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## Council Balks At Tax Rate Increase

By Larry Thornton  
Editor

Muleshoe's city council took no action on a proposed tax rate increase for FY 2014-15 during Monday's regular meeting.

For the first time in several years, City Manager David Brunson presented a proposed budget for the council's consideration that included revenues from a proposed three percent tax rate increase along with an increase in water and sewage rates.

According to the city manager, the tax rate

increase for a house valued at \$100,000 would be \$20.31, less than the cost of lunch for a couple at a popular local restaurant.

However, from the beginning of the budget workshop, and Brunson's presentation concerning the proposed rate increase it was evident from comments from council members present that any vote taken on the issue wouldn't be unanimous.

Council member Eric McElroy, who admitted a personal dislike for any type

of tax increase, also questioned Brunson's reasoning behind the tax rate increase along

**"I don't like taxes... but how do you pay for services without them?"**

with the need for a utility rate increase.

It was also McElroy's position that he would rather support a "sin tax" on the local sale of alcohol than a property tax increase.

"I don't like taxes,"

said Mayor Pro Tem Irene Mason, "but how do you pay for services without them?"

According to the city manager, the utility rate increase would very depending upon the amount of water the customer used, and would roughly add from \$3 to \$11 to the monthly water bill.

"It's not a crippling increase," Brunson said.

"Don't you think we're already at the tipping point?" McElroy asked the city manager, apparently suggesting that the city's current utility rates are at the point that water sales revenues were being impacted.

In his presentation, Brunson had stated that the increase would help the city "score higher" on a \$275,000 matching grant request that would be used to pave some of the city's 20 blocks of unpaved streets.

While the city manager couldn't state that Muleshoe would definitely receive the grant, he explained that the process wasn't nearly as competitive as it has been in previous years, and that Muleshoe would also benefit in the selection process because it had been several years since the city had applied for such a grant.

Brunson also admitted that not approving the proposed increases wouldn't reduce the funds necessary for items

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## Getting Ready For Some Football

It may be a bit confusing, but the Muleshoe High School's varsity team isn't the only "Mules" getting ready to play some football.

Two members of the Muleshoe Youth Football team, also named the Mules, are pictured above as they square

off during practice Monday evening at the East City Park.

Need a way to tell the teams apart? Well, the tiny tykes aren't currently involved in two-a-days... and won't be playing in the Benny Douglas Stadium, yet.

## Commissioners' Court Approves Proposed Tax Rate Increase

By Larry Thornton  
Editor

Bailey County's commissioners' court took the next step necessary in the annual budget process during Monday's regular meeting by approving a proposed tax rate of 96 cents per \$100 in valuation.

The proposed rate for FY2015 includes .7279 cents for the general fund, .1350 for farm to market (roads), and .0971 for the county's debt service on the Bailey County Law Enforcement Center.

"In a nutshell, we're going up (about) \$60 per year on a \$100,000 house... that's \$5 per month," said County Judge Sherri Harrison.

For a house of the same value last year, the taxes were \$899.50 — which was a \$73.20 increase from FY2013 when it was \$826.30.

Since FY2008, the county's tax rate, if this year's proposed

rate is adopted at the commissioners' Aug. 28 meeting, will have increased by .2538, while the FM rate will have increase by .0366.

According to information Harrison provided, the county's general fund is capped by the state at 80 cents, while the FM rate cap is 30 cents.

In regards to other budget issues, EMS Director Kevin Baize talked to the commissioners about the purchase of a new ambulance.

Currently, the ambulance service has three ambulances — a 2011 F350 with 74,798 miles, a 2006 F450 with 175,823 miles, and a 2000 F350 with 214,403 miles.

Harrison said the proposed budget includes a line item of \$40,000 toward a new ambulance.

Baize proposed that the amount be

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## No Growth In Local Sales Tax

By Larry Thornton  
Editor

The City of Muleshoe fell to last place among area communities' percentage of sales tax increase, according to information released by the Texas State Comptroller's office.

Muleshoe took an 8.91 percent drop in the amount of its August reimbursement, representing \$5,763.27

fewer sales tax dollars collected during this period when compared to the same period in 2013.

Interestingly, Littlefield with a 5.68 percent decrease was in ninth place, meaning the two area communities with the largest actual sales tax allocations showed the least increase.

At the top of the

allocation list for August was Olton with a 34.48 percent increase, representing \$4941.45 in additional sales tax collected.

The August allocations represent sales tax collected in June and reported to the state in July.

Sudan, another Lamb County community, placed second in this

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City	Net Payment	Same period Prior year	Percent Change
Muleshoe	\$58,859.85	64,623.12	-8.91%
Dimmitt	\$36,911.38	38,408.78	-3.89%
Morton	\$10,452.42	9,323.96	12.10%
Littlefield	\$111,729.88	118,458.70	-5.68%
Earth	\$ 5,199.71	4,810.33	8.09%
Olton	\$19,271.84	14,330.39	34.48%
Sudan	\$ 5,303.06	4,706.34	12.67%
Farwell	\$10,466.04	10,374.28	0.88%
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# OPINION

## Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

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### Meet The Mules

The Muleshoe Athletic Boosters will be hosting "Meet the Mules" on Tuesday, Aug. 19, in the Muleshoe High School Gymnasium, beginning at 7 p.m. Ice cream will be served.

### Hanna Simmons Account

An account has been set up at First Bank of Muleshoe for Hanna Simmons, the nine-year-old daughter of Scott and Misty Simmons, to help with medical and travel expenses.

Hanna was transferred Monday, Aug. 11, to The Children's Place in Dallas for rehabilitation after her July 9 surgery to remove a brain tumor.

### TAMALE Meeting

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will be sponsoring a Wheat Production Meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 20, at 9 a.m., at the County Extension Office, 118 W Ave C., in Muleshoe.

