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Mules Stumble In Varsity Season Opener



Photograph by Larry Thornton

Mule Junior Baca targets Shallowater's receiver during Friday's game.

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules hope they do not see another running back like Jarek Black, at least until the next Blue Moon. Black and the Shallowater Mustangs defeated the Mules in a high scoring affair 56-40 Friday.

Black was the star of the night with seven touchdowns, 311 yards on 18 carries and one pass interception.

"I believe he was the Ford Tough™ player of the week," said Mule coach David Wood after the game. "We found out a lot about ourselves tonight and found some strengths and weakness. Shallowater is a strong team and I do not want to take anything away from their performance tonight."

"We will face more

good running backs in the future and we have to figure out a way to stop them. If we can get better each week then we should be ready when we play those teams."

The Mules also

in his varsity debut at quarterback for 315 yards, threw three TD passes and rushed for 46 yards and two touchdowns.

The Mules rushed for 216 yards, passed for 315 for a total offense of 531

"We found out a lot about ourselves tonight and found some strengths and weakness..."

had some impressive statistics with Junior Baca carrying the ball 22 times for 137 yards and caught two passes for 14 yards; Austin Ross made five receptions for 124 yards and one touchdown.

Caleb Wood was 19 of 42 passing attempts

yards. The Mustangs rushed for 346 yards for seven touchdowns, completed three of six passes for 88 yards and one TD for a total of 434 yards of offense.

Shallowater scored first on a 21-yard run by Black at the 8:54 mark

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Chamber Ranch Rodeo To Be Held This Month

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture's second annual ranch rodeo has been set for Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Allen Scott Arena.

This year's event will start with a ranch cutting event — set to begin at noon, but subject to change, followed by a ranch horse show.

The rodeo is set to begin at 6 p.m.

"Last year, we had a great ranch rodeo," chamber president Gina

Wilkerson said, "and we hope it's even bigger and better this year." "The 'Shoe is going all out for everything!"

'The 'Shoe is going all out for everything!'

she added.

Approximately 13 ranch teams participated in the July 2011 competition.

The Sandhill Cattle Company of Earth took first place overall in the 2011 competition, and received \$2,500 and

handmade buckles. They also were the Wild Cow Milking event winner, receiving \$500; and the Top Horse

winner, also receiving handmade bits.

Second place overall, with a \$1,000 team prize, went to the Angell Ranch of Lovington, N.M.

The Angell Ranch also won the Branding event for \$500.

Seaton Cattle Company of Lazbudie was the third place overall winner.

The team received \$500 for third place, and another \$500 for winning the Trailer Loading event.

Brown & Brumley Ranches of Bootleg received \$500 for winning the Bronc Riding event.

The Hart of Texas team, of Hart, was the Sorting event winner for \$500, and also the Stray Gathering event winner, for another \$500 team award.



One of the 2011 ranch rodeo teams demonstrate their skills during the branding event.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

EMS Director Injured

Bailey County EMS Director Jackey Wayne Burris was involved in an automobile accident Friday, Aug. 31, when his truck traveled into the path of westbound traffic on West American Blvd.

Additional information wasn't available; however, it was reported that Burris was transported by helicopter to a Lubbock hospital for treatment.



Photograph by Larry Thornton

First responders prepare to move the BCEMS director from his vehicle after Friday's accident.

Sheets Excited By Growth

By Gene Sheets
MISD Superintendent

It's the beginning of another school year. There is a lot of excitement in the area as we begin the 2012-2013 school year.

Our enrollment always fluctuates a little during the first couple of weeks of school as everyone returns to the routine of a new school year. As I write this on the second day of school, Muleshoe High School had the largest enrollment it has had in the past eight years! Watson Junior High is also up about 20 students. That is exciting news for the community of Muleshoe.

We had a lot of our faculty and staff going

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JV Mules Fall To Shallowater Onslaught

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Mules had battled the Shallowater Mustangs to a 6-6 tie at the half but could not hold off the Mustangs in the final two periods. The Mustangs defeated the Mules 20-6 Thursday in the Mules' home opener.

A low snap on a

punt attempt gave the Mustangs the ball on the Mule 38. Five plays later the Mustangs were on the board with a 6-0 lead over the Mules.

Shallowater kicked off into the end zone and the Mules started their drive from the 25. Blaine Hurtado's pass was tipped but Vicente Solano maintained his

focus and caught the ball. He raced 55 yards to the Shallowater 27.

The Mules fumbled on the next play and the Mustangs recovered.

The Mule defense held and forced the Mustangs to punt. The Mules fumbled again and Shallowater returned the ball to the Mule 33. Issac Acosta

made a stop on second down for a two-yard loss. Acosta teamed up with Eshoya Lopez for no gain. Shallowater fumbled out of bounds on fourth down short of a first down.

The Mules took over on downs at the Mule 32. JJ Gandara tossed the ball on the run to Jorge Martinez for a

17-yard gain and a first down. Braden Bessire picked up six yards on a swing pass to the left side. Gandara fired a 19-yard strike to Hurtado on the Shallowater sideline.

Gandara and Hurtado hooked up a second time on the first play of the second period for a

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OPINION

Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

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Library Teen Movie

The Muleshoe Area Public Library is hosting a teen movie night on Sept. 10 and 12, from 3:45 until 6 p.m.

The movie, which is intended for teenagers and adults only, will be "The Help."

Junior Class Meal

The Muleshoe High School Junior Class will be hosting a "burger dinner" fund raiser on Friday, Sept. 7, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the MHS cafeteria.

The meal will include hamburgers, beans, chips, chocolate cake and tea.

Tickets are \$6, and are available at the door or from junior class students and sponsors.

Deliveries will be made from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Call 272-7305 to place an order.

SPCAA Assistance Available

South Plains Community Action has funds available to assist eligible applicants with services such as education, rental and utilities.

The purpose of the program is to assist migrant or seasonal farm workers to gain or sustain employment.

For additional information, contact the SPCAA Neighborhood Center, 804 W. American blvd., Muleshoe, or call 272-7537.

