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'Junk mail' sparks local arrest

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Local law enforcement officers joined with U.S. Postal Inspectors in the raid of a house at 804 W. Seventh in Muleshoe Thursday morning, netting a suspect in a "mail order" marijuana scheme, and recovering approximately three pounds of marijuana that had been delivered to the residence a few minutes earlier.

According to Muleshoe Police Chief Brian Frieda, U.S. Postal Inspectors became suspicious of a priority mail package addressed to Randy Jaramillo, 52, of 804 W. Seventh, Muleshoe, after it was mailed from a location in the Rio Grand Valley.

A drug dog "hit" on the package when it arrived in Lubbock, according to Frieda, and a search warrant was issued by a U.S. magistrate.

Opening the package



revealed what appeared to be about three pounds of marijuana — wrapped about a pound of plastic wrap in an apparent effort to hide the illegal substance's odor.

A field test yielded

a positive result for marijuana.

From that point, according to the police chief, the package was brought to Muleshoe, and a "controlled delivery"

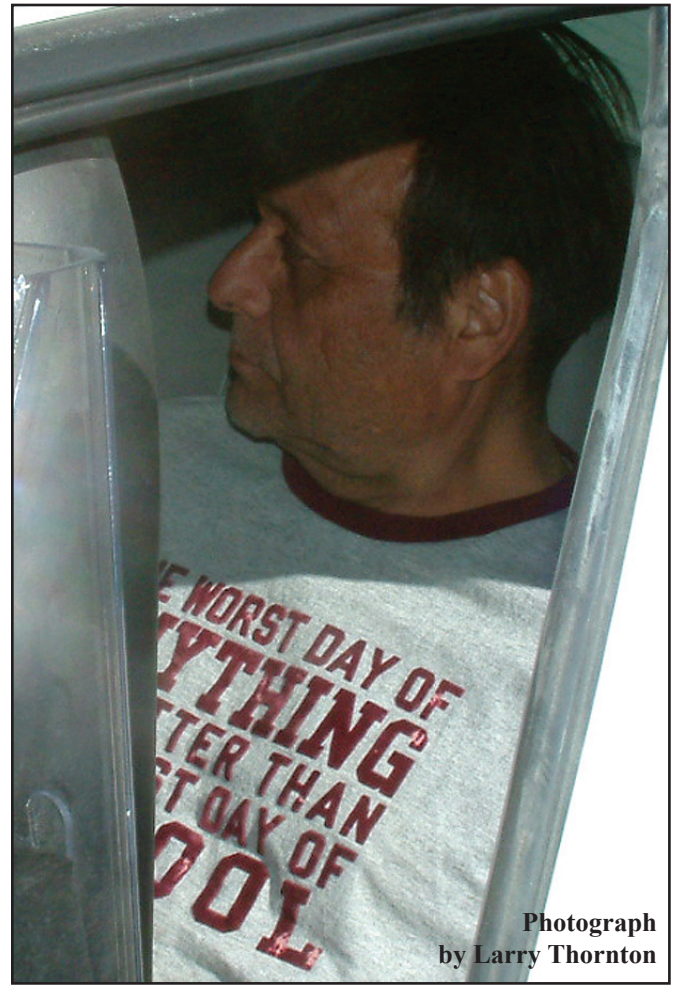
was made to the location and person to whom it was addressed, at about 10:50 a.m., on April 2, according to Frieda.

Minutes later, bearing a search warrant issued by a Bailey County

court, officers with the U.S. Postal Inspectors office, the Muleshoe Police Department, the Bailey County Sheriff's Department, and the Texas Highway Patrol, busted through the front door of 804 W. Seventh, and arrested Jaramillo as he attempted to flee out the back door.

The marijuana, and the package it was delivered in, were recovered from inside the residence, along with documentation indicating Jaramillo was allegedly involved in several other similar deliveries, Frieda said.

According to the police chief, Jaramillo has previous drug arrests and convictions, including possession with intent to distribute.



Photograph by Larry Thornton

"The worst day of anything is better than the best day of school" ...Well, not quite.



Students at DeShazo Elementary prepare to release their balloons in support of "Go Blue Day" and child abuse prevention on Thursday, April 3.

Stabbing victim in 'good condition'

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

A south Bailey County woman is in good condition at a Lubbock hospital after receiving multiple stab wounds to the back of her shoulder, according to Capt. John Espinoza of the Bailey County Sheriff's Department.

According to Capt. Espinoza, the Muleshoe Police Dept. received a call for assistance at 2:15 a.m. on the morning of Friday, April 3, from the victim — Gloria Lisa Estrada, 30, who reported that she had been attacked in her bed by an unknown assailant a few minutes earlier.

After the arrival of emergency personnel, the victim was airlifted.

Estrada, who lives about a mile north of Enochs on Hwy. 214, said she was awakened from her sleep by the attack of a Hispanic male — described as being 30-35 years in age, five feet - seven inches in height,

with a thin build and thick, bushy eyebrows.

The assailant was reportedly wearing blue jeans and a blue denim jacket. According to Espinoza, the victim also noted her assailant had the strong odor of a feedlot or dairy about his person.

No description of the knife used in the attack was available.

There were three children, ages 2-5, in the residence, according to

**I think I can...
I think I can...
...He did!**

An old dairy adage says, "the cream always rises to the top." Apparently, that's true of Muleshoe's track stars as well. Pictured on the right, a determined Sterling Leopard takes the lead in the 3,200 meter race during the Lubbock Cooper Track Meet, prior to crossing the finish line in first place.

Photograph by Stacy Conner

Espinoza, but they were unharmed.

According to the sheriff's deputy, entry was believed to have been made through an unlocked window.

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Blue is more than just a color to Muleshoe elementary students

It's more than a color... it's an attitude.

And while usage of the word often denotes remorse, in Muleshoe on Wednesday, April 8, it is also a sign of unity... unity against the disease of abuse and neglect that shatter so many young lives, even in Bailey County.

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, across the nation, the state and the county, and to honor those young lives that have been marked by abuse and neglect local youngsters participated in "Go Blue Day!"

The color blue was chosen to represent the bruised and battered bodies of the thousands of children who are abused everyday. It serves as a constant

reminder that everyone has a responsibility to help keep children safe.

Each day, thousands of children across the State of Texas are victims



of abuse or neglect. In 2008 there were 70,589 confirmed cases of child abuse or neglect in the state, and in 2007 state records indicate 223 of those children died as a result of it.

The state spends more than \$14 million dollars each year on foster

care just on the South Plains alone, but it still isn't enough to stop the problem.

Last year alone in Bailey County there were 49 confirmed cases of child abuse and neglect, and 34 children were reportedly placed in the hands of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services.

This is two times higher than the state rate.

But there is hope... hope such as was expressed recently at Muleshoe's DeShazo Elementary as youngsters gathered to learn about the situation from members of the Bailey County Child Welfare Board, and released balloons —

blue, of course, along with red ones as well,

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Computer class for beginners

The South Plains College Muleshoe Center will be hosting a beginners computer class on Thursdays, from 6-9 p.m., in the facility's computer lab at 621 W. Second.

The first class will be on Thursday, April 9, and the final class will be Thursday, April 30. There are no grades and no tests. The instructor will be April Smith. Class size will be limited to six students. Tuition is \$84.

Register at our SPC Muleshoe Center (enter the double glass doors by the helicopter pad behind the hospital) from 9-10:30 a.m. or 4:30-6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7.

Prairie Progress deadline

The final deadline for the Parmer County History book, *Prairie Progress*, second edition is May 31, according to the Parmer County Historical Commission.

