Thursday, November 6, 2003

News Briefs

Cause of death determined in Kitchens, Simnacher and Beachump murder

By MARSHALL STINNETT Journal writer

Larry Kitchens of Bailey County remains in the Littlefield jail charged with the capital murder of his ex-wife, Rhonda Kitchens, Vince Simnacher and Derwain Wyn Beauchamp.

The shooting took place on October 10 at Simnacher's home south of Muleshoe.

A preliminary cause of death ruling indicates all three died of gunshot wounds. Kitchens and Beauchamp were both shot in the back and Simnacher in the head.

Bullets were recovered from the bodies of R. Kitchens and Beauchamp.

Larry Kitchens is expected to be indicted by the Bailey County Grand Jury this week.

Dec. 5 is deadline to claim refunds and child tax credit checks sent back to IRS

IRS Commissioner Mark W. Everson reminded taxpayers they have until Dec. 5 to claim 115,744 undelivered checks from this summer's advance child tax credit. After the December cut-off, taxpayers cannot claim the checks until they file their tax returns next year.

IRS.gov, the IRS Web site, lets taxpayers track both their refund and their advance child tax credit. "Where's My Refund?" provides information about refunds and "Where's My Advance Child Tax Credit?" provides information about the tax credit. Both are available on the IRS home page.

To use the resources on IRS.gov, taxpayers enter information including their

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Drawing date: Saturday, November 1 Winning numbers: 6-20-24-32-42 Bonus Ball:14

Estimated jackpot: \$21 million

Winners: 0

Next drawing: Wednesday, November 5 Estimated jackpot: \$25 million

LOCAL WEATHER

On Thursday, expect times of sun and clouds with highs in the mid 50s and lows in the lower 30s. On Friday, expect occassional showers with highs in the mid 50s and lows in the lower 30s. Expect a few showers on Saturday, with highs in the mid 50s and lows in the upper 30s, according to the National Weather Service's Tuesday forecast.

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Committee formed to address police complaints JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

A group of concerned Muleshoe citizens calling themselves Community Relations Committee met at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28 at Thompson Insurance Agency to discuss their concerns about Muleshoe's police department.

The group, previously known as Public Interest Group, has been formed as a "direct result" of recent events, including allegations and complaints against the police department, according to newly elected Committee Chairperson Stacy Thompson.

"We're here to rebuild the trust Muleshoe citizens should have with the police department," said Thompson.

Committee board member Sunny Guzman added, "This isn't a witch hunt. We want Police Chief Don Carter to finish what he started when he released his Community Relations Improvement Plan.



Journal photo

Community Relations Committee Chairperson Stacy Thompson (left) and board members (left to right) Sunny Guzman, MaryAnn Daniel and Alberto Daniel pour over mounds of paperwork obtained from Muleshoe Police Department at their second meeting, October 28.

"People already have the idea that we're some kind of vigilante group out to destroy the police department and that just isn't the case," Guzman

Guzman continued by saying. that, as printed in the City of Muleshoe's Community Relations Improvement Plan, part of the police department's mission is to enforce city ordinances, the Laws of this state and the United States without bias or prejudice while affording dignity and respect to every individual, pursuance of community based partnerships built on the highest level of service and ethical standards possible, and maintaining proactive preventive, investigative and enforcement services as the challenges of everyday are met.

"We just want what Carter promised," said Guzman. "He knows there's a problem with public relations. He stated that in his Plan."

The Improvement Plan states: Overwhelmingly we believe that Community Relations is by far our weakest area of our department and is the area that can be improved the most. The Plan goes on to state that contributing factors to this lack of Community Relations are: communication skills, attitude, civic and religious interaction, respect and public complaint process.

The complaint process

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Lady Mule hoopsters ranked 4th in state

By DELTON WILHITE Journal sportswriter

The Lady Mules began after-school workouts Monday, October 27 to get ready for another run at the post season. Muleshoe swept the district last year and have their sights set on a repeat performance.

Amber Cowart, Ashley Gutierrez, Jessica Withrow and Brandi Wood join the six returning Lady Mules. Senior leadership falls on the shoulders of Sara Benham, Tori Barton and Tabatha Obenhaus. Junior lettermen Jamie Carpenter, Kelsy Friskup and Lindsey Wood round out the Lady Mules.

Following scrimmages with Plainview and Midland Lee November 10 and with Sudan on the 15th, the Lady Mules launch into their regular season. The Frenship Lady Tigers will visit Muleshoe, November 18.

The Lady Mules embarrassed the Lady Tigers in both teams' initial outings last season and again in the Caprock Tournament after Christmas. They should come into the game with revenge on their mind.

"We are currently ranked fourth in the state by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches," said Lady Mule Coach Shana



The Lady Mules and their coaches paused for a moment during Tuesday's practice to pose for a picture. Shown here are (back row, from left) Coach Simms, Kelsy Friskup, Brandi Wood, Sara Benham, Tabatha Obenhaus, Jessica Withrow, Coach Sudduth, Coach Pshigoda; and (front row, from left) Amber Cowart, Lindsey Wood, Tori Barton, Jamie Carpenter and Ashley Gutierrez.

Simms. "We are proud of that ranking, even though it hangs'a big target on our backs.

"We will be the team that all of our opponents will have circled on the schedule to use as a yardstick. Our schedule is very strong this year, as we will go head-to-head with several teams that are highly ranked in

their classifications.

"Following the Frenship game, we will meet Nazareth and Tahoka here at home," continued Simms. "Nazareth should be much improved from last season and should

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Mules denied chance to advance to playoffs

By DELTON WILHITE Journal sportswriter

The Mules and the Lubbock Cooper Pirates had battled to a 0-0 tie at intermission. Neither team's defense would succumb to the offensive power of the

Howell Finch of Cooper finally capped a 10-play 39-yard drive with a 1-yard quarterback sneak. The TD came with 5:17 left in the third beriod, unleashing a 36-point scoring surge in the final 17 minutes.

The Mules were left on the short end with no hope of returning to the post season. The Pirates defeated the Mules 24-12 for the first time since the two teams had been in the same district and clinched a playoff berth.

Jakob Cunningham picked up the point after and added a field goal with 26 ticks left in the third quarter to stretch the



Journal photo: Norman Brantley

Tatom Heathington is oblivious to the Pirate behind him as he blocks for Juan Reyes who scrambles for yardage at last Friday's game in Lubbock.

Pirate advantage to 10-0.

The Mules returned the ensuing kickoff to their 24. Pulling out all the stops, the Mules ran a reverse from the shotgun with Brady Black handing off to Daniel Campolla. Campolla raced 21-yards to set the Mules up near mid-field.

Landon Sheets kept on a quarterback option from the shotgun to move the Mules to the Pirate 21. Black powered the Mules to the Pirate 7 on back-to-back-to-back hammer plays. Danny Bonilla spun into the end zone with just over 8minutes left in the game.

The Pirates fell on the Mules' on-side kick attempt at the 49. Five plays later Bradley Madison ran over from the five to extend the Cooper lead to 17-

Barry Morris covered the Pirate kickoff on the Mule 21 and Sheets connected with Juan Reyes at the Cooper 45. Reyes never missed a step as he pulled in the pass and raced to the Pirate 30 before he was brought down after a 50-yard gain.

Sheets tossed to Canaan Heinrich for the final 9-yards of the 79-yard drive to draw the Mules within 5-points, 17-12.

The Mules tried a second onside kick from the 25 following a 15-yard penalty. The Pirates fielded the ball on the Mule 34 and returned it to the 25. A second penalty advanced the Pirates to the Mule's 12.

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AROUND MULESHOE

Bailey County 4-H fruit sale begins

It's that time of year to buy fruit for the holiday. 4-H members will begin their fruit sale as early as this week. The extension office can also be contacted for those who wish to order and are not contacted. There are some new items in this year's brochure, which includes the country gift fruit basket, caramel apple basket, cheddar cheese wheel, assorted nut basket, along with the mixed fruit pack, oranges, grapefruit and pears. This year's sale will include turkeys and hams also. Orders will be turned in on Nov. 13 and will be delivered the 2nd or 3rd week of December. Help support the Bailey County 4-H and celebrate Christmas with a turkey or ham.

