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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

Start wife-carrying now

The North American Wife Carrying Championships are still months away, but organizers of the Bethel, Maine, event say it's not too early for men to gear up.

The race requires each competitor to climb over logs, run through sand and navigate neck-high water while a woman clings to his back or holds on any other way she can.

The world record for completing the 278-yard obstacle course is 1 minute, 5 seconds.

And a Hackademy Award ...

The American Lung Association has coughed up its annual honors for the best and worst of on-screen smoking.

The association gave its top President's Award to Michael Mann and Eric Roth, producers of *The Insider*, during Thursday's fifth annual Hackademy Awards.

Both Mann and Roth quit smoking during the making of the film about tobacco industry whistle-blower Jeffrey Wigand, which also won the association's Thumbs Up! best movie award.

The Thumbs Down! dishonor went to the coming-of-age flick *She's All That* for its depiction of teen-age smoking.

Scissors sewed in for years

A woman who has had a pair of surgical scissors lodged in her chest for 10 years should receive compensation, the Guyana Medical Association said recently.

Roman Soman, 43, did not know the scissors were there until she went to state-run Georgetown Hospital for treatment after she said her husband attacked her with an ice pick and a knife.

X-rays revealed the scissors, apparently forgotten after a chest operation performed at the same hospital in 1990. A surgeon removed the unwanted hardware.



Drawing date: Wednesday, March 22 Winning numbers: 5-8-17-35-38-41 Estimated jackpot: \$27 million Winners: 1

Next drawing: Saturday, March 25 Estimated jackpot: \$4 million

On this date in history

March 26 — Gov. William P. Hobby signed the Primary Suffrage Bill, giving women the right to vote in Texas primary elections (1918).

March 27 — The Goliad Massacre provides new impetus toward Texas independence (1836).

March 28 — Fort Taylor (name soon changed to Fort Brown) established at present-day

Brownsville (1846).

LOCAL WEATHER

Mild weather should continue at least through most of the week, with temperatures reaching the mid-70s Sunday and Monday, 60s from there through Thursday. Tuesday should be breezy with scattered showers. Morning lows after Sunday should drop into the 30s.

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Muleshoe Pea and Bean seeks expanded market

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Muleshoe Pea and Bean, a local dry-bean and pea receiver and processor, is attempting to alleviate poor economic conditions for farmers by helping develop international markets for black-eyed peas.

The company says that despite record production in 1999, prices were the lowest in 20 years.

In a major step, Muleshoe Pea and Bean recently hosted 12 Russians and three Americans who live in Russia to give the visitors a close-up look at how black-eyes are processed, as well as hands-on experience with the equipment used in the operation.

Although black-eyed peas are unfamiliar to the Russians, other legumes are considered staples there, especially in Siberia. The Russians are searching for protein-rich food sources that can be stored dry in large quantities, and feel that black-eyed peas fit their criteria.

see RUSSIANS on page 3

Boosters set fine arts fund-raiser

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Members of the Muleshoe Fine Arts Boosters have scheduled their annual Fine Arts Night To Shine for 6 p.m. April 3 on the high school campus.

The event is a fund-raiser for all the fine arts departments in the Muleshoe Independent School District.

This year will feature performances in the auditorium by the Muleshoe High School Choir, Watson Junior High Band, MHS Mighty M Band and the high school one-act play cast.

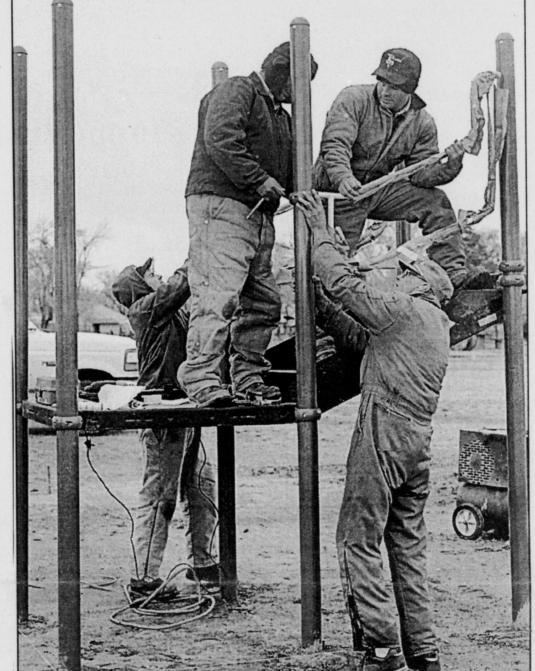
During an intermission, the audience will move into the cafeteria to sample desserts donated by fine arts supporters.

The intermission also will feature a display of artwork by local students.

The evening also will include a silent auction.

Tickets will be \$3 for adults and \$1 for students.

Anyone wishing to donate a dessert is asked to take it to the cafeteria between 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. April 3, and have it in a disposable container already sliced (if necessary) ready for serving. Volunteers will be needed to help in various ways.



Journal photos: Beatrice Morin

First on the playground

Muleshoe city employees (clockwise from lower left) Patrick Counterman, Jesse Carrion, John Paul Garza and William Pearce install playground equipment at East City Park on Thursday morning.

Art association plans annual show

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Members of the Muleshoe Art Association have scheduled their annual show for April 3-14 in Muleshoe State Bank's community room.

Entries will be accepted from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 3. All members of the association may enter for \$5 per painting. Non-members may join for \$20 and show.

There is no limit on the number of entries, but no work previously shown in one of the association's competitions is allowed in the show.

Paintings should be wired for hanging, with a card on the back giving the artist's name, address, medium and sale price. Entries not for sale must be so designated, and entries not available for the purchase award must be designated.

Judging by Kay Houston of Morton will begin at 9:30 a.m. April 4, with a judge's critique and presentation of the awards scheduled for 2 p.m.

Works will be on display at the bank from April 5 to April 14.

Categories include oil, pastel, watercolor and "miscellaneous," which includes sculpture, wood carving, pottery and china.

The First Bank Award of \$100 will be given for best of show, with awards of \$50 for first place, \$30 for second and \$20 for third if entries in each category warrant such awards.

There also will be an Art Loft framing award of \$45.

Artists will be limited to one cash award other than the purchase award. Works will be handled and displayed at the artist's risk, with neither the association nor the bank assuming liability.

More information is available from the association president, Jackie Hinderliter, at (505) 763-4994 or the show chairman, Mildred Williams, at 272-3359.

Two running for mayor

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Two well-known Muleshoe businessmen, Victor Leal and Wells Hall, had registered as candidates for mayor by the deadline Wednesday.

The race will be decided in May 6 voting, at the same time as area school board elections are scheduled.

Muleshoe Hospital District

board elections were scheduled for the same date, but only one candidate registered for each board position and they have been declared elected.