Remembering Independence Day

Eighty-eight years have come and passed on.

As of July 5 of this year, my wife and I have been in our house — on Ave. J in Muleshoe — for 57 years. We built the house, and moved into it on July 5, 1955.

Neither of us went down to the July 4 festivities this year, because I don't drive any more. My license has expired and I haven't tried to have it renewed. My wife doesn't like to drive, especially when there is a lot of traffic, as I'm sure was the case.

But I would have liked to go down town to see and observe what they were "doing." I feel certain that whatever they are doing it was their way of saying thanks for the freedoms they enjoy, and to manifest the love and appreciation they have for each other.

I remember my father, pretty early in the morning of that day said "Well, boys, get your hoes and we will go and chop cotton." That

Something worth saying...
By Glen Williams

was disappointing to me because I knew they were having a picnic in Maud, Okla., a few miles from where we lived, and I wanted to go to it.

I wanted to ride the merry-go-round and drink some little "Orange Julip." Frankly, I hadn't thought about having to chop cotton that day.

I was nearly nine years of age at that time. And I went on with him, and we chopped cotton until about 10:30 a.m., and Daddy said "Would you like to take your hoe and go to the house?" That was of course what I wanted to hear, so I asked, "and go where?" And he said, "We don't have to go somewhere just because we have stopped chopping cotton for a little while."

So we went to the house, ate lunch, cleaned up a little, got into our old 1918 model Dodge

'Thank You For Quiet Stillness'

What a day this has been! What a whirlwind week, one more whirling seven-day blur.

I sit now in the stillness of my study at the church, thankful for the quiet — and for a few precious moments of peace. At this moment, I'm glad to be alone for a little while, filling up with the kind of strength and blessing that only comes in the quiet.

Surely we can learn something important, something that can genuinely bless us, when we remember that our Lord Jesus, after busy days of teaching and healing and activity often went away by himself to "a solitary place."

I don't sit still and just enjoy such quiet peace nearly as often as I should. I've often laughed and said that one of the reasons I enjoy preaching and leading worship is that I'd hate to have to sit still during a whole service.

Yes, I laugh. But there is more truth in that than I care to admit. Like so much of our society, I rarely sit still, and that's not only a shame, it's a fact that hurts us all more than we can imagine.



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

We live such frantic lives, hardly conscious of the high price we pay for that pace. We'd have to think about it to calculate the price, and to really think requires some time, which is precisely what we don't seem to have.

We're so like the man frantically driving down the interstate highway whose wife, the official navigator, wakes from a nap and asks, "Dear, where are we?" To which query the harried helmsman replies, "I don't know, but we're making great time!"

It's a good question.

What direction are we going? It's important that we know. I wonder if one of the primary reasons so many folks in our society refuse to ever slow down, to ever sit still, to ever be quiet, is that we're frightened of the thoughts we might think if we just had time to think them — thoughts about our purpose, our direction, our values.

I can well understand why many folks in our terminally shallow culture might be frightened of such thoughts, but Christians shouldn't be.

It's been anything but quiet this week in my life — and I'd not be surprised if the same

thing is true of yours. just becomes constant motion. At this moment, Lord, I thank you for the stillness. Give me your wisdom to avail myself of it more often for only in stillness

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touring car and went to the picnic.

I had a little money because my father paid me a little along for some of the work I did in helping with the farm work.

Mother raised turkeys and she had us boys care for them. She paid us for that so I generally had some money. And never did I have to ask for money from anyone. In fact I have never borrowed money from any individual.

I have borrowed a lot of money during the years of my life, but I always got it from a bank or some other institution whose business was to make loans.

And today, except about \$4,000 loan on our house, I don't owe any one. And I intend to pay that off by the end of this year. But I have paid many thousands in interest through the years.

Needless to say, if I had it to live over I would manage things a little better.

But back to the topic of this column — the Fourth of July, I noted that there was a full page in a Lubbock newspaper a listing of official statements made by public officials that served during years gone by. The heading of it was "In God We Trust," and it included quotations of men who served in positions many years ago

Under one subheading was, "It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey

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Super news from MISD

By
Superintendent
Dr. Gene Sheets

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above and beyond the
call of duty this summer
to get things ready for
school to start.

Mrs. Heathington,
the new principal at
Dillman Elementary,
decided to paint the
Dillman teachers'
lounge herself, as well
as add new signs in the
front entrance.

At DeShazo
Elementary, Toni King
painted the fourth
and fifth grade science
rooms.

The motto at DeShazo
this year is "Shine
on." Mrs. Gallman's
husband and son-in-
law painted barrels and
cut out letters in the
barrel that says, "Shine
on" that are illuminated
with a light inside the
barrel. It's beautiful!

Another reason we
were all ready to start
school has to do with

JV Mules Football...

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29-yard TD. The two-
point conversion failed
and the score was tied
6-6 with 9:53 left in the
half.

Shallowater broke the
tie in the third quarter
with a one-yard run. The
two-point conversion
failed and the Mustangs
led 12-6 with 4:36 left in
the third period.

Chamel Regalado
picked off a Mustang
pass at the Mule 16 and
run turned the ball to
the Mule 27. The Mules
went for the first down
and fell short. The
Mustangs took over on
downs and scored in
five plays. The two-point
conversion was good
and ended all scoring
with three minutes left
in the game.

The Mules will travel
to Portales to meet the
Rams Thursday.

Donations Sought For Brantley

Special accounts have
been set up for long-
time Muleshoe resident
Curby Brantley, who
recently received a lung
transplant.

Individuals wishing
to donate to the account
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State Bank, or Phil Kent
at First Bank.

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always get a lot of credit
for the work they do for
our students.

Our maintenance and
custodial personnel did
a great job this summer
getting everything
ready.