Baptist Church holds blood drive

First Baptist Church, 220 West Avenue E, Muleshoe, will host the quarterly blood drive on Thursday, November 13 from 12:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The donation is simple and includes a mini-physical. Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and in reasonable good health. Those with controlled high-blood pressure or diabetes can also donate blood. Donors will receive a T-shirt or other gift and have a chance to win a "Muleshoe Mule" handmade quilt just for showing up at the drive. For further information, contact Diane K. Edwards, Community Relations Representative, United Blood Services, 4611-A 50th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79414 or call 806-741-1600.

Basketball season tickets on sale

Basketball season tickets for adults and students are now on sale at the school administration office. Tickets are \$12 for students and \$22 for adults. The tickets will enable the holder entrance to ALL home basketball games for Jr. High and High School.

Christmas parade scheduled

The annual Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade will be held December 13. For details, contact Jan Thompson at the chamber office, 272-4248.

Methodists plan bazaar in Sudan

The Sudan United Methodist Women will host their annual Christmas Bazaar Thursday, November 13 at the church at 411 Main Street in Sudan. The bazaar will start at 9:00 a.m Chili and stew including beans and dessert

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have some of their swagger back. Tahoka has all their girls back from a team that was beaten by Shallowater in their regional tournament.

"Following Thanksgiving, we are in the Nazareth Tournament. We are the defending champions of that tournament and will have an opportunity to see Dimmitt and Dalhart.

"The following Tuesday, we travel to Seagraves and that is definitely a yardstick game for us. They have three girls that are six-foot or better and can put a lot of talent on the floor. They will have the height advantage and will be a real test for us."

Simms added, "Then it is on to the Abernathy Shootout. This is a new tournament for us. The Littlefield Lady Wildcats, Seagraves and Perryton will also be in the Shootout. It

would be nice to play Perryton there and get that monkey off our backs.

"That will be a very tough week for us in the middle of December but things don't get any easier as we go to Levelland and then come home for River Road before the Christmas break

The Lady Mules will get in a Saturday workout before the Caprock Tournament, December 29-31. December is one big game after another for the Lady Mules as they prepare for the District 2-3A race.

"We have to be ready to play every Tuesday and Friday night. It is as much a mental strain as it is a physical one. We just have to be ready to get after our opponents... because they will be ready to get after us," concluded Simms.

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It took only two plays for the Pirates to add the final 7-points of the night.

When the final gun sounded, Sheets had rushed for 79-yards and threw for 114 more as the Mules rolled up 284-yards on offense. Tatum Heathington had caught three passes for

48-yards and Campolla pulled down two for 36yards.

The Pirates had 240yards rushing and 78 passing for a total of 318.

The Mules have no quit in them and will play for pride Friday night when the Slaton Tigers visit Benny Douglas Stadium.

Happy 1st Birthday Tatum Leyan Hasley!

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will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. For carryout orders, call 227-2015. Price of the meal will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children age 12 and under.

Club announces Christmas bazaar

The Moonlight Extension Education Club anounces its Twenty Fifth Annual Christmas Bazaar to be held December 14, 2003, at the Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum, Muleshoe, Texas. Applications for booth space are being accepted until December 8, 2003. To request an application contact Linda Huckaby, 902 W. 8th, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

Harvest Dinner and Bazaar set

The Earth United Methodist Church will hold their 68th Annual Harvest Day Dinner and Bazaar, Wed., Nov. 12. The bazaar will open at 4 p.m. in the church parlor, 303 E. First Street. Serving time for the dinner will be 5-8 p.m. Prices will be \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Takeout plates will be available. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Olton church schedules bazaar

First United Methodist Church will hold its annual Craft Bazaar and Stew and Chili Lunch on Saturday, November 15 at the church, 312 Ave D, in Olton. Hours for the Methodist Country Store will be 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The store will feature crafts, baked and canned goods, candy, frozen casseroles and toys. A new feature this year will be a "For Kids Only" room where children under 12 can shop for stuff priced under \$5. Another new feature will be a "New or Not" room for items brought from home that are in good condition. A homemade stew and chili lunch, complete with relishes and pie, will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m in the fellowship hall. Cost will be \$5.50 for adults and \$3 for children 10 and under. Take outs will be available. The Methodist Women will be taking donations toward a "Minnesota Chain" queen/king size handmade quilt. Tickets will be available at the bazaar and the quilt will be given away at 1:30 p.m. For additional information about the craft bazaar or lunch, contact Bobbye Dennis at the church at 285-2777 or Mary Bass at 285-2121 (nights).

Public Calendar

November 7—The Muleshoe High School Junior Class is hosting a pre-game turkey dinner at the MHS cafeteria from 5 to 7 p.m. The menu includes turkey, dressing and gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, rolls, pumpkin cake and tea or coffee. The cost for adults is \$6 and for children 12 and under, \$4. Deliveries will be made from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Call 272-7306 for deliveries. See any junior student or class sponsor to buy a ticket in advance or pay at the door.

November 8—The public is invited to attend Olton's annual Sandhills Arts and Craft Show, sponsored by the Olton Homemakers Club. The show is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Olton Ag Pavilion, 110 Ave. D. Admission is \$2 for adults and free for children. For more information about the show or booth rental, contact Angela Bechtold at (806) 684-2291.

The senior citizens will offer "Fill-A-Bag" for \$1.00 to complete their garage sale on Saturday, November 8, 9:00 a.m. until noon at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizen Center on Main Street.



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Choir students advance to All-Region

September 27 several Muleshoe High School Choir students participated in the Region XVI Honor Choir auditions.

Schools in the region include XVI Muleshoe, Levelland, Lubbock ISD, Seminole, Plainview, Lamesa, Olton, Sudan, Frenship and Snyder.

On Saturday, Muleshoe made a strong show in the final overall standings.

> Senior Hailey Hamilton and Junior Erin Allen have qualified to sing in the Region Honor Choir concerts on November 15 at Monterey High School. They will also advance to the pre-area auditions to be held



Pictured are (from left) Erin Allen and Hailey Hamilton.

on November 20. Each audition is a stepping stone to

the February auditions for the All-State Choir.

Freshman Mules suffer defeat

By DELTON WILHITE Journal sportswriter

The Freshman Mules fell to the Lubbock Cooper Pirates 24-20 in a hard fought battle Thursday night.

The Pirates returned the Mules first punt to the Cooper 36. Cooper quickly moved across mid-field and then ran a sweep around left end for a 45-yard TD.

Nicklas Brewster returned the short Pirate kick to the Mule 42. After a short gain and an offside penalty, Tony Guzman broke free up the middle for a 50-yard TD run to knot the game at 6-

Cooper regained the lead on the first play of the second period. The Pirates went 44-yards off tackle with 9:51 left in the first half. D.J. Robertson, Junior Martinez and Guzman teamed up to stop the 2-point conver-

The ensuing Cooper kick hit a Mule in the chest and the Pirates recovered at the 50. The Pirates returned to the Mule end zone with a 37-yard pass and run to take an 18-6 lead.

With only seconds left in the first half Timothy Conner got a hand on a Pirate pass and tipped the ball to Dustin Barker.

The Pirates returned the opening kick of the second half to the Cooper 33. They quickly marched down field to the Mule 10. In three plays, the Pirates pushed to the Mule 1-yard line and had one play to extend their lead.

Barker and Francisco Martinez met the Cooper tailback 4-yards behind the line to give the Mules the ball.

The Mules opened Guzman, a hole in the Pirate line, and he raced 95 yards for a TD. Robertson rolled around the end on an option play for the 2point conversion to cut the Cooper advantage to 18-14.

As the final period began, the Pirates were forced to punt. The Mules allowed the ball to roll dead at mid-field. Guzman broke a tackle and scooted 50 yards for his third TD and gave the Mules a 20-18 advantage. Two plays later the Pi-

rates retook the lead and ended all scoring with a 58 yard scamper by their quarterback.

