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Hospital board of trustees candidates speak

Candidates for the two places on the Muleshoe Area Hospital District submitted questionnaires dealing with their ideas for the hospital should they be elected.

The election for board members is set for May 13 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at City Hall, 215 S. 1st St., for Place 1, and City Hall or Lazbuddie I.S.D., 675 FM 1172, Lazbuddie, for Place 5.

Early voting starts May 1 and goes through May 9 and will be at the same locations from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays (excluding state holidays).

There are two positions up this year: Place 1 with Wayne Pierson and Robert "Bob" Donaldson both vying for the position. In Place 5, there are three candidates, incumbent Mike Miller, Sean R. Mason and Zona Gatewood.



R. Donaldson
Place 1



W. Pierson
Place 1



Z. Gatewood
Place 5



M. Miller
Place 5



S. Mason
Place 5

Place 1

Pierson has served on various boards, including Life in Christ Academy in Lariat and on the Ag Development

Board at West Texas A&M. This experience, he said, "allowed me to gain the experience necessary to be a good board member for the Muleshoe Area Hospital District."

And although he said he hasn't had much interaction with either the hospital or nursing home, he believes he will be an asset to the board.

The role of a good board member, Pierson said, is to have the commitment to follow through with the obligation of serving, understand the purpose of the organization and have an open mind when dealing with challenges as

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Police Chief resigns

Muleshoe City Council Tuesday accepted the resignation of Chief Don Carter.

Carter said in a letter to the *Journal*:

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Muleshoe and the surrounding community for their overwhelming support for me and my family in not only my tenure as Police Chief of the City of Muleshoe, but my entire law enforce-

ment career of nearly 19 years in Bailey County.

I was originally employed by the City of Muleshoe in 1987 as a patrol officer until 1989 when I had the most honorable duty of serving under Sheriff Jerry Hicks as his Chief Deputy. In 1997 I accepted the position of Police Chief with the City of Muleshoe and have served in that capacity since.

During my law enforcement career in this community I was afforded many opportunities to serve its citizens and have been proud to do so. I am eternally grateful to the people of this community for their support and friendship during my years of service.

Effective May 5, 2006, I will be resigning my position as Chief of Police for the City of Muleshoe in order to further my law enforcement career. I will be accepting an employment opportunity with the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office serving under Sheriff David Gutierrez as Captain of the Law Enforcement Division.

It has been an honor to serve each and every one of you and I look forward to your continued support."

Respectfully,
— Don Carter

Burn ban temporarily lifted, now back in effect

Last week's welcome rain brought with it a welcome burn ban lift, allowing farmers, ranchers and others to burn trash and debris that has collected over the past few parched months.

The Commissioners' Court and County Judge Sherri Harrison temporarily lifted the ban until Monday, April 24, at noon, but remind everyone that the burn ban is once again in force.

Harrison would like to also remind everyone that those caught violating the ban are subject to a \$500 fine.

Banquet turns out "peachy"

By Leah Bell

General Manager

Saturday night saw the influx of almost 300 people to the high school cafeteria as the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture held their 56th annual banquet.

The night featured a steak and shrimp meal, a spirited round of "human slot machine," and the announcement of chamber award winners for woman, man, farm family, employee and business of the year.

Master of Ceremonies and Chamber Board of Directors President Tadd Young welcomed the crowd before disappearing and then reappearing as "Willie Wonka - game show host extraordinaire" for the evening's entertainment.

Volunteers Sandy Nash, Berna Bradley and Muleshoe Mayor Cliff Black entertained attendees by participating as the "fruit" for a human slot machine. All sat inside a

handmade, non-mechanical version of the popular Las Vegas game while 10 winners of the "golden tickets" pulled the "one-arm bandit" makeshift lever. No one was lucky enough to win, but each were given cancellation prizes and Allen Mount won a second-chance giveaway of \$100 chamber Mule Bucks.

Guest speaker Ray Mason, Muleshoe Area Hospital Administrator, spoke to the crowd about "what's going on" at the hospital. His conclusion - "good things"

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Woman of the Year is Carolyn Johnson



Man of the Year is Steve Friskup, accepted by his wife Robin at the banquet



Employee of the Year is Sgt. Benny Parker



Farm Family of the Year is the Chris Bass family

Chamber Board of Directors Past President Heather Foley is recognized by President Tadd Young for her years of service to the board. Foley is leaving in board at the end of 2006.

Journal photographs by Fabian Martinez



Business of the Year is Scott's Car Wash, Ronald Scott

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Tue.
Pt. Cloudy..... 83/48

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Sc. T-Storms... 79/42

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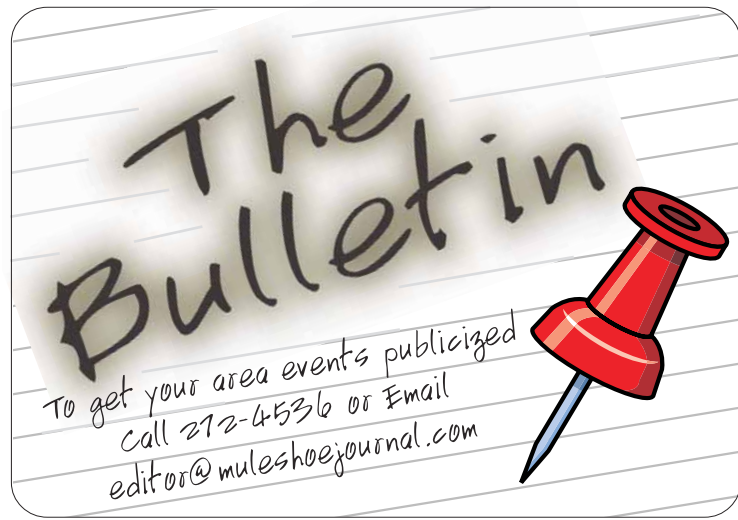
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MAMD Board approves nursing school, lets Chaisson go

By Ty Clark
Muleshoe Journal Staff

The Muleshoe Area Medical District board members began their monthly meeting Thursday night with a tour of the Radiology and Laboratory Departments and their new equipment. Radiology now operates on a filmless system that records patients' x-rays digitally. The board members were also treated to a demonstration of their new 3-D ultrasound. According to Brenda Kirk, the quality of images they produce is better than the more sophisticated and expensive machines that are out there. The Laboratory replaced their chemistry analyzer with three new machines that will serve to expand their services.

Upon returning, Mike Miller called for an open forum, affording the opportunity for questions or comments. There were none to be discussed.

One of the major issues discussed was the approval of a new nursing school. According to Ray Mason, in five to six years the nation will see the worst nursing shortage ever. Through an agreement with South Plains College-Levelland, the district will be able to train their own nurses. Mason also said the classes would be held in what is currently the home health building, and with Five Area's donation of a T1 line, this can be done at virtually no added monthly cost to the district.

Ronnie Dent stated, "I think it's a very good opportunity for Muleshoe. We need to be able to grow our own (nurses). I'm all for it." The motion to go ahead with the program was made, seconded, and approved.

Another major issue covered was the status of the hospital's computer system. Bobby Turner gave a presentation explaining how serious the problem has become. According to Turner the computer system is experiencing many problems due to new, updated software being run on machines as old as 11 years old. "It's like we are running

a multimillion dollar business like a candy store," he said. Turner said this can cause anything from long waiting times, which ultimately costs the district money, to computer crashes.

Other problems ranged from multiple viruses to wiring inadequacies. Lack of control of the system and its users is a huge contributing factor to the problem, he explained. Turner went on to say that "You cannot save money by not upgrading. No person has any say as to whether or not you upgrade. It is all up to the software."

Mason said, "We had an opportunity to get 16 computers through Dell for \$400 and some change per month on a lease. It will be put in the fiscal budget to replace the rest."

Turner told the board that they can purchase a \$30,000 network system for \$11,000 by buying a refurbished system.

Dent asked how soon can this be done to which Turner answered that the new Dells should be here next week, and a new server and software could also be here within a week.

The motion to go ahead with replacing the computer network and server was made, seconded, and approved.

Next, the board considered a proposal from Covenant Home Health Agency.

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Breast cancer screening May 1

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 South First Street, in Muleshoe on May 1, 2006.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only.

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Higginbotham closes on Main Street

Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. will close its doors at 215 Main Street for the last time at 3 p.m. on Friday, April 28, 2006 and will re-open in its new location at 1516 W. American Blvd. on Monday, May 1, at 8:00 am.

Project Graduation

Parents of the Muleshoe High School Class of 2006 need your help to make Project Graduation safe, fun and memorable for the graduates. Your donation will help with expenses such as food, games, prizes and gifts for their celebration immediately after graduation on May 26. This will be a parent-sponsored, non-alcohol, drug-free event.

Address donations and questions to the following Project Graduation representatives: Brenda Black, 1931 US Hwy. 70, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-3431; Sandy Nash, 480 State Hwy. 214, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-3597; Liz Tipps, 1811 W Ave. I, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-5898; Shelly Turnbow, Box 695 Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-5762.

Golf scramble set for May 6

The Bailey County EMS Organization is hosting a three-man golf scramble on Saturday, May 6, at the Muleshoe Country Club. The event will begin at 10:30 a.m. with a shotgun start. There is a \$150 entry fee per team. Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place. There is also a "hole in one" prize of two jet skis. For additional information, call Alex Garcia at 272-4390, or Dustin Jesko at 577-0027. To enter, fax name, phone number and handicap to 272-3141.

Muleshoe athletic banquet

The Muleshoe Athletic Boosters will be hosting its annual athletics banquet on May 1, at 6 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum. Tickets are \$10, and may be purchased at Williams General Store or at the door.

Lazbuddie Roundup

Parents needing to enroll their pre-K and Kindergarten age children at Lazbuddie Elementary may do so at the school library on April 28, at 9:30 a.m. Call Alicia Pacheco at 965-2152 for additional information.

Pops concert set

Muleshoe High School's Mighty "M" Band will be holding its Spring Pops Concert program today, April 27, beginning at 7 p.m., at the high school auditorium.

All three bands will perform beginning with the sixth grade band followed by the junior high band. The high school band will close out the evening.

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Hospital board...

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In the wake of the decision to terminate the district's home health services as of May 1, Covenant Home Health offered to open an office here in the hospital as a branch of the agency so that home health services can continue in this area. Susan Bruce from the agency gave a presentation of the proposal, in which she said that many new services will be available, including OB and pediatric care. A motion was made to accept the proposal, seconded and approved.