Incumbents L.T. Johnson and Mike Miller will serve again, along with newcomer Paul Wilbanks.

see VOTES on page 2

'Chief' Crim predicts good year for crops By SCOTT ROBINSON Special to the Journal

While drought-like conditions still persisted in the area, the local "chief" said Wednesday that good news is on the horizon — or at least in the wind.

Weldon Crim, known locally as "Chief," performed his annual "fire-burning" spring weather-forecasting ritual on the morning of March 22, watching as the wind blew out of the northeast calling for a "good" crop season.

"The northeast direction signals almost a perfect season," Crim said. "If conditions had been better this winter, I would say we could expect a bumper crop, but things are so dry that even a wet spring might not produce that type of crop."

Crim claims his predictions are accurate about 80 percent of the time, adding that misses for the past two years increase the odds that this year's forecast is correct.

Crim has been making the predictions since 1983, but is carrying on a tradition begun by his grandfather in 1910. Taylor Crim said he learned the ritual from Comanches while working with the on the railroad near El Paso.

The custom involves stacking wood in a teepee shapeand setting fire to it just before sunrise, with the forecast based on the direction the wind carries the smoke.

While this year's forecast was positive, the conditions for the ritual were less than ideal. A thunderstorm passed through the area during the previous night, and the northeast wind was gusting at speeds estimated to be more than 40 miles per hour.



Journal photo: Beatrice Mor

Streets get wet

A truck passing on American Boulevard presents an almost-forgotten site recently in the Muleshoe area: Water on the street. Weather observer J.K. Adams said Muleshoe officially received 1.32 from last week's two-day wet spell; area reports ranged from there to more than 2 inches in some areas of Parmer and Castro counties.

AROUND MULESHOE

Roping to help Lazbuddie seniors

A team-roping event to benefit the Lazbuddie High School senior class has been scheduled for April 16 at Dusty Rhodes Arena in Muleshoe.

Entries will be taken at 12:30 p.m. and roping begins at 1 p.m. Top-quality Corriente cattle are to be used.

All average winners will receive jackets, and there will be full concession-stand service on the grounds.

More information is available by calling Thurman Myers at 272-3598.

Amber Cowart qualifies for nationals

Amber Cowart of Muleshoe was among 41 gymnasts from the South Plains Acrospirits Tumbling and Trampoline Team who qualified for the national gymnastics finals during a recent qualifying meet at Snyder.

Further qualifying meets are scheduled for April 1 in Levelland and April 29 in Midland.

The national competition will be held June 27-July 3 in Cincinnati.

Dance set at American Legion

The Texas Rhythm Boys from Levelland will be featured at a senior citizen dance from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. March 28 at the American Legion Hall in Muleshoe.

No alcohol will be permitted at the event.

Family Dollar store to open formally

A grand opening for the Family Dollar Store at 515 W. American Blvd. in Muleshoe has been scheduled for March 30, beginning at 9 a.m.

Merchandise will be available at sale prices during the event, according to a press release from Family Dollar corporate headquarters.

The company began in Charlotte, N.C., in 1959 and now operates in 39 states.

Mammograms to be available

A breast-cancer screening clinic is scheduled for April 18 at South Plains Health Care Providers, 208 W. Second St. in Muleshoe.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast-risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for residents who qualify.

All exams will be done by appointment only. More information is available by calling (800) 377-4673.

Second session scheduled on reunion

Muleshoe ex-students from classes from the early 1920s through 1975 are asked to attend a meeting at 7 p.m. March 30 in the Muleshoe State Bank's meeting room.

The meeting is to gauge interest in the possibility of having a massive ex-student reunion in July.

Comments can be offered or more information obtained by

VOTES

from page 1

Board election promises to be interesting with five candidates seeking three at-large positions.

Running are Craig Kirby (an incumbent), Marvin McCaul (a former board member who resigned last winter), Mary Wilson, John Furgeson Jr. and Cliff Heinrich.

In both the Muleshoe and

The Three Way School Lazbuddie school districts, only one candidate filed for each seat open.

In Muleshoe, incumbents Arnold Price and Curtis Shelburne are the only candidates, while in Lazbuddie, Donnie Coker (also an incumbent), Daniel Schacher and Steve Gartin are running for the three available seats.

calling George Nieman at 272-5286.

Motorcycle rally scheduled

The 18th annual Muleshoe Roadriders Motorcyclist Rally is scheduled for March 24-25 at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Pre-registration is \$10 for singles and \$20 for couples; at the door, registration will be \$12 for singles and \$24 for couples. Preregistration must be sent before March 20 to Muleshoe Roadriders, c/o Danny Dickerson, 218 E. Fir, Muleshoe 79347.

Those who pre-register will be eligible for a grand prize of

More information is available by calling Dickerson at 272-4143 or Albert Ramírez at 272-3818.

Public calendar

March 27 — 7:30 p.m. Watson Junior High School choirs in concert, in the high school auditorium.

The deadline for items to appear in Around Muleshoe is 5 p.m. Monday for Thursday's edition and 5 p.m. Thursday for Sunday's edition. Items may be brought to the office at 304 W. Second, mailed to P.O. Box 449, called in to 272-4536 or faxed to 272-

Dillard's to open in Clovis ATTENTION GRANDPARENTS!!

Dillard's Inc. has announced plans to open a 70,000-squarefoot department store at North Plains Mall in Clovis, utilizing the space formerly occupied by Wal-Mart.

The plan drew praise from the area business company because of the store's expected spillover effect in keeping more shoppers in the area and away from Lubbock or Amarillo, as well as potentially bringing in shoppers from outside the area.

Store officials have yet to say how many people will be employed at the new store.

Cindy Banister, manager of North Plains Mall, has said the store will be a full-fledged Dillard's rather than a mini-

ILITARY NEWS

Army Pfc. Joshua B. "Josh" Kitchens recently was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for his performance in a battalion field exercise known as "Warrior Challenge 00."

He is a member of the 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized) at Fort Carson, Colo.

The Army Commendation Medal is awarded to any member of the U.S. armed forces who while serving in any capacity distinguishes himself or herself by heroism, meritorious achievement or meritorious service.

The award identifies Kitchens as part of a select few within the battalion to have performed well enough to be recognized.

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The facility will be Dillard's sixth store in New Mexico, and Clovis will be the smallest town in New Mexico to have such a store. The others are in Albuquerque, Santa Fe, Las Cruces and Farmington.

Dillard's offers a mix of name-brand and private-label merchandise appealing to a broad range of customers.

Based in Little Rock, Ark., the company was founded more than 60 years ago and is now one of the nation's largest retailers of clothing, with annual sales exceeding \$6.8 billion. At the end of 1999, Dillard's was operating 342 traditionaltype stores in 29 states.

Remodelling will begin on the Clovis building April 1, with an anticipated opening in time for back-to-school sales

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Russian visitors and other members of the crowd tour Muleshoe Pea and Bean recently.

