



Muleshoe ISD
basketball...
Page 6



Bailey County Junior
Livestock welcome...
Page 3



Lazbuddie ISD
honor rolls...
Page 3



Muleshoe Journal



Striving to be your source for local news

Volume 88, No. 54

www.muleshoejournal.com

Muleshoe, Texas

50¢

January 10, 2008

SPCC, police chief focus on preparing for problems



Muleshoe Police Chief Brian Frieda, pictured above on the left, and Emergency Management Director Terral King with some of the CERT equipment Muleshoe received from the South Plains Citizens Corps. The trailer contains enough equipment for four citizens emergency response teams.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

"Be prepared..."

It's the motto of the Boy Scouts of America, intended to remind its members that being ready, both physically and mentally, is the first step in any achievement.

But while the scouts focus on building the youth of today into the leaders of tomorrow, there's another organization that while considerably younger than the BSA has taken on a similar task following the events of Sept. 11, 2001.

The Citizens Corps, with the motto of "Uniting communities... Preparing the nation," has been charged with the task of preparing communities

across the United States to meet not only the dangers that can arise from terrorist activities, but also to help render aid in just about any trouble situation that might arise within a community.

And while Texas has 24 "cog regions" that oversee Citizen Corps activities, the South Plains Citizens Corp — which includes Bailey, Cochran, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, King, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Terry and Yoakum Counties — under the umbrella of the South Plains Association of Governments, has garnered an impressive reputation in the state.

Muleshoe Police Chief Brian Frieda, who has

recently been selected for appointment as the chairman of the SPCC, talked about the organization Friday, Jan. 4, and the need for citizens to take part in preparing their communities to meet problems head on.

Comparing the Citizens Corps to "the civil defense on steroids," Frieda pointed out that in the event professionals various areas, such as law enforcement, fire, medical and related government services, are overwhelmed due to either man-made or natural disasters it will fall upon the citizens of the region to help stand in the

gap. "We're human," Frieda said about the need for citizens to support government agencies such

"It's not so much to help the police department... it's to help themselves."



as law enforcement and the fire department. "It's not so much to help the police department... it's to help themselves."

Currently Citizen Corps oversees five areas of responsibility and volunteer service:

- Community Action Response Teams — which includes volunteers trained to respond to emergency situations in a community.
- Fire Corps — which supports and supplements fire departments.
- Volunteers in Police Service — which supports state and local law enforcement agencies.
- Medical Reserve Corps — which provides structure and training of community volunteers in situations ranging from emergency inoculations to support of medical personnel during bio-hazard spills.
- Neighborhood Watch — which focuses on civilian support of the effort to reduce residential crime.

Concerning his appointment as the SPCC chair, Frieda said, "I think it'll be a pretty good challenge," adding that it was also "a feather in Muleshoe's cap."

But even though Frieda's official appointment will undoubtedly benefit Bailey County, his participation on the council has already had an impact, helping to bring in much-needed disaster-related equipment.

At the SPC-Muleshoe

a problem.

The board also discussed the issue of employees who had accrued a large amount of vacation, holiday time and sick leave, and how the time should be transferred.

Board member Bob Donaldson pointed out

Continued on page 2

Continued on page 2

Back to school...

Students at DeShazo Elementary in Muleshoe, as well as others across the school district, returned from Christmas break this week, undoubtedly ready to tackle the hard subjects such as recess and lunch.

Pictured on the right, some of the fifth grade students enjoy a tether ball game during the noon recess.

Photograph by Larry Thornton



MAHD board discusses 'flexible' job benefits

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Area Hospital District's governing body met in a work session Monday, to discuss employee benefits.

The session, which focused on possible changes in how the district handles vacation, holiday and sick leave for its employees, was held at the suggestion of the hospital district's auditing firm, Parrish, Moody & Fikes, according to Sharon Novak, MAHD's chief financial officer, and CEO Ray Mason.

At the beginning of the three-hour meeting, MAHD board president Ronnie Dent said the proposed changes would put control of "paid time off" in the hands of the individual employee.

"We're not going to do anything to take away what they've accrued," Mason said, explaining that the policy that was presented for the board's consideration. "It's a little more flexible in how they can use their time."

Novak also said the

'We're not going to do anything to take away what they've accrued...'

proposed policy change included giving "time off benefits" to regularly scheduled part-time employees based upon the amount of time the work.

The initial proposal would allow employees to bank about 176 hours as "paid time off," including the holiday, vacation and 40 hours of sick leave, and another 40 hours as "extended time off" that became available for sick leave on a per incident use after the employee had used a certain amount of the sick leave banked under PTO.

While some of the board members thought the ETO should be accessible after eight hours of PTO was used, others thought it made sense to set the break at 16 hours. Doing some quick figuring, board member Wayne Pierson noted that with the way the ETO accrued, a problem could arise if ETO accessibility is set at eight hours.

On another issue, the idea of setting a minimum amount of time that could be taken at a time was put aside after employees who handle the district's payroll told the board it wouldn't be

Filing period closes with large slate of candidates

Registration for the 2008 Bailey County elections includes a large slate of candidates.

This year's slate includes the positions of Precinct 1 Commissioner, Precinct 3 Commissioner, Tax Assessor and Collector, Sheriff, County Attorney, District Attorney and Constable.

As of the close of the filing period on Jan. 2, according to Democratic Party chair Linda McGonagill and Republican Party chair Carroll Precure, the candidates who have filed for office in the Bailey County elections include:

- | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| County Attorney | Republican. |
| • Jeanine Backus, | • Richard Wills, |
| Republican. | Republican, incumbent. |
| Precinct 1 | County Assessor and |
| County Commissioner | Tax Collector |
| • Floyd "Butch" Vandiver, | • Mariann Anzaldua, |
| Republican, incumbent. | Democrat. |
| Precinct 3 | • Melba Clark, |
| County Commissioner | Republican. |
| • Joey Kindle, Democrat, | The primary election is |
| incumbent. | ser for Tuesday, March 4. |
| • Richard Warren, | The first day to apply |
| Republican. | for a ballot by mail for the |
| County Constable | primary election was Jan. |
| • Alfredo Anzaldua, | 4, and the final day to |
| Democrat. | apply is Feb. 26. |
| • Gerry Pierce, | Feb. 4 is the final day to |
| Republican. | register to vote or change |
| County Sheriff | your registration address. |
| • Daniel Patterson, | Early voting will be held |
| Democrat. | from Feb. 19 until Feb. |
| • Randy Perez, | 29. |

Local Weather

Thursday
Sunny..... 52/26

Friday
Sunny..... 59/27

Saturday
Pt. Cloudy..... 53/22

Sunday
Mt. Sunny..... 54/23

Monday
Pt. Cloudy..... 48/23

Tuesday
Pt. Cloudy..... 59/23

Wednesday
Pt. Cloudy..... 49/21

Give It
A Thought

Change is
a good thing...
if you collect
enough of it.

