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## Plans finalized for 2007 graduation

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Independent School District's Board of Trustees finalized plans for its participation in Friday's graduation ceremonies during Monday's regular meeting.

As in previous years, the commencement exercises are set to be held at the Bailey County Coliseum, on May 25, at 7 p.m.

This year's valedictorian is Elizabeth Symm. The salutatorian is Kate Lepard.

Although inclement weather has been forecast, Superintendent Gene Sheets assured the board members that plans have been made to reduce the chances of weather-related problems.

In other business, the school board returned from close session to approve the resignation of Watson Junior High School Principal David Dominguez.

In a note to the *Journal* received prior to Monday's board action, Dominguez said, "Please let me say what a pleasure and honor it has been to work in the Muleshoe ISD, and to be a

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### Local Weather

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## Kids will be kids...

Kids will be kids, even when some of them are graduating from high school in just a few days. Pictured on the left, some of Muleshoe High School's DECA students — including some seniors who plan to walk across the dais on Friday to accept their diploma and march off into adulthood, took a few minutes to play on the inflated obstacle course before the next group of elementary students got their chance.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

## MAHD board to consider candidates for vacancy

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Area Hospital District's Board of Directors voted to receive resumes interview candidates for its vacant seat during Thursday's regular meeting.

The decision came after board president Ronnie Dent pointed out that the district's policy currently doesn't have a written policy covering the selection of a board member to fill a vacancy.

Earlier this year, Places 2 and 4 were up for

election. Wayne Pierson was the only candidate to file for Place 4; however, no candidates filed for Place 2.

Pierson was sworn into office Thursday.

Neither Marilyn Riley, nor Ann McElroy — both of whom were recognized for their service to the hospital district at Thursday's meeting — filed for election.

Board member Bob Donaldson suggested that potential candidates submit a resume for consideration, a procedure Dent noted had been used in the past to fill a position. However,

Donaldson also suggested that the candidates have "sit down" with the board in closed session.

Dent agreed. "It's important to have someone who has the same goal as the board," he said.

Dent called a special meeting to consider the candidates for the Place 2 position on Tuesday, June 5, at 6 p.m.

The board members also elected officers for the next year. Dent will remain as board president, while Donaldson will take up the duties of vice president.

Pierson was elected as the board's secretary.

In other business, the MAHD board:

Received a report in which it was noted that the hospital district had received \$48,000 in tobacco settlement funds.

"Actually, we've had a pretty good month," Administrator Ray Mason said.

On top of the tobacco settlement funds, it was noted that after about two years, the hospital has completed paying back a rather large Medicare

overpayment.

- Approved the lease purchase of two refurbished surgical "scopes" at the cost of \$81,000.

Mason said the purchase was included in this year's budget, and noted that Dr. Kyle Sheets had postponed some medical procedures until the scopes were in place.

"They ought to pay for themselves quickly," Donaldson said.

- Approved sending past due accounts totaling \$56,182 to collection.



Photographs by Larry Thornton

## Let me show you how it's done...

For some kids, there's no better way to occupy your time than with a pile of dirt and a shovel. Come to think of it, based upon the high spirits at the groundbreaking for the Dillman Elementary expansion Wednesday, May 16, it seemed as if a lot of grownups feel the same way, especially Principal Todd Newberry, who thanked the students in attendance for not playing in "his dirt," prior to the ceremonies. Pictured above, a Dillman student, on the far right, helps Dr. Stacy Conner with the 'dirty' work. Pictured below, some of the colorfully-attired Dillman students perform for those in attendance.



## New Park View administrator enjoys ministering to others

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

What do you do after more than two decades in the pulpit, ministering to the needs of your congregation and your community?

Well, if you follow the career of Park View Nursing Care Center's new administrator, you might notice that service to others remains an important part of your life.

"I want to make a difference in other's lives, especially the lives of our seniors," Dr. Sandy Sandlin, ThD, said during an interview Thursday, May 17.

Sandlin explained that after pastoring churches across Texas for 22 years, he moved into a different area of ministry after it became necessary to place his mother in a skilled nursing home.

He completed the state's required long-term care courses at Wayland Baptist University, having to return to school for a 15-hour course of study after



DR. SANDY SANDLIN, THD

receiving his masters and doctorate from Southwestern Theological Seminary, and ended up in Santa Fe, administering a nursing home for Laurel Healthcare Providers, LLC.

Now, he's returned to Texas, and already feeling quite at home — which shouldn't seem too unusual since his roots are buried in the Lubbock area, while his wife Paula's roots are in Spur.

Concerning the decision by the Muleshoe Area Hospital District to contract with Laurel Healthcare

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# Mule Moments

By Jessica Thornton

## It's time to say goodbye

All of students at Muleshoe High School will be breathing a sigh of relief come Thursday this week because that can only mean one thing — school is finally out for the summer!

This year has gone by fast and I have hardly been able to keep up with the fast pace, but somehow I've managed.

This is a special column this week. First, because I am a senior and will be graduating on Friday night, and second because this is my last Mule Moments column.

I have loved doing this column and I am very grateful that my father gave me the opportunity to do it.

Because of this column I was really able to decide on where I wanted to go with my life after high school.

Thank you, Daddy! I have enjoyed writing each week and giving every reader who reads this the opportunity to see into how I view life and school.

I knew this week would come and now... here it is and I am still standing in shock and disbelief.

It seems just like yesterday I had moved here and was extremely nervous about starting a new school yet again, but I managed and also managed to make several friends along the way.

(This part is just to all the of people I can call friends and especially to those whom I call close friends and best friends. ...Thank you for your friendship and everything else you have done since I moved here and for just letting me in and becoming the friends that we have become over the past couple of years.)

When I first moved here my sophomore year, I didn't know anyone and now I know a lot of people which is really good considering it took me awhile to learn who everyone was.

My mom told my brother and I before we moved here to get involved in activities, sports, and clubs. Well, I did just that because all I did at my old school was basketball and softball and that was it and then I moved here and found numerous opportunities to become involved in school.

I am going to Wayland Baptist University in the fall and I can't wait! I am probably going to miss high school... sometimes, and all the great teachers that Muleshoe High School has.

There are teachers who are retiring and they will be greatly missed. They have had an impact on my life in

a variety of ways, so "thank you" to those teachers as well.

I have loved every moment that I have been at Muleshoe High School and the memories that I have will go with me for the rest of my life and those are the memories that help me remember the friends I made and the teachers I had and just the random stuff that sometimes happened on a daily basis, but it was still cool.

This has been a long time coming and I never thought it would, but this column has to come to a close and so has my time writing it, and it is time for someone one new to take over now. So, good-bye, Muleshoe readers, and thank you, once again.

*(Editor's note: Although it has been suggested by some readers that Jessica continue her column, the simple truth is that "Mule Moments" was intended to be a look through the windows of Muleshoe High School by a student as she or he makes the journey through the junior and senior year.*

*While the possibility of Jessica writing a column during college is still under consideration, "Mule Moments" will remain a column written by a Muleshoe High School student.*

*Students who have completed their sophomore year at MHS, and would like to be considered for the position should contact the managing editor.)*

### Time to hang up my boots....

After nearly 35 years in business, it is time for Martinez Car Wash to say "Good-bye." We have had many good years and much of the credit for that goes to our loyal customers who have placed a value on service. We would like to thank you for the support, business and in any cases, friendship that you have given for those many years. Thank you for 35 wonderful years!

Nacho Martinez

### Memorial Day Service

There will be a Memorial Day Service at the Bailey County Cemetery on Monday, May 28, at 10 a.m.

All of the community is invited to take part in the service. Boy Scouts from Troop 620 will perform the flag raising. The opening prayer will be by the Rev. Father Leonardo Pahamtang of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, followed by a message by the Rev. Jeff Coffman of Calvary Baptist Church.

### Project Graduation

Parents of the Muleshoe Senior Class of 2007 need your help to make Project Graduation safe, fun and memorable for this year's graduates.

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Donations for "Project Graduation 2007" should be addressed to: Project Graduation 2007, 143 FM 1731, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

### Kemp cousins reunion

The Kemp cousins will be holding a reunion June 2-3, at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe's Activity Center, on Ave. B, next to the police department.

Saturday, the gathering will begin at 10 a.m., and on Sunday, at 9 a.m.

Call Zona Gatewood at 806-965-2761, or 806-946-9426 for additional information.

### Wild cow milking entries sought

The Curry County Mounted Patrol is accepting entries for its 2007 Wild Cow Milking, to be held during the annual Pioneer Days Rodeo performance on June 7-9, at the Mounted Patrol Arena in Clovis, N.M. There is a \$50 fee per three-man team. The entry deadline is June 5.

For additional information, contact Ronny Brooks of the Clovis Livestock Auction Sale Barn, or call 505-693-2561.

### 'Birthday bash' planned

The Littlefield Arts & Heritage Committee will be hosting a "Waylon Jennings Birthday Bash on Saturday, June 30, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., at Lamb County Ag Center, on South Hall Ave. For additional information, including vendor information, contact Eva McDonald at 806-385-3476.



### Lazbuddie students honored

Kindergarten student Ashlyn Timms pictured on the left, the daughter of Chris and Jill Timms, and kindergarten student Dacota Van Leer, on the right, the son of Billy and Lyn Van Leer, were honored this week by Lazbuddie Elementary School.

### FYI...

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!

Once permission to share information has been granted, the college or university should send the info via email to: editor@fivearea.com.

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# Dominguez resigns as Watson Junior High principal...

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part of this community, for these four years."

"I have accepted the position of principal at Rancier Middle School in the Killeen ISD, and will begin working there the second week of July," he added. "I will always treasure my time in Muleshoe, and will never forget the great people here."

Other resignations accepted Monday included ag teacher Jeremy Shields and elementary bilingual teacher Jane Foster.

The school board also voted to hire Traci Sherrill, elementary;

Stephenson, high school band; Mikayla Stephenson, DeShazo music; Laura Hill, high school art; Vickie Burch, high school English; Rebecca Sanchez, elementary bilingual; Scot Mills, high school speech; John Woolbright, athletic trainer; Val Acree, varsity girls basketball; and Pam Nelson, high school counselor.

The school board also:  
• Discussed the bid opening of construction proposals set for Tuesday, May 29, at the office of Lee Lewis Construction.

"The best thing that could happen would be (to receive) a lot of proposals,"

Sheets said.

At a meeting set for Thursday, May 31, at 5 p.m., Sheets said the board would approve the guaranteed maximum price for the Dillman expansion. "Lee Lewis will have to build the building for that price or less," he added.

"We want to get the most building we can get for that amount of money," Sheets said.

• Discussed the current legislative session, about which the superintendent said, the state is probably going to fund a \$425 pay increase for Texas teachers, but noted that this increase was offset by a \$500

increase teachers would have to pay into their retirement.

Sheets added that since 1999, there hasn't been any new money for school districts except for teachers' raises.

"The state didn't raise taxes, but they've forced the local districts to raise their taxes," he said.

The superintendent also said it looked as if the state legislature would be setting aside sufficient monies to fund the Existing Debt Allotment program.

"It hasn't passed yet," he said, "but it looks as if it will."

• Discussed the preliminary TAKS scores

after a report from Assistant Superintendent Don Wood, who said he was pleased with a large jump in the junior high math scores.

"Over all, we're pretty tickled with the scores, especially in the target areas," he said.

School officials also noted that the stress level among the elementary students taking the tests appeared to be lower, and

talked about what appeared to be a higher level of confidence among the elementary students.

And board member Daniel Guzman said how pleased he was with teachers at DeShazo, who their students' parents write a letter of encouragement for the students to read before starting the test.

• Conducted a preliminary budget workshop.



## Piano recital held...

The students of Fran Hamilton took part in a spring piano recital on April 29, at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe. Among the students, pictured above from left to right, were: Front row — Sidney Urbantke, Jack Isaacson, Sadie Sudduth, Kiarra Regalado and Sydnie Sudduth; second row — Abriana Espinoza, D-Lilah Castorena, Ashley Scott, Reagan Reynolds, Inez Lozano and Crystal Flores; third row — Kari Mendoza, Baylee Ruthardt, Kiley Sharp, Lauren Isaacson, James Lutz and Austin Stancell; and back row — Miranda deBruin, Stephanie Stancell, Shea Scott, Olivia Schilling and Gabrielle Schilling.

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for administrative services for the nursing home, Sandlin said, "The only thing that's changing is the name of the management company."

"This is our community's nursing home," he said, adding that his goal was to continue to build and improve on the foundation that was already here.

Sandlin said the residents would continue to be the nursing home's first priority.

"This is their home... I'm just a visitor," he said.

Sandlin said it was important that Park View do more than provide "good care," it needed to provide a "loving and healthy home environment."

Sandlin also said he was impressed with the volunteers working with the staff at Park View, and talked about the importance of having local employees and staff.

Second only to the concerns and needs of the residents, Sandlin said, are those of Park View's staff.

According to Sandlin, "good stewardship" would both increase the nursing home's customer base and help maintain the local work force.

As for changes at Park View, Sandlin said he was pleased that Yolanda Mendoza had returned as the director of nurses, and said there would be an assistant DON joining the staff in June.

Sandlin also noted that the nursing home would be working toward offering "in-house" express recovery, for people who needed such rehabilitative services prior to returning home after surgery.

"Nursing care isn't about 'end of life'... it's about 'quality of life in a different setting'," Sandlin said.

## Food safety course offered

The Texas Cooperative Extension, Bailey, Cochran, and Hockley county, are offering training to reduce the number of illnesses due to contaminated food through a program called, "Food Safety: It's Our Business."

The training session will be offered for \$89 on June 14-15, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum Meeting Room, 2206 W. American Blvd.

The cost includes training materials and the state food manager certification examination. Deadline for registration is June 7.

For more information contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent - Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

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## With a one... and a two...

Muleshoe band student, and John Phillips Sousa award winner, Franklin Piland directs a musical arrangement during the Muleshoe School District's recent band performance. Music student Courtney Mardis also directed an arrangement she had prepared for the evening's performance.

Photograph by Larry Thornton



Photograph by Larry Thornton

## More new beds...

Employees at Muleshoe Area Medical Center were kept busy recently unloading 10 new beds purchased with \$50,000 in grant funds from Office of Rural Community Affairs. As the hospital district's "match," which was required to receive the grant, two new gurneys will be purchased with Muleshoe Area Hospital District funds.

"We worked hard to get those grants," Director of Nurses Margaret Heathington said. According to Heathington, 22 of MAMC's 25 licensed beds are new. Similar funds were used previously to purchase hospital beds.

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## Learning to Trust the Master

by Max Lucado

A man and his dog are in the same car. The dog howls bright-moon-in-the-middle-of-the-night caterwauling howls. The man pleads, promising a daily delivery of dog biscuit bouquets if only the hound will hush. After all, it's only a car wash.

Never occurred to him —ahem, to me— that the car wash would scare my dog. But it did. Placing myself in her paws, I can see why. A huge, noisy machine presses toward us, pounding our window with water, banging against the door with brushes. Duck! We're under attack.

"Don't panic. The car wash was my idea." "I've done this before." "It's for our own good." Ever tried to explain a car wash to a canine? Dog dictionaries are minus the words brush and detail job. My words fell on fallen flaps. Nothing helped. She just did what dogs do; she wailed.

Actually, she did what we do. Don't we howl? Not at car washes perhaps but at hospital stays and job transfers. Let the economy go south or the kids move north, and we have a wail of a time. And when our Master explains what's happening, we react as if he's speaking Yalunka. We don't understand a word he says.

