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# Councilperson says more compassion needed in utility policy

**By Larry Thornton** Managing Editor

versus efficiency and fairness in government off. raised its head during Monday's meeting of the Muleshoe City Council as Councilperson Sharon Grant urged a change in the city's utility termination policy.

"All that I'm asking is that we give people notice the day before (they're cut off)," Grant said.

She said the city should allow a water customer to at least draw a couple of gallons of water to use until they can get in to reinstate service out of courtesy.

spend \$4 million without habitually late in paying batting an eye, but it can't their utility bills and ones give a utility customer the time needed to draw some drinking water before service which she recently found is terminated.

day what's going on in that to "define habitual." house," Grant said, noting that there was a gray area of strives to be consistent in against the measure. compassion involved.

said she recently encountered this problem By Larry Thornton when her own utility payment

**Local Weather** 

Showers...... 54/17

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Sunny..... 61/27

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Sunny..... 66/30

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Words to ponder from Beverly

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"Then write me a policy that covers a gray area," said City Manager David utility termination policy. Brunson.

policy should attempt the U.S. Postal Service to differentiate between delivering a payment 10 Grant said the city can utility customers who are days late, as in Grant's who are unintentionally late, such as the group in herself, the city manager seconded by Grant, the vote "We don't know on a given said the council would have that followed was split at

was lost in the mail, and how the termination policy she returned home to find is administered, and noted The issue of compassion the water service to her that about 40 customers residence had been cut were on the cutoff list each month.

> It was also noted, in response to a question from Councilman Richard Orozco, that utility customers

have the option of setting up a payment plan with the city to avoid termination of services.

"I think it's more than fair," Councilperson Irene Mason said about the city's current

"You can't control freaky And when Grant things happening," Mason suggested that the said about such things as

Although Mayor Pro-Tem Earl Behrends moved that the council consider amending the current policy, 2-2 and failed to pass, with Brunson said the city Mason and Orozco voting



Home again!

Pete returned to his familiar post overlooking Muleshoe Saturday afternoon, thanks to the efforts of Wade Angeley, pictured above on the right, and Andy Wilson, on the left. The statue of Pete, which draws an amazing number of visitors throughout the year, was recently repaired by Shipman's Body Shop after it was damaged by vandalism. Often recognized as the "most widely traveled mule statue in the United States," Pete was included in the first inaugural parade and celebration of Pres. George W. Bush.

# City to host May 10 elections

The Muleshoe City Muleshoe City Hall. Council approved election agreements with the council meeting.

city will coordinate and hold

Brunson, when addressing Muleshoe Area Hospital the issue, said the city District and the Muleshoe supported anyway that council approved the annual Independent School District made it easier to hold the order for the May 10 general during Monday's regular elections, and noted that municipal election. providing the space for all Under the agreement, the three elections to be held up for election in the city at one location was a great are Dist. 3, held by Earl both the school and hospital benefit to the local voters. district's May 10 elections at Both the regular elections,

and the early voting for the City Manager David three entities will be handled at city hall.

On a related issue, the

This year, the positions

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# The Dist. 4 councilperson Police chief presents annual racial profiling report

Managing Editor

on members of its police force for having violated the Texas Racial Profiling law during the time period of Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2007," Police Chief Brian Frieda reported during Monday's regular meeting of the city

statement, which was part "The Muleshoe Police of the department's state-Department has not mandated racial profiling received any complaints report, as prepared by Alex del Carmen, Ph.D., noted that all of Muleshoe's officers had completed the required training courses aimed at preventing incidents of racial profiling.

At one point, Mayor Pro-Tem Earl Behrends, who chaired Monday's meeting

The police chief's in the absence of Mayor and it was noted that having made of which 379, or 67 the necessity of having Del Carmen Consulting, LLC., prepare the report and asked about the cost of the task.

Cliff Black, asked about an outside entity gather the percent, were Hispanic, 174 information and prepare an outside entity, such as the report "increased its Black. credibility."

related contacts Muleshoe's Chief Frieda explained that officers had made during the expense was included in calendar year 2007, noting the department's budget that 565 stops had been

were White, and 11 were

Of those stops, a total of The report also included only 21 resulted in either information about the traffic- a consensual or probable cause search of the vehicle, and two resulted in a

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#### Clayton signs with WTA&M

**By Delton Wilhite** 

Sportswriter

Dusty Clayton signed a Letter of Intent to play college football for West Texas A&M this next season.

Clayton played wide receiver for the Mules and finished the year with 39 catches over the 12 games the Mules played.

His catches accounted for 781 yards for the Mules and an average of 20 yards per catch. He led the Mules with 12 touchdown receptions.

Muleshoe High School principal Elizabeth Ward got the festivities started in the high school library by welcoming all the friends and relatives of Clayton that were in attendance.

"Dusty Clayton shines not only on the football field," said Ward, "but also in the classroom. He is a special young man that we all want to wish the best in life."

"First and foremost

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Starla Ellis, Dusty Clayton and Todd Ellis at the signing.

#### Court to consider leasing trash bins

By Larry Thornton Managing Editor

commissioners' court bins. closed Monday's regular about what to do with

a rural trash problem, since the ordinance prohibiting burning also includes trash incinerators.

Precinct Commissioner Butch precincts that would allow trash bins. rural residents to dispose of refuse.

of their trash," Vandiver C.E. Grant had placed a bin and Feb. 7 meetings.

said. "It's not going to cost at the West Camp Gin. that much," he added, along With Bailey County's with the fact that each of the court Feb. 15, the other burn ban in effect for individual precincts should the next month, the pick up the cost for the place bins at their barns

Precinct 3 Commissioner



Ban is in effect

Vandiver initially raised the meeting in the absence \$280,833.40. the issue, asking for a of County Judge Sherri special meeting to be Harrison, agreed to call the set to discuss placement emergency meeting, noting of large trash collection that prior to the vote the bins at a central location county would need to look report. within each of the four into the cost of leasing the

However, as of Tuesday, Vandiver had already "With the burn ban, placed a collection bin at travel forms. people in the county don't the Precinct 1 barn, and have anywhere to get rid Precinct 2 Commissioner from the Jan. 14, Jan. 28

If approved by the

precincts will probably as well.

The commissioners' meeting with discussion Joey Kindle, who chaired court approved the extension of Judge Harrison's emergency burn ban during its Feb. 7 special meeting.

In other business, the commissioners:

 Approved payment of county bills totaling

 Approved the December county treasurer's report, and received the January

 Approved the second budget amendment for FY 2008.

Approved in-county

Approved the minutes







#### Chamber banquet tickets available

The Muleshoe Area Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture announced that the 58th annual Chamber Banquet will be held on Saturday, March 29, at the Bailey County Coliseum. The special guest for the event will be Ray Stone, host of the Dallas Cowboys radio network, and also the Jeff McCreight Band. Tickets for the "black tie and boots" event will be available starting Feb. 1 from any chamber board member or at the chamber office.

#### EMS benefit scheduled

Bailey County EMS will be hosting a southern and country gospel concert to raise funds on March 1, at 6 p.m., at the Muleshoe High School auditorium.

The concert will include performances by Jack and Deb Stone, and also the 2007 International Christian Country Music New Artist of the Year, Russ Murphy of Nashville, Tenn.

Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Advance tickets may be purchased at the Bailey County EMS building, 715 W. Second, or from any EMS personal. Children under 10 are free.

#### Alzheimer's Disease Support Group

The Bailey County Alzheimer's Disease Support Group will be meeting Thursday, Feb. 14, at noon, at Park View Nursing Home. Lunch will be served.

For more information contact Debbie Crabtree, Bailey County Aging Services, 272-3647, or Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 272-4583.

#### Scholarship applications available

Applications for the Kristy M. Landers Memorial Scholarship are available from the MHS counselors, Nanette Anglin and Dana Wright. The final day to apply is Feb. 25.

#### AA, Al-Anon meetings

AA and Al-Anon meetings are being held at 7 p.m., each Friday, at the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe, 507 W. Second. For more information, call 806-965-2870. Please use the west side entrance.

#### Garten donations sought

A special account at Muleshoe State Bank has been set up to assist Gary Don Garten with medical expenses.