Words to ponder from Beverly

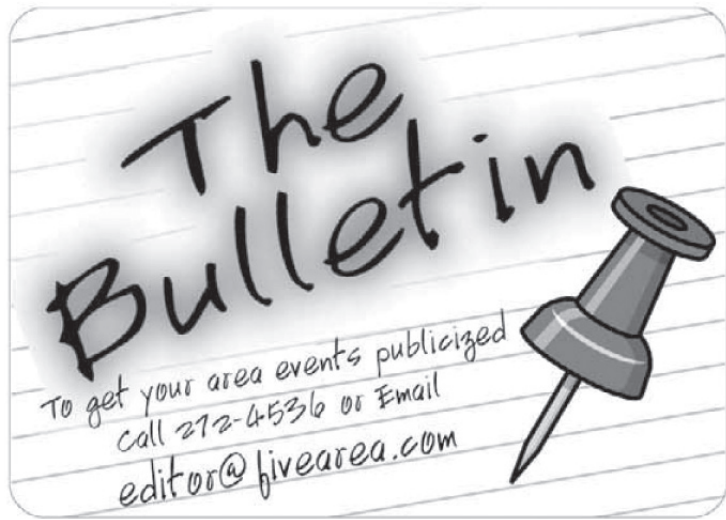
Missed your paper?
Call the carrier Bobby
Flores at 806-891-3950
(leave a message)
or call the Journal
at 272-4536, between
8:00 a.m. and 5 p.m.



76 Years and Going Strong

MULESHOE STATE BANK

Muleshoe Branch
272-4561
101 W. American Blvd.
Farwell Branch
481-9580
801 Ave. A



Adult Learning Center closed

Muleshoe's Adult Learning Center, in the WorkSource office, 203 S. Main, will be closed from Dec. 20 through Jan. 8.

FBC blood drive

The First Baptist Church of Muleshoe, 220 W. Ave. E, will be hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, Jan. 9, from 3-6:15 p.m.

Call Donna at 272-5125 to make an appointment to donate. You must be 17 years of old, in good health, and have a picture ID to donate.

Alzheimer's disease support group

The Bailey County Alzheimer's Disease Support Group will be meeting on Thursday, Jan. 10, at noon, at Park View Nursing Home. Steve Friskup, pastor of Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship, will present the program. Lunch will be served.

For more information contact Debbie Crabtree, Bailey County Aging Services, 272-3647, or Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 272-4583.

FUMC youth breakfast

A free pancake breakfast for all youth in grades 5 through 12 will be held on Sunday, Jan. 13, at 9:45 at the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe. All youth in grades 5-12 are welcome.

Diabetes support group

The Bailey County Diabetes Support Group will meet this month on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 6:30 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum. The program will be "Healthy Choices for the New Year."

This program is free of charge to anyone interested. For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Bailey County, 118 W. Ave. C., Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

Fire department fund raiser

The Muleshoe Fire Department will holding its annual fund raiser, a chili and bean supper, on Saturday, Jan. 26, from 6-9 p.m., at the Earl Ladd Fire Station. Tickets are \$5 each.

SPCC... Continued from page 1

nursing school, training equipment has been supplied, while the Muleshoe Area Medical Center has received both equipment and training that will be of value should a chemical spill in the area endanger residents or personnel deployed to tackle the problem.



One of the ways local volunteers could help in such a situation is to receive the training needed to handle the decontamination units that have been supplied to the hospital district, the police chief said, which would allow the medical personnel who have already received training in the equipments' use to spend their time treating patients.

Frieda also noted that MAMC is scheduled to receive the next available emergency triage unit. But he also indicated that while the equipment available through the SPCC is great, the training citizens can receive to support emergency service professionals, allowing for "more effective use of manpower" during a disaster is of even greater importance.

Of specific need, Frieda said, are volunteers who are young enough to be trained and provide service to their communities for a number of years.

MAHD... Continued from page 1

He indicated there are a number of things, such as that it was to both the hospital district and the individual employee's benefit to take some time off to avoid "burn out."

And while Dent said the change would solve the problem of using sick days for additional vacation days, he also noted that the district has to place some trust in its employees.

"If we can't give them better than they had before, we're just spinning our wheels," Dent said also.

Letter to the Editor

Area resident speaks out

To the Editor:
There have been over 40 million abortions in America since Roe vs. Wade.

There are some people in America who intend to abolish the death sentence for convicted criminals.

When do we abolish the death sentence for the unborn?

Kenneth Precure, Muleshoe

Park View fund raiser deemed a success

A total of almost \$3,000 in donations from the Muleshoe community has been gathered to help construct a chapel at Park View Nursing Care Center, according to Joy Stancell.

Although construction has yet to begin, it should begin in the not too distant future.

receiving a Ham radio certification, in which Muleshoe High School students can receive training that would not only prepare them for the future, but also benefit their community today.

Dr. A.R. Ploudre OPTOMETRIST



Quality Family Vision Care
Tricare, Medicare, Medicaid
VSP, Eye Med, Others

If You Suffer from Migraines Come See Us! We Can Effect Total Relief Without Medication
For As Long As You Would Have Migraine Episodes
ONLY ONE VISIT REQUIRED

1515 GIDDING STREET • CLOVIS
505-762-2951
¡Se Habla Español!

Muleshoe Journal USPS 367820

Established Feb. 23, 1924 Published by Panhandle Weeklies, LLC.
Every Thursday at 201 W. Ave. C, P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, TX 79347.
Periodicals paid at Muleshoe, TX.
Postmaster: Send address changes to the Muleshoe Journal, P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

We are qualified members of:
Panhandle Press Association, West Texas Press Association and Texas Press Association

Sandra Aven, Publisher
saven@hearstnp.com
Leah Bell, General Manager/Ads
advertising@muleshojournal.com
Larry Thornton, Managing Editor
editor@muleshojournal.com
Bookkeeping/ Classified Advertising
classifieds@muleshojournal.com

Subscriptions:
By Carrier Yearly — \$22
Bailey County, by mail — \$24
Elsewhere — \$35
By E-mail — \$22
Advertising rate cards on request



Advertisers should check their ad the first day of insertion. The Journal will not be liable for failure to publish an ad or for a typographical error or errors in publications except to the extent of the cost of the ad for the first day of insertion. Adjustment for errors will be limited to the cost of that portion of the ad where the error occurred.

Requirements for college news releases

If your college student is graduating or has made the Dean's or President's list, in order for that information to appear in the *Muleshoe Journal*, we must receive notice from the respective educational institution.

Your son or daughter must sign a release so the information can be sent to us.

Have them visit their bursar's office to sign a form indicating they wish to share their good news!

Once permission to share information has been granted, the college or university should send the info via email to: editor@fivearea.com.

Subscribe today!

WE'VE GOT THE KEY! **AFFORDABLE BAIL BONDS**
TAMMY BURTON, AGENT
Muleshoe - 272.6820
Farwell - 481.3280
Toll Free - 866.665.2147

Wake up to a great value!