To submit family histories with pictures, information about veterans, business histories and stories, or reserve space in the memorial section contact Gladys and Don Spring of Bovina at 806-251-1552.

The book scheduled to go to publisher in June, and should be available by Thanksgiving 2009.

Alzheimers support group to meet

The Bailey County Alzheimer's Disease Support Group will meet on Thursday, April 9, at noon, in Park View Nursing Care Center's conference room. Contact Debbie Crabtree, Bailey County Aging Services, 272-3647, or Joy Stancell at 272-7578 for additional information.

Bailey County Relay for Life

The Bailey County Relay for Life has been scheduled for Friday, June 12, from 7 p.m. until 2 a.m., at the Muleshoe High School Benny Douglas Stadium. Last year, the Bailey County Relay raised \$32,000, a higher goal has been set for this year, according to county chairperson Jill Morris.

MAMC blood drive set

The Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 S. First Street, is hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, April 22, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Call Suzanne Nichols at 272-4524, ext. 119, to make an appointment.

You must be at least 16 years of age, with a signed parental consent form, be in good health, have a valid drivers license, and weigh at least 110 pounds to donate blood.

Holy Week services

Several area churches have been involved in Holy Week services during the past week. Services that remain to be held include:

- Thursday, April 9, a Maundy Thursday service is scheduled for 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Monty Leavell delivering the message.
- Sunrise Easter Service, April 12, at 7 a.m., at Richland Hills Baptist Church. Music will be provided by Garrison and Jackson Myers, and Chelsea Moore, with the Rev. Larry Thornton of Richland Hills Baptist Church delivering the message. Refreshments will be provided following the service.

AA meeting

Those 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.

'Foolishness' of the cross gives us hope

Legions of angels. That's how many Jesus said were at his disposal had he chosen not to be arrested, not to go to the cross.

I suspect even one angel would have easily handled all the Roman soldiers in Jerusalem on that "Good" Friday. But the most conspicuous thing about angels that day is their absence.

We may wonder where God was when our spouse died, or our child got hooked on drugs, or we got the diagnosis of the dread disease. We'd have wondered even more if we'd been at Golgotha and known who was being crucified when the angels were AWOL and, worse, the Father of that Son seemed nowhere to be found.

Some things just don't make sense. If you could have known that generations of Christians would later call that day "Good Friday," you'd surely have wondered not only about the God who allowed it to happen but also about anyone who could call such a thing "good."

No wonder St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 uses a strong word to describe the reaction of unbelievers to the cross: "foolishness."

The Jews were looking for a Messiah to dip his powerful and thirsty sword into buckets of Roman blood. That God would use a cross was nonsense! Didn't the law itself pronounce a curse on anyone who died on a tree? And the Greeks?

Their idea of a good time was listening to the latest philosopher babble on with the latest fads



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

of thought all dressed up in smooth words and rhetoric.

The words of "Christ-followers" about a Jewish peasant executed on a cross didn't tickle their ears and made no sense anyway. What kind of god would so soil himself? Poppcock!

Why did God choose a cross upon which to do the work of our salvation? Verse 29 says it flat out: "so that no one may boast before him" or as paraphrased in The Message, so that "none of you can get by with blowing your own horn before God."

Everyone has a horn to toot. The Jews wanted to trumpet their own position as God's chosen people, worthy of a mighty sword-wielding Messiah. The Greeks wanted to blow the horn to assemble crowds for the philosophers to dazzle with words.

Whenever even Christians act as if the cross of Christ was not enough to purchase our salvation, and instead of joyfully serving him we fall or are pushed back into desperately trying to prove we're worth saving, we're blowing those horns yet again. Saved people produce fruit not in order to be saved but because they already are.

Near the end of this passage, the apostle talks about the wonderful fruit that springs from a blood-soaked cross:

'Shattered Dreams' program scheduled for next month

Muleshoe HS will be participating in the Shattered Dreams Program May 6-7.

This program is designed to help educate the local youth about the dangers of drinking and driving.

During the two days the program will be held, Shattered Dreams will dramatize an alcohol-related crash with simulated deceased and injured victims along with an intoxicated driver.

Also throughout the day, 15 students will be pulled from the high school student body to portray the living dead that represent how alcohol-related fatalities impact lives.

The community and

parents will hold a mock memorial to demonstrate to the students what drinking and driving can do to those indirectly involved.

Updates in the following weeks will include a schedule and a more detailed description of events of this program.

For more information about Shattered Dreams contact Belinda Head or Josh Woolbright at Muleshoe High School at 272-7303.

Stabbing...

Continued from page 1 While the motive is still unclear, according to Espinoza, the attack appears to have been the result of a "burglary gone bad." However, nothing has been reported as missing from the residence at this time.

Agencies involved in the investigation include the Texas Rangers, and the Muleshoe Police Department, officers from which processed the crime scene.

Individuals with information concerning the attack should contact the Bailey County Sheriff's Dept. at 806-272-4268.

"right thinking and right living, a clean slate and a fresh start" (The Message). None of that comes from us. No, it "comes from God by way of Jesus Christ," so that "no one can boast before him." And he did it in a way that makes no sense at all: on a cross.

The good news is that we are all wrong, helpless,

and in desperate need, but that God in his great mercy has done through his Son all of the work of salvation, all of it, on the cross. We must give up horn-blowing, for we are not strong, or wise, or intelligent, or good. But what we are is . . . saved. And God did it all. On a cross.

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The Muleshoe ISD will be presenting the Award at the General Faculty Meeting on May 29 in the High School Auditorium.

Teachers at Dillman Elementary and DeShazo Elementary will be eligible for the Elementary award and Watson Junior High and Muleshoe High School teachers will be eligible for the Secondary Award.

To be selected, the nominee must be a full-time classroom teacher. Anyone in Muleshoe ISD - employee, student, parent, community member - may nominate a teacher for the award.

If you would like to nominate a teacher for one of these honors, please send a brief letter stating why he/she should be Teacher of the Year to the Superintendent's office at 514 W. Ave. G. no later than 4:00 p.m. Friday, April 24, 2009.

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Muleshoe dairy farmers gain leadership skills at DFA meeting

James and Heather Hancock of Muleshoe, Texas, were among 20 dairy men and women who participated in a Young Cooperator (YC) leadership development conference in conjunction with Dairy Farmers of America, Inc.'s (DFA)

11th annual meeting held March 24-25 in Kansas City, Mo.

The Hancocks are active in the YC program, which fosters interaction between young dairy farmers ages 18 to 40 who are involved as owners, partners, or hold

distinct management responsibilities on a DFA member dairy farm operation.

The program facilitates the development of leadership skills, enabling young cooperators to improve their industry, their cooperative and

their lives.

"These young farmers represent the future of the dairy industry," says Tom Camerllo, chairman of DFA's board of directors. "The energy, enthusiasm and fresh thinking that these talented individuals bring to the cooperative give us great confidence in the future of dairying."

Conference sessions helped YCs understand the broad context of today's dairy industry, and prepared them to become ambassadors for dairy in their communities.

Networking activities and social events provided additional opportunities for YCs to develop relationships with like-minded peers throughout the country.

In a workshop presented by Dairy Management Inc., YCs received instruction on

speaking to a variety of audiences, ranging from friends and neighbors to church and school organizations.

Attendees also heard from Dr. Ron Hanson, Neal E. Harlan Professor of Agribusiness at the University of Nebraska, about the importance of farm succession planning.