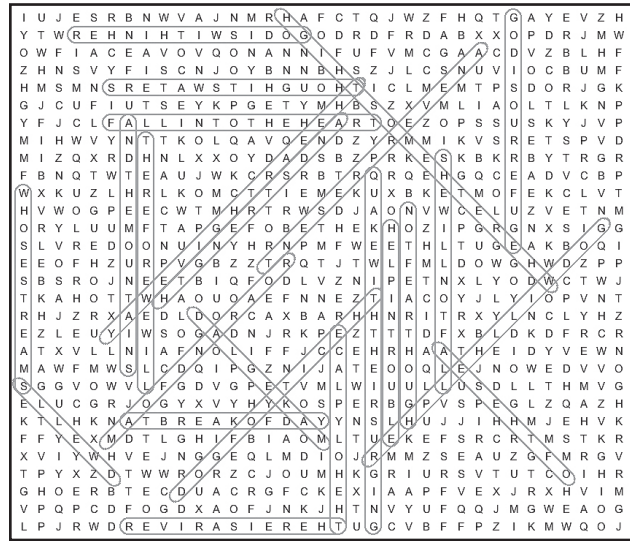
The custodians at
Dillman Elementary,
Philip Espinoza,
Josephina Cariaga, and
Maria Cariaga, have
done an outstanding
job of getting things
cleaned up for school
to start.

They cleaned out one
store room and hauled
off six trailer loads of
trash to the landfill!

Sam Whalin and
his crew did a lot of
maintenance around
the campuses this
summer.

They put in grass
at the playground at
DeShazo Elementary
and around Watson
Junior High. They

Psalm 46:1-5



completely resurfaced
and updated the four
High School Tennis
courts with new paint,
new poles, and new
nets.

Sam and his crew
supervised the
asbestos abatement
and installation of new
carpet in throughout
the fourth and fifth
grade classrooms at
DeShazo Elementary.

Mart Long and Luis
Quintana removed all
of the furniture from
each classroom for the
asbestos abatement
and then replaced it
all back when it was
completed.

Ruben Campos
remodeled the Watson
Junior High library
with new texture for
the walls, new paint,
and new furniture.

He also painted the
rooms upstairs in the
Band Hall.

Custodians Pat and

Juan Gamboa and Shain
Berry had the building
almost spotless for the
opening day.

Freddy Castillo
and Jeff Carpenter
transformed a
classroom into a new
computer lab with
internet connections at
the junior high, as well
as installing internet in
several other classrooms
and offices.

Jesse Vargas, Laura
Reese, and Sylvia
Campos had the halls
and classrooms at the
high school shining for
students on the first day
of school.

All of the landscaping
looks great this year,
thanks to Hector
Carriaga.

Everyone is going
above and beyond the
call of duty to make
sure we do all we can
to make a difference in
the lives of the students
in Muleshoe.

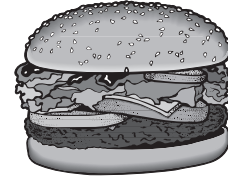
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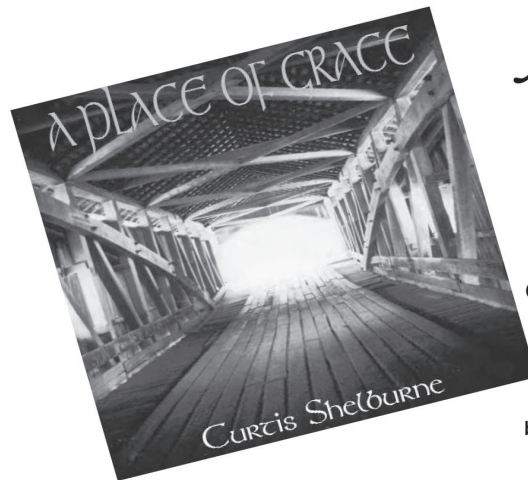
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Senior Citizen News

By Brittany Gibbs

We would like to thank everyone who came in and signed their in-take forms on time. We greatly appreciate it!

This coming week at the Oneita Wagon Senior Center we have a full agenda, starting with the board meeting on Monday, Sept. 10. This will start at 12:30 p.m., and will be open to the public.

We will be holding the election this week for the new board

members, also.

On Wednesday, Sept. 12, there will be a speaker at the center to talk to all of the veterans about the benefits for which they may be eligible. We also will have the senior companions group eating lunch with us.

Thursday is Bingo time starting, at 1:30 p.m. So grab a friend and come see if you can win a gift card or candy bar.

IntegraCare Home Health Group hosts the event at the center.

Friday there will be a appreciation reception for Ray and Donna West at the senior center, from 2- 4 p.m. Make plans to

come and show how much you appreciate this lovely couple, who has done a lot to help support Muleshoe.

We would like to let all the family's that have lost loved ones recently that you are in our thoughts and prayers. We know this is a hard time and we hope you can find comfort in the good lords love.

Menus for Sept. 10-14:

Monday, Sept. 10 — Baked chicken breast, au gratin potatoes, peas and carrots, Waldorf salad, cornbread, and sliced banana in orange juice.

Tuesday, Sept. 11 —

Beef tips and noodles, meadow blend veggies, corn, wheat roll, and chocolate cake with strawberries.

Wednesday, Sept. 12 — Grilled steak, mashed sweet potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, roll, and tropical fruit

Thursday, Sept. 13 — Taco salad, refried beans, Spanish rice, broccoli and cauliflower, salad, corn or flour tortilla, and apricot halves.

Friday, Sept. 14 — Fish or chicken strip, beans, pea salad, cornbread, and tropical fruit salad.

All menus served with tea, water, coffee and low fat milk.

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Obituaries

Josie Flowers

Funeral services for Josie Flowers, 84, of Muleshoe, were held on Saturday Sept. 1, at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery with Jerry Don Owen of Amarillo officiating.

The services were under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Flowers died on Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2012, in Muleshoe. She was born on Nov. 3, 1927, to William David and Margaret JoAnne (Mathews) White in Margaret, and married J.M. Flowers in Muleshoe on Sept. 19, 1979.

Mrs. Flowers had lived in Muleshoe since 1978, having moved from Vernon. She was a Baptist and taught Sunday School through the years. She was a beautician, volunteered at the Park View Nursing Care Center, and loved to write poetry.