Sausage Biscuit and Hashbrown
\$1.39 Plus Tax

McDonald's
1315 W. American Blvd.
Muleshoe, Texas
Steve and Susan Credle, Owner/Operators
1-866-YOUR MCD

NOTICE OF SCHEDULED ENTRY INTO FIELDS

Pursuant to Tex. Agric. Code, Sec. 74.117, cotton producers in the Northwest Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, which consists of all of Bailey, Castro, Deaf Smith, Lamb, and Parmer counties and part of Randall County are hereby notified that Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation personnel will be conducting eradication activities in and around their fields, beginning **January 16, 2008**. All cotton fields will be mapped, and treatment will begin during the cotton-growing season. For notification prior to any chemical treatment, call 1-800-687-1212 with the exact location of your field and appropriate telephone numbers. Field entry and treatment is expected to last until all cotton is harvested in the zone. For more information regarding this program, please call the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation at 1-800-687-1212.

Get CARRYOVER MINUTES ONLY from Plateau!

Minutes you don't use, you don't lose. Keep your unused minutes month after month — **FREE!**

OUR BEST PLAN ONLY \$39⁹⁵

- > 1000 Anytime Minutes with **FREE** Nationwide Long Distance
- > **FREE** Unlimited Night and Weekend Minutes with **FREE** Nationwide Long Distance
- > **FREE** Unlimited Mobile-to-Mobile
- > **FREE** Carryover Minutes
- > **FREE** Loyalty Minutes

MOTOROLA KRZR Only \$59⁹⁵
with two-year commitment while supplies last. Reg. \$319.95
Camera Phones Starting at \$29.95!

NETWORK EXPANSION

NEW CELL SITES ARE LOCATED AT:

- Orogrande — Located 37 miles south of Alamogordo, NM on Hwy 54. Provides coverage to Orogrande and to Hwy 54 in the area.
- Chaparral — Located 10 miles north of El Paso, TX on Hwy 54. Provides coverage to Chaparral and to Hwy 54 in the area.
- Alamogordo North — Located in Alamogordo, NM. Provides coverage to the north side of Alamogordo and to Hwy 54 in the area.

www.plateauwireless.com
877-PLATEAU (752-8328)

PLATEAU Wireless

Hurry to Plateau and sign up to text and talk! **Way To Go, Plateau!**

Las Vegas Direct Connect 160 Bridge Street (505) 426-8678	Mora Roybal's Chevron 100 Main (505) 387-2820	Santa Rosa ENMRPlateau 410 Corona Ave. (505) 472-3451
---	---	---

Contract Term: 2 years. Early termination fees: \$200 per year, maximum of \$400. Night and Weekend hours are Monday through Thursday 7:00 PM through 6:59 AM and Friday 7:00 PM through Monday 6:59 AM. When outside the designated home area, Roaming: \$50 per minute with Free Long Distance. Additional taxes, fees, and surcharges may apply. Carryover Minutes: unused plan minutes are carried over month to month. Loyalty Minutes: 30 minutes after one year of service, 60 minutes after three years of service and 100 minutes after five years of service. Carryover and Loyalty Minutes are removed on the date of disconnect and/or forfeited in the event of suspension/termination for nonpayment. Plan only available on GSM phones. Offer not available in all markets. See store for details. Offer ends 1/31/08.

Lazbuddie ISD honor rolls released

Lazbuddie Independent School District recently released its honor rolls for the third six-week period of the 2007-08 school year.

Among the students recognized for their achievements were:

Elementary "A" honor roll

Johnny Guenter, Avery Hicks, Devon Pacheco,

Andres Solano, Tina Harder, Bernardo Lopez, Ginsyn McGehee, Kenlea Barnes, Gentry Hicks, Destry Ivy, Ashley Scott, Micah Vera, David Guenter and Lacey Jesko.

Elementary "AB" honor roll

Damian Juarez, Ashlyn Timms, Julie Chavez, Priscilla Salazar, Tara

Third brand of candy recalled

A San Antonio company is voluntarily recalling a third candy imported from Mexico after testing by the Texas Department of State Health Services found elevated lead levels that could cause health problems.

Villa-Mex Imports, Inc., is recalling Miguelito Azucar Salada Enchilada Acidulada. The candy is a reddish powder in a clear cellophane packet with blue lettering. The net weight is marked as 1.7 ounces. The label also reads: Elaborado Por: Fabrica de Dulces Miguelito, S.A. DE C.V. Totonacas No 293 Col. Ajusco Coyoacan, Mexico.

Recent laboratory tests of Miguelito candy samples showed lead levels ranging from 0.161 to 0.291 parts per million, above the 0.1 parts per million lead level considered to be a potential public health hazard by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The tests were part of DSHS product surveillance conducted over the last several months.

DSHS officials say consumers who have the recalled products should not eat them and should return them or throw them away. The only way to know if a child has a high blood lead level is to have a blood lead test. People concerned about blood lead levels should call their doctor or health clinic about testing.

Flores, Peter Guenter, Juan Samarron, Jadia Gandarilla, Haldon Ivy, Andrea Lule and Josephine Samarron.

Junior High "A" honor roll

Haley Beasley, Katlyn Hicks, Ashton Mason, Austin Mason, Jarrod Jesko and Todd Nichols.

Junior High "AB" honor roll

Shyann Rainey, Jessica Estrada, Karina Galaviz, Anna Harder, Shea Scott and Ian Thompson.

High School "A" honor roll

Jordan Hernandez, Chelsea Nichols, Brianna Sanchez, Brittney Schacher and Rochelle Smith.

High School "AB" honor roll

Joseline Garcia, Carrie Gilly, Arthur Gomez, Amy Howard, Colton Weaver, Jessica Howard, Logan Mason, Kinzi Schacher, Jacob Schacher, Devlin Thompson, RaJon Thorn, Chase Timms, Laura Beliz, Mari Beliz, Jason Davis, Regina Mata and Dakota Williams.

MULESHOE JOURNAL NEWSPAPER POLICIES

EDITORIALS are the opinion of the newspaper. They are written by staff members of the Muleshoe Journal. They are not signed because they express the position of the publisher, owners and the newspaper staff.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR are written by readers of the newspaper. They are brief expressions of opinion, most concerning issues of local interest. Letters must be legible. They may be edited for content, length and space, or number of endorsements. All letters must be signed by the writer and must include a daytime telephone number for verification. Third party and unsigned letters will not be published.

COLUMNS are the personal opinion of the writer whose byline appears. Columns from readers should address an issue of local concern and general interest. Columns may be edited for content, length and space.