Other items covered were:

-The district is one of three hospitals to receive a \$40,000 grant to network rural community affairs. It can use the funds to develop programs for the communities and share resources with the other two hospital.

-Motion was approved to appointment Debra Noble and Donna Glover as election judges and Bob Graves and Glenda Jennings as

their backups.

-As a requirement for disaster preparedness, the hospital is using 14 tapes to back-up the computer system, trading out seven tapes at a time in a safety deposit box.

-Motion was approved to change the collections policy that would require patients who are currently paying on existing medical debts would need to set up a new agreement with any additionally accrued charges.

-New computer usage policy with stricter guidelines for approved usage practices was approved.

-Medstaff appointments were tabled.

-Financial report was approved without any questions.

-Approved \$37,526 bad debt write off with some going to judgement.

Paul Chaisson gave the Park View nursing home's administrator's report. Some of the topics he discussed were:

-Several residents re-

ceived eye exams from a visiting optometrist, with many of them getting new glasses ordered.

-Medicare billing capabilities should be established soon.

-The evacuation of several nursing homes in various fire ravaged areas revealed the need for a new evacuation plan for Park View.

-They are currently taking bids for a new call light system.

-They have established a safety committee.

-Options were discussed for a new van. Lary Hooten explained that they could save thousands by going with a minimally used vehicle at auction, and it wouldn't cost any more to add the upgrades.

-Increase in Medicaid tiles could bring an additional \$6,000 a month in revenues.

Mason then brought the hospital's administrator's report, stating:

-The increase in the district's medical insurance

was negotiated to 3.7 percent, as opposed to the company's original figure of 9 percent.

-They had a meeting with officials from Lovington's hospital, the 15th most profitable critical access hospital in the nation. They came with many tips and suggestions that could aide in increasing the hospital's profit margin.

-Prospective doctors have come and will be coming to tour the facilities and even do some e.r. work to consider possibly relocating here and working for the hospital.

-Working on minor issues that have arisen from switching over to new lab and x-ray equipment.

-They are looking into refurbished equipment for the hospital kitchen.

The members then went into closed session. When they reconvened in regular session, Hooten stated that after lengthy discussion it was decided that Paul Chaisson would be dismissed as administrator of Park View. The motion was then seconded and approved.



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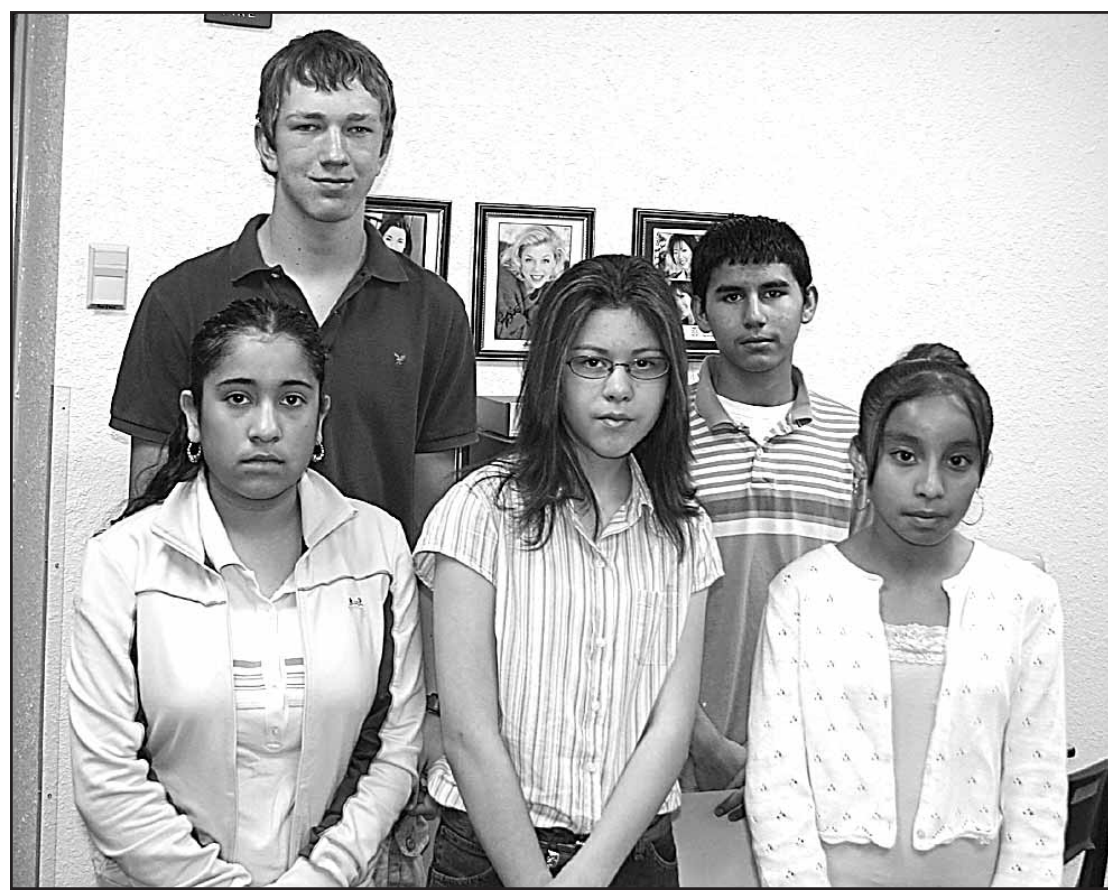
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Local health provider to change name

On June 1, 2006, South Plains Health Provider Organization, Inc., (SPHPO) will officially change its name to Regence Health Network.

The corporate name change is a strategic component of the board's three year plan to improve its image and the overall quality of its services.

Board President Marci Johnson said the name change coincides with the growth and expansion of the organization's service area.

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Obituaries

Derrell Nowell

A church service for Derrell Dwayne Nowell, 60, of Muleshoe, was held Monday, April 17, at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe with the Rev. Dr. Stacy Conner of Muleshoe and the Rev. Glenn Harlin of Springlake officiating.

Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Nowell died on Saturday, April 15, 2006, in Lubbock. He was born on Sept. 29, 1945, in Littlefield, and married Linda Faye Pearson in Farwell on June 21, 1968.

He was preceded in death by his father — Virgil Nowell on Oct. 28, 1981, and a daughter, Tammy Trazelle McCutchen, on Jan. 5, 1986.

Nowell was a life-long resident of Muleshoe. He

was a member of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe, a member of the Muleshoe Masonic Lodge #1237, the Order of the Eastern Star and the Scottish Rite.

Nowell was the general manager of Stateline Irrigation Supply Company for more than 20 years.

Survivors include his wife — Linda Nowell of Muleshoe; a son — Larry Keith Nowell of LaBlanc, La.; a daughter — Tanya Tarese Williamson of Snyder; his mother — Ardis Kathleen Nowell, and a sister — Jaquita White both of Ft. Towson, Okla.; and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the First Baptist Church Van Fund, 220 W. Ave. E, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

Geraldine "Dollie" Crockett

A church service for Geraldine "Dollie" Crockett, 76, of Lubbock and formerly of Morton, was held Monday, April 24, 2006, at Eastside Church of Christ with Joey Pierce officiating.

Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Crockett died April 21, 2006, in Covenant Medical Center-Lubbock. She was born Feb. 7, 1930, in Joy, Texas, and married John Norman Crockett in Morton on April 2, 1948. He preceded her in death on March 7, 1981.

She was a graduate of Threeway High School, moving from Enochs to Morton in 1969. In 2001, she moved from Morton to Lubbock. While in Morton she was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and Senior Citizens. She owned

and operated Crockett Pump Company in Morton for a number of years.

Survivors include two sons and their wives — Steve and Patty Crockett of Perris, Calif., and Douglas and Ann Crockett of Lubbock; a daughter and husband — Janice and Dale Lemons of Weatherford, Texas; sisters and brother-in-laws — Ray Champion and her husband Bob of Denver City, Peggy Mosier of Sun City, Ariz., and Lillie Robertson of Levelland; sister-in-law Shirley Short of Sun City; a brother and his wife — Bill and Estelle Short of Medford, Ore.; eleven grandchildren; and eleven great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the New Mexico Christian Children's Home.

Robert Yeary

A church service for Robert Yeary, 75, of Morton was held Monday, April 24, 2006, at First Baptist Church Morton with Rev. Paul Lively officiating.

Burial was Memorial Park Cemetery.

Yeary died Thursday, April 20, 2006, at his residence. He was born Nov. 19, 1930, in Morton, and married Maxine Bowers in Morton on Sept. 7, 1956.

Yeary was a lifelong resident of the Morton Community. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Morton and he graduated from Morton High School, going on to receive a bachelor's degree from Texas Tech. He was a past member of the Morton Lions Club and a nine year member of the Morton

school board. He had farmed, worked for the Federal Power Commission, and El Paso Natural Gas Co. He was a member of the SPAG Board and of the Alcove Nursing Home. His hobby was flying. He served as a Cochran Co. judge from 1985-1997.

Survivors include his wife — Maxine; a son and his wife — Bret and Kristie Year of Amarillo; a daughter and her husband — Malinda and Kevin Gerber of Plainview; his stepmother — Oneta Yeary of Morton; a brother and his wife — Glen and Doris Yeary of Weatherford, Texas; and four grandchildren

Memorials may be sent to the Salvation Army, Alcove Nursing Home or First Baptist Church of Morton.

Abraham O. Mendoza

A church service for Abraham O. Mendoza, 25, of Muleshoe, was held on Tuesday, April 25, at the Church of God of the Firstborn with Pastor Ramon Mendoza officiating.

Mendoza died on April 22, 2006, in Castro County. He was born October 30, 1980, in Lubbock, and married Elizabeth Rodriguez in Muleshoe on November 10, 2003.

Mendoza was a life-long resident of Muleshoe and graduated from Muleshoe High School in 1999. He attended Clovis Community College and played softball in the Clovis Adult League. He worked installing and maintaining sprinkler systems and was a member of the Church of God of the Firstborn.

Survivors include his wife — Elizabeth Rodriguez of Muleshoe; two sons — Hayden Fate and Sabastian Alejandro Mendoza of Muleshoe; his father — Alberto Mendoza of Portales; a brother — Albert Mendoza of Muleshoe; grandparents — Joe



ABRAHAM MENDOZA

and Maria Orozco of Muleshoe; great grandmother — Clara Castorena of Muleshoe; his aunts — Yolanda Martinez, Jessica Vara and Mary Helen Saenz all of Muleshoe, and Mary Alice Orozco of Bovina; an uncle — Joe Orozco of Levelland; cousins — Michael Martinez and Amanda Mendoza of Muleshoe, DiAnna Mendoza of Bovina, Adrian, Garbriel and Clara Vara, Enrique and Jacen Saenz all of Muleshoe, Sydnei Orozco of Levelland and Tasia and Erian Marin of Bovina. Plus numerous other cousins and aunts.

