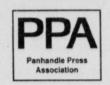
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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

Nun likes trip-hop remix

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A Nepalese Buddhist nun who chants and sings in Tibetan said she likes the work of a DJ who remixed one of her chants into a trip-hop song.

Ani Choying Drolma performed last week at a trendy Singapore nightspot, mesmerizing the small crowd with her a cappella chants and a haunting version of "Amazing Grace" in Tibetan.

After Choying Drolma sang, American DJ Mark Bell played his dance version of her chants. "So you're the one who made me the 'disco nun,' "she said as she was introduced to Bell.

Goose victim compensated

A deliveryman has received a workers' compensation payment of \$17,000 for a broken wrist he suffered while trying to flee some geese.

Nolan Lett, 57, says the incident happened in 1998 when he was trying to report for his Oak Brook, Ill., job and two Canada geese blocked his way.

He said he went to another door, only to be confronted by another goose.

"It started acting crazy," Lett said. "I tried to hurry into the building, but it flew at my face ... "

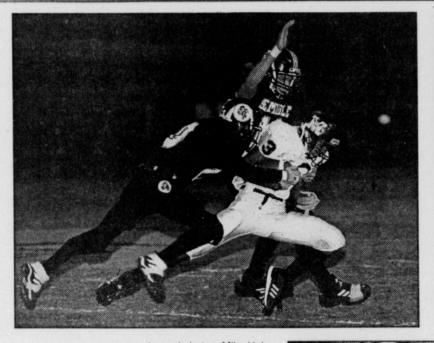
Lett said he turned to run, but tripped and fell, breaking his wrist.

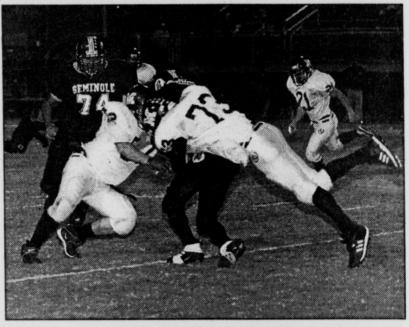
Robbery plan tripped up

A would-be bank robber showed up at a Middletown, Conn., bank last week at 3:08 p.m. wearing a mask and carrying a note.

Bank workers-who had closed eight minutes before - watched him pull futilely on the locked door and leave.

A police sergeant witnessed the suspect throw the mask and a note out his truck window, and Michael Maslar, 45, later surrendered without incident. He was charged with criminal attempt to commit third-degree robbery.





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Journal photos: Mike Hahn **Tough fight for Mules**

Scenes from Friday's hard-fought victory for Muleshoe (21-14 over Seminole) include Daniel Campolla (above left) grinding out fourth-guarter yardage as Indians try to put a stop to it; efforts to stop an Indian runner as Chance Turney (No. 73) and Michael Durben (No. 52) team up during the third quarter; and a Seminole running back gets manhandled (at right) by Lincoln Riley (No. 12) and Brian King (No. 35). Coach David Wood described the game as one of the three most memorable so far during his tenure at Muleshoe. It was the Mules' final nondistrict game of the season, and they can expect another battle against Lubbock Cooper starting at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Benny Douglass Stadium. Then they face Littlefield, another tough district foe, before heading into the home stretch against Shallowater, Lubbock **Roosevelt and Dimmitt.**

Steinbock wins football contest

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

The three top finishers of the 51 contestants in last week's Journal football contest each missed four games, so the difference was in the tiebreaker guess.

Max Steinbock of Muleshoe guessed the combined score of the Lazbuddie-Ropesville score at 73 and the actual total was 88 points, so Steinbock nabbed first place in the contest.

Nearly everybody -46 players - missed the Hereford vs. Pampa game, including both Steinbock and Harrison. Other major snafus were Colorado at Kansas State (42 misses) and ENMU at Angelo (40). Missing five games (and listed in the order of finishing, based on their tiebreaker guesses) were Richard Orozco, fourth; Veronica Gonzales, fifth; J.C. Orozco, sixth; and Scott Brown, Sharli Crawford, William Orozco and Rene Valle, tied for seventh through 10th. All are from Muleshoe except Crawford, who is from Lazbuddie. Six other people also missed five games, but their guesses on the tiebreaker were too far afield to put them among the top finishers.



County takes higher bid in order to buy at home JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Bailey County commissioners voted Monday to, pay a little more and shop at home, accepting the bid of Muleshoe Motor Co. for a new Ford pickup for the



Drawing date: Saturday, Oct. 6 Winning numbers: 5-12-20-36-44-50 Estimated jackpot: \$4 million Winners: 0 Next drawing: Wednesday, Oct. 10 Estimated jackpot: \$6 million

On this date in history

Oct. 9 - Commodore William B. Renshaw and the U.S. fleet occupy the Confederate port of Galveston (1862). Oct. 10 — Stephen F. Austin is appointed commander-in-chief of Texas' volunteer army (1833).

JOCAL WEATHER

The National Weather Service predicts beautiful weather through Monday --- daytime highs from 72 to 74 and morning low temperatures from from 41 to 43, with the exception of about 39 on Sunday. Skies should remain mostly sunny, so the danger of sunburn will remain high through Monday but probably drop to moderate after that.

Editor Ronn Smith can be reached at 272-4536 or ctyankee@fivearea.com

Missed your paper? Call carrier Bobby Flores at 272-6719 or the Journal during business hours, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Steinbock also had placed second in the first week of this year's contest.

Second for this week was Court Crawford of Lazbuddie, who guess 68 on the tiebreaker, and third was Sherri Harrison of Muleshoe, who guessed 110 on the tiebreaker.

Extension office.

The local dealership's bid was \$29,630 and did not include state inspection. The lowest of the four bids submitted was from Jack Morris Ford-Mercury-Lincoln-Toyota of Plainview, which was \$1,500 less at \$28,106.20 — and included a two-year inspection sticker.

But Commissioner Joey Kindle said \$1,500 was not enough difference for him to be willing to accept an out-of-county bid.

Then discussion turned to the other local bid, from M-Pyre Auto Sales. A question was raised about

see PICKUP on page 2

School board to set public hearing on redistricting

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

The Muleshoe School Board will hold a public hearing on redistricting proposals in conjunction with its next regular meeting.