#### Lazbuddie senior fund raiser

The Lazbuddie Senior Class is holding a luncheon on Sunday, Feb. 17, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Lazbuddie School cafeteria to raise money for its senior trip.

The menu will be steak and chicken kabobs, baked potato, roll, salad and homemade dessert. The cost of the meal is \$7. Take outs are available.

For tickets please contact: Jeff Ford, Chelsee Nichols, Brittney Schacher, Brianna Sanchez, Rochelle Smith, Megan McGuire, Regina Mata, Joaquin Campos, Esteban Pacheco or Jason Davis.

#### A&M peanut production workshop

Farmers can update their peanut knowledge at the is a vicious circle that fifth annual Texas AgriLife Research & Extension peanut production workshop scheduled for this month.

The dates and locations are:

- Feb. 19 at the Plains Community Building, Plains.
- Feb. 20 at the Lamb Co. Agriculture & Community Center, 1619 Hall in Littlefield (on U.S. 385 about four blocks north of U.S. 84).

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., includes a free lunch sponsored by Western Peanut Growers Association, and concludes by 2 p.m.

Topics will include varieties, fertility, weed and disease control, and irrigation. Three CEUs will be available.

For more information contact the Texas AgriLife roll released Extension Service office in Lamb Co., (806)385-4222, Ext. 235, or extension agronomist Calvin Trostle, Texas A&M AgriLife Research & Extension Center, Lubbock, (806)746-6101.

#### Diabetes support group

The Bailey County Diabetes Support Group will meet this month on Tuesday, Feb. 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the dining room of Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

This program is free of charge to anyone interested. For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, county extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Bailey County, 118 W. Ave. C., Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

#### Calvary Baptist to sell cookies

Calvary Baptist Church of Muleshoe will be selling Valentines Day cookies and other items as a fund raiser for its youth program. The nine-inch cookies may be ordered by calling either 806-272-4071, or 806-272-5248.

#### Freshman class fund raiser

Muleshoe High School's Freshman class is currently conducting a Gourmet Frozen Cookie Dough and Cake

The cookie dough comes in nine flavors, and is packaged in 3 lb. tubs selling for \$11. The cakes are eight inches in diameter and weigh 21 - 24 ounces, and range in price from \$11 - \$13.

To order your cookie dough and pies, contact any Freshman class member or sponsor. The phone number at the High School is 272-7303.

The sale will end Feb. 25, and orders will be delivered approximately two weeks after the end of the sale. Class sponsors are Wes Boatmun, Jim Daniel, Laura Hill and April Smith.

#### Tire raffle benefit

Muleshoe Tire, Inc., will be raffling a set of LT 265/70R17 Michelin LTX D/S tires, valued at \$913, on March 21, at 2 p.m., to assist with the medical expenses of Willie Limas, who was injured in an automobile accident on Feb. 3, in Friona and is currently hospitalized in Amarillo.

There will only 200 tickets sold, at \$20 each, and they are available from David Navejar, Sharon Gardner, or at Muleshoe Tire.

# Mule Moments

#### Learning is a lifelong process

value.

the growth that can come

patience is far greater in

no use for trigonometric

functions now or probably

aspirations to work with

NASA, I still have learned

Hopefully all of the people

Hopefully everyone is

Hopefully these steps will

in this community are taking

embracing life and growing

continue, and even when

it may appear that there is

nowhere to go but down,

everyone will step it up

and take a new step into

from new opportunities.

considerably.

greatness.

So, even though I have

By Alicia Porter

After all of my years in from steps, repetition, and school, I finally realized what school is.

In Kindergarten, our teachers told us that we had to be good and learn our numbers because the ever since I have no teachers in the first grade would not tolerate our immature behaviors or lack something and have grown of knowledge.

The same thing has been said to us every year since. Everyone is constantly preparing for what is to come, not necessarily using what we have now until

I do not need to know how to solve for the angles in a trigonometric function right now, but the future may bring a need for that knowledge.

Soon enough, I will be in college using all of the information I have gained just to make my way into the real world.

Life is truly a mere series of steps into the next platform where the process simply begins again.

Right now I am on the high school platform. Some people reading this article right now are probably on the work platform.

From there, they will travel onto higher stages of that platform or onto the entirely new platform of retirement. What this means is that few things are needed right

Some could say it encompasses our lives, but I honestly do not see it as such. I see life's steps as a way to grow.

Some people may decide to take the ramp straight to the top without ever taking a dip into the pool of life, embracing something new. That may be easier, but

# WBU honor

Wayland Baptist University students from Muleshoe were named to academic honor rolls for the fall term based on their grade point averages.

Those achieving a perfect 4.0 grade point average were named to the President's List, while those with GPAs of 3.5 - 3.99 made the Dean's List.

Included on the Dean's list were Bonnie Bagwell, the daughter of David and Lisa Bagwell; and Hailey Hamilton, the daughter of Royce and Fran Hamilton.

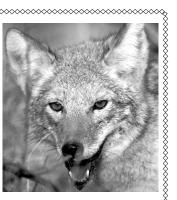
Named to the President's list was April Morgan, the daughter of Ron and Janet Morgan.

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# Editorial

### Shame on you, Berkeley

Some things are just a given... dogs will chase cats... cats will chase mice... Berkeley, Calif., will do its best to remain the most liberal piece of property that has ever polluted the planet.

It's like the sun coming up in the morning. You expect such things, and it's usually only when it gets twisted luxury of a normal home life around that it really draws any attention.

However, last month's news that Berkley's septic tank of liberalism had overflowed once more, trashing the U.S. Marine Corps in specific, and all members of the U.S. Armed Forces in general, makes us shake our heads in

If you weren't aware of it, Berkeley's city council apparently upped its daily dose of medical marijuana and voted to prohibit the Marines from recruiting in the city limits, totally forgetting that it lacks sovereign nation status, and being "anti-war" lacks the military strength it needs to secede from the United States.

In fact, as amazing as that sounds, the council went a step further by granting an anti-war group, "Code Pink" permission to interfere in any Marine recruitment efforts.

In response to the city council's actions, South Carolina Sen. Jim DeMint, supported by others including Sen. John Cornyn of Texas, have put forth what has been called the "Semper Fi Act," designed to rescind any federal funding the City of Berkeley "or any entity in the city" would receive in fiscal year 2008, giving those estimated \$2 million in funds instead to the Marine Corps' recruitment efforts.

Obviously, this legislative effort probably won't make it very far in a Democratic-controlled legislature especially since it is aimed at a bastion of Democratic liberal thought. But it's an effort that deserves bipartisan legislative support.

U.S. Marine blood has been shed to protect the free speech of individuals here in the United States. Normally, it's only when individuals go overseas to protest — such as did the "non-inhaling" husband of presidential candidate Hillary Clinton — that we get perturbed at such things. But for a municipality to step out against the lawful and morally ethical activities of a branch of the federal government in the manner of the Berkeley city council is an insult to the entire nation, and should be handled as such.

No, we're not advocating retribution such as Saddam Hussein would have brought about if Berkeley was located in Iraq few years ago — before the arrival of the Marines and other U.S. Armed Forces, but a boycott over all things Berkley certainly doesn't sound like a bad idea.

### **Local elections set for May 10**

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the municipal elections. Bamert. The filing period closes on March 10.

planned MISD meeting had board president Ronnie It is close to home so many to be postponed, as was Dent, vice president Bob of his family and friends can its formal call for election. Donaldson and member attend the games." However, three school Zona Gatewood.

board positions will be up Behrends, and Dist. 4, held for election this year: Dist. 2, held by Cindy Purdy, Dist. Monday was the first 3, held by Daniel Guzman, "working day" to file for and Dist. 5, held by Nick forward to attending college

the positions up for election It is extra special for me that Due to illness, Monday's include those held by

## Clayton signs letter...

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Dusty (Clayton) is a success story," said Mule coach David Wood, "not because of his accomplishments on the field but for overcoming the hurdles that life threw at him at a very young age."

"He did not have the and was drifting. He saw he needed help and received that help from his aunt and uncle, Starla and Todd Ellis. They helped him to get founded in life and he really blossomed after that."

"I will use his name many times in speeches to future teams. He had a dream and a vision of what he wanted to do and was able to attend camps and work toward accomplishing those dreams. Dusty volunteered to be the quarterback for our junior varsity team his sophomore year."