The entourage visiting Muleshoe toured the Pea and Bean facility, visited Joe's Boot Shop, attended a pre-dinner social at the home of Mike and Criss Cleavinger, and then was treated to a steak dinner at the historic Muleshoe depot in the Heritage Center.

The culmination of the area businesses. evening was the dinner catered by Barbara Scott and Do-All Family Enterprises.

Mike Cleavinger (through interpreter Boris Cantor) welcomed the Russians and special guests.

life that become treasured memories," Cleavinger said. "I believe this is one of those have a global approach to make

moments."

Guests included producers and their lenders, government officials, company employees and bankers, and representatives of the Muleshoe Economic Development Corp., the city of Muleshoe, Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and

Nicky Nickels introduced Muleshoe City Manager Rick Hanna, who welcomed the visitors and praised the company for bringing the visitors to Muleshoe.

"They (company officials) "There are few moments in are willing to escape the marketing paradigms of the past, and they understand they must

the most of their future," he said. "They are truly unique in their dedication and approach to agricultural markets."

Susie Sowder and Deborah Nickels narrated a presentation on the versatility of the blackeyed pea while guests were offered sample dishes.

Daniel Gotham, an American living in Russia and directing Project Aid Siberia (a private organization with a USDA contract to distribute commodities in Russia), has informed Muleshoe Pea and Bean that the company's efforts have prompted him to officially request black-eyed peas in the commodity mix for distribution later this year.

Salvias still growing in popularity

By RONN SMITH Editor

So often the ornamental plants that look the most impressive in catalogs don't look so good once they're translated into real conditions.

This can be especially true on the High Plains, where wind and drought can quickly shrivel beauty into an eyesore.

But almost all the salvia family — which traditionally was almost ignored by gardeners except for the scarlet sage (Salvia splendens) that has become a cliché as a bedding plant (though still strikingly attractive) — are drought-tolerant and tough.

They are among the most forgiving plants if you forget towater them when you should. The leaves can be completely dry and lifeless, as long as they don't shatter when you pinch them, and some water will quickly restore them to life. Buds that had not opened will go ahead and bloom just as if they'd been pampered.

In fact, it's been my experience that the common Salvia splendens needs moisture more than most of the ones that are just now becoming popular.

Also, since scarlet sage is a native of Brazil, it isn't winter hardy in our climate; some of the others are either completely hardy or nearly so.

These relatives of the sage (Salvia officinalis) used in cooking are almost all uprightgrowing plants with flowers on stiff stalks. Mostly the blossoms are blue or red, but some



are white or more subtle shades

The scarlet sage also doesn't take well to alkaline soils, which all of ours are. (Some other salvias don't like alkalinity, either.) Growing them in containers is the easiest way if your soil is too alkaline.

Mealycup sage (Salvia farinacea) has traditionally been No. 2 in popularity, and is commonly used in our region. The flowers are deep blue and the foliage has a silvery tint, so it's very good to use for contrast with greener plants.

Surging in popularity recently (and now possibly No. 2) is Texas sage (Salvia coccinea). The native form of this flower has flowers as brightly crimson as just about any plant, though for us it needs afternoon shade or the color will bleach badly.

Texas sage is one of the plants most likely to attract hummingbirds in our region, but if your yard generally isn't visited by hummingbirds, you'll have better luck if you plant a block of sage rather than single plants — say, a plot 2 feet by 4 feet.

One of the deepest red flowers is found on autumn sage (Salvia greggii), though lighter colors are being developed yearly.

For the most part, you can't go wrong with salvias in our climate — they like it on the dry and sunny side.

Happy planting!



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smart" home landscaping in the Texas Gulf Coast area can simply mean reducing the size of the area covered by grass, increasing the areas of beds and selecting native or adapted shrubs and alternative ground covers.

Water-smart landscapes are friendly on the environment and friendly on the home gardener, said Dr. John Jacob, Texas Agricultural Extension Service specialist for environmental quality.

In the long run, he said, they

cost much less than the typical lawn, and are much less work to maintain.

The Texas Gulf Coast region has many beautiful plants to choose from, and a non-lawn landscape can look very lush. These landscapes can look just as manicured as any other landscape, depending on what the home gardener wants.

Native groundcovers are a good substitute for grass, Jacob said. These are plants that spread out and cover a lot of ground. Some of them can be mowed occasionally, but most require little maintenance other

than perhaps some annual weeding.

Two excellent groundcovers to consider are pigeonberry and wooly stemodia.

Homeowners sometimes assume that their neighborhood deed restrictions require a lawntype landscape. Some subdivisions and municipalities still have outdated "weed" ordinances, Jacob said, but these are quickly being replaced by more enlightened measures.

In most cases, just planting in borders eliminates any problems of perception.

Start by planting just a few

areas, he suggested. This year, select a 100-square-foot section to convert to an alternative groundcover, then a few hundred square feet next year, and

In a few years there will be little grass to maintain, and summer yard work will be greatly reduced.

With these kinds of landscapes, you can do the minimal maintenance in the spring or fall when temperatures are much more enjoyable.

There are also many hardy and beautiful shrubs and trees to choose from, Jacob said. By

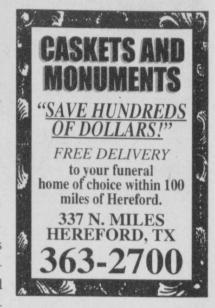
selecting flowering shrubs and trees, home gardeners can add color to the landscape without having to re-plant flower beds every season.

For example, the Barbados cherry bush is an evergreen shrub with pink flowers and red berries, or the American beauty berry, which has white flowers in the spring and purple berries in the fall and winter.

For more information on how to design a water-smart lawn, call the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at (281) 291-9252 and ask for the Water Smart Landscape brochure.

Extension provides the brochure as part of the Clean Water for Armand Bayou project. The project is a cooperative effort of Extension, the Texas Sea Grant program, the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, and the Armand Bayou Nature Center to demonstrate effective techniques for reducing water pollution from contaminated runoff.

The project's goal is to increase awareness of how individual actions result in serious pollution and then to provide methods that will enable home gardeners and agricultural producers to reduce runoff pollution in the Galveston Bay area.



BITUARIES

MINTA BEENE

Services were held Friday at W.W. Rix Chapel in Lubbock for Minta Jackson Dillard Beene, 86, of Lubbock. Bill Starcher officiated. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Rix Funeral Directors of Lubbock handled arrangements.

Mrs. Beene was born Dec. 13. 1913, at Avoca, Texas. She died March 19 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

She married Reuben Dillard on Aug. 5, 1933, in Hollis, Okla. He died in June 1972. She married M.D. Lacy on July 29, 1973, in Post, and he died Oct. 29, 1986. She then married George Beene on Jan. 15, 1988, in Tahoka. He died Sept. 17, 1992.