Survivors include her spouse—J.M. Flowers of the home; a son — Gary



Glover of Muleshoe; two daughters — Patricia Bradstreet of Wolfe City and Deborah Nickels of Muleshoe; two stepsons—Kenneth Flowers of Waco, and David Flowers of Winnsboro, La.; a step-daughter — Joni Marie Wilson of Nachadoches; a sister — Virgie Hergenrader of Amarillo; a brother — Charles White of New Braunsfels; 10 grandchildren, seven step-grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center, PO Box 292, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

Murray Davis

Funeral services for Murray Davis, 51, of Maple, were held on Sunday, Sept. 2, at the First Baptist Church of Morton with Rick Lawrence of Levelland and Bill Dickerson of Hawley officiating.

Burial followed in Bethel Cemetery in Anson under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Morton.

Mr. Murray died on Aug. 29, 2012, in Maple. He was born on June 17, 1961, to Vonay and Sue (Sorenson) Davis in Haskell.

Murray accepted Christ as his savior when he was 16 years old, and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Hawley.

He bought his first combine when he was 11 years old, and this was the beginning of his passion for agriculture.

He moved to the Maple community in 1983, and became known for his black hat, his tall boots, and his handle bar moustache.

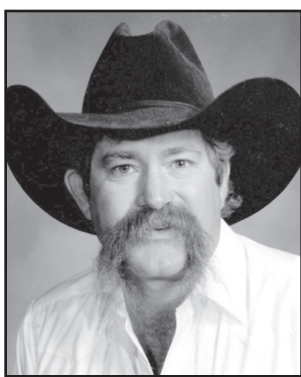
He was respected and loved in the area that became his home. He was a kind and generous man helping out everywhere he could, assisting his neighbors and friends during their hardships, and going the extra mile helping fellow farmers with any farming needs.

Murray was a board member for the Three Way School, and also a board member for the Maple Co-Op.

He created his hobbies around his families including stock showing, sports and hunting.

He was a steward of the land, and an avid cattleman.

Survivors include his parents — Vonay and Sue Davis of Fort Phantom Lake; two sons — Kasey Davis and wife Karen of Lubbock, and Rowdy Davis of Levelland;



two daughters, — Tiffany Davis of Lubbock and Misty Davis of Whiteface; a sister — Kristi Allyn and husband Eddy of Tuscola; a brother — Nicky Davis and wife Darla of Abilene; and one grandchild — Karter James Davis.

Memorials may be sent to Recovery Roadhouse, or Susan B. Komen, 7412 University Ave. 2, Lubbock, TX 79424, or the MDA.

Weddings

Wright, Clayton exchange wedding vows

Lindsey Nicole Wright and Dusty Dee Clayton were united in matrimony on June 30, 2012, at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Amarillo with Brad Ingram officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Chris and Jana Wright of Canyon, and the granddaughter of Jo Hamil and Lois McMullen of Canyon and Hix Spivey of Gruver.

The groom is the son of Todd and Starla Ellis of Muleshoe, and the grandson of Ronnie and Donna Black and Sally Ellis of Muleshoe.

Makinsey Allenserved as the maid of honor, and the bridal attendants were Katherine Wilson, Calli-Ann Nuckols, Karlee Koop Vestal, Ralee Stockstill, Ashley Ramos and Madison Hernandez.

Honorary bridesmaids were Randi Hudson, Kyla Carpenter, Brandi Erwin and Kaytlin Lee.

Colt Ellis served as best man, and the groomsmen were Hagen Pickens, Garrett Riley, JW McPherson, Chris Keirns, Mike Jones and Hunter Wright.

Drew Ellis and Tryan Henderson carried the bridal banner. The flower girl was Reese Haggard,

and the ring bearer was Baylor Wright.

The bride was presented in marriage by her father, Chris Wright. She wore a strapless, sweetheart beaded lace trumpet gown with shirred tulle bodice and a sweep train, and carried a bouquet of white roses, white hydrangeas, stephanotis and freesia accented with green hydrangeas, seeded eucalyptus, green hypericum.

The hand-tied bouquet was adorned with a brooch belonging to her great-grandmother, Lois McMullen.

Mallory Wright served as candle lighter.

Ushers were Tyson Bainum, Trent Black, Delwyn Latham and Nikko-Angelo Scola.

Music was provided by Macy Wright on piano, Ann Root on organ and Michael Neagle as soloist.

A reception was held at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo.

Following a wedding trip to St. Lucia, the couple will make their home in Amarillo.

The bride is a graduate of West Texas A&M University, where she earned a degree in elementary education. She is employed by Amarillo Independent School District.

The groom is a graduate of West Texas A&M University, where he earned a degree in corporate communications. He employed by Hastings Corporation of Amarillo.



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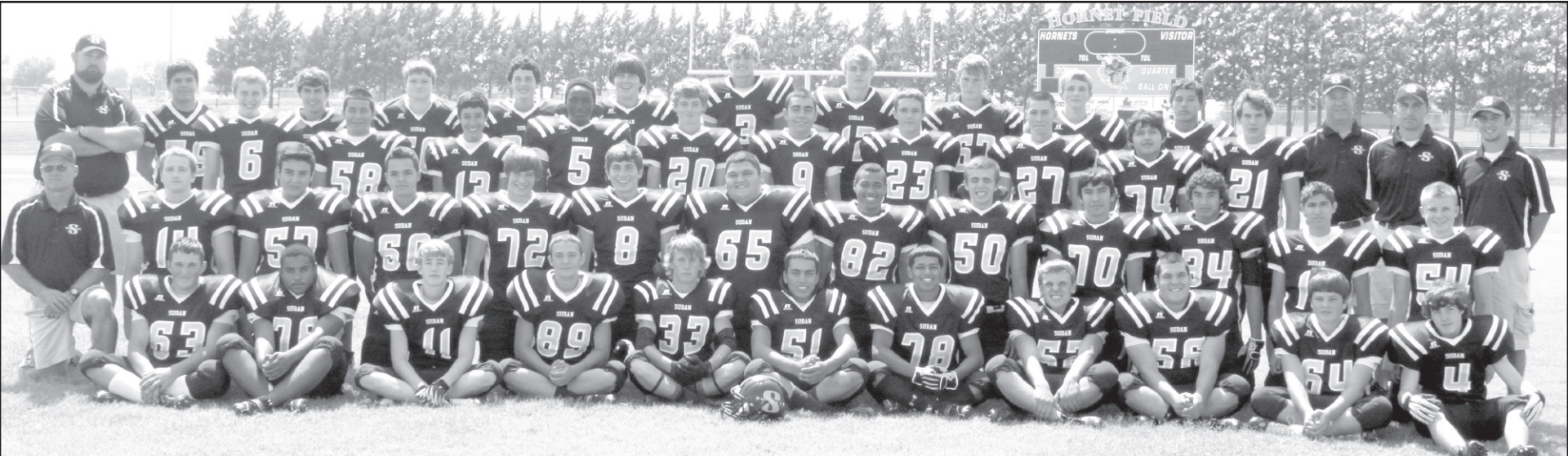
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The Sudan Buzz