"He had never played quarterback but wanted to help his team in any way he could. That season really set him apart and as coaches we knew he was going to be a special player."

"Dusty was a scared little boy most of that season but he grew and gained confidence in himself and his team. He became a leader that season. The offense changed to the Spread his junior year and he learned to catch the ball. His experience at quarterback helped him to recognize the defense but he had to execute his route to defeat that defense."

Wood continued by stating, "Quit was never in Dusty's vocabulary and even though some thought he was too small to play he never stopped believing in his dream. He had proved those people wrong by the time he was a senior."

"Coaches always look games and seeing players At the hospital district, they had down on the field. Dusty chose my alma mater.

After he signed the

#### commitment to West Texas Clayton received the congratulations of his teammates, classmates, coaches, teachers and

friends that had gathered. When ask about why he chose West Texas he said, "It is close to home and my family can come to the games. They use the same offense that we ran and I am

a receiver."

Clayton continued by saying, "I want thank my family, the coaches and most of all my teammates for believing in me and encouraging me to be the best I could be." He went on to point to the camps that he and Garrett Riley had attended as being very beneficial to him.

"Garrett spent hours and hours throwing to me during the summers. Many of our teammates would join us and that made it not only a learning experience but a fun time. We learned from one another and worked hard to make each one a better player. I could not have done it with out my team."

Clayton will graduate in the spring and attend West Texas A&M in the fall of 2008.

#### New Stegall book released

Frances Gaddy Stegall's latest book, Smokey Mountain Haven, has been published by iUniverse.

This is the 96-year-old Muleshoe resident's fourth

Previously published were Grass Roots: 80 years in Bailey County, Meggie and Hidden Valley.

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offers a delicious meal five days a week. You may bring a guest if you so desire. We meal for anyone 60+ and under 60. We encourage you

Warning — active seniors children under 60 to come and you will get a phone call better outlook if you come to grandparent for a meal with honored. us. You just might find an ole

19. The games will begin at 10 a.m. Please come and Our nutrition department to play or learn to play. We Saturday, Feb. 23, at the have a lot of fun. Prizes will center. We are pleased to be given to the winners.

ask for a \$3 donation for a our birthday party for all will be callers from several you senior's with birthdays a \$5 donation for anyone this month. Hopefully we

- you may live longer with a and bring your parent or inviting you to come and be

The Bingo on Thursday begins at 1:30 p.m. We have playing on Tuesday, February this time. Come and join in the fun.

The square dance callers bring a friend if you would like will be having a meeting on have them come and enjoy Tuesday, Feb. 19, will be the center. I understand there places.

We would like to have a have you on our records spring outing for the seniors.

would like to do or some place to go, please contact salad, wheat roll and apple us at the center.

We will be open Monday, The Bunco players will be a lot of fun and fellowship at Feb. 18, President's Day and enchiladas casserole, beans, Friday, Feb. 22, Washington's Birthday.

Menu for Feb. 18-22:

Monday, Feb. 18 — Baked chicken with sauce, ranch potatoes, broccoli with cheese. Tossed salad, wheat roll, peaches and cookies.

Tuesday, Feb. 19 — Meat loaf with sauce, corn, salad, wheat roll, birthday cake.

Wednesday, Feb. 20 -

potatoes, green beans, cobbler.

If you have something you Grilled steak, gravy, mashed salad, salsa, chips, chocolate pudding and cookies.

Friday, Feb. 22 - Fish or chicken strips, gravy, beans, Thursday, Feb. 21 — Beef coleslaw, cornbread and fruit



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#### **Changed from the Inside Out** by Max Lucado

When you believe in Christ, Christ works a miracle in you. You are permanently purified and empowered by God himself. The message of Jesus to the religious person is simple: It's not what you do. It's what I do. I have moved in. And in time you can say with Paul, "I myself no longer live, but Christ lives in me" (Gal. 2:20)

If I'm born again, why do I fall so often?

Why did you fall so often after your first birth? Did you exit the womb wearing cross-trainers? Did you do the two-step on the day of your delivery? Of course not. And when you started to walk, you fell more than you stood. Should we expect anything different from our spiritual walk?

But I fall so often, I question my salvation. Again, we return to your first birth. Didn't you stumble as you were learning to walk? And when you stumbled, did you question the validity of your physical birth? Did you, as a one-year-old fresh flopped on the floor, shake your head and think, I have fallen again. I must not be human?

Of course not. The stumbles of a toddler do not invalidate the act of birth. And the stumbles of a Christian do not annul his spiritual birth.

Do you understand what God has done? He has deposited a Christ seed in you. As it grows, you will change. It's not that sin has no more presence in your life, but rather that sin has no more power over your life. Temptation will pester you, but temptation will not master you. What hope this brings! Hear this. It's not up to you! Within you abides a budding power. Trust him!

Think of it this way. Suppose you, for most of your life, have had a heart condition. Your frail pumper restricts your activities. Each morning at work when the healthy employees take the stairs, you wait for the elevator.

But then comes the transplant. A healthy heart is placed within you. After recovery, you return to work and encounter the flight of stairs—the same flight of stairs you earlier avoided. By habit, you start for the elevator. But then you remember. You aren't the same person. You have a new heart. Within

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# **Obituaries**

#### **Antonio Rojas**

A church service for Antonio Rojas, Sr., 69, of Muleshoe, was held on Saturday, Feb. 8, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Fr. Leo Pahamtang officiating.

Rosary was said on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 7-8, in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, and burial was in Bailey Co. Cemetery.

Rojas died on Feb. 5, 2008, at his residence in Muleshoe. He was born on March 5, 1938, in Anson, and married Hilma Anguiano in Clovis, N.M., on Jan. 1, 1964.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, and had been a resident of Muleshoe since 1950, moving from Bertram. He was employed as a truck driver for cement brothers — Daniel Rojas companies.

Survivors include his wife Hilma Rojas of Muleshoe; two Sons — Revnaldo Rojas of Muleshoe and Antonio

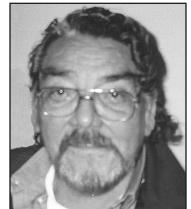
#### Lela Howell

A church service for Lela three brothers. B. Howell, 93, of Sudan was held on Tuesday, Feb. 12 at the First Baptist Church of Sudan with the Rev. Robert Roecker officiating.

Burial was in Sudan of Sudan. Cemetery.

Feb. 10, 2008, in Harmonee House in Amherst. She was born on May 22,1914, in Courla to R.L. and Euala Rone, and married Wayne Howell in Hereford on Nov. 23, 1935. He preceded her in death on April 14, 2006.

She was also preceded in death by two sisters and



ANTONIO ROJAS, SR. Rojas, Jr., of Wichita Falls; two daughters and a sonin-law — Sandy and Gilbert Buenrostro of Muleshoe and Suzette Duran of Clovis, N.M.; six sisters - Susie He was a member of the Rodriguez, Maria Ambriz and Rosalinda Chavez, all of Muleshoe, Minnie Vega of Winter Garden, Fla., Paula Reyna and Juanita Alfaro, both of Wichita Falls; three of Wichita Falls, Ambrosio Rojas, Jr., of Muleshoe and Joe Rojas of Corpus Christi; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Howell had been a resident of Sudan since 1924, moving from Corsicana. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church

Survivors include Howell died on Sunday, two daughters and their husbands — Charlotte and Gayle Brownd of Sudan, and Waynette and Edward Fisher, also of Sudan; five grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren

> Memorials may be sent to the First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 185, Sudan, Texas

# Wedding Showers



SARAH SNOW

#### Snow feted at bridal shower

Sarah Snow of Lazbuddie, the daughter of Dan and Lynn Snow of Andrews, and the prospective bride of Shannon Anderson, was honored with a bridal shower on Feb. 10, at the home of Lenda Trussell of Muleshoe.

The parents of the prospective groom are Cathy Ogle of Hobbs, N.M., and Ben Anderson of Canyon.

included Lenda Trussell, Charlotte Fields, Ginger Anderson.