Superintendent Gene Sheets explained to the board Monday night that based on the school district's population, each of the five single-district board members should ideally represent 1,220 people. (The board includes two members elected at large, meaning they are elected by voters of the entire school district.)

Federal guidelines allow populations in the voting districts to vary by no more than 5 percent above or below the optimum figure, Sheets said.

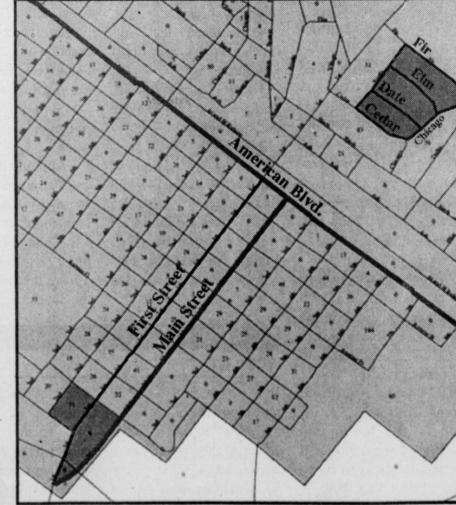
The 2000 census figures show that District 3 (the east side of Muleshoe) now has 138 people (11.3 percent) more than the optimum number.

At the same time, District 4 (south-central Muleshoe and rural areas) now has 90 people people (8 percent) fewer than the optimum number.

District 5 (the northern and eastern parts of the district, just dipping into the north side of Muleshoe) has fallen to 144 people (11.8 percent) less than the desired number.

The plan Sheets said he favors would move 37 people from District 3 into the large rural District 4. Those moved would be residents of First Streeet south of Avenue J plus residents on the east side of Second and the west side of Main, also south of Avenue J.

The plan also would move 146 residents from District 3 to the largely rural District 5. This would involve residents between Austin and Chicago on Date and see **BOARD** on page 2



Map courtesy Muleshoe Independent School District

Blocks that would change districts under the redistricting plan favored by Superintendent Gene Sheets are shown in a darker tone on this map. The plan retains two minority school districts for the distribution of school-board seats.

AROUND MULESHOE

Football players honored





Shelburne

Campolla

Singled out for their performances Friday against Seminole and honored by the Athletic Booster Club were four Mules.

Martínez

Stephan Shelburne was named offensive player of the game and Rey Martínez was named the defensive equivalent.

Daniel Campolla stepped up as special team player of the game.

The week's Slobberknocker Award went to Joel Cowart, whose photo was not available.

DECA plans charity fund-raisers

Muleshoe High School DECA students plan three activities to raise funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

During National DECA Week (Oct. 14-19), cannedfood donations will be accepted in Shann Best's room at the high school and DECA students will be carrying cans to collect pennies.

Also, at home football games from Oct. 12 through Nov. 2, DECA members will be selling paper footballs for \$1, with the footballs containing the buyers' names to be hung in the high school's main hallway.

More information is available by calling Best at 272-7315.

High tea set for Heritage Center

Kay Cole of Maple is scheduled to speak on Bailey County's historic Virginia City Hotel during a high tea at 4 p.m. Sunday in the depot at the Heritage Center.

The theme will be "Let's Live the '20s," the general subject will be county history prior to 1930, and period costumes are encouraged, according to an announcement.

Anyone interested in attending is asked to RSVP by Friday at 272-5873.

'55 Alive' driving course scheduled

A "55 Alive" mature driving course, sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons, is scheduled for 8 a.m. to noon Oct. 16-17 in the Hubert Kidd Meeting Room at Five Area Telecommunications.

State law required that auto-insurance companies doing business in Texas offer discounts to drivers who complete this course.

Juniors plan spaghetti dinner

The Muleshoe High School junior class has scheduled a spaghetti dinner with all the trimmings from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Oct. 12, before the football game with Lubbock Cooper.

Tickets will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. They will be available from any junior.

Deliveries will be available by calling 272-7306. Musicians to highlight luncheon

This Thursday's Soup and Sandwich Luncheon at 16th and D Church of Christ will feature local performers such as Jack Stone, Jay and Sally Messenger and Curtis Shelburne.

The monthly luncheons, held the second Thursday of each month, are always offered on a free-will donation basis.

A flyer listing the luncheon topics for this year's series is available by calling 272-4619.

Child Welfare Board selling pecans

The Bailey County Child Welfare Board is selling fresh pecans for \$7.50 per bag. All proceeds benefit local children.

The pecans are in stock, so there is no waiting.

Orders can be placed by calling Tracie Claybrook at 272-2864, Tracie Leal at 272-9594 or Brady Mason at 272-4139.

Meals on Wheels needing funds

Muleshoe Meals on Wheels is beginning to run low on funds, director Andrea Kemp said last week.

More information on tax-deductible donations is available by calling Kemp at 272-3647.

Plank sales about to close

Only another 25 deck planks will be sold in the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce's Mule Lot beautification project, spokeswoman Dawn Williams says.

The planks can be inscribed with the donor's name or some other name specified by the donor.

The final date for securing a plank is Oct. 15. More information is available by calling Williams at 272-6853 or Lavon Hunt at 272-7504.

Public calendar

· Heard a report from

County Judge Marilyn Cox

that the county jail now

holds 10 federal prisoners;

set in late February;

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Agreed to a request from

Oct. 13 - 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. West Texas Gospel Festival at First Assembly of God (New Life Building). Featured guests will be The Phillips Family from Nashville. Information 272-3017

Oct. 15 — 10:30 a.m. Muleshoe Area Public Library reading program on "Monster Mash."

Also on Oct. 15 - 7 p.m. Athletic Boosters Club sponsors Meet the Junior High Mules night. Junior high football players and cross country teams will be introduced; refreshments will be served. Highlight film from previous games will be shown; fans are invited to stay for film of the varsity Mules vs. Lubbock Cooper.