The Mules drove from their 35 to the Cooper 24

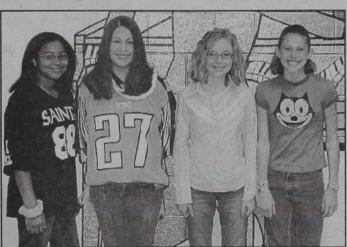
before a fumble stopped the Mules.

The Mules travel to Slaton to meet the Tigers in their final game of the season.



Journal photo: Beatrice Morin

On Saturday, October 25 students from seventh, eighth and ninth grades participated in the Region XVI Junior Honor Choir auditions. Students who earned a position in the honor choir were Morgan Baca, Castle Crawford, Gerardo Gomez, Jamie Hall, Callie Hancock, Ashley Johnson, Kate Lepard, Hillary Shurbet and Elizabeth Symm. The concert performance for the junior high honor choir will be held at Monterey High School in Lubbock on November 15. Above are freshman participants (back row, from left) Castle Crawford, Gerardo Gomez and Kate Lepard; (front row, from left) Elizabeth Symm, Jamie Hall and Calli Hancock. Below are seventh and eighth grade participants (from left) Ashley Johnson, Morgan Baca, Hillary Shurbet and Kenzie Beard.

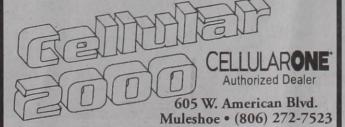


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OSPITALNEWS

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reports the following patient load.

Oct. 22 — Carl Ellington, Elizabeth Galaviz and Joyce D. Hunter.

Oct. 23 — Carl Ellington, Jack D. Lane and Maria Marrufo.

Oct. 24 — None reported. Oct. 25 — Margarite R. Bustamante, Carl Ellington, Ana Gonzales, Joan Hamilton and Brad W. Stewart.

Oct. 26 — Margarite R. Bustamante, Carl Ellington, Ana Gonzales, Joan Hamilton and Brad W. Stewart.

Oct. 27 — Margarite R. Bustamante, Carl Ellington, Ana Gonzales, Joan Hamilton and Brad W. Stewart.

Oct. 28 - Donald Christian, Aundra Mosenbocker, Talina Portillo, Girl Sierra and Gladys M. Wilson.

Oct. 29 — Melissa Cantu, Donald Christian, Kent Gast, Talina Portillo, Patience Scott, Girl Sierra and Gladys M. Wilson.

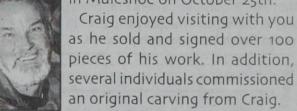
Oct. 30 — Melissa Cantu, Lulu J. Crown, Thomas V. Dosher, Richard Gray, Barbara Lewis, John Loucks, Patience Scott and Audrey L.



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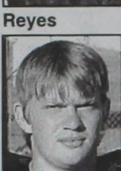
Players of the Week



Sheets

Nuñez





Heinrich



Marricle

Selected by the Muleshoe Athletic Booster Club for their outstanding performance during Friday's game against Lubbock Cooper were Landon Sheets, offensive player; Juan Reyes, defensive player; Tatom Heathington, Special Teams player; Juan Nuñez, player of the game; and Canaan Heinrich and Ryan Marricle, Slobberknockers Freshman and JV teams play in Slaton on Thursday and the 7th and 8th grade teams finish their season at home.

ONORS

WATSON

David Watson, former Muleshoe resident, has recently coauthored a textbook, Advanced Well Control, for use in undergraduate college courses in the



Watson

study of petroleum engineering. The book, published by the Society of Petroleum Engineers, ©

2003, addresses well-control fundamentals and is designed to train young engineers and as a reference for working engineers and supervisors. Other authors are Terry Brittenham, president and owner of Southern International, and Preston L. Moore, retired teacher of petroleum engineering at the University of Oklahoma and a recognized authority on well control.

Watson, a registered profes-

sional engineer in Oklahoma, is a consultant petroleum engineer with Southern International, Inc., in Oklahoma City. He holds a B.S. degree in petroleum engineering from Texas Tech University. He worked for Unocal for 12 years following graduation. Although most of his career has been in drilling, his professional experience also includes responsibilities in production and reservoir engineering. He has been an instructor in numerous industrial schools on drilling practices and well control and has authored and coauthored papers and articles on pipe design, horizontal drillng and well control.

Watson graduated from Muleshoe High School in 1975 and from Texas Tech University in 1981. He, his wife, Debbie; and daughter, Samantha, live in Oklahoma City. His parents, W.T. and Pat Watson, reside in the Muleshoe area.

Conservation district directors convene state meeting in El Paso

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

Ernest and Mary Alice Ramm, directors from the Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation District recently attended the 63rd Annual State Meeting of Texas Soil and Water Conservation District Directors, in El Paso on October 20-22, 2003. The meeting was held in the El Paso Convention and Performing Arts Center.

Also attending from the Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation District was Manuel DeLeon, District Conservationist, NRCS. Approximately 650 resource conservationists and their guests attended the meeting.

Attending conservationists heard from several notable speakers that addressed issues related to strengthening the conservation district program on the state and national levels.

Speakers addressing the group on Tues., Oct. 21, included State Senator Eliot Shapleigh, El Paso; State Representative Pete Gallego, Alpine; State Senator Kip Averitt, Waco; State Representative Jo Pickett, El Paso; and José Dodier, president, Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation District,

Zapata. W.T. "Dub" Crumley, Stephenville, chairman of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, presided over Tuesday's general session.

On Wed., Oct. 22, district directors and other conservationists heard from Gary Mast, Millsburg, Ohio, President NACD; Kenneth Dierschke, President Texas Farm Bureau, San Angel; Dr. Larry Butler, Temple, State Conservationist, USDA—Natural Resources Conservation Service and Mike Bira, Environmental Scientist, US-EPA, Dallas. José Dodier presided over Wednesday's general session.

Elections for the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation District Directors in Areas I, III, and V were held on Tuesday afternoon. Elected were Scott Buckles for Area I and Ben Bono for Area III. Barry Mahler was reelected for Area V. Alternate directors elected were Sabas Cortez III for Area III and Pat Hudson for Area IV. The organization's officers were also elected Tuesday afternoon. The new president is Barry Mahler, who is from Area V. José Dodier will serve as immediate past president.

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Political Knots in the Trunk of the Ol' Family Tree

May I say before we get too far into this, lest there be any confusion and/or lynchings, you'll be hard-pressed to find anyone more proud to be an American than I am.

But it does seem that my family has had a propensity for getting on the wrong (or, at



Focus On Faith

Curtis Shelburne

least, the losing) side of some

pretty important squabbles. I want you to know that I'm very glad the Union was preserved, though, like all of us, I'm sorry a war was involved. I'm quite sure Shelburnes served on both sides during that unimaginably bloody conflict. But I'm pretty sure my branch of the family tree would be color-coded as Confederate. I have no problem with that. Though it is politically correct to say that the Civil War was about slavery (which is indeed a detestable thing), I think it is more historically correct to say

about States' Rights. a state could join the Union, it could also un-join it. Well, that seems pretty logical to me. It also seemed logical to such a fine man as Robert E. Lee who, with old-style state-oriented devotion that we modern U.S. citizens have a very hard time understanding, felt his first devotion lay with Virginia, his beloved home state.

An equally fine man, Abraham Lincoln, felt, of course, very differently. (For

what my opinion is worth, I count Lincoln & Lee both as among my heroes.) The Defenders of the Union felt that the Union was like a marriage; divorce was unthinkable. It seems to me that both sides had some pretty defensible positions.

On a recent trip to Nova Scotia and New England, I made an interesting discovery. Right there in Nova Scotia, not far from where we briefly visited, is a town called Shelburne which was evidently an important Loyalist community. Guess who they were loyal to? The British Crown. Lots of Shelburne's citizens trace their roots back to folks who didn't think Paul Revere and the boys were on the right side of the fight. The Loyalists, some of whom stayed and fought with the British and then went to Canada, and some of whom went more quickly, formed communities like Shelburne, Nova Scotia.