Luzelena Ramirez

A graveside service for Luz Elena Ramirez, infant, of Bovina was held Tuesday, April 18, 2006, at the Bovina Cemetery with Rev. Barron and Fr. Leal officiating.

Burial was in the Bovina Cemetery.

Baby Ramirez died April 14, 2006, in University Medi-

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Sessions include:

Financial Planning by Michael and Jovita Anzaldua presented in both English and Spanish.

Process For Graduation - Graduation Plans, GradeSpeed, and PEP presented by Frances Recio and Beatriz Olivas.

Immigration presented by Dario Rendon of Catholic Family Services.

Transition to Jr. High presented by David Dominguez, Principal at Watson Jr. High School.

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El Programa Anual para Padres patrocinado por los programas de Titulo I y Emigrante del Distrito Escolar de Muleshoe, se llevara acabo el martes, 2 de mayo, al las 6:30 p.m.

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Plan de Financiamiento presentado en ingles y español por Michael y Jovita Anzaldua.

Proceso para Graduación - presentado en español por Beatriz Olivas y Frances Recio-Este incluye planes para graduación, el programa Gradespeed para conseguir los grados, y PEP.

Inmigración - presentado en español por Dario Rendon de Servicios de Familia Católicos.

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Sports

Varsity Mules must settle for second in district track meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules needed to beat the Lubbock Cooper Pirates by two places in the final event of the day at the District 2-3A track Meet on the campus of South Plains College March 24. The Mules could not hold off the Pirates in the 4x400 meter relay and took second behind the Pirates.

Cooper took the meet with 149 points and the Mules finished in second place with 144.5. Littlefield had 132.5 points, Brownfield posted 97 and Levelland had 91.

Garrett Riley, Dustin Barker and Adam Zamora

placed third, fourth and fifth in the high jump with leaps of five feet 10 inches, 5-08 and 5-06 respectively. Micheal Lee took silver in the pole vault with a height of 13-00. Lane Wood and Wes Wood were fourth and fifth at 12-00 and 11-00.

Eric Washington took bronze in the long jump with a leap of 20-05. Rudy Gonzales and Timothy Conner placed seventh and eleventh with leaps of 18-04.5 and 17-07.25. Gonzales and Bradley Branscum placed fifth and seventh in the triple jump with distances of 38-09.25 and 37-11.75.

Geoff Sirkel and Arsenio

Geter took sixth and twelfth in the shot put with tosses of 40-10 and 35-08.50. Caleb Heinrich took bronze in the discus with a throw of 136-09.75 and Geter was eighth with a 107-00.

Ray Ramirez, Colby Carpenter and Zane Matthews took fifth seventh and eighth in the 3200-meter run with times of eleven minutes and 17.29 seconds, 12:01.16 and 12:11.19 respectively. Dusty Clayton finished sixth in the 100-meter dash with a 11.80.

Gonzales and Branscum placed bronze and fourth in the 200-meter dash with

times of 23.5 and 23.64. Brant Hamilton took bronze in the 400-meter run with a 52.12. Zamora ran seventh in the 800-meter run with a 2:16.42.

Carpenter qualified for the regional meet with a bronze finish in the 1600-meter run with a 5:10.44. Ramirez and Matthews finished sixth and eighth with times of 5:14.55 and 5:32.75. Brady Black took gold in both the 110- and 300-meter hurdles with times of 15.13 and 40.15.

Lee took bronze in the 110-meter hurdles and L. Wood took fourth with times of 16.81 and 17.34. Barker and Kendall Johnson took fourth and eighth in the 300-

meter hurdles with times of 44.52 and 48.85.

The 4x100 meter relay team of Clayton, Gonzales, Washington and Hamilton took silver with a time of 43.97. The 4x200 meter team of John Michael Salines, Branscum, Washington and Conner

took bronze with a time of 1:35.59.

The 4x400 meter relay team of Black, Gonzales, Washington and Hamilton earned the silver medal with a time of 3:28.79.

The Mules will compete in the Region I Track Meet in Odessa April 28 and 29.

JV Mules take second in district meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Mule track team took second behind the Lubbock Cooper Pirates with 126 points. Cooper posted 211, Levelland had 89, Littlefield 81 and Brownfield 77.

Victor Vasquez took bronze in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.25 seconds and Gunner Kerby ran sixth with a 12.41. Doc

Fullmer took bronze in the 200-meter dash with a 24.68 and Colton Heinrich and Kerby took fifth and seventh with times of 25.54 and 25.82.

Elias Alvarado ran fourth in the 400-meter run with a 58.94. Joe Vargas, Joaquin Rubalacava and Julio Bustillos finished sixth, eighth, and tenth in the 800-meter run with times of 2:25.13, 2:26.30 and

2:38.96 respectively.

Joe Vargas took silver in the 1600 meter run with a 5:27.33 and Bustillos ran seventh with a 6:15.77. Austin Wright finished seventh in the 110-meter hurdles with a 24.68. Rubalacava had a bronze medal time of 47.36 in the 300-meter hurdles.

The 4x100 meter relay team of Kerby, Nathaniel Chavez, Heinrich and

Vasquez ran a gold medal time of 46.90. The 4x200 meter relay team of Fullmer, Chavez, Heinrich and Vasquez took silver with a time of 1:39.09.

The 4x400 meter relay team of Fullmer, Brian Poynor, Chavez and Vargas ran a bronze medal time of 3:51.97. Wright and Patrick Precure had gold and silver medal heights in the pole vault of 12 feet even and 9-06.00.

Vasquez had a silver medal long jump of 17-11.75. Heinrich took fourth with a 16-06.25 and Chavez was ninth with a 14-10.50. Vasquez had a gold medal distance of 38-05.75 in the triple jump.

Poynor and Abraham Flores took tenth and twelfth in the shot put with tosses of 34-01.50 and 30-05.00. Poynor took bronze in the discus with a distance of 97-06.25. TJ Brantley and Flores took fifth and ninth with throws of 96-05.50 and 86-00.00.

JV Lady Mules compete at Levelland

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Lady Mules competed in the District 2-3A Track Meet in Levelland March 24. Brandi Hamilton ran fourth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 15.66 seconds. Vanity Garcia, Tabitha Orr and Hamilton finished third, fourth and fifth in the 200-meter dash with times of 31.59, 33.07 and 33.93.

Caitlin Wills, Orr and Gabby Perez took third, fourth and fifth in the 400-meter run with times of 1:19.34, 1:19.95 and 1:20.56. Gizell Vasquez

finished sixth in the 800-meter run with a 3:40.30.

Natashia Daniel and Leticia Castorena took fifth and sixth in the 1600-meter run with times of 8:12.28 and 8:27.92. Daniel and Castorena had silver and bronze medal times in the 3200-meter run of 17:46.02 and 18:09.82.

The silver medal 4x100 meter team of Orr, Jacy Lawrence, Garcia and Tiffany Luna ran a 58.46. The 4x200 meter relay team of Hamilton, Lawrence, Garcia and Luna had a silver medal time of 2:07.42. Luna took the gold in the

high jump at four feet four inches and Vasquez was third at 4-2.0. Luna took silver in the triple jump with a distance of 29-00.00 and Vasquez got bronze at 4-02.00.

Luna had a silver medal distance of 29-00.00 in the triple jump and Garcia was sixth at 25-05.50. Perez had a silver medal toss of 25-01.00 in the shot put and Ashley Johnson was tenth at 19-07.25.

Perez and Johnson were eighth and ninth in the discus with tosses of 54-03.50 and 48-10.00.



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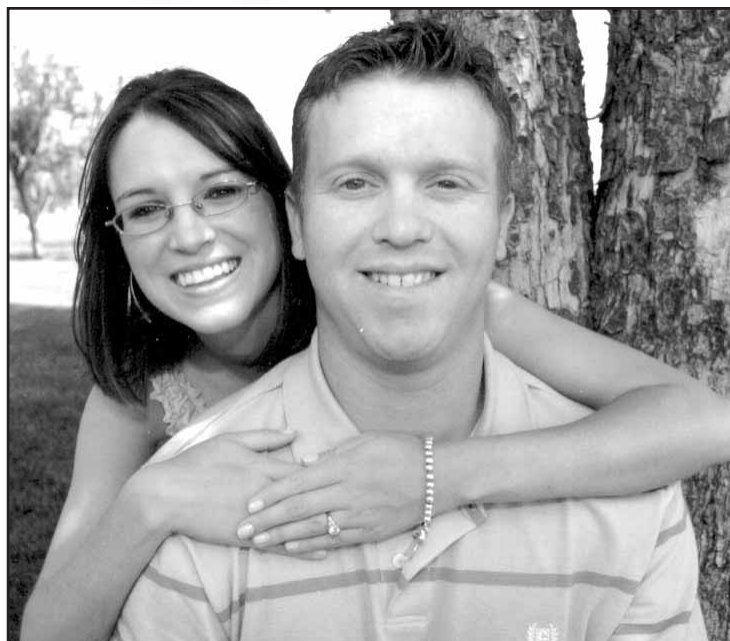
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LELA HANCOCK AND SCOTT JONES

Messenger, King engaged

Jay and Sally Messenger and Tommy and Jan King, all of Muleshoe, are pleased to announce the engagement of their children, Suzanne Messenger to Jeff King, both of Lubbock.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Muleshoe High School and will be a May graduate of Texas Tech University with a degree in education. She currently works as a receptionist for Terra Bella Hair Salon.

The prospective groom is also a graduate of Muleshoe High School and is a senior at Texas Tech University majoring in ag-economics. He is employed by Back To Nature in Lubbock.

The couple will wed at a private family ceremony on July 29, 2006, in Lubbock.

Hancock, Jones engaged

Larry and Pam Hancock are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Lela Hancock, to Scott Jones of Clovis, NM.

The prospective bride was born and raised in Muleshoe and graduated from Muleshoe High School in 2000. She attended WTAMU and has recently returned from an eighteen-month mission in Lisbon, Portugal.

The prospective groom is the son of Art and JoAnn Jones of Clovis. He graduated from Clovis High School and attended ENMU and Brigham-Young University. He served a two year mission in Quebec, Canada and is currently working as a librarian at Clovis City Library.

The couple will be married in the San Diego, California, Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on Thursday, June 1, 2006.