YCs also received an inside look at DFA through workshops with senior staff. Jackie Klippenstein, DFA's vice president for industry and legislative affairs, conducted an in-depth discussion about the issues and opportunities facing the dairy industry.

Monica Massey, vice president of corporate communications and member relations, led an interactive session that coached participants on how maximize

the networking and learning opportunities available through the YC program.

Following the conference, the YCs joined more than 1,200 members and industry guests who attended DFA's annual meeting.

Dairy Farmers of America, Inc. is a dairy marketing cooperative that serves and is owned by more than 18,000 dairy farmers in 48 states.

DFA is one of the country's most diversified manufacturers of dairy products, food components and ingredients, and is a leader in formulating and packaging shelf-stable dairy products. For more information, call 1-888-DFA-MILK (332-6455) or visit www.dfamilk.com.



Students at DeShazo Elementary learn about the prevention of child abuse.

Go Blue Day

Continued from page 1 representing the children taken under the wing of the Dept. of Family and Protective Services.

Local children were also urged to dress "blue" on Wednesday, April 8, to show their support for child safety.

Residents across the South Plains are urged to join the battle against child abuse by assisting agencies such as Court Appointed Special Advocates.

CASA volunteers serve as advocates and

independent voices in court for abuse and neglected children. They help secure a permanent placement for the child in a safe and caring environment.

They can't control where an abused child comes from, but they can have a say in where the child ends up. This is essential in breaking the cycle of abuse. Last year CASA helped 919 children, but more than 450 were not helped due to lack of volunteers and resources.

Or, the Bailey County Child Welfare Board, as it confronts the problems of child abuse and neglect on a local level.

Child abuse hotline is 1-800-858-5400. Individuals with information concerning such situations are urged to call the hotline, or contact a local law enforcement agency.

"Together we can make this world a safer place for our children, because children should be seen and not hurt," a representative of the BCCWB said.

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Happy Easter to all from the Oneita Wagon Senior Citizens' Center!

Tuesday, April 14, Linda Bomer from the Extension Office will be giving our nutrition program. Make plans to come and enjoy lunch and listen to the information on health and food.

Tuesday night is the senior dance night. Call a friend, bring your favorite dish for the pot luck supper break, and enjoy a night out of fun and fellowship. Remember this is April 14, beginning at 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 16, the South Plains Community Action group will be meeting at the center for lunch. We are pleased to have them meet and enjoy the center.

Thursday is Bingo playing day. Call a friend

to come have lunch, stay and play bingo. A lot of fun and fellowship is enjoyed by all who come and play. Prizes and refreshments are furnished.

Every day is a good day to come to the center. Beginning at 8 a.m and open until 4 p.m. These seniors are enjoying walking, playing eighty, dominoes, visiting our library with large print books, watching our big screen television or just having a cup of coffee every day.

The center is here for the senior citizens of Muleshoe and surrounding area to participate in the activities. If you feel lonely or depressed, come to the center you could see an old friend or two.

The center had an

average of 89 persons per day for the month of March. So come join in the fun and fellowship.

Menu for April 13-17:
Monday, April 13 — King Ranch chicken, pinto beans, salad, onions, pickles, chips, salsa, apricots and cookies.

Tuesday, April 14 — Beef tips on rice, oriental veggies, salad, wheat roll and cake.

Wednesday, April 15 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll and peach cobbler.

Thursday, April 16 — Ham, sweet potatoes, black eye peas, salad, cornbread and lemon cake.

Friday, April 17 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad.



March Business of the Month...

The Muleshoe Chamber of commerce & Agriculture recently honored MB Express, located at 328 Main Street, and its owners — Ramiro and Yolanda Ramirez, as the March Business of the Month. Pictured above are Celie Parham, chamber president, Yolanda Ramirez, Sharla Johnson, chamber secretary, and Cheryl Puckett, chamber treasurer.

County health fair deemed a success

The first annual Bailey County Health Fair and Bike Safety Rodeo was held April 4 at the Bailey County Coliseum.

There were more than 150 adults and children who enjoyed a free lunch provided by Atmos Energy and door prizes donated by the attending

vendors. The children who attended received a bike helmet and rode their bike in the bicycle rodeo.

The Bailey County Child Welfare Board

and the Bailey County Sheriff's Department gave out 180 bike helmets during the event.

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...IT DIDN'T ALWAYS WORK OUT AS EASILY AS THAT! THE LAW, AS STATED IN DEUT. 25:13-16, HELD THAT A BROTHER OR NEAREST OF KIN WAS DUTY-BOUND TO TAKE HIS BROTHER'S WIDOW TO WIFE IF THE BROTHER DIED CHILDLESS (IF THE WIDOW HAD CHILDREN, THEY HAD TO CARE FOR HER IN HER OLD AGE). NOW, IF A MAN REFUSED TO TAKE HIS BROTHER'S CHILDLESS WIDOW AS A WIFE, THEN, BEFORE THE ASSEMBLY OF THE TRIBE, HE WOULD TAKE OFF HIS SHOE AND GIVE IT TO HIS DEAD BROTHER BY GIVING HIM A LIVING SON. HIS NAME WOULD THEN BE KNOWN THROUGHOUT ISRAEL AS THE HOUSE OF HIM THAT HE DIED TOGETHER. SO TO REFUSE THIS DUTY WAS A MARK OF SHAME TO THESE ANCIENT PEOPLE—BEFORE A MAN DID THAT, HE'D BETTER TO—in the Jargon of today's young people—COOL IT WITH THAT SHOE, MAN!

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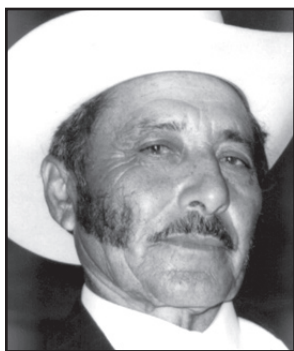
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Obituaries

Eliseo Sauseda Reyes

Eliseo "Cheo" Sauseda Reyes, 77, of Sunnyside, passed away, Saturday, April 4, 2009, in Sunnyside. Mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday, April 8, at St. Mary Magdalen Parish in Earth with the Rev. Leo officiating.



Eliseo "Cheo" Sauseda Reyes

Burial followed at Castro Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Dimmitt.

Rosary was recited at at Colonial Funeral Home Chapel.

Eliseo was born on Nov. 21, 1931, in El Rancho El Quemado Nuevo Leon, Mexico, to Rosalio and Maria de Jesus Sauseda de Rodriguez.

He and his wife Petra Sauseda resided in Sunnyside. They were married on Nov. 25, 1954, in Reynosa, Tamaulipas. He was a farm labor for Ed Dawson for 20 plus years in Earth. Eliseo was the president of Springlake-Earth LULAC Chapter and a member of St. Mary Magdalen Parish of Earth.

He is survived by his wife — Petra Sauseda of Dimmitt; four sons — J.E. Sauseda of Amarillo, Baldomero Sauseda of Bartlesville, Okla., Jose Eliasar and Ricardo Sauseda,

both of Hereford; five daughters — Maria Graciela Rojas of Dalhart, Maria Isabel Gonzalez of Dimmitt, Arjelia Bermea of San Antonio, Maria Guadalupe Sauseda of Canyon and Maria del Rosario Saenz of Hondo; four brothers — Rosalio Rodriguez of San Juan, Noel and Jesus Rodriguez, both of Washington State, and Leonel Rodriguez of Mission; and six sisters — Irma and Beatriz Rodriguez and Elida Galvan all of Washington State, Yolanda Trevino of Houston, and Noelia Rodriguez and Nora Balderas, both of Mission; 21 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son — Israel Sauseda, a granddaughter — Josephine Marie Rojas, and a sister — Arjelia Rodriguez.

