.5 percent and Non-Adult Beef Cattle = 3 percent.

These established percentages reflect losses that are considered expected or typical under, "normal" conditions.

According to Hanlin, producers will be

required to provide verifiable documentation of death losses resulting from an eligible adverse weather event.

ELAP is another disaster program that can provide emergency assistance to eligible livestock producers who have losses due to wildfires.

ELAP assistance is for losses not covered under other disaster assistance

programs established by the 2008 Farm Bill.

Such losses include feed supply losses due to wildfire and additional feed costs resulting from the purchase of additional livestock feed, above normal quantities.

Producers who have suffered feed losses must file a notice of loss with FSA within 30 days of

the fire.

Producers who feel they have suffered a qualifying LIP or ELAP loss are encouraged to file a notice of loss and application for payment.

For more information on LIP, ELAP or other FSA programs, please contact the Bailey county office at (806)272-4538 or visit FSA online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/tx>.

## Area students to graduate

### Katherine Lepard

Katherine A. Lepard, the daughter of Kay and Robert Lepard of Muleshoe, will graduate from Texas Tech University with Summa cum laude honors on Saturday, May 14, at 1:30 p.m., in commencement ceremonies at the United Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

Lepard has been named to the President's List during each semester of her enrollment at Texas Tech University and will graduate with a perfect

4.0 grade point average. In addition, she has been honored as being the top student in her college, the College of Mass Communications. Lepard has been inducted into Mortar Board and the honor fraternity Phi Kappa Phi.

Lepard interned at Fox News in New York City with Megyn Kelly during the summer of her junior year. She also served as vice president of the prestigious student ambassador group,

President's Select, during her senior year.

Lepard graduated from Muleshoe High School in 2007. She is currently a senior enrolled in the College of Mass Communications majoring in broadcast journalism with a minor in Spanish.

Following graduation, Lepard will pursue a doctor of jurisprudence degree at the School of Law at Texas Tech University.

### Castorena, Mendoza and Lovelady

Three students from the Muleshoe area are among the approximately 550 candidates for graduation from Eastern New Mexico University in Portales this spring.

Commencement is on May 14 in Greyhound Arena.

The students are Timothy Luis Castorena, bachelors of business administration in

accounting and computer information systems; Roxana Mendoza, bachelor of science in political science; and Tisha Jaree Lovelady, bachelor of university studies.

### Coffman, Coffman and Johnson

The Arlington Baptist College, in Arlington announces that Elizabeth R. Coffman will be graduating with a bachelor of science degree in Bible/General

Studies on May 19. James A. Coffman will be graduating with a bachelor of science degree in Bible/Music on May 19.

James will sing

a solo during the commencement service.

Also, Kendall Blake Johnson will be graduating with a bachelor of science degree in Bible/Pastoral Ministry on May 19.

### Baca to run at state meet

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running."

Yvonne Gardea was the only Lady Mule to qualify for the Regional finals. She cleared a height of five feet two inches in the high jump. She finished just out of the medals in fourth place. Two others also cleared 5-02 but it took them more attempts than Gardea.

Baca will be carrying not only his hopes and dreams of a gold medal to Austin but also those of all the Mule fans back home.

### Reward issued by Crimestoppers

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David Ricardo Rodriguez

### 'Woman of the Year' honored



Maxine Carter was chosen as Women of the Year at Park View Nursing Care Center, on Mothers Day. Pictured above, Janice Morrison, activities director, presents Carter with a plaque. All of the women at Park View were given a flower in honor of Mother's Day, also.

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# The Sudan Buzzy



## Sudan's Bold Gold Band travels to Dallas

The Sudan High School Bold Gold Band traveled to Dallas on Friday and Saturday, May 6-7. The band received a sweepstakes rating for the 2011 school year and was rewarded a trip.

Byron Morgan, Sudan's band director, led the band to sweepstakes along with assistant director, Karol Morgan, during concert season in the winter, and drum majors Sury Rodriguez and Savannah Sain led the band during marching season in the fall.