Letters to the Editor and Columns can be sent to:

Editor - Muleshoe Journal
P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, Texas 79347
 FAX 806.272.3567 or
 e-mail editor@muleshoejournal.com

Welcome to the Annual Bailey County Junior Livestock Show January 18th & 19th Bailey County Coliseum

Friday, Jan. 18 - 8AM - Dairy Cattle, Beef Heifer & Steer Show

Friday, Jan. 18 - 10:30AM - Goat & Sheep Show

Friday, Jan. 18 - 1PM - Gilt & Barrow Show followed by the Jimmy Dale Black Showmanship Award

Saturday, Jan. 19 - 11AM - Buyer's Meal

PREMIUM SALE begins at Noon on Saturday, Jan. 19



minsa
CORPORATION
Hwy. 84 East • 272-5545



Bratcher
Motor
Supply
107 E. Ave. B • 272-4288



LOWE'S
MARKETPLACE
401 W. American • 272-4585



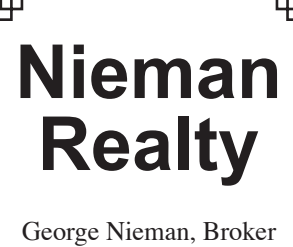
BCEC
BAILEY COUNTY
ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE
ASSOCIATION
305 E. Ave. B • 272-4504



FARM
BUREAU
Bailey County
Farm Bureau
1612 W. American • 272-4567



Lasting
Impressions
516 S. First Street
Muleshoe, Texas
272-4287



Nieman
Realty
George Nieman, Broker
116 E. Ave. C
272-5285 or 272-5286



AZTECA
MILLING LP
Azteca
Milling LP
272-6701



BIG VALLEY
AUTO
1112 W. American
Muleshoe, Texas
272-7777



David L.
Sudduth
PC
104 W. 2nd • 272-4291




Hereford
Feed
Ingredients
232 S. Main • 272-5871
David Tipps



United
Supermarkets
104 W. 9th
Muleshoe, Texas
272-3120



Muleshoe
Tire
107 Main Street
272-4594
After Hrs. Service:
946-7668



Muleshoe
Co-Op
Gin
Darwin Robertson, Mgr.
272-4794



66
Western
66
607 N. 1st • 272-4556



Dodd
Cotton
Gin
2912 CR 504
965-2311



COOP
Farmers Co-Op Gin
Assn. of Enochs
927-5511



MULESHOE
JOURNAL
Striving to be your source
for local news!
www.muleshoejournal.com
201 W. Ave. C
272-4536

Support our FFA & 4-H youth by attending all events!

Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

The Oneida Wagon Senior Center begins this year with a great project to help out with the expenses.

The senior center operates on tax deductible donations. SPAG helps with a small payment for the food we serve.

The center is such a fun place to be. If you have not come and enjoyed the fellowship with friends, we invite and encourage you to do so.

A donation of \$100 to

support the center just might reward you with \$10,000. There will be 300 tickets available to be purchased. We will draw the winning ticket on April 9. Come by the center or call for your ticket today.

Any one 18 years and older can participate.

Just remember this is to help support your senior center. We need you to participate individually or join a friend or two or three and purchase a ticket.

Please contact the center at 319 South Main, or call

806-272-4969 and we will be more than happy to visit with you about the tickets.

Tuesday, Jan. 15, Interim Home Health will be sponsoring BUNCO. Make plans to be here. Prizes and refreshments will be furnished. Call a friend and join in the fun.

The Tuesday night senior dances have started again. The private New Year's Eve dance at the center on Monday, Dec. 31, was a huge success.

Sandy will be playing for the dance on Tuesday,

Jan. 15. Come join in the exercise, fellowship and bring your favorite dish for a pot luck supper. The dance begins at 7 p.m. with a break for supper at 8:30 p.m. and ends at 10:00.

The Bridge Club will be meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 16. They always have an enjoyable meeting.

Thursday, Jan. 17, the Bingo players will come and enjoy playing bingo. The games will start at 1:30 p.m. and conclude at 3 p.m.

Prizes are given for each bingo and the big prize is

for a free meal at the center. We look forward to seeing you here.

Menu for Jan. 14 -18:

Monday, Jan. 14 — Beef tips with rice, peas and carrots, salad, wheat roll and banana pudding.

Tuesday, Jan. 15 — Baked chicken with mushrooms, scalloped potatoes, broccoli with cheese, tossed salad, wheat roll and peach cobbler.

Wednesday, Jan. 16 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll and cake.

Thursday, Jan. 17 — Taco salad, beans, Spanish rice, chips, salsa, fruit and cookies.

Friday, Jan. 18 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad.

Do you have story or photo ideas? Let us know! Call 272-4536

BAILEY COUNTY DEVOTIONAL PAGE

United Supermarkets

McCORMICK SEEDS, INC.
400 East Ash • 272-3156
Muleshoe, Texas
A COMPLETE LINE OF FIELD SEEDS
Tim McCormick

WAYNE COPLEY TRUCKING

CALICHE, SAND & ROCK PRODUCTS
P.O. Box 63 (806) 272-3697
Muleshoe, Texas 79347 Mobile: (806) 946-8072

IRRIGATION PUMPS & POWER

Zimmatic W. Hwy. 84
CENTER PIVOTS 272-5597

Deaf Smith County Grain, Inc.

Cliff A. Skiles, Jr.
Jeb S. Skiles

1ST BANK MEMBER FDIC

202 South First 272-4515

MULESHOE TIRE

107 Main St., Muleshoe • 272-4594
After Hours Service: 946-7668

BOEHNING DAIRY
690 CR 45, Earth
"MILK - A PART OF EVERYTHING THAT IS GOOD!"

HENRY INSURANCE AGENCY

Rama Smalling Agent
111 W. Avenue B (806) 272-4581
P.O. Box 563 (806) 272-4581
Muleshoe, TX 79347 Fax (806) 272-5892

MULESHOE ANIMAL CLINIC
GENERAL PRACTICE

MVS MULESHOE VET SUPPLY
1430 US Hwy. 84, Muleshoe Office: 272-3061

"THE FIVE AREA TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC."

West Plains Telecommunications, Inc.
Five Area Systems, Inc. • Plateau Wireless
Five Area Long Distance • Five Area Internet
302 Uvalde Muleshoe, USA (806) 272-5533

PACO FEED YARD, INC.

Commercial Cattle Feeders
P.O. Box 956, Friona
265-3281
Feller Hughs-Mgr.

TEXAS FARM BUREAU INSURANCE Co.

1612 W. American Blvd., Muleshoe • 272-4567

MCDONALD'S OF MULESHOE

1315 W. American Blvd. • 272-3333
Open at 5 AM every day! i'm lovin' it

CENTRAL COMPRESS & WAREHOUSE

SUDAN, TEXAS

Immanuel by Max Lucado

The King walked over and reached for the book. He turned it toward Lucifer and commanded, "Come, Deceiver, read the name of the One who will call your bluff. Read the name of the One who will storm your gates."

Satan rose slowly off his haunches. Like a wary wolf, he walked a wide circle toward the desk until he stood before the volume and read the word:

"Immanuel?" he muttered to himself, then spoke in a tone of disbelief. "God with us?" For the first time the hooded head turned squarely toward the face of the Father. "No. Not even You would do that. Not even You would go so far."

"You've never believed me, Satan."

"But Immanuel? The plan is bizarre! You don't know what it's like on Earth! You don't know how dark I've made it. It's putrid. It's evil. It's..."

"IT IS MINE," proclaimed the King. "AND I WILL RECLAIM WHAT IS MINE. I WILL BECOME FLESH. I WILL FEEL WHAT MY CREATURES FEEL. I WILL SEE WHAT THEY SEE."

"But what of their sin?"

"I will bring mercy."

"What of their death?"