Sudan Yearbook Production Is Under Way

The Sudan High School journalism team began production of the the 2013 yearbook this week.

Among the members of the production team are: Leandra Briseno-Ruiz, Nancy Delgado, Alondra Ramirez, Katee Gonzales, Adriana Porras, Audrey Binion, Shelby Durham, Maribel Centeno, Tiffanie Maldonado, and Chesanie Brantley.

The 2012 yearbooks have arrived and are on sale for \$25.

Anyone interested can contact Mrs. Cheri Sain, the yearbook advisor, or any of the staff members. Yearbooks can be purchased from the two school secretaries, La Rhonda Hill and Cindy Legg, in their offices for immediate distribution.

The number of books is limited.



The SHS journalism team

Student Council Leads Assembly

The Sudan High School Student Council, pictured below, led the assembly on the first day of school, last week. The council officers, from left to right, include Jake Chester, Keela Chester, Reece Harper, Ashton Sawyer, Cesar Medrano and Madi Edwards.



Thanks for reading!

Sudan Varsity, JV Teams

Sudan's varsity and JV football teams, pictured above, include: Back row — Coach Patrick Odom, Uriel Delgado, Carson Phillips, Jake Chester, Roman Paradez, Landon Williamson, Marcus Gonzales, Greg Wood, BJ Johnson, Isaih Conley, Brady Fields, Dayton Fisher, Rance Johnson, Tanner Fisher, Kendon Drenman, Xavier Trillo, Daniel Bradley, Matthew Paradez, Walker Howard, Harris Chester, Coach Gordon Martin, Coach Guthry Edwards and Coach Wallace; middle row — Coach Warren Swarb, Wyatt Joyce, Damion Montes, Edwin Delgado, Luke Tiller, Omar Diaz, Matthew Olivarez, Ty Shaw, Cole Helton, Edwin Sital, Richard Montes, Edgar Nunez and Xavier Baker; front row — Ross Steadman, Bobby Collins, Jeremy Binion, Noah Lance, Bill Nolte, Jacob Jasso, Ethan Herrera, Dex Baker, Andrew Roman, Matthew Thompson and Adam Martin.

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Friday, Sept. 14
7:00 p.m. ASB Flag Display (Regional Park)
8-11:00 p.m. Bands on Broadway featuring Jason Nutt & Hwy 70 - Downtown Plainview (8th & Broadway)
7:00 p.m. Women's Ranch Rodeo - Bar-None Rodeo Grounds

Saturday, Sept. 15
7-9:30 a.m. Chuck Wagon Breakfast; Ollie Linder Center; Tickets \$5
7:00 a.m. Hale on Wheels Bike Ride Registration opens (Ollie Linder)
8:30 a.m. Hale on Wheels Bike Ride
8:45 a.m. Hale on Feet 5K and 10K run begins
10:15 a.m. YMCA Moo-a-Thon (9th & Broadway)
10:30 a.m. Cattle Drive and Parade (9th & Broadway)
11 a.m.-3 p.m. After Parade events located at the Ollie Linder Center
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the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: **JOHNNY ACTKINSON Attorney at Law P.O. Box 286 Farwell, Texas 79325** Dated the 21st day of August, 2012. **JOHNNY ACTKINSON Attorney for JUSTINA GUENTHER State Bar No. 00835700 P.O. Box 286 Farwell, Texas 79325 Telephone: (806)481-3361 Facsimile: (806)481-9060.** Published in the Muleshoe Journal September 6, 2012.

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Varsity Football... Continued From A1

of the first period. Two minutes later Black again scored on a 36-yard jaunt. Both point-after-tries were good.

The Mules strung together a drive before the first period ended. Wood capped the drive by connecting with Matthew Barron for a five-yard TD.

Black got loose for touchdown runs of 50 and 69 yards in the second period. Shallowater led 28-6 with 9:01 left in the first half.

The Mules got their offense rolling near the middle of the second period and Ray Martinez pushed the ball across on the Hammer play from two-yards out. The two-point attempt failed and the Mules trailed 28-12.

Shallowater kicked off to begin the second half and Saul Sanchez made a fair catch at the Mule 30. The Mules marched down the field. Wood hit Martinez with a 26-yard touchdown toss and run. The two-point conversion failed and the Mules trailed 28-18 with 8:29 in the third period.

The Mule defense held and Shallowater

was forced to punt after the ensuing kickoff. The Mules faced a fourth and six needed for a first on the Mule 30. Martinez faked the punt and raced 21 yards for a first down just inside Mustang territory to keep the drive alive.

On the next play, Wood dropped the ball in Austin Ross' arms. He was on a dead run when the ball arrived and he out raced the defense to the end zone. The play covered 49 yards. Ignacio Elizalde booted the point after. The Mules had cut the lead to 28-25 with 4:20 left in the third period.