Were there any actual Shelburnes there? I don't know. I think I've discovered that the town was named for the Earl of Shelburne, William Petty, who was Prime Minister of Great Britain (1782-83) and whose most famous quote is, "The sun of Great Britain will set whenever she acknowlthat at its core the war was edges the independence of America. The independence of The Confederates felt that if America would end in the ruin of England."

Oh, boy.

So, does that make me an American with deep roots in both the Confederacy and in England? Maybe. I'm fine with that and I won't even ask for a hyphen. Being just an American is blessing enough.

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

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Cross-country teams win district

By DELTON WILHITE Journal sportswriter

The Muleshoe Junior High Lady Mule and Mule crosscountry teams ran away with district championships in Mae Simmons Park. The Lady Mules had an almost perfect score of 18 and Slaton was the closest competition with 72 points.

Dimmitt ran third with 79 points, Cooper finished fourth with 84 and Littlefield finished fifth with 102. Brownfield rounded out the field with 184 points.

Six of the ten medal winners that crossed the finish line were wearing black with Lady Mules proudly stitched across the front. The first four places were filled with Lady

Ashley Grumbles led the way with a first place finish

in 13 minutes and 8.30 seconds. Maria Andrade, Amy Withrow and Gabby Agundis completed the foursome with times of 13:38.06, 14:05.34 and 14:25.75 respectively.

Gini Sheets finished eighth in 14:40.62 and Kelsey Tipps ran 10th in 14:44.36. Samantha Toscano took 20th with a 15:39.59, Maria Quintanilla finished 23rd in 15:57.45 and Gizell Vasquez took 24th with a time of 16:00.61.

Jacy Lawrence and Morgan Smith crossed the line in 23rd and 24th places with times of 16:16.90 and 16:18.91. Caitlin Wills and Crescent Crawford finished the course in 47th and 52nd in times of 19:14.54 and 19:41.82.

The Mules picked up four of the 10 medals with John Michael Salinas running second with a time of 12:35.80. Ray Ramirez finished sixth in 13:27.92; Joaquin Ruvalcaba took eighth with a 13:59.41 and Wes Wood finished 10th with a 14:49.18.

Colby Carpenter, Lane Wood and Rodolfo Silva ran 11th, 12, and 14th with times of 14:51.73, 15:39.61 and 16:11.35 respectively.

"I am so proud of the way our kids have competed all year long and now for both to win district is the icing on the cake," said Jr. High Cross-Country Coach Amy Carlisle. "They ran with a lot of pride and determination today and dominated the competition.

"They have all made great strides and are looking forward to moving to the next level," concluded Carlisle.

SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

The senior citizens reports a good turnout for their garage sale this past weekend and appreciate all who donated and all who came to shop. Not all items were sold. The senior center on Main Street will be open from 9 a.m. until noon, Saturday, Nov. 8 for "Fill-a-Bag" for \$1.00 to complete the sale.

Attendance continues to rise as more seniors invite others to join them for coffee at the center to visit, play games or exercise.

Two more additions have been donated for the exercise area by June Wagnon and J.C. Gatewood, which is appreciated. Now, there are three exercise bikes, a strider and a treadmill Tuesdays, available Wednesdays and Thursdays. Others enjoy walking the perimeter of the build-

Tamale sales will be Mid November at the center. Advanced orders may be placed for hot or mild tamales by calling the center at 272-4969. Each dozen is \$6. Friends from the Catholic Church are teaching how to make tamales. A fun learning experience, from washing shucks to killing a hog and all the other steps.

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October 31, Muleshoe Area Hospital Auxiliary members judged the hospital's Halloween

Pumpkin Contest. Eleven departments and Dr. Claborn's Clinic entered the contest. Outstanding creativity by the hospital's staff was evident by the difficulty the judges had in choosing the top three win-

First place was medical records which will be rewarded with a pizza party. Second place was radiology which will be rewarded with an ice cream sundae party, and third place was nursing which will be rewarded with a popcorn and coke party.

The hospital auxiliary also presented each winning department with a Halloween gift from the auxiliary's gift shop.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thurs., Nov. 6 — 9:00 a.m.-noon, Miracle Ear personnel at Home Health.

Thurs., Nov. 13 — 1:00-5:00 p.m., Dr. AK, orthopedics, hospital suite No. 3. Fri., Nov. 14 - Muleshoe

Area Hospital District Thanksgiving Luncheon, 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in hospital dining room. Thurs., Nov. 20 -

MAHD Board Meeting, 7:00

Thurs., Nov. 20 — Advanced Cardiac Life Support Class, 9:00 a.m. -9:00 p.m. (Instructor Mitzie Brockman).

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Walking J Farms, Muleshoe	7 Red hfrs	540 lbs. at \$91.75
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Dusty Ramage, Muleshoe	Char. cow	1370 lbs. at \$46.75
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Chris Vaughn, Muleshoe	Limo. bull	1880 lbs. at \$59.75
Dan Day Jr., Meadow	Blk. bull	1635 lbs. at \$58.50
Scott Simpson, Morton	Red bull	2235 lbs. at \$56.50

Veterans Day, November 11th, is a time to remember all those men and women who have served our country with honor and bravery. If not for their courage, we might never know the freedoms we enjoy today. Please join us in offering a sincere message of thanks to our dedicated veterans today.



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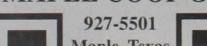
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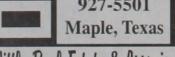
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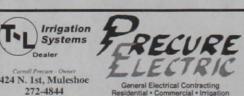
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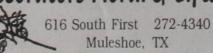
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OUNTY COURT NEWS

October 15, 2003

Everet Eugene McBane pled guilty to a plea bargain to a reduced charge of unauthorized storage fee and was fined \$1,000 including all costs. The charge was reduced from theft.

October 28, 2003

Martin Sigala charged with criminal mischief trial set for December 2.

Joseph Gonzales charged with assault bodily injury. Trial set for December 2.

Marcos Ramirez Reyes charged with assault on a family member. Trial set for December 2.

Lowell Lashaun Powell charged with driving while intoxicated. Placed on the December 2 docket.

Adel Mohmmand Murad pled guilty to possession of marijuana. He was fined \$350 plus \$211 in costs and given deferred adjudication for one year.

Reynaldo Rojas charged with driving while license suspended. Rojas was fined \$250 plus \$211 in costs and sentenced to 45 days probated for six months.

Michael Davila failed to appear to answer a charge of theft by check.

Hector A. Rodriguez charged with driving while in-

toxicated. He pled guilty and was sentenced to 90 days to serve and fined \$650 plus \$201

October 30, 2003

Larry Brent Kitchens was charged with harassment. His case was continued.

Dar-es-Salaam Addis Cole was charged with driving while intoxicated. A jury trial has been set for November 11.

Mark Anthony Manzanares pled guilty to driving while intoxicated, second offense. He was sentenced to 120 days probated for one year and fined \$1,600 plus \$211 in costs.

Jose Guadalupe Nuñez has a plea hearing set for November 5 on a charge of furnishing alcohol to a minor.

Rodolfo Ornelas has a plea hearing set for November 25 for a charge of possession of marijuana.

Rudolfo Ornelas has a plea hearing set for November 25 for unlawfully carrying a weapon.

Kenneth Lynn Hines pled guilty to a charge of driving while intoxicated. He was fined \$654 plus \$211 in costs and sentenced to 90 days probated for one year.

Franzes M. Haskins has a plea hearing set on December 12 for theft by check.

Charges were dismissed on Marcelo Moralez for assault.

Marcelo Moralez pled guilty to assault with bodily injury. He was sentenced to 90 days to serve and fined \$500 plus \$201 in costs. There is also an Immigration and Naturalization Service hold on Moralez.

Christopher Michael Lopez, who is charged with driving while intoxicated, had his case continued until December 2.

Jose Ramirez Tofolla, who is charged with furnishing alcohol to a minor, had a continuance granted until December 2.

Charges were dismissed against Roy Lee Mackey for driving while intoxicated, substance.

A plea hearing was set for Mackey on a charge of possession of marijuana for Decem-

Michelle Catano has a plea hearing set for December 2 on a charge of deadly conduct.