Stevens, Jan Morris, Misty Simmons, Trae McNeill, Lela Ann Smith, Doris Vandiver, Jean Richardson, Hollye Hooten, Glenda Dale, Amy Barnes Dianne Brown and Becky Jones.

The hostess gift presented was six place settings of their stainless dinnerware.

Among the special guests attending were Lynn Snow, Jim Plemons of Lovington Hostesses for the event N.M., Cathy Ogle of Hobbs, N.M., and Sarah

# **Births**

#### Deacon Williams

Jason and Katy Williams of Lubbock announce the birth of their son — Deacon Blane Williams, on Dec. 13, 2007.

Deacon weighed 10 pounds, two ounces at birth and was 21 inches in length.

He has a brother, Seth, 5, and a sister, Kenna, 1. Deacon's grandparents are John and Becky Jones of Lazbuddie, and Jerry and Nona Williams of Water Valley.

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# Sports

# Lady Mules finish season in 'hostile' game against the Squaws



Lady Mules battle with Friona's ladies.

# **Defeat of River Road** keeps hope alive

By Delton Wilhite Sportswriter

of the gate in Friona Tuesday 74-42.

The Mules bounced back ray of hope alive of post scored three. season play.

in River Roads new gym and hung on to defeat the Wildcats 62-58. The Mules now need to defeat the Amarillo Highland Park Hornets and have the Tulia Hornets defeat Dimmitt. in a tie with Dimmitt for third place.

Victor Vasquez made the Mules only two points in the first period. The Mules trailed 41-17 at the intermission. Friona continued to run away from the Mules in the

second half.

The Mules struggled out with six from the charity line and a bucket for eight points. night and fell to the District Dillon Gallman and Cooper Champion Friona Chieftains Washington dropped in seven points each. Vasquez made five, Colby Carpenter in River Road to keep a faint four and Patrick Precure

Brian Poynor, Garrett The Mules started fast Riley and Austin Wright each made two points and Lane Wood and Colt Ellis each chipped in one.

The Mules seemed to get their shooting eye back as they raced out to a 12-4 lead over River Road. That would put the Mules Precure, Riley, Vasquez and Washington each scored a bucket in the opening period. Poynor drained a 3-pointer and Gallman chipped in one from the charity line.

Precure found the range from long distance and Continued on page 12

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The Lady Mules traveled to Friona Tuesday night for their final regular season game. They had to win in a hostile environment to force a tie for third place in the district to have a hope of entering the post season fray. That fact had to weight heavily on their minds as they prepared for the night's game.

The Lady Mules trailed most of the night and came back from a seven-point deficit to take a three-point lead with four seconds left on the clock. They played full court defense to slow the Squaws final trip down the floor.

The Squaws took one too many steps down the floor and the buzzer was sounding before the desperation shot went up from six feet behind the arc. The shot bounced twice on the rim before falling Wes Wood led the Mules through but the official was waving off the shot before it was even launched.

The Lady Mules defeated Friona 52-49 on the Squaws home floor. The Tulia Lady Hornets defeated the Amarillo Highland Park Hornets 53-40 to join the Lady Mules and Squaws in a three-way tie for third place.

It took an over time in Nazareth on Thursday night for Friona to best Tulia 58-55. The Lady Mules met the Squaws on Friday night. The Lady Mules were hoping for a tired group of Squaws but they hit the floor inspired and ready to prove they deserved to be in the state

Lady Mules 65-37.

The Lady Mules took the floor in Friona with their season on the line. Determination could be seen in their eyes as they scrambled on both ends of the floor. Morgan Smith put the ball on the floor and took the ball to the hoop time after time to lead the Lady Mules with seven points in the opening period.

Friona hit two treys in the opening frame and led the Lady Mules 12-11 going into the second period. The two teams battled to an 11-11 tie in the second period and the half ended with Friona leading 23-22.

Smith scored a single bucket in the second period as did Kelsey Tipps and Ashley Cisneros. Sarah Johnson and Chi Hernandez both made baskets and chipped in a free throw. Yvonne Gardea made one from the line to keep the Lady Mules close.

Johnson light up the board from long distance with backto-back 3-pointers in the third guarter. The Lady Mules opened a four-point lead early in the second half but to reclaim the lead and take a 38-35 advantage into the final period.

The Squaws rained three treys on the Lady Mules early in the final period to open a seven-point lead. The Lady Mules clamped on the defense for the balance of the game. Hernandez answered one of the treys with an old fashion three-point play of

Smith found a seam in the playoffs. They defeated the Squaw defense and went

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points. Ashley Grumbles and detriment. The later proved Tipps each made critical put to be true Tuesday night as backs as the Lady Mules had the Lady Mules appeared to completely made the Friona be flat in the first half against lead disappear.

The Squaws converted a minutes as the Lady Mules opened a three-point lead. Gardea scored on a fast break, Johnson made two from the line and Hernandez Hernandez each scored two dropped in a short jumper from the left side.

The Lady Mules outscored intermission. Friona 17-11 in the final eight minutes of the game.

Smith led the Lady Mules with 15 points. Hernandez dropped in 12 and Johnson made 11. Gardea added five, Tipps four, Grumbles, and Cisneros made two each and Gizell Vasquez chipped in one.

"These girls are turning my hair grey," said Coach Val Acree. "They never gave up tonight and kept coming back. Even in the last quarter when they were down by seven they just became more determined to win."

'We stayed alive here chipped in two. Friona came storming back tonight. Now we have to wait and see what Tulia did tonight ended short of the playoffs before we will know how to proceed."

The bye can be an under Coach Acree.

to the basket twice for four advantage as well as a Friona in the tie breaker.

The Squaws out scored pair of free throws in the final the Lady Mules 22-2 in the first quarter. Grumbles made the only bucket for the Lady Mules.

> Johnson, Vasquez and in the second quarter and the Lady Mules trailed 35-8 at the

The Lady Mules scrapped hard in the second half but could not cut into the Friona lead.

Hernandez set the scoring pace with four baskets and four free throws for 12 points. Smith scored all nine of her points in the third period and Johnson made the Lady Mules only trey in the final period and added five points.

Grumbles dropped in four points, Tipps had back to back steal in the fourth period and three points and Vasquez and Cisneros each

The Lady Mules season but the foundation was built for better times in the future



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To create some unity among the colonies, and to keep things peaceful with England, each colony sent a few men to speak for it in the Continental Congress. These men complained to England about many problems.

When the problems were not fixed, fighting began between the colonies and England. Armed citizens from the colonies were brought together by Congress into an army, the first military organization serving all the colonies. George Washington, who was a Colonel at that time, was chosen to be the

Washington also had a small Navy, which had the mission of stopping British ships carrying supplies and cargo to America. When the war ended, so did the small, brave Navy. Years later, as president of the new United States of America, Washington signed an act that began building new ships and paying their crews. The modern U.S. Navy had been launched.

commander-in-chief of all armed forces who would fight for freedom. (1775)

# **President George Washington:**

 was our country's president.

2. was born on February 22, 1732 in Westmoreland County,

3. had no middle

tall, which was rare in colonial times. was over 6 \_

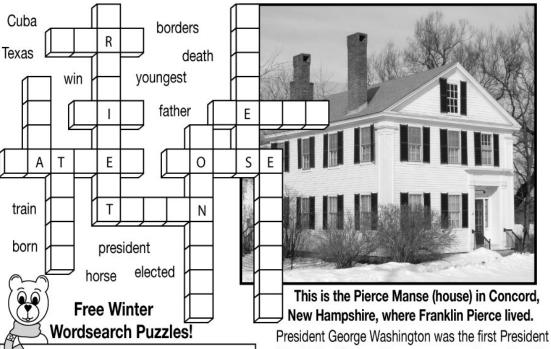
5. when he was young, worked as a surveyor – a person who out the borders of land.

6. had no \_\_\_\_\_ of his own, but he helped raise his wife's two children.

7. was the only President not to live in the \_\_\_\_\_ House. 8. would not allow anyone to refer to him as any kind of royalty or \_\_\_

9. was well-known for being

10. was retired for less than 3 years when he died of a \_\_\_\_\_ infection.



of the United States. He was very popular and is still well-known today across world. President Franklin Pierce was the only President

from the state of New Hampshire. He had a hard life. Sometimes he is called a "Forgotten President."