Warren Givens

Graveside services for Warren G. Givens, 85, of Muleshoe, were held on, Tuesday, April 7, at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery with the Rev. Monty Leavell officiating.

Givens died on Sunday, April 5, 2009, in Muleshoe Area Medical Center. He was born on May 8, 1923, to Arline and Ida Mae Givens, and married Patricia Hamilton in Clovis, N.M., on May 18, 1975.

Hamilton moved to the Muleshoe area in 1966 from Hialeah, Fla.

Carl Hayes

Funeral services for Carl Edward Hayes, 48, of Muleshoe were held on Wednesday, April 8, at St. Luke Baptist Church of Muleshoe with the Rev. Robert Lewis officiating.

Burial followed in the hilltop section of the Bailey County Cemetery.

Hayes died on April 3, 2009, at Covenant Medical Center of Lubbock. He was born on Dec. 18, 1960, in Muleshoe.

He was a veteran of World War, serving in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He was a member of the American Legion and the VFW. He was rancher.

Survivors include his wife — Patricia; a son — Warren A. Givens of Muleshoe; a stepson — David Roberts of Hale Center; a daughter — Gail Domingue of Alvin; a step-daughter — Elizabeth Jester of Shamrock; a brother — Arlin Givens of Santa Fe, N.M.; six grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

He attended Muleshoe ISD, and moved to Clovis, N.M., where he worked in construction for many years.

Hayes was preceded in death by his father and three brothers.

Survivors include his mother — Juanita Hayes of Muleshoe; three brothers — Artis Hayes of Muleshoe, Tommie Hayes of Clovis, N.M., and Bobby Hayes of Compton, Calif.

Births

Leandro Gallegos

Leonardo and Oniria Gallegos of Muleshoe announce the birth of their son — Leandro Gallegos, on March 23, 2009, at 9:21 a.m., at Lamb Healthcare Center of Littlefield.

Leandro weighed seven pounds, 12 ounces at birth and was 19-1/2 inches in length.

Other children in the family include Xena, Xamira, and Leo III.

His grandparents are Leonardo and Diana Gallegos and Omar and Maria Felix Cavazos.

"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

Juan Chavez Jr.

Funeral services for Juan "Robert" Chavez Jr., 35, of Clovis, N.M., were held on Wednesday, April 8, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Carlos Chavez officiating.

Rosary was held on Tuesday, April 7, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

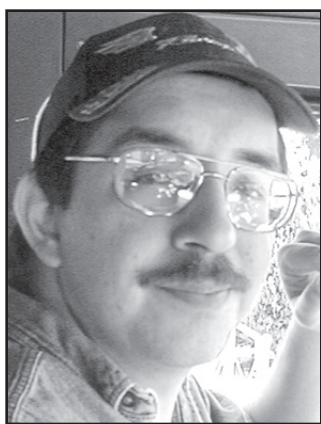
Burial followed Wednesday's services at Santo Nino de Atocha Cemeter in Dahlia, N.M., with Deacon Daniel Chavez officiating.

Chavez died on Saturday, April 4, 2009, in Clovis. He was born on April 18, 1973, to Juan Robert Sr. and Maria Chavez in Los Altos, Calif.

He worked at South West Cheese Plant and was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Chavez attended PTI College in Arizona, and also worked as a truck driver and a state correctional officer.

Chavez was preceded in death by his grandparents — Fidel and Celestina Sisneros; and Leo and Annie Chavez; a brother — Richard Chavez; and a sister — Tammy Chavez.

Survivors include his father — Juan Robert Chavez Sr. of Muleshoe; his mother — Maria Conselo Chavez of Clovis, N.M.; a son — Christopher Chavez of Clovis; a daughter — Cathy Chavez of Clovis; two sisters and their husbands — Tammy and Lucino Lararungel of Fort Hood, and Erma and Johnny Tejada of Altus, Okla.; two sisters — Anita Chavez of Clovis, and Ester Chavez of Altus, Okla.; a brother — Paul Chavez of Clovis.



Juan "Robert" Chavez Jr.

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Sports

Varsity Mules track team brings home silver medal

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules claimed silver in the Lubbock Cooper Pirate Relays Friday. The JV Mules had a bronze medal finish in their division of the meet.

Sterling Leopard set the pace for the Mules with two gold medal performances. He won the 3,200 meter run in the first running event of the day.

Leopard had to hang around all day to take his second gold medal in the 1,600-meter run. It is the next to last event of the day.

The Wood cousins, Lane and Wes, continue to dominate the pole vault event. They both cleared 14 feet six inches but Lane took the gold medal and Wes the silver.

The medals were based on misses during the event. They both just failed to clear 15-0 after winning the event.

Cooper Washington finished sixth in the shot put. Larry Richardson was fifth in the long jump.

The 400-meter relay team of L. Wood, Washington, Richardson and Caleb Conner finished with a bronze medal time.

Conner won his heat and took sixth in the 100-meter dash based on times.

The 800-meter relay team of Adrian Muniz, Richardson, Washington and Nathaniel Chavez earned the silver medal. Muniz had a silver medal time in the 300-hurdles.

The 1,600-meter relay team of Richardson,

Stevie Cisneros, Chavez, and Muniz finished fourth.

The JV Mules got started with the silver medal and fourth place heaves in the shot put by Clay Pena and Austin Bamert respectively.

Saul Elizalde cleared a gold medal height in the pole vault. Justin Griswold competed but no placing was available at press time.

Isaac Baca got his day started in the triple jump with a gold medal performance.

Josh Stanford had a fourth place distance in the triple jump. Adelaido Godinez ran fourth in the grueling 3,200-meter run.

The 400-meter relay team of Carlos Sosa, Alan Diaz, Damien Trevino and Baca took fourth

place.

Jonathan Garcia had a bronze medal time in the 800-meter run. The 800-meter relay team of Sosa, Elizalde, Trevino and Baca finished fifth.

Diaz ran a silver medal time in the 400-meter dash. Bamert ran sixth in the same event.

Baca finished with a silver medal time in the 200-meter dash.

Matthew Ambriz and Stanford placed fourth and fifth in the 1,600-meter run respectively.

The 1,600-meter relay team of Diaz, Bamert, Garcia and Elizalde placed fifth.

The Mule track teams will be in Lubbock Roosevelt for the Eagle Relays Friday in final preparation for the Dist. 2-2A meet to be held in Tulia April 16.



Photograph by Stacy Conner

Mule Larry Richards sends up a shower of sand.

Varsity Lady Mules take a 'run-rule' victory over the Lady Winds

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

It took the Lady Mules just six innings to 10-run rule the Floydada Lady Winds Tuesday on the Lady Mule's home field.

The game was ended with a three-run walk off home run by Tori Alvarado.

Saturday they made the long road trip to Childress and hung on, under adverse conditions, to defeat the Lady Cats 16-14. The Lady Mules currently lead District 2-2A with a record of 4-1.

Val Olivas gave up only one hit and one run to Floydada.

The Lady Mules allowed the only run on an error in the second inning. But they more than made up for the error by pulling off two double plays later in the game.

Olivas kept the Lady Winds hitting the ball on the ground to her infielders and they made all but two plays.

Olivas got the first two Floydada hitters to ground out to BreAnn Baca at third base and

Ali Eagle at short stop. They both scooped up the ground ball and fired strikes to Ashlie Johnson at first.