Is your world wet and wild? God's greatest blessings often come costumed as disasters. Some of you doubt it. How can God use cancer or death or divorce? Simple. He's smarter than we are. He is to you what I was to four-year-old Amy. I met her at a bookstore. She asked me if I would sign her children's book. When I asked her name, she watched as I began to write, "To Amy — She stopped me right there. With wide eyes and open mouth, she asked, "How did you know how to spell my name?"

She was awed. You aren't. You know the difference between the knowledge of a child and an adult. Can you imagine the difference between the wisdom of a human and the wisdom of God? What is impossible to us is like spelling "Amy" to him. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts" (Isa. 55:9).

I keep taking Molly to the car wash. She's howling less. I don't think she understands the machinery. She's just learning to trust her master. Maybe we'll learn the same.

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# Obituaries

## Fern Warren

Fern Virginia Smith Warren, 84, passed into the arms of her heavenly Father and her high school sweetheart, love of her life, and devoted husband of 60 years, Jame. C. Warren, on Monday, May 21, 2007, at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

Fern was born Dec. 19, 1922, in Iowa Park, and moved to Muleshoe, Bailey County, in 1935, where she graduated from Muleshoe High School and married James C. Warren on Aug. 9, 1942.

Fern was preceded in her heavenly reunion by her husband, her father and mother — Shelton and Louise Bowman Smith, seven brothers, and four sisters.

She was the last sibling, the 10th of 12 children, and was looking forward to a joyful, eternal family reunion.

She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, and friend to all who knew her.

She loved her family and friends and always said that family and friends



FERN VIRGINIA SMITH WARREN

are the "greatest gift of God upon this earth."

Fern enjoyed 43 years working at the First Bank of Muleshoe and all of her co-workers, customers, and friends she knew and loved throughout her life.

She worked tirelessly for many years on her high school reunions and her family reunions.

Fern was a devoted member and Sunday School teacher at the First Baptist Church in Muleshoe.

Survivors to celebrate Fern's legacy of life include her daughter and constant companion, caregiver, and best friend, Linda Warren Weinstein; two sons — James C. Warren Jr. and wife, DeRenda, and Richard Neal Warren and wife,

Rickie; four grandchildren — James C. (Trey) Warren III and his wife Denise, Rebecca Warren Reynolds, Rhonda Warren Kline and her husband Scott, Russell Neal Warren and his wife, Bethany; three great-grandchildren — Reagan Reynolds, Reese Reynolds, and Syllas James Warren.

A celebration of life service will be held at the First Baptist Church in Muleshoe with the Rev. Dr. Stacy Conner officiating on Thursday, May 24, at 11 a.m.

Interment will follow at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe, Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery, or Hospice of Lubbock.

The family would like to express heartfelt thanks to all of the doctors, nurses, and staff of both Muleshoe hospital and Covenant hospital of Lubbock, and Hospice of Lubbock.



## WJHS Students of the Week

The Watson Junior High Students of the Week for the week of May 21, pictured above from left to right, are: Front row — Morgan Burris, Melissa Casanova and Gilberto Triana; back row — Sandy Mojica and Jose Vargas; and not pictured — Tyson Turnbow.

## Alzheimer's disease support group to meet

The Bailey County Alzheimer's Disease Support Group will be meeting on Thursday, June 14, at noon, at Park View Nursing Care Center.

Lunch will be served.

Most primary caregivers for the Alzheimer's disease patient are family members.

Friends, neighbors, work colleagues, and faith community members often help to care for the person with Alzheimer's disease.

Research has shown that caregivers are often at an

increased risk for Bailey County Aging Services, 272-3647, or especially if they do not receive adequate support. County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences Agent, 272-4583.

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## Ruiz graduates from Angelo State

The 2007 Spring graduates from Angelo State University included Muleshoe area student Andrew Ruiz, MBA.

## Births

### Skyla Mendoza

Dorem and Jorge Julian Mendoza of Littlefield announce the birth of their daughter, Skyla Marie Mendoza, on May 14, 2007, at 6:49 p.m.

She weighed six pounds, three ounces, and was 19-3/8 inches in length.

**Raffle winners announced**

The Meals on Wheels raffle winners were first place — Jearl James (painting); second — Sadie Castillo (quilt); and third — Joyce Wright (\$50 cash).

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# Sports

## District champ Mules named to all-district teams

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

District 2-2A announced its all-district selections this past week.

The Mules were the district champs and were honored by having the Most Valuable Player in the district as well as five others on the first team.

Two more Mules were chosen to the second team.

"I came away from the district meeting feeling very

good about how they felt about our team," said Mule coach Gilbert Ramirez. "We had four unanimous selections and that was really a compliment to our program."

Brant Hamilton was chosen unanimously as the District 2-2A Most Valuable Player. Hamilton finished the regular season with a 7-0 record on the mound and an ERA of 2.21. His fielding average at short stop was

almost perfect at .963. His average at the plate was .389 with 28 hits, scored 22 runs and had 24 RBIs. He had 16 singles, six doubles, three triples and three home runs.

The other unanimous selections for the Mules were Elias Alvarado (pitcher) Caesar Lopez (designated hitter) and Timothy Conner (utility player). Alvarado completed the regular season with a 6-

4 record on the mound and had four saves with an ERA of 1.54. He had a .293 batting average, scored 23 runs and 19 RBIs. He hit 20 singles and two doubles and had a fielding percentage of .842.

Lopez had a .310 batting average, scored 19 runs and knocked in nine RBIs. He had 12 singles and six doubles. Conner finished with a .400 batting average, scored 17 runs and brought

26 runs across the plate. He had 20 singles, five doubles and one triple. Conner had a fielding percentage of .958.

TJ Brantley made the first team as a catcher. He had a .372 batting average, scored 29 runs and picked up 19 RBIs. He hit 28 singles, four doubles and had a fielding percentage of 1.000.

Victor Vasquez was chosen as an outfielder with

a .482 batting average. He scored 32 runs and batted in 32 more with 28 singles, nine doubles and three home runs. Vasquez won four games and lost one on the mound with a 1.54 ERA. He finished with a 1.000 fielding percentage.

The Mules on the second team were Dusty Clayton for his prowess as infielder. He had a .329 batting average, scored 26 runs and knocked in 15 more. Clayton had 22 singles, four doubles and a fielding percentage of .815.

Garrett Riley patrolled the outfield to earn a spot on the second squad. He had a .212 batting average, scored 11 runs, had six RBIs, and had a fielding percentage of 1.000.

"Brant (Hamilton), TJ (Brantley) and Timothy (Conner) are all seniors and will be missed," continued Ramirez. "They provided leadership both in the dugout and on the field each game and workout. All of the guys showed up every day ready to play."

"This was a great group to coach. We had a lot of fun and set records this year that future teams will have to try to surpass. This team had the most wins of any Mule baseball team with 17," he said.

## Lady Mules named to all-district softball teams

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

Ten Lady Mules were honored by the District 2-2A coaches this past week. Six were chosen as members of the first team, two to the second team and two honorable mentions.

"We were such a young team," said Lady Mule coach Shane Fuller, "that I was not sure how the voting would go. Six first

team picks gave us strong representation."

Morgan Smith made the first team roster as a pitcher and helped her own cause with a .454 batting average. Jasmine Davenport was Smith's battery mate behind the plate. She threw out eight of 12 base runners attempting to steal.

CiCi Reyna anchored the Lady Mule infield at shortstop and had a .667 batting average in district

competition. Lupita Andrade played second base and hit .440 during district.

Allie Eagle, a freshman, roamed left field and accounted for 23 put outs and eight outfield assists. Brittany Ambriz only played offense as the designated hitter. She had a .354 average at the plate.

The two Lady Mules on the second team were BreAnn Baca for her play at third base. She had a .350

batting average. April Gardea had 15 put outs in the outfield and had two assists.

Gabby Perez and Chi Hernandez were Honorable Mentions by the coaches of District 2-2A.

"We only had two seniors that played every day. CiCi (Reyna) and Brittany (Ambriz)," continued Fuller. "They provided much needed leadership for us and the rest of the team

responded."

"We had the highest batting average of all the teams in the district. These girls have learned to hit the ball. We fielded the ball well and feared no team. Several of the girls have told me they are playing summer ball and going to attend camps this summer. I am looking for us to be even a stronger team next season," concluded Fuller.

## Ladies Golf Assn. News

The Ladies Golf Association met on Wednesday, May 16, at the Muleshoe Country Club.

Club president Marlene Martin opened the meeting with a prayer, led by Sheryl Engelking.

Treena Matthews called roll and read the minutes. There were 21 members present.

The May birthdays were Jenny Bamert and Kay Field. The treasurer's report was given by Pat Kirk.

Engelking reported on the remodeling project. The cost was \$511.63. We have received \$343 in donations, and lack \$168.63 to cover the cost of paint and supplies. Donations to help pay for the remodeling should be given to Kirk or

Engelking.

As for the new business, Engelking needs to know who will be going to Ruidoso by July 1. There will be a \$20 charge to help pay for food and lodging.

Playday chairperson Judy Wilbanks reported there would be 12 people playing in the Memorial Tournament. A reception will be held afterwards.

Pat King won middle of the road on April 18 and Claudine Elliott won low score on May 2.

Engelking gave the High Plains Tournament report.

Wednesday, May 9, the Muleshoe ladies won six points for the association. In fourth flight, Deborah Noble won low net. Helen Templeton won low gross and low putts in the second flight.

The men are having a tournament June 16-17. We



ANALITA HALEY

need workers to help with this money-making project.

Martin was the door prize winner, drawn by Noble.

After the ladies; luncheon, the Memorial Tournament was played. Field won low gross with a score of 83.

The Memorial Tournament champion was Analita Haley with a low net score of 66.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 20.

## MSA students compete, win

Muleshoe Sports Academy recently sent its top athletes to the USA Gymnastics Trampoline and Tumbling State Championships held at Texan Dome in Levelland.

The competition featured the top 600 athletes from the state in trampoline, tumbling, double mini trampoline, and synchronized trampoline.

State champions in trampoline included Baylee Bessire, Dakota Earnest, and Brittany Caddell.

Caddell also won synchronized trampoline with her partner Adrienne Precure who won the silver medal in individual trampoline behind Caddell. The competition was also a qualifier for the national championships to be held in Memphis, Tenn., the week of July 20.

Each athlete qualified in at least one event for the National Championships. "We were excited at how well the team did. Most are in higher levels than last year and the competition has been fierce all year," said Kaitlyn

Geissler, trampoline coach. "The girls are getting better at each event and we know they are headed in the right direction as we get ready for the national championships."

The team will next compete in the regional championships in Dallas before the level 10 and junior elite athletes compete in the Elite Challenge in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Individual places are as follows: Hadlea Geissler, ninth trampoline; Taylor Winchell, third trampoline; Shaylee Winchell, sixth trampoline; Stormy Fuentes, seventh trampoline; Adrienne Precure, second trampoline; Aspen Osburn, fourth trampoline, fifth tumbling, third mini double; Brittany Caddell, first trampoline; Dakota Earnest, first trampoline; Baylee Bessire, first trampoline; Daniella Diaz, second trampoline, seventh tumbling, first double mini; Natalie Diaz, third trampoline, seventh tumbling, eighth double mini.

## Women's Softball League signup set

Anyone interested in playing in the Women's Softball League should contact Juan Sanchez at 729-2353 or 946-3366, or Diane Morre at 729-3343.

The deadline for entries is June 1, and the entry fee for each team is \$170. Contact Juan Sanchez or Diane Morre for more information.

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# Engagement



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## Flores, Smith to wed

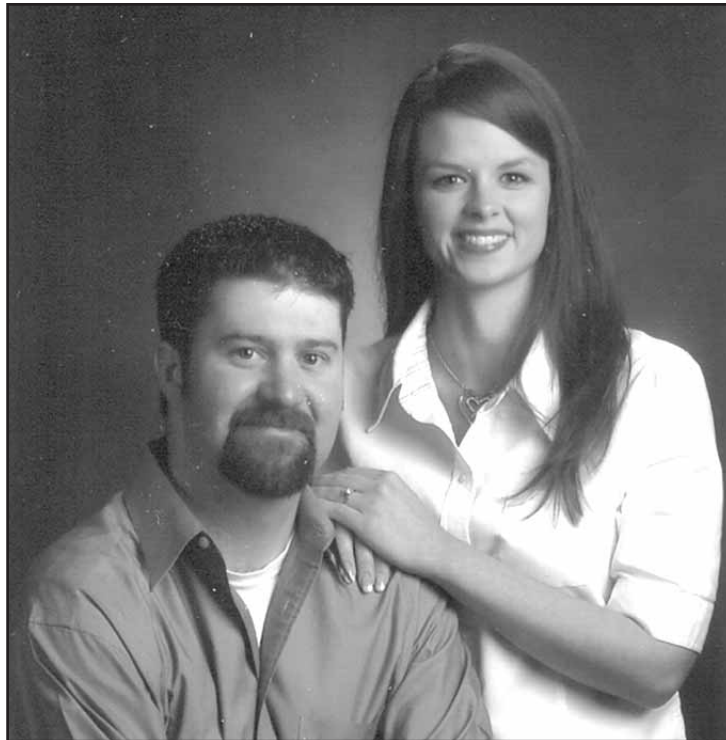
Joe and Linda Flores of Muleshoe proudly announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Flores, to Eric Smith.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Muleshoe High School and West Texas A&M University with a bachelor's degree in science and nursing. She is employed at BSA in the medical intensive care unit as a registered nurse.

The prospective groom is the son of Ronnie and Caryl Smith of Amarillo and the late Sharon Diane Smith. He is a graduate of Amarillo High School and Amarillo College with an associate degree in applied science in nursing.

He is employed at Plum Creek Health Care Center as a clinical nurse liaison.

The couple will be married Aug. 4, 2007, at the Gilbreth House in Amarillo.



ERICA GILL AND MATT TEMPLETON

## Gill, Templeton to wed

Jimmie and Sherry Gill of Amarillo are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Erica Gill, to Matt Templeton.

The prospective groom is the son of David and Julie Templeton of Earth. They will be married June 29, 2007, at Ranch House Weddings in Canyon.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Tascosa High School and West Texas A&M University in Canyon with a bachelor of science degree in education. She is employed by Bushland Elementary School.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Springlake-Earth High School and Texas Tech with a bachelor's degree in animal science. He is employed by Muleshoe Vet Supply.



STEPHANIE MARIE AND JOEY STONE

## Kirk, Stone to wed

Lacie and Donna Kirk of Muleshoe announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Stephanie Marie, to Joey Todd Stone.

The prospective bride graduated from Muleshoe High School in 2001 and received a bachelor of science degree in biology from West Texas A&M University in 2005. She is currently employed with Idalou ISD.

The prospective groom is the son of Jack and Deb Stone of Muleshoe. He also graduated from Muleshoe High School in 2001 and received a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Texas Tech University in 2004.

He is currently employed as a registered nurse in the Surgical Intensive Care unit at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Grandparents of the couple include Betty and the late Weldon Motley of Olton; Ollice and Willie Mae Murray of Muleshoe; Judy Gasparetto of Michigan; and Margaret and the late Joe Stone of Arkansas.

The wedding ceremony is scheduled for 2 p.m. on June 23, 2007, at the First Assembly of God church in Muleshoe with a reception to follow.

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## Obituaries

### Audelia A Salas

A church service for Audelia A Salas, 74, of Sudan, was held on Wednesday, May 23, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Pat Maher officiating.