"I will give life."

Satan stood speechless.

God spoke, "I love my children. Love does not take away the beloved's freedom. But love takes away fear. And Immanuel will leave behind a tribe of fearless children. They will not fear you or your hell."

Satan stepped back at the thought. His retort was childish. "Th-th-they will too!"

"I will take away all sin. I will take away death. Without sin and without death, you have no power."

Around and around in a circle Satan paced, clenching and unclenching his wiry fingers. When he finally stopped, he asked a question that even I was thinking. "Why? Why would You do this?"

The Father's voice was deep and soft. "Because I love them."

From An Angel's Story (originally published as Cosmic Christmas)
Copyright (Thomas Nelson Publishers, 2002, 2004) Max Lucado

This devotional & directory is made possible by these businesses who encourage all of us to attend worship services.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD
521 South First Street
272-3017
S.S. 9:45 am,
W.S. 10:30 am & 6:00 pm,
Wed. 7:00 pm
EL BUEN PASTOR
415 E. Ave. F - 272-5455
Pastor Domingo Luna -
272-4542
S.S. 9:45 am, W.S. 11 am & 6
pm; Wed. 7 pm

BAPTIST
CALVARY BAPTIST
1733 W. Ave. C.
Rev. Jeff Coffman
CIRCLE BACK BAPTIST
Intersection FM 3397 & FM
298

FIRST BAPTIST
220 West Ave. E
Dr. Stacy Conner
FIRST BAPTIST
Lazbuddie • 965-2126
PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
223 E. Ave. E
Interim Rev. Troy Smith
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
621 South First
Elder Bernard Gowens, Min.

PROGRESS BAPTIST
Progress, TX
PROGRESS SECOND BAPTIST
Arthur Hays, Min. - 1st & 3rd
Sundays
RICHLAND HILLS BAPTIST
Bro. Larry Thornton
17th & West Ave. D
S.S. 10 am; W.S. 11 am &
6 pm; Weds. 7 pm
TRINITY BAPTIST
314 E. Ave. B - Bennie
Wright, Min.

CATHOLIC
IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH
805 E. Hickory
Leonardo Pahamtang, Min.

EPISCOPAL - CHARISMATIC
ST. CLEMENTS CHURCH
COMMUNION OF CHRIST
THE REDEEMER
Hwy. 214 South • 272-5954
Father Sergio Leal
Sun. W.S. 10:30 am

CHRISTIAN
TRINITY CHRISTIAN
CENTER
1723 W. American Blvd.
272-3877

Reydon Stanford, Pastor
Sun. W.S. 10:30 am
CENTRO CRISTIANO
117 E. Birch St.
Hermanos Barron
S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. &
6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
LARIAT CHURCH OF
CHRIST
Wesley Roach, Min.
S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. &
6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.

LAZBUDDIE CHURCH OF CHRIST
Nathan Crawford, Min.
S.S. 9:30 am; W.S. 10:20 am
& 5 pm; Wed. 7 pm
MULESHOE CHURCH OF CHRIST
22nd & W. American Blvd.
S.S. 9:30 am; W.S. 10:20 am
& 6 pm; Wed. 7:30 pm
16th & AVE. D
CHURCH OF CHRIST
Curtis Shelburne, Min.

272-4619
S.S. 9:30 am; W.S. 10:30 am;
Growth Gr. 1:30 pm;
Wed. 7:00 pm

LUTHERAN
ST. JOHN LUTHERAN
Lariat, TX • David Symm, Min.
S.S. 10:30 am; W.S. 9:30 am

METHODIST
FIRST UNITED METHODIST
507 W. 2nd St.
Spanish Service 8:30;
S.S. 9:45; W.S. 11:00
Praise & Prayer 6 PM
Pastor Monty Leavell,
272-5517

LAZBUDDIE METHODIST
S.S. 9:30 am; W.S. 10:30 am
Pastor Ken Peterson
965-2121
EL DIVINO SALVADOR U.M.C.
619 E. 5th Street & Ave. G,
Javier Careaga, Pastor
272-6888

PENTECOSTAL
UNITED PENTECOSTAL
LIGHTHOUSE
207 East Ave. G
1-800-454-6051
S.S. 10 am; Thursday,
Bible Study 7 pm

INTER DENOMINATIONAL
NEW COVENANT
Plainview Hwy.
Steve Claybrook, Pastor
W.S. 10 am; Wed. 7 pm
MULESHOE COWBOY FELLOWSHIP
710 E. American Blvd.
Steve Friskup, Minister
272-5199
Service: 7:30 p.m. Thursday

minsa CORPORATION
US Hwy. 84 East
Muleshoe • 272-5545

Lazbuddie Feeders, Ltd.
We make your dairy bull calves worth more!
Lazbuddie, Texas
965-2435

MAPLE COOP GIN
927-5501
Maple, Texas

Interim HEALTH CARE 110 E. Ave. C
Muleshoe 272-5549
www.InterimHealthcare.com
Annette Orco • LeAnn Altman • Kristen Meeks, RN-BSN • Myranda Wilhite, RN-BSN • Kay Gray
Olivia Barrera • Arlene Breck • Brandi Hamilton • Deena Hamilton • Twilla Butler

MULESHOE PEA & BEAN, INC.
1680 CR 1044, Muleshoe • 272-5589
Ed, Nicky & Chad Nickels

BCEC BAILEY COUNTY
ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE
ASSOCIATION
Muleshoe — 272-4504 Morton — 266-8600

Seve Wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men. Ephesians 6:7
MV ALLEY INC.
2601 W. American Blvd.
P.O. Box 631
Muleshoe, Texas
(806) 272-4266
Mobile (806) 946-8763
mviinc@fivearea.com

Pizza Hut
1412 W. American Blvd.
Muleshoe • 272-4213
Open: Sun.-Mon. 11AM-11PM
Lunch Buffet: Sun.-Fri. 11:30 AM-1:30PM
Monday Night Buffet: 6-8PM
COMING SOON
PIZZA HUT WING STREET!
"Gather round the Good Stuff!"

Lal's TORTILLA FACTORY
105 E. Ash St., Muleshoe • 272-5772
Phillipians 4; "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Lowe's MARKETPLACE
401 W. American Blvd. • Muleshoe • 272-4585

2800 West American Blvd.
Muleshoe
272-4296
Ray Lee EQUIPMENT CO., LTD.

WESTERN DRUG
& Something Special Gifts
1411 W. American Blvd. 272-3106 Muleshoe

Farmers Coop Ass'n of Sudan
P.O. Box 120 • Sudan, Texas
227-2461
Mobile: (806) 638-7692 FAX (806) 227-2102
Dennis Flowers, Gen. Manager Email: dflowers@fivearea.com

J&S Dairy
1260 CR 1038, Muleshoe
272-7706

LAW OFFICE OF TINA DAVIS
Criminal - Probate - Real Estate - Family Law
101 S. Main, Muleshoe • 272-7776

BAILEY COUNTY DEVOTIONAL PAGE

Obituaries

Mildred Williams

Church services for Mildred Williams, 84, were held on Tuesday, Jan. 8, at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe with Elders Bernard Gowens and Cleveland Bass officiating.