Josue Sigala had charges of criminal trespass and harassment dismissed against him.

Javier Davila Daniel has a hearing date set for December 2 for a charge of evading ar-

Anselmo Regalado, who is

Composted charged with possession of marijuana, was granted a con-Cattle Manure tinuance until December 2.

Jonathan Carrillo, who is

charged with possession of

marijuana, had his case con-

Marco Antonio Vazquez

had his hearing for driving

while intoxicated continued

until December 2. Charges of

driving while intoxicated,

evading arrest and another

charge of driving while in-

toxicated were continued un-

A motion to suppress the

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Rogerio Guajardo. His hear-

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Officers for 2003-2004 are Brady Black, president; Brandi Whalin, vice president; Brett Bamers, secretary; Amy Burris, treasurer; Cody Kirby, reporter; Logan Caddell, sentinel; Cody Black, parliamentarian; and Layne Sheets, student advisor.

The chapter is currently preparing for Leadership Development Events (LED's). These are leadership contests such as Jr. and Sr. Chapter Conducting teams, Jr. and Sr. Creed Speaking and Jr. and Sr. Quiz teams.. They will be participating in the district LED's on November 17. They are also in the process of getting

all their livestock projects purchased and on feed for the upcoming show season.

As reporter for the Muleshoe FFA chapter, Kirby will be submitting a monthly report to the Journal to keep the community up to date on Muleshoe FFA activities. If anyone has any questions or comments, send them to Muleshoe FFA at their email address smorris@muleshoeisd.net



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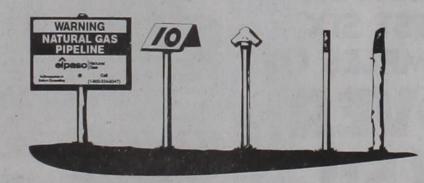
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states: The Muleshoe Police Department has in place a complaint process that allows for complaints against employees of the department to be heard and acted upon. Although the process is in itself not weak, the public's awareness of the process is. Knowledge of its existence and the mechanics of the process are not as well known as we would like. In addition, for the process to work effectively, it is necessary for complaints to be directed to and through the proper channels of the process.

The Plan also includes a section explaining both "Equal Enforcement" and "Abuse Of Position," and discusses the professional conduct of Muleshoe officers, including a "Code Of Ethics" that every officer must sign and have notarized.

Board member Alberto Daniel said, "My concern is that no one is watching the police. I want them to know that we're watching them. I can be as suspicious of them as they are of me."

According to the department's Code Of Ethics, officers are to "keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency" Also, officers are to "enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence."

"Our mission is to act as liaison between the people of Muleshoe and the police department," said Thompson. "There are people out there who believe they've been treated unfairly by the police but are too scared to step forward. We want to bridge that gap."

Chief Don Carter did not return a phone call to the Journal requesting a comment on the newly formed Committee.

The Committee is prepared to defend both citizens and the police department, depending on their findings.

"If we determine that the police department has followed procedure, we'll let Muleshoe citizens know. That's all part of regaining trust," she said.

Board member Daniel Guzman added, "We are not a group with political interests. We're only looking for fairness and justice."

The Committee had their first meeting October 26 where they elected board members and determined their mission statement.

"We just want to make sure that the community and police know that we're trying to make a positive difference by joining forces. There are some things that need to be fixed and we have to follow the right avenue to get that done. Working together benefits everyone," said S.

Guzman. One of the first orders of business at the October 28 Committee meeting was to pass a motion to require its members to take the Citizens Police Academy mentioned by Carter in his Community Relations Improvement Plan.

The Plan states: The Muleshoe Police Department is currently looking into additional methods of educating

the general public in the finer points of law enforcement. The method currently being pursued is the possibility of sponsoring a Citizen's Police Academy. The academy would instruct a small group of citizens who express interest for approximately three hours, one day a week, for 10 to 12 weeks. The academy would be similar in nature to that received by a Peace Officer only in a condensed version. The participants would be introduced to the law that we enforce and operate under as well as current law enforcement philosophies.

"Part of the problem is that most of us as citizens think we know the law, but we don't," said Thompson, acting as devil's advocate. "The public is not aware of policies and procedures."

In an effort to understand more, Thompson told the Committee she had, in the middle of the night, gone down to the police department to ask some questions about racial profiling. When asked "At what distance can you determine the race of a person you pull over?" Three of the four officers Thompson spoke with in the wee hours of Tuesday morning said that race was not a factor in a traffic stop. All said they looked for expired tags, registration and seat belts before they even noticed race. The fourth said he could not tell race until he had the vehicle stopped and was approaching the driver's side window.

Thompson also asked the officers if they remember who drives what vehicle.

According to Thompson, Officer Benny Parker said, "Yes and no." He remembers general information about the stop, including the color of a vehicle and banged up fenders, etc., but he doesn't remember exact vehicle makes.

Daniel is a proponent of logging all stops made by Muleshoe Police, regardless of whether a ticket is issued or not. He purports that racial profiling statistics are flawed without this information. Thompson informed Daniel that the information is recorded every day in the police log book but the information is not available to the general public.

Daniel made a motion to ask Chief Carter and City Manager David Brunson to make that information part of public record and available to anyone who asks.

"If people are repeatedly stopped but not ticketed, that's still harassment," said Daniel. "The more information we have, the more accurate we can be when we look into allegations against the department."

Emotions ran high as board members discussed this issue. They finally agreed and passed the motion.

S. Guzman said, "It's another way to add accountability to their actions."

The purpose of the Community Relations Committee, as stated at the meeting, is to help the police department earn back their credibility and to help them regain control of the town.

The group hopes to model themselves after the Citizen-Police Advisory Committee of Tucson, Arizona whose basic function, according to

group bylaws, is to promote police/citizen relations, especially among minority groups, and to ask for and receive from the police department a review of action taken by the department in incidents which create community concern or controversy. In addition, the Committee wants the authority to use specific incidents as a vehicle for the examination of police policies, procedures and priorities and wants the approval of the city council to investigate matters for themselves.

Muleshoe's Committee is discussing the idea of using a "CopWatch Incident Report Form," as used by a similar committee in Berkeley, California.

The report is filled out by citizens who believe they have been harassed or abused. Information included on the report form includes officer name(s), vehicle ID numbers, victim's name(s), suspected charge, witnesses, injuries, photos or tapes, lawyer needed, description of incident, and other information.

"Being able to 'watch' the department should help us make sure the department is working in the best interest of the community," said Thomp-

"When people come to us for help with what they feel is an injustice, we'll be there to ask the police the tough questions," said D. Guzman

The Committee tabled a discussion on how to choose which cases they will follow up on for disgruntled citizens but will officially ask for City Council recognition as a group at the next Council meeting.

Citizens interested in learning more about the Committee may do so by calling Stacy Thompson at 272-3652 or contacting any Committee member.

IRS

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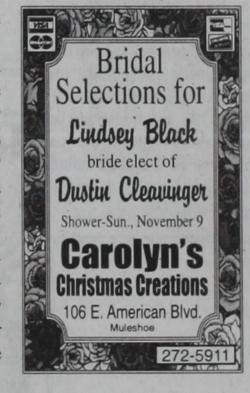
Social Security number and their filing status (Such as single or married filing jointly). In addition, the refund amount shown on their 2002 tax return is required for refunds. To get information on the advance child tax credit, taxpayers must also enter the number of exemptions shown on their 2002 tax return.

When the information is submitted online, taxpayers see Web pages that show the status of their refund or advance child tax credit check.

Taxpayers without access to the Internet who think they may be missing a refund or advance child tax credit check should first check their records or contact their tax preparer before calling the IRS toll-free assistance line at 1-800-829-1040 to update their address.