Olivas walked the next

batter and hit the next with a pitch. The final out came on a ground ball to Eagle at short and she made the toss to Baca at third for the forced third out.

April Gardea led off for the Lady Mules with a walk after taking the count full. Erika Rodriguez singled to left.

Both Gardea and Rodriguez advanced on a passed ball. Olivas sent Gardea and Rodriguez across the plate with a single to left.

Olivas was caught stealing before Alvarado singled to left. A strike out and a ground out to the pitcher stranded Alvarado on first base. The Lady Mules led 2-0 after one inning.

A hit batsman gave Floydada a base runner with no outs. A throwing error on a steal of second base allowed the runner to reach third. A fielding error at first allowed Floydada's only run to score.

Johnson made up for the error at first by making the grab on a line drive and stepping on the bag for an unassisted double play.

The next batter sent a ground ball back to the circle and Olivas made the scoop and threw to

Johnson for the third out.

The Lady Mules used the momentum of the double play to fuel an explosive scoring rally in the bottom of the second. They sent 10 batters to the plate and scored six runs. An error at third allowed Johnson to reach first.

Natalie Regalado singled to left before Lupita Andrade sent a fly ball single down the right field line to score Johnson. Gardea was hit by a pitch to load the bases. E. Rodriguez singled to left center to bring Regalado and Andrade home.

Olivas reached on an error by the short stop. Alvarado singled to left to score E. Rodriguez. Eagle singled to left to bring Olivas home and advance Alvarado to third.

An error at third allowed Johnson to reach first and Alvarado to score. The Lady Mules led 8-1 after two innings.

It was three up and three down by the Lady Winds in the top of the third. The first batter grounded out to Eagle at short, the second popped out to Johnson at first and the third grounded out to Baca at third.

Regalado walked on

four straight pitches and made it around the base paths for the Lady Mules only run of the inning. The Lady Mules led 9-1 after three innings.

The Lady Winds ground out to Olivas for their first out and to Eagle at short for the second and third outs. The Lady Mules did not score in the fourth or fifth innings. In the bottom of the sixth inning E. Rodriguez led off with a single to center.

Olivas followed with a single to center to put two Lady Mules on base. Alvarado took a strike before blasting a walk-off home run over the center-field fence that gave the Lady Mules the 12-1 win.

The Lady Mules made the long trip to Childress on Saturday to tangle with the Lady Cats with a high wind blowing from the southwest. The Lady Mules went in order in the top of the first inning.

A single and two doubles by Childress gave the Lady Cats a 2-0 lead after one inning.

The Lady Mule bats heated up in the second inning and brought eight runs across the plate. Alvarado led off with a triple to the fence in left field. Johnson reached

get across the plate. Gabby Perez slapped a single to left to score Alvarado.

Andrade's fly ball to right field was mishandled for an error that allowed her to reach second and Perez to score. Gardea was hit by a pitch and stole second base. E. Rodriguez singled to left to score Andrade.

Olivas helped her own cause with a three-run home run flare over the centerfield fence. Alvarado blasted a double to left in her second at-bat of the inning and broke an ankle sliding into second.

Brenda Rodriguez took her place on the base paths. She stole third base and went home on a passed ball. The Lady Mules led 8-2 after one and half innings.

Back-to-back base hits to lead off the bottom of the second inning scored one run for Childress but that was all they could

The Lady Mules went in order in the top of the third inning. Childress took advantage of the emotional Lady Mules to retake the lead with six runs. Childress led 9-8 after three innings.

Neither team scored in the fourth inning. Eagle led off the fifth for the Lady Mules with a double up the middle. Perez singled to center to score Eagle.

Andrade slapped a ground ball with eyes between third and short. Gardea singled to left to score Perez.

Back-to-back base hits by E. Rodriguez and Olivas scored Gardea to give the Lady Mules a 12-9 advantage.

Childress could not answer in the bottom of the fifth.

Johnson singled to left with one out in the top of the sixth. Perez followed with a double to left.

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Loss drops Muleshoe into tie with Dimmitt Bobcats

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules could not get untracked in Dimmitt against the Bobcats last Tuesday.

The loss dropped the Mules into tie for second place with the Bobcats. Tulia continues to lead the district with an unblemished record.

The Mules went down 10-0 in five innings to the Bobcats. The Mules did not fret over the loss and bounced back on Saturday to 10-run rule the Friona Chieftains 14-4 in the Mule's Diamond in the Park.

A wind aided home run by the Bobcats in the first inning seemed to send the Mules into shock and they never recovered.

Dimmitt played small ball in the second inning with back-to-back bunts to bring three runs across.

The Bobcats exploded in the bottom of the fourth for six runs to put

pressure on the Mules to score or the game was over on the 10-run rule. Victor Vasquez doubled to right center in the top of the fourth inning for the Mules only hit of the game.

The high southwest wind on Saturday did not slow down the Mules behind the pitching of Jared Skipworth. Friona used two hits in the first inning to take a short lived one-run lead over the Mules.

Marshall Head threw out a Chieftain attempting to steal second following a walk for the second out. Skipworth threw the ball past the swinging bat of the fifth batter of the inning.

Caleb Conner sent a flare to right field that fell fair for a double to lead off for the Mules.

After two Mules went down Vasquez sent a fly ball to center field. The wind gave the center fielder trouble and he was unable to hang on

to the ball.

Dameon Snell's Texas leaguer dropped just out of the infield to score Conner and a throwing error on the pitcher allowed Vasquez to score.

Snell advanced to second on the error. Snell was stranded on second as the Mules got their third out. The Mules led 2-1 after one inning.

Friona rallied back with two hits to convert two base on balls into two runs. Head cut off a throw home by Vasquez and he fired back to Gunner Kerby at second to catch a runner off base. Kerby chased the runner toward third and made the toss to Snell.

Snell chased the runner back toward second but made the tag for the final out.

The Mules answered in the bottom of the third with a six run rally. Ten Mules went to the plate in the inning. Ryan DeLeon ripped a single down the

left field line and stole second base.

Jonathan Garcia brought him home with a single to left and moved to second on the throw home. Conner tripled to the left center field fence to score Garcia. Kerby tripled to almost the same spot to score Conner.

Head drew a walk and advanced to second on the first pitch to Vasquez. Vasquez sent a towering fly ball to center to sacrifice in Kerby and move Head to third.

Snell laced a ball to deep center field to sacrifice in Head. DJ Atwood was hit by a pitch and stole second base. Adrian Chacon doubled to right center to bring Atwood across for the Mules final run of the inning. The Mules led 8-3 after two innings.

An error and a base hit scored the Chieftains final run of the day. A pop fly to the mound retired a Chieftain. A

ground ball to Vasquez at short allowed him to tag second before firing to Snell at first for a double play to cut short the Friona rally.

The Mules continued to roll up runs scoring one in the third, two in the fourth and three more in the bottom of the fifth.

DeLeon ended the game with a walk off single down the line

to right that brought Atwood across the plate for the 14th Mule run.

The Mules are currently 3-1 and traveled to Tulia to take on the district leading Hornets Tuesday.

The Mules will feel like road warriors by the time they come home again. They play in Floydada Saturday and then make the long trip to Childress on April 14.

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Lady Mules place seventh at Lubbock Cooper meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mule track team placed sixth in a field of 10 teams at the Lubbock Cooper Pirate Relays.

Estacada (177) won the meet and was

followed by Idalou (139), Shallowater (85), Lubbock Cooper (50), Levelland (44), Muleshoe (40), Brownfield and Littlefield (tie 35), Whitharral (12) and Tahoka (3).