Pitts, Jesko engaged

John and Sally Pitts of League City, Texas, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Karen Pitts, to Jason Jesko, son of Larry Jesko of Lazbuddie and Dixe Jesko of Allen, Texas.

The prospective bride lives in League City and is a 2000 graduate of Clear Creek High School and a 2004 graduate of Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. She is currently a fourth grade teacher at Clear Lake City Elementary School.

The prospective groom is a 2000 graduate of Lazbuddie High School and a 2004 graduate of Texas A&M University with a double major in philosophy and communications. He is currently a chemical technician and salesman at Texas Services.

The couple will wed on July 1, 2006, at 6:30 p.m. in St. Mary Catholic Church in League City.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception will be held at Marker One Yacht Club and Marina in Seabrook, Texas.

Invitations to the nuptials have been mailed.



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 (A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Sudan, Texas:)
 Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 13, 2006, for voting in a general election to elect three school trustees.
 (Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m., el 13 de Mayo de 2006, para votar en la Elección General para elegir tres consejeros escolares.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Sudan Community Center, Sudan, Texas
 Threeway Community Center, Maple, Texas

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: Sudan City Hall, 111 East First Avenue, Sudan, Texas between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. beginning on May 1, 2006 and ending on May 9, 2006.

La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en: City Hall en la calle primera este en la ciudad de Sudan, Tejas entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 12:00 de la tarde y la 1:00 de la tarde hasta 5:00 de la tarde comenzando 1 de Mayo 2006 y terminando el 9 de Mayo 2006.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
 (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Mechele Edwards
 (Name of Early Voting Clerk)
 (Nombre de la secretaria de la Votación Adelantada)
P.O. Box 59
 (Address) (Dirección)
Sudan, Texas 79371
 (City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: May 5, 2006.

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el: 5 de Mayo 2006.)

Issued this the 19th day of April, 2006.
 (Emitada esta dia 19 de Abril de 2006.)

Pam Maxwell, Presd
 Signature of Presiding Officer
 (Firma del Oficial que Preside)



REPRESENTATIVE SALES

SAT., APRIL 22, 2006

1039 head of cattle, 91 hogs and 908 sheep and goats (largest number of sheep and goats sold on a Saturday to date) for a total of 2,038 livestock sold on a Saturday to date. Market steady to a little lower on stocker cifs., especially 350# and up. Pairs and bred cows steady. Packer cows steady to a dollar lower.

FOR INFORMATION ON SALES OR TO CONSIGN CATTLE-272-4201

Seller, City	#	Type	Wt.	CWT or PH
Santiago Vasquez, Muleshoe	.....	Hol. str	275 lbs.	at \$120.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	.....per hd.	3 Mxd. bull hfrs	237 lbs.	at \$410.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	.....	6 Blk. bull cifs	288 lbs.	at \$159.00
C&J Bar S, Muleshoe	.....	6 Mxd. bull cifs	404 lbs.	at \$136.00
Jamie Gray, Littlefield	.....	3 Blk. str	303 lbs.	at \$148.00
Manuel Mendoza, Plains	.....	Blk. str	380 lbs.	at \$148.00
Ricky Dale, Muleshoe	.....	2 Mxd. bulls	343 lbs.	at \$145.00
Ricky Dale, Muleshoe	.....	3 Blk. str	487 lbs.	at \$121.00
Dan Day Jr., Meadow	.....	6 Blk. str	530 lbs.	at \$113.50
Tommy Lewis, Morton	.....	7 Blk. str	419 lbs.	at \$143.00
Tommy Lewis, Morton	.....	15 Mxd. str	482 lbs.	at \$138.00
Roy Hartzog, Farwell	.....	4 Blk. bulls	493 lbs.	at \$116.00
J.D. Terral, Causey, NM	.....	2 Blk. bulls	498 lbs.	at \$117.00
Miguel Chavez, Clovis, NM	.....	2 Blk. bulls	633 lbs.	at \$90.00
Neima Avitia, Levelland	.....	2 Mxd. str	640 lbs.	at \$108.00
Lloyd Bradshaw, Muleshoe	.....	12 Mxd. str	810 lbs.	at \$92.50
FM Farms, Brownfield	.....per hd.	8 Blk. hfrs	261 lbs.	at \$395.00
Tommy Lewis, Morton	.....	3 Blk. hfrs	292 lbs.	at \$147.50
Tommy Lewis, Morton	.....	8 Blk. hfrs	365 lbs.	at \$127.50
Tommy Lewis, Morton	.....	18 Blk. hfrs	462 lbs.	at \$116.50
Ricky Dale, Muleshoe	.....	2 Blk. hfrs	325 lbs.	at \$129.00
Jamie Gray, Littlefield	.....	3 Blk. hfrs	333 lbs.	at \$128.00
James Price, Amherst	.....	BWF hfr	340 lbs.	at \$135.00
J.D. Cage, Muleshoe	.....	5 Blk. hfrs	482 lbs.	at \$118.00
Dan Day Jr., Meadow	.....	9 Blk. hfrs	537 lbs.	at \$105.00
CE Grant, Muleshoe	.....	2 Mxd. hfrs	540 lbs.	at \$108.00
Jim Birkenfeld, Denver City	.....	Blk. hfr	670 lbs.	at \$95.00
Tom Jinks, Muleshoe	.....	7 Mxd. hfrs	673 lbs.	at \$96.00
JCL Inc., Sudan	.....	13 Mxd. hfrs	719 lbs.	at \$97.25
Neima Avitia, Levelland	.....	Char. hfr	725 lbs.	at \$95.50
Lloyd Bradshaw, Muleshoe	.....	10 Mxd. hfrs	772 lbs.	at \$88.50
Tommy Lewis, Morton	.....	Blk. pair	.....	\$1,000.00
Tommy Lewis, Morton	.....	2 Blk. pair	.....	\$985.00
Tommy Lewis, Morton	.....	3 Blk. cows P8	.....	\$835.00
Lynn Cowan, Littlefield	.....	Char. pair	.....	\$860.00
Kenny Arnold, Shallowater	.....	Blk. cow	1290 lbs.	at \$56.00
C&J Bar S, Muleshoe	.....	Blk. cow	1210 lbs.	at \$54.75
C&J Bar S, Muleshoe	.....	2 Mxd. cows	1135 lbs.	at \$53.00
Osterkamp Dairy, Muleshoe	.....	Hol. cow	1200 lbs.	at \$50.50
A&B Cattle, Muleshoe	.....	2 Blk. cows	1210 lbs.	at \$50.25
E. Fierro, Amarillo	Hol. cow	1150 lbs.	at \$50.00
BT Livestock, Morton	Red cow	1625 lbs.	at \$50.00
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Do You Believe?
 One day, when I was visiting my cousin deep in the woods, I swear we saw a creature this high.
 Shh...Forest can't see me!
 Or me!

If you are wandering in a field some day and dreaming about something that:

- is helpful, but likes to make _____
- likes music and _____
- can make itself _____
- has magical _____
- may be real or _____

then watch out! This may suddenly appear:
 (Read the clues to fill in the puzzle. Look below the arrow to see what might appear)

Check your library for fairy tales. Beware! Some are VERY scary!

imaginary mischief invisible dance powers

Wow! Have you ever read about magical creatures called fairies? Some people seem to believe in fairies; many do not. Elves, leprechauns, trolls, mermaids, sprites and goblins are only a few kinds of fairies in stories and legends. There must be hundreds of different fairies all over the world!

Fairies are said to be:

- helpful or hurtful
- good or evil
- able to make themselves disappear
- able to fly
- able to use magical powers.

It is said that fairies can live all alone or in groups. They may live in a fairyland or in a hollow hill or underground. Fairies can marry and raise families! Many like to dance and play the day away. Time passes very, very slowly or not at all for fairies. They are never sick, never grow old and never die.

Stories with fairies in them have been used to explain away things that people do not understand. Some stories are to scare children and some are for fun. Have you ever teased your little brother about the boogeyman who comes out of the closet in the dark to scare naughty children? Have you ever felt the tooth fairy slip a coin under your pillow? Do you think fairies are real or imaginary?

Real-no doubt about it
 Some are real, some are not
 All are imaginary

What? Not that silly question again!

Rumpelstiltskin

The fairy, in this German folktale, helps a young girl by spinning straw into gold for her. But then he demands that she give him her first child unless she can answer a question he asks her.

Some fairies found in stories are listed in the spinning wheel. Can you spin a circle around them below?

giant goblin mermaid boogeyman sandman brownie sprite gnome troll pixie leprechaun tooth fairy hobgoblin dwarf elf

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In the Deep, Dark Woods!

Forest's cousin told him a tale about a magical honey tree that was said to be deep in the woods. Can you help Forest choose the right path through the woods to find the magical honey tree?

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Nursing Home News

ParkView was blessed in many ways during the Easter season, from special visits, activities, services and gifts. Wednesday morning Buster and Wanda Kittrell served cinnamon rolls and coffee to the residents. We witnessed a special performance by Mable, Laverne James and Jimmy Clyde Holt. Following this act, Buster Kittrell, Eva Nell Dale, James and Ann Sinclair, Anna B. Lane, Jo Ellen Cowart and Bro. Bennie Wright directed

the "singspiration" and devotional time. Wednesday afternoon, Glenda Jennings and Jackie Scoggin entertained and directed a sing-a-long. Tuesday afternoon Eva Nell Dale, Pat Clark, Pat Watson, Dolores Garrett, Beckye Conklin and Billie Mason shampooed and styled the ladies hair. Peggy Dent also assisted. Thursday morning Zona Gatewood played the piano for a special music program. The

residents Council met Thursday afternoon. The meeting was directed by the president of the council Earl Talkenton. Bob Grandville, ombudsman, and Roy, social worker, were special guests at the meeting. Friday afternoon the residents were honored with an Easter party/egg hunt. W.T. and Pat Watson provided entertainment for the residents as well as the children that came to hunt eggs. Ladies from the Earth Church of Christ provided an array of re-

freshments. Volunteers Plus gave each resident an Easter favor. Muleshoe Feed Barn furnished Easter chicks and ducks for the residents' enjoyment and were drawn for after the children hunted eggs Friday afternoon. Danny Day and Buck Campbell brought their extra tall ladder and hung decorations above the nurse's station last week. The Church of God in Christ Youth (Mennonites) came to

visit and sing for the residents Friday evening. Johnny King returned to Park View after spending several days in the local hospital. Welcome back Johnny, we all missed you! Diane Copley spent Easter Sunday in the home of her daughter Tonya Ruthardt, visiting with all her family. Lela Crawford went to church with her daughter and son-in-law, Lela Ann and Curtis Smith, and had Easter dinner at the Smith's Sunday.