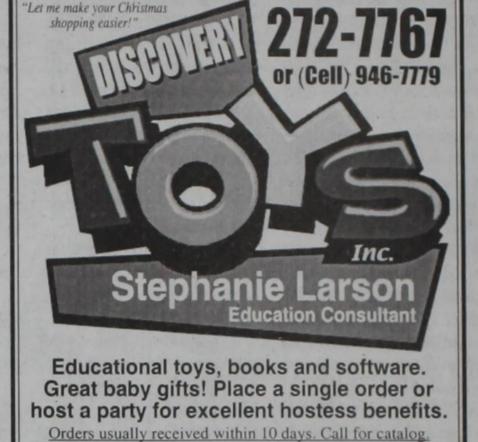
Taxpayers can avoid undelivered refund checks by having their refunds deposited directly into a personal checking or savings account. Direct deposit also guards against theft or lost refund checks. The option is available on both paper returns and electronically filed returns. Direct deposit was not available for the advance child tax credit checks.

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Students learn importance of reading

The agency, South Plains Head Start and Professional Educational Services (S.H.A.P.E.S) Headstart in Muleshoe, under the directorship of Miss Aurora Mata with the assistance of Ms. Yolanda Galindo, Mrs. Garza and Family Support Worker Mrs. Melendez, had a book party for the Headstart students ages three and four.

The books were provided by Reading Is Fundamental (RIF). The program provides books that are appropriate for the preschoolers.

By providing the books, this will also challenge parents to read aloud to their children. RIF is also helping build a partnership with Headstart and the home by encouraging parents to be more active in their child's early education.

also supplies Headstart with twenty differ-



Journal photo: Beatrice Morin

Pictured are students of Kinder Steps during the Halloween party and book giveaway held October 30. Parents provided pizza and drinks for the students. Dyan Shipley, head librarian from Muleshoe Area Public Library, spoke to parents and children at the first book party. Anyone is welcome to come and read to the students at anytime. Readers may bring their favorite story or pick one from the Headstart class-

ent backpacks consisting of two books and a reading buddy. A different backpack is issued to each child with

Journal photo: Beatrice Morin

Kenneth Wilhite was honored with a retirement party

at the Muleshoe Post Office October 31. Wilhite has

been with the US postal service since June 16, 1979,

a total of 24 years, as window clerk. He recently

bought a place in Oklahoma and plans to raise cattle.

When asked what he enjoyed most about his job and

working for the post office, he replied jokingly, "Re-

tirement." He continued by saying he enjoyed "meet-

ing people and fussing with them, especially playing

with kids and fussing with little old women." Pictured

with Wilhite is customer Rosie Bustamante.

a logging sheet where the parent or persons can document time spent reading to a

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MULESHOE POLICE October 23

Jorge Alejandro M. Dominguez, 20, family violence.

October 25

Joe Nino Orozco, 23,

Eddie Viegas Ortega, 18, theft.

October 29

Michael Joshua Villalobos, 23, theft.

Misty Ann Garcia, 20, theft.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE October 22

Johnny C. Castillo, 39, aggravated perjury.

October 23

James Thomas Harmon, 61, theft by check warrants (not jailed).

STATE POLICE

October 27

Lance Bradley Robbins, 33, DWI.

Ismael Gutierrez, 23, driving while license suspended.

Mules prepare for final game

By DELTON WILHITE Journal sportswriter

The Slaton Tiger's record does not give a true picture of the team they are. They broke the longest losing streak in Texas this year with wins over Tahoka Dimmitt. They have been in every game this year in the first half.

Coach Eddie Kilmer is in the process of turning the Tigers around and it would be a feather in the Tiger's cap to knock off the Mules. Kilmer was the Mules defensive coordinator for two years.

Mules' coach David Wood said, "Slaton is a tough team. They are big up front and have speed in the backfield. You can be sure Coach Kilmer will have them ready to play Friday night. We can not slack off on our preparation this week. We must be ready to play."

Friday night is Senior Night and all the senior cheerleaders, band members, cross-country and football team members will be honored prior to kickoff.

When ask about each of the senior football players Wood responded by saying:

"Arium Perez is a move-in that wanted to be a part of something special and play football. He is a great and fun kid to be around."

"Daniel Campolla has great leadership qualities, fine athlete and has been a part of the varsity since he was a sophomore. He can do anything he sets his mind to do."

"Tatum Heathington is a great athlete and we have asked him to play several different positions for us. He is willing do what the team needs done."

"Jonathan Marlow stepped into the Friona game when we needed him and made three critical catches. He was a major part of the win over Friona."

"Cobey Branscum moved in from a small school and is one of the hardest hitting kids on the team. He is a great special team player."

"Landon Sheets is a great competitor and wants to win more than anyone I can think of. He loves football and loves to play the game."

"Bryan King is a big hitter and been on the varsity since he was a sophomore. He can play anywhere we ask him to and is strong as a bull. He loves to hit people."

"Glen Scott is an overachiever. A little light for his position but he plays with a lot of heart. He earned a starting spot early this season and never let it go."

"Tyrel Gear is the most improved player on the team. He has a burning desire to win, earned the respect of his team and was elected captain."

"Ryan Marricle, dynamite comes in small packages. Ryan weights 160 pounds and is our center and a line backer. No one can ever tell me they are too small to play football, just look at Ryan Marricle."

"Miguel Castorena is a leader on our team and was elected captain. He is the anchor of our offensive line.".

"Miguel Nuñez takes his kicking very seriously and loves football. He takes things as they come and is a fun kid to be around."

"Canaan Heinrich came to us from a 6-man program. It took him a while to adjust, but now is our starting full back. I think he had rather play 11-man than 6-man football now."

"Edwardo Pullido is a very tough competitor and an outstanding person. We wish he could have been in our program longer. He kicks off for us some and we spot play him on defense.'

"This senior class has never given up since they started playing this game. They will always hold a special place with me because they have come so far and have proven they can play with anybody," concluded Wood.

Red Steagall to highlight concert

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

As part of West Texas A&M University's Alumni sary Celebration, Red Steagall will come back to

his roots for a performance, dance and barbecue dinner beginning at 7 p.m. Saturday, Association's 50th Anniver- Nov. 15 at the WTAMU Event Center.

the 1991 Official Cowboy Poet of Texas will return to his alma mater to perform his Texas Swing dance music and award winning poetry.

VIP tickets for the event are available for \$50 each and entitle ticket holders to a seat at a table on the floor, barbecue, concert, and dance. \$30 general admission tickets include the barbecue, concert and dance. Student and event only tickets are also available. Contact the WTAMU Alumni Association at 806-651-2311 for information and tickets.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE NEWS

Traffic tickets are up, way up, and so is the county's revenue.

According to the latest report for October, the Justice of the Peace Court handled 389 traffic tickets compared to 203 last April.

In October, the JP Court collected \$22,378 in revenue compared to \$16,546 last April. The county gets to keep about two thirds of the fines.

Of the 389 ticket issued in October, 155 resulted in a fine. Fifty-one of the tickets were dismissed.

Eleven tickets were dismissed after driver's safety courses, 40 after deferred disposition and 32 were dismissed after proof of financial responsibility.



Muleshoe Youngriders had their annual banquet October 19 at Bailey County Coliseum. Catfish Cove catered the meal of barbeque with all the trimmings. Annual awards were given to all the kids. Winners were awarded buckets, jackets, hoof picks, spray bottles, brushes and combs. Some were awarded buckles. The next playday will begin in June 2004.









The first "Milk Saturday" was held November 1 at the Bailey County Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry. Packages of milk supplement from Breedlove Dehydrating Plant in Lubbock were handed out to needy families. These were made available through a grant program from Rotary International District 5730. The sponsors for this program are Dairy Max, United Supermarket, Gandy's Dairies and Muleshoe Rotary Club. Also, winners for the first, second and third grade milk contests were announced. Phil Kent, Muleshoe Rotary Club president, and Wanda Hooten, past president, awarded the prizes. The Kindergarten students participated in the "Name the Dairy Cow" contest. Winners available for the picture were Tristin Orozco, "Milky Way" (Texas Migrant Council), Elias Guerra "Moo", Shyann Carpenter "Pepper", Brooklyn Beall "Annabell", Natalie Camerena "Sassetti" (Kinder Steps) and Mercedes Garza "Patches." Winners not pictured were Tyler Newberry "Spots" (Kinder Korner), Esmerelda Cabarena "Pinta," and Kevin Davenport "Coco." These winners received a certificate for a free ice cream cone. The first grade students participated in a poster contest and winners received a certificate for a free box of ice cream sandwiches. The winners present were Vince Vasqez and Ruby Andrade. Winners not pictured were Juanita Ramirez, Anson Castanon and Tristin McCollough. Second grade students wrote papers on the nutritional value of milk and the winners received \$10 in Mule Bucks. The winners present were Edwin Delgado, Bailey Bales, Joleene Reid, Hadlea Geissler and Don Ann Rempe. Winners not pictured were Janice Barron and Emily Flores.