This weekend the band celebrated their accomplishments starting on Friday with a tour of the Dallas Cowboys Stadium where they took pictures, played football, practiced their marching techniques, and performed math computations regarding marching, sound and various other components of marching.

Next they went to Stone Briar Mall and Spaghetti Warehouse. The next morning, the band went to the Ranger's baseball stadium where they viewed the stadium and shopped.

The rest of the trip was spent at Six Flags Over Texas amusement park where they rode rides, shopped, played games among many other activities.



## Students qualify for state meet

By Savannah Sain  
Sudan Correspondent

Mariah Steinbock has once again qualified for the State UIL Track and Field Meet in Austin this month after winning the women's pole vault event and the 300 meter hurdles in Region 1 1A competition.

She will be joined with Dayton Greenhaw, a sophomore, who placed second in the high jump event.

Steinbock was the state champion in pole vault her sophomore year.

She qualified for state last year, but she was unable to clear a jump.

Steinbock cleared 11 feet on Tuesday earning another trip to Austin.

She plans to continue her track and field career in college.

She stunned the crowd when she placed second in the 300 meter hurdles.

She was close to last place coming in the last stretch when she caught up to the pack and then

a girl next to her fell close to the finish line.

Steinbock lunged for the finish line and beat her tough competitor from Panhandle.

Her parents are Coach Belinda Steinbock and Charelson Steinbock of Sudan.

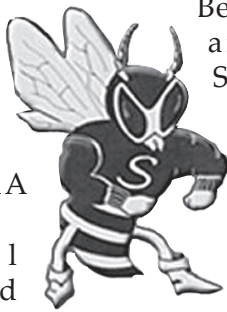
Greenhaw, the son of Leigh and Charlie Fisher, has had a strong track and field season this year.

Greenhaw won the area competition last week with a jump of 6'2".

After his jump of 6 feet, 6inches at regionals, he is now in a position to take home a medal at state.

Both competitors were joined by the girls' relay teams in the 800 meter and 400 meter relays, plus Marie Carrizales in the 1600 meter run.

The relay team placed third and almost qualified for the state track meet as a wildcard.



## Sudan student competes in State UIL meet at Austin

On Friday, May 6, Deric McCurry of Sudan High School competed at the State UIL meet in Austin.

McCurry is coached by Sudan English teacher Tina Altum. McCurry competed in Informative Speaking and qualified after placing second at the Regional tournament at SPC and placing first at district at Sundown. McCurry was the only Freshman competing in the 1A division of the State meet. This was

McCurry's first year in competing in a high school UIL meet and his future looks promising.

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# Free help available regarding Medicare Part B

The South Plains Association of Governments Area Agency on Aging is hosting a free Health Fair to individuals 60 years of age and older.

The Health Fair will be located at the Bailey County Senior Citizens Center, 319 S. Main in



Muleshoe, on Wednesday, May 18, from 10:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. A certified benefits counselor from SPAG

will be available for application assistance for prescription drug help and Medicare Savings Programs to help pay for Part B Premiums.

For additional information, call Linda at (806)687-0940.

The Area Agency on Aging (AAA), a

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**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE** THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BAILEY By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 287TH Judicial District Court of Bailey County, on the 3rd day of May, 2011 by the Clerk thereof, in the case(s) styled as follows:

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Bailey County Appraisal District v. Agundis, Jesus M, et ux;	
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Bailey County Appraisal District v. Anzaldua, Viola Barerra, et al	
Legal Description	
2. Lots Twenty-four (24), Twenty-five (25) and Twenty-six (26), Block Five (5) of the Lenau Addition to the City of Muleshoe, Bailey County, Texas.	
3. A 4.4 acre tract of land out of Block Y, Section Fifty-four (54) of the W.D. and F.W. Johnson Addition of Bailey County, Texas, being better described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 137 Page 140 of the Deed Records of Bailey County, Texas, such description being incorporated herein by reference. Cause No. 8 6 7 2	
S t y l i n g	
Bailey County Appraisal District v. Berry, Robert Allen, Ind/heir Of T.W. Berry, Deceased	
Legal Description	
4. Lot Three (3), Block Twelve (12), Original Town Addition to the City of Muleshoe, Bailey County, Texas. Cause No. 8 7 3 2	
S t y l i n g	
Bailey County Appraisal District v. Burr Frances A. Aka Frances A. Bursell, Deceased, The Unknown Heirs of	
Legal Description	
5. Lot Forty-five (45), Parkridge Addition to the City of Muleshoe, Bailey County, Texas. and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the 7th day of June, 2011, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the East door of the Courthouse of Bailey County, in the City of Muleshoe, Texas. Levied on the 4th day of May, 2011, as the property of said defendants, to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, at 12 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of each jurisdiction. "ALL BIDDERS MUST NOW DISPLAY PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH 34.015 OF TEXAS TAX CODE." GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 4th DAY OF May, 2011. Richard Wills SHERIFF,	

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Published in the Muleshoe Journal May 12, 19, and 26, 2011.

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# And here is life as I have lived it...

And here is life as I have lived it...

I should have said "as life has lived me." By this I mean I have never set a life time goal and then set out to accomplish it.

I'm sure that is the best way, but it never worked for me, for I've always done the things that needed to be done, or that I was called on to do.

And if and when it seems a good time to do it I want to tell you about me — myself. But in the meantime I want to make a few more comments about the Rich Young Ruler, and the Samaritan who gave assistance to the wounded man.

In my judgement the lessons and principles involved are important, but they're just good plain common sense — as is both the New Testament and the Old.

But considered together they are perhaps the finest document ever written. And we should study them — I hope you noticed, I didn't say "read" them, but "study" then and try to learn, what do they teach? For, I think it is a very serious matter.

So let's not forget the commands under which

*Something worth saying...*  
By Glen Williams

we are to live if we are to be recognized by God as obedient children — those command being, that we

*"Love the Lord with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, and that we love our neighbor as ourselves."*

And let us not forget; the kind of person we are will, sooner or later, make itself know. For our thoughts and our actions gradually work their way to the surface.

We know now that having riches, even great riches, doesn't mean that a person can't live a life of faith and obedience, as Christ teaches that we should. But it does mean we can't do both. We can't serve two masters.

The Rich Young Ruler understood that. He had the desire, the feeling of love and he had faith.

He believed it, but he did not have the commitment to make the change in his life. So he went away a sorrowful person. Whatever may have happened to or with him after that I don't know.

And I'm sure we have all seen people in the same or similar situations.

But it was different with the lawyer. He addressed Christ as master not "Good Master." His question was the same, but he was tempting or trying or testing Christ.

He wanted an answer for legal purposes. He was willing to justify himself, he acknowledged the truth when he heard it. And that ended his conversation with the Lord.

I don't see anything wrong with that, because he got what he asked for, and as far as I know that's what he wanted, and was now easy to say he had got the information he wanted, and was now ready to try his next case. But I'm not going to say that.

Finally let's see what Paul says about being rich in First Timothy, chapter six.

It seems that the matter here was servants, that Paul admonished

to honor their masters, and not because they are brethren.

For a lack of space I will just call attention to his comments about those that have believing masters on one hand and those that are proud and puffed up on the other. And he tells us that

"We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out."

And he also tells us that: "Godliness with contentment is great gain."

So therefore he suggests that "having food and raiment let us be content therewith."

Now it seems to me that if we were taught that, and if we would accept and practice it we would have better relations with each other, and it would make for more peace in a troubled world.

"But they that will be rich," wrote Paul "fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition."

"For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."

The next verse bring us to the beginning of last week's article and the end of this one: "But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness."

Pretty good advice, don't you think?

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding..."