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# **President Franklin Pierce:**

1. was in 1804 in Hillsborough, New Hampshire. 2. (his) was a farmer and the governor of N.H.

3. was a great lawyer. When he was elected as a U.S. Senator, he was one of the \_\_\_\_\_ ever.

4. served during the Mexican War, a war that happened after a large area of what we know now as \_ and parts of several of our other states broke away

from Mexico and "joined" the U.S. 5. was not expected to \_\_\_\_\_ in the primary race that

would in turn allow him to run for the office of President. 6. was what is known as a "dark-" candidate.

7. was the 14th President.

8. was in a \_\_\_\_\_ wreck; his 11 year old son was killed. \_ of the United States by buying 9. expanded the

what is now Southern Arizona and New Mexico. 10. tried to buy \_\_\_\_\_ from Spain.

11. was not a popular \_\_\_ and he was not chosen to run for a second term.

12. left office and took care of his sick wife. He lived in his house, in Concord, until his \_\_\_\_\_ in 1869.

#### Who Are We?

In 1775 Congress adopted an army for the nation. Two other branches of the armed forces have roots this far back. One was founded "to serve on land, on sea and in the air." The other started with just a few vessels and a handful of brave sailors. To find out, color this puzzle following the color key.

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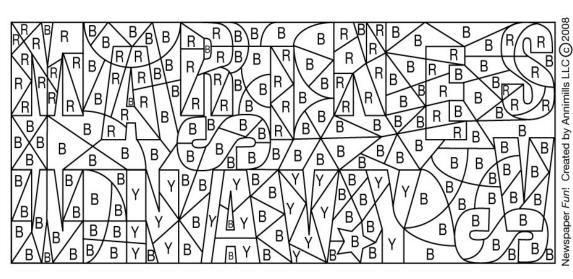
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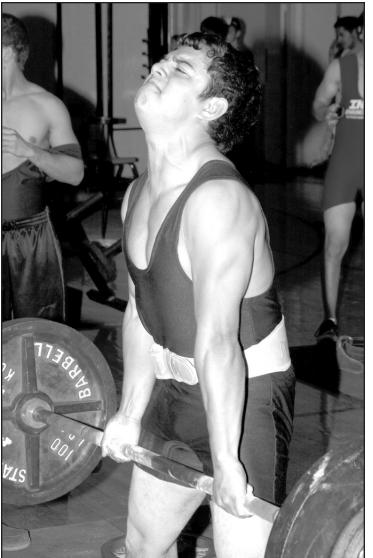
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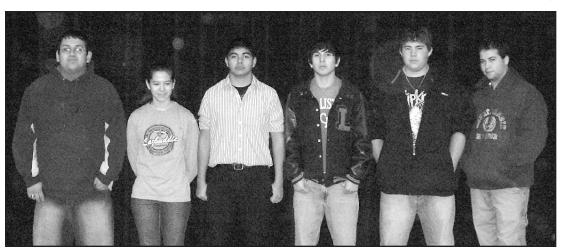
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#### A Mighty Mule...

Muleshoe Mule Diego Del Toro lifts during the recent power lifting meet at Sudan. Photograph by Stacy Conner.



#### Lazbuddie power lifting team at Sudan

Lazbuddie's Power Lifting team traveled to Sudan on Thursday, Feb. 7, to compete in the Power Lifting meet. The team represented Lazbuddie well and has three that are in contention for regional qualifiers. Stephen Pacheco placed first, Jason Davis second, Richie Aguilar placed fourth, Matthew Samarron placed fifth and Jordan Hernandez placed fifth. Picture above, left to right, are: Richie Aguilar, Jordan Hernandez, Matthew Samarron, Stephen Pacheco, Joaquin Campos and Jason Davis. Thanks

made the Bobcats pay from

behind the arc when they did

not defend him on the right

long rebound and spun in

the lane for an easy deuce.

Sanchez was fouled shooting

and converted one from the

line. Toscano gathered in his

second offensive rebound

and converted it to points in

the quarter. The Mules trailed

3-pointers in the final period

as the Mules came charging

back against Dimmitt. He

made three treys in the

game and led the Mules

with 14 points. Martinez had

two treys in the first period

Montejano took added nine.

Perez, Toscano and Sanchez

made six points apiece in the

Mules final game.

Hurtado made two

30-26 at the half.

Zack Toscano grabbed a

### Ninth grade falls to Dimmitt

The freshmen Mules offensive rebound for the battled the Dimmitt Bobcats Mule's first points of the from the tip to the final buzzer second period. Hurtado Monday night. The Mules only led briefly early in the game but continued to play hard the entire game.

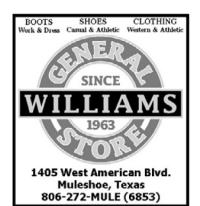
The Mules trailed by 10 half way through the final period but cut it to three when Nick Hurtado banked in his second 3-pointer of the quarter with nine seconds left in the game. The Mules were forced to foul and the Bobcats iced the game from the free throw line. Dimmitt took the game 56-51.

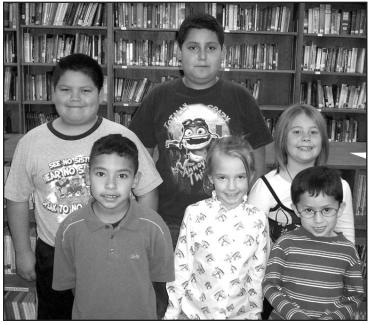
Jonathan Perez broke the ice for the Mules with a 3-pointer from the right wing to put the Mules in front 3-2. Sergio Montejano ran on a fast break grabbed the miss and put it in the hole.

Matthew Martinez kept the and scored 10 points and Mules in front with a trey from the left wing before Dimmitt went on a seven-point run. Mark Quezada drove toward the hoop and dished to Juan Sanchez for the easy bucket and break the run.

Perez banked in a trey on the next trip down the floor to tie the game at 13-13 with two minutes left in the opening quarter. Dimmitt scored the next four points before Juan Sanchez ended the quarter with an old fashion threepoint play. The Mules trailed 17-16 going into the second

Montejano put back an





#### Eighth grade falls in final game

By Delton Wilhite Sportswriter

The eighth grade Mules took the lead against the Dimmitt Bobcats late in the opening period to take a 9-4 lead. They could not seem to slow the Bobcats in the second quarter as they took a 17-13 into the second half.

The Mules could not over take Dimmitt and fell to the Bobcats 40-33 in their final game of the season.

Juan Guerrero drove the base line to break the scoring

ice for the Mules and tie the game at 2-2. Hector Flores chased down a long offensive rebound and drove the lane for a hoop.

Saul Elizalde kept the ball alive by grabbing his own rebound and putting it back

Beau Avilla drove the left side of the floor on a break. Isaac was hammered on a put back attempt at the buzzer. He made one from the line to give the Mules a 9-4 lead going into the second period.

Avilla opened the second quarter for the Mules with a drive down the baseline.

Dimmitt responded with a six-point run to briefly take a 12-11 lead. Baca was fouled on a fast break and converted both shots from the line.

Dimmitt finished the quarter with a five point run that gave them the lead for good.

Matthew Ambriz dialed in from long distance for a 3-pointer that cut Dimmitt's lead to a single point early in the third period.

Avilla led the Mules with seven points. Baca and Guerrero dropped in six points each and Elizalde added five.

Flores made four points and Ambriz chipped in three.

#### Lazbuddie Student Spotlight

Lazbuddie Elementary recently honored the following students, pictured on the left: Tyler Haseloff, the son of Ray and Marcia Haseloff; Avery Hicks, the daughter of Scott and Tiffany Hicks: Damian Juarez, the son of Anais Gonzales: Kenlea Barnes, the daughter of Doug and Amy Barnes; Juan Samarron, the son of Jose and Marie Samarron; and Alonzo Soto, the son of Lalo and Lila Andrade.

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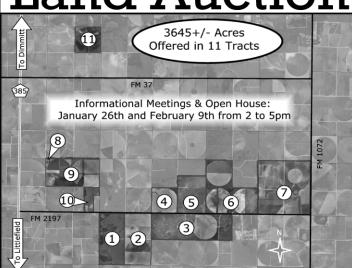
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We'll be at Cowboy Church, 710 E. American Boulevard in Muleshoe, Texas from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, February 23rd.