Kathryn Owens got the Lady Mules started with a bronze medal toss in the shot put of 33 feet 10 inches.

Lupita Andrade finished the grueling 3,200-meter run in a silver medal time of 13 minutes 50.0 seconds.

Sarah Johnson placed sixth with a time of 15:14.0.

Baylee Bessire took fourth in pole vault by clearing 7-0.

Yvonne Gardea leaped 5-0 to tie for fourth place in high jump and had a bronze medal distance of 32-2.25 in triple jump.

Gardea took the silver medal in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of :52.64.

The 1,600-meter relay team of Andrade, Melissa

Casanova, Marisela Casanova and Gardea placed fifth in the final race of the day.

The Lady Mules will compete in the Lubbock Roosevelt Eagle Relays Friday April 10.

The District 2-2A Track Meet is scheduled for April 16 in Tulia.

Softball...

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Baca singled to score Johnson and Perez.

Baca went to second on a passed ball. Andrade singled to left to score Baca and then worked her way around the bases to give the Lady Mules a 15-9 advantage

Regalado tracked down a fly ball to left to send the first Lady Cat batter back to the bench in the bottom of the sixth inning. A triple to center put a runner in scoring position. A pop fly to B. Rodriguez at short left Childress with two outs. Back-to-back base hits scored two runs for the Lady Cats but they trailed 15-11 going into the seventh.

E. Rodriguez led off the seventh with a ground ball single up the middle. She worked her way around the bases on passed balls and stolen bases to give the Lady Mules a 16-11 lead going into the final half inning.

Childress hit four bloop singles just out of the infield for three runs to get with in two runs of the Lady Mules.

Lady Mule coach Jason Cole called time out to settle down his team. He told them to charge hard from the out field on the bloopers.

The next batter hit a screamer to right field and Andrade took two hard steps in toward the plate before realizing how hard the ball was hit.

She immediately back peddled four steps and made a leaping catch for the final out and clinched the win for the Lady Mules.

The Lady Mules traveled to Littlefield Tuesday and return home to host the Abernathy Lady Lopes Saturday.

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- The Easter Bunny is a young _____.
- No one is sure how the Easter Bunny started his work, but it is thought that he "hopped" across the ocean with the first people who came to America from _____.
- It is believed that the first bunny-shaped treats were made out of pastry and _____ in Germany.
- Today, milk, dark or white _____ bunnies are a favorite treat at Easter.
- Many families hardboil, dye and decorate _____ to eat or to hunt at Easter.
- The Easter Bunny delivers _____ full of treats to children for Easter morning.
- Easter baskets began with children leaving their hats or _____ to be filled with treats by the Easter Bunny.
- The Easter Bunny hides colored eggs for _____ to hunt!
- Another popular Easter animal is the soft, yellow, peeping _____.
- On _____ they are often shown popping out of eggs or sitting in baskets.
- A woolly, soft, white baby _____ or kid is often shown as a cake.
- The baby animals are signs of new _____ in the springtime.

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chocolate 4
cards 3
rabbit
Germany
life
baskets
bonnets 11
lamb
eggs
sugar
Whew!
Gosh! I don't like to complain, but shouldn't I be the one who gets to deliver the eggs?

There are three sets of eggs that are exactly the same. Can you find and circle the 2 identical eggs in each set?

A Basket Full of Fun and Surprises!

What kind of treats might the Easter Bunny put in baskets to delight children on Easter morning? **Unscramble the letters to fill in the blanks.**

- _____ tickets m e v o i
- story _____ o o b k
- _____ and coloring book r s c a n y a o
- _____ book m o c c i
- small toy car or _____ c k u r t
- box of _____ c a h k l
- stuffed _____ n a i l m a
- rubber _____ b l a
- jump _____ o r p e

Find and circle these favorite Easter candies in the basket:

1. malted eggs
2. cream-filled eggs
3. jellybeans
4. chocolate bunny
5. marshmallow chick

Look what I can do! Quack!

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A Magical Job!

Gee, I delivered all the baskets and hid all the eggs! I'm pretty tired...

Uh-oh, what is Bunny worried about? After Easter, his magician friend wants Bunny to join his show. Bunny knows that the magician's favorite trick is to:

Follow the alphabet code to "see."

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The Sudan Buzz



STERLING SMITH

Sudan youngster returns from Wrestlemania XXV

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Some pretty big guys climbed into the ring for Wrestlemania XXV, but some would argue the heart they displayed in their performance is small compared to the heart beating in the chest of one of their biggest fans... even if it is defective.

Little Sterling Smith of Sudan, a fourth-grade Amherst student, realized the dream of a lifetime over the weekend as he and his mother journeyed to Houston for Wrestlemania XXV, courtesy of the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Sterling became eligible for the foundation's trademark special treatment because of a heart condition that his mother, April Baker, says causes the youngster to pass out. Sterling also has other serious health problems he has to deal with on a daily basis, his mother said.

A "huge" professional wrestling fan since the age of five, Sterling, now 11 years of age, had no problem choosing the April 5 mega-wrestling event from among the options placed before him by foundation representatives.

And while he wasn't able to meet his all-time wrestling idol — Rey

'It was as if for a minute nobody was sick...'
— April Baker

Mysterio, he was glad to be on hand when Mysterio defeated JBL (John "Bradshaw" Layfield), who Sterling describes as "fake Texan" from New York City.

Still, young Sterling had opportunities to meet several other professional wrestlers, collect a book full of autographs, and even receive a kiss or two from some of the wrestlers female sidekicks.

According to Sterling's mother, he was one of several youngsters with chronic health problems who made the journey to Houston for a chance to see their wrestling heroes in action.

"The kids really connected," Baker said. "It was as if for a minute nobody was sick."

While the children sponsored by the Make-A-Wish Foundation still had to deal with their medical conditions on the trip, she said they seemed to be lost in the excitement of the

moment.

For a little while, at least, many of them were able to put aside their own individual ailments and imagine themselves in the ring, taking on the "bad guys of professional wrestling."

In fact, that's what Sterling plans to do with his life. At about 95 pounds, he says he's ready to climb into the ring to face the giants he's been watching for the past six years.

Heart... it's big in Sudan, and it's big in Sterling Smith... those "bad guys" had better watch out.

Sudan one-act play members honored

The Sudan One Act Play students competed in the Dist. 5A competition hosted at Sudan on Saturday, April 4.

They won district and will now move on to the Area Contest, at Amarillo College on Thursday, April 9.

The following students received honors at the district contest: Josh Barrett, best actor; Whitney Robertson, all star cast; Megan McAlister, all star cast; Luke Weyrauch, honorable mention, all star cast; and Logan Lance, honorable mention, all star cast.

Sunrise service to be held at Sudan

Easter Sunday Sunrise Services are to be held at Sudan High School Auditorium at 7 am.

The CircleBack Baptist Church, Sudan Church of Christ, Fellowship Christian, Mount Olive Baptist Church, Sudan Baptist Church and Sudan

First United Methodist Church will be hosting the Sunrise Services on Easter Sunday, April 12.

Along with lots of singing, Larry Spring of the First United Methodist Church will be the speaker.

There will be a

rehearsal for anyone wanting to sing in the service on Saturday at the Sudan High School Auditorium at 4 p.m.

For additional information contact Robert Roecker, pastor of the First Baptist Church, at 227-2072.