George Williams was visited by his daughter Louvenia Garlington Monday. Nathan Bemmer received a large package of Mardi-Gras items last week. Nathan shared the treasures with others at Park View. Tuesday morning, Gary and Judy Hubbard directed a praise, music and devotional service. Pat Watson, Pat Clark, Dolores Garrett and Eva Nell Dale washed and styled the ladies hair. Pat Clark gave haircuts Tuesday afternoon.

NOTICE OF ELECTION MULESHOE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF BAILEY AND LAMB
MULESHOE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED VOTERS OF MULESHOE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the Muleshoe Independent School District of Bailey and Lamb Counties, Texas, on May 13, 2006, in obedience to an order duly entered by the Board of Trustees of the District on March 3, 2006, which order reads substantially as follows:

AN ORDER CALLING A MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION TAX ELECTION AND A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD BY THE MULESHOE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION, AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO SUCH ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the Board) of the MULESHOE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT located in the Counties of Bailey and Lamb, Texas (the District) hereby finds and determines that an election should be held to determine whether the District shall be authorized to issue bonds of the District in the amount and for the purposes hereinafter identified; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the necessity to construct various capital improvements within the District that it is in the public interest to call and hold a bond election at the earliest possible date to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purposes hereinafter identified; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the District's maintenance and operations tax rate limit should be in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 45, as amended, Texas Education Code;

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the holding of the bond election and maintenance and operations tax election on the date set forth below is in the best interests of the citizens of the District; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MULESHOE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1: An election shall be held on the 13th day of May, 2006, a uniform election date, in the MULESHOE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, which date is sixty-two (62) or more days from the date of the adoption of this order (the Order) for the purpose of submitting the following propositions to the qualified voters of the District:

PROPOSITION NO.1

"Shall the Board of Trustees of the Muleshoe Independent School District be authorized to levy and cause to be assessed and collected annual ad valorem taxes for the further maintenance of public free schools therein at a rate not to exceed \$1.50 on each \$100 valuation of taxable property in the school district, as authorized by Chapter 45, as amended, Texas Education Code, including Section 45.003, as amended, Texas Education Code?"

PROPOSITION NO.2

"Shall the Board of Trustees of the Muleshoe Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District in the principal amount of \$25,000,000 for the purpose of constructing, renovating, acquiring, and equipping school buildings in the District, and the purchase of the necessary sites for school buildings, such bonds to mature serially or otherwise in accordance with law; any issue or series of such bonds to bear interest per annum at such rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable, or otherwise) as may be determined within the discretion of the Board of Trustees, provided that such rate or rates of interest shall not exceed the maximum rate per annum authorized by law at the time of the issuance of any issue or series of such bonds; and shall the Board of Trustees of the District be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds?"

SECTION 2: The school election precincts hereby established for the purpose of holding the election, the polling places hereby designated for holding the election in the school election precincts, and the Presiding Judges and the Alternate Presiding Judges hereby appointed for holding the election in the school election precincts are identified in Exhibit A to this Order, and this exhibit is incorporated by reference for all purposes.

The Presiding Judge named above in Exhibit A shall appoint not less than two (2) resident qualified voters of the District to act as clerks in order to properly conduct the election. To the extent required by the Texas Election Code, as amended, or other applicable law, the appointment of these clerks must include a person fluent in the Spanish language to serve as a clerk to render oral aid in the Spanish language to any voter desiring such aid at the polls on election day. If the Presiding Judge appointed actually serves, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall serve as one of the clerks. In the absence of the Presiding Judge, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall perform the duties of the Presiding Judge of the election precinct.

On election day, the polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Muleshoe City Hall, 215 South First, Muleshoe, Texas 79347, which is a public place within the District and is hereby designated as the main early voting location. Pamela Thomason (whose mailing address is Muleshoe City Hall, 215 South First, Muleshoe, Texas 79347) is hereby appointed as the Early Voting Clerk to conduct such early voting in the election. The Early Voting Clerk shall appoint the Deputy Early Voting Clerks. This office or place shall remain open to permit early voting from 8:00 o'clock a.m. to 5:00 o'clock p.m. each day with the exception of Saturdays, Sundays, and official State holidays. In addition, early voting will be conducted on May 2, 2006 and May 9, 2006 from 7:00 o'clock a.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m. Early voting shall commence on the 12th day before the election and continue through the 4th preceding the date of the election all as provided by the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

Additionally, temporary branch offices for early voting by personal appearance shall be established and maintained in accordance with the Texas Election Code. The locations, dates, clerks, and hours of operation for early voting at these temporary branch offices are identified in Exhibit B hereto and this exhibit is incorporated by reference for all purposes.

An Early Voting Ballot Board is hereby established for the purpose of processing early voting results. Kerry Moore is hereby appointed the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board. The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two (2) resident qualified voters of the District to serve as members of the Early Voting Ballot Board.

SECTION 3: Voting machines may be used in holding and conducting the election on election day; provided, however, that if the use of voting machines is not practicable, then in that event, electronic voting devices may be used in conducting the election on election day; provided, however, in the event the use of such electronic voting devices is not practicable, the election may be conducted on election day by the use of paper ballots (except as otherwise provided in this section). Voting machines or paper ballots may be used for early voting by personal appearance (except as otherwise provided in this section). Pursuant to Section 61.012, as amended, Texas Election Code, the District shall provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in the election. Such voting system shall comply with Texas and federal laws establishing the requirement for voting systems that permit voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot. Paper ballots may be used for early voting by mail.

SECTION 4: The official ballot shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, so as to permit voters to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid propositions which shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

"MAINTENANCE TAX AS LIMITED BY THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 45 OF THE TEXAS EDUCATION CODE, AS AMENDED."

PROPOSITION NO. 2

"THE ISSUANCE OF \$25,000,000 OF SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

SECTION 5: All resident, qualified voters of the District shall be permitted to vote at the election, and, on the day of the election, such voters shall vote at the designated polling places. The election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, except as modified by the provisions of the Texas Education Code, as amended, and as may be required by law. To the extent required by law, all election materials and proceedings shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

SECTION 6: A substantial copy of this Order shall serve as proper notice of the election. This notice, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be published at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, and the publication of this notice of election shall occur in such newspaper not more than thirty (30) days and not less than ten (10) days before the day of the election. Additionally, this notice shall be posted on the bulletin board used for posting notices of District meetings not later than twenty-one (21) days prior to election day.

SECTION 7: The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Order for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Board.

SECTION 8: All orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Order shall be and remain controlling as to the matters ordered herein.

SECTION 9: This Order shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

SECTION 10: If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Order and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the Board hereby declares that this Order would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

SECTION 11: It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Order is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Order, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

SECTION 12: This Order shall be in force and effect from and after its final passage, and it is so ordered.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this the 3rd day of March, 2006.

MULESHOE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
/s/ _____
President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Exhibit A

School Election Precinct No. 1	Presiding Judge	Alternate Judge	Polling Place
	Kerry Moore	Amelia Madrid	Muleshoe City Hall 215 South First Muleshoe, Texas 79347

Exhibit B

Early Voting Branch Office Locations	Early Voting Dates	Hours	Clerk
Muleshoe City Hall	May 1, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe High School	May 1, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Bailey County Coliseum	May 1, 2006	5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 2, 2006	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe High School	May 2, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 3, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Watson Jr. High School	May 3, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 4, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Dillman Elementary School	May 4, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 5, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Dillman Elementary School	May 5, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 5, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
DeShazo Elementary School	May 8, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 9, 2006	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
DeShazo Elementary School	May 9, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason

YOU WILL, THEREFORE, take notice of all the matters and facts set out in the foregoing Notice of Election.

/s/ Nick Bamert
Secretary, Board of Trustees Muleshoe Independent School District

AVISO DE ELECCIÓN

EST ADO DE TEXAS
CONDADOS DE BAILEY Y LAMB
DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE MULESHOE

A LOS RESIDENTES, VOTANTES CALIFICADOS DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE MULESHOE

PERCATARSE de que una elección será llevada a cabo en el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Muleshoe, en los Condados de Bailey y Lamb, Texas, el 13 de Mayo del 2006, de acuerdo a una orden debidamente celebrada por la Junta Directiva del Distrito, el día 3 de Marzo del 2006, la cual se lee sustancialmente a continuación:

UNA ORDEN CONVOCANDO A LA ELECCIÓN DE UN IMPUESTO POR MANTENIMIENTO Y OPERACIÓN Y A LA ELECCIÓN DE UN BONO POR PARTE DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE MULESHOE, FORJANDO DISPOSICIONES PARA CONDUCIR LA ELECCIÓN, Y LA RESOLUCION DE OTROS ASUNTOS INCIDENTES Y RELACIONADOS CON DICHA ELECCIÓN

TOMANDO EN CUENTA QUE, la Junta Directiva (La *Directiva*) del DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE MULESHOE ubicado en los Condados de Bailey y Lamb, Texas (El *Distrito*) por medio de la presente determina que es necesario convocar a una elección para determinar si se autoriza al Distrito expedir bonos del Distrito en la cantidad y con los propósitos identificados por medio de la presente; y

TOMANDO EN CUENTA QUE, la Directiva por medio de la presente determina que la necesidad de construir varias mejoras capitales dentro del Distrito hacen de la necesidad del interés público el convocar y llevar a cabo una elección de bonos en la fecha más cercana posible para autorizar la emisión de bonos de responsabilidad general para el propósito identificado en la presente; y

TOMANDO EN CUENTA QUE, la Directiva por medio de la presente determina que el límite de la tasa de impuestos por Mantenimiento y Operaciones del Distrito deberá ser de conformidad con las provisiones del Capítulo 45, en su forma modificado, del Código de Elección de Texas;

TOMANDO EN CUENTA QUE, la Directiva por medio de la presente determina que la elección del bono y la elección del impuesto de mantenimiento y operaciones en la fecha establecida a continuación es lo que más les conviene a los ciudadanos del Distrito, ahora y par ello,

SE ORDENA POR PARTE DE LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE MULESHOE QUE:

SECCIÓN 1. Que se lleve a cabo una elección el 13 día de Mayo del 2006, un día de elección uniforme, en el DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE MULESHOE, dicha fecha es sesenta y dos (62) días a partir de la fecha de adopción de esta orden (la *Orden*) con el propósito de presentar la siguiente propuesta a los votantes calificados del Distrito:

PROPUESTA NO.1

“¿Debería la Junta Directiva del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Muleshoe estar autorizada a imponer y comprometer, causar la imposición y recaudación de impuestos anuales ad valorem para el mantenimiento adicional de las escuelas públicas y gratuitas en el mismo, con una tasa que no exceda \$1.50 par cada \$100 del valor de la propiedad gravable dentro del distrito escolar, de conformidad con el Capítulo 45, en su forma modificado, del Código de Elección de Texas, incluyendo la Sección 45.003, en su fonna modificada, del Código de Elección de Texas?”