They would love to visit with you. Please, no gifts. Just come, spend time with us and share a memory or two.

# God's Deep Love for His **Children Never Changes**

Folks living in the IDP (Internally Displaced Person) camps near Nimule, Sudan, where our son Joshua spent last year, would love to be displaced in exactly the same way and, more to the point, in the same type of location, as I am. I understand that sad fact, and I should be more thankful and less grinchy.

But it's hard to be displaced, even if the "camp" to



Focus Faith **Curtis** Shelburne

which you're heading is comfortable.

My wife has finally made good on her threat to kick me out of the living room. I've been shipped upstairs to what was the boys' bedroom. The edict issued by Her Honor wasn't anything particularly personal. It's still okay for me to come downstairs occasionally. And I'm still allowed to have some reasonable freedom in the house.

But the desk and computer and printer and stacks of pertinent or not-so-pertinent paperwork that had metastasized from the top of the desk into piles covering the living room table and much of the floor in that end of the house, offended the lady I love. She warned me that change was coming. I should have known she meant it.

By the way, a point lost on most of the presently campaigning politicians, and evidently also on most of the folks who listen to them, is that not all change is good or

in the right direction. As I write, all the armchair quarterbacks in our nation wanting to be quarterback are sure they'd do a better job than the present gent and are promising change. One of them will get the job. It will likely serve him/her right, and we'll see what, if anything, changes, or if it changes for the better.

Seems I recall that my wife also said something about change when, following our fourth baby, she sent me to visit with the doctor. (Did you hear about the puppy who was jumping up and down, bragging to his kennel-mates, "Hey, guess what? I heard the folks who run this place talking. I'm gonna get tutored!")

After the move upstairs, I myself wandering downstairs one around evening feeling like I needed to write a column, pay a bill, check e-mail, or work on a sermon or something, and a sick feeling came over me. I iust stopped and stood there for a moment, immobile in the room I once occupied. I was disoriented and lost, not knowing which way to go. Downcast in an upward direction and pathetic, I finally made my way to the camp for the internally displaced person wearing my shoes.

Before the move, I kept losing stuff in the piles. Now I've lost the piles.

Grudgingly, I must admit that this change will likely be an improvement. We'll know soon, not that I have any right to appeal.

Change. It can be tough. I'm so glad we can trust in the rich, deep, eternal love of our Father. His love never changes at all.

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

# Jennyslipper News

The installation banquet for the Jennyslippers, Women Associates of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, was held in the Family Life Center of the First Assembly of God Church on Monday evening, Feb. 4.

A colorful southwest napkins, placemats and flag. decorations.

guests were introduced.

invocation. The Jennyslippers,

families and guests enjoyed President, Joy Williams, time of fellowship.

Cari Ann Kidd led the

theme was implemented group in the Pledge of throughout including Allegiance to the American

Retiring officers were of laughter. Dianne Thornton, presented plaques and welcomed the group, and excellent service to the organization and to Nelda Merriott gave the Muleshoe. They were: Bobbie Harrison, Vice-Tapley. Treasurer.

Nelda Merriott was the term of office.

surprised recipient of a plaque for being "secretary to the secretary," amid a bit

Nancy Kidd installed Jennyslippers' president, commended for their the new officers for 2008, touching on their responsibilities of office.

Those installed were Dianne Thornton, President, Elaine Parker, president, June Green, vice president, Onieda DeLeon, treasurer the bountiful meal and a Secretary and Brenda and Joy Williams, secretary, who accepted a second

> President Parker received the silver Presidents pin to wear during her tenure of office and the Presidents

authority. Elaine Parker presented

retiring President, Dianne Thornton, a traditional silver Jennyslipper bracelet.

Closing remarks were given and it was noted that many 2007 events were listed on the program including, the Toast to Texas, a book signing for author, Kathy Copeland, manning a rest-stop for the Tour de Muleshoe, an Eagle Scout Recognition for Cole Hawkins, who built a shade over benches at the Mule Putt Golf Course. operating the Mule-Putt Golf Course from mid-May to October, building 3 floats, participating in July 4th and Mule Days activities, holding 2 Mule shoe Pitching tournaments, building a float for the Christmas parade, giving a scholarship and donating

gavel, denoting her to the prescription fund.

Toast to Texas, celebrating Texas Independence Day. The Club expressed their the benediction.

desire for new members, It was announced that our visitors will be welcomed at next project will be our annual any time and a membership drive was mentioned.

Joy Williams pronounced



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# **Obituaries**

#### Maria Sanchez

Church services for Maria B, Sanchez, 77, of Earth, were held on Wednesday, Feb. 13, at the St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church of Earth with Fr. Leo Pahamtang officiating. Burial followed in Earth Memorial Cemetery.

Sanchez died on Feb. 10, 2008, in Lubbock. She was born on Feb. 27, 1930, in Falls City, and married Martin Sanchez in Beeville on Dec. 30, 1947.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Martin, on Feb. 10, 1983, and one great-grandson.

Sanchez lived in Earth since 1970, moving from Beeville. She was a member of the St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Earth and also the Guadalupanas at the church.

Survivors include three sons — Martin Sanchez Jr. of Earth, Juan Sanchez of Moriarity, N.M., and Max Sanchez of Hereford; seven daughters — Maria Gallegos, Paula Gonzales and Librada Gonzales, all of Earth, Julia Martinez of Idalou, Lorenza Maestas of Moscow, Kan., Rita Flores of Lubbock, and Natividad Sanchez-Ochoa of Plainview; a sister — Jesusa Bosquez of Earth; a brother - Noberto Munoz of Fire Baugh, Calif.; 30 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren.



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#### Public Notice

#### **CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS: **IMOMO NORMA** HERNANDEZ AND spondent in the above under my hand and MARTIN MUNOZ AND THE IN-TEREST OF ROSA MUNOZ, A CHILD

CAUSE No. 8383 IN THE 287TH DIS-TRICT COURT OF BAILEY COUNTY, as is more fully shown **TEXAS** 

TO: JESUS MARTIN this suit. MUNOZ, ADDRESS UNKNOWN Respondent, GREETING:

NOTICE TO RE-SPONDENT: "You limited to dissolving have been sued. You may employ an attornev. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with next following the expiration of 20 days after the date you The court has authortion and petition, a an order in the child's/ you."

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tioner was filed in the nity, and the appoint-287th District Court of ment of a conservator Bailey County, Texas with authority to conon the 30th day of July sent to the child's/ 2007 against JESUS MARTIN MUNOZ re- ISSUED and given

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By Deputy

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posal deadline will be

March 3, 2008. Please

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The suit request a direlationships affecting ary 2008. the child, division of community property and change of name, by Petition on file in

entitled cause.

The court has authority in this suit to enter any judgement or decree, including but not the marriage, providing the division of property, which will be binding on you.

The date and place of the clerk who issued birth of the child/chilthis citation by 10:00 dren who is/are the AM on the Monday subject of the suit is/ are: ROSA MUNOZ, July 26, 1998.

were served this cita- ity in this suit to render **default** judgment children's interest that may be taken against will be binding on you, including the terminaof tion of the Parent-child ANEL Relationship, the de-HERNANDEZ, Peti- termination of pater-

#### Public Notice

#### ORDER **PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING**

STATE OF TEXAS **COUNTY OF BAILEY** WHEREAS, seal of said Court at BAILEY County Muleshoe, Texas this Commissioner's Court vorce, court-ordered the 7th day of Febru- finds that circumstances present in all Attorney for Petitioner or part of the unincoror Petitioner: porated area of the Jeff W. Actkinson county create a public P.O. Box 286 safety hazard that Farwell, TX 79325 would be exacerbated Clerk of the Court: by outdoor burning; Elaine Parker IT IS HEREBY OR-300 S. First Street. DERED by

Suite 130 Commissioner's Court Bailey County, Texas of BAILEY County that all outdoor burning, including fireworks, is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the county for 31 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier accepting Request for

based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is be obtained by con- adopted pursuant to Local Government Code §352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does administration office, not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Envimark envelopes in ronmental Quality for: lower left-hand corner (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natu-Muleshoe ral gas pipeline or min-I.S.D. reserves the ing operations; (3) right to accept and/or planting or harvesting

of agricultural crops; or

(4) burns that are con-

ducted by a prescribed

burn manager certified

under Natural Re-

Code

the standards of Natural Resources Code §153.047.