Rosary was said on Tuesday, May 22, in Ellis Funeral Home of Sudan. Burial was in Fairlawn Cemetery of Amherst.

Salas died on Sunday, May 20, 2007, in Lamb Healthcare Center of Littlefield. She was born on July 19, 1932, in Runge to Manuel and Regenia (Adame) Salas.

Salas moved to Sudan from Morton in 1966. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include three sisters — Cuca Morin of Amarillo, Estefana Sisneros of Earth and Ignacia Jurado of Dimmitt; and three brothers — Joe Salas of Morton, Manuel Salas of Michigan and Miguel Silas of Littlefield.

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I love joining in the "flyovers!"  
 Memorial Day is a time for people to remember and share memories of the people who have fought and given up their lives for our country. We remember them when we hold parades in their honor, decorate their graves with flowers and watch military jets fly overhead. Memorial Day is also a good time to honor our living veterans. We do this when we listen to them tell stories about their military service or we ask them to lead our parades. We also honor them when we raise funds to meet any special needs they may have when they come home after serving their country.

We remember you.  
 Volunteers sell little artificial flowers to raise money to help veterans. We wear these red poppies as a symbol of those who have fought and died for America.

1. people in \_\_\_\_\_ are marching to the cemetery for memorial events  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_ are decorating graves of soldiers and loved ones  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ are being said for peace  
 4. \_\_\_\_\_ are firing salutes  
 5. a \_\_\_\_\_ is being laid at the Tomb of the Unknowns (Soldiers) in Arlington National Cemetery  
 6. \_\_\_\_\_ are flying at half-mast  
 7. a \_\_\_\_\_ is sounding taps  
 8. little \_\_\_\_\_ filled with flowers are being set upon the waters to honor those who have died at sea  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_ are playing patriotic songs  
 10. \_\_\_\_\_ are roaring overhead to honor servicepeople who have died


1. parades  
 2. bands  
 3. prayers  
 4. soldiers  
 5. wreath  
 6. jets  
 7. boats  
 8. people  
 9. flags  
 10. bugler

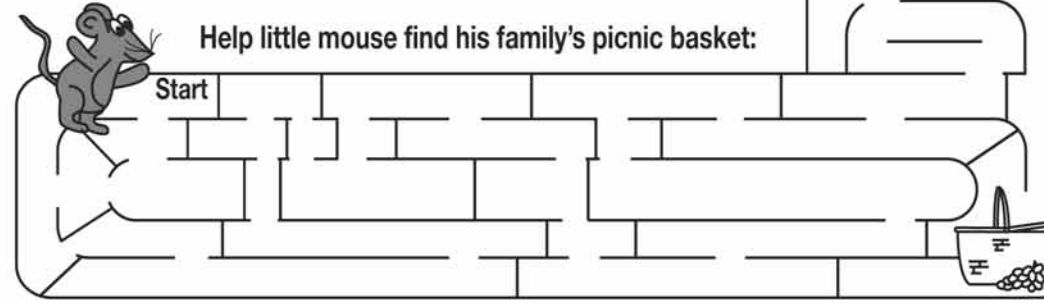
I am proud to decorate this brave soldier's grave!

**How We Remember...**  
 There are many ways in which we honor and keep memories alive!  
**Match the ways below. Then, find and circle the words in the puzzle:**

1. displaying \_\_\_\_\_ A. parades  
 2. marching in \_\_\_\_\_ B. flags  
 3. decorating service people's \_\_\_\_\_ C. salutes  
 4. flying \_\_\_\_\_ at half-mast D. medals  
 5. firing twenty-one-gun \_\_\_\_\_ E. graves

1. reading a serviceperson's \_\_\_\_\_ A. peace  
 2. listening to \_\_\_\_\_ B. film  
 3. playing "Taps" on a \_\_\_\_\_ C. bugle  
 4. watching a \_\_\_\_\_ explaining war events D. speeches  
 5. praying for \_\_\_\_\_ everywhere E. letters



Help little mouse find his family's picnic basket:  


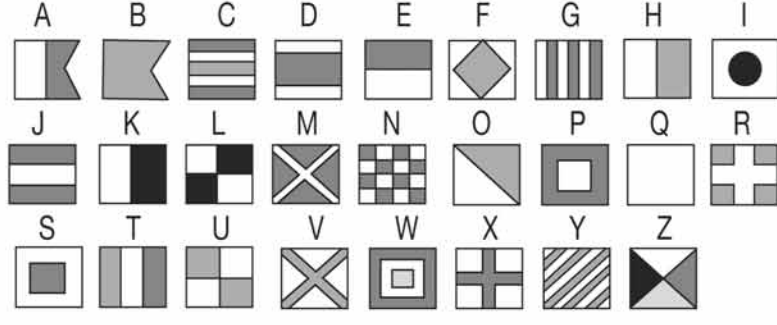
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 "We remember you and we...!"

**Signal Flags**  
 Each of these flags stands for a letter of the alphabet.

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 J K L M N O P Q R  
 S T U V W X Y Z



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# Baby Shower



KATHY DRUSENDAHL

## Drusendahl feted with shower

Kathy Drusendahl was honored with a baby shower held at the Trinity Christian Center Church. The hostesses included Evalyn Brewster, Terri Brewster, Sue Bonds, Autumn Rainey, Carol Kennemer, Greta Donaldson, Cathy Embry, Glenda Keeney, Phyllis Carrion, Rhonday Berry, Nelda Crawford, Pamela Counterman, Bonnie Drusendahl, Linda Drusendahl, Bernadine Marks and Louvenia Garrington. Among the guests were Kathy Drusendahl, Bonnie Drusendahl, Linda Drusadahl, Linda Hill, Connie Mallows and Tasha Glover.

## Kemp cousins reunion set for June

The Kemp cousins will be holding a reunion June 2-3, at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe's Activity Center. Call Zona Gatewood at 806-965-2761, or 806-946-9426 for additional information.



LEIGH THOMASON

## Thomason honored with shower

Leigh Thomason was honored with a baby shower on Saturday, May 12, at the Trinity Christian Church. Hostesses for the event included Suzanne Nichols, Carolyn Smyer, Sheryl Morris, Robin Friskup, Martha Hunnicutt, Kathy Embry, Pat Watson, Glenda Yell, Debbie Jo Kemp, Diane Skipworth, Sharla Stanford, Charlene Phillips and Louvenia Garlington. The hostess gifts were a baby stroller and a car seat. Among the guests attending were Tammy Mardis, Jodi Vidaña, Natalee Thomason, Brittany Thomason and Freda Long.

*"Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching. They will be a garland to grace your head and a chain to adorn your neck...."*

Proverbs 1:8-9, NIV

## Whalin graduates from Hiram

Erica Keahi Whalin of Muleshoe recently received her bachelor of arts degree in accounting and financial management and art from Hiram College in Hiram, Ohio, on May 12. Whalin received departmental honors and graduated magna cum laude.

## AA meetings at FUMC, Muleshoe

Individuals looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA and Al-Anon meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Friday at the First United Methodist Church, at 507 W. 2nd. Please use the west side entrance. For information about these meetings call 806-965-2870.

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# MEMORIAL DAY ★ MAY 28

*These businesses have proudly sponsored this page and remind everyone to take time this Memorial Day to pay tribute and show respect to the men and women who gave their lives to ensure that we live in a free country.*

## There will be a Memorial Day Service at the Bailey County Cemetery on Monday, May 28, at 10 a.m.

All of the community is invited to take part in the service. Boy Scouts from Troop 620 will perform the flag raising. The opening prayer will be recited by the Rev. Father Leonardo Pahamtang of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, followed by a message by the Rev. Jeff Coffman of Calvary Baptist Church.

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*This information is from the USMemorialDay Website from their page on How To Observe Memorial Day at: [www.usmemorialday.org/observe.htm](http://www.usmemorialday.org/observe.htm). We share some of observance guidelines so more citizens will become familiar with the proper way to observe this holiday when we remember and honor "our ancestors, our family members, our loved ones, our neighbors, and our friends who have given the ultimate sacrifice". Please visit [www.USMemorialDay.com](http://www.USMemorialDay.com) for a wealth of information about this important day of remembrance.*

### Memorial Day should be observed:

- by visiting cemeteries and placing flags or flowers on the graves of our fallen heroes.
- by visiting memorials.
- by flying the US Flag at half-staff until noon.
- by flying the 'POW/MIA Flag' as well (Section 1082 of the 1998 Defense Authorization Act).
- by participating in a "National Moment of Remembrance": at 3 p.m. to pause and think upon the true meaning of the day, and for Taps to be played.
- by renewing a pledge to aid the widows, widowers, and orphans of our fallen dead, and to aid the disabled veterans.

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## Taps

**Day is done  
Gone the sun  
From the lakes  
From the hills  
From the sky.  
All is well,  
Safely rest.  
God is nigh.  
Fading light  
Dims the sight  
And a star  
Gems the sky,  
Gleaming bright  
From afar,  
Drawing nigh,  
Falls the night.  
Thanks and praise,  
For our days,  
Neath the sun,  
Neath the stars,  
Neath the sky,  
As we go,  
This we know,  
God is nigh.**



# Cotton Market Weekly

Cotton futures prices on the New York Board of Trade posted their third consecutive gain on Thursday as prices continued their bounce off life-of-contract lows posted at the beginning of the week.

Fundamental issues buoyed the cotton market on the heels of a somewhat disappointing export sales report from USDA.

Net sales of 292,100 bales for the week ended May 10 were 43 percent below the previous week and 47 percent less than the four-week average.

Sales to China, Turkey, Pakistan, Indonesia and Vietnam were partially offset by cancellations for Mexico. Sales of 57,100 bales for delivery in 2007-08 were primarily for Mexico.

Export shipments of 268,800 bales were nine percent lower than the

previous week and 10 percent less than the four-week average.

Primary destinations included China, Turkey, Mexico, Indonesia, and Pakistan. The shipments total was well below what is needed to reach USDA's newly revised export target of 13.25 million bales, and analysts say shipments will need to be at least 470,000 bales per week to achieve that figure.

In the spot market, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas totaled 82,087 bales in the week ended May 17 compared to 51,314 bales the previous week as demand increased ahead of the Adjusted World Price (AWP) calculation transition period.

Average prices received by producers ranged from 39.34 to 45.05 cents per pound compared to 42.49 to

44.24 cents per pound the previous week.

Market observers say there is evidence that foreign supplies of cotton are no longer available and may, in fact, have been severely over-sold.

Some expect to see Pakistan, Turkey, China, and India emerge as increasingly eager buyers of U.S. cotton in spite of higher prices.

In other news, the spread between Chinese and U.S. cotton prices has been appreciating to its widest level since last summer.

The wider spread and the fact that Chinese import business is picking up is a favorable development for cotton prices in the United States, analysts said.

The gradual appreciation of the Chinese yuan against the U.S. dollar also is expected to benefit U.S. cotton export sales.

Closer to home, cotton producers always need ample soil moisture before planting and need additional rain afterward.

However, recent heavy rains on the Texas High Plains have prevented many growers from getting into their fields to plant.

Growers who have not planted are awaiting warmer weather as soil temperatures need to average over 60 degrees for seed to germinate and begin to grow.

Daytime temperatures on the Texas High Plains have been as much as four degrees below normal this month, and heavy rains also have chilled cotton fields.

A warming trend is in the near-term forecast for the area, but temperatures still will be below-normal for this

time of year.

Planters will remain at a standstill until fields dry out from this week's rain.

USDA reported 27 percent of the Texas crop had been planted as of May 13 compared to 36 percent planted at the same time last year.

Oklahoma plantings also are behind schedule at only 10 percent complete versus 25 percent one year ago and the 36 percent five-year average.

Total U.S. cotton plantings increased to 46 percent complete from 32 percent the previous week but were down slightly from 51 percent one year ago.



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## Pest management workshop scheduled

Producers and agriculture consultants can hone their pest management and crop production skills at the High Plains Crop Pest Scouting Workshop on June 1. The event is sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension.

The free workshop will run from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Ollie Liner Center. The center is south of Plainview on Business Highway 27.

"We will cover crops such as cotton, corn and grain sorghum," said Greg Cronholm, Extension integrated pest management agent for Hale County. "Our goal is to provide a basic knowledge of the pests common to these crops. We will also cover weed identification and herbicide injury, plant diseases and how to recognize and promote beneficial insects."


Morning presentations by Extension specialists and agents will focus on cotton growth and development, cotton insect pests and beneficial insects in field crops.

Levon Harmon, Texas Department of Agriculture, will discuss worker protection standards and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requirements for a pesticide handler's card.

"We'll have a morning and an afternoon break, so participants can visit and view insect specimen displays," Cronholm said. "Those interested in obtaining a pesticide handlers card can attend the 11 a.m. to noon session only if they wish. The card is valid for a five-year period. We'll also take a one-hour lunch break."

**Thanks for reading!**

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Those who attend can earn up to five continuing education units; four in integrated pest management and one in laws and regulations.

All continuing education units are approved by the Texas Department of Agriculture, Cronholm said.

For more information, contact Cronholm at the Extension office in Hale County at 806-291-5274.

## "A Person's Life Does Not Consist In . . ."

I've never understood how anyone writes without coffee. It's been years since I tried anything so foolhardy.

I may drink too much of it, though as evidence of coffee's health benefits keeps accruing, I won't concede that point. Friends have suggested that I just hook up an I.V. to get coffee more or less constantly. Others say that with my brew a cup is optional; the coffee stands alone. I say, what possible



**Focus On Faith**  
Curtis Shelburne

good "except to be cast out and trodden under foot of men" is putrid stuff through which you can see the bottom of your cup? Be that as it may, last weekend I launched off into a new "writing with coffee" adventure.

I had a wedding "sermon" to write for that evening, a sermon sermon to work on for the next day, and a wife and dear friends who wanted to go "garage sale-ing" early that morning.

I wanted to go, too, but . . . Then I realized, that's what notebook computers are for. I knew from experience that I get finished looking at a garage sale about 92.5% more quickly than the other three-quarters of the garage sale-ing quartet. This should work out, I thought. At each stop I'll look stuff over, then head back to the car and have time to work while they shop.

After seeing a hundred or so sales, we paused at Starbucks—a great idea, though Starbucks really needs an express line. One "fru-fru" line. One express line.

I just wanted their plain dark brew—to be enjoyed straight for a bit and then loaded up with cream. I'm glad I was too cheap that morning to go for *café brevé* with Irish cream flavor. I love it, but it's loaded with sugar, and that would have been a lot worse. But I'm getting ahead. . .

We got the coffee, saddled up, and headed back into the garage sale fray. A few minutes later, I decided to write with coffee. Literally. I lifted my cup, the top crimped, the cup toppled, and I baptized my laptop computer and my lap by total immersion.


I baby my computer almost pathologically. But its little cursor faltered in a flash and the light flickered out of its eyes. When my favorite blonde daughter-in-law heard (I also have a favorite brunette daughter-in-law, and one of each thus far), she asked my son immediately, "Is Curtis okay?!" She was right to think in terms of "mental anguish," not "hot coffee."

I drained out the coffee (a sad sight), took the computer apart as far down as I could, and dried it with compressed air. Amazingly, after some further CPR, it's "breathing" again. I'm writing on it now. With coffee.

I'll send it in to Dell later to be sure any circuits still marinating with now dry coffee are cleaned up. It's got a bit of warranty left, which led one son—he'd not do this—to joke, "Two months of warranty left? You should give thanks, back it up, and then hose it down with a garden hose before you send it in. It'd come back new!"