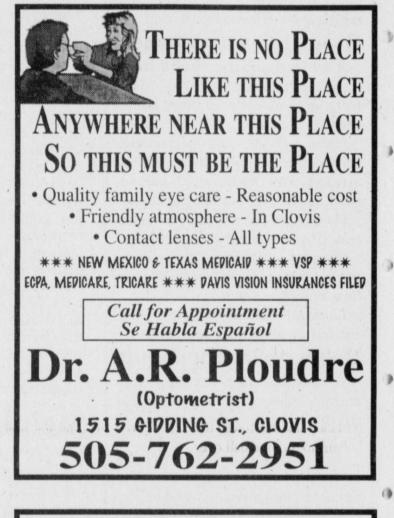
Combest happy over farm bill

U.S. Rep. Larry Combest said Tuesday that last Friday's House vote approving the permanent farm bill culminated two years of work on his part and "I am extremely excited about the fact that we passed it."

He pointed out that passage came despite opposition from the White House and "one of the best-organized, best-funded liberal environmental groups."

Now the pressure is on the Senate, he added.





Those enrolling must be at least 50 years old. The cost is \$10, payable to AARP. The class size is limited to 30, and this will be the last class offered in Muleshoe until next spring.

The course is designed to help older drivers improve their driving skills.

More information is available by calling Charlotte Treider at 272-5738.

Team-penning finals planned for Panhandle

AMARILLO - The U.S. Team Penning Association's national finals are scheduled for Oct. 29 through Nov. 3 in the Amarillo National Center.

Admission will be free except for Nov. 3, when the charge will be \$5. That day will include the awards show and celebrity team-penning event. Proceeds will benefit Family Support Services.

Also part of the fundraiser will be a drawing for a Circle Y saddle valued at \$1,500. Raffle tickets are being sold for \$5 at Luskey's, the Ambassador Hotel, Holiday Inn I-40 East, Foust Feed and Cavendar's.

Last year's national event contributed \$3 million to the Panhandle economy, according to a press release from Family Support Services.

More information on the Amarillo event is available by calling (806) 372-3202, Ext. 3041 or Ext. 3087.

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getting a new vehicle from a dealer in used vehicles. Commissioner Jack Dunham said, "I suspect that if he keeps doing it, eventually he'll get in trouble with Ford Motor Co. — or the dealer that's letting him have them will get in trouble."

Kindle responded, "Sounds too shady to me to get involved in it."

M-Pyre's bid was \$28,989 without a limitedslip rear end or \$29,145 with that feature.

The other bid (\$29,672) was submitted by Gene Messer Ford of Lubbock. In other business, the

commissioners' court:

BOARD

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Elm streets, plus those on the south side of Fir Street and the north side of Cedar Street, also between Austin and Chicago.

Two other possibilities Sheets presented would move only 31 people from District 3 to District 4 -those in the block bounded by First Street, Second

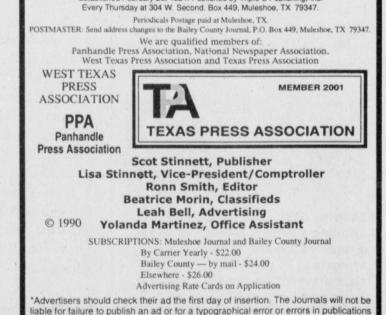
Oct. 16 — Breast-cancer screening clinic at South Plains Health Care Providers, 208 W. Second St., if enough people pre-register by calling (800) 377-4673.

The deadline for Around Muleshoe is 5 p.m. Monday for Thursday's editions and 5 p.m. Thursday for Sunday.

Booths renting

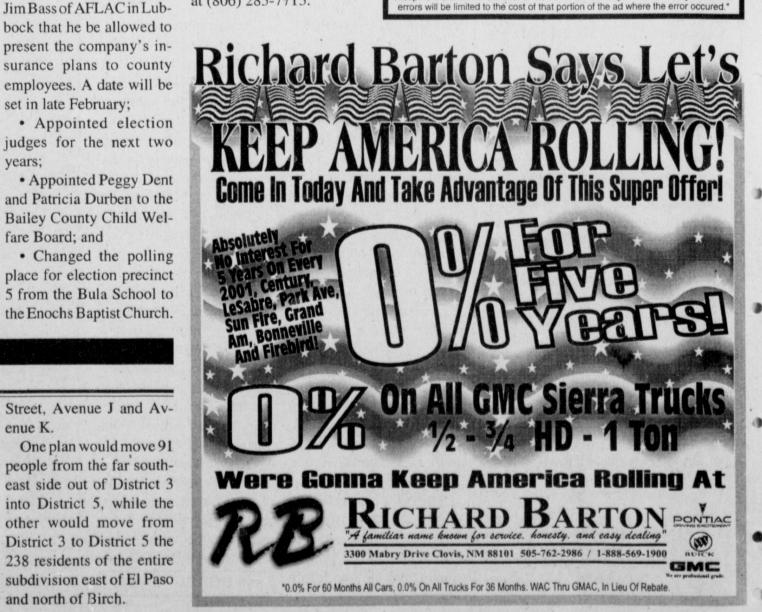
Booths are available for \$25 in Olton's annual Sandhills Arts and Crafts Fair on Nov. 24.

More information is available from J.J. Graham at (806) 285-7715.



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Eighth-graders crunch Seminole Indians 28-8

By DELTON WILHITE Journal correspondent

SEMINOLE — Forced to regroup with high-octane running backs Juan Carlos Reyes and Brady Black sidelined due to injuries, the eighth-grade Mules reloaded with Jarad Flores and Rodrigo Mendoza.

Flores ran for three touchdowns Thursday night and quarterback Kevin Kilmer hooked up with his big tight end, Tyler Sheets, to down the Seminole Indians 28-8.

José Vidaña sent the opening kickoff deep into Indian territory; Myles James and Michael Gonzales hustled downfield to stop the Seminole return man on the Indians' 10-yard line.

Seminole was forced to punt after their first three plays of the game. The Mules set up shop on the Indian 45, and the Mules quickly marched to the two, where the right side of the Mule line pushed the Indians back. Flores put the first points on the board with 3:50 remaining in the first period.

The extra-point conversion gave the Mules an 8-0 lead. Seminole returned the ensuing kickoff to its 30, and a penalty brought back an apparent touchdown but gave the Indians a first and 10 on the Mule 20.

The Mule defense stiffened as James chased down the Seminole quarterback for a 10-yard loss as the

first period ended. Freddie Tovar made a tackle to hold the Indians to a fourth and long situation. The Mules diagnosed a screenplay to hold the Indians and take over on their 23-yard line.