Burial will be in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery. Mrs. Williams died on Friday, Jan. 4, 2008, in Park View Nursing Care Center of Muleshoe. She was born on May 27, 1923, in Wellington, to Charlie and Dora (Mayo) Phipps, and married Conrad Walter Williams in Stegall on Aug. 24, 1941.

He preceded her in death on July 1, 1999. She was also preceded in death by her parents and one brother — Mayo Phipps, and a daughter-in-law — LaJean Williams.

Mrs. Williams had been a resident of Muleshoe since May 1997, moving from the Stegall community where she had lived since 1925.

She was a graduate of Stegall High School, a homemaker and a member of the Primitive Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

She was also a founder

of the Muleshoe Art Association and an artist of approximately 600 paintings. In 2003 she wrote and published her autobiography, entitled, *My Little Prairie Home — The Story of My Life*.

Survivors include two sons — Carter Williams and Wendell Williams and his wife Peggy, all of Lubbock; a daughter — Wenonah Tuttle and her husband Larry of Denver, Colo.; five sisters — Daisy Beversdorf of Haltom City, Mary Bandy and June Collier, both of Amarillo, Jane Houlette of Friona and Geraldine Ferguson of Burleson; three brothers — Spurgeon Phipps of Amarillo, and E. G. Phipps and Virgil Phipps; both of Friona; four grandchildren — Chad Williams, Stephen Smith, Michael Smith and Libby Williams; four great-grandchildren — Brittany Williams, Sheridon Williams, Garrett Williams and Cason Smith.

Memorials may be sent to the Dowd Keating Foundation, 1260 Holly St., Denver, Colo. 80220 or to one's favorite charity.

Alford Miller

Funeral services for Alford James "Al" Miller, 75, of Stamford were held on Monday, Jan. 7, at Fort Phantom Baptist Church with the Rev. Bill Dickson and the Rev. Dave Douglas officiating. Burial followed in Fort Phantom Hill Cemetery.

Miller died on Saturday, Jan. 5, 2008. He was born on Aug. 23, 1932, in Needmore, to the late Abram Alphus "Abe" and Dovie Lee Jackson Miller, and married Jo Ann Pruitt on May 15, 1953, in Texico, N.M.

They moved to Hawley from the Muleshoe area in 1978 and then to Stamford in 1999. He attended Fort Phantom Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sons — Danny Miller, Eddie Miller, and Bruce Pruitt; three sisters — Ruth Swanner,



ALFORD JAMES "AL" MILLER
Ann Gray, and Dean Hudspeth; and a brother — Jack Miller.

Survivors include his wife, Jo Ann Miller of Stamford; three daughters and their husbands — Dovie and Lanny Knowles of Stamford, Mary Jo and Monty Bond of Bridgeport, and Darla and Nicky Davis of Hawley; 10 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; two sisters — Rosie McFarland of Hawley, and Myrtle Schoolcraft of Wickett; and a brother — Tommy Miller of Delhi, La.

Joseph L. "Joe" Smith

Funeral services for Joseph L. "Joe" Smith, 86, of Cochise (Richland Ranchettes), Ariz., were held on Saturday, Jan. 5, at Willcox United Methodist Church.

Concluding funeral services were held on Monday, Jan. 7, at Steed-Todd Funeral Home in Clovis, N.M. Burial followed in Lawn Haven Cemetery in Clovis, N.M.

Smith died at home on Jan. 2, 2008. He was born



JOSEPH L. "JOE" SMITH
on June 8, 1921, in Hale Center.

Smith was a retired

farmer, and farmed in the Cochise area until 1982. He was a member of the Willcox United Methodist Church, served in the U.S. Coast Guard, was member of the American Legion and the Pearce/Sunsites Fire Department

Survivors include a son — Les Smith of Willcox, Ariz.; a son and his wife — Ronald and Susan Smith of Kearny, Ariz.; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

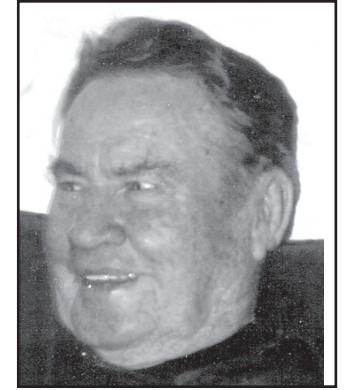
A.G. Smyer

Graveside services for A.G. Smyer, 81, of Muleshoe, were held on Friday, Jan. 4, at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery with his son, Allen Smyer, officiating.

Mr. Smyer died on Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2008, in Lubbock. He was born on March 28, 1926, in Ralls, to Guy Sidney and Retta Neoma (Faulkerson) Smyer, and married Audrey Laverne Allen in Hereford on Feb. 11, 1948.

Mr. Smyer moved from Ralls to Muleshoe in 1948. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He had been self-employed as an electrician, and was also a farmer and rancher.



A. G. SMYER
Survivors include his wife — Audrey Laverne Smyer of Muleshoe; a son and his wife — Allen and Carolyn Smyer of Muleshoe; a daughter and her husband — Kathryn Smyer and Ted Futch of Lubbock; a sister — Polly Cash of Lubbock; four grandchildren — Clint, Katy, Malessia and Craig; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Additional obituaries on page 10

Diabetes support group to meet

The Bailey County Diabetes Support Group will meet this month on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 6:30 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum. The program will be "Healthy Choices for the New Year."

This program is free of charge to anyone interested. For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Bailey County, 118 W. Ave. C., Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.




and COUNTRY JUNCTION
2600 Mabry Drive-CLOVIS, NM
1-800-658-6378

JOE'S BOOT SHOP!
Your Best Source for
Tony Lama Boots!



Waterproof
& Steel Toe



Waterproof



TLX PERFORMANCE



100% COWBOY

OR DRESS!



MADE IN THE U.S.A.

Best Prices in the Southwest at JOE'S BOOT SHOP!

Sports

Lady Mules start the new year by dropping the Lady Cubs

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules got the New Year off on the right foot by traveling to Brownfield and dropping the Lady Cubs 48-39. They out scored the Lady Cubs in every period.

Sarah Johnson got the Lady Mules off to a fast start with two 3-pointers in the opening period. Ashley

Grumbles was only one-of-two from the charity line but also scored a pair of buckets.

Chi Hernandez was a perfect two-for-two from the line to give the Lady Mules a 14-13 lead going into the second period.

Grumbles pumped in two more buckets in the second quarter and Morgan Smith came alive for a basket and one charity toss. Hernandez

stayed perfect from the line with two more free throws.

Johnson made her only two-pointer of the game and dropped in her third trey as the Lady Mules had out paced the Lady Cubs 14-12 to lead 27-24 at the half.

Johnson made all eight of the Lady Mule third period points with a pair of treys and a bucket.

The Lady Mule defense stepped up the pressure

and held the Lady Cubs to only three points for a 35-27 advantage going into the final quarter.