Amy's right. I may need sedation while it's one. I use it a bunch. But I probably need to remember that Jesus is right, too. A person's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions—or in the viability of his computer.

Curtis Shelburne is minister of the 16th & D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.



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

## REPRESENTATIVE SALES

SAT., MAY 19, 2007

758 head of cattle, 123 hogs and 796 sheep and goats for a total of 1,677 livestock sold at the May 19 sale. Market steady on all stocker cfs. 550# and under. Feeder str. sold 1-2 higher with not enough hrs. to test market. Pairs and bred cows steady. Packer cows and bulls steady.

### FOR INFORMATION ON SALES OR TO CONSIGN CATTLE - 272-4201

Seller, City	#	Type	Wt.	CWT or PH
Darrell Mutschler, Muleshoe	2	Red bulls	330 lbs.	at \$148.00
Dan Day Jr., Meadow	2	Blk. str	373 lbs.	at \$146.00
Bar F Angus, Hereford		BWF str	380 lbs.	at \$140.00
Ramon Salas, Sudan		Blk. bull	425 lbs.	at \$140.00
Tye Day, Meadow		Blk. bull	515 lbs.	at \$120.00
NM Ranch	9	BWF str	606 lbs.	at \$115.50
NM Ranch	18	Mxd. str	690 lbs.	at \$109.50
NM Ranch	34	Mxd. str	788 lbs.	at \$108.25
Clay Myers, Muleshoe	25	Mxd. str	693 lbs.	at \$111.25
Clay Myers, Muleshoe	66	Mxd. str	787 lbs.	at \$108.75
Derrick Jenkins, Seminole	7	RWF str	729 lbs.	at \$106.75
Derrick Jenkins, Seminole	25	RWF str	837 lbs.	at \$101.00
Dan Day Jr., Meadow		Blk. hfr	425 lbs.	at \$124.00
Dan Day Jr., Meadow		10 Blk. hfrs	600 lbs.	at \$106.00
Primetime Cattle, Olton	5	Mxd. hfrs	442 lbs.	at \$120.00
Primetime Cattle, Olton	3	Red hfrs	605 lbs.	at \$100.00
Weldon Embry, Farwell	5	Char. hfrs	579 lbs.	at \$108.00
Darrell Mutschler, Muleshoe	2	Red pairs		\$1040.00
Gary Maxwell, Olton	6	Red pairs		\$760.00
B.R. Cattle, Levelland		Blk. cow P7		\$760.00
Paula Nix, Springlake		BMF cow P7		\$725.00
Dan Day, Meadow		Blk. cow P5		\$760.00
Dan Day, Meadow		Grey cow	1220 lbs.	at \$55.50
Francisco Garcia, Portales		Red cow	1135 lbs.	at \$55.00
Tommy Lewis, Morton		Blk. cow	1100 lbs.	at \$54.25
Campos Dairy, Friona		Hol. cow	1095 lbs.	at \$54.25
Jose Salas, Sudan		Blk. cow	965 lbs.	at \$54.00

## NOTICE OF RUN OFF ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of the City of Muleshoe, Texas:  
(A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Muleshoe, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on June 5, 2007 for voting in a run-off election to elect:

Council Member District #1  
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Council Member District #2

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas elect orales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el June 5, 2007 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir:

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Council Member District #2

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Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on May 24, 2007  
(entre las 8:00 a.m. de la mañana y las 5:00 p.m. de la tarde empezando el )

and ending on June 1, 2007. (y terminado el June 1, 2007)

Early voting hours are extended from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on May 25, 2007 and June 1, 2007 as required under Section 85.005 (d) of the Election Code.  
(las horas de votar temprano estan extendidas de las 7:00 de la mañana a las 7:00 de la tarde el 25 de Mayo 2007 y el 1 de Junio 2007 es requerido por la seccion 85.005 del Codigo de Eleccion.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:  
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a:)

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Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on  
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Mayor Cliff Black

Signature of Mayor (Firma del Alcalde)



# Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

If you were not at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center on Saturday afternoon for the good fellowship, dominoes, and great refreshments, you missed a great time.

Twenty-five of the seniors came out to enjoy a Saturday afternoon out.

We plan to have another in the future.

We urge all our senior citizens to come by the center, you just might meet an ole friend. There is good fellowship and support

being enjoyed by all.

Our birthday party was held on Thursday, May 24. We honored 30 of our seniors with a cake and a card. We hope you joined us for the good time.

Pat and W.T. Watson furnished the great music. Everyone enjoyed the party.

We will be closed on Monday, May 28, Memorial Day.

We will be open on Tuesday for our play day. Call a friend and come on in to enjoy and stay for lunch.

The Tuesday night dances have been a big success. The music furnished by Sandy, our great disc jockey, is pleasant to just sit and listen to.

If you just want to get out a little while on Tuesday night, come by the center and visit. The dance begins at 7 p.m.

There is a pot luck supper break at 8:30 p.m., and the dance ends at 10 p.m.. A small fee of \$4 is asked to help pay expenses.

On Thursday, May 31, our Bingo will be for the

American Cancer Society, Relay For Life. There will be a 50 cents per game fee.

Please, come and play with us on this day to support this worthy cause. Bring your 50 cents to play instead of the can of food.

There will also be special prizes for the winners on this day. Come join us for lots of fun, laughs and refreshments for a good cause.

The bingo begins at 1:30 p.m. La Shea Mason will be the caller on this day.

**Menu for May 28 - June**

1: Monday, May 28 - Closed for Memorial Day.

Tuesday, May 29 - Baked ham with pineapple, steamed rice, Chinese vegetables, wheat roll and ginger cookies.

Wednesday, May 30 - Oven-roasted brisket, au gratin potatoes, steamed squash, pickles, wheat rolls and peach apple crisp.

Thursday, May 31 - Sheppard's pie, tossed salad, wheat roll, cottage

cheese and pears. Friday, June 1 - Vegetable beef stew, tossed salad, cornbread, half apple and cinnamon apple coffee cake.

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## Lazbuddie firefighters show off brand new truck

The Lazbuddie Volunteer Fire Department announced this week the arrival of a new fire truck, made possible by a \$108,000 grant from the Texas Forest Service.

Volunteer firemen Chad Nickels along with the late Orin "Okie" McBroom helped write the grant and had been working tirelessly to get the truck prior to the untimely death of McBroom.

The truck holds 1500 gallons of water, foam and is

classified as a large brush truck.

The total cost of the unit was \$129,500 according to Nickels, which made the fire department responsible for coming up with under 20 percent of the final bill.

Daco of Lubbock outfitted the Ford chassis truck with pumps, bed and lights.

Previously, the department heavily relied on a 2003 Isuzu which carries

only 500 gallons, making

the new truck three times as useful to the crew.

The crew celebrated the new arrival with a hot dog cookout provided in part by United Supermarkets.

Members of the Lazbuddie Volunteer Fire Department include Chad Nickels, Guys Nickels, Trey Nickels, Nicky Nickels, Doyle Weir, Wade Unruh, Lynn Eldon Randolph, Clint Russell, Keith Burch, Doug Barnes, Scott Hicks, Mike

Nichols, Billy Tosh, Todd Embry, Lee Scott, Matt Goe, Kole Magby, Ted Treider, Brad Treider, Scott Miller, Jeffrey Seaton, Debbie Weir, Carolyn Scott, Connie Barnes and Jill Timms.



## Shockers take top tourney trophy

The Shockers were the first place winners in the Muleshoe Softball League's Mother's Day Tournament.

The team's members, pictured above include Stephanie Moore, Crystal Hasley, Ashley Dickson, Tori Alvarado, Raymond Toscano, Yvette Garcia, Elias Alvarado, Eddie Alvarado Jr., Brittany

Ambriz, DJ Dominguez, Stephanie Dominguez, Brianna Baca and Joey Chancey.

The second place winner, Who's Next, include players Alejandra Gomez, Diana Casanova, Felicia Costilla, Jessie Reyes, Robert Toscano, Joe Reyes, Monica Tyson, Michelle Flores, Johnny Flores, Ricky

Diaz, Dora Diaz, Laura Reyes, and Jesus Barrera Jr.

Third place was Fame, other teams that participated were Beer Nuts, Sike-A-Delics, Rattlers, Outlaws and Cleanups.

Robert Toscano, Ruben Ruvalcava and Erica Sanchez officiated at the games.

**Other Muleshoe Softball League Winners**

Mother's Day Tournament second place winner was Who's Next: Alejandra Gomez, Diana Casanova, Felicia Costilla, Jessie Reyes, Robert Toscano, Joe Reyes, Monica Tyson, Michelle Flores, Johnny Flores, Ricky Diaz, Dora Diaz, Laura Reyes, and Jesus Barrera Jr.

Third place was FAME. Other teams that participated were Beer Nuts, Sike-A-Delics, Rattlers, Outlaws, and Cleanups.

The Muleshoe Softball League Board would like to give a special thanks to Robert Toscano, Ruben Ruvalcava and Erica Sanchez for umpiring the games and to all players for participating.

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 Graduation Speaker — David and Sharry Jenkins

## Valedictorian 2007

### Valedictorian Elizabeth

**Rose Symm**, the daughter of David V. Symm and Tina Sandlin Symm. Offices held during senior year — Science National Honor Society President, St. John Youth Group President, Student Community Action Club Treasurer, Choir Section Leader (Soprano II), Band Section Leader (Woodwind), Choir member-at-large. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Fr, Jr, Sr), Science NHS (Jr, Sr). Other — Character Counts mentor (Fr), Leaders Advocating a Positive Difference member (Jr, Sr), Small School Academics (Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Choir All-Region (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Choir Solo and Ensemble UIL (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Band Solo and Ensemble UIL (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Choir UIL Concert and Sight-reading (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Band UIL Concert, Band UIL Marching Contest (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), District and Regional Academic UIL (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), State Academic UIL (Sr), Regional Small School Academic Competition (Jr, Sr), State Small School Academic Competition (Jr, Sr), Piano Pastoral Contest (Fr), Lubbock Music Teachers Association Sonata and Sonatina Competition (So), Piano Performance



Elizabeth Symm

Evaluation Program (Jr, Sr), Clovis Desayuno Kiwanis Solo Festival (Sr). Honors — Who's Who Among American High School Students (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Society of High School Scholars (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Choir All-Region (Fr, So, Jr) alternate to Area tryouts, (Sr) alternate to Area tryouts, State Band UIL (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), State Choir UIL (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), State Choir UIL (Sr), State Academic UIL (Sr), Academic Achievement Award (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Perfect Attendance Award (Fr), Band Class Award (Fr,

So), Choir Class Award (So), Social Studies Class Award (Fr), English Class Award (Jr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), Science National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), Attitude Award (Fr, So), State Small School Academic Competition (Jr, Sr). Other achievements — Piano competitions, received a Class 1 on my flute solo at State Band UIL, gained acceptance and generous financial aid from Valparaiso University, Ind. Other affiliations — St. John Lutheran Church, Church Youth Group President, Church Co-ed Softball,

## Salutatorian 2007



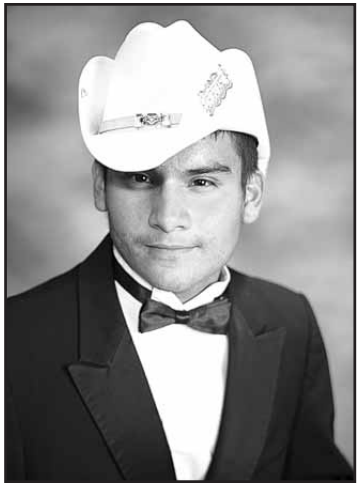
Kate Leopard

Booklet Outreach Ministry member, Church Outreach Committee member. Hobbies — Reading, scrap booking, practicing piano, flute, and voice, studying, drying flowers, walking, spending time with my family, playing with our pets Mousie and Jake. Future Plans — I intend to major in Music Performance at Valparaiso University, where I will have numerous opportunities to increase my knowledge and skills in my areas of interest and grow as a musician in close proximity to Chicago. After college I plan to live

somewhere with green hills and trees and travel the world as a performing musician to become truly cosmopolitan. Ultimately, I dream of using music to heal people and animals both physically and emotionally to fulfill my desire to help others and leave my mark on society. **Salutatorian Katherine Amber Leopard**, the daughter of Robert and Kay Leopard. Offices held during senior year — SCAC President, Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving newsletter. Organizations

— Choir (Fr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Sr), Science NHS (Jr, Sr), Cheerleading (Jr, Sr). Other — Leaders Advocating a Positive Difference, Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving, Character Counts mentor. Competitive events — Basketball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Track (Fr, So, Jr), Cross Country (Fr, Sr), Cheerleading (Jr, Sr), UIL Science Team (Sr), UIL Ready Writing Team (Sr), Choir (Fr). Honors — 1st Team All-District Basketball Team (Jr, Sr), All-State Academic Basketball Team (Sr), 2nd Team All South Plains Basketball (Jr), Basketball Team Captain (Sr), Academic Award of Excellence (Fr, So, Jr, Sr) Who's Who nominee. Other achievements — Regional Qualifier Track (Fr, So, Jr), Regional Qualifier Cross Country (Fr, Sr), Regional Qualifier Basketball Team (Fr, So), National Bid Winning Cheerleading Team (Jr, Sr), All-American Cheerleader Nominee (Jr, Sr). Other affiliations — Muleshoe Church of Christ youth group. Hobbies — Spending time with family, shopping, and consuming large amounts of chocolate. Future Plans — I plan to attend Texas Christian University where I will begin my journey of becoming a dermatologist.

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 Friday, May 25, 2007  
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**Alfonso Fierro**

Alfonso Fierro, the son of Alfonso Fierro and Martina Fierro. Organizations — Baile Moderno (Sr); Other achievements — Positive Attitude shirt (Jr, Sr). Other affiliations — Immaculate Conception Catholic Church; Hobbies — Dancing, racing horses, hanging out with friends; Future Plans — Work or continue my education.

Other achievements — National Honor Roll (So, Jr); Other affiliations — Calvary Baptist Church. Hobbies — Riding horses, hunting, camping, and anything else outdoors. Future Plans — I plan to attend South Plains College for two years and then transfer to Texas Tech University for two years to become a kindergarten teacher.



**T.J. Brantley**

T.J. Ryan Brantley, the son of Curby and Kay Lynn Brantley. Offices held during senior year — FFA Parliamentarian. Organizations — FFA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), 4-H. Competitive events — Football, baseball, basketball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), JVChoir (Jr). Honors — All-District football and basketball, All-South Plains Football (Sr), Ag Award (So, Jr). Other achievements — Mr. MHS, Class Favorite (Jr, Sr), Best Dressed (Sr). Other affiliations — First Baptist Church, Muleshoe. Hobbies — Sports, hunting, Ping-Pong, and hanging out with friends. Future Plans — Attend West Texas A&M University, earn a degree and have fun along the way.



**Dustin Barker**

Dustin Heath Barker, the son of David and Robin Barker. Organizations — National Honor Society (Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Football (Fr, Jr, Sr), Basketball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Track (Fr, So, Sr). Honors — All-District Receiver (Sr), All-District Basketball (Sr), Basketball Team Captain (Sr). Other affiliations — First Baptist Church. Hobbies — Sports. Future Plans — Attend West Texas A&M, receive a degree, and have fun along the way.