Dr. Calvin Trostle will present the program. For more information call the Bailey County Extension Office at 806-272-4583.

A \$10 registration fee will be charged at the door.

### Womens' Conference

"His Love Restores You" Women's Conference to be hosted by the Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship on Aug 16, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Speakers will be Lori Reynolds, Melissa Lamb, Melody Turner, and Tiffany Hart along with "A Fathers Blessing" to be spoken by Bruce Slaughter. Music will be led by Angel Hunt of Muleshoe.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Free to all ladies 18 and up in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico area.

Child care will not be available. For additional information, contact Karen Bradfute at 806-869-5395, Karie Preston at 806-518-1231, or Susan Skipworth at 575-309-9301.

### Local Blood Drive

The City of Muleshoe and the Coffee Memorial Blood Center are hosting a blood drive at city hall on Wednesday, Aug. 20, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Photo identification or a donor card is required. Donors must be at least 17 years of age to donate.

Donors who are age 16 may now donate with a signed parental consent form. For appointments, call 331-8800 or 1-877-574-8800.

### Library Volunteers

The Muleshoe Area Public Library is needing volunteers for its Storytime program.

The library will have a training day for volunteers willing to help on Tuesday, Aug. 19, at 10 a.m.

"Please make plans to attend this training if you would like to help with our Storytime program," said Librarian Dyan Dunagan.

The dates for the programs are Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 8, Jan. 12, Feb. 9 and April 13.

## 'Hi, I'm Curtis, And I'm A Worry-holic'

"Hi, I'm Curtis, and I'm a worry-holic."

That's the way I'd introduce myself at a Twelve Step program for worriers and anxiety addicts. And maybe there are some. Programs for worriers, I mean. I should check on this.

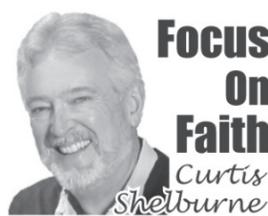
But come to think of it, I'm already involved in one. It's called the church. Not everyone there is a worrier, but more than a few fit the bill.

People just like me who wage a daily battle with worry and are as prone to reach for it as an alcoholic is to reach for a bottle when the stress piles up. Or when the sun comes up.

We read the Apostle Paul's command, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God" (Philippians 4:6), but we botch it so often that we're tempted to despair.

We worry about worrying.

For some of us, it would be real progress if we could say with Charlie Brown, "I've adopted a new philosophy: I only dread one day at a time."



Focus On Faith  
Curtis Shelburne

Like many alcoholics, I seem every now and then to make a good stab at success.

For a few days (or minutes), I can almost follow that divine injunction: "Have no anxiety about anything..." I'm best at it when I'm asleep, or, this works for me, when I'm singing.

Sometimes I think it might even be more than half true to say that, as I'm getting older, maybe in some areas I'm learning, by God's grace, to deal with worry at least a little better than I once did.

Maybe I'm seeing a little improvement. (But count the "maybe's.")

Then too often I seem to wake up wallowing in worry, and any idea of slight progress melts like morning dew.

It was mostly an illusion. And, yet again, I can't believe what a poor showing I've made, that once again I'm a casualty in the war with worry.

Pick any front in the war. Satan can lob anxiety missiles our way from any number of directions.

Finances. Groceries and gas, your "out-go,"

are going up at a rate steadily ahead of your income.

Marriage. Mars and Venus sometimes wobble in their orbits. Collisions, almost cosmic for some folks, can happen.

Work. Can't live with it. Can't live without it. You love it. You hate it. You... worry about it.

Parenthood. Count on it: the anxieties popping up in this most fertile field for worry are perennials.

Health. The doc says you must de-stress, a prescription guaranteed to immediately add significantly to your stress.

But Jesus seems serious about it when he says, "Do not worry about your life" (Matt. 6:24a).

The Apostle Paul not only commands, "Don't be anxious," he says, "Pray!"

And he adds a great promise: "And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

God's promised peace, the real thing and not our feeble attempts at calm, is exactly the strong "guard" lots of us need in the battle. Each day. Each moment.

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# Muleshoe City Council... Continued From A1

listed in the proposed budget, or leave the city without money in the bank, even though it would have to dip into its fund balance.

According to the city manager, Muleshoe was in a better position than other communities — especially smaller communities — in the area, but the city needed to better prepare for large expenses that could be expected in future.

He noted that at some point, the city was going to be faced with replacing some of its water and sewer infrastructure.

“We’ve got some 80

**Muleshoe last raised the property tax rate above the effective tax rate in 2008... when the national average price for gasoline was \$2.07 per gallon.**

to 100 year old pipes in the ground,” Brunson said.

Inflation was another factor included in the city manager’s presentation. City Secretary LeAnn Gallman pointed out that it was more expensive for the city to provide services to local residents and businesses.

“If we do business the same as last year, it will cost more,” she said.

Following the city

manager’s presentation, the city’s individual department heads talked about the various items they had requested in the proposed budget.

With no action taken regarding the proposed rate increase, an additional budget workshop was set for Tuesday, Aug. 26, at 6 p.m.

Mayor Cliff Black, who had listened stoically through much of the tax rate discussion also asked that the

council’s evaluation of the city manager be included on the Aug. 26 agenda.

In other business, the council:

- Approved the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation’s request for reimbursement of \$1,456.57 expended for the annual Tour de Muleshoe.
- Approved the

council minutes for July 14.

- Approved a franchise agreement with Atmos Energy.
- Approved a recommendation from the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation for a \$75,000 loan to local company Eevolve.

The funds will be used to expand the

business, purchasing both additional machinery and the building in which it is located.