Proverbs 3:5, NIV



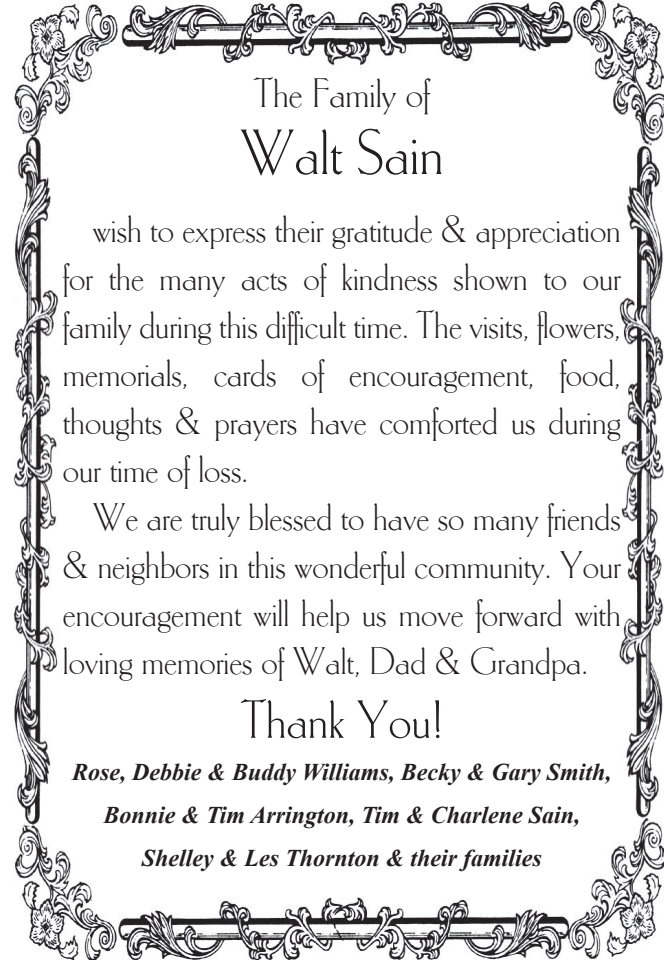
## The Family of Walt Sain

wish to express their gratitude & appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown to our family during this difficult time. The visits, flowers, memorials, cards of encouragement, food, thoughts & prayers have comforted us during our time of loss.

We are truly blessed to have so many friends & neighbors in this wonderful community. Your encouragement will help us move forward with loving memories of Walt, Dad & Grandpa.

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## Ooh- la- la, Darling.... You have been cordially invited to a Fancy Nancy Tea Soiree

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## Wedding Showers

### Cole, Behrends honored with shower

Amanda Cole and Garrett Behrends were honored with a wedding shower on Sunday, May 2, in the home of Hollye Hooten of Muleshoe.

The prospective bride is the daughter of Doug and Julie Cole of Temecula, Calif.

The prospective groom is the son of Earl and Donita Behrends of Muleshoe.

Hostesses for the event included Rayniel Bamert, Paula Benton, Janice Bradshaw, Dianne



Brown, Glenda Dale, Charlotte Field, Linda Flores, Joella Flowers,

Hollye Hooten, Rowena Meyers, Jan Morris, Marilyn Nickels, Darlene Pierce, Melody Sheets, Lenda Trussell and Doris Vandiver

A vacuum cleaner was presented as a hostess gift.

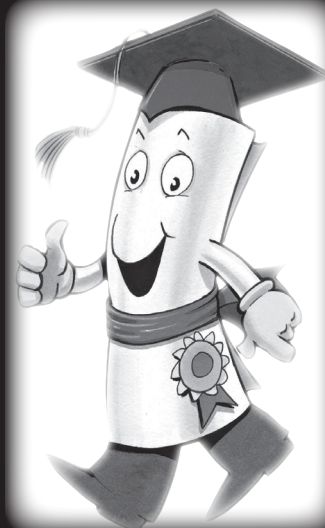
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