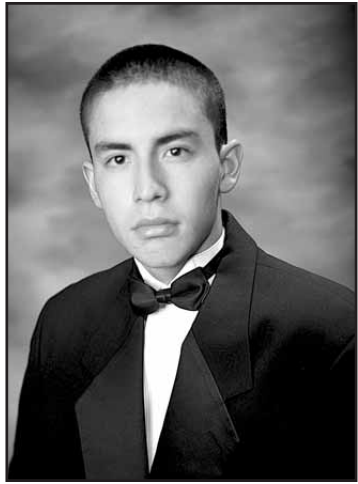
**Beverly Hernandez**

Beverly Amee Hernandez, the daughter of Susan Rodriguez and Able Hernandez. Offices held during senior year — Senior Representative for FCCLA. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr), Art (Fr), DECA (Sr), Ballet Folklorico (So, Jr, Sr), Spanish Club (So, Jr, Sr), FCCLA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Competitive events — FCCLA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Band 2-1/2 years. Honors — FCCLA, 3rd place regionals (So, Sr); Ballet Folklorico, Best Female Dancer (Jr). Other achievements — I finally finished school. Hobbies — work, watch tv, eat a lot, play any kinds of games, hang out with friends and family. Future Plans — Go to a great college and end up with a very good career.



**Andrew Precure**

Andrew Grant Precure, the son of Carroll and Terri Precure. Band — Honorary member (Sr), DECA (Sr), SCAC (Sr). Activities — Muleshoe Mules #1 fan, Office aide (Sr). Honors — Principal's Award (Sr), Community Service II Award (Sr). Hobbies — Loves to play Gamboy™ and PlayStation™ games., going to football and basketball games, swimming, bowling and drinking Dr. Pepper™. Future Plans — Stay in Muleshoe and work and keep my bother and sisters in line. Maybe in the next year or so get accepted to ADVO, a assisted living group home with a work program, in Amarillo.



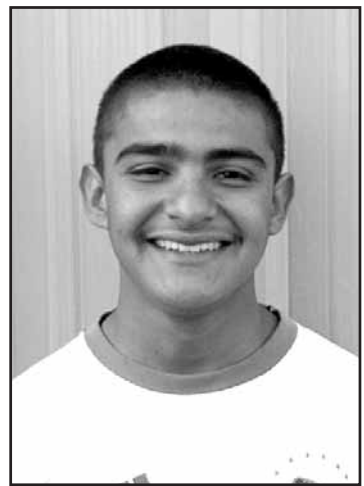
**Andrew Perez**

Andrew Perez, the son of Adrian and Danna Perez; Organizations — None. Activities — Football (Fr). Other achievements — Positive Attitude Awards (Fr, Sr). Other affiliations — I was in the Boy Scouts before I started my freshman year. Hobbies — I like to play baseball and video games. Future Plans — I plan on going to college and spend all my free time with my girlfriend.



**Autumn Rainey**

Autumn Leigh Rainey, the son of Fred Rainey and Bonita Drennan. Offices held during senior year — Secretary of FFA. Organizations — Choir (Fr, So, Sr), FFA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr). Other — Leaders Advocating a Positive Difference (Jr), Stock show (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving (Sr), Character Counts (Fr, So). Competitive events — Tennis (Sr), UIL Choir Competition (Fr, So, Sr), Solo and Ensemble (Fr, So, Sr), Horse Judging team (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Senior Quiz Team (Fr, So, Jr); Honors — Who's Who (Fr, Jr). I made it to state solo and ensemble for choir my Sr year and state horse judging for FFA my Jr year;



**Alvaro Ontiveroz**

Alvaro C. Ontiveroz Jr., the son of Alvaro Ontiveroz Sr. and Delores Ontiveroz; Organizations — Art (Sr), DECA (Sr). Activities — Football (Fr, So). Hobbies — Playing ball and having a good time with friends. Future Plans — Go to college for body mechanics.



**April Ochoa**

April Leann Ochoa. My guardians are Domingo and Sara Luna, and my father Ricardo Ochoa; Activities — Art (Sr), Athletics (Fr), FCCLA (Fr, So, Sr), Basketball (Fr). Hobbies — Playing basketball, going to the movies with friends, and just hanging out. Future Plans — After high school I plan to live with my dad in Dallas. Then I plan on attending college for a degree in nursing and I will either attend college at SPC or somewhere close to my dad.

with friends, and with my church youth group. Future Plans — I plan to go to the Latin American Bible Institute and become a worship leader. Then I want to live in a big house with my happy future family.

*The graduating students listed here are not listed in alphabetical order, or in order of achievement.*

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**Marian Diaz**


Marian Magaly Campos Diaz, the daughter of Jaime and Bertha Campos. Organizations — Choir (Sr), Spanish Club (Fr, So, Jr), FCCLA (So). Competitive events — JV Choir. Hobbies — I love to sing, spend time

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**Perla Diaz**

Perla Ariana Diaz, the daughter of Maria Diaz. Offices held during senior year — DECA secretary. Organizations — Band (Fr), Art (Jr), DECA (Sr), FCCLA (Fr, So). Competitive events — DECA competition. Other affiliations — I attend the Immaculate Conception Church. Hobbies — My hobbies are to spend time with my family and friends and go to the dances. Future Plans — My future plans are to attend college, graduate with my cosmetology degree, own my own beauty shop and later start a happy family. Mom ur the best!



**Laura Cogliandro**

Laura Kay Cogliandro, the daughter of Linda Kay Cogliandro and Nunzio J. Cogliandro. Offices held during senior year — Science National Honor Society Historian, Choir Senior Representative. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Art (Jr, Sr), One Act Play (Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr) SCAC (Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Jr, Sr), Speech and Debate Team (So). Other — Drama Club (Sr), Color Guard (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Character Counts (Fr), Leaders Advocating a Positive Difference (Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Marching Band (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Concert Band (Fr, So), UIL Band Ensemble (So), Visual Art Scholastic Event (Sr), Choir Solo and Ensemble (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Speech and Debate Competition (So), Color

Guard (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), One Act Play (Sr), Social Studies UIL team (Sr), Literary Criticism team (Jr, Sr). Honors — State Choir Solo and Ensemble (Sr).

Placement in a Color Guard team at West Texas Auxiliary Championships (So, Jr, Sr), Placement for a large Band Ensemble (So), Academic Achievement Award (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), State Small School Academic Competition (Jr, Sr), State Alternate in Visual Art Scholastic Event (Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), Science National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), Regional Literary Criticism team (Jr), Regional Social Studies team (Jr), State Literary Criticism team (Sr). Other achievements — I will have a poem published next fall. I received numerous scholarships. Other affiliations — Summer Church Coed Softball team. Hobbies — Reading, art, camping, hiking, fishing, swimming, walking, music, cleaning, shopping, learning, and especially laughing! Future Plans — I plan to begin college at West Texas A&M University in either mathematics or a more creative field. I eventually want to transfer to another university to get my masters degree while searching for a career in my decided area of interest. Eventually, I plan to get married, have a family, and travel the world.



**Ashley Mumau**

Ashley Mumau, the daughter of Betty Tohm and Gerald Mumau. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr), DECA (Sr), FCCLA (Fr, So, Jr). Competitive events — In band for UIL marching and concert season 3 out of the 4 years attending Muleshoe High School. Other achievements — In 2006 I took the ASVAB test to join the Army but have still not decided to join or not. Hobbies — I enjoy watching reality shows, hanging out

with family and friends and listening to all types of music. Future Plans — I plan on going to SPC in Levelland and pursuing a career in law enforcement and then transferring to a university. I also plan to move to Florida and start a family.



**Belen Martinez**

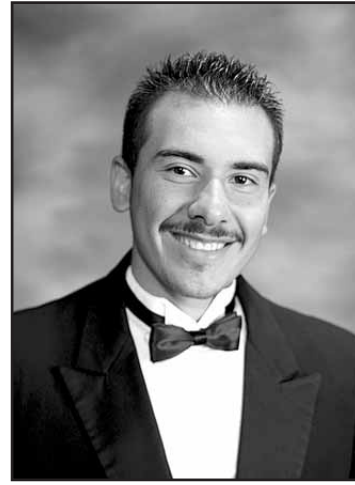
Belen Nichole Martinez, the daughter of Benny and Carmen Martinez. Organizations — Art, Art 1, and Art 2, DECA (Sr), Athletics (Jr), FCCLA (Fr, Sr). Competitive events — Basketball and track 7-8 grade, Cross-country (Jr). Hobbies — Work a lot and hear music and read also draw. Future Plans — I would like to work as a bank teller or a teacher. I would also like to go Disneyland and Paris.



**Timothy Conner**

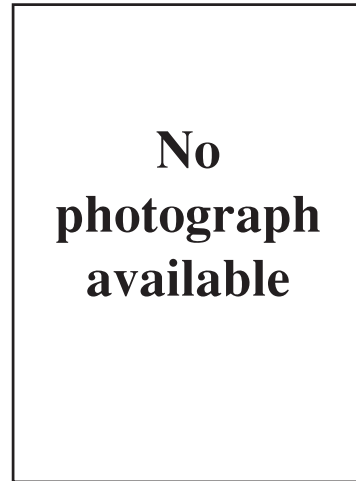
Timothy Don Conner, the son of Stacy and Debbie Conner. Organizations — One Act Play (Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Sr), Science NHS (Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Varsity baseball, football, track (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), UIL Current Events and Mathematics (Sr), JV Choir. Honors — 1st Team All District Baseball Utility Player, 1st Team All District Defensive End, 2nd Team All District Wide Receiver, 2nd Team All South Plains Wide Receiver, Honorable Mention All State Wide Receiver, Regional Qualifier 400M Relay and 800M

Relay, Regional Qualifier UIL Current events. Other achievements — I was voted Most Daring by my peers. Other affiliations — First Baptist Church. Hobbies — I enjoy playing any kind of sport, except soccer. Another thing I enjoy is hunting any kind of animal. I also enjoy going to the mountains and jeeping. Future Plans — I plan to attend Hardin Simmons University where I plan to major in business, then just let what happens happen, and hope for the best.



**Leobardo Chagolla**

Leobardo Chagolla, the son of Margarito Chagolla. Organizations — Art (Jr, Sr), DECA (Sr), Honors — silver key in art. Hobbies — Working with cars, sports, having fun with my friends and girlfriend. Future Plans — Go to college, get good career, get married and have a good life.



No photograph available

**Agustin Martinez**

Agustin Martinez Jr., the son of Agustin Martinez and the late Elizabeth Valle. Organizations — Band (Fr); One Act Play (Sr); Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr); FCCLA (Fr, So); Competitive events — Baseball (Fr, So, Sr), Track (Fr, So, Sr), Power lifting (So), Football (Fr, So, Jr, Sr); Honors — Senior year, All-District Defensive MVP, 1st Team All-District, Super Globe Spread Team, Honorable Mention All-State, and Playing in the All-West All-Star Game. Hobbies — Playing football, Continued on next page.

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**Martinez (Continued)...** and video games. Future Plans — Go play college football and get a degree in history. Then someday come back and coach here at Muleshoe High School. Once a Mule, always a Mule!

Science NHS (Jr, Sr), Cheerleading (Jr, Sr). Other — Leaders Advocating a Positive Difference, Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving. Competitive events — Basketball (Fr), Golf (Fr), Flag Corp (Fr, So), Social Studies UIL- (Fr, So), News Writing UIL (Jr, Sr). Honors — Who's Who Among American High School Students (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), NCA Bid to National Cheerleading Competition (Jr, Sr). Other achievements — Honor graduate. Hobbies — Cheerleading, shopping, spending time with friends, family, and my fiancée. Future Plans — I plan to get married, attend college, and start a family.

engineering and then later attend Houston University to get my bachelors degree for architecture.



**Jessica Thornton**

Jessica Thornton, the daughter of Larry and Dianne Thornton. Offices held during senior year — Leaders Advocating a Positive Difference Chairperson, National Honor Society Public Relations officer. Organizations — Band (Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Basketball and softball (Fr), Tennis (Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Sr), Annual Staff (Sr). Other — Advocating a Positive Difference (Jr, Sr), Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving (Sr), Flag Corps (Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Basketball and softball (Fr), Tennis (Jr, Sr), UIL Editorial Writing (Sr). Honors — District Quarterfinalist-Tennis (Jr), Most Valuable Player- Tennis (Jr); Who's Who Among American High School Students (So, Jr, Sr), UIL Academic District Competition 3rd place, and Regional UIL qualifier. Other achievements — *Muleshoe Journal* weekly columnist (Jr, Sr). Other affiliations — Richland Hills Baptist Church. Hobbies — Hanging out with my family and friends, reading, talking on the phone or computer, playing basketball, and shopping. Future Plans — Attend Wayland Baptist University, majoring in mass communications with a minor in journalism, and play basketball.



**Charles Hammer**

Charles Hammer, the son of Paul and Debbie Hammer. Organizations — Art (Sr), One Act Play (Sr), DECCA (Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), FCCLA (Fr). Other — Trainer for football (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Football (Fr). Other achievements — Employee at Radio Shack, Muleshoe. Other affiliations — Calvary Baptist Church Youth Group. Future Plans — Attend school to become an emergency medical technician or paramedic.



**Eric Washington**

Eric Washington, the son of Mark and Lynda Washington. Organizations — One Act Play (So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Jr, Sr), Science NHS (Jr, Sr), Speech (Fr, Jr, Sr), Debate Team (Sr). Competitive events — Basketball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Football (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Track (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Speech team (Fr, Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Jr, Sr), Debate (Sr). Honors — Cross Examination Debate

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**Carlos Saenz**

Carlos Saenz, the son of Carlos Saenz and Rosa Saenz. Organizations — FFA (Fr, So, Jr), Art (Sr), DECA (Jr, Sr). Other — Member of the American Quarterhorse Association. Hobbies — I like to work with racehorses and cattle. Future Plans — Raise my son and teach him everything I know and live a happy and peaceful life with my family.



**Brittany Villa**

Brittany Nicole Villa, the daughter of Camilo and Belia Villa. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Sr), Athletics (Fr, Sr). Competitive events — I played softball my freshman and senior year. I was a part of the UIL competition in band for marching and concert season all four years in high school. I participated in UIL choir competition all four years and my senior year I competed for choir solo and ensemble. I went to state for Small School Academics Competition my junior and senior year. Hobbies — My hobbies are hanging with my friends and family and listening to music. Future Plans — I plan on attending Redstone Institute in Houston for my associates degree in military



**Brittini Carter**

Brittini Inez Carter, the daughter of Don and Sherry Carter. Offices held during senior year — National Honor Society Secretary, and Science National Honor Society Secretary. Organizations — Band (Fr, So), DECA (Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Sr), Athletics (Fr), UIL Academics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Annual Staff (Jr, Sr),

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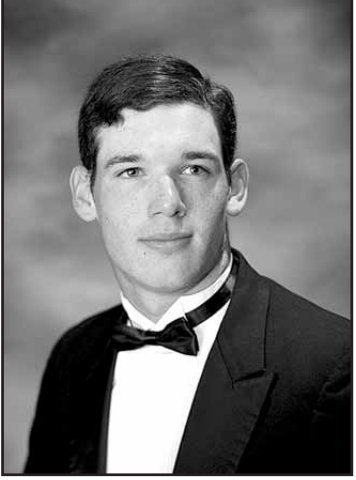
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Quarter Finalist and Golden Gavel Winner, All District Running Back (Sr) All South Plains Running Back (Sr) Golden Spread Team Running Back (Sr) Honorable Mention All District Basketball, Regional Qualifier in long jump (So, Jr, Sr), Sprint Relay (So, Jr, Sr), 800 Relay (So, Jr, Sr), Mile Relay (So, Jr), Who's Who member. Future Plans — Attend Texas Tech University and Major in History.