- Noted that the Muleshoe Youth Advisory Council’s final “movie-in-the-park,” featuring the movie *Secondhand Lions*, was set for Thursday, Aug. 14, to begin about 9 p.m.

# Commissioners... Continued From A1

increased to \$50,000 for the lease-purchase of a new ambulance, with the remainder of the \$180,000 to be paid over a three to four year period.

He also noted that the \$35,000 matching grant his department has requested in previous years has been increased to \$50,000.

“Since they upped the grant... I don’t want to leave the money on the table,” Harrison said in support of Baize’s suggestion.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Butch Vandiver expressed

a similar opinion. “I think that’s the way to go,” he said.

Instead of increasing the amount for the ambulance already listed in the budget, Harrison suggested that money from the approximately \$62,000 remaining in the county’s Ray and Donna West donation fund be used to supplement the amount needed.

Public hearings and additional discussion regarding the FY2015 budget are set for Aug. 21 and 25. Both hearings are set for 11 a.m.

In other business, the

court:

- Approved payment of county bills totaling \$517,184.48.
- Approved the county’s June treasurer’s report, and received the report for July.
- Received a Bailey County EMS report which noted a total of \$25,901.50 had been billed during the past month, and \$32,889.71 collected.

The ambulance service responded to 53 calls during July, and made 42 transports.

- Approved an easement at CR1018 and Hwy. 214, in precinct 1.

# Sales Tax... Continued From A1

month’s allocation percentage of increase.

As previously noted, Muleshoe and Littlefield — with year-to-date totals of \$396,360.63 and \$734,116.60 respectively — remain at the top of the actual dollars received, followed by Friona with \$283,926.39 collected to date.

In Y-T-D totals, Earth has collected the least amount of actual tax dollars at \$35,580.40.

Littlefield also brings up the tail in the year-to-date percentage of increase, with a 7.95 percent drop. Muleshoe

placed seventh in this category with an increase of 2.29 percent.

Olton took first with an increase of 37.26 percent compared to last year’s totals.

Regarding the August allocations, Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said state sales tax revenue in July was \$2.34 billion, up 6.3 percent compared to July 2013.

“The growth in sales tax revenues reflected strength in both business and consumer spending,” Combs

said.

“The increase was led by remittances from the construction, services, and oil and natural gas-related sectors, as well as from retail trade and restaurants,” she said.

“Fiscal year-to-date, state sales tax collections are now up 5.3 percent.”

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The morning of Tuesday, Aug. 19, will be another bunko games morning.

Come get a chair at the tables before 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 21, lunch time will this month's birthday time followed by Bingo time at 1:30 p.m.

The Oneita Wagnon Senior Center's daily games of dominoes and eighty are growing into almost all day games. It is so good to see

our senior center folks back at the center.

Senior center folks, please be ready to sign your 2014-15 intake forms.

We are trying to have them ready around the first of September.

The center needs to get them signed by Sept. 15 for SPAG funding.

**Aug. 18-22 menus:**  
Monday, Aug. 18 — Baked ham with pineapple, lima beans, chuck wagon corn,

chocolate chip cookie, and a wheat roll.

Tuesday, Aug. 19 — Charbroiled hamburger with tomatoes, pickles and onion on a wheat bun, herbed potatoes fries, and berry cobbler.

Wednesday, Aug. 20 — Chicken-fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, and a pumpkin square.

Thursday, Aug. 21 — Taco salad, refried beans, Spanish rice, broccoli and cauliflower salad, corn or flour tortilla, and apricot halves.

Friday, Aug 22. — Fish or chicken strips, borracho beans, green peas, tossed vegetable salad, French dressing, a whole wheat roll, and tropical fruit mix.



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The *Muleshoe Journal* invites your news of weddings, engagements, showers, anniversaries and births.

But, in order to be fair to everyone, we must limit the amount of space for certain events.

For weddings, 25 column inches, which includes a photo if desired, is the limit. If the photo and announcement runs longer, we reserve the right to eliminate parts of the story.

However, if a longer write-up is desired, it may be placed in purchased space.

For anniversaries, the space will be free for anniversaries of 50 years or 75, specifically, and will be limited to a single photograph. A fee will be charged for other anniversaries.

Birth announcements with one-column photos are run free of charge with the names of the immediate family, including grandparents. Great-grandparents, etc., will not be included.

The permission of both parents is required for a birth announcement to

be published.

Small stories describing showers are run free of charge after the fact and may include the names of the principals, the hostess gift, the names of special or out-of-town guests, and a one-column photograph of the honoree.

It is the responsibility of the party providing the information to provide all of the information.

News releases in which names were left out by the party providing the information will not be re-published free of charge.

A deadline of three months after an event will be the rule for free publication.

Information must be received by Monday noon. Publication cannot be guaranteed in the week it is provided.

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The Lord said to Samuel How long will you mourn for Saul since I have rejected him as king over Israel Fill your horn with oil and be on your way I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem I have chosen one of his sons to be king But Samuel said How can I go If Saul hears about it he will kill me

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# Engagements

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## Cowart, Harris To Wed

Barry and JoEllen Cowart of Muleshoe announce the engagement of their daughter, Robin Cowart, to Brice Harris of Tyler. The prospective bride is a graduate of Muleshoe High School, and Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree in psychology and journalism, and Texas Tech University, where she received her elementary teacher certification. She is currently employed at Muleshoe Vet Labs.

The prospective groom is the son of Kent and Susan Harris. He is a graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor and master of architecture degree. He is currently employed with Eubanks Harris Roberts Craig Architects Inc.

A wedding date of Oct. 4, 2014, at 5 p.m., has been set at the Muley Point overlook, near Mexican Hat, Utah, with a reception to follow.