Kilmer and Mendoza advanced the Mules to Seminole's 35. Flores took an inside handoff from Kilmer up the middle for the Mules' second touchdown of the first half and a 14-0 lead with 4:35 on the clock.

The Mules held the Indians on their next series, but a Mule fumble gave Seminole a scoring opportunity before the first half ended. The Indians completed a 33yard touchdown pass to cut the Mule lead to 14-8 at

halftime.

The Mules returned the opening kickoff of the second half to their 45 and systematically moved the ball to the Indians' 31. The Mules called on Flores to take an inside handoff 31 yards to paydirt to increase the Mule advantage to 20-

The Indians returned the ensuing kickoff to their 14yard line. Facing a third and two, Seminole ran a counter up the middle and picked up the first down, but Kilmer snatched the ball and returned it to the Seminole 22.

The Mules pounded the ball to the 10 and Kilmer connected with Tyler Sheets in the end zone to

stretch the Mule lead to 28-8. Seminole would threaten again in the final period with back-to-back passes to advance to the Mule five-yard line.

The Mule defense denied the Indians a scoring opportunity and ran the final minutes off the clock:

Muleshoe opens district play at 7 p.m. Oct. 11 when the Lubbock Cooper Pirates come for a visit.

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Seventh-grade Mules shut out Indians

By DELTON WILHITE Journal correspondent

SEMINOLE — D.J. Robertson found T.J. Brantley for a 26-yard pass play in the final period Thursday night. On the next play an Indian stole the ball from the Mules and headed toward Muleshoe's end of the field.

Robertson caught the Indian on the Mule's 45 to save a touchdown. Seminole could not move the ball and the Mules completed their shutout of the Indians 24-0 to go 4-0 in pre-district competition.

The Mules kicked off to start the game and forced the Indians to turn the ball over on downs at midfield.

Tony Guzmán took an inside handoff and bounce outside to ramble 49 yards for the Mules' first points of

the night. Guzmán took a pitch over for the two-point conversion and an 8-0 first period lead.

After holding the Indians and forcing them to punt, the Mules took over on Seminole's 49 again. Dustin Barker took a pitch nine yards for the Mules and Guzmán went up the middle for 11 yards to end the first period.

Guzmán returned to the end zone as the second period got under way. His 22-yard romp up the middle to give the Mules a 16-0 advantage at intermission. Brock Arington picked off a halfback pass to stop a Seminole drive and end the first half.

After Seminole's kickoff into the Mule end zone, the Mules started the second half on their own 20. The Mules then recovered their own

fumble to faced a third and 10 from their 20. Guzmán got the call up the middle and appeared to be stopped after picking up the first down. The pile moved forward as Guzmán pushed until he broke free and raced 80 yards for the final Mules touchdown.

Barker followed his blockers across for the twopoint conversion to fill out the Mules' 24-0 advantage. The interior line of Arington, Matthew Richards, Francisco Ramírez, Cade Smith and Junior Martínez opened holes for the Mule backs to run through.

Kendall Johnson, Jordan Saylor and Travis Thompson ground the final minutes off the clock as the Mules continue to roll through their inaugural season.

They face the Lubbock

Cooper Pirates in Muleshoe next 5:30 p.m. Oct. 11 to open district play.

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Information on milk labeling; an easy way to make a skirt, and preparing food for large groups will be featured on "Creative Living" at 1 p.m. Oct. 16 and at 5 p.m. Oct. 20. (All times are Central.)

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

Lisa Hardison, former marketing consultant to Dairy MAX of Canyon, will discuss the labeling system for milk products, which makes understanding the fat and nutrient content much easier for consumers.

Sue Hausmann, representing Viking Sewing Machine Co. of Westlake, Ohio, will demonstrate the easiest way to make a skirt and will show several techniques for finishes for the waistband.

Consumer Education with KitchenAid in Benton Harbor, Mich., will show a variety of foods that can be prepared ahead for large groups or overnight company.

Information on preserving plants and making Victorian jewelry will be featured at 10:30 p.m. Oct. 16 and 1 p.m. Oct. 18.

Janice Urie, owner of Frontier Flowers in Lakin, Kan., will demonstrate how to cut and preserve fresh plant materials. She'll discuss the equipment needed and explain how to dry and store the materials once they are preserved.

Tonya Williams, an artist from Los Lunas, N.M., will show how to make gift items featuring old pieces of jewelry.

Viewers can request copies of materials offered on the show by sending a first-class stamp Tara Gillette, manager of . for each handout requested,,

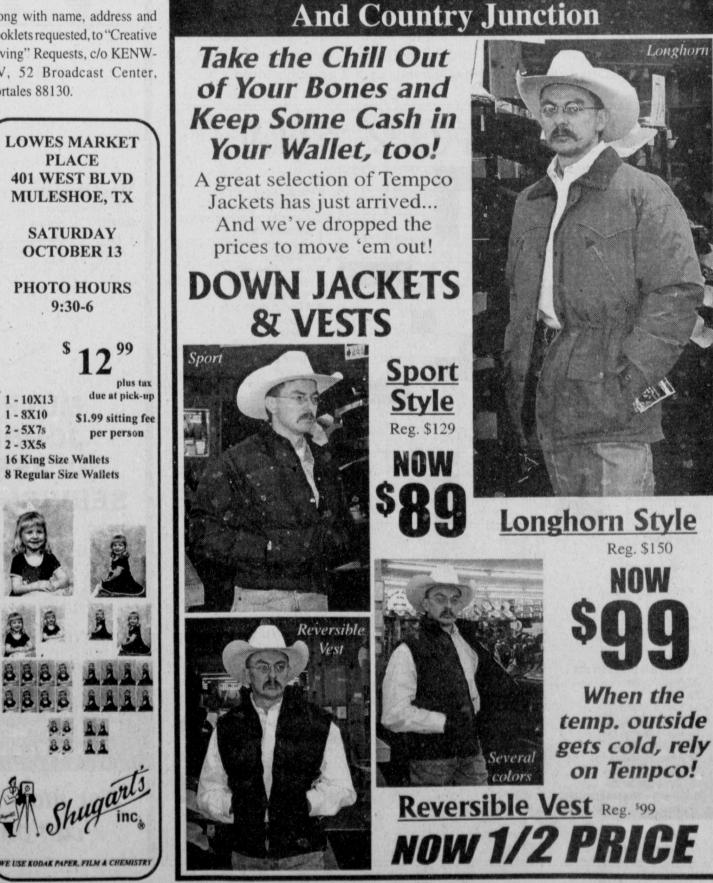
along with name, address and booklets requested, to "Creative Living" Requests, c/o KENW-TV, 52 Broadcast Center, Portales 88130.