**Travis Thompson**

Travis Thompson the son of Stacy Thompson and Gary Cain. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr), One Act Play (Sr), Athletics (Fr, Jr, Sr). Other — Small School Academics. Competitive events — Small School Academics, marching band, concert band. Other affiliations — Calvary Baptist Church. Hobbies — Playing solitaire, listening to music and hanging out with my friends. Future Plans — Go to college, become an athletic trainer and start a family in a good town.



**Cecilia Reyna**

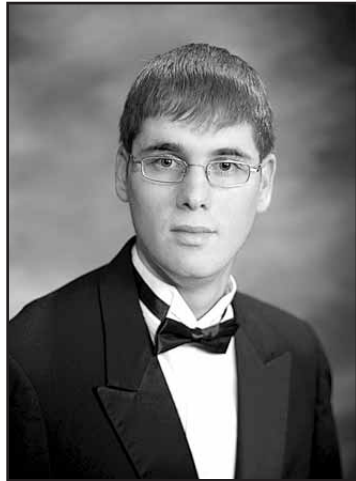
Cecilia Ann Reyna, the daughter of John Paul and Belen Garza. Offices held during senior year — Parliamentarian of Senior Class. Organizations — Band (Fr, So), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Other — Member of LAPD and Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving. Competitive events — Softball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr),

Basketball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Honors — All-State softball (Fr), Second team all district (Jr), MVP (Sr), Basketball Honorable Mention (Jr). Hobbies — I love to play sports and spend time with friends and family. Future Plans — Graduate from college with a bachelors degree in education and later become a softball coach.



**Claudia Morales**

Claudia Morales, the daughter of Gilberto Morales and Lourdes Morales. Organizations — Art (Sr), DECA (Sr), Spanish Club (Fr, So, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), FCCLA (Fr, Sr). Competitive events — Deca Competition my senior year, and my freshman, sophomore, and senior I would go to South Plains College to compete on Poetry, Sight Reading, and Writing. Also my senior year I went to Idalou for an Art competition and made all fours which is the highest. Honore — I made it in Who's Who my sophomore year. Hobbies — I enjoy playing Volleyball, on the weekends going dancing, and my favorite going shopping! Future Plans — My future plans are to attend college and graduate, have a job on the career I went to college for, and in a couple of years get married and have a happy family.



**Kaleb Baker**

Kaleb Baker, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Baker. Organizations — FFA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), 4-H. Competitive

events — Golf (Jr, Sr), FFA Quiz Team (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Honors — Stock Show Grand Champion Steer (Sr), San Antonio Stock Show 2nd place. Employeed with Muleshoe Feed Barn. Hobbies — Play golf, have fun with my friends, play 3-point game. Future Plans — would like to work for Dee King Trucking in cattle, or work in a feed lot in Lubbock.



**Crystal Regalado**

Crystal Regalado, the daughter of Salome and Martina Regalado. Organizations — Band (Fr, So), Spanish Festival (Sr). Other affiliations — Attends Church of God of the Firstborn. Hobbies — Spending time with my family, playing with my baby, shopping, hanging out with my friends. Future Plans — I plan to attend South Plains College for Cosmetology, find a good job later on and maybe go back to school for something else.

*Congrats, graduates!*



**Marisa Ceballos**

Marisa Ceballos, the daughter of Manuel and Armida Ceballos. Organizations — Band (Fr, So). Other achievements — Graduating high school with two kids. Hobbies — I like to go out with friends and family. Future Plans — Go to college.

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**Dillon Meeves**

Dillon Meeves, the son of Terry and Joy Meeves. Organizations — Choir (Jr), FFA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), DECA (Sr). Competitive events — Stock show and horse judging. Hobbies — Hunting, fishing, hanging out with my friends. Future Plans — Graduate, get a good job, and get married to my high school sweetheart.



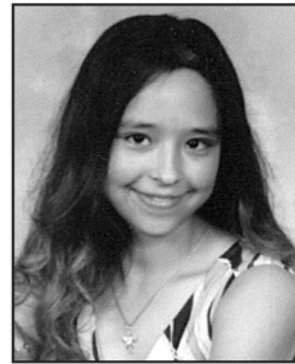
**Kyra Kimbrough**

Kyra Kimbrough, the daughter of Kim Kimbrough and Kyle Kimbrough. Organizations — FFA (Fr), Art (Fr, So), One Act Play (Fr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Fr, Sr), Annual Staff (Sr), Cheerleading (Fr). Other — LAPD and Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving. Competitive events — Basketball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Track (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Honors — Basketball-1st team all district (Sr), Defensive Player of the Year (Sr), Track Regional Qualifier (Fr, Jr, Sr), MVP

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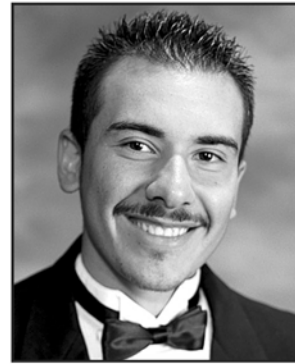
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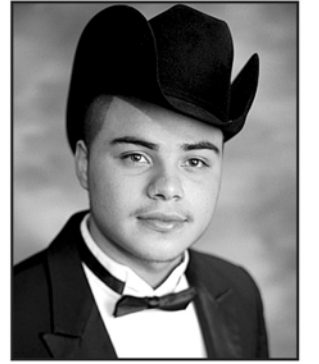
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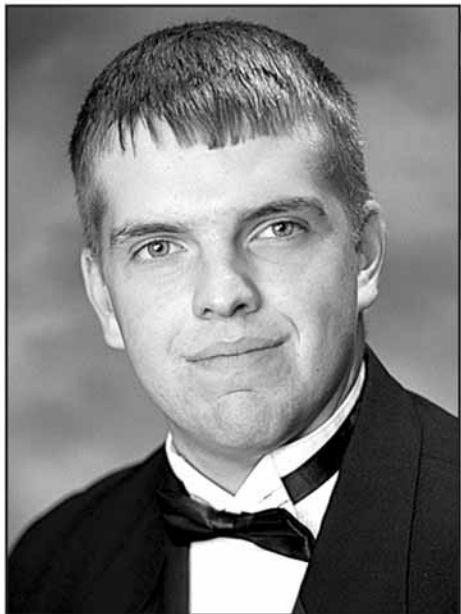
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**Kimbrough (Continued)...**  
(Fr, Jr, Sr). Other affiliations — Lazbuddie Methodist Church. Hobbies — Pole-vaulting is my main hobby right now and hopefully it will continue to be. I also love to shop and be with my family and friends. Future Plans — I plan to pole-vault at Angelo State University and get a degree in elementary or special education. Later I plan to meet my Mr. Right, get married, and have 4 wonderful children

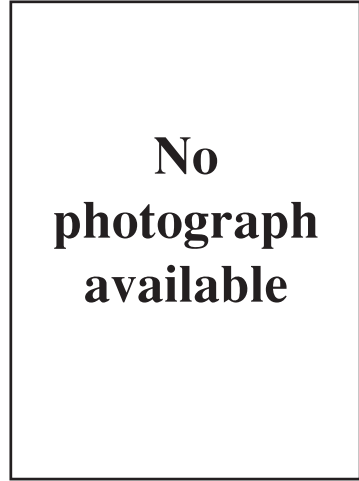


**Alyssa Lopez**

Alyssa Lopez, the daughter of Robert and Ana Lopez, and Rosa and Ismael Salcido.

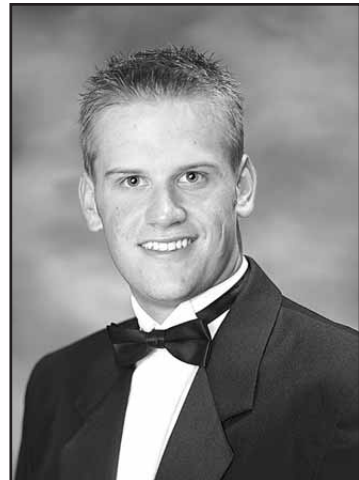
Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr.), Art (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), One Act Play (Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Sr), UIL Academics (Jr, Sr), Science NHS (Sr). Other — Drama Club (Sr), Drumline (Fr, So), LAPD (Jr, Sr), Competitive events — Literary Criticism (Jr, Sr), Social Studies (Jr, Sr), Marching Competition (Fr, So, Jr), Concert Competition (Fr, So, Jr), Percussion Ensemble (So), Scholastic Art Competition (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), VASE (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Honors — Art Club President (Jr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), Science National Honor Society (Sr), Who's Who Among American High School Scholars (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), United States Achievement Academy (Fr, So, Jr), Art-State Competition (Fr), Art I Award (Fr), Art II Award (So), Art III Award (Jr), State Percussion Ensemble Competition (So), Perfect Attendance Award (Jr), Academic Achievement Award (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Biology Award (Fr), Physics Award (Jr), Honors English I Award (Fr), Honors English II Award (So), Attitude Award (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Other achievements — Art published in *Teen Ink Magazine* (So), Gained acceptance to College for Creative Studies in Detroit, Michigan with a \$24,000 scholarship (Sr). Hobbies — Paint, Draw, Design and make clothes, listen to music, watch the Dallas Mavericks, playing with my pets Chico and Vato. Future Plans — Attend the college of my dreams, College for Creative Studies in Detroit, Mich., and become a famous animator working with Pixar. I would also like to become a fashion designer. However, I would also like to study special effects and work on major motion pictures. I also would like to travel the world and absorb the many diverse

cultures. Then I would like to settle down either in Dallas, Texas or somewhere in Europe, either in Finland or Germany.



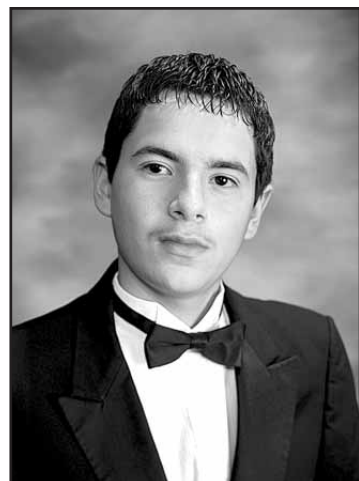
**Mickey Catano**

Mickey Catano, the son of Miguel and Viola Catano. Organizations — Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Football, track. Other achievements — Employed by Chavez 2 Kustoms. Hobbies — Auto repair. Future Plans — Get a job, and save money so I can fix my truck.



**Zane Matthews**

Zane Eric Matthews, the son of Treena and Derrell Matthews. Organizations — Athletics (Jr, Sr), LAPD (Sr), Annual staff (Sr), FCCLA (Jr). Competitive events — Track (Jr, Sr), cross country (Jr, Sr), basketball (Jr). Honors — Most Outstanding Cross Country Runner. Other affiliations — Muleshoe Baptist Church. Hobbies — Running, meetig new people. Friends, family, and God. Future Plans — Get a really good fair job, and live a happy life that's best for me.



**Ray Martinez**

Arthur Ray Martinez, the son of Arthur Martinez and Lucinda Rodriguez. Organizations — Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Speech (Sr)

FCCLA Sr). Competitive events — Solo and ensemble, UIL competition (Fr, So), Hobbies — Hanging with friends and making money. Future Plans — Go to Clovis Community College and get a job working with computers.



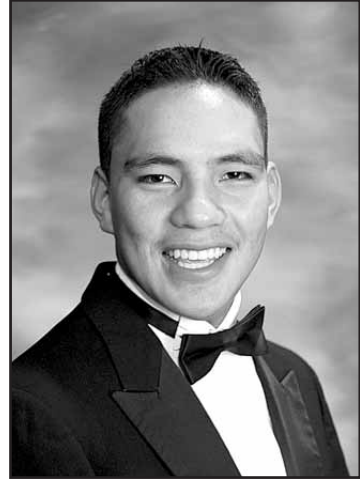
**Irma Torres**

Irma Janel Torres, the daughter of Sylvester and Alicia Torres. Offices held during senior year — Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving Coalition Vice President. Organizations — Art (Jr), DECA (Sr), Spanish Club (Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Jr, Sr), Annual Staff (Jr, Sr). Other — Teen Coalition against Destructive Driving, LAPD, Character Counts. Competitive events — Basketball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Softball (Fr, So), Track (Fr, So, Jr), Vase Competition (Jr), UIL Editorial Writing (Jr), UIL News Writing (Sr). Honors — Who's Who Among High School Students (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), 2006 Homecoming Queen (Sr). Other achievements — Honor Graduate. Hobbies

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**Francisco Ramirez**

Francisco Ramirez, the son of Antonio and Carman Ramirez. Organization — DECA (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So). Hobbies — Listen to radio and spending time with my family. Future Plans — Have a good paying job, get married and have a nice family.



**Abby Kirby**

Abby Marie Kirby, the daughter of David and Jan Lawrence. Offices held during senior year — Sr. Class Reporter, SCAC Secretary. Organizations — Choir (Fr), FFA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Art (Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So), Science NHS (Jr, Sr), Cheerleading (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), FCCLA (So). Honors — All American Cheerleader (Fr, So, Jr), Cheerleader Captain's award (Sr), 2nd team all district softball pitcher (So), Who's Who. Other affiliations — First Baptist Church youth group. Hobbies — spending time with family and friends. Future Plans — Attend South Plains College in the fall and pursue a degree in nusing.

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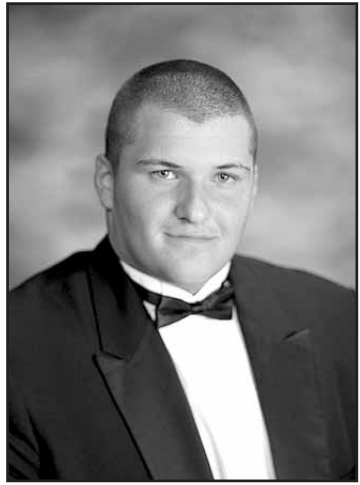
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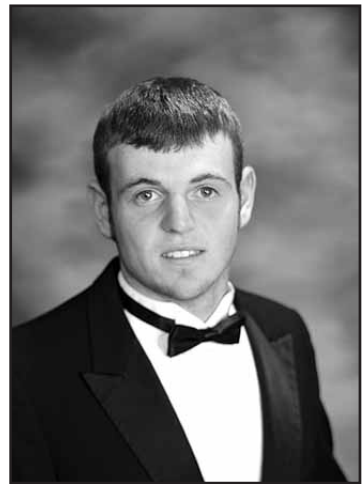
— I enjoy photography, spending time with my family and friends, and teaching my two-year-old niece all the "little" things. Future Plans — I plan to attend SPC in the fall to receive my associates degree in nursing. After doing so, I plan to attend Covenant School of Nursing to become an RN and soon after applying to an anesthetist school in Dallas to further my education and begin my life long career as a nurse anesthetist. Throughout this time I hope to meet a wonderful man, have a gorgeous little girl, just like my niece, and live in a beautiful house with a white picket fence.

Other — Student Athletic Trainer (Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Varsity softball team for three years, all-region band (Sr). Honor — Leadership award for the varsity softball team (Sr). Hobbies — Playing softball and spending time with my family and friends. Future Plans — Attend South Plains College, graduate and get a degree in Radiology. Get Married to Mr. Right and have a beautiful family. I plan on living somewhere in the Dallas area to raise my family and just enjoy life.



**James Coffman**

James Coffman, the son of Jeff and Judy Coffman. Offices held during senior year — Section leader in band. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Football (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Band (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Honors — Bi-District Champions in Football (Sr), National Honor Society. Other affiliations — Music leader of Calvary Baptist Church for four years, Calvary Baptist Youth, Boy Scouts for two years. Hobbies — Listen to music, hang out with my friends, spend time with my girlfriend. Future Plans — Go to college, get a degree and one day start a family and have a good job.