## Womens' Church Conference Set For Saturday In Muleshoe

"His Love Restores You" Women's Conference to be hosted by the Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship on Aug 16, from 9 a.m. until to 4 p.m.

Speakers will be Lori Reynolds, Melissa Lamb, Melody Turner, and Tiffany Hart along with "A Fathers Blessing" to be spoken by Bruce Slaughter. Music will be led by Angel Hunt of Muleshoe.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Free to all ladies 18 and up in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico area.

Child care will not be available. For additional information, contact Karen Bradfute at 806-869-5395, Karie Preston at 806-518-1231, or Susan Skipworth at 575-309-9301.

## Donations Sought For Local Youngster

An account has been set up at First Bank of Muleshoe for Hanna Simmons, the nine-year-old daughter of Scott and Misty Simmons, to help with medical and travel expenses.

Hanna was transferred Monday, Aug. 11, to The Children's Place in Dallas for rehabilitation after her July 9 surgery to remove a brain tumor.



## Nichols, Ponder To Wed

Chelsee Nichols, the daughter of Mike Nichols of Lazbuddie and the late Sherrie Nichols, and Cody Ponder, the son of Joe Ponder and Penni Granat of Amarillo, announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

The prospective bride is a 2008 graduate of Lazbuddie High School. She is currently attending school at Texas Tech University, pursuing a bachelor's degree in exercise sports science with a minor in education.

The prospective groom is a 2008 graduate of Highland Park High School of Amarillo. He is employed with Lee Lewis Construction out of Lubbock.

## Local Blood Drive Set

The City of Muleshoe and the Coffee Memorial Blood Center are hosting a blood drive at city hall on Wednesday, Aug. 20, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Photo identification or a donor card is required. Donors must be at least 17 years of age to donate.

For appointments, call 331-8800 or 1-877-574-8800.

The couple plans to wed on Dec. 13, 2014, in a destination wedding in Cancun, Mexico.

They will reside in Lubbock.

## Louise Allen

Lubbock resident Louise Allen, 92, died on Aug. 8, 2014, in Lubbock. She was born on Dec. 7, 1921, in Comanche County to Ervin and Ruby Gore. Graveside services were held on Aug. 9 at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

## Roy Montes

Sudan resident Roy Montes, 45, died on Monday, July 28, 2014, in Lubbock. He was born on Aug. 22, 1968, in Bovina to Vincente and Blasa Montes. Funeral services were held on July 31 in the Sudan ISD auditorium, followed by burial in Sudan Cemetery.

"Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine."

Proverbs 3:9-10, NIV



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## Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The COUNTY OF BAILEY will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 3.896104 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on August 21, 2014 at 11:00 AM at Bailey County Courthouse, Commissioners Court Room, 300 South First Street, Muleshoe, Texas.

The second public hearing will be held on August 25, 2014 at 11:00 AM at Bailey County Courthouse, Commissioners Court Room, 300 South First Street, Muleshoe, Texas.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR:	Judge Sherri Harrison, Commissioner Butch Vandiver, Commissioner Juan Chavez
AGAINST:	None
PRESENT and not voting:	None
ABSENT:	Commissioner C.E. Grant, Commissioner Joey Kindle

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in COUNTY OF BAILEY last year was \$61,634. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.899500 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$554.40.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in COUNTY OF BAILEY this year is \$62,430. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.924000 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$576.85.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.960000 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$599.33.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

### Special Provisions if Applicable

#### Criminal Justice Mandate (use for counties, if applicable):

The Bailey County Auditor certifies that Bailey County has spent \$19,907 in the previous 12 months beginning 07/01/2013, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Bailey County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

#### Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures (use if applicable):

The COUNTY OF BAILEY spent \$2,737 from 07/01/2012 to 06/30/2013 on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$3,613.

\* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.  
\*\* "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.  
\*\*\* "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

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# The Sudan Buzz

## Humble Beginnings of Texas' Painted Churches

It must have been one persuasive letter. When Josef Arnost Bergmann, one of the first Czech settlers in Texas, wrote to his friends and family back home, he could not have imagined that his description of fertile land and his recent acquisition of chickens, hogs, cows and one horse would stir so many souls to leave their native land for a little-known place called Texas.

And he certainly could not have foreseen that these early settlers would go on to construct some of the nation's most celebrated churches.

After Bergmann's letter appeared in the *Moravské Noviny* (Moravian News), it was only a matter of time before dozens of other families in Moravia, part of the Czech Lands in the Austro-Hungarian Empire, followed the Bergmann family to Texas. Czech families began



settling in Texas in the 1850s and by the time of the Civil War, about 700 Czechs had established themselves in Texas.

By 1900, that number climbed to more than 9,000 foreign-born Czechs. Farmers by trade, they were largely drawn to Texas by the potential to own larger tracts of land and also to escape political and religious oppression at home.

The journey to Texas was arduous. Most families departed from the German port of Bremen and endured a 10-to-17-week journey across the Atlantic to eventually land at Galveston.

From there they made their way to Houston by ferry and then rode in ox-carts and wagons to destinations in the Hill Country, many settling in present-day Fayette

County. Though the promise of abundant and fertile land proved to be true, many early Czech settlers were homesick for the beautiful and grand churches they had left behind in Moravia and Bohemia.

They built their first church in 1877 in the town of Dubina, Czech for "oak groves," which is what provided shelter to the original settlers who were met by a dangerous sleet storm when they first arrived.

The church was topped with an iron cross made by Tom Lee, a freed slave and respected blacksmith in the region. Like many other churches in the area, the Dubina church was destroyed by a hurricane in 1909.

But with strong support from the community, the necessary funds were raised to build a new church.

The iron cross survived the hurricane and once again adorned the church.