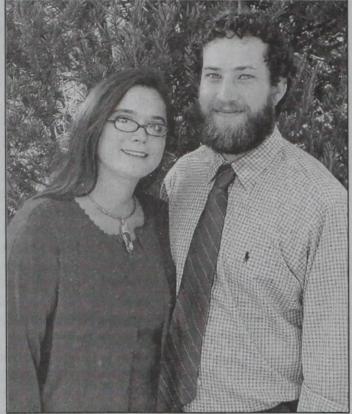
Couple honored with shower

Alicia Burns Wimberley and Payton Rennels of Muleshoe were honored with a candlelight wedding shower Saturday night, October 18, in the reception room of the Muleshoe Country Club. The couple will marry November 22, in an afternoon outdoor ceremony at the Highpoint Manor Inn in Wimberley in the Texas hill country.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mrs. Don Vickers of Apollo Beach, Florida, and her fiancée is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rennels of Muleshoe.

A swirling crystal dish held a magnificent arrangement of dendrobium orchids intertwined with tulips, dahlias, and miniature carnations in the bride's chosen holiday colors of plum accented with sage colored seeded eucalyptus and bells of ireland. Grape garlands on the table accented the centerpiece.

Candles highlighted the fireplace with a towering white steeple on the mantel and a silhouette in plum and sage colors of a bride and bridegroom on a white



Alicia Burns and Payton Rennels

pumpkin. The festive decorations were further carried out by the glow from an antique lamp post.

Hosts and hostesses were Don and Donna Locker, Judy Lambert, John and Jo Blackwell, Sammy Allison, Dick and Sandi Chitwood, Marshall and Helen Cook, Buck and Carolyn Johnson, John and Ruth Hall, Ed and Carol Cox, Gordon and Donna Green, Jean Allison,

Mike and Terri Hahn, Nan Johnson, Jesse and Irma Leal, Albert and Linda Lee, Joan Lewis, Alec and Lindy Schuster, Curtis and Juana Shelburne, Glen and Marsha Watkins, Barbara Milburn, Jenne McVicker, Larry and Berta Combs, and Rusty and Christy Whitt. They presented Alicia and Payton with a par aqua table and four matching chairs.

URSING HOME NEWS

Thursday morning, Nancy Lemons brought ceramics for the residents to paint in craft class. Residents participating were Vera Neer, Gladys Wright, Diane Copley, Ruby Riley, Clydetta Mitchell, Alleene Locke, Delphine Gruda, Alliene Lasiter and Gladys Wilson.

Zona Gatewood and Janis Morrison directed a music and song session in the day room and special care unit Thursday morning.

Genny Kerr brought refreshments for the residents and staff in the special care unit Friday afternoon.

Pat Wilson and the activity department hosted a birthday party for all the residents having a birthday in October on Thursday afternoon. Residents honored were Hattie Heathington (Oct. 16), Ardith Long (Oct. 31), Lora Dale (Oct. 20), Muriel Lewis (Oct. 20), Vere Fox (Oct. 10), Alvin Isaacson and Alliene Lasiter (Oct. 30).

Decorators Floral & Gifts gave each resident a corsage or boutonniere, Lasting Impressions gave each birthday resident a Ty beanie baby tied to a big balloon. J.C. and Curtis Snitker provided entertainment.

Saturday morning, Buster Kittrell cut the men's hair. Harold and Mary Jo Burge directed the bingo bash and provided refreshments following the games.

Sunday morning, Muleshoe Church of Christ directed a Communion service.

Buster Kittrell and Harold Burge taught the Sunday school class Sunday morning.

The cowboy church came Sunday afternoon for church services. Jearl James directed the devotional. Michael Dean and Janis Morrison directed the music and singing.

Vada Alexander's family visited her over the weekend. They all met together and visited in the sun room on hall No. 2

Jewel Perry was visited by Jim and Flevia Black, her friends from California, Monday. Margaret Epting visits her several times a week.

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, Brenda Guzman's F.C.S. class from Muleshoe High School come to visit, play games and serve the residents refreshments.

Gary and Judy Hubbard directed a music and song devotional Tuesday morning

NOVEMBER EVENTS

Pie party hosted by the American Blvd. Church of Christ, Nov. 6, 2:30

Nov. birthday party, Nov. 13, 3:00 p.m.

Family and resident Thanksgiving Feast, Nov. 20, 5:30 p.m.

Janet Denton, Nov. 14, 3:00 p.m.

Pat Watson, Nov. 14, 10:00 a.m.

Residents having birthdays in November are Juanita Teague and Pauline Chappell (Nov. 24), Christine Newsome (Nov. 26), Rick Hunter (Nov. 27) and Orona Marcus (Nov. 28).

Gladys Wilson returned to Park View Wednesday after being hospitalized in the local hospital.

Grant Wobbington was visited recently by Tub and Pat Angeley and their grandchildren.

Howard Awbrey was visited Monday by his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Awbrey.

Alliene Lasiter's daughter, Joan Lewis, had lunch with her, topped off with a birthday coconut pie (Mrs. Lasiter's favorite); Wednesday, October 29

Beverly Wagnon! Claudine Embry, Pat Watson, Linda Nowell; Dolores Garrett and Josie Ovalle volunteered their time and talent to give the ladies fresh hair-dos and cuts, including the men, Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Nowlin visited the residents and staff Wednesday morning.

Congratulations to Ruby Riley on the birth of a new great-granddaughter, Briley Remea She weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces.

Gary Skaggs gave a devotional Wednesday morning at singspiration time. Loyce Killingsworth and Buster Kittrell directed the music and hymn

Glenda Jennings and Joyce Briscoe Lazbuddie directed the sing-along Wednesday

Becky Jones' piano students gave a Halloween recital in the day room Wednesday afternoon. Each of the students came in costume.

Laverne James visited Jewel Peeler and Clifton Finley Wednesday. She visited with other residents also.



Journal photo: Vaneta Gregory

Park View Nursing Home held a costume contest last week to celebrate Halloween. The winners pictured above (from left) were Alliene Lasiter (Witch), Jewel Peeler (Chinese Clown), and pictured below (from left) Clydetta and George Mitchell (Roy Rogers and Dale Evans).



perfect season spoiled by Pirates JV Mules'

By DELTON WILHITE Journal sportswriter

The Lubbock Cooper Pirates put a stain on the Mule's unblemished record Thursday night. Cooper matched the Mule's TD production and was able to convert the points after, to drop the undefeated Mules

17-12. All the game's scoring occurred in the first half. The Pirates took advantage of a Mule miscue late in the first half to add a 26-yard field goal on the final play of the first half.

The Mules drove 65 yards in 14 plays on their first possession. Jarad Flores, Ely Villa and Caleb Heinrich pounded the ball down field. Logan Caddell

engineered the drive and mixed in an 8-yard toss to Flores and an 18-yard 'flea

flicker' toss to Nathan Villa. Heinrich got the call for the final 2-yards to pay dirt

late in the first period. The Pirates answered with a 12-play 48-yard drive to take the lead 7-6. With only five minutes left in the first half, the Pirates blocked an Erwin Lewis' punt and recovered on the

In only three plays, the Pirates were again in the stunned Mules end zone with a 27-yard TD toss. The Mules trailed 14-6 with just over three minutes left in the half.

Mule 27

Flores returned the ensuing Pirate kick to the Mule

24. He gained only a yard on a dive play. The Mules faked a reverse and Flores scooted 75-yards down the Pirate sideline. The 2-point conversion failed and left

The Pirates returned the Mule's kick to the Cooper 41. A stubborn defensive stand by the Mules allowed the Pirates only 1-yard and forced a punt. The kick rolled dead on the Mule 16 with one minute on the

the Mules trailing 14-12.