Burning of enclosed barbecue grills will be allowed.

1. The use of combustible material in an outdoor environment by any person is prohibited. Combustible materials include, but are not limited to the use of all fireworks, discarded cigarettes and materials used outdoors in activities such as welding and any other activity that could result in a fire.

2. Notwithstanding No. 1 above, outdoor welding shall be allowed under the following circumstances:

A. The welder must notify the BAILEY County Sheriff's Department before any welding, cutting or

grinding begins; B. A perimeter around the welding area shall be a minimum of 25 feet and clear of vegetation, if possible, and kept wet. The welding perimeter must be three times the height of the actual welding. Example: if the welding is occurring ten feet off the ground, a perimeter of thirty (30) feet

must be protected. C. If the perimeter cannot be cleared of vegetation, proper precautionary measures must be taken (Example: protecting brush, etc., by utilizing fire resistant

tarps). D. A spotter with water

barn and corral with pipe-rail fence.

must be on hand before any welding, cutuntil the activity is com-

In accordance with Lo-§352.081(h), a violaorder is the mitigastricting use of com- est. bustible materials.

Approved and so ordered this the 7th day Transportation Code, of February 2008.

Voted Aye: Judge Sherri Harrison, Commissioner Vandiver, Commissioner Grant, Commissioner Kindle, Chavez.

Voted Nay: none.

**Sherri Harrison** Bailey County Judge Attest: Paula Benton Bailey County Clerk The Commissioner's Court authorized the County judge to lift the

burn ban "temporarily" as precipitation occurs. Citizens may call the Police Department at 272-4569 or the County Judge's office at 272-3077 when precipitation occurs for further details.

Published in the Muleshoe Journal on February 14, 2008.

#### Public Notice

ized delivery system Chapter 258 of the private right, title, or in-Texas Transportation Code ("Chapter 258"), ting or grinding begins Bailey County, Texas and remain on hand ("County") provides notice that the Bailey County Commissioners Court has invoked the cal Government Code provisions of Chapter 258 to clarify the existtion of this Order is a ence of a public interest Class C misdemeanor, in certain county roads punishable by a fine as provided in said statnot to exceed \$500.00. ute. Pursuant to Chap-The purpose of this ter 258, the Bailey County Commissioners tion of the public Court has proposed a safety hazard posed Bailey County Road by wildfires during Map including each the current drought road in which the and severe weather County claims the existconditions by re- ence of a public inter-

258.002 of the Texas the Bailey County Commissioners Court shall hold a Public Meeting at which a person asserting a private right, title, or interest in a road in Commissioner which the County has claimed the existence of a public interest may appear before the Commissioners Court to protest the County's claim. This Public Meeting will be held on the following date, time and location: Date: March 10, 2008

As required by Section

Time: 10:00 a.m. Location: Commissioners Courtroom, 1st Floor, Bailey County Courthouse, 300 South 1st Street, Muleshoe, ary 14, 21, 28 and Texas 79347.

§153.048, and meet and a ready pressur- In accordance with A person asserting a terest in a road may also file a written protest with the Bailey County Judge at any time before the Public Meeting. A landowner has a right to protest under Section 258.002 of the Texas Transportation Code.

The proposed Bailey

County Road Map is

Call 272-4536.

currently available to the public during regular business hours at the following location: Office of the County Clerk, Bailey County, Texas, Bailey County Courthouse, 300 South 1st Street, Suite 200, Muleshoe. Texas 79347. Said map shall remain on display for public inspection and viewing for the duration of this Chapter 258

project. Questions regarding the Bailey County Road Map Project or the scheduled Public Meeting may be directed to the County Judge, Bailey County, Texas, **Bailey County Court**house, 300 South 1st Street, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

SIGNED this the 5th day of February, 2008.

Sherri Harrison County Judge, Bailey County, Texas Published in the Muleshoe Journal on Febru-

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 Lazbuddie Area - 3 bedroom, 2 bath on 4.75 acres.

Pavement. Various outbuildings & pens.

• Lamb County - Earth - Beautiful, red brick home. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 4 park garage, lots of storage, fenced back yard, sprinkler system, \$130,000. Too nice

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3 bed / 3 bath / 2 garage — \$130,000

This is a very well maintained country home with many updates and additions. One completely remodeled bathroom, a large master bath, three hot water heaters, a beautiful 40 X 12 redwood deck with hot tub and an above ground swimming pool. Close to school and about 15 miles from Muleshoe.

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1120 Acres with a Dairy Permit — \$2,800,000

10 Wells! 2 beautiful homes! This farm is well cared for and a playa lake takes some of the east half section but it lies well for a dairy. A 4000 head dairy permit is in place and according to the permitting office, could easily be increased for additional cows.

186 Acres in Parmer County — \$390,600

8 tower sprinkler packaged for 900 gallons per minute. 1 well with Wite terms at 6 Ne pare A earls motor. 1: 4 inch 30 horse power submersible.

473 Acres and 3/2/2 Home — \$1,005,000

Three separate quarter sections all with newer Reinke seven tower sprinklers and equipped with LEPA nozzle. One sprinkler has a 450 gallons per minute package, one is packaged for 550 gpm, and one is packaged for 650 gpm. We have bases and yield information. House on property is a beautiful well maintained 3/2/2 with lots space and storage.

**Great Commercial Property:** 

1202 W. American Blvd. — \$90,000 Prime location off main thru way. The surrounding retail businesses include McDonalds, Ford Dealership, various restaurants and retailers. A definite high traffic, visible area 311 W. American Blvd. — \$150,000
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PARMER CO. - Exceptional two-story country home south of Farwell situated on 11.411 surveyed acres. 4 bdrms, 3 1/2 baths, two car garage, lots of storage/closet space, central heat, 81/2 ft. ceilings

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SPRINGLAKE, TEXAS - 3 bdrm., 3 bath, basement, brick with metal room, 3,581 sq. ft. +-, family room with fireplace, large game room with fireplace, formal living room, dining room, kitchen, utility, lots of storage, double garage, central heat/air. **EARTH, TX** - 2 bdrm., 1-3/4 bath, brick, 1,800 sq. ft. +-, family room,

dining room, kitchen, utility, single garage, central heat/air, updated

iN THE COUNTRY - Lazbuddie School District - 3 bdrm., 2 bath

brick home on 6+ acres, family room with fireplace, dining room, kitchen, utility, lots of storage, central heat/air, nice metal barn, horse

LAMB COUNTY GRAIN FACILITY - Elevator with 2 boot pits, office,

scale, warehouse with load dock, over 1.5 million lbs. of upright stor

age, cleaner and dryer, pavement.

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spklr. sys., fenced yd., numerous other amenities. 140K!! BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM BUILT 3-2-2 Brick Home, built-ins, FP, isolated master, safe rm., patio, nicely landscaped, spklr. sys., fenced yd.!! • NICELY REMODELED 3-2-2 Brick, new Cent. A&H, built-

ins, FP, 3125' lv. area, spklr. sys., fenced yd., MORE!! VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, fireplace, utility, new paint, carpet, tile, atrium doors, blinds, 7 fans, cov. patio, stor. bldg., fenced yd.!! MORE!! \$145,000!! VERY NICE 3-2.5-2 Brick Home, Dual Fuel Heat Pump, built-ins, FP, basement, cent. vac. & humidifier systems, auto.

HIGH SCHOOL AREA Very NICE 2-1-2 brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, new paint, carpet, wood laminate, kitchen & bath countertops, fenced yd.!!! MUCH MORE!! \$85K!! COMMERCIAL

spklr., workshop/storage, fenced yd., corner lot!! \$169,500!!

• 1900' Off. Bldg., 106' x 140' lot on Hwy. 70 and 84!! \$79.5K!!

• ANA'S BEAUTY SHOP — Approx. 1120" bldg., with or without furniture & fixtures!! PRICE REDUCED!! • 3 office units on 40.6' x 140' lot across from courthouse!!