**Bradley Branscum**

Michael Bradley Branscum, the son of Scott Branscum and Kim Birkenfeld. Organizations — FFA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Art (Fr, So), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Other — 4-H (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Football, track. Honors — Honorable mention offensive lineman, 800 relay (Jr, Sr). Hobbies — Work with metal and build thing, and chill with my friends and girlfriend. Future Plans — Go to college and graduate, find a great job settle down, and find a great woman to start a family with.



**Brittany Ambriz**

Brittany Ambriz, the daughter of Joe and Kathy Ambriz. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr).



**Daisy Estrada**

Daisy Yesenia Estrada, the daughter of Abel and Elva Estrada. Organizations — National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Jr), FCCLA (So). Competitive events — News Writing (So). Honors — Perfect Attendance (So). Hobbies — Going to dances, shopping, and being with family, friends, and my boyfriend. Future Plans — Attend college, graduate and be a successful, well-known accountant.



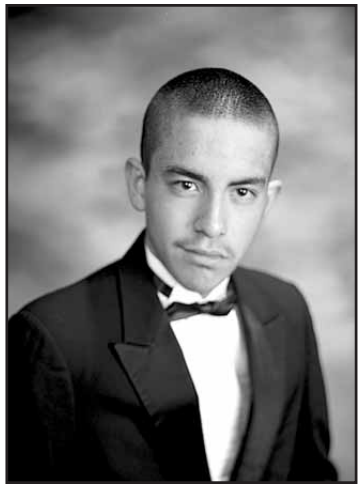
**Lizet Vasquez**

Lizet Vasquez, the daughter of Isauro and Maria Vasquez. Offices held during senior year — Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving. Secretary. Organizations — Band (Fr, So), DECA (Sr), Spanish Club (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr), UIL Academics (Sr), Annual Staff (Sr), FCCLA (Sr). Other — LAPD, Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving. Competitive events — UIL (Sr), Girls Basketball Manager (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Band (Fr, So). Hobbies — I enjoy hanging out with my family, enjoy reading, attending school, helping out the community. Future Plans — I plan on attending South Plains College and earning a degree in Nursing and become an R.N hopefully get into nursing school at Covenant hospital. Marry a great guy and have a wonderful family.



**Jaysol Regalado**

Jaysol Ivette Regalado, the daughter of Rosa Regalado and Juan Pablo Regalado. Organizations — Choir (Sr), DECA (Sr), Spanish Club (Fr, So, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), Science NHS (Jr), Speech (Jr), FCCLA (Fr, So). Other — I am in Health Occupations II (Sr). Honors — Who's Who (So). Other achievements — I am in the Health Occupations II class, and being in that class I was Certified as a Certified Nursing Assistant. I also volunteered at the nursing home and the hospital. I enjoyed it! Other affiliations — My family and I attend the Church Of God of the Firstborn. Hobbies — My hobbies are playing volleyball, spending time with my friends and family, traveling, shopping, and of course dancing. Future Plans — My plans are to go to South Plains College this fall, and go for a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Then after that, I can go for another three years to become a Registered Nurse. Then get married after I finish college, and have a happy family. I also want to take care of my parents when they get older because they mean a lot to me. In addition, my dream is to live in an enormous house beside the ocean. Finally yet importantly, live a happy and peaceful life.



**Gregorio Perez**

Gregorio Andres Perez, the son of Adrian Perez and Danna Perez. Organizations — Art (Fr, So), Athletics (Fr). Other — Family & Community Service (Sr). Competitive events — Football (Fr). Hobbies — Hang out with my girlfriend and drive my car. Future Plans — Go to college, get a good job, get married to my girlfriend, and three or four years from now start a family.

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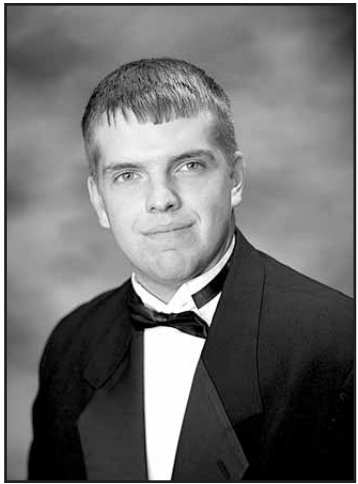
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**Matthew Richards**

Matthew Richards, the son of Mike and Maria Richards. Organizations — Band (Fr, So), FFA (Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Science NHS (Jr, Sr) Competitive events — Football, Track, Power lifting (Fr, So), Baseball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Other achievements — Eagle Scout, Private Pilot. Other affiliations — Boy Scout, Civil Air Patrol. Hobbies — Flying model and real airplanes. Future Plans — Go to Spartan College of Aeronautics in Tulsa, Okla., to become an aircraft maintenance technician.

— Equine Proficiency Award (Fr), FFA Star Greenhand Award; FFA District Horse Judging Team Champions (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), FFA Horse Judging Team State Qualifier (Jr), Ninth place individual Horses Judge at the Area Competition (So), Ninth place individual horse judge at the WTAMU Judging Competition (Sr), Perfect Attendance Award (Fr), High School Honor Roll (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Honors Geometry Award (So). Other achievements — Won first Barrel-racing saddle (Sr). Hobbies — Barrel racing for 13 years, love to shop for shoes, talk on the phone, and travel to barrel races. Future Plans — I plan to graduate with a double major in Soil Science and Accounting from West Texas A&M University. When I graduate from college I hope to work for the Natural Resources Conservation Services. One day I would like to be able to leave Muleshoe, get married, maybe have kids, own a farm or ranch, and one day become a professional barrel racer.

feedyard, have a bunch of animals, take care of my family and buy a very expensive house for my wife when we're 40.



**Madison Myers**

Madison Myers, the daughter of Thurman and Rhonda Myers. Offices held during senior year — President 4-H, President FFA, Treasurer TCADD, and Historian SCAC. Organizations — FFA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Sr), Athletics (Fr, So), UIL Academics (Sr), Annual Staff (Sr), Science NHS (Jr, Sr), Cheerleading (Fr, Jr, Sr). Other — 4-H, Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving, LAPD and Character Counts. Competitive events — Basketball (Fr, So), FFA Judging team (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), FFA Creed Speaker (Fr, So, Sr), FFA Quiz team (Jr), FFA Parliamentary Procedure Team (Fr, So), UIL News Writing (Sr), Cheerleading (Fr, Jr, Sr), FFA Livestock Show Team-Freshman (So, Jr, Sr). Honors — FFA Livestock Judging State Qualifier (Jr), UIL Regional Qualifier News Writing (Sr), FFA Creed Speaking Area Qualifier (Fr), National Qualifier MHS Cheerleading (Jr, Sr), Who's Who Among High School Students, Placed at all major stock shows. Other achievements — Honor Graduate, 4-H state qualifier clothing (Jr), Rotary Sweetheart (Sr), Homecoming Queen Nominee (Sr). Other affiliations — First Baptist Church Youth Group.

Hobbies — Rodeos. Future Plans — I plan to attend Texas A&M and receive a degree in agricultural communications to become an advertiser and go wherever life takes me from there.



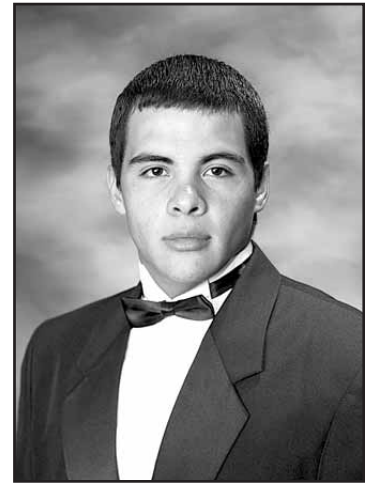
**Enrique Ruiz**

Enrique Ruiz. the son of Jeronimo and Martha Ruiz. Organizations — Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Art (Fr) Athletics (Fr, So), Competitive events — Choir- Bass Section Leader. Honors — All-State Choir Solo and Ensemble. Hobbies — I like to breed, raise, and fight roosters. I also like to travel, fish, and hunt. Future Plans — Enlist in the armed forces, go to college, become famous, and have a big happy family.



**Lynnne McBane**

Lynnne McBane, the daughter of Everett and Suzie McBane. Organizations — FFA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), Annual Staff (Jr), Science NHS (Jr, Sr), LAPD (Jr, Sr), Character Counts Mentor (Fr). Competitive events — Competed on the Muleshoe FFA Horses Judging Team (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), FFA Chapter Conducting Team (Fr), FFA Quiz Team (So, Jr), FFA Radio (Sr). Honors



**Martin Rodriguez**

Martin H. Rodriguez, the son of Julia Nancy Rodriguez and Humberto Rodriguez. Organizations — Band (Fr), Art (Fr, So, Jr), DECA (Sr), Athletics (Fr, Jr). Honors — Art competition Silver Key winner, Mr. MHS Runner up, Wittiest. Hobbies — I like working with animals, horses, goats, roosters, and just hanging out with my friends. Future Plans — I plan to own a



**Tara Fullmer**

Tara Fullmer, the daughter of Que and Debora Fullmer. Offices held during senior year — Senior Class Vice President, National Honor Society Vice President. Organizations — JV Choir (Jr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Sr), Computer Science Team (Sr), MHS Athletics (So), UIL Academics (Sr), Science NHS (Sr), Teen

Coalition Against Destructive Driving (Sr). Competitive events — Basketball (Fr), Track (So), Tennis (Jr, Sr), UIL Competition Applications, Science, Comp. Science and Ready Writing (Sr). Honors — Girls Singles District Champion-Tennis (Sr), Teacher Recognition Awards for U.S. History, Chemistry, Pre-Calculus, and BCIS (Jr). Other affiliations — Leader of the 15-18-year-old young women of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Hobbies — Dancing, playing sports, cooking, and spending time with my family. Future Plans — Graduate from Brigham Young University majoring in architecture, get married, and have six children.

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Gregory Cade Smith, the son of Weldon and April Smith. Offices held during senior year — Senior Class President, National Honor Society President, Science National Honor Society Vice President, Student Community Action Club, Vice President, Yearbook Editor. Organizations — National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), UIL Academics - Accounting (Fr, Jr), Computer Applications (Jr, Sr), Current Issues and Events (Sr); Editorial Writing (Sr), Annual Staff (Sr), Science NHS (Jr, Sr). Other — LAPD, Character Counts. Competitive events — Golf (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Football (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Basketball (Fr, So, Jr), UIL Accounting (Fr, Jr), UIL Computer Applications (Jr, Sr); UIL Current Issues and Events (Sr), UIL Editorial Writing (Sr), Power Lifting (So). Honors — First Team All-District Offensive Lineman 2-AA; First Team All South Plains Offensive Lineman 2A; Selected to play in the West Texas Football Classic All-Star Game; Golf Regional Qualifier (So, Jr, Sr); All District Golf (Jr, Sr); Who's Who Among American High School Students (Jr). Other affiliations — First Baptist Church Youth Group. Hobbies — Playing golf, hanging out with my friends, hunting, and watching sporting events. Future Plans — Attend Texas Tech University and major in Horticulture to become a golf course superintendent, get married and start a family.

UIL Academics (So), Annual Staff (Jr), FCCLA (So). Competitive events — UIL Social Studies Team 1st as a team, 3rd individual. Honors — Who's Who (So, Jr). Hobbies — Reading, writing, listening to music, dancing. Future Plans — Continue school, work and save money, eventually get married, and start a family someday.



**Kindra Pruitt**

Biographical information was not provided for publication.



**Ashley Martinez**

Biographical information was not provided for publication.



**Raul Campos**

Raul Campos, the son of Manuel and Bertha Campos. Organizations — Choir (Sr), DECA (Sr), Spanish Club (So), SCAC (Jr, Sr), FCCLA (Fr, So), Other — The teachers showed me how to be successful and to never give up but to be persistent. Other affiliations — I participate in church during bake sales or car washes. Hobbies — Being with my friends and working. Future Plans — My plans are to own a successful cattle business and go to college to be an RN or an anesthesiologist.



**Whitney Moulton**

Whitney Paige Moulton, the daughter of Alfredo and Melinda Guzman. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr), Art (Fr), DECA (Sr), National Honor Society (Sr),

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**Harley Davidson**

Biographical information was not provided for publication.



**Amberlee Steinbock**

Amberlee Nicole Steinbock, the daughter of Dennis and Tanya Steinbock. Offices held during senior year — SCAC Reporter and Secretary. Organizations — Art (Fr, Jr), DECA (Sr), National Honor Society- (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Cheerleading (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Other — LAPD, Teen Coalition against Destructive Driving, Future Business Leaders of America. Competitive events — Basketball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Cheerleading (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Regional Qualifier in UIL Calculator Applications (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Track (Fr, So, Jr), Art (Fr, Jr), Golf (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Participant in the Art VASE Competition (Jr). Honors — Who's Who among High School Students (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Honors Geometry Award (Jr), Art Award (Jr), Desktop Publishing Award (Jr), English II Award (So),

DECA Employee of the Month (Sr), Top NCA All-America (Jr, Sr), Received a NCA Bid to Nationals (Fr, Jr, Sr), UIL calculator Applications District Winner (Jr, Sr), 3rd Place District UIL Computer Applications and Regional Qualifier (Sr). Other achievements — Competed at the World Cheerleading Competition (Jr); Selected to serve as NCA Instructor at Summer Camps (Sr). Honor Graduate. Other affiliations — Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship. Hobbies — Art, cheerleading, skiing, going to the lake, photography, talking on the phone, and shopping. Future Plans — This summer I plan to travel with the (NCA) National Cheerleading Association Staff teaching summer cheerleading camps to High School Squads all over the state of Texas. In August I plan to attend West Texas A&M University and major in Elementary Education, and also be a member of the WT cheerleading squad. While later receiving a good teaching job as a third grade teacher; open up my own all-star cheerleading gym, get married and start my own wonderful family and hopefully carry out the family generation of twins- While enjoying life one day at a Time!



**Jordan Saylor**

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**Dominique Herrera**

Dominique Efrain Herrera, the son of Efrain and Libby Herrera, Organizations — Art (Fr), DECA (Sr), Athletics (Fr), FCCLA (So). Competitive events — Football (Fr). Other affiliations — Catholic Church youth group. Hobbies — Listening to music, hanging out with friends, drawing. Future Plans — Attend South Plains College.



**Erica Sanchez**

Erica Sanchez, the daughter of Juan and Maria Sanchez. Organizations — Art (Sr), DECA (Sr), Athletics (Fr, So), FCCLA (Fr). Competitive events — Softball, won District Champions and went to the playoffs (Fr). Hobbies — Hang out with friends, go to parties, eat and enjoy my free time. Future Plans — Go to college, "hopefully," be a mother and play softball next year.

quarterback and punter, all-south plains quarterback and punter, all-district and all-south plains shortstop, regional qualifier 400m dash, 400m relay, and mile relay, Golden Spread team punter (Jr); Football team captain, all-district receiver and punter, golden spread team kicker, all-south plains receiver and punter, regional qualifier 400m relay, 400m dash, and 100m dash, All-State academic football, All-State receiver and punter (Sr.). Other affiliations — Muleshoe Cowboy fellowship, First Baptist Church youth group. Hobbies — Taking my dog hunting, sports, riding four-wheelers, and pool volleyball. Future Plans — I plan to attend Abilene Christian University as a pre-med student.

events — Talent Show 2007, 3rd place. Other affiliations — Immaculate Conception Church. Hobbies — Go to dances, listen to music. Future Plans — Go to college and study to be a reporter.