She graduated from Wellington High School and attended two years of college in Arkansas. She then taught elementary school in Muleshoe during World War II, from 1942 to 1945, and worked as a bookkeeper for Hart Furniture in Muleshoe until 1962. She owned and operated the Del High Lodge until 1965.

She was a member of the Broadway Church of Christ in Lubbock and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Survivors include a son, Clinton Lee Dillard of Plano; two stepsons, Robert A. Beene of Tempe, Ariz., and Donald Beene of Tulsa; three stepdaughters, Marjorie Ferguson of Fort Davis, Texas, Mary Ruffin of Houston and Nancy Holmes of Albuquerque; a brother, Rodney Jackson of Baton Rouge, La.; a sister, Alene Wright of Wellington; 10 grandchildren; and 12 greatgrandchildren.

STACY LYNN BROWN

Services were held Thursday at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Morton for Stacy Lynn Brown, 26, of Morton. The Rev. Tom Dibble was the celebrant, assisted by Dean Alfredo Franco and Joey Pierce. Burial was in Morton Cemetery.

Head Family Funeral Home of Levelland handled arrangements.

Mr. Brown was born Dec. 22, 1973, in Brady. He died March 20 near Sundown.

He was a lifelong resident of Texas, graduating as valedictorian from Cotton Center High School in 1992. He was an outstanding basketball player and also played quarterback on the football team. He moved to Cochran County about three years ago from Cotton Center.

He was employed by the Lamesa Police Department. At the time of his death, he was about to finish training as a

paramedic.

He also was a volunteer firefighter and Little Dribblers basketball coach.

He married Priscilla Honesto on Aug. 22, 1997, in Morton.

Mr. Brown is survived by his wife; his mother, Vickie Hill Gonzales of Cotton Center; his father, Ben Gonzales of Cotton Center; two daughters, Monica Honesto and Naomi Salinas, both of Morton; three brothers, Joe Brown, Christopher Gonzales and Jeremy Gonzales, all of Cotton Center; and seven sisters, Barbara Gonzales, Candy Gonzales, Misty Gonzales, Krystal Gonzales, CoSandra Gonzales, Brenda Gonzales and Kasey Gonzales, all of Cotton Center.

Pallbearers were Joe Brown, Stephen Hill, Craig Hill, Charles Elmore, Edward Amalla and Max Honesto.

MELZINE ELLIOTT

Services were held Friday at Kingswood Methodist Church in Clovis for Melzine Elliott, 84, of Muleshoe. The Rev. Mark Scott officiated. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Ellis Funeral Homes handled arrangements.

11, 1916, at Elida, N.M. She died March 20 at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona.

She married Howard Elliott in Lubbock on July 24, 1937. He died April 13, 1978.

She moved to Muleshoe from Portales and was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe. She also was a member of the Ladies Gold Association at the Muleshoe Country Club, the High Plains Golf Association and Muleshoe Eastern Star.

She is survived by two daughters and a son-in-law, Quineil and Joe Roark of Clovis and Roberta Braswell of Reading, Pa.; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church (507 W. Second, Muleshoe 79347).

DORTHA MASON

Services were held Saturday at Parkland Baptist Church in Clovis for former Muleshoe resident Dortha Louise Mason, 75, Clovis. The Revs. Herbert Bergstrom and Jimmy McGuire officiated.

Steed-Todd Funeral Home of Clovis handled arrange-

Mrs. Mason was born Sept. Mrs. Elliott was born Feb. 15, 1924, in Seymour. She died

March 22 at Plains Regional Medical Center in Clovis.

She married Lee Mason on Dec. 2, 1941. He died April 11, 1996. They moved to Clovis in 1970 from Muleshoe, where they had been engaged in farming. He died April 11, 1996.

She was a member of Parkland Baptist Church and the Plains Regional Medical Center Auxiliary.

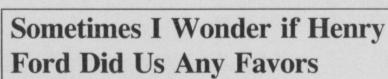
Mrs. Mason is survived by two daughters, Brenda Robison of Muleshoe and Jan Noffsker of Clovis; two brothers, Wayne Hardage of Vernon and Bill Hardage of Plainview; two grandchildren, Chantal White and Collin Robinson; and a great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were Tim Hardage, Ed Nichols, Bill Griggs, Calvin Mason, Paul Matherly, Cal Jordan and Gary

The family suggests memorials to the Baptist Children's Home at Portales.



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Some week's I wonder if Henry Ford really did us any favors. I mean, even during "normal" times when gas isn't bumping \$1.50 pretty hard, I've yet to meet even the nicest, sleekest, best-painted chunk of metal perched on four hunks of rubber that was even nearly worth the fuss, the bother, and the expense it created by its gas-guzzling, insurance-dependent, dent-prone,



Focus on Faith

Curtis Shelburne

payment (and poverty!) producing, air-polluting, you-think-youown-me-but-I-really-own-you existence. If sheep, as some sheep ranchers report, are dumb animals who spend most of their time just looking for ways to die, well, cars seem to me, at least at this moment, to be malevolent machines meticulously crafted to drive people like me quickly and completely crazy, leave us in financial ruins utterly bankrupt, or drop us one last time beside the road where we have collapsed in total exasperation and finally just snapped emotionally so that passing motorists wag their heads and eventually call for people in white coats to come pick up the poor broken, drooling, hallucinating, mumbling and muttering, onceintelligent but now incoherent and barely recognizable human husks

left in tatters by Henry Ford and his invention of the automobile.

That, by the way, was the longest sentence I have ever written. I think it's proof that I'm about to snap.

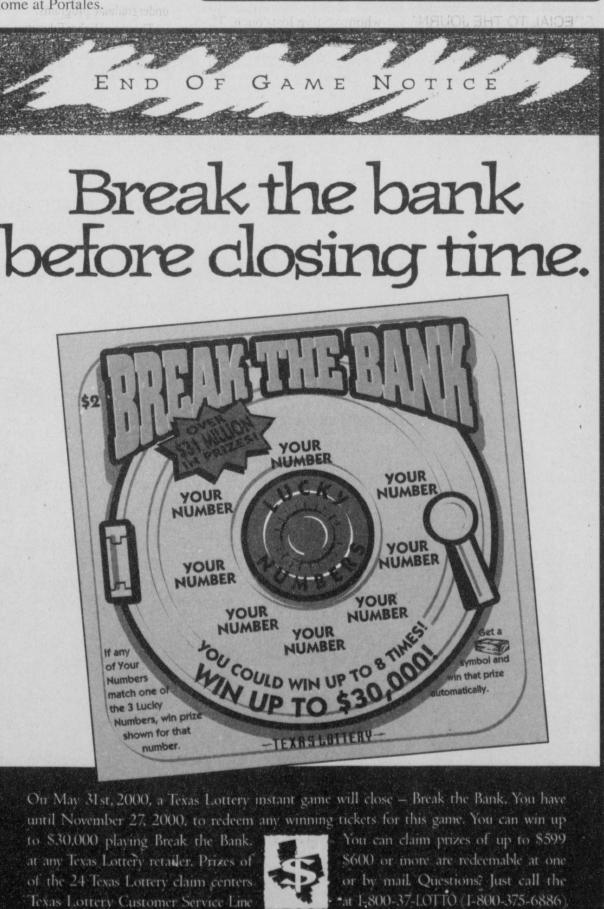
This frustration started, well, I suppose it started in 1973 when I got my first car, a Volkswagen beetle. The little blue bug sort of thing seemed harmless enough. But that starter-challenged vehicle (it had trouble starting at all) started me on the long slide to automotive ruin. It had to be parked on a hill or in the vicinity of several good strong friends where it could roll or be rolled a bit and I could pop the clutch to start it. What a machine that was. The best one I've had, I think.