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There's no calculating the worth of dead leaves

By RONN SMITH Editor

I could pretend that I get tired of harping on the same point, but I don't so I won't.

This time, the topics are fall planting and enriching your soil through humus. The benefits of humus just can't be overstated. But in a climate where we all have to pay for our water, just the fact that you can save massive amounts of water by getting vegetable matter into your soil . . . it makes economic sense.

Those who are faithful readers of *Texas Co-op Power* magazine and "Backyard Habitat" may have suspected that I wrote an article in the magazine's October issue.

I wasn't the author, but maybe you'll take someone else's word for it if you don't trust mine. The writer is G. Owen Yost, a landscape architect in Denton, Texas.

• "Fall is by far the best time to plant all but tender groundcovers and annual flowers in Texas." (Add tender vegetables as an



exception to that statement.) • "Considering spring to be the traditional planting time is a holdover imported from the northern states. Millions of people who moved down here to get away from severe winters

brought their garden traditions instead of leaving them behind."

• "Spring plantings here are deprived of root growth they need for survival. You see, the most difficult and arduous time for any plant is our hot, dry summer."

Another topic addressed by Yost is leaves. I haven't addressed this topic so much recently, but those of you who have read this column for years already know that I'm a great believer in duff — the natural accumulation of litter on the "forest floor," or in this case your garden. Not only is the layer of leaves, small twigs and miscellaneous "junk" a valuable reservoir of moisture and nutrients, but it insulates the soil against bitter cold temperatures. It also protects the soil against both erosion and compaction.

• "One of the worst things we can do is 'clean up' the landscape to the point where some of it is simply bare ground. The ground is where fallen leaves should be all winter long. Bare ground is something that nature abhors."

• "Using a rake to stir up piles of leaves a couple of times each winter discourages any bugs that could have found a home in them." (To this I would add: If the leaves harbor "bad bugs," then for sure they also will harbor "good bugs." The idea that ground litter is somehow going to produce a huge crop of only bad bugs is an old wives' tale that won't hold up under 10 seconds of consideration.)

• Describing fallen leaves as a "gift," Yost writes: "What each of us does with this gift is an individual choice. But think hard before you simply throw dead leaves away. As leaves decompose, they change into something called humus and do wonderful things for your soil."

Thank you, G. Owen Yost of Denton, Texas!

Naturally, desert landscaping is not going to require as much humus in order to succeed — plants in arid climates don't tend to produce the luxurious growth that occurs where there is water and rich soil.

Still, if your soil is too sandy, adding humus will allow your soil to hold a little moisture. If your soil is too clayey, adding humus will allow your soil to breathe so oxygen can reach plant roots.

In a climate such as ours, there is no better time to add humus than now. (You can buy it bagged at garden centers, already composted.) Applying it now not only puts it to work holding moisture during the winter — it can also begin working its way into the topsoil if you choose to just spread it like a mulch.

But there is a more practical reason for applying it now: You're less likely to end up enriching the county east of you. If you wait until spring, Mr. Wind is not going to be your friend — but then, maybe you prefer to be generous.

Happy planting!

Questions and comments can be sent to Garden Writer, 571 County Road 1018, Muleshoe, Texas 79347, or e-mailed to ronnsmith@hotmail.com.





OBITUARY

DORIS WEDEL

A memorial service was held Monday at First United Methodist Church for Doris Eleanor Kauffman Wedel, 83, of Muleshoe. The Revs. Brad Reeves and Bobby McMillan officiated. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Ellis Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Mrs. Wedel was born Aug. 12, 1918, in Coffeyville, Kan. She died Saturday at Covenant Medical Center in Lub-

lege.

She married James Powell Wedel on Sept. 19, 1942, in an Okmulgee, Okla., ceremony performed by the Rev. W.A. Criswell.

They moved to the Muleshoe area 55 years ago, and she owned the H&R Block franchise in Muleshoe for 18 years.

She was a past president of Jennyslippers and also had done volunteer work for Hospice, Meals on Wheels, Girl Scouts and 4-H, as well as doing volunteer 'tax service for senior citizens. She had been a member of the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe since 1966, serving as a

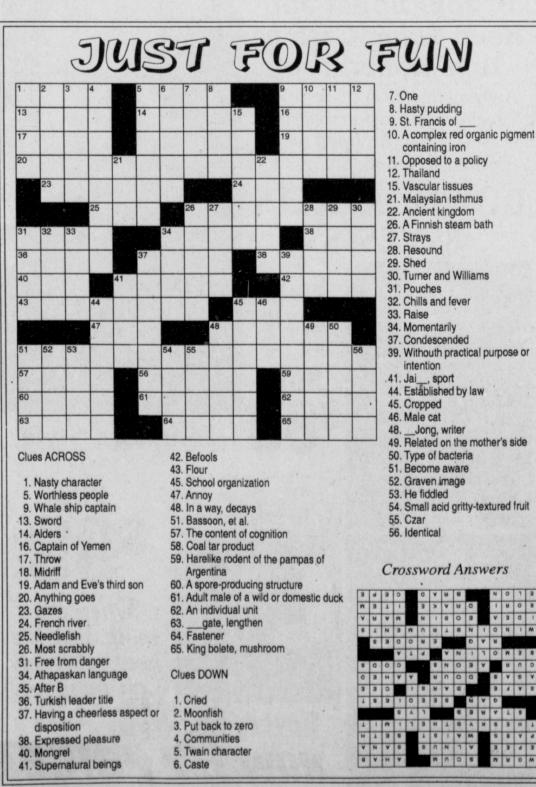
charter member, past president of the Progress Circle and an active member of the Women's Society of Christian Service. She was a former member of Progress Methodist Church.