While the exterior did not distinguish the

building from other churches in the area, it was the interior that would set it apart and make it one of Texas' famed "Painted Churches," which today draw thousands of visitors from around the world.

There are no records indicating who painted the inside of Dubina's first church, Sts. Cyril & Methodius.

But more than 100 years later, the beautiful sky-blue ceilings complete with more than 3,000 white gold-leafed stars continue to give parishioners and visitors alike a feeling of being close to heaven.

In addition to numerous stencils and frescoes, a stunning mural depicts the Garden of Gethsemane, surrounded by dramatic steeples and German windows.

Today, Sts. Cyril & Methodius is one of 20 "Painted Churches" in the Texas Hill Country, constructed by early Czech and German settlers, with simple exteriors that betray the ornate designs and vivid colors that await inside.

Many of the churches are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and are open

to the public for tours. Several are within short driving distance from each other, perfect for a day trip from Houston or Austin.

These colorful

churches are true Texas treasures and a testament to the deep faith and devotion to God that has anchored the Czech community in Texas for generations.

### Conservation Partners Host Work Group Meeting

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas' Bailey County and the Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation District invites the public to attend their 2014 Local Working Group meeting on Aug. 26, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The purpose of this annual LWG meeting is to set local conservation priorities and bring conservation stakeholders together to discuss conservation topics and issues relevant to helping Bailey County farmers and ranchers better conserve on-farm natural resources.

The agenda of the meeting is to update attendees on recent conservation efforts

and to collect public input to help guide future conservation activities.

Through regular identification of conservation opportunities, effective Farm Bill investment can continue to benefit Bailey County. Farmers, ranchers, conservationists, and others interested in obtaining Federal technical and financial assistance to improve private land in Bailey County are invited to participate.

For more information, contact Kayla Creek, District Conservationist, at (806) 272-4538 Ext-3, or visit the NRCS Web site at <http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/>.

### Earth Ranch Rodeo Set

The 2014 Earth Ranch Rodeo is set to be held this weekend, Aug. 15-17, beginning at 7 p.m. nightly.

Tickets prices are \$5 for children five years of age and older, and \$10 for adults.

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# RANDY'S ROUNDUP

UPDATE BY CONGRESSMAN RANDY NEUGEBAUER

## I Want To Hear Your Ideas

Last week's Town Hall Listening Sessions in Big Spring, Abilene, and Snyder were a huge success.

Thanks to everyone who took the time to attend.

We had a wonderful turnout and I heard some great ideas on how to continue reforming the VA to benefit our veterans, ways we can secure our southern border, how we can make social security work better for our seniors, and suggestions about many other issues.

### Protecting Israel and Escalating Violence in Iraq

We've all heard about the violence in the Middle East between Israel and Hamas.

As Israel tries to defend itself against thousands of rockets fired by the terrorist group Hamas, death tolls continue to grow, and communities have been devastated.

I support Israel's efforts to destroy the Hamas-built tunnel system they've been using to traffic terrorists and weapons into Gaza, and I fully support Israel's right to defend itself from terrorism.

In July, I voted to support Israel by providing additional funding for the Iron Dome missile defense system, which has

significantly reduced civilian casualties in Israel.

Israel is a strong ally in an increasingly violent and unpredictable region. They stand for freedom and democracy, and we must stand with them.

I hope the current 72-hour cease-fire will hold. But I also hope that any long-term agreement between Israel and Hamas will provide the protection they need to maintain peace.

I'll be following closely as negotiations continue.

I also want you to know I'm paying close attention to the unfortunate developing situation in Iraq as well. I welcome your thoughts on what role the U.S. should play as we move forward.

### Celebrating our Military for Purple Heart Day

I'm thankful every day for our military service members and the veterans that have fought to keep us safe.

And Thursday was a special day to commemorate specifically those who were wounded or killed while defending America abroad. Purple Heart Day celebrates the 1.9 million U.S. troops who have earned the Purple Heart Medal, including

the almost 50,000 men and women in uniform who have received a Purple Heart for their service in Iraq and Afghanistan.

My thoughts and prayers are with all those who have made such great sacrifices for our country, and the families of all Purple Heart recipients.

Right here in Lubbock, we're taking every opportunity to honor those who have served.

You may remember that Texas Tech University was recently named a "Purple Heart University" for its leadership in recognizing the incredible sacrifices of our men and women in uniform.

It's the first in Texas, and the third in the nation. I'm proud to represent thousands of U.S. veterans, those who currently serve on active duty, in the reserves, and with the National Guard, and all Americans who lend their support to our troops and veterans every day.

*(Editor's note: The nation's first "purple hearts" were actually "purple ribbons" authorized by then Gen. George Washington to be worn by patriots wounded in the Revolutionary War.)*

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# MISD Accountability Ratings Deserve A Cheer!

The Texas Education Agency just released the Public School Accountability Ratings for this last year. Muleshoe High School did very well, especially in math, science, and social studies.

Muleshoe High School received an accountability rating of "Met Standard," as well as four distinction designations in math, social studies, top 25 percent of closing performance gaps, and postsecondary readiness.

The first year for a US history STAAR End of Course test for Muleshoe High School proved remarkable with 96 percent of students passing!

This is remarkable to have such a high number of students pass a new End of Course test with such success.

Biology is another success story for Muleshoe HS, with 95 percent of students passing. In 2012 and 2013, we had 79 percent and 88 percent passing, respectively.

This is another huge success for our students and our teachers. In fact, 94 percent of the economically disadvantaged students passed this rigorous STAAR End of Course test.

Muleshoe high school students scored 66 percent in English I End of Course tests. This was the first year the English I test was a combined test. Writing and reading were combined this year, providing a real struggle for a majority of the Texas High Schools.