PROPUESTA NO.2

“¿Debería de autorizarse a la Junta Directiva del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Muleshoe el emitir y vender bonos del Distrito con un importe del principal de \$25,000,000 con el propósito de construir, renovar, adquirir y equipar los edificios escolares en el Distrito, y la compra de los lugares necesarios para los edificios escolares, dichos bonos con un vencimiento en serie o en caso contrario, de confonnidad con la ley, cualquier emisión o series de dichos bonos a generar un interés anual a una tasa o tasas (fijo, flotante, variable u otro) según sea determinado a discreción de la Junta Directiva, siempre y cuando dicha tasa o tasas de interés no excedan la tasa máxima anual autorizada por la ley en vigencia de la expedición de cualquier emisión o series de dichos bonos; y debería la Junta Directiva del Distrito estar autorizada a imponer y comprometer, causar la imposición y recaudación de impuestos anuales ad valorem en toda la propiedad gravable del distrito en cantidad suficiente, sin límite de la tasa de interés o cantidad, para pagar el capital y el interés de los bonos y el costa de cualquier acuerdo acreedor llevado a cabo en conexión con los bonos?”

SECCIÓN 2. Los recintos de la elección para llevar a cabo esta elección escolar quedan establecidos por medio de la presente, las casillas electorales designadas para llevar a cabo la elección en los Recintos escolares, y los Jueces Presidentes y el Juez Presidente Alterno nombrados por medio de la presente para llevar a cabo la elección escolar son identificados en el Anexo A de esta Orden, y dicho anexo queda incorporado para cualquier referencia.

El Juez Presidente anteriormente mencionado en el Anexo A deberá nombrar a no menos de dos (2) residentes, votantes calificados del Distrito para actuar como dependientes y llevar a cabo la elección propiamente. Hasta el punto que lo requiera el Código de Elección de Texas, en su forma modificado, o cualquier otra ley aplicable, el nombramiento de estos dependientes deberá incluir una persona que domine el español para que sirva como dependiente y preste ayuda oral en español a cualquier votante que así lo solicite en las casillas electorales durante el día de la elección. Si el Juez Presidente de hecho presta sus servicios, entonces el Juez Presidente Alterno deberá prestar sus servicios como uno de los dependiente. En la ausencia del Juez Presidente, El Juez Presidente Alterno deberá cumplir con las responsabilidades del Juez Presidente del recinto electoral.

El día de la elección, las casillas electorales deberán estar abiertas de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m.

Por medio de la presente se designa al edificio de la Presidencia Municipal de Muleshoe, ubicado en 215 South First, Muleshoe, Texas 79347, el cual es un lugar público dentro del Distrito como un lugar para la votación temprana. Pamela Thomason (cuya dirección es la Presidencia Municipal de Muleshoe, 215 South First, Muleshoe, Texas 79347) es nombrada por medio de la presente como Dependiente de Votación Temprana para conducir dicha votación temprana durante la elección. El Dependiente de Votación Temprana deberá nombrar a los Agentes Dependientes de la Votación Temprana. Esta oficina o lugar deberá permanecer abierto para permitir llevar a cabo la votación temprana de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. durante todos los días a excepción de sábados, domingos, y días festivos oficiales del Estado. Además, la votación temprana será conducida el 2 de Mayo, 2006 y el 9 de Mayo, 2006 de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. La votación temprana deberá comenzar el 12 día antes de la elección y continuar hasta el 4 antes de la fecha de elección, de conformidad con lo dispuesto por el Código de Elección de Texas.

Además, deberán establecerse y mantenerse oficinas sucursales temporales para la votación temprana en persona, de conformidad con lo dispuesto por el Código de Elección de Texas. Los lugares, fechas, dependientes y horas de oficina para la votación temprana en estas oficinas sucursales temporales son identificadas en el Anexo B de la presente y dicho anexo queda incorporado para cualquier referencia.

Por medio de la presente se establece el Consejo de Boletas para la Votación Temprana con el propósito de procesar los resultados de la votación temprana. Kerry Moore es nombrado por la presente como el Juez Presidente del Consejo de Boletas para la Votación Temprana. El Juez Presidente deberá nombrar a no menos de dos (2) residentes votantes calificados del Distrito para servir como miembros del Consejo de Boletas para la Votación Temprana.

SECCIÓN 3. En la conducción y realización de la elección se pueden utilizar máquinas para votar durante el día de la elección; sin embargo, si el uso de las máquinas para votar no es practicable, entonces en ese caso, se pueden utilizar aparatos electrónicos para votar y llevar a cabo la elección el día de la elección; sin embargo, si el uso de aparatos electrónicos de voto no es practicable, la elección podrá llevarse a cabo el día de la elección utilizando boletas de papel (a menos que sea especificado de otra forma en esta sección). Podrán utilizarse Máquinas para votar o boletas de papel para la votación temprana en persona (a menos que sea especificado de otra forma en esta sección). De conformidad a la Sección 61.012, en su forma modificado, del Código de Elección de Texas, deberá de proporcionarse por lo menos un sistema accesible para votar en cada una de las casillas electorales utilizadas durante la elección. Dicho sistema para votar deberá cumplir con las leyes de Texas y federales las cuales establecen los requisitos para los sistemas de votación los cuales permiten que los votantes físicamente incapacitados emitan su voto en secreto. Las boletas de papel pueden ser utilizadas para la votación temprana por correo.

SECCIÓN 4. Las boletas oficiales para votación deberán ser preparadas de acuerdo con las disposiciones del Código de Elección de Texas, en su forma modificado, de tal manera que permita a los votantes votar “A FAVOR” o “EN CONTRA” de las proposiciones anteriormente mencionadas las cuales aparecerán en la boleta sustancialmente de la siguiente manera:

PROPUESTA NO. 1

“IMPUESTO DE MANTENIMIENTO LIMITADO POR LAS DISPOSICIONES DEL CAPÍTULO 45, DEL CÓDIGO DE EDUCACIÓN DE TEXAS, EN SU FORMA MODIFICADO.”

PROPUESTA NO. 2

“LA EMISIÓN DE \$25,000,000 DE BONOS ESCOLARES DE CONSTRUCCION Y LA IMPOSICION DE UN PAGO DE IMPUESTOS PARA ELLO.”

SECCIÓN 5. A todo residente, votante calificado del Distrito, se le permitirá votar en la elección, y el día de la elección, dichos votantes deberán votar en las casillas electorales designadas. La elección se llevará a cabo y será conducida de acuerdo con las disposiciones del Código de Elección de Texas, en su forma modificado, excepto por las modificaciones hechas por el Código de Educación de Texas, en su forma modificado, y según sea necesario por ley. Hasta el extremo en que sea requerido por Ley, todos los materiales de elección y procedimientos deberán ser impresos tanto en inglés como en español.

SECCIÓN 6. Una copia substancial de esta Orden deberá servir como aviso formal de la elección. Este aviso, incluyendo una traducción al español del mismo, será publicado por lo menos una vez en un periódico de circulación general en el Distrito, y la publicación de este aviso de elección deberá aparecer en tal periódico no mas de treinta (30) días y no menos de diez (10) días previos al día de la elección. Adicionalmente, este aviso se mostrara en el tablero de avisos públicos utilizado para publicar los avisos de las juntas de Distrito a más tardar veintiún (21) días previos al día de la elección.

SECCIÓN 7. La narración contenida en el preámbulo de la presente, se determina par medio de la presente como verdadera, y tal narración es por medio de la presente incorporada a esta Orden para todo fin y se adopta como parte del fallo y hallazgos de la Directiva.

SECCIÓN 8. Todas las órdenes y resoluciones o partes de ello, las cuales estén en conflicto o sean inconsistentes con alguna de las disposiciones de esta Orden, son revocadas al extremo de que tal conflicto, y las disposiciones de esta Orden deberán controlar los asuntos ordenados por la presente.

SECCIÓN 9. Esta Orden deberá ser interpretada y hecha valer de conformidad con las leyes del Estado de Texas y Los Estados Unidos de America.

SECCIÓN 10. Si alguna disposición de esta Orden o la aplicación de ella sobre alguna persona o circunstancia pudieran sostenerse como inválidas, el resto de esta Orden y la aplicación de la misma a otras personas y circunstancias no obstante, deberá ser válida, y la Directiva par medio de la presente declara que esta Orden sea promulgada sin dicha provisión inválida.

SECCIÓN 11. Se ha considerado oficialmente, determinado y declarado que la junta en la cual esta Orden es adoptada, fue una audiencia pública y se dio previo aviso público de la hora, lugar y agenda del asunto de incumbencia pública a considerarse en dicha junta, incluyendo esta Orden, de acuerdo a lo requerido por el Capítulo 551, en su forma modificado, del Código de Gobierno de Texas.

SECCIÓN 12. Esta Orden deberá ser vigente y puesta en operación desde y después de su adopción, y así se ordena.

ADOPTADO Y APROBADO, este día 3 de Marzo del 2006.

DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE MULESHOE

Presidente, Junta Directiva

DOY FE:

Secretario, Junta Directiva

Anexo A

Recintos de Elección Escolar No. 1	Juez Presidente	Juez Alterno	Casillas Electorales
	Kerry Moore	Amelia Madrid	Presidencia Municipal de Muleshoe 215 South First Muleshoe, Texas 79347

Anexo B

Ubicación de las Sucursal de Oficinas de Votación Temprana	Fechas de Votación Temprana	Horas	Juez
Muleshoe City Hall	May 1, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe High School	May 1, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Bailey County Coliseum	May 1, 2006	5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 2, 2006	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe High School	May 2, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 3, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Watson Jr. High School	May 3, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 4, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Dillman Elementary School	May 4, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 5, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Dillman Elementary School	May 5, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 8, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
DeShazo Elementary School	May 8, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
Muleshoe City Hall	May 9, 2006	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason
DeShazo Elementary School	May 9, 2006	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Pam Thomason

POR CONSIGUIENTE, USTED prestará atención a todos los asuntos y hechos expuestos en el provio Aviso de Elección.