Caddell had a pass picked off on the Mule 45 the final two periods and and returned to the 24. The exchange had moved the Pirates deep into Mule territory. Lewis blitzed from his line backer position for a 7-yard sack.

Lorenzo Nunez, Rigo Mendoza and Geoff Sirkle all met the Pirate quarterback four yards behind the line on fourth-and-17. The Mules took over on downs with 21 ticks left in the half.

A Mule fumble gave the Pirates a scoring opportunity with nine seconds on the clock. Cooper completed a 16-yard sideline pass and then nailed a 26yard field goal to seal the fate of the Mules.

Neither team could mount a scoring threat in the Pirates hung on for the

The Mules travel to Slaton to tangle with the Tigers in their final game of the year Thursday night. VIVEAREA

NEWS

At the 2003 Texas

Statewide Telephone Co-

operative, Inc. Annual

Meeting held in Austin,

new TSTCI Board mem-

ber were recently

Vandevender, executive

vice president and gen-

eral manager of Five

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erative, was re-elected to

the TSTCI Board of Di-

rectors, a position he has

held since October 2001.

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was elected vice presi-

dent. Danny R. Johnson,

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phone Cooperative was

treasurer. The other board

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mas Hyde, Taylor Tele-

phone Cooperative; Curt

Walzel, Livingston Tele-

phone Company; and

Delbert Wilson, Central

Texas Telephone Coop-

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Sandy

inson honored with baby shower

Shana Vinson was honored with a baby shower Saturday, October 18 in the home of Sheryl Engelking in Muleshoe.

Special guests were mother-to-be Shana Vinson; her sister, Staci Foster; her grandmother, Lorri Carter; her mother-inlaw, Tavia Vinson; her aunts, Nedda Travis and Adel Pruitt; her mother, Stephanie Foster; and her cousins, Brea Barner, Pat Kunselman and Vickie Jennings.

Refreshments served were peach tea, orange juice, miniature blueberry and cranberry muffins and miniature quiche.

Hostesses were Brittni Black, Sarah Black, Janice Bradshaw, Claire Brown, Kathy Emby, Louise Engelking, Sheryl Engelking, Mandy Hursh, Debbie Magby, Reta Mimms, Sheryl Morris, Vicki Morris, Jana St. Clair, Chandra Sanchez and Debbie Weir.

Hostess' gift was a stroller/car seat combo.



Shana Vinson

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BITUARIES

MARY LEOLA "TINY" **FORBES**

Services were held Thursday, October 30, 2003 at Wood-Dunning Colonial Chapel in Plainview for May Leola "Tiny" Forbes, 93, of Plainview. Jerry Thornton, associate pastor at First Baptist Church of Plainview officiated. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park under the direction of Wood-Dunning Funeral Home.

Mrs. Forbes was born June 10, 1910 in the Happy Union Community. She died Tuesday, October 28 at Plainview Healthcare Cen-

She was the daughter of Hale County pioneers James Blanton Ross and Ocie Ola Matsier Ross. She attended school at Happy Union as well as Plainview public schools. She took secretarial and bookkeeping courses at Watson's Business College and Lippert's Business College.

She married Joseph Milton Forbes on December 26, 1925 in Plainview. He preceded her in death on February 7, 1970 in Muleshoe.

Mrs. Forbes worked in retail sales in Plainview and Dallas. She was also coowner of the Muleshoe Journal, which she and her husband operated for over

twenty years. After living in Muleshoe for 35 years, Mrs. Forbes returned to Plainview in 1980.

Mrs. Forbes was a member of the First Baptist Church, Beta Delphin Club and Daughters of the American Revolution.

She is survived by nieces and nephews, Carolyn Courtney and John M. Ross of Plainview, Nancy Thompson of Winters, Linda Willmon of Amarillo, Susan Dunavant of Floydada and Hershel Dennis of Portland, Oregon.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

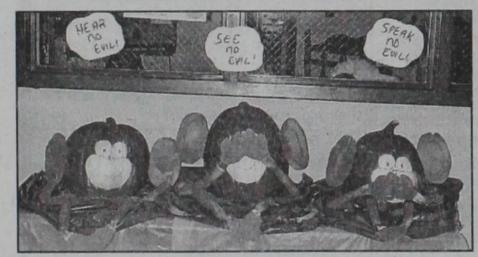
DENISE REEDER MUSICK

A private family service was held for Denise Reeder Musick, 45, of Titusville, Fla. Ellis Funeral Home handled local arrangements.

Mrs. Musick was a member of The New Life Christian Fellowship Church in Titusville where she was very active. She graduated from Henderson State University in Arkadelphia, Ark., in 1981 with a B.A. in sociology. She worked as a registered nurse. She had been a resident of Titusville since November 2001, moving from Jacksonville, Fla. She married James Musick in 1988 in California.



Muleshoe Area Medical Center held a pumpkin decorating contest last week. The Medical Records department won first place with their "Peanuts" themed pumpkins. Radiology won second place with "Cat Dracula." The nursing staff won third place with their "hear, see and speak no evil" monkey pumpkins.



She is survived by her husband of Titusville; her parents, Louis and Jane Reeder of Muleshoe; three brothers, Randy Reeder of Guyman, Okla., David Reeder of Dallas and Mark Reeder of Muleshoe. She is also survived by four nephews and one niece.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Park View Nursing Home, 1100 W. Avenue J. Muleshoe, Texas 79347 or to one's favorite charity.

H.D. JONES

Services wre held Sunday, November 2, 2003 at Earth United Methodist Church for H.D. Jones, 75, of Springlake. Revs. Glen Harlin of Springlake and Gary Hubbard of Earth officiated. Burial was in Earth Memorial Cemetery.

Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Mr. Jones was born August 30, 1928 in Earth. He died Friday, October 31 in Amherst.

He married Yvonne

O'Hair in Earth on September 13, 1958.

He graduated from Texas Tech in 1951 and was a flight instructor for the United States Air Force from 1951 to 1957. He was a member of various clubs including the Springlake Lions Club where he was the Lion of the Year 1994-1995, Muleshoe

Square Dance Club and the Border Rounders Round Dance Club. He



Jones also served on the school board for six years and the Lamb County Appraisal District Board. He was a farmer for 40 years and a member of Earth United Methodist Church, where he sang in the choir and taught Sunday school through the years.

He is survived by his wife of Springlake; a son and daughter-in-law, Bob D. and Kelly Jones of Springlake; two daughters and one sonin-law, Kim D. Jones of Denver, Colo., and Kara Sue and John Logan of Irving; two sisters, Joyce Lowery of Littlefield and Lynda Brunk of Castle Rock, Colo.; one brother, Carroll Jones of Rogers, Ark.; and five grandchildren, Hunter, Michelle and Haley Jones, and Tanner and Isaac Logan.

The family suggests memorials be made to one's favorite charity.



We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all the kind people of Muleshoe who were there in our time of need. A very special thanks to: Trinity Baptist Church, Muleshoe Fire Department, Muleshoe Police Department, Rev. Bennie Wright, Mr. Ellis and his funeral home staff, Decorators Floral & Gifts and Muleshoe Area Medical Center. And most of all, thanks to Dr. Ryan Johnson, Mr. Little and the lady at the hospital.

The Family of Charles Lorance

Our family, Joshua, Joby and Shauna Kilchens, Raygena and Rickey Barrett, Russell and Susan Treider, Reginald and Renee Treider, and Raymond and Charlene Treider, would like to express our love and deepest appreciation to each and everyone that blessed us during the loss of our precious Rhonda Your prayers, calls, food, flowers, cards and expressions of love have been overwhelming. God favors the heart of a servant. Our prayer is that God will continue to bless each and everyone of you!

> Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, The power and the glory, The victory and the majesty; For all that is in heaven and in earth is yours; Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, And you are exalled as head over all. Both riches and honor come from You, And You reign over all. In your hand is power and might; In Your hand it is to make great And to give strength to all 1 Chronides 29:11-12



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