Now I'm owned by four vehicles, blissfully down from five. (That's sixteen tires, a couple of which per month fail just as surely as the sun rises in the east.) One goes to college where it bumps into fences. One throws alternator belts like Nolan Ryan used to throw pitches. One goes to post offices where it gushes antifreeze and spits out water pumps. One eats 20-amp fuses which causes me to want to shove a 100-amp fuse down its throat and giggle insanely while it burns.

Hmm. Makes me wonder how the Creator of us all keeps the universe in control when he's got a whole world full of children even more prone to problems than the automobiles people like you and me ignorantly think we own.

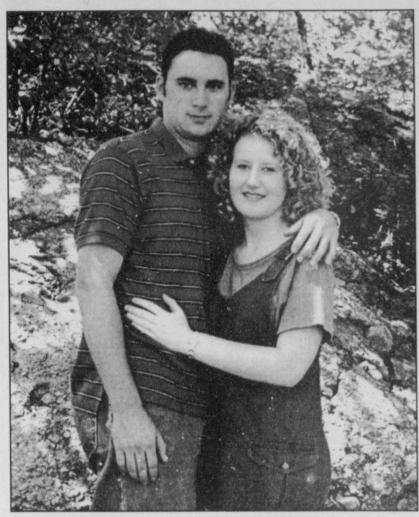
Well, sorry. I've gotta go. I'm bumming a ride.

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



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John and Becky Jones of Lazbuddie and Jerry and Nona Williams of Water Valley, Texas, announce the engagement of their children, Katy Jones of Lazbuddie and Jason Williams of

The wedding is scheduled for 2 p.m. July 1 at the Second Baptist Church in San Angelo. A reception will be held after the

The bride-elect received her bachelor's degree in elementary education from Angelo State University in December 1999. She is employed by the San Angelo Independent School District.

The prospective groom is a senior at Angelo State majoring in kinesiology and science education. He is the recreational director at San Angelo Boy's Ranch.

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· A monthly bulletin listing missing or unidentified persons. The bulletin is distributed to most Texas law-enforcement agencies and other agencies in other states.

• A special bulletin listing only unidentified people, both deceased and living. The bulletin is distributed to most Texas lawenforcement agencies and to all clearinghouses in other states.

Loved ones do not have to pay a fee to file a missing persons report with local law-enforcement agencies and there is not a time limit for when someone can be reported as missing.

There is no fee to initiate a case with the Missing Persons Clearinghouse, but a person must be reported as missing to a local law-enforcement agency before the state clearinghouse will become involved.

"We do not charge anyone for the services we provide," said Lt. Rosanna Church-Abreo of the DPS Special Crimes Service. "We can assist in the search for missing adults as well as children."

There is a limit to the assistance that the clearinghouse can provide, however.

"We get calls all the time from people wanting to locate someone they've lost contact with over the years," Church-Abreo said. "We can't assist them with that type of search."

Private companies will charge a fee to locate someone with

TAAS test ruled non-discriminatory

AUSTIN - High school students' most important hurdle to qualify for graduation, the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, is not biased against minority students, a federal judge ruled recently.

U.S. District Judge Edward Prado of San Antonio rejected the argument that TAAS, a reading, writing and math test, discriminates against black and Hispanics.

"While the (TAAS) test does adversely affect minority students in significant numbers, the (state) has demonstrated an educational necessity for the test, and the plaintiffs have failed to identify equally effective alternatives.

"The results of the TAAS are used, in many cases quite effectively, to motivate not only students but school and teachers to raise and meet educational goals," Prado wrote in his ruling.

Texas Attorney General John Cornyn welcomed the ruling. "Thanks to Judge Prado's decision, Texas can continue to prepare its children for higher education and the world beyond," he said.

But lawyers for the plaintiff, the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, criticized the judge's ruling and said the organization is considering an appeal to the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

Plan would upgrade schools

Texas could have four "top" state universities in the near future, instead of just two.

A \$2.9 billion plan by University of Texas chancellor William Cunningham would upgrade the University of Houston and Texas Tech University to Tier I schools, on par with the nationally ranked University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M University.

If upgraded in status and funding, the new flagship institutions would begin offering a wider variety of doctoral, research, master's and undergraduate programs.

The state Higher Education Coordinating Board is studying the subject independently and will deliver a report in October.

presented the governor's office with El Paso.



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a petition demanding that Gov. George W. Bush call a special session of the Legislature to address a need for more guards and higher salaries.

In the 1999 legislative session, Bush said he would support spending \$53 million for pay increases for guards, but lawmakers failed to approve the funding.

DPS suspends troopers

The Texas Department of Public Safety has suspended six employees accused of racist acts or statements and other suspensions are possible.

The employees will be suspended with pay pending the completion of an internal affairs investigation.

Four employees were suspended for their participation in a birthday party for a black trooper 11 years ago in which they were photographed wearing hats resembling Ku Klux Klan hoods.

"There is no room in our agency for this type of behavior, and it will not be tolerated," said Col. Dudley M. Thomas, director of the department.

Other highlights

• Texas Land Commissioner David Dewhurst has been ordered by state Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander to pay overdue sales taxes on furniture, art and other items he and his wife acquired outside the U.S. Dewhurst then called on the Legislature to review the state sales and use

. The U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed a previous court's ruling that dismissed a \$4 billion lawsuit filed by the Tigua Indians against the state of Texas. The lawsuit claimed that the U.S. Constitution requires the state to compensate the Tiguas for 18 Texas prison guards on Jan. 10 square miles of land on the east side of

• Gov. George W. Bush appointed Alfred M. "Mac" Stringfellow, a San Antonio businessman, as chairman of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, the agency that oversees the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Stringfellow succeeds Allan Polunsky, who resigned.