Mrs. Wedel is survived by her husband; six children, Mary Ellen Stanton of Grand Prairie, Texas, Jane Layton of Albuquerque, Wanda Jennings of Boise, Idaho, Carolyn Patrick of LaPlace, La., Charlotte Davis of Lubbock and Jimmy Wedel of Muleshoe; two sisters, Marian Lawrence of Ojai, Calif., and Lois Kramer of Westminster, Md.; 10 grandchildren, Chuck Lence, Richard Lence, Christa Stanton Mahler, Aaron Stanton, Eric Patrick, Shelli Patrick, Alicia Patrick, T.J. Davis, Jami Wedel and Brant Wedel; and two great-grandchildren, Kyle Mahler and Brittany Grace Lence.

The family suggests memorials to First United Methodist Church or a favorite charity.

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She was valedictorian of her high school class in Moorcroft, Wyo., in 1936. She also graduated from Chillicothe Business Col-





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Brown recluse, black widow spiders can be unwanted visitors

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

COLLEGE STATION — Spiders may have a place in the great scheme of things — helping keep the insect population down and so forth — but people don't want that place to be in their own homes.

Spiders' reputation as scary beasts is far bigger than their real role in ecology. In the Texas CooperativeExtension publication, "Spiders" (L-1787), Dr. J.A. Jackman, Extension entomologist, wrote:

"Their beneficial role in keeping insect populations in check far outweighs the hazard posed by the few spiders that occasionally bite humans. Very few of the nearly 900 species of spiders in Texas can hurt people."

However, it's those "very few" spiders that can harm humans that cause all the confusion and panic.

Although Jackman reassured consumers that tarantulas, jumping spiders and wolf spiders, among others, aren't particularly dangerous to people, he goes on to warn that recluse spiders and black widow spiders are.

RECLUSE SPIDERS

Jackman listed five species of recluse spiders that have been found in Texas: Loxosceles apachae, L. blanda, L. devia, L. reclusa and *L. rufescens*. The bestknown of these, he went on, is the brown recluse, *L. reclusa*. Brown recluse spiders can be identified by their six eyes, in three pairs, which are in a semi-circle on the front of the head.

"The violin-shaped marking, often used to identify recluse spiders, is on the first body segment, not the second," he said, "and it is not always visible. It (the marking) can be a solid brown color."

The spiders themselves can vary from orange-yellow to dark brown in color, Jackman wrote.

"Recluse spiders are frequently found in garages, firewood piles, cluttered cellars and stored board piles," he wrote. "They often live around human dwellings, in bathrooms, bedrooms and closets, under furniture, behind baseboards and door facings, or in corners and crevices."

They are shy, however, and don't necessarily want to have a confrontation with a much- larger human being — but if cornered, they may bite. "People are sometimes bitten while asleep," Jackman went on, "apparently when rolling over on a spider while in bed. Others are bitten when putting on clothes that have hung undisturbed for a long time and where spiders are hid-

ing."

Brown recluse bites may cause little or no discomfort ... or be much worse. It all depends on the bite victim's sensitivity to the venom and the amount injected, Jackman wrote.

Possible effects include chills, fever, nausea, weakness, restlessness and joint pain, usually felt a day or two after being bitten.

The site of the bite is characterized by a small blister surrounded by a large red, swollen area. The venom can kill the tissue in the bite area, which then sloughs off and makes a larger wound.

Healing can take a long time—six to eight weeks is not unusual — and often leaves a scar.

WIDOW SPIDERS

The most common species of widow spiders found in Texas are *Latrodectus mactans*, *L. hesperus*, *L. variolus* and *L. geometricus* (actually, a brown widow spider), Jackman wrote.

Although the traditional image of a jet-black spider with a distinctive red hourglass shape on its underside is accurate, it's a limited description.

Jackman said that these spiders — especially males and juveniles — might have orange, red and white markings, and might not be jet black.

As for the hourglass marking, "Some individuals have irregular or spotlike markings; others have none at all," he wrote.

These spiders, too, might be found in dark secluded areas of human habitation, including garages and cellars, in and under furniture, in rain spouts or ventilators, in bushes around the house, or even in gas or electric meters, Jackman continued. And like recluse spiders, widows are only likely to bite people when they are cornered, he said. If bitten, a person might

feel something like a pin prick, Jackman wrote, with two red spots in the center of slight red local swelling.

Within one to three hours, the pain can become intense and last for as long as two days. Symptoms can include nausea, vomiting, tremors, leg cramps and abdominal pain, elevated blood pressure, heavy sweating and loss of muscle tone.

If that wasn't bad enough, the effects of this spider's bite can get worse. "The toxin can also cause breathing difficulties and sometimes unconsciousness," Jackman wrote. "However, less than 1 percent of people bitten by widow spiders die."

WHAT TO DO

For first aid, use ice packsto reduce the swelling and rubbing alcohol to clean the area, and get to a doctor immediately. If at all possible, catch and kill the spider (don't squash it so bad it can't be identified), and take it along so the doctor will know exactly what caused the bite.

But to keep these spiders out of the house in the first place, Jackman offered these suggestions:

•Learn which spiders are dangerous and which ones are not. That way, helpful spiders found in the house can be gently caught and put outside, where they belong.

• Keep closets and other dark enclosed areas vacuumed and cleaned. If these areas aren't quiet and undisturbed, spiders won't nest in them.

•Use caulk, screening and weather stripping to close up little spider-sized holes and prevent them from en-

OSPITAL NEWS

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reports the following patient load:

Sept. 27 — Elaine Damron, Frank Hinkson, Lynn Roberts, Larry D. Ross, Alfred Stanberry and Riehl Williams.

Sept. 28 — Elaine Damron, Frank Hinkson, Larry D. Ross and Riehl Williams.

Sept. 29 — None re-

Sept. 30 — None re-

ported.

Oct. 1 — None reported. Oct. 2 — Elaine Damron, Marie Gattis, Thelma D. Haynes, Frank Hinkson, Lucy Lucero and Rosie M. Martin.

Oct. 3—Elaine Damron, Marie Gattis, Sasha M. Haynes, Thelma D. Haynes, Frank Hinkson, Lucy Lucero, Earl L. Madrid, Rosie M. Martin, M.M. Nowlin, Baby Boy Soto and Fabiola Soto.