/s/ Nick Bamert

Secretario, Junta Directiva Distrito Escolar Independiente de Muleshoe

Get Well Soon Larry Thornton!



New post office personnel

Muleshoe Post Office will welcome several new employees by hosting an open house on Friday, April 28, from 9-11 a.m. at the post office. New employees pictured are, left to right: Front row — B.J. Gonzales, rural carrier substitute; Kia Colbert, city carrier and just returned from Iraq; and Richard Decker, Postmaster. Left to right, back row — Kathy Falkenberg, rural carrier substitute; and Wayne Brezeale, city carrier just transferred in from Marble Falls. The post office invites everyone to stop by and meet these new Muleshoe residents and enjoy some refreshments.

Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

We have many activities planned for the Senior Center in the coming days. On Tuesday, May 2, Hearing Technologies, Inc. of Lubbock, will be at the center for a program concerning trouble using your phone. This should be helpful to all seniors with hearing problems. Tuesday is our play day so make plans to come and enjoy the fellowship and hear the program.

The Boot Scooter Band played for the senior dance on April 25. The dancers listened and danced to great music, and was treated to a delicious meal furnished by the Board of Directors. The Boot Scooter Band will be furnishing the music for Tuesday, May 2. So make your plans to come and enjoy. Dancing starts at 7:00 P.M. and a break for pot luck treat is at 8:30 P.M. Dancing concludes at 10:00 P.M.

Mandi Seaton, our Extension Office representative, will present a program for us on Wednesday, May 3 at 12:00 noon. Mandi always has a very good and informative program. We are fortunate to have her willing to speak to us.

The bingo on Thursday is at 1:30 P.M. Come play with us even if you are not here for lunch. Refreshments are served after the games and the fellowship is enjoyed by all.

Mark your calendar for May 8th. The Center will host a Health Fair beginning at 10:00 A.M.

There will be blood pressure, cholesterol, sugar, bone density and hearing check booths. Also a representative will be here for Part D, Medicare. We will have bridge, dominoes, and eighty being played also. Plan to join us for a great day.

Menu for Monday, May 1 through Friday, May 5

Mon., May 1 – Baked ham, red beans, zucchini, salad, rolls, pineapple cake.

Tues., May 2 – Meat loaf, macaroni and cheese, spinach, salad, wheat roll, peaches, cookies.

Wed., May 3 – Chicken fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, rolls, fruit cocktail.

Thurs., May 4 – Taco salad, pinto beans, rice, salsa, chips, cheese, fruit and Jello.

Fri., May 5 – Fish or chicken strips, gravy, coleslaw, hush puppies, tator tots, fruit salad.

Women's softball league announces signups and first 2006 tournament

Muleshoe Women's Softball League is currently holding sign-ups teams for the 2006 season.

Cost is \$150 per team for a 15-women roster. Deadline to enter a team is May 20.

Contact Kim Cook, 272-4093, Eufemia Torres, 729-8106, or Stormy Kitchens, 272-4363, for more information.

The First Annual Women's League Mother's Day Tournament will be held May 13 and 14. Entry fee is \$120 per team. First place winners will receive pullovers while second and third place teams will get t-shirts.

Contact Kim Cook or Eufemia Torres for more details.

Medicare Part D questions addressed

If you are a senior adult and still have questions concerning Medicare Part D (prescription drug benefits), plan to attend an event designed just for you.

South Plains Assn. of Governments Area Agency on Aging has scheduled an enrollment event for today, Thursday, April 27, 2006, from 8 a.m. till noon, at 1323 58th Street in Lubbock, Texas.

Counselors will be available to advise and enroll attendees and Beyond Faith Homecare/Rehab will be providing Health Screenings.

Social Security will also be on site to assist attendees.

Please bring your Medicare card and a list of your current prescriptions, including dosage and quantity or you may also bring your prescription bottles.

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Mule Moments

By Jessica Thornton

"Don't worry, your dad is in Lubbock at the heart hospital for some tests." That is the words I don't want to hear because I will worry, no matter if you tell me not to, I am going to worry because this is my dad we are talking about.

After my dad's last hospital stay in Oklahoma, I thought I would never have to see him in a hospital for a long time, but I was way off on that hope. He was put in the hospital last Wednesday and my world is still turned upside down.

I am a total daddy's girl and let me say it was not easy seeing him in that hospital and it really scared me, but by the time I left Wednesday everything looked good and my dad was more than likely coming home on Friday and I couldn't wait until then. He was to have another test done on Thursday morning and that would help the doctors determine what was wrong.

The test was early Thursday morning and I couldn't be there due to the fact I was stuck at school taking the TAKS test, but Mr. Jenkins got me out of the test for a couple seconds to inform me that the test went fine and everything looked good so I was quite relieved and excited for the fact that my dad was probably coming home the next day. It was a different story at lunch when a friend of my mom's came and told me that my dad had three blockages and was

to undergo triple bypass surgery. I was in total shock and on the verge of tears if it wasn't for the fact I was still in the school office.

I was immediately taken out of school and to Lubbock to be with my dad because he could use the support, but he had a host of friends already up there, including a friend who works with him and is having to take over his duties this week. Bless her heart. "Thank you!"

I can honestly say that I don't like hospitals at all. They just have a certain smell that I don't really care for and want to be around, but if one of my family is stuck in there, I am going to set that issue aside and go be there for them as support.

The bypass surgery was set for Friday morning with several of my family traveling from Oklahoma to be with us and my dad during this time. I had been excused from the TAKS Social Studies test by Mr. Jenkins, all I had to do was to make it up; which at this writing I still haven't done. The surgery was scheduled for 10:00 that morning and they took my dad at 9:30 to "prep" and get him ready and that is where the nerves kicked in. One of the nurses called to the waiting area at 11:00 and they had just started so I was nervous and anxious longer than I should have been, but that is okay. The surgeon was

finished around 1:15 in the afternoon and I was so glad that my daddy was going to be okay, but he told us instead of a triple bypass, they ended up doing a quadruple bypass, something that wasn't planned.

Something I thought I never had to see was dad hooked up to every tube imaginable, but it is procedure after bypass surgery and I didn't really like seeing my dad like that in the bed after they brought him to the Critical Cardiac Care Unit. I can still picture my dad in that bed looking absolutely lifeless, it was so bad and something I will never forget. They had him heavily sedated so he would not pull out the ventilator tube or any IVs out of his neck or chest, needless to say I was not in that room very long, because I couldn't stand the thought that my daddy was in that bed and not able to tell me how bad he was hurting.

I don't like seeing any of my family in the hospital, doesn't have to be any particular person, but when any of my family is in the hospital I take on a load of stress that I probably shouldn't as a teenager. I am not my "normal" self when I am under a lot of stress and if you know me well enough, most people can tell when I am acting like my old self and when I am not.

This latest thing with my dad in the hospital has taught me that life does not go on forever and if God had wanted to take my dad he would have, but he didn't and I am so thankful that he will be able to

be a part of our future and to continue watching us grow up and graduate high school. My daddy will someday walk me

down the aisle and perform the wedding ceremony — that is how much he means to me. He denies that I am a daddy's

girl but everyone else can tell that I am and always will be. I Love You Daddy. Get better soon!

Births



TUCKER JAMES FULLER

Tucker James Fuller

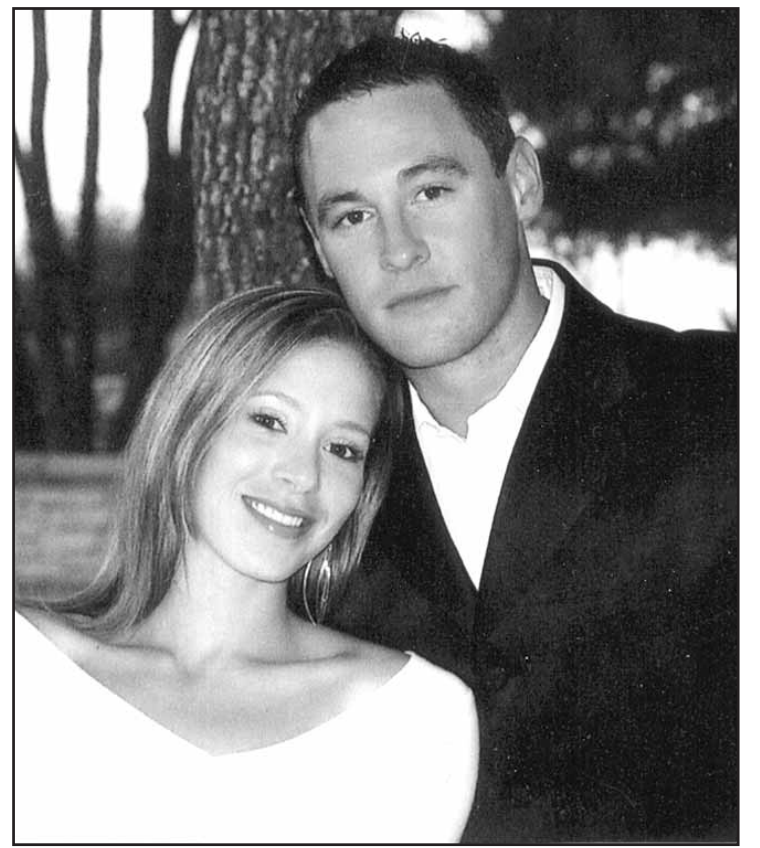
Shane and Amber Fuller are proud to announce the birth of their son Tucker James Fuller, on April 5, 2006, at Covenant Lakeside in Lubbock, Texas.

Tucker weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces at birth and was 21 inches in length.

Tucker has one brother, Hunter, 22 months old.

Grandparents include Jim and Donna Fuller of Lubbock, and Jennifer Gresham of Earth, Texas. Great-grandparents are Gene and Helen Templeton of Earth, Johnny and Donna Lee Warlick of Lubbock, Frank and Deedie Thomas of Dalhart, Texas and Nelda Jo Fuller of Lubbock.

Engagement



KRISSY CLICK AND ZACKARY CHESTER

Click, Chester engaged

Curtis and Shelly Chester of Weatherford, Texas, proudly announce the engagement of their son Zackary Adam, to Krissy Nicole Click of Bryson, Texas.

Zack is a graduate of Texas Tech and is the manager of American Pipe and Steel in Weatherford.

Krissy is the daughter of Jean Martin and Robert Click and is a diet and nutrition major at TCC in Fort Worth.

The couple will wed May 20, 2006, in the home of the groom's parents.

Following a wedding trip to Playa del Carmen, Mexico, the couple will reside in Fort Worth.