Shallowater exploded for three touchdowns in the next two minutes and by cashing in on Mule miscues to increase the lead to 49-25. Black scored his final TD on a 52-yard run just over two minutes into the final period.

The Mules did not quit and Wood had a 15-yard touchdown run with 7:34 left in the game and Elizalde added the point after. Wood dove across from one-yard out as the clock dropped under a

minute to play.

Baca added the two-point conversion to end all scoring.

Martinez made two runs for 23 yards and one touchdown and caught four passes for 68 yards and one TD. Regalado had one carry for 10 yards, Barron made four receptions for 61 yards and a touchdown. Chris Lozano had two catches for 27 yards and Sanchez made one for 21 yards.

Shawn Atwood led the defense with six tackles, one assist and one tackle for a loss. Regalado made four tackles, had four assists and made three special team tackles. David Gonzales recorded three tackles, four assists and one tackle for a loss.

Austin Ross made three stops and six assists, Tony Molina had two tackles and one assist and Martinez made two tackles and had one assist. Matt Flores (Mendoza) made one tackle and made four special team tackles.

The Mules will spend the week preparing for the 0-1 Portales Rams Friday night at home.



Photograph by Larry Thornton

Touchdown!

Although there weren't enough to place the first game of the Mule's season in the winner's bracket, there were still moments when the sight of a black and white jersey crossing the goal line brought Muleshoe fans to their feet. Pictured above, Mule Ray Martinez makes it into point country.



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FOOTBALL CONTEST 2012

By Rhea Gonzales

We had a great turnout for the first week in the Muleshoe Journal Football Contest.

A total of 47 entries were submitted last week! Overall, I think everyone did a great job in their picks.

We had six contestants choose four out of the five games correctly: Joe Cortez, Terry Field, Johnny Gonzales, Woody Villa, Tre Villa and Randy Waggoner. The tie-breaker score was used to determine the winner, Muleshoe 40 vs. Shallowater 56 total score 96.

Congrats to Johnny Gonzales as he wins this week with a score of 60. You may come and pick up your \$25 on or after Wednesday, Sept. 5.

I will post the top players with the most correct guesses in next week's edition of the Muleshoe Journal.

You don't have to be a football expert to play this game, the odds of guessing correct on each of the games are 50/50, so we encourage you, your family and friends to participate each week for the \$25 weekly prize. It is free to play and free to enter.

Your score for the week will be the amount of games you guessed correctly.

The person who has the most correct guesses at the end of the contest will win \$200. So, please play every week to increase your chances of winning the grand prize.

There are lots of ways to enter the football contest. You can come by the office and drop off your entry (201 W. Ave. C), our hours of business are Monday - Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

You can send an e-mail to: adsales@muleshoejournal.com (Please indicate Football Contest Entry) with your picks for the winners and for the tie breaker game.

You can send a fax to 806-272-3567 or you can mail your entry to the Muleshoe Journal, PO Box 449, Muleshoe, Tx 79347 (Entries must be postmarked by Friday) or if we are not here, you

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Saturday, Sept. 8

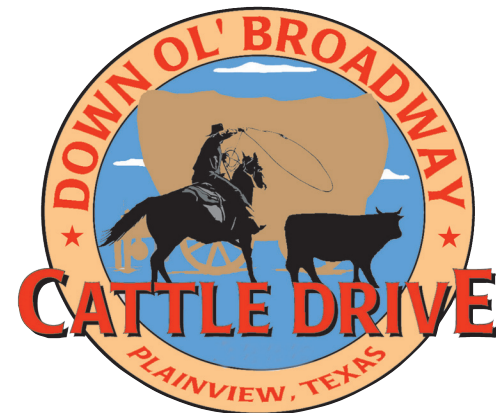
4:30 - 10:00 p.m. Trail Boss Shootout Contest - Plainview Civic Center

Friday, Sept. 14

7:00 p.m. ASB Flag Display (Regional Park)
 8-11:00 p.m. Bands on Broadway featuring Jason Nutt & Hwy 70 - Downtown Plainview (8th & Broadway)
 7:00 p.m. Women's Ranch Rodeo - Bar-None Rodeo Grounds