**Kaitlyn Geissler**

Kaitlyn Geissler, the daughter of Gregg and Shonnee Geissler. Offices held during senior year — FFA Vice President. Organizations — FFA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Sr), Cheerleading- JV squad (Fr, So), Varsity Cheerleading (Jr, Sr). Other — LAPD (Jr, Sr), Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving (Sr), Character Counts Mentor (Fr). Competitive events — FFA Horse Judging Team (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), FFA Chapter Conducting (Fr), FFA Quiz team (So, Jr.), FFA Radio Team (Sr), UIL Accounting team. Honors — FFA Star Greenhand Award, Leadership Award, Outstanding FFA Member,

District Champion Horse Judging Team (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), State Horse Judging Team Qualifiers (Jr), Cheerleading All-American Nominee (So, Jr, Sr), All-American Team Member (Sr), National Bid Winners- (Fr, So, Jr, Sr),. Others — Rotary Sweetheart Nominee, High School Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance Award (Fr), Social Studies Award (Fr), Who's Who Among American High School Students (Fr, So, Jr). Other achievements — Successfully qualified USAG Trampoline Coach, Level One Coaching Degree, National Safety Certification Degree. Other affiliations — USAG. Hobbies — Rodeo, training

horses, coaching the competitive tumbling and trampoline team at Muleshoe Sports Academy, shopping, and working with kids. Future Plans — I plan to attend Texas Tech University and possibly major in equine nutrition and minor in hippotherapy. I then plan to start my own competitive tumbling and trampoline gym. After all that, I want to find that perfect someone and live my life to the fullest.

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**Jameson Skipworth**

Jameson Derek Skipworth, the son of Jeff and Diane Skipworth. Offices held during senior year — SCAC Historian. Organizations — Band (Fr, So), Choir (Fr, So), DECA (Sr), SCAC (Sr). Competitive events — Band 2 years, Choir 2 years, DECA 1 year. Other affiliations — 16th & D Church of Christ. Hobbies — I enjoy working outdoors and helping others. Future Plans — I plan to get my degree in landscape architecture.



**Brant Hamilton**

Brant Price Hamilton, the son of Jeff and Deena Hamilton. Offices held during senior year — FFA Sentinel and SCAC Chaplain. Organizations — FFA (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Jr) Science NHS (Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Varsity Football, Baseball, and Track (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Basketball (Fr, So, Jr) and JV Choir. Honors — Regional qualifier 800m relay and mile relay (Fr); All-district quarterback, regional qualifier 400m relay, 800m relay, and mile relay (So.); Football team captain, all-district



**Narcedalia Cabrera**

Narcedalia Flores Cabrera, the daughter of Maria Flores and Victor Flores. Organizations — Baile Moderno. Competitive

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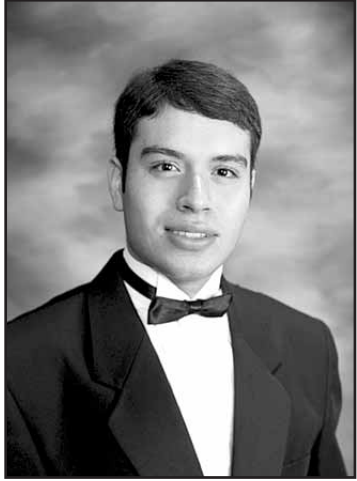
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**Chelsi Hawkins**

Chelsi Leah Hawkins, the daughter of Keith and Brenda Hawkins. Offices held during senior year — Senior Class Secretary, Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving President, Science National Honor Society Historian, Area Teen Coalition Aggressive Driving Group Chairperson. Organizations — Art (Jr), One Act Play (Fr), National Honor Society — (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Sr), Annual Staff (Sr), Science NHS (Jr, Sr), Cheerleading (Jr). Other — LAPD, Teen Coalition Against Destructive Driving, Character Counts. Competitive events — Basketball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Cross Country (Fr, So, Sr), Track (Fr, So, Jr), Golf (Fr), Cheerleading (Jr), UIL Headline Writing (Sr). Honors — Basketball Regional Qual (So), Cross Country Regional Qualifier (Fr, So, Sr), Track Regional Qualifier (Fr, So, Jr), UIL State Qualifier Headline Writing (Sr), Who's Who Among High School Students, Basketball Captain (Sr) National Qualifier Art (Jr), National Qualifier MHS Cheerleader (Jr). Other achievements — Honor Graduate, Rotary Sweetheart Nominee (Jr). Hobbies — Baking and

photography. Future Plans — I plan to attend Clovis Community College to receive my associates degree in business. After that, I plan to transfer to West Texas A&M University to obtain a bachelor's degree in business administration. I also plan to have a wonderful family, to marry a guy as wonderful as my grandpa, and to lead a happy life. After that is achieved, I want to open my own bakery.



**Gerardo Gomez**

Gerardo Gomez, the son of Gerardo and Ramona Gomez. Offices held during senior year — Advanced Choir Bass Leader. Organizations — Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), Science Fair (So), UIL Academics (Fr). Honors — Choir and UIL (Accounting). Competitive events — Choir All-region (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), All-State Choir Solo and Ensemble (So, Jr, Sr), Prince of Friendship (Sr). Other affiliations — Church youth group (So). Hobbies — Playing basketball, singing and playing the piano. Future Plans — Attend Eastern New Mexico University to earn a doctorate degree in vocal performance and hopefully become a member of the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City and other prominent houses abroad.



**Jamie Hall**

Jamie Hall, the daughter of Lori Stroud and Brandon Hall. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr), Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), One Act Play (So, Jr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Jr, Sr), UIL Academics Social studies team (Fr, So) and Ready Writing (Sr) Speech (Fr). Other — Tennis (Fr, So), Drama Club — (Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Band (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Choir Solo and Ensemble (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Band Solo and Ensemble (Fr), Color Guard. Honors — All Region Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Pre-area Choir (Jr), Regional Ready Writing Champion (Sr), Texas State Solo and Ensemble Competition (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Academic Award of Excellence- 3 years, One Act Play, All-Star Actress (So). Other affiliations — Muleshoe Church of Christ. Hobbies — Music is a big part of my life and I spend most of my free time listening to, singing, or playing some form of music. Future Plans — I plan to attend Angelo State University in the Fall 2007, majoring in music education to be a choral music director. After college and a few years of teaching, I plan to get my doctorate in music education. I plan to be happy and successful and live my life to the fullest.



**Noe Salcido**

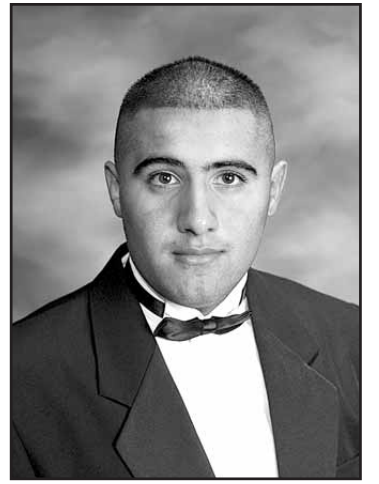
Noe Salcido, the daughter of Jesus and Imelda Salcido. Organizations — Art (Sr). Honors — Won the Spanish award first and second place; won the silver key in the VASE art competition. Hobbies — I like to watch television, like to box, like going to dances and to the horse races. Future Plans — I want to attend Ocean Corporation in Houston to be an underwater welder, and make a lot of money.



**Shayla Hall**

Shayla Hall, the daughter of Wells and Janet Hall. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr), Art (Fr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), SCAC (Sr). Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), FCCLA (Sr). Competitive events — Volleyball (Fr, So), Track (Fr, So), Basketball (Fr, So), Band (So, Jr), FCCLA (Sr), Small School Academics (Sr), Softball (Sr). Other affiliations — Member of

Latter Day Saints church and youth group. Hobbies — Sports, all outside activities, dancing, singing, cooking, styling hair, sleeping, helping others, reading, watching movies. Future Plans — Go to a massage college in Provo, Utah, then a cosmetology school, then a cooking school. Get married and live happily ever after.



**Tony DeLeon**

Tony Guzman DeLeon, the son of Socorro Guzman. Organizations — Choir (Fr, Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr). Competitive events — Power lifting, basketball, track, football, and Small School Academics. Honors — Member of Who's Who, Team Captain in Football, Second team, All- district Linebacker. Hobbies — flag football and fishing. Future Plans — Attend college and have a successful life.



**Elisabeth Hall**

Elisabeth "Lissi" Hall, the daughter of Georgia L. Hall. President of DECA and Vice President of Band. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), DECA (Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Sr), Annual Staff (Sr), FCCLA (So). Competitive events — Feature Writing in UIL (Sr), Marching and Concert competitions (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), WTAC for the Flag Corps (Jr, Sr), Hospitality Services for DECA (Sr). Other achievements — Band 4 Award, Level 1 Senior Award, Marketing Education Award. Other affiliations — St. Clement's Episcopal Church. Hobbies — Hanging out with my friends and spending time with my family. Future Plans — To attend college and start my own business, and to stay very close to my wonderful Mom!



**Kendall Johnson**

Kendall Johnson, the son of Chris and Adena Johnson. Organizations — Art (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), One Act Play (Sr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), Athletics (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Other — Character Counts (Fr, So), LAPD (Jr, Sr). Competitive

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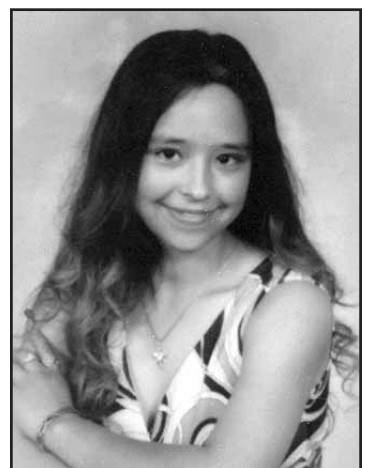
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 events — Football (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Baseball (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Track (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Powerlifting (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), One Act Play (Sr). Honors — All district honorable mention offensive lineman in football, 5 gold keys in art and 2 silver keys. Other affiliations — Calvary Baptist Church. Hobbies — Drawing, painting, writing, listening to music, playing football. Future Plans — I plan to attend Arlington Baptist College and to later marry the woman I love.



**Calli Hancock**

Calli Hancock, the daughter of Larry and Pam Hancock. Organizations — Band (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), One Act Play (Jr), National Honor Society (Jr, Sr), UIL Academics (Sr), Cheerleading (Sr). Other — Tennis Team (Fr, So, Jr). Competitive events — Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), Band (Fr, So, Jr), UIL Math (Sr), Tennis (Fr, So, Jr), Color Guard (Fr, So, Jr). Honors — All-Region Choir (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), All-State Solo and Ensembles (Fr, So, Jr, Sr), All-State Choir Qualifier (Jr). Other achievements — Co-Captain of the color guard (Jr.), vice president choir (Sr). Hobbies — singing, playing the piano, hunting. Future Plans — I have been accepted to Texas Tech University in the major of Vocal Performance where I plan to get a degree in music performance and a masters in therapy to become a music therapist. I also plan to start a family in my future years.



**Tosha Gomez**

Tosha Marie Gomez, the daughter of Alice Garza and Rene Garcia. Organizations — Band, Choir and FCCLA. Other — LAPD, Rachel's Challenge. Hobbies — Playing basketball, soccer and playing with my son. Plans — I plan to go to college to study business and continue caring for and loving my son.



**Happy Graduation!**

Neither photographs, nor biographical information were available for:  
**Oswaldo Corona**

# Encouragement offered to Muleshoe's graduates

## Lamplight By Larry Thornton

One of the hardest months in the newspaper business is the month of May, because of the end of the school year gatherings, on top of the regular news coverage.

Sometimes, it feels as if you have to work all month long with a few naps and meals on the way, and when you throw a graduate into the mix, the time crunch gets even worse.

On a bright note, all of the graduation hoopla does something... it keeps us from thinking too much about our fledglings who have sprouted wings, and are looking forward to fleeing the nest.

My daughter, Jessica, and all of her classmates, are no doubt already dreaming about getting out into the world... while their parents are probably wishing they were back in school, without all of the concerns and problems of adult life.

Galatians 6:9, NIV, says, "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

The basic rule physicians are taught is "do no harm." It's aimed at the idea that it is better not to do anything than to provide a treatment that injures a patient even further.

But you might say that Christians are called to a higher standard. God tells us to "do good," and even more than that we are encouraged to "not grow tired of doing good."

In his letter to the Christians at Galatia, Paul took a moment to encourage the Galatians in their struggles to do God's work.

He pointed out that doing

God's work isn't always easy. He pointed out that many would face discouragement. And, he wanted to reassure them that their efforts had meaning.

In 2 Thessalonians 3:13, NIV, we read, "And as for you brothers, never tire of doing what is right."

— But while Paul was speaking specifically about Christians who become weary from carrying the torch of God's word into an unrepentant world, we can also find peace and strength in God's word as we face other difficulties.

Throughout the Bible, God tells us to turn to him for strength. Matthew 11:28, NIV, says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

And, 2 Corinthians 12:9, NIV, says, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

Muleshoe's graduates are no doubt breathing a sigh of relief at the thought that school is over... at least for the summer. But the truth is that all life should be a learning experience, whether you're nine years old, or 90, and you don't have to be in college to learn something after high school. In fact, the sanctification process all Christians experience is a time of learning about God and growing in Christlikeness.

When you're not growing in God, you're stagnating. When you reach the point that you think you can learn nothing new about God it's because you've closed your heart to the work of the Holy

Spirit, and you had better spend some time on your knees.

Hopefully, our graduates understand that the journey they are about to undertake resembles the Cherokee "trail of tears" more than a Caribbean cruise.

There will be some great times ahead, but there will be more than a few tears along the way. And when they hit the tough times, the same God that created them will be there to strengthen them.

Paul's letter to the Galatians also said carried a promise. "...At the proper time we will reap a harvest."

Paul was referring to the harvest of souls that would result from the Galatians efforts.

In Psalm 37:4, NIV, we read, "Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart."

At this time, Jessica and the other graduates are still searching for tomorrow. In some cases, they think they know the desires of their hearts, but I wouldn't be surprised if these desires didn't change during the next year or so.

Instead of the harvest, they still need to focus on the planting season. But eventually, the seeds grow into a plant, and the crop becomes a harvest.

While I would prefer for her to go to college, the truth is that Jessica only needs to go to college if she feels God is leading her to go to college.

Proverbs 4:7, NIV, says, "Wisdom is supreme; therefore get wisdom." But, it's referring to God's wisdom, and not just book learning.

Galatians 6:9 also contains a warning: "...If we do not give up"

This is saying, "even when things seem to be at their worst, don't throw in the towel."

For the Christian involved in ministry, these words tell them not to quit the fight, no matter what discouragement besets you. There is probably nothing sadder than a Christian who has given up... who has allowed his or her spirit to be quenched, and has reached a point that he or she is just "going through the motions."

But for the graduating senior it should call a few other things to mind. Be prepared for the struggles of life. Have fun at college, but have fun that will honor your Father in heaven.

Also, when you encounter those struggles, don't leave the field of battle with the job unfinished.

And don't change sides. There will be people in the world whose greatest joy and sense of accomplishment is directed at destroying your faith in God. Don't let others, whether they profess to be Christians or not, discourage you in your walk with God.

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Father Leonardo and the members of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church wish all graduating seniors much future success. Go and be blessed!

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