• The Texas Department of Pro-

tective and Regulatory Services recently conducted a public awareness campaign promoting the toll-free Texas Youth Hotline, (800) 210-2278. Hotline counselors talk with callers who may face issues such as family conflicts, delinquency, truancy, abuse and neglect. More information is available at www.texas.youth.org.

Our hearts are filled with deep appreciation for the many expressions of love and kindness shown to Dale and our family during his battle with health problems and following our loss. We have been blessed and comforted by your thoughtfulness. The love and support of family and friends has been overwhelming. It was also evident at our 50th Anniversary reception. It sincerely touched our hearts to see so many friends and loved ones there. It was truly a blessing to have had this opportunity to celebrate our love and marriage with those who have

touched our lives in so many ways. The Dale Hanna Family &

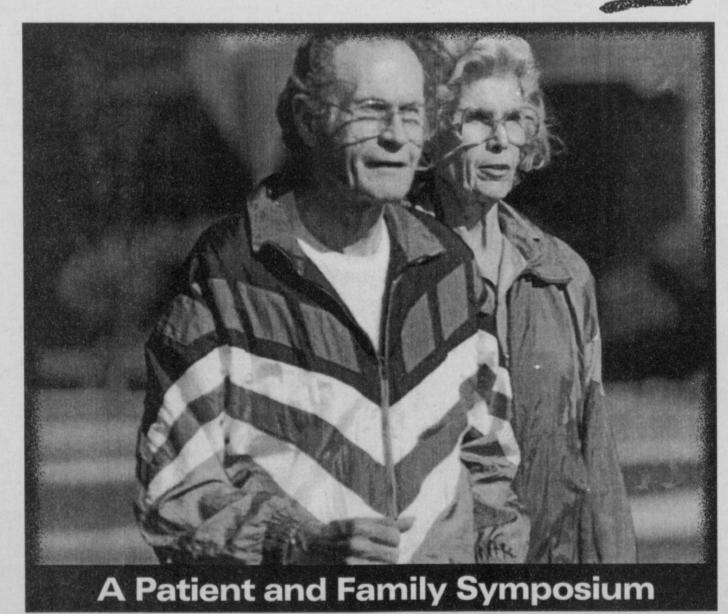


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Those registered for the Symposium are invited to attend an evening of fun, food and fellowship at our annual Shake, Rattle & Roll party on Friday evening, April 7, from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m at the Holiday Inn Civic Center. Plenty of play money for you to enjoy bingo, black jack, roulette and dice tables. Special prizes will be awarded and snacks will be provided Reservations are required. For more information or to make reservations, please call 806-796-2647.

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"Living the Good Life" Improving PD Quality of Life Douglas MacMahon, MD Cornwall Healthcare Trust University of Plymouth, Cornwall, England

Question & Answer Panel Dr. MacMahon, Mr. Ward, Ms. Bear & Ms. Grau

"Nursing Strategies To Improve PD Quality of Life" Sue Thomas, RN Royal College of Nursing, Cornwall, England

"Whose Life Is It Anyway?" Brian Carr, Ph. D., Psychologist

"PD Research Update"

J. Thomas Hutton, M.D., Ph.D.

Question & Answer Panel Drs. Carr and Hutton, Ms. Thomas

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Gathered to honor Raygena Barrett as the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce's employee of the month for February are (from left) Robert Domínguez, Tim Cerveny, Sheila Stevenson, Barrett, Chuck Smith, Pam McCaul, Wells Hall, Donna Kirk and Marilyn Cox. Barrett is the deputy to Bailey County Clerk Sherri Harrison.

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Winners at Houston

Nine-year-old Dal Whalin and 13-year-old Brandi Whalin display the awards they won recently with the first-place crossbreed swine at the Houston Livestock Exposition. Dal, a fourth-grader, and Brandi, an eighth-grader, are the children of Sam and Lisa Whalin of Muleshoe. Also winning at Houston was Marlie Black, the 14-year-old daughter of Rex and Brenda Black of Muleshoe, who showed the reserve champion Brangus.

TUDENT COMMUNITY ACTION

The Student Community Action Club held its monthly meeting March 20 at Leal's Restaurant.

The guest speaker and citizen of the month was coach George Washington.

The business discussed in-

cluded the club's annual bake sale to be held April 8. The event is scheduled to start at the beginning of the powderpuff football game.

Before the meeting adjourned, the next meeting date was set for April 17.

OSPITAL NEWS

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reported the following patient load:

March 16—Helen A. Bickel, Walter S. Clark, Antonio López, Kenneth B. Martin, Leorene Williams and Lynda Wright.

March 17 — James D. Burris, Eva L. Carpenter, Walter S. Clark, Dee Clements, Kenneth B. Martin, Richard C. Orozco, Bary Smith, Eileen M. Smith, Leorene Williams and Lynda Wright.

March 18—James D. Burris, Eva L. Carpenter, Kelly Clark, Walter S. Clark, Jim Claunch, Carlos Peña, Oneita Wagnon and Leorene Williams.

March 19 — Eva L. Carpenter, Kelly Clark, Walter S. Clark, Jim Claunch, Carlos Peña, Oneita Wagnon and Leorene Williams.

March 20 — Walter S. Clark,

Jim Claunch, Carlos Peña, Oneita Wagnon and Leorene Williams.

March 21 — Carlos Peña, Oneita Wagnon and Leorene

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Furry friends can be problem for asthmatics

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL HOUSTON — For many asthmatics, sharing a home with a pet can be risky business.

"Pet owners with asthmatend to have more attacks because many also have pet-related allergies," said Dr. Benjamin Interiano, a pulmonologist and associate professor at Baylor College of Medicine in Hous-

While dogs and cats are the main culprits, any animal with fur or feathers, including gerbils, rabbits and birds, can aggravate asthma. When pets are kept inside the home, it is impossible to avoid contact with their hair, dander and various contaminants emitted from the urine or feces into the air.

"If a person is allergic to a pet, the best thing for them to do is remove the pet from the home," Interiano said. "If that's not possible, the animal should be kept outside the asthma sufferer's living space, including bedrooms and family rooms."

If parting with the pet is not an option, the owner should at

 Keeping the pet outdoors as much as possible;

least take steps to lower the risk

of triggering an asthma attack.

Interiano suggests:

• Bathing the animal once a week to reduce the number of allergens it emits;

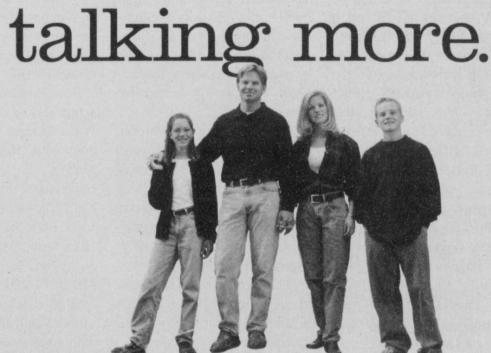
• Cleaning litter boxes, cages and the pet's bedding regularly;

• Placing plastic covers over fabrics, furniture, pillows and mattresses.