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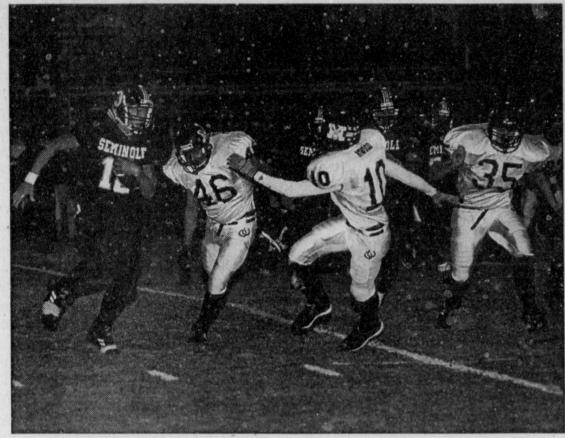
• Tape up or seal boxes that will be put in storage areas, especially those areas already infested with brown recluse spiders. This kind of seal can help keep spiders out of the boxes.

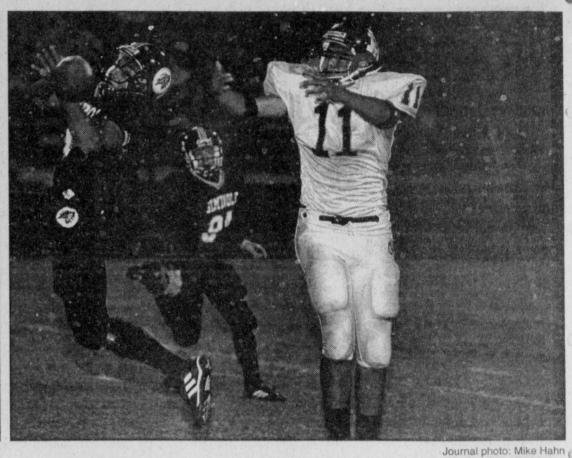
• If possible, hose down the outside of the house, especially under the eaves.

• In general, chemical treatments to remove webs are not justified. Instead, remove them with a broom or stick.

• Consult a professional if the spiders — especially brown recluse — are difficult to control. Spiders do have a place in the earth's ecological system. These tips can help ensure that their place remains ... outside.

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Defense on the move

Mule defenders Rey Martínez (No. 46), Kyle Atwood (No. 10) and Brian King (No. 35) move toward a Seminole ball carrier like a wave of doom during Friday night's brutal game against the Indians. The Athletic Booster Club honored Martínez as the defensive player of the game for his efforts.

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First Six Weeks "A" Honor Roll

Second Grade — Emily Agee, Jarrod Jesko, Jordan Mason, Kylie McGehee, Todd Nichols and Justin Schacher.

Third Grade — Jordan Hernández and Mariah Steinbock.

Fourth Grade — Dylan Haney, Darin Ivy, Kayle Jesko, Kinzi Schacher and Kyler Steinbock.

Fifth Grade — Ryan Mason, Jacob Schacher, Brock Steinbock, RaJon Thorn and Chase Timms.

Sixth Grade — Crescent Crawford, Regina Mata, Chelsee Nichols and Brittney Schacher.

Seventh Grade — Castle Crawford, Amberlee Steinbock and Montana Steinbock. Ninth Grade — Kayla Parham.

Tenth Grade — Shonnah Black, Nicole Lewandowski, Katy Loudder, Robby Martin, Raul Mata, Shawndee Nichols and Bethenie Sánchez.

Eleventh Grade — Andy Martin, Brady Mimms and Tobin Redwine.

Twelfth Grade — Savannah Black, Jodie Coker, Kayla Kimbrough, Jeffrey Phillips, Candice Randolph, Shannon Redwine and Jay Seaton.

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Second Grade — Dallas Cox, Paola Estrada, Kenton Randolph and Luis Tafoya.

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Fifth Grade — Richie Aguilar, Trevor Coker, Bart Guillén, Leticia Mendoza and Cassie Steinbock.

Sixth Grade — Mari Beliz, Jason Davis, Robert Marrufo, Esteban Pacheco, Brianna Sánchez, Shayla Scisson, Rochelle Smith and Dakota Williams.

Seventh Grade — Aaron Chávez, Erica Derma, Jesse Gómez, Bryce Haney, Kyra Kimbrough, Patrick Marks and Stephanie Williams. **Eighth Grade** — David Campos, Kirby Kimbrough^{*}, Roper Smith and Wesley Welch.

Come to papa!

Ninth Grade — Lus Ana Chávez, Chris DeLeón, Mandy Haney and Ana Hernández.

Tenth Grade — Violet Aguilar, Suzanne Aragón, Thomas García, Kelli Harris, Miriam Hernández, Aaron Marks, Amanda Martínez, Cody Meiwes, Michelle Scott, Stephen Thomas, Sterling Via and Kolby Wilkerson.

Eleventh Grade — Dustin Bartlett, Brittany Brakebill, Lucas DeLeón, Omar López and Eric Magby.

Twelfth Grade — Trevor Gartin, Mathew Goe, Kelsey Jones, Jacob Loudder and Triston Thorn.

Parenting conference moved

The location for the parenting conference scheduled for Nov. 1 in Lubbock has been changed to Greenlawn Church of Christ, 5701 W. 19th St.

in which Seminole missed a field goal and had one touchdown called back. The

Seminole offense actually outproduced the Mules just slightly, 295 yards to 275.

The sixth annual "Building Strong Families: Tools for Success" conference will address a variety of topics—eating disorders, teen tobacco use, gang awareness, personality types, domestic violence, sexually transmitted diseases, overcoming adversity, volunteerism and establishing priorities. According to conference chair Sheila Rhodes, the registration deadline for the conference is Oct. 22. The registration fee is \$5.

Registration information is available by calling (806) 792-5468, Ext. 856. More information about the conference is available by calling (806) 767-1190.

The event is sponsored by the Texas Department of Health, Lubbock Independent School District, Region 17 Education Service Center, Texas Cooperative Extension — Lubbock County, the city of Lubbock and others.



D.J. Domínguez watches as a pass comes in during the first half of Friday night's gridiron battle with Seminole. Muleshoe won 21-14, but it was a hard-fought game

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New business open

Courtesy photo: Clay Kidd

Gathered for the ribbon-cutting at West Texas Gas (in the old Green Brothers building) are (from left) chamber member Sheila Stevenson, West Texas manager Orvis Burris, chamber president Mark Washington, West Texas bookkeeper Adena Johnson, West Texas owner Houston Hamby and West Texas employee J. Bond.