Saturday, Sept. 15

7-9:30 a.m. Chuck Wagon Breakfast; Ollie Liner Center; Tickets \$5
 7:00 a.m. Hale on Wheels Bike Ride Registration opens (Ollie Liner)
 8:30 a.m. Hale on Wheels Bike Ride
 8:45 a.m. Hale on Feet 5K and 10K run begins
 10:15 a.m. YMCA Moo-a-Thon (9th & Broadway)
 10:30 a.m. Cattle Drive and Parade (9th & Broadway)
After Parade events located at the Ollie Liner Center
 11:00 a.m. GTA-PSDA Karate Demonstration
 1:30 p.m. GTA-PSDA Gymnastic Demonstration
 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Chuck Wagon Lunches (three chuck wagons): Burgers & Chips, \$5; Ribs, \$5; Brisket Sandwiches & Chips, \$5; Hot Dogs, \$2; Drinks, \$1
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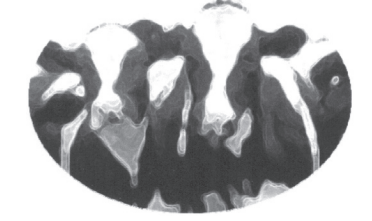
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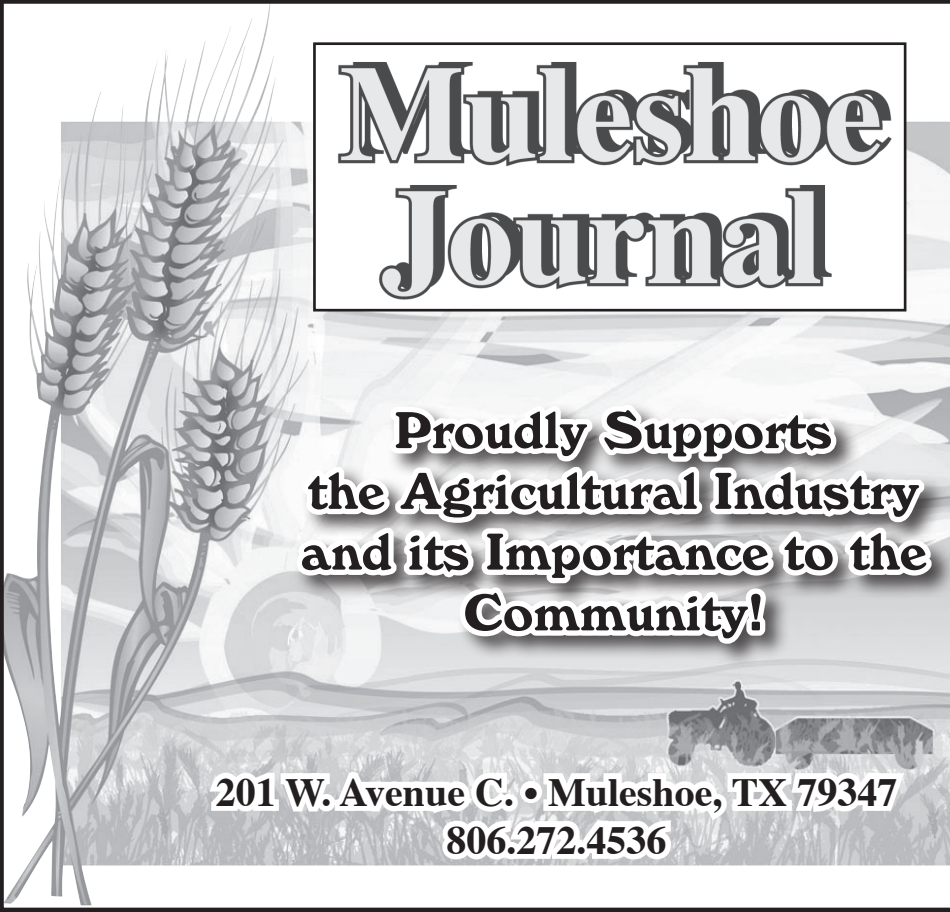
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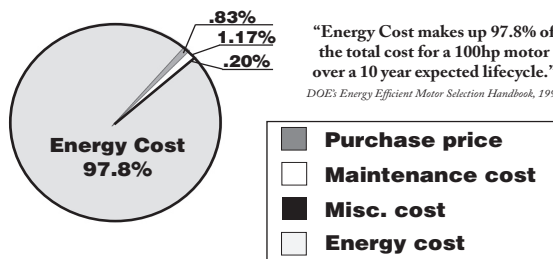
Why is an Energy Efficient Motor Important?

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Producers affected by disasters urged to keep good records

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FSA recommends that owners and producers record all pertinent information of natural disaster consequences, including: Documentation of the number and kind of livestock that have died, supplemented if possible by photographs or video records of ownership and losses; dates of death supported by birth recordings or purchase receipts; costs of transporting livestock to safer grounds or to move animals to new pastures; and feed purchases if supplies or grazing pastures are destroyed.



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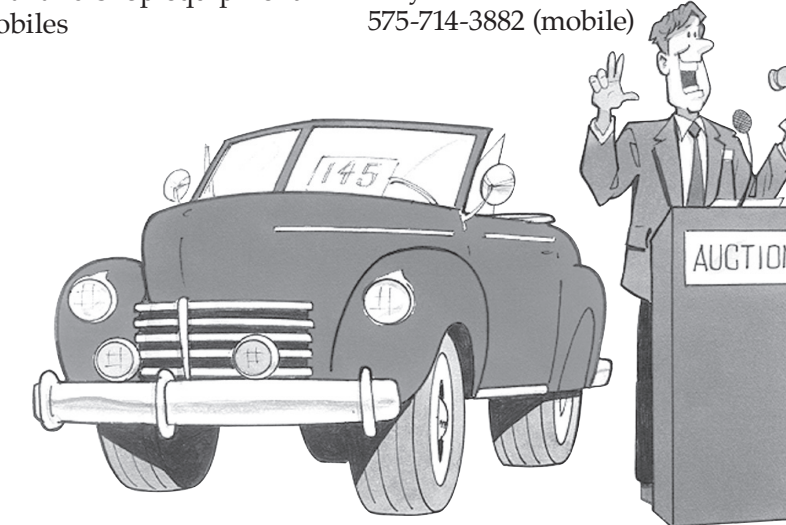
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We completed our move to the new building located at 610 East American Blvd. in Muleshoe, TX. Included in our new building is our brand new community center that is available to members. Call the co-op to book the community center for your next event.



Squeezing more crop out of each drop of water

By Don Comis
USDA Agricultural Research Service

Studies in China and Colorado by Agricultural Research Service (ARS) scientists and cooperators have revealed some interesting tactics on how to irrigate with limited water, based on a crop's critical growth stages.

Laj Ahuja, research leader at the ARS Agricultural Systems Research Unit in Fort Collins, Colo., and colleagues conducted the studies.

As one example, with wheat in China, they found it best to use 80 percent of the water for wheat's two critical growth stages. In Colorado, it was best to use 80 percent of the water for corn's critical flowering and grain filling stages.

Other tactics for putting limited water to best use are to irrigate only part of a field, skip the pre-plant irrigation for corn, delay irrigating until up to half of the soil water is depleted, and wet soil to no more than 70 percent of field capacity.

Ahuja and his colleagues came up with the findings in China by combining the ARS Root Zone Water

Quality Model with the Decision Support System for Agrotechnology Transfer crop growth modules.

While the combination of models has been used in other experiments to test alternative water and nitrogen management practices, this is the first time these models have been used to evaluate crop responses to lack of water across critical crop growth stages, and the first to use long-term weather data.

In Colorado, they used the models for simulations, relying on local weather records dating back to 1912. In China, the simulations used records from 1961 to 1999.

The scientists also found that farmers irrigating in China could cut back their nitrogen fertilizer use by a third, reducing nitrate leaching by 60 percent without affecting crop yields.