Sudan Kindergarten registration set

Registration for all 2009-10 Sudan Elementary kindergarten students will be held April 20-24 in the elementary

office. Hours for registering will be from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

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Students enjoy success with 'Pennies for the Pantry'

Dillman Elementary participated in a unique fundraiser a few weeks ago.

The typical fundraiser has students selling candles or popcorn or some other item.

Usually, only a certain percentage of the donation actually goes to the organization. Dillman Elementary participated in a fundraiser that was quite a bit different than that.

Employees and students from Dillman Elementary — Pre-kindergarten through second grade — wanted to do something that helped the community as a service project.

Faculty, staff, and students collected pennies over a three-week period from Feb. 2-13, and called the program "Pennies for the Pantry."

All of the pennies collected during that period of time were donated to the Bailey



Donna Jay receives the check from Todd Newberry and Lenda Trussell.

County Food Pantry.

The goal for the school was set at \$850, according to Superintendent Gene Sheets, and the students worked very hard at collecting these pennies.

By the end of the three weeks, they exceeded their goal and collected a total of \$1,410.52.

"That's a lot of pennies!" the superintendent said.

Lenda Trussell, Student Services Coordinator for Dillman Elementary,

organized the fundraiser/service project.

All of the money raised with the fundraiser will stay here in Muleshoe and helped the food pantry.

Todd Newberry, principal of Dillman Elementary, and Trussell presented the check for \$1,410.52 to Donna Jay, coordinator of the Bailey County Food Pantry.

"It was a very good service project that taught the students a great deal

about the food pantry and about helping others," Sheets said. "We've had employees and students at all of our campuses come forward to donate money for various needs that have come up during the year."

"We are proud of the way our employees and students are willing to help others in times of need. It's great to be a part of a community that serves others in need," he said.

Who are they?



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Obituaries

Emma Gomez

Funeral services for Emma M. Gomez, 79, of El Paso were held on Tuesday, March 31, at Sunset Funeral Home-East. Burial followed at Rest Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery of El Paso.

Visitation was held on Monday, March 30, at Sunset Funeral Home-East, with a prayer service.

Gomez died on March 26, 2009, in Lubbock. She was born on Jan. 20, 1930, in El Paso.

Gomez was preceded in death by her husband — Antonio Gomez Maese, and a daughter — Luz Elena Peinado.

Survivors include five sons — Leopoldo Gomez of Cd. Juarez, Mexico, Miguel Angel Gomez of El Paso, Jose Antonio Gomez of El Paso, Roberto Gomez of



Emma Gomez

Houston, and Agustin Gomez of Elizabeth, N.Y.; four daughters — Margarita Gomez of El Paso, Patricia G. Mata of Muleshoe, Ma del Carmen Sainz of Alamogordo, N.M.; and Maria Isabel Davila of Denver, Colo.; One brother, Robert Mijares from Apple Valley, CA, and one sister, Ramona Melendez Vda. De Eng, from Cd. Juarez.

She had 26 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Lazbuddie honor rolls released

Lazbuddie ISD recently released its "A" and "AB" honor rolls for the fifth six-week period of the 2008-09 school year.

Among the students honored were:

Elementary "A"

Coby Glover, Preston Stewart, Avery Hicks, Sidney Urbantke, Devon Pacheco, Andres Solano, Thomas Ballard, Bernardo Lopez, Cambree Glover, Gentry Hicks, Juan Samarron and Micah Vera

Elementary "AB"

Joshua Cox, Tyler Haseloff, Marrena Hunn, Gunner Russell, Kayleigh Russell, Miranda Salazar, Avery Timms, Jesus Arreola, Juan Castaneda, Marisol Gomez, Ashlyn Timms, Triston Bomer, Triston Gonzalez, Ginsyn McGehee, Daniela Ramos, Ashley Scott and Iridian Fernandez.

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Births



Brenda and Andrea Torres

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Francisco and Letty Torres of San Antonio announce the birth of their daughters—Andrea and Brenda Torres, on Feb. 11, 2009, at 9:30 p.m., at University Hospital of San Antonio.

Andrea weighed five pounds, seven ounces at birth, and Brenda

weighed five pounds, two ounces.

They have two siblings — a brother, Julian Rene, 2, and a sister, Mariana, 3-1/2.

Their grandparents are Francisco and Eufemia Torres of Muleshoe, and Juvenal and Carmen Alaya of San Antonio.

Youth corps applications now being accepted at NWR

Muleshoe National Wildlife Refuge invites area youth, ages 15-18, who are permanent residents of the United States to apply for the Youth Conservation Corps summer work program.

The program runs eight weeks, beginning June 8 and ending July 31. Enrollees will be paid minimum wage for a 40 hour week. Enrollees are responsible for their own transportation to and from the refuge.

Enrollees perform a variety of tasks including wildlife identification, maintenance of trails and campgrounds, washing vehicles, building and removing fence, boundary sign posting, painting, improving wildlife habitat

and more. For more information or to receive an application form, write the Muleshoe National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 549, Muleshoe, Texas 79347 or call 806-946-3341.

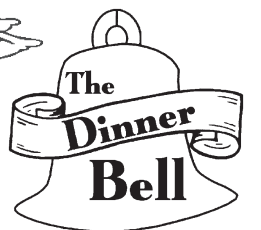
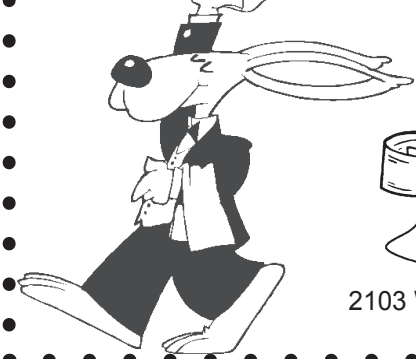
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Hale Center grew 9%

Lockney grew 9%

Plainview Daily Herald, March 15, 2009

Muleshoe grew 8%!

Alcohol Sales do not Provide Significant Economic Development!

On May 9, 2009

Vote AGAINST Alcohol Sales in Muleshoe!

Protect our Families

El mito de ventas en impuestos y alcohol...

Antes de Ventas de Alcohol:

fondos recaudados por los impuestos en ventas en Plainview subieron a 7%

Despues de Ventas de Alcohol:

fondos recaudados or los impuestos en ventas en Plainview subieron a 4%

Sin Ventas de Alcohol!

Olton subio 4%

Hale Center subio 9%

Lockney subio 9%

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Muleshoe subio 8%!

Ventas de alcohol no proveen significativamente desarrollo economico!

En Mayo 9, 2009

Vote en CONTRA ventas de alcohol en Muleshoe!

Proteje Nuestras Familias

More about wisdom, understanding and knowledge

The more I study these things the more important they seem to be, that is, to me at least.

But, until recently I really hadn't thought of them in the comprehensive way they are spoken of in Proverbs,

That is, from the creation of the earth, the establishment of the heavens, the life of the ant and all things between, the message is; whatever the question, or the problem, we should approach it, think of it, test it and deal with it in a skillful and wisely manner in order to understand "what about it?"

Then, and then only, do we know or have knowledge of it.

I would say this applies to all events of life in which we might participate. And furthermore I would say that in Proverbs we find a perfect pattern to live by while we live here in this time.

For example; regarding the Iraq war; in the most recent issue of *Nation* magazine there is an article that lists the cost of the war in money, in human lives and in suffering.

To me it is quite interesting, and I think, important, for I had never seen any figures on that.

I'm sure others saw it also. But I present it now, not that I favor the war, or that I oppose it, but simply because I believe that we, as citizens of this nation, have a right to know about those things,

Something worth saying...