To minimize exposure to allergens, assign these chores to non-allergic family and friends.

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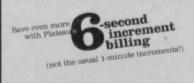


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Breakfast — Pancakes, fruit or juice, and milk.

Lunch—Sloppy joe, Tater Tots, carrots, mixed fruit and milk.

March 29

Breakfast - Biscuit and sausage, fruit or juice, and milk.

Lunch — Turkey fajitas, lettuce and tomatoes, corn, brownie and milk.

March 30

Breakfast—Scrambledegg and toast, fruit or juice, and milk.

Lunch — Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, hot roll and milk.

March 31

Breakfast - French toast, fruit or juice, and milk.

Lunch — Fish filet, au gratin potatoes, black-eyed peas, apple cobbler and milk.

MULESHOE **ELEMENTARIES** March 27

Breakfast — Breakfast pizza, fruit or juice and milk.

Lunch — Soft tacos, lettuce and tomatoes, pinto beans, applesauce and milk.

March 28

Breakfast - Pancakes, fruit or Jell-O and milk. juice, and milk.

Lunch—Sloppy joe, Tater Tots, carrots, mixed fruit and milk.

March 29

Breakfast - Biscuit and sausage, fruit or juice, and milk.

Lunch — Turkey with rice, lettuce and tomatoes, corn, brownie and milk.

March 30

Breakfast—Scrambledegg with toast, fruit or juice, and milk.

Lunch - Spaghetti, lettuce and tomatoes, green beans, hot roll and

March 31

Breakfast — French toast, fruit or juice, and milk.

Lunch — Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, potatochips, carrot sticks, apple cobbler and milk. LAZBUDDIE

March 27

Lunch — Salisbury steak, submarine sandwiches, pizza, noodles, green beans, carrots, salad, fruit, Jell-O and milk.

March 28

Lunch—Friedchicken, burritos, tuna, mashed potatoes, peas, corn salad, fruit, Jell-O and milk. March 29

Lunch - Nachos, beans, rice, hominy, salad, fruit, Jell-Oand milk. March 30

Lunch — Chicken pot pie, pizza, corn dogs (pre-k and 1), sweet potatoes, fried okra, squash, salad, fruit,

and milk

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March 28

Breakfast — French toast, ham, syrups, cereal, graham crackers, juice and milk.

Lunch - Submarine sandwiches, lettuce and tomatoes, Waldorf salad, onion rings, brownie, chips and milk.

March 29

Breakfast — Hash browns, toast with jelly, bacon, cereal, graham crackers, juice and milk.

Lunch — Chicken-fried steak, gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, banana pudding, hot roll, and

March 30 Breakfast - Biscuit with gravy,

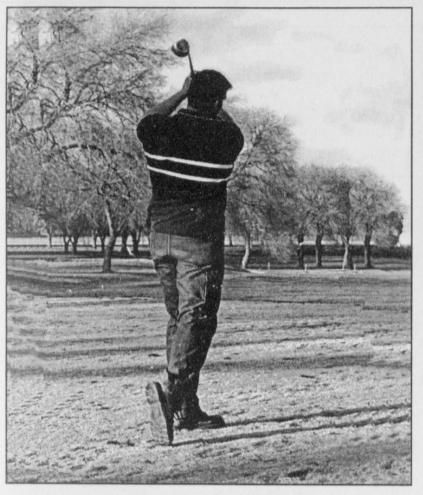
sausage, jelly, cereal, graham crackers, juice and milk. Lunch - Nacho grande, salad,

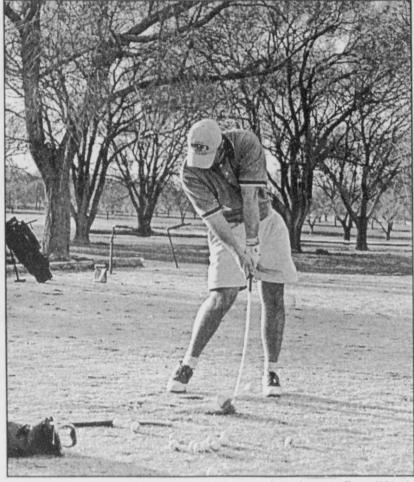
Spanish rice, fresh fruit, cookies, salsa and milk. March 31

ham crackers, juice and milk. Lunch — Fish sticks, macaroni and tomatoes, cole slaw, corn bread, pineapple dream and milk.

with jelly, peanut butter, cereal, gra-

Breakfast - Malt-o-meal, toast





Journal photos: Roger Whipple

Ryan Hodge takes a swing during a recent practice at the Muleshoe Country Club (left), while MHS golf coach Kodi Crane shows students how it's done by hitting a few balls.

Golf teams in district play; boys win first round

By KEVIN WILSON Writer

Several people in Muleshoe took advantage of the spring break for a few rounds of golf, but once school resumed, several high school students had to be very serious about the sport.

The girls placed third March 20 in their first round of district play, finishing with a score of 430 behind Littlefield's 391 and Friona's 323. The tournament was held at Idalou's Island Oaks course.

Rendi Hodge shot a 97, Lubbock Cooper at 360.

Candace Hutto 109, Kristen Magby 117, Amanda Bell 107 and Ashley May 120.

Hodge is in fourth place in the district standings at this point; Bell is sixth and Hutto seventh.

Junior varsity golfers were Nikki Bonds with 150 and Jennifer Rempe and Angela Allen with 142 each.

The boys began their district campaign March 23 at Lubbock's Elm Grove course and lead the district after the first of three rounds of play.

The Mules shot a 352, just Among varsity players, edging out Friona at 356 and

Ryan Hodge led with a score of 69, A.J. Buhrman (who stands at sixth place in district) had an 86, Kole Magby 93, Jordan Pool 97 and David Morris 94.

Junior varsity boys' scores included Kyle Atwood at 95, T.J. Hutto at 119, Chance Turney at 123 and Joel Cowart at 139.

March 27 will see the girls traveling to Friona for their final district meet.

Depending on their success, the teams each have a chance to compete in the regional tournament, which will be held in Odessa in late April.

In recent nondistrict play, the boys' team shot 363 and placed 12th out of 24 teams March 8 at the Seminole Invitational. The team was made up of Ryan Hodge, A.J. Buhrman, Kole Magby, Jordan Pool and David Morris.

The girls' team — Rendi Hodge, Amanda Bell, Kristen Magby, Nikki Bonds and Ashley May — played March 9 at Tulia and shot a 480, which placed them fifth in field of six teams.

In both boys' and girls' competition, the team's four best scores count toward the final total.

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URSING HOME NEWS

Thursday morning, Nancy Lemons brought ceramic pieces for the residents to paint in their ceramics class.