VERY NICE CHURCH BLDG. WITH PARSONAGE -Possible Owner Finance!! Price Reduced!!

GOOD INCOME PROPERTY-LONG TERM LEASE-Approx. 8,075' office bldg. w/ approx. 20,000' paved parking

area!! PRICE REDUCED \$350K. · NICELY REMODELED - 800 sq. ft. Bldg., Cent A&H, updated electrical & plumbing. PRICE REDUCED \$39.5K 4.2 acre tract at edge of town, 40' x 60' metal insulated bldg., 2 other sheetiron bldgs., chainlink fenced area, numerous uses!! \$59K!!

 Approx. 1274' Building, 75 'x 140' lot, U.S. Hwy. 84!! 100' x 140' tract, corner lot on Hwy. 84, 1760' Bldg., 1076' Bldg., 308' storage, & 2-56' x 22' metal canopies w/paved • FORMER RICHLAND HILLS TEXACO - 1414' Bldg. + 1080' canopy + 16,530' asphalt paving!!

RURAL • EARTH - VERY NICE 3-3 w/2 car detached garage/ workshop on 1.158 acres on Hwy. 70. Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, island cooktop, gameroom. Approx. 3206' lv. area, pergola, nicely landscaped, stor. bldg., pecan trees!! MORE!!

• PROGRESS/LARIAT AREA - 3 bdrm. & den or 4 bdrm., 2 bath, Cent. A&H, built-ins, approx. 2270' lv. area on 7 acres, corrals, MORE!!

 Nice 3-2 Home at edge of town on .8 acres tract, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, efficiency apt. or guest cotttage, horse barn & corral!! \$119,900!!

• 3 bdrm., 2 pnt hardon (1 tarts 24) 36 workshop, 13' x 36' storage, hardon (1 tarts 24) 4 tarts 24' x 36' storage, hardon (1 tarts 24) 4 tarts 24' x 36' storage, hardon (1 tarts 24) 4 tarts 24' x 36' x 3 NICE 4.8 acre homesites, close to town, deed restricted!! \$17.500!!

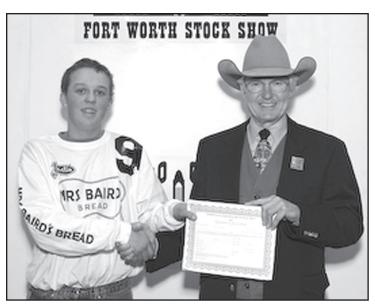
 NICE 3-2-5 carport Home on 2 acres, Cent. heat, Cent. evap. air, built-ins, fireplace, fans, utility, cellar, large shop, stor. bldg., MORE!! \$129,500!! • SUDAN - VERY NICE 2-1-1 carport Brick Home, elec.

baseboard heat, window evap. air, fans, large utility, approx. 1220' lv. area, cov. patio, 3 car detached carport with storage, corner lot!! \$32,500!! • CLAY'S CORNER — VERY NICE 3-2.75-2 HOME on 5 acre tract, Cent. A&H (Elec. Heat Pump), built-ins, FP, 1100

sq. ft. new in 2005 plus additional updating w/carpet, tile, paint, fenced yd., cov. patio, 600' workshop/storage Bldg.!! Numerous other amenities!! \$189,500!! • PROGRESS - NICE 3-2 Mobile Home on 1.24 acres, approx. 1876 sq. ft., Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 5 fans, 2

carport, 1250' Metal shop, 160', 480', & 96' stor. bldgs., domestic well, fenced yd.!! MORE!! PRICE REDUCED

•3-2 BRICK HOME on 7 acres, W. Hwy. 84, built-ins, office, geothermal heat pump, whirlpool tub, basement, paved circle drive & conc. parking!! MORE!! PRICE REDUCED \$125K!!



event during the Jan. 30

and Carren Black. Sponsors for Craig's effort were Rusty

### Council...

In other reports from the police chief, it was noted that the police department's communication staff handled 440 calls during the month of January, of which 174 were requests for officers

Frieda's report said 76 traffic citations were issued, along with 142 warnings in

The police chief also said that during 2007, the number of warnings issued by the patrol officers were roughly twice as many as the number of citations. In other business, the city council:

funds for reimbursements of advertizing expenses related to the Muleshoe Roadriders' annual motorcycle rally, which is set for March 14-

Roadriders representative Daniel Guzman appeared before the council in regards to the organizations' request for up to \$3,200 in reimbursements. Last year, the roadriders sought and received authorization for up to \$2,600. However, their actual advertizing expenses totaled slightly more than \$1,500, Guzman noted.

Because of price increases that have occurred during the past year, the roadriders felt they needed to increase the amount requested. But, Councilperson Irene Mason expressed concerns about the organization's need for almost half of the hotel/motel tax funds that were available for distribution, and offered a motion that only allowed an increase of about \$450 about the actual expenses from 2007's event.

Orozco cast the dissenting vote. Mayor Cliff Black was absent from the meeting.

- Recognized the efforts of local and area firefighters, law enforcement and road crews, and Emergency Management Coordinator Terral King, during the Jan. 28 grassfire.
- understanding" under which Randall L. Field, P.C., will provide auditing services for the City of Muleshoe.
- from its Jan. 14 meeting.



#### **WJH Students** of the Week

Watson Junior High has honored the following students, pictured on the right, as Students of the Week for Feb. 7: Eli Leal, Mercedes Morin; Randy Facundo, Alexa Fuentes, Robert Brewster and Araceli Macias.

#### Black wins in calf scramble

Texas, a Muleshoe FFA member, was among the winners in the Calf Scramble afternoon performance of the rodeo at the 112th edition of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show.

Worth.

The Calf Scramble. which allows 16 students

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custodial arrest.

to respond.

January.

authorizing up to \$2,000 final frame and cut the lead from the city's hotel/motel tax

Councilman Richard

- · Approved a "letter of
- Approved the minutes

Craig Black of Muleshoe, to compete at each of the 30 Stock Show Rodeo performances, has eight performance winners.

The young people are high school students out to catch and halter a calf with hopes of winning a \$500 purchase certificate that will help buy a registered beef Craig's parents are Cliff or dairy heifer for a yearlong 4-H or FFA project.

Winners must care for and Dana Lewis, Fort their animals throughout the year and return for the 2009 Stock Show to exhibit it in the Junior Heifer Show.

> Those who do the best job will be in line for scholarship funds when they enter

#### Mules... Continued from page 6

connected for back-to-back front. 3-pointers in the second period. Vasquez and Poynor also dialed in from long range for a 3-pointer each. Wes Wood chipped in a fouled Riley late in the game bucket and Poynor added and then slammed him to two free throws.

the intermission.

River Road came charging back in the second half and out ran the Mules 17-14 in the third period. Precure and Poynor each knocked down 3-pointers in the quarter to help slow the Wildcats.

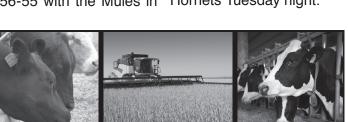
· Voted 3-1 in favor of treys on the Mules in the 3-pointers and made 11 to a single point on a trey in 10. Vasquez added nine that appeared to count four points on the score board. The referees tried to sort out the controversy and after the delay the score stood Amarillo Highland Park

Precure made six from the charity line in the last quarter to help preserve the win for the Mules. A Wildcat the hard wood. The official The Mules led 28-16 at called both the foul and the intentional foul.

Riley made three of four from the line and the Mule retained possession of the ball to close out the final seconds of the game.

Precure led the Mules with three treys and 19 River Road rained five points. Poynor nailed three points and Riley dropped points, Washington made six, W. Wood had four and Gallman chipped in three.

The Mules hosted the at 56-55 with the Mules in Hornets Tuesday night.



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#### Lazbuddie Cross X Debaters

Dallas Young and Colton Weaver went to Adrian to compete in the District Cross X debate held Feb. 5. They competed in the Hereford debate tournament to get some experience for district the week before. They tied with Adrian in the number of rounds won but place second due to speaker points. They beat the number one team

that contained a junior and senior that had been to state before. Lazbuddie's freshman qualified for the state tournament because they have participated in eight debate rounds.

The state tournament will be held in Austin on March 10-11.

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