The Lady Mules nailed the Lady Cub's coffin shut by making 10-of-14 free throws in the last quarter. Johnson made two free throws and Hernandez made four and dropped in a basket.

Smith started with a basket and added two from the line. Grumbles rounded

out the scoring with two free throws.

"Brownfield has a good team and played us tough," said Lady Mule coach Val Acree. "I think our kids have grown up over the holidays and we are looking forward to a strong finish in district."

"We are in a three way tie for third place going into the final weeks of district play.

Friana and Dimmitt play

Tuesday night to break their part of the tie. There are only eight district games remaining for us."

The Lady Mules traveled to Bushland to meet the Lady Falcons Tuesday night and then host the Friana Squaws Friday.

The Lady Mules will start their second lap of district Jan. 15 when the River Road Lady Wildcats come to town.

Varsity Mules hit a dry spell in game against Lockney Longhorns

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Panhandle of Texas is known for it drought conditions and the Mules suffered a drought of their own Friday afternoon in Lockney.

The Mules had gone to Lockney to meet the Longhorns in their final warm up before resuming district action.

The drought for the Mules came on the free throw line. In the first three periods the Mules only made four of 12 from the charity line. The Longhorns were able to hang around because of the drought conditions affecting the Mules.

The Mules only led the Longhorns 28-23 going into the final eight minutes of the game. The drought finally broke for the Mules and they made nine of 13 from the line and were able to put some distance between them and Lockney. The Mules took the contest 49-37.

Colby Carpenter was called for a charge on his first drive but he responded by stealing the ball and driving the floor for the first bucket of the game. The Mules went on a 6-0 run with Lane Wood and Brian Poynor also scoring before the Longhorns could get on the board.

Back-to-back old fashion

three-point plays by the Longhorn post player cut the Mule lead to 7-6 with just over two minutes left in the period. The Mules fell behind before the period ended and Dillon Gallman cut the Lockney lead to 11-12.

Cooper Washington grabbed a rebound, put a move on his defender and put the Mules on top just before the buzzer. The Mules led 13-12 going into the second period.

Neither team's offense seemed to get untracked in the second period and the Mules were only able to score six points. Washington ripped an offensive rebound

away from a Longhorn and dropped it in to open the period.

He added one from the charity line to give the Mules a 16-12 advantage. Garrett Riley made one from line and Poynor made the Mules final bucket of the period. The Mule defense held the Longhorns to a single basket in the eight minute period. The Mules led 19-14 at the break.

The Mules made only one-of-six from the line in the third period as each team scored nine points. Colt Ellis made the Mules only charity toss of the period.

The Mules almost matched their first three

periods of offense in the final eight minutes. They poured in 21 points with nine coming from the line. Riley had saved his best for last as he made seven of his eight points in the final quarter.

He scored two buckets and three free throws in the period. Victor Vasquez made all nine of his points in the second half with five coming in the fourth quarter. Poynor grabbed a long defensive rebound and made a three-quarter court pass to Austin Wright racing down the floor for a lay up before the game ending buzzer sounded.

Vasquez led the Mules with nine points and Riley dropped in eight. Washington added seven points, Poynor six, Carpenter five and Patrick Precure and Wright made four each. L. Wood and Gallman had two apiece and Ellis and Wes Wood chipped in one each.

The Mules traveled to Bushland to tangle with the Falcons Tuesday before returning homing to host the Friana Chieftains. The Mules will be at home the following Tuesday when the River Road Wildcats visit the Muleshoe Athletic and Convocation Center.

JV Lady Mules fall to Lady Cubs in over time

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

It took an over time period for the JV Lady Cubs of Brownfield to get past the JV Lady Mules.

The Lady Mules had a four-point lead going into the final eight minutes but could not put the Lady Cubs away.

The first period was an indicator at how well matched the two teams were as both put 13 points on the board.

The Lady Mules were out scored in the final frame as the Lady Cubs tied the game at 42-42 to take the game to the extra period.

Brownfield managed to score 12 in the four-minute period while the Lady Mules could only get eight on the board. The Lady Cubs won the contest 54-50.

Brenda Rodriguez knocked down a 3-pointer in the opening period and added a bucket for five first period points.

Yvonne Gardea made one-of-two from the line and sank a trey to keep up with the Lady Cubs. Melissa Mendoza and Kathryn Owens each added a basket as the period ended knotted at 13-13.

Val Olivas and Owens each added two baskets in the second period. Mendoza and Gabby Perez added a bucket each and Ali Eagle made two from the line as the Lady Mules opened a 27-24 half time lead.

The Lady Mules came out firing in the third period with Gardea scoring two buckets and a free throw.

Perez made a bucket and Amber Fuentes chipped in one from the line. The Lady Mules led 35-31 going into the fourth quarter.

Gardea made a basket and two free throws and Eagle bang home a 3-pointer. Fuentes chipped in her second charity toss. But the Lady Mules gave up 11 as the Lady Cubs gained momentum and tied the game.

Gardea made a bucket

and a free throw in the extra for minutes. Owens hit a rare 3-pointer and Tessa Burris made bucket to cap the Lady Mule scoring at 50.

Gardea led the Lady Mules with 16 points in the extended game. Owens dropped in nine points, Rodriguez and Eagle added five apiece and Olivas, Mendoza and Perez made four each. Fuentes and Burris chipped in two points each.

The Lady Mules are 3-1 in district 2-2A action and traveled to Bushland to tangle with the Lady Falcons. They will host the Friana Squaws Friday night and the River Road Lady Wildcats the following Tuesday.

Fund raiser set

The Muleshoe Fire Department will holding its annual fund raiser, a chili and bean supper, on Saturday, Jan. 26, from 6-9 p.m., at the Earl Ladd Fire Station. Tickets are \$5 each.



HOOP IT UP!
Featured Players of the Week




Patrick Precure Gizell Vasquez
We Salute These Great Athletes,
Fine Students & Wonderful Young Adults!
Look for new featured players weekly!

**MULESHOE
FORD-MERCURY
SLAM DUNK
DEAL**

**'08 Ford F-250
\$8,500
OFF**

Plus TT&L, W.A.C., Owner Loyalty

Publication of Obituaries

Obituaries printed in the Muleshoe Journal are printed free of charge and contain the following types of information: date and details of funeral and place of burial; date and place of birth and parents names; date of marriage; limited biographical information, including the highest level of schooling achieved, service in the Armed Forces, profession (and retirement information if applicable); names of relatives who have preceded the person in death; names of survivors (including husband and wife, parents, in-laws, brothers, sisters, grandparents (only the number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren) will be included; and where memorials may be directed. We will be pleased to run a one column black and white photo at no charge. A larger photo or a color photo will cause the obit to be paid. Please keep in mind that everything must be submitted by your funeral home.

Support the Boosters Who Support Our Teams, Schools and Community!