David McIntyre and Debra Noble led our devotional/reflection time.

Joy Nicholson, manager of the local Dairy Queen, brought Blizzards for all the residents Friday afternoon.

Eighteen residents participated in the Saturday bingo games directed by Melvin and Wanda Griffin and Harold and Mary Jo Burge.

Each Sunday morning the American Boulevard Church of Christ directs a Communion service. Buster Kittrell teaches the Sunday school class.

Sunday afternoon, the Primitive Baptist Church directed a singing service in the Care Center's Day Room.

Tuesday, Mandy Garner visited to demonstrate her "special touch" massage therapy and give free massages.

Betty Ramage brought quarters for the bingo games Mon-

Beverly Wagnon, Dorothy

Turner, Pat Watson, Mary Jo Burge and the activity department shampooed and set the ladies' hair Tuesday afternoon.

Harold and Mary Jo Burge, Buster and Wanda Kittrell served coffee, juice and doughnuts to the residents Wednesday morning. Harold Burge read to the residents and encouraged discussion as the residents were having their coffee

Brother Steve Claybrook, Loyce Killingsworth and Buster directed the devotional/ singspiration time.

Glenda Jennings and Jackie Scoggins came Wednesday afternoon for the weekly singalong and puppet show.

The center staff and residents' sympathy goes to Ruth Clements and the family of Dee Clements.

At this writing, Oneita Wagnon is a patient in the local hospital and asks for prayers.

Tuesday afternoon, Melvin Griffin came to see the residents and placed special equipment on the legs of some of the walkers. He then demonstrated

walking with a walker, which was quiet a show and received an array of laughter.

Nettie Quesenberry's daughter, Anna B. Lane, hosted the March birthday party on Thursday on March 23. Janie Fuentes and her band entertained. Lasting Impressions provided corsages and boutonnieres for each resident and a TY Beanie Baby.

Each resident also received a birthday greeting from the White House. Residents honored were Florence Harvey, March 3, 1911; Andy Hernández, March 6, 1924; Nettie Quesenberry, March 7, 1903; Irene Splawn, March 19, 1921; Dovie Matthews, March 30, 1904; and Bill Millen, March 10, 1914.

Gladys Wilson visited on Monday and filled our pantry with goodies and treats.

Volunteers do so much for the residents and for Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center. They are always there caring, sharing and giving from the heart.

Wednesdays and Saturdays are paper days, when residents and staff look forward with anticipation to the Muleshoe and Bailey County Journal being delivered.



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OPS NEWS

A new member, Lucretia Roland, was welcomed into TOPS No. 34 at the March 23 meeting held at the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall on American Boulevard.

The meeting was opened and presided over by leader Laverne James, who led the prayer and pledge.

Secretary Janie Hughes presented the previous minutes and Alma Robertson led the singing of both TOPS songs.

There are now 25 TOPS No. 34 members, the highest membership in years. Seven members have joined in the past few months.

Twenty-one members weighed in, with Alene Bryant and Betty Jo Davis recording the results.

Rose Sain and Brenda Young tied for the best losers. Aurora D. Mata was the first runner up and Aurora Mata was second runner-up.

James led in a discussion about stress and depression. She suggested reading books, listening to favorite kinds of music and getting enough rest and sleep. Also, the joy of na-

ture and just being outside in the sunshine and fresh air can lift sagging spirits.

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Officer installation will be held at 5 p.m. March 30 at the Muleshoe Church of Christ. Vistor are welcome.

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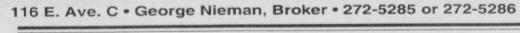
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	BURRITOS 6 CT. PKG. 2/\$3
	• HONEY ROASTED • SMOKED
	DECKER TURKEY 16 OZ. PKG. 2/\$5
	DECKER
	COOKED HAM 16 OZ. PKG. \$269
	ASSORTED VARIETIES DECKER BACON 12 OZ. PKG. \$199
l	MEAT FRANKS 12 OZ. PKG. 79¢
	MEAT FRANKS 12 OZ. PKG. / 9* DECKER
۱	SMOKED SAUSAGE 3 LB. PKG. \$399
۱	DECKER
۱	CHOPPED HAM 5 LB. LOAF \$599 DECKER
١	MEAT BOLOGNA 16 OZ. PKG. \$119
١	DECKER REGULAR OR THICK SLICED
	MEAT BOLOGNA 12 OZ. PKG. 99¢
-	ASSORTED VARIETIES
	BROWN 'N SERVE LINKS 7 OZ. 89¢
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	ECKRICH ASSORTED VARIETIES
-	SMOKED SAUSAGE16 OZ. \$219 CASA DE LOWE'S
	HOMESTYLE OR BURRITO SIZE
-	FLOUR TORTILLASEACH 89¢
-	CHEDDAR CHEESE LB \$229
1	PRICE'S REGULAR OR LIGHT
-	SPREAD 13 OR 14 OZ. TUB \$249
1	ECKBICH FUN KIT
1	LUNCH MAKERS 11.6-12.3 OZ. PKG. \$179
	ALL TYPES
	COCA-COLA,
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	DR. PEPPER 6 PACK-12 OZ. CANS \$179 ALL TYPES
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ORE-IDA FRIES 24-32 OZ. PKG. \$1	
APPLE, DUTCH, CHERRY	
OR PUMPKIN CUSTARD	29
MRS. SMITH'S PIES 37 OZ. PKG. \$32	
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HALFMOON CHEESE 10 OZ. PKG. \$1	99
PILL SBURY HOMESTYLE	
WHITE OR WHEAT LOAF 17.4 OZ. 3/\$	5
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GARLIC OR	
PARMESAN	
BREADSTICKS 10.6 OZ. 3/\$	5
TROPICANA ASSORTED	
SEASON'S BEST	00
ORANGE JUICE 64 OZ. CTN. \$1	99
KRAFT ORIGINAL,	
CHEDDAR OR MEXICAN	99
SHREDDED VELVEETA 8 OZ. PKG. \$1	33
KRAFT ORIGINAL OR 1/3 LESS FAT	
PHILADELPHIA	19
CREAM CHEESE8 OZ. BOX \$1	
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ICE CREAM 1/2 GAĻLON \$3	
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GARDEN FRESH CILANTRO
SWEET
CANTALOUPES LB 39¢
SWEET
HONEYDEW MELONS LB 39¢
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APPLES 3 LB. BAG 2/\$3
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TOMATO KETCHUP 24 OZ. BTL. \$129
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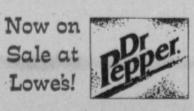
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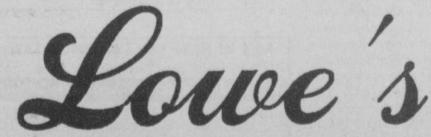
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