By Glen Williams

and that our officials have a duty to see that we are made aware of them.

According to the article:

- The war in Iraq has cost \$656 billion.
- Has taken the lives of more than 90,000 civilians.
- Has killed 346 civilians in February 2009, including 11 children
- The U.S. casualties have reached 4,259 deaths, and 31,131 wound.
- U.S. troops committed the highest number of suicides in January 2009, a total of 24.

A reported five million

Iraqis have been displaced during the last six years, a fifth of their entire population.

And utility services have been disrupted to the point that there is an average of less than 14 hours of electricity available per day.

Whether the war was justified or not is no longer the question. The fact is we are engaged.

So what should we do now? That is the question.

If our leaders will rise above personalities and party interests and approach it wisely, with understanding they will

know more about how to handle it. Get the point?

They will attain knowledge as Solomon speaks of it. You know, it's hard to solve a problem until you know what the problem is, and what is the cause.

Finally, like Amos of old, I'm not a prophet, neither am I the son of a prophet.

But I would expect that most of our troops will be brought home from Iraq within a year or so, but that we will have troops there for the next half century.

I was just thinking, if we would read one chapter of Proverbs every day, in one month we would have read the entire book.

And if we would study as we read we might be

better and wiser people. At least I feel sure I would. So I will close with this quotation from the book.

"Go to the ant thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise;

"Which having no guide, overeers, or ruler,

"Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest."

This brings us back to

life, as I see it, so I hope to comment more on it in the next writing. As a lady said to me recently a have a blessed day." to me recently, "I hope you have a blessed day."

Have a story or photo ideas? Let us know!



March Employee of the Month...

The Muleshoe Chamber of commerce & Agriculture recently honored Ron Calanchi of the Sonic Drive-In of Muleshoe as the March Employee of the Month. Pictured above, from left to right are Cheryl Puckett, chamber treasurer, Ron Calanchi of Sonic, Celie Parham, chamber president, Candy Carmichael, Sonic manager, and Mark Anthony, chamber board member.

POSITION AVAILABLE

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Obituaries printed in the Muleshoe Journal are printed free of charge and contain the following types of information:

Date and details of funeral and place of burial; date and place of birth and parents names; date of marriage;

L i m i t e d biographical information, including the highest level of schooling achieved, service in the Armed Forces, profession (and retirement information if applicable); names of relatives who have preceded the person in death;

Names of survivors (including husband and wife, parents, in-laws, brothers, sisters, grandparents (only the number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren) will be included; and where memorials may be directed.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL

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A 5% bid bond for the highest acceptable bid must accompany each bid. A 100% payment and performance bond will be required by the successful bidder. Both the bid bond and the payment bond shall be written by a Surety Company listed by the United States Department of the Treasury (Federal Register Circular 570) as an acceptable surety on Federal Bonds and shall hold a B+ or better rating by A.M. Best Co., Oldwick, N.J.

There will be a mandatory walk through the project facilities for all interested proposers. Project specifications, including detailed proposal requirements, will be provided at that time. The walk through will begin at 3:00 PM, Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at Deshazo Elementary School, 309 W. Ave. C, Muleshoe, Texas.

For information you may call: King Consultants 120 E. 46th Street Lubbock, Texas 79404 (806) 763-6157.

Muleshoe I.S.D. reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals and to waive all formalities.

Published in the Muleshoe Journal April 9 and April 16

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Muleshoe Independent School District, of Bailey County, will receive sealed proposals for re-roofing work at three (3) MISD Campuses up to, but no later than, **2:00p.m. CDT, May 5, 2009 for DeShazo Elementary Reroof Work; 3:00p.m. CDT, May 5, 2009 for Watson Junior High Reroof Work; 4:00p.m. CDT, May 5, 2009 for Dillman Elementary Reroof Work**, in the Administrative Offices located at 514 West Avenue G in Muleshoe, Texas.

Bid Documents will be available to bidders on April 21, 2009 at the offices of MWM Architects, Inc. located at 2574 74th Street, Suite 201, Lubbock, Texas. A refundable deposit of \$100.00 will be required for each bid document set, made out to Muleshoe ISD.

A mandatory pre-proposal meeting will be held in Muleshoe, Texas at 2:00p.m. CDT on April 30, 2009. Meet at the MISD Administration offices located at 514 West Avenue G, Muleshoe, Texas.

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MILC payments are on their way to area dairy farmers

The executive director of USDA's Farm Service Agency in Bailey County announced recently that because of low dairy prices across the country, producers participating in USDA's Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) program will soon begin to receive payments.

"As a result of low dairy prices, we will soon begin distributing MILC payments to ensure that dairy producers have the financial assistance they need. This action will also stimulate local economies," said Kim Hanlin.

USDA makes MILC payments on a monthly basis when the Boston Class I milk price falls below \$16.94 per hundredweight as adjusted for feed costs.

USDA determines the per hundredweight payment rate for the applicable month by subtracting the Boston Class I price for that month from the \$16.94 MILC payment trigger price, established in the 2008 Farm Bill, as adjusted for feed costs, and multiplying the difference by 45 percent.

The monthly Boston

price along with final MILC payment rates are posted online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA>.

The MILC payment trigger price of \$16.94 is adjusted upward when the National Average Dairy Feed Ration Cost for a month is greater than \$7.35 per cwt.

USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service released the data for determining the Average Dairy Feed Ration Cost for the month of February on March 30.

Using this information and the formula contained

in the 2008 Act, the MILC payment trigger for the month of February has been adjusted to \$17.33, for a final MILC payment rate of \$1.5132.

Beginning in early April, USDA expects to issue approximately \$150 million to dairy producers for milk produced in February.

USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service announced the Boston Class I price for the month of March on Feb. 20, and

for the month of April on March 20

In both instances, the Boston Class I price was below the MILC payment trigger price of \$16.94 per cwt. USDA expects to issue MILC payments on milk produced in March in early May and MILC payments on milk produced in April in early June, after USDA has adjusted the MILC payment trigger price for feed costs and determined the final payment rate for

those months.

MILC payments may also be triggered in future months if the MILC payment trigger price is below \$16.94 per cwt.

FSA makes payments up to the maximum eligible pounds of milk produced and marketed by each operation per fiscal year.

The annual maximum eligible pound limit per dairy operation is 2,985,000 pounds per fiscal year.

Fire department adds members

Muleshoe Fire Department is a volunteer department, which means its members receive no pay for their services.

Since January 1, through March 31, of this year, the department has responded to 27 reported incidents with 236 man hours logged.

The department members also donate their time for training with 269 man hours logged.

The department has added three new members this year.

They are Wayne Wallace, Andrew Nichols, and Weston Frieson.

The addition of these new members brings the total department membership to 24.

"We have several veteran members who have a total of 283 years of experience and service with MFD, according to a department representative.

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If you know of any of the listed please contact:
 Sheila Black 773-2270 or sheilab@xanadoo.com
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 Local classmates were not listed and are asked to RSVP to the listed contacts.

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*Join us Easter Sunday as we celebrate
 the Resurrection*

Sunday, April 12
 9:45 AM - Christian Education
 11:00 AM - Worship

*Experience the Passion of Christ
 Through a Service of
 Holy Communion and
 Reflection on the Crucifixion*

Thursday, April 9
 7:00 PM

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Easter Worship Services

Easter Sunday April 12
Sunrise Service, 7 a.m.
Richland Hills Baptist Church

Music will be provided by Garrison and Jackson Myers, and Chelsea Moore, with the Rev. Larry Thornton of Richland Hills Baptist Church delivering the message.
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