Muleshoe High School students showed tremendous improvement in Algebra, with 93 percent passing the Algebra I End of Course exam with its increased rigor. That is up from 82 percent the year before. Economically

## Super news from MISD

By  
Superintendent  
Dr. Gene Sheets

disadvantaged students passed at 91 percent.

The alternative high school, Pep High School, met standards on closing performance gaps and postsecondary readiness, but did not meet standards on student achievement, so their accountability rating was improvement required.

Watson Junior High received an accountability rating of "Met Standard," with Distinction designations in six areas.

These included reading/ela, science, social studies, top 25 percent in student progress, top 25 percent in closing performance gaps, and postsecondary readiness.

Watson Junior High Math had success once again in math. Sixth grade scored 82 percent, seventh grade scored 76 percent, and eighth grade scored 89 percent.

The junior high math team has been amazing year after year in making sure students are learning the skills needed to succeed in life.

The rest of the junior high scores included the following:

- Sixth grade — reading 65, math 82
- Seventh grade — reading 72, math 76, writing 77
- Eighth grade — reading 81, math 89, social studies 63, and science 63

DeShazo Elementary was also rated as "Met Standard."

This was a challenging task in the elementary, as the passing standards for the test are generally higher than the other campuses.

DeShazo Elementary scores included the following:

- Third grade — reading / ELA 65, math 64
- Fourth grade — reading/ELA 59, math 53, and writing 63
- Fifth grade — reading/ELA 64, math 66, and science 58

Dillman Elementary does not receive a separate accountability rating. It is paired with DeShazo Elementary, since it does not take state standardized tests.

The State Accountability Rating System does not accurately measure so many things that our teachers do for our students, but it is an indication of the difference we are

making in the lives of our students.

I constantly stand amazed of the work ethic of our teachers; teachers who come early and stay late to help our kids; teachers who accept students with learning disabilities into their classrooms and make sure "they get it;" teachers who work to find a child's weaknesses

and prepares lessons just for that student; teachers who learn ways to challenge the best students to achieve their potential.

Our success is a tribute to the work of our teachers.

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## Weather Whys: Dry Places

Q: This has been a very dry summer. What's the driest place on Earth?

A: That would have to be in the country of Chile, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University.

"A small town called Arica in Chile has gone as long as 14 years without any measurable rain," McRoberts reports.

"There was a 59-year period there when it averaged only three-tenths of an inch of rain. No place in the United States comes close to being that dry."

Q: What is the driest place in the U.S.?

A: Naturally, it's out west, McRoberts says.

"Death Valley in California is considered the driest location in the U.S," he adds.

"The combination of desert and being below sea level makes it a very dry area, receiving less than two inches of rain each year. Nevada is the driest state, averaging 7.5 inches of rain each year. That's still no comparison to Arica, Chile. It would take a full century — at least 100 years — of their annual rainfall to fill a coffee cup full of water."

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# Lightning Rods Can Give Safety And Peace Of Mind

Lightning might be a lot more common than most people think — with almost 2,000 thunderstorms pounding the Earth at any given moment, it means there are about 50 lightning strikes per second, and some of it could be heading your way.

But installing a lightning rod may strike away some worries about a bolt heading for your home, says a Texas A&M University lightning expert.

Richard Orville, professor of atmospheric sciences who has studied lightning for more than 35 years and established the National Lightning Detection Network, believes that lightning rods are useful tools for negating the positive power of a lightning

bolt. More than 20 years ago, Orville led key studies in the physics of lightning and helped to establish the NLDN which is located in 48 states and Canada and detects most (95 percent) lightning ground strikes.

"Lightning rods provide a safe path for lightning to ground," he points out.

"They are placed on the highest point of a building, and an upward leader from the rod connects with a downward stepped leader. The rod — which is grounded — provides a safe path for the electricity to reach the ground."

Orville knows from experience.

His own home not far from the Texas A&M

campus was hit by a powerful lightning bolt in 2008, and it smashed into a tree 18 feet from his house, and from there it did damage to his swimming pool lights and his home's electrical system.

The final repair bill was about \$4,500.

"The bolt peak current measured 158,000 amps, and we know that exactly because it was recorded by the lightning network," he adds.

"Most bolts are in the 25,000 to 30,000 amp range, so it was many times larger than normal. A lightning rod might have taken the strike and saved me the financial expense. We also lost the tree."

Few homes today are equipped with a lightning rod, but if you

live in an area where thunderstorms are common, it might be a good idea to have one, he notes.

"If you have a metal roof on your home like some people do, it would certainly be worth considering having one installed," he says, "because the chances are greater it will be hit. In Texas, we have thunderstorms 12 months out of the year, so we get our share of lightning."

He says Houston is the lightning capital of Texas, and the city gets about 20 strikes per square mile each year.

Very tall structures are almost certainly going to be hit by lightning, he adds. New York's Empire State Building, at more than 1,400 feet tall, has

been hit by lightning thousands of times since it opened in 1931, but it was built with lightning rod features.

"Today, most skyscrapers in big cities include such features, and these include lightning rods," Orville says.

"It's a standard building procedure."

If you want a lightning rod for your home, kits are available

at many building supply centers or can be ordered online.

"They can give you peace of mind because they do work," Orville confirms.

"I would recommend having more than one along a roof line especially if it is a large home, and unless you are a super duper handyman, it's one job a professional installer should do."

### Correction Policy

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## Drive Sober... Or Get Pulled Over

It's almost the end of summer. Labor Day is regarded as the unofficial end of summer, and many people make it a big party weekend.

Unfortunately, it is also a deadly holiday when it comes to impaired driving.

It's time to get serious about enforcement of impaired driving.

This year's Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over impaired-driving enforcement crackdown will be conducted from Aug. 15 through Labor Day, Sept. 1.