Society obsessed with the 'g' word

Don't you think it is weird how words have different meanings for different people? For example, "dork" is my affectionate word

I don't say it to be hateful. That's what I say to someone I like - all my friends, even my dad. But to others this would be a kind of insult. This is how gossip starts.

The "g" word. Not considered a cuss word, but in my opinion it should be. Its one of the reasons high school can be a place to dread.

It all starts with something like this. Two friends are laughing about an "inside joke"; someone else hears part of the conversation, takes it seriously and BAM! A rumor is born.

All of a sudden everyone is an expert on what sup- people find out the truth, posedly happened and with they won't believe it — they every expert that examines , don't want to believe it. the case, it changes.

KATYE'S KALEIDOSCOPE By Katye Cook

She's dating him, she kissed him, she kissed a different him, she kissed his brother's girlfriend's uncle's son's best friend, and now she's pregnant.

Sounds ridiculous, right? But oddly enough, when many people hear a rumor like that, they act as if they believe it.

The best part, though, is when people hear the truth and it's something as simple as she called him for help with her homework. But no one wants to believe it, so then they say she's ashamed and denying it.

My favorite part of the "g" word is that even when My theory is that in mov-

ies things are so wild and outlandish and so completely and totally unrealistic that when a rumor comes along, it's the closest thing we have to the plot of a movie, so we cling to it until it is absolutely clear there is no way it could be true.

Don't you think it's a little sad that our culture does this? My theory may not be the most scientific or even the most accurate, but can you think of any other reason gossip rules in this society?

Just remember, gossip can either stop or get bigger with you. It's up to you.

(Katye Cook, a former student at Three Way High School, writes this column *for the* Journal.)

JODAY'S RECIPE

HONEY ZUCCHINI BREAD

1 egg

3/4 cup honey

3 Tbsp. vegetable oil 1 tsp. vanilla

21/2 cups all-purpose

flour 11/2 tsp. baking pow-

der 1 tsp. grated orange

peel 1/2 tsp. baking soda

1/2 tsp. ground ginger

1/4 tsp. salt

1 1/2 cups grated zucchini 1/2 cup sunflower

seeds

Beat egg slightly in a large bowl. Add honey, oil and vanilla; mix well.

Combine flour, baking powder, orange peel, baking soda, ginger and salt in a medium bowl.

Add flour mixture, zucchini and sunflower seeds to honey mixture; mix until well-blended.

Spoon batter into a well-greased9x5x3-inch loaf pan. Bake at 325 degrees F about an hour, or until a wooden pick inserted near the center comes out clean.

Cool for 10 minutes in a pan; remove from the pan and cool completely.

ITALIAN MOCHA ESPRESSO 1 cup instant coffee

1 cup sugar

4 1/2 cups nonfat dry milk

1/2 cup cocoa

Stir ingredients together. Blend in blender until powdered.

To make one serving, use 2 tablespoons of mix to 4 ounces of water. Yield: 36 servings (60 calories each)



Aries - March 21/April 20

This week you will get along surprisingly well with others, Aries. You'll find an opportunity will arise to mingle with influential people - it could mean a big promotion. Put your high energy to good use. Sports activities will help you to eliminate the stress and tension you feel at work.

Taurus - April 21/May 21

You'll find you need to have patience with loved ones, Taurus. You may try to sort things out by talking openly about your concerns. You should consider connecting with old friends who can offer an open ear to your problems and help you sort through family squabbles. Expect some big news by the end of the

Gemini - May 22/June 21

Someone you thought you were close to is not being honest with you, Gemini. You had better start asking questions before it's too late. Be prepared for a confrontation on Wednesday when the truth will finally be discovered. You'll need to keep the information learned a secret from others.

Cancer - June 22/July 22

It's time to pursue your creative dreams, Cancer. You shouldn't stop doing the things you love just because they haven't been lucrative. Put the past behind you and expect that success with ventures is just around the corner. Work will be hectic but rewarding as long as you keep your goals well in sight.

Leo - July 23/August 23

Perhaps you've been pampering yourself a bit too much lately, Leo. It's time to share the wealth and stop admiring your reflection in the mirror. Pay attention to those individuals who would benefit most from your company. Buy gifts for children and senior citizens you know to show a generous spirit

Virgo – Aug 24/Sept 22

You've had a nagging feeling about someone close to you for a while, Virgo. Your suspicions will turn out to be correct. Yet, as much as you want to share this information with others, it's best to keep it your deep, dark secret for a while or else it could backfire on you. Concentrate on work to keep your mind busy. Libra – Sept 23/Oct 23

Money is a little short this week, Libra, so you'll probably have to spend your evenings at home. You won't be bored, however - a special someone is bound to drop by for a visit and to keep you company. Keep some romantic movies nearb

Scorpio - Oct 24/Nov 22

You are able to look at things from a different perspective, Scorpio, which sparks creative ideas for a large work project. The higher-us will be singing your praise by Thursday when a power lunch could lead to financial gain. Your prosperity will come in handy for home improvements.

Sagittarius – Nov 23/Dec 21

You may have to revise original plans this week, Sagittarius. Just because things aren't going exactly how you expected, doesn't mean that they won't turn out for the best. Be sure not to make hasty decisions because you've been known to jump the gun in past circumstances.

Capricorn - Dec 22/Jan 20

A close friend will ask to borrow something valuable of yours, Capricorn. It's best to carefully consider if you want to lend out this cherished item - your friend is not known for being responsible. You may feel a bit under the weather by Wednesday, making work a challenge. Stick it out until Friday.

Aquarius - Jan 21/Feb 18

Your quest for the morally right gets you into some hot water at work, Aquarius. Not everyone agrees with your lofty ideas and you step on a few toes on your road to righteousness. Take a subtler route next time and you'll find more people will be receptive to what you say.

Pisces – Feb 19/March 20

Observation can be your greatest teacher this week, Pisces. Don't get nervous with your new job, you'll catch on faster if you learn by imitation. An evening gettogether with friends will lead to more than just interesting conversation.

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