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School News



SCAC CITIZEN OF THE MONTH — NELDA MERRIOTT

SCAC news

The Student-Community Action Club (SCAC) met April 17, 2006, in the home of Timothy Conner. President Brady Black called the meeting to order and asked Brant Hamilton to say the prayer. Following was Myles James, reading the treasurer's report.

Old business discussed included the success of SCAC's Annual Bake Sale, and also the Shamrock Sales for MDA (Muscular Dystrophy Association) fund-raiser.

New business included reading new member recruitment applications to join the club for the upcoming year. Following

the reading of applications, SCAC members voted on the top 13 applications. Also toward the beginning of the meeting, Janice introduced Nelda Merriott, SCAC's citizen of the month.

Nelda spoke to us about what she has been involved in Muleshoe's community over the years. She has enjoyed helping Jennyslippers over the years and loves living in this wonderful community!

The end of the year SCAC meeting will be held on May 8, 2006, at the home of Hillary Tipps.

College News

COLLEGE STATION - Weirus '42, who served as executive director of The Association of Former Students annually recognizes several Texas A&M University students of all classifications with the Buck Weirus Spirit Award.

Among those recognized recently were Kayla Glover of Muleshoe, class of 2006 biomedical science and veterinary medicine major.

The Buck Weirus Spirit Award honors 54 students who demonstrate high involvement, create positive experiences throughout the Aggie community, impact student life at Texas A&M and enhance the Aggie Spirit.

The award is named for the late Richard "Buck"

Weirus '42, who served as executive director of The Association of Former Students from 1964 to 1980.

Hospital Report

The Muleshoe Area Medical Center recently released the following list of admissions:

April 13 - Margaret Buhman and Ruby Stanberry
 April 14 - Margaret Buhman and Ruby Stanberry
 April 15 - No report
 April 16 - No report
 April 17 - No report
 April 18 - No report
 April 19 - John Banks, Clara Castorena, Angel J. Garcia, Destiny Soto

"Well, It's Been an Interesting Week in Mbale, Uganda"

"Well, it's been a quiet week in Lake Wobegon, my hometown."

That's how storyteller Garrison Keillor begins his weekly "News from Lake Wobegon" tales. I thought about beginning this column similarly: "Well, it's been a quiet week in Mbale, Uganda, where two of my sons serve as missionaries." I'm just not sure about the "quiet" part.

Maybe this is better: "Well, it's been an interesting week in Mbale, Uganda . . ."

That's true enough, though I have no doubt that things can get

Joshua was making his way through the living room when he saw something dark flit, or slither as it turns out, behind the couch. Josh was tempted not to worry about it but decided he probably ought to pull the couch out and have a look. He did—and found himself eye to eye with a young 16-inch forest cobra. Those things get a lot bigger and a lot longer, but a cobra is a cobra, and this one had the hood and the unwelcome look in his snaky eyes to prove it. Josh picked him up with salad tongs (I'd have preferred something with a lot longer handle and, preferably, a trigger) and dropped him into a trash can (I'd have preferred a deeper trash can). He and Stephan photographed him, took him for "Show & Tell" to some colleagues, and then dispatched him to cobra heaven. Cobra case closed. We hope.

Then yesterday after we'd talked awhile on the phone, Stephan, the son of creepy

crawly critter fame, told me that he has a new pet of sorts: he's got a mango fly. Or maybe it's got him for now. This is evidently an African rite of passage, as certain as malaria and dysentery. You see, if you hang your clothes out to dry, outside where mango flies live, and don't get them ironed properly to kill mango fly eggs, well, up will come on your skin a fair-sized bump or a few where mango fly larva have made a home. The home remedy is a piece of tape and a day or two for the thing to come up for air and then get pulled out, "Use #102" for duck tape. Stephan said he's trying not to think about it.

Oh, well. Serving the Lord carries with it some inherent challenges wherever you live.

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



Focus On Faith

Curtis Shelburne

a lot more exciting in Uganda. First there was the cobra behind the couch . . .

Before spinning that tale, I might mention that one of life's ironies is that Stephan, our son who has always been particularly spooked by spiders and insects in general and creepy, crawly critters of any sort—THAT son has fallen in love with Africa, a continent completely conducive to really formidable critters of just the sort that make his skin crawl—now literally. We still laugh about the time we heard Stephan hollering from the upstairs bathroom for Joshua, his younger brother, to come kill the wee spider who had found its way into the bathtub before Stephan did.

So I guess it's a good thing that Stephan had a brother with him in their house in Mbale, Uganda, recently.

As I understand the tale,

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- Five Area Telephone for letting us use their cooker and extra tables
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- A big thanks to the Muleshoe Journal for the insert/program and covering the event
- A big thanks to Channel 6 (Magann & Jack Rennels) for covering the event
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Special thanks to Past President Heather Foley for your guidance during this event!

Candidates speak...

Continued from page 1 they arise.

"I am willing to serve and will be a member that will speak my mind in a positive and caring way," he said. Pierson works as an investment representative at Edward Jones Investments. An active member of the Rotary Club, he is married with two children.

Robert "Bob" Donaldson is married with two sons. He moved to the Muleshoe-Lazbuddie area in 1954 and for 21 years was manager of Pay and Save Grocery store in Muleshoe until retirement.

"I know how a business should be run," Donaldson said. "I also know how employees, customers, people in general should be treated."

Donaldson said he will be completely committed to making the hospital and nursing home places the citizens can be proud of. The most valuable assets both have, he said, are the people who work there.

The biggest problems the hospital and nursing home have are getting doctors and nurses to come to Muleshoe. "We need to talk to any and all doctors who are willing to look at us," he said. "Without doctors, we don't make money and without those funds we can't upgrade the hospital's needs."

There is no incumbent in Place 1.

Place 5

Miller lists his qualifications as 10 years on the board of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District, including serving as vice-president and currently as president. He also has 24 years as an elected member on the Board of Directors for the Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District, where he served as vice-president and is currently presiding President. He was appointed member of the 100 Man Committee for the Texas Soil and Water Conservation District and served two terms on the Lazbuddie School Board, including holding office there as vice-president.

Miller said his experience qualifies him for the position. That experience, specifically on the hospital board, gives him "an in-depth knowledge of how the hospital district functions and what it needs to survive and grow."

"I have worked closely with extremely knowledgeable people from Covenant Health Care Systems and I know what it will take to not only bring new growth to our district, but to also ensure the quality and attitudes remain positively high," Miller said.

Miller said the hospital's greatest assets are its employees.

"Without quality people that include doctors, nurses, therapists, pharmacy, supportive personnel, technical personnel, business personnel, administration and auxiliary, the hospital is merely a building," he said. The biggest problem the district faces, he believes, is adequate staff.

"We now have well-qualified personnel, but as our district grows, we will need more practitioners and nurses."

Miller moved to Muleshoe in 1954. He is married with four children.

Zona Gatewood has lived in the Muleshoe area all her life. She is equipped to be a board member because of her education at ENMU and the hands-on experience of having a business for 16 years when she and her husband had Irrigation Supply in Muleshoe.

"I am experienced in business procedures," Gatewood said. "We also had employees, so I learned about employee and employer relationships as well as relating to our customers and their needs."

She said she can work well with the other board members.

As for the greatest asset the hospital has, she lists "the facilities in conjunction with the doctors and employees."

"I believe the residents of

Park View are its greatest asset, along with doctors and employees," Gatewood said. "The facility, without a doubt, is a wonderful asset with its beautiful surroundings overlooking the park. Finally, yet importantly, we cannot forget the taxpayers who make it possible to have a Hospital District. I believe it's very important to encourage the input of the taxpayers and take the time to hear their ideas and concerns."

The greatest problem faced by the hospital is the fact "that we have lost good doctors, nurses and specialists which includes a labor and delivery nurse and certified registered nurse anesthetists."

The nursing home, where her mother resides, has a problem because "residents that are not in a state to fully care for themselves sometimes do not get the hands-on care they need, which includes personal grooming and dental hygiene."

Another problem Gatewood listed is that the "food wagon" is used to transport residents to the hospital "and should not be."

She suggests the board, administration and employees work together to address these issues and would be in favor of interviewing residents and their families to see what measures can be taken to improve the conditions at Park View.

Gatewood and her husband have three children.

Mason is a lifetime resident of the Lazbuddie community.

He and his wife have a stepdaughter and a son. He farms and raises livestock.

His interest in the continued operation and development of the hospital that serves his community is one reason he feels qualified for the position.

"Success is achieved by hard work and dedication," Mason said. "One should not expect to be paid for doing nothing; and those who do their job well should be compensated accordingly. There are times to make decisions and implement changes, even though they are not popular or well received. It is also important to ask the opinions of those most knowledgeable about a subject in the process of looking for the answer to a problem."

Mason lists the employees of the hospital district as the greatest assets.

"It is important to recognize the efforts of all levels of staff, not just those who maintain high visibility and patient contact," he said.

The biggest problems, he said, are the continued skyrocketing costs as reimbursements get smaller. "In addition, the overall morale of the employees who serve the community through the hospital should be the highest possible," he said. "Happy employees will better serve the patients in the community when they are in need of services."

"I believe it is essential that the overall operation of the hospital be streamlined to ensure that the hospital district maintains a stable financial future."

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Banquet...

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are going on at the hospital, including local support for the board, a new floor purchased with the help of a trip "giveaway" and numerous examples of positive feedback concerning the hospital and its staff from State authorities. Mason noted that every positive comment is "just like Christmas" to the staff, administration and board.

The night also brought the announcement of the annual award winners.

Named as woman of the year was Carolyn Johnson, who told the crowd that she was "honored" to be recognized.

Man of the year Steve

Friskup was unable to attend but sent a speech telling the crowd how fortunate he and his family are to live in Muleshoe. His wife Robin accepted the award on his behalf.

Farm family of the year honors went to the Chris Bass family. Bass has won several state awards and farms 12 circles right now. He and his wife Krista have two children.

Named employee of the year was Sgt. Benny Parker of the Muleshoe Police Department. In recognizing Parker's accomplishments, Lt. Otis Carpenter said, "I don't know how he wears all the hats he does and is still the kind of father he is to his

children, but he does it somehow." Parker has been a policeman for over 12 years.

The final award of the night went to Scott's Car Wash, which was named business of the year by the chamber. Owner Ronald Scott told that crowd that "there are plenty of other businesses who deserve this more than me, but I am honored."

Young also recognized the efforts of board Past President Heather Foley who continues to help the new board "find their feet."

The evening ended with the announcement of silent auction winners.



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