Hundreds of law enforcement officers across the state will be aggressively looking for impaired drivers. There will be no excuses. If you are impaired, you will be arrested.

It is illegal to drive with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher in all 50 states, yet one in three traffic fatalities are alcohol-related.

Nighttime is especially dangerous. More than three-fourths of all drunken driving fatalities over Labor Day weekend 2012 occurred between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m.

"This isn't just about making arrests," said Bailey County Extension Agent Kathy Carr.

"These high-profile crackdowns save lives and prevent injuries at the hands of impaired drivers. We want all residents of Bailey to be safe this Labor Day holiday," she said.

"Some simple tips to help folks stay safe this Labor Day — and all year long — are to plan a safe way home before you start festivities, and if you know someone is about to drive drunk, be a friend and take their keys," said Kathy Carr.

For information on free alcohol awareness programs available through the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Watch URBAC program in College Station, go to <http://watchurbac.tamu.edu> or call 979-862-1911.

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Function - To provide the best and most accurately advanced treatment possible for the community we represent with the most compassionate care possible. Our hospital district includes: Muleshoe Area Medical Center; Park View Nursing Care Center (Medicare & Medicaid Certified); Muleshoe Family Medicine Clinic, Dr. Bruce Purdy and Lindsay Johnson, FNP (verify that with y'all's info - I don't have her info); Medical Clinic of Muleshoe, Dr. Kyle Sheets, Sherry Whiteaker FNP, Suzanne Bunker, PA-C and Linda Bullock, FNP; Claborn Clinic, specializing in dermatology, Dr. Jobey Claborn; Outpatient Clinic, Kristen Nichols, RN. Area of coverage - Muleshoe Area Hospital District covers Bailey County and part of Parmer County. We provide services to all the surrounding areas. Starting with severe colds at our clinics, acute care and swing bed services at our hospital, to providing rehabilitation and long term care needs at Park View, our goal is to provide the necessary services to accommodate the community we serve. Goals or Projects - It is our goal to provide an adequate supply of caring physicians to our area; providers that express a great desire to make Muleshoe their home Park View Nursing Care Center.

**Bailey County EMS** - Kevin Baize, Director/Paramedic; EMTs - Alex Garcia, Ralph Sanchez, Ron Morgan, Bryan Morris, Lawrence Giesbrecht, Justin Helton, Sec. Robie Espenson, Laramie Fulcher, Jackie Claborn, and Andrew Nichols; Paramedics - Kern Bales, Kendall Giesbrecht, Jessica Boggs, Craig Giesbrecht, Darrell Schmidt, Tim Wetzel,

### Steve Henthorn and Chad Nickels.

Function - Bailey County EMS is the primary Emergency Medical Service responder for the City of Muleshoe, and Bailey County. We provide emergency care and transport, as well as non-emergency medical care on a 24-hour/7-day basis. We currently have 2 ambulances that are licensed by the Texas Dept. of State health Services as Basic Life Support Units with MICU (Mobile Intensive Care Unit) capability. We provide mutual aid for Earth, Sudan, Farwell and Lazbuddie EMS, Clovis and Portales Fire Depts. and other EMS services. Goals/Projects - Bailey Co. EMS always welcomes the public to come by and see our operation, as well as have your blood pressure checked by one of our staff members. We also welcome those who would like to give back to the community by volunteering or donations. We would like to better educate the public to the nature of our service, and to always show a positive and professional image to the citizens that we serve.

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Function - Provide comprehensive case by case patient care management; skilled nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, home health aides, post surgical management, wound care, foot care, diabetic education & management, medication teaching & administration, and blood pressure management in the patient's home. Jurisdiction - Bailey, Parmer, Cochran, Lamb, Hockley, Castro and Yoakum counties. Saunya Richards, RN, BSN - Clinical Supervisor, Jenna Ozbirn, RN BSN - Case Manager, Cassandra Toscano, LVN - Schedule Coord-

### inator, and Shirley Hood, CNA. Other

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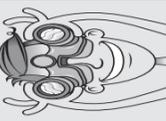
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- HWY 214, Edge of Town-3-1-1+1 Carport Home, .69 acres, Cent. heat, 2 Win. Refrig air units, ceiling fans, appliances, furniture, dishes, etc. well, stor. bldg., Much More!!! \$49,500!!!
- FM 303-4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Det. Garage, 2 acre tract, Par. Cent. A&H, Dw, disposal, thermal windows, storm doors, fans, stor. bldg.!! \$80!! \$69,500!!!
- STEGALL 3-2-2 Austin Stone Home on 3.67 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, gas log FP, approx. 3064' living area, workshop/storage, 24'x36' metal shed, MORE!! \$125K!!!
- MAPLE - 3-2-5-2 Brick Home on 2.48 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, gas log FP, approx. 2557' lv. area, (garage enclosed), storage unit!! MORE!! \$65K!!!
- 15 Rental Units- (1 quadplex & 11 individual units) \$5580 gross income when full!! \$350K!!! Make Offer!!!