The experiments demonstrated that crop simulation models enable fast and cheap transfer of technology from research labs and experimental stations to farmers' fields. Coupled with local field experiments, they proved to be an excellent tool for making the best use of limited water.



ARS agricultural engineers Walter Bausch (foreground), Gerald Buchleiter (right), and Laj Ahuja evaluate the distinct differences in wheat growth at full irrigation (right side) and 40 percent of full irrigation.

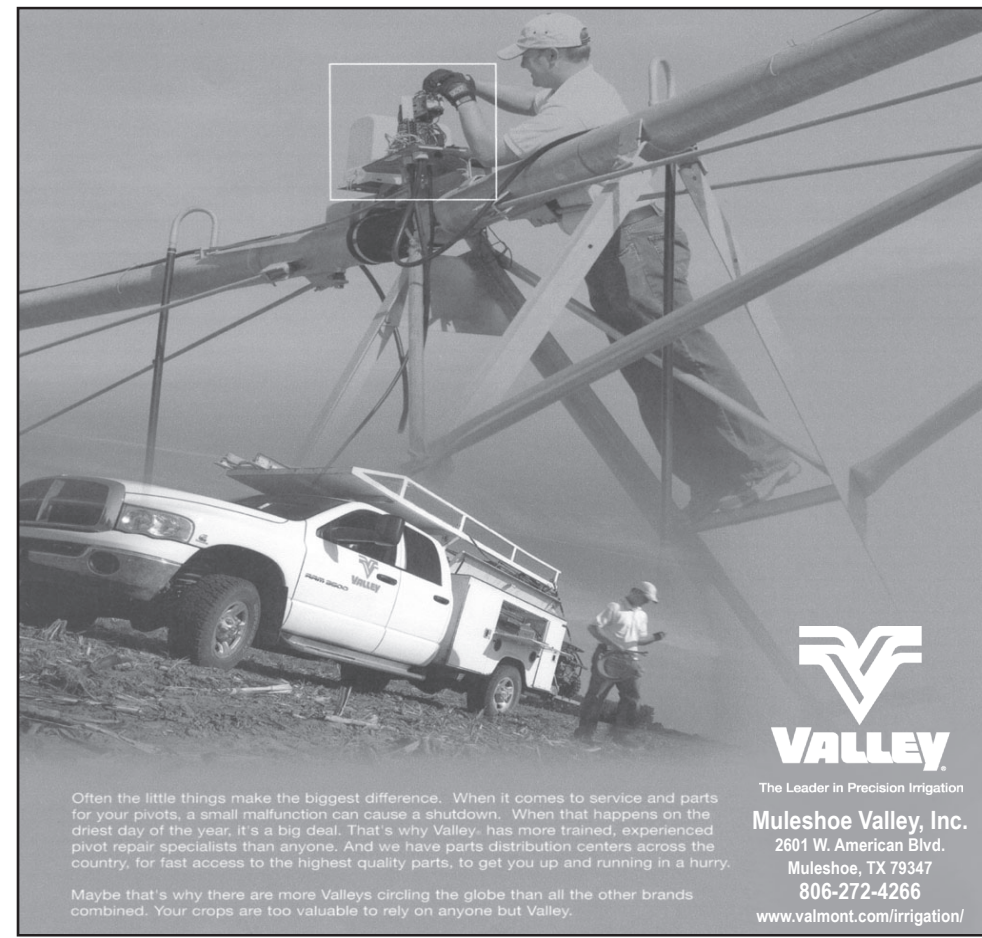
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Bailey County West Nile Virus concerns increase

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In north central Texas, Dallas and surrounding counties are currently battling an outbreak of West Nile Virus that reportedly accounts for about half the cases nation-wide — with numerous deaths in the Dallas area being attributed to the disease.

However, here in West Texas, and the southern panhandle, the cases to date have been significantly less, probably due — according to state officials, to the area's drought conditions.

As of Wednesday, Aug. 19, there have been now been eight confirmed cases reported within the human population — two "less severe" fever cases in Deaf Smith and Hale Counties, and two fever cases Randall Counties, and three "neurionvasive cases," in Randall County.

Lubbock County has reported one neurionvasive case and one fever case. And Castro County has one case under investigation.

Both Crosby and Dickens Counties have reported a single fever case each, also.

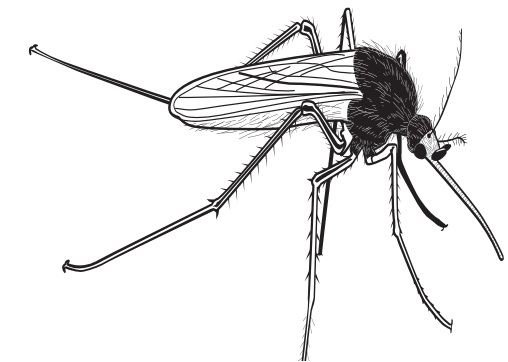
According to state health officials, individuals wishing to take preventative measures should "practice the four 'D':

- Dawn and Dusk — Avoid being out then;
- Dress appropriately in long sleeves and long pants;
- Drain standing water from old tires, buckets, etc.; and
- DEET — Don't leave home without it, or one of the other effective repellent for insects (picaridin or oil

of lemon eucalyptus).

According to a health department news releases, if you can't, or won't follow the first step, at least practice the remaining three.

And, "if you won't practice any of them, be sure you have some sick leave available and if you are older (50+) or have underlying illness (diabetes, hypertension) get fitted for



a wheel chair and maybe a casket."

The TXDSHS release also suggests making local government officials aware of areas and items that are retaining water, such as abandoned swimming pools and hot tub, so steps can be taken to prevent mosquito breeding.

The release also warns of wildlife and domesticated pets behaving oddly, as they may have contracted the virus, and warns area residents to contact the appropriate authorities in the event such is noted.

Area farmers and ranchers can practice prevention by treating standing water with a larvicide that is safe for livestock, or allowing "troughs to overflow creating wet areas for mosquitos to lay their eggs in the soil."

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