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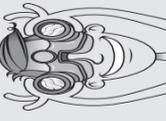
- Nicely Remodded 3-2-2 Brick Home, cent. A&H, built-ins, approx. 1620' lv. area, new cabinets, granite counter tops, venetian marble in baths, crown molding, fans w/ lights, tile block fence, 12x14 tile block wkshp/storage!! \$125K!!!
- NICE 4-4-5-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, Built-ins, FP, Fans w/lights, basement, auto. spklr., fenced yd., cov. patio, Approx. 3084' Lv. Area!! \$180K!! REDUCED \$169,900!!!!
- VERY NICE 3-2-5-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx. 2749' lv. area, lots of storage, nice courtyard & landscaping, workshop/storage/fenced yd., Much More!! Reducd-\$155K!!
- 3-2 BDRM. DUPLEX UNITS, TOTAL ELECTRIC!! \$180K!!!
- 2-1 Home, wall furnace heat, window evap. air!! \$30,000!!!
- CUSTOM BUILT 3-2-5-2 Brick Home on corner lot, 2608' lv. area, built-ins, FP, covered patio w/ grill, fenced yd., auto spklr., numerous amenities!! \$270 K!!!
- VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, Built-ins, FP, thermal windows & doors, approx. 1876' lv. area, workshop/storage, fenced yd.!! \$119,500!!!
- NICE 3-2-2+2 carport Home, corner lot, Cent. A&H, built-ins, ceiling fans w/light kits, storm doors, & windows, covered patio, tile block fence, auto. spklr., workshop/storage. MUCH MORE!! \$135K!!!
- NICE REMODELED 3-2-2 BRICK HOME, Cent. A&H, Built-ins, new carpet & tile, & countertops, new paint, approx. 1907' lv. area, cov. porch & patio, fenced yd., workshop/storage!! \$139,500!!!

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- Approx. 1080' metal bldg. w/off. & 3 bay garage/workshop area plus chain link fenced area!! \$39,500!!!
- GREAT BUSINESS LOCATION - 13000' Bldg., 7000' paved parking, corner lot, Hwy. 84 & Main. A&H, \$100,000!!! Price Reduced \$60,000!!!
- 101.8 acres, edge of town, pasture & farm land, 1 irrig. well!! \$122,244!!!
- FOR LEASE - 2100' office space + 20,500' warehouse area!!
- 308 W. 2nd - 2856' bldg. - former Odd Fellows Lodge, PRICED TO SELL!! \$31,500
- 1020 S. Main - 200' x 104' tract w/ 1000' Bldg.!! \$20K!! Price Reduced \$18K!!
- 2.95 acre tract with 2140' office + 17000' & 3465' ware houses 4 miles east on U.S. 70 - \$430K!!! \$99K!!!
- CASTRO CO. / FM 303 - Approx. 445.5 acres, 6 subs, 1 turbine, 2 valley & 1 Zimmatic circle!! \$1950 per acre!!
- NICE 1680' office, Cent. A&H, plus 1120' storage/workshop w/gar. door + 2 carport!! \$30K!!!



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### Advisory Council Takes Oath

The Muleshoe Youth Advisory Council was took oaths of office during Monday's regular meeting of the Muleshoe City Council. This is the fifth year the MYAC has been in place. The members include Kayla Preston, Adriana Loya, Jacob Kettner, Cassidy Cage, Lariat Adams, Cristian Mora, MaKenzie Zimmerman, Yavet Elizalde and Blayne Shipman.

## Cafe 21 Benefit "Hanna Banana Split"

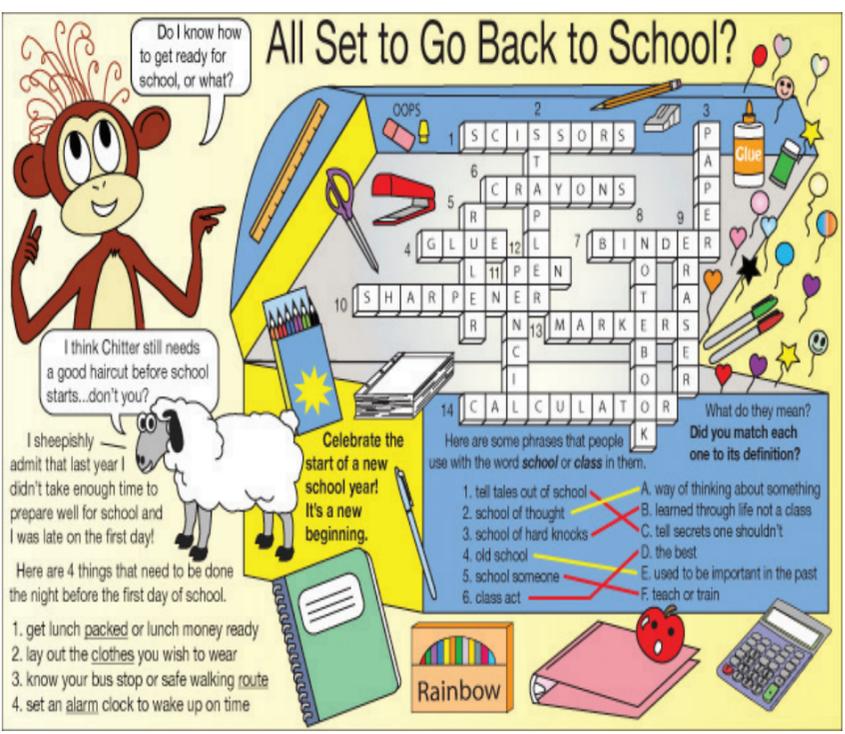


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### All Set to Go Back to School?

Do I know how to get ready for school, or what?

I think Chitter still needs a good haircut before school starts...don't you?

I sheepishly admit that last year I didn't take enough time to prepare well for school and I was late on the first day!

Here are 4 things that need to be done the night before the first day of school.

1. get lunch packed or lunch money ready
2. lay out the clothes you wish to wear
3. know your bus stop or safe walking route
4. set an alarm clock to wake up on time

Celebrate the start of a new school year! It's a new beginning.

Here are some phrases that people use with the word *school* or *class* in them.

1. tell tales out of school
2. school of thought
3. school of hard knocks
4. old school
5. school someone
6. class act

What do they mean? Did you match each one to its definition?

- A. way of thinking about something
- B. learned through life not a class
- C. tell secrets one shouldn't
- D. the best
- E. used to be important in the past
- F. teach or train



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