**LOWE'S
MARKETPLACE**
401 W. American Blvd., Muleshoe



**BAILEY COUNTY
ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE ASSN.**
305 E. Ave. B, Muleshoe
272-4504

**FIVE AREA
TELEPHONE
COOPERATIVE**



302 Uvalde
Muleshoe, TX
272-5533

**Irrigation
Pumps & Power**
www.drippi.com
West Hwy. 84
Muleshoe • 272-5597
Zimmatic

WESTCARD

Western "66"
607 N. 1st St.
Muleshoe • 272-4556

**MILK FOR
THE SOUL
DRINK ORGANIC**
**BOEHNING
DAIRY FARMS**

**MULESHOE ANIMAL
CLINIC
&
MULESHOE VET
SUPPLY**
1430 US HWY. 84, MULESHOE
272-3061 OR 272-4990

**Advanced
Lube &
Car Wash**
502 N. 1st Street
806-272-4842

**AGRO
DISTRIBUTION, LLC**
Clovis Hwy. West
Muleshoe • 272-4203
Bruce Bruns, Location Mgr.

**United
Supermarkets**
104 W. 9th St.
Muleshoe, Texas
272-3120

Available for
any occasion!
Rent by the
hour for
affordable
fun!
Have jumper,
will travel!
ALVARADO PARTY RENTALS
(806) 272-5588

**T.L. Irrigation
Systems**
Dealer
Precure Electric
Carroll Precure - Owner
424 N. 1st • 272-4844
GENERAL ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING
Irrigation-Commercial-Industrial-Residential
Sales & Services



minsa
Hwy. 84 E. of Muleshoe • 272-5545

**Country
Daisy
Design**
Embroidery, Monogramming & More
By Kelly Heinrich
272-4430 or Cell 632-8098
1725 W. Ave. B, Muleshoe

WE LOVE
OUR MULES!

**HARTLINE
HEATING & A/C**
Toby Hartline
272-7762
TACLBF 023739E LI 06547

**Lal's
RESTAURANT**
1010 W. American Blvd.
Muleshoe, Texas
272-3294
"The Original - Since 1957"

More Texas sunshine in Washington

At a time when the government seems to be growing by the day, Congress made an important move at year-end towards increasing government openness, transparency and accountability.

Both the Senate and House approved the most sweeping reforms to our freedom of information laws in more than a decade.

I first introduced the OPEN Government Act with U.S. Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., two years ago. After months of hearings and negotiations, it was finally approved overwhelmingly in December.

The Cornyn-Leahy bill will not merely be a victory for transparency in federal government operations. It will be a vital building block to strengthen our democratic process.

Texas has long had one of the nation's strongest open government laws. When I served in state government as Attorney General, I had a key role in enforcing that law. So bringing a little Texas sunshine to the federal government was a top legislative priority for me when I arrived in Washington five years ago.

The Cornyn-Leahy bill updates the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to address undue delays and onerous burdens that often greet Americans looking for information from their



Texas Times

By U.S. Sen. John Cornyn

government.

The underlying FOIA law was initially enacted more than 40 years ago. Achieving prompt responses has been a serious problem in its enforcement from the beginning.

Some pending requests for information are more than a decade old, possibly sitting in a bureaucrat's drawer somewhere. And many information requests can only be resolved through costly lawsuits, which effectively prevent citizens from receiving information they're entitled to.

The bill restores meaningful deadlines — with consequences—to the FOIA system, encouraging government agencies to provide timely responses. It creates a new initiative for tracking pending FOIA requests and an ombudsman to review agency compliance.

It provides safeguards against misuse of the law, and closes loopholes used to avoid compliance. It recognizes changes in the way information is circulated, and allows journalists and

public representatives equal access to information.

The OPEN Government Act bolsters the most fundamental requirement for an effective democracy—a free and informed citizenry. It reinforces Abraham Lincoln's notion of a government "of the people, by the people, for the people" by facilitating the flow of information into the hands of Americans. I have tried to advance these principles throughout my years in public office.

These FOIA reforms come after years of legislative work that required significant bipartisan cooperation. In a year when gridlock seemed periodically to take over Congress, Sen. Leahy and I are proud that we were able to achieve consensus in both chambers, and among both parties, for this bill. It is clearly one of the signature accomplishments of the current Congress.

James Madison once declared: "The advancement and diffusion of knowledge is the only guardian of true liberty." But I know firsthand that government, unless prodded, has

a natural tendency to suppress distribution of information, particularly when it is inconvenient or embarrassing to those in office.

There are always exceptions to the rule that must be observed, such as the need to keep confidential information that could compromise our national security. Our FOIA reforms recognize that. But our underlying principle is this: when information can be made open and available, it should be.

These reforms will require federal agencies to make significant changes in the way they operate. I will be watching closely to make certain they comply. And Congress itself needs to do much more to improve transparency. The earmark process — when legislators insert narrow projects into a massive spending bill — should have far greater openness and accountability. I intend to pursue that reform as well.

Texas has long prided itself on its wide-open spaces, and open government. Accountability is also an important Texas value.

Our state has been a national leader in advancing the ideals of transparency in our public business. We are all safer, and our liberty more secure, whenever Washington adopts more of that Texas sunshine.

FUMC youth breakfast to be held

A free pancake breakfast for all youth in grades 5 through 12 will be held on Sunday, Jan. 13, at 9:45 at the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe. All youth in grades 5-12 are welcome.

Dr. J.W. Haltom

Family Dentistry & Orthodontics



Erika Trotter, Amber Garcia, Jessica Haltom & J.W. Haltom

For A Limited Time
\$50 OFF
Crowns and Bridges

- Emergencies Seen Promptly
- Insurance Accepted
- Patient Financing
- Adults & Children Welcome
- Televisions & Head Phones In Treatment Rooms
- Relaxation Gas

806-385-6935

320 East 8th Street, Littlefield, Texas

Texas DSHS boosts resources to help people stop smoking in the New Year

Quitting tobacco use can be difficult but not impossible. And for those trying to give up nicotine in the new year, the Texas Department of State Health Services is more than doubling its resources dedicated to free cessation services provided through the American Cancer Society's Quitline. This year, DSHS will provide \$550,000 for the service, up from \$250,000 provided in 2007.

The toll-free multi-lingual telephone counseling service, at 1-877-YES-QUIT (877-937-7848), is available to all Texans trying to quit smoking or dipping. Calls to the Quitline have increased significantly since DSHS began funding the service in 2001, totaling more than 6,250 calls in the last fiscal year.

A federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention grant for cessation services and funds from the Texas tobacco settlement provide the DSHS funding directed

to the Quitline.

"One of the most important things we can do to improve the health of Texans is to help those who smoke to quit," said Penny Harmonson, DSHS tobacco prevention and control program manager. "Research shows that those who get help through a service such as the Quitline are more successful at breaking their nicotine addiction than those who go it alone."

The Quitline provides free, confidential telephone counseling 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with tools and strategies tailored to each individual caller. The service also offers callers self-help booklets and advice about support programs available in their communities. Resources and information to help you quit tobacco use also are available online at www.yesquit.com.

In addition to the Quitline service, your chance of success is even better, Harmonson said, if you

talk to your doctor about medications that can help ease cravings and withdrawal symptoms.

The adult smoking rate in Texas dropped below 20 percent for the first time in 2006 with a rate of 18.1 percent, below the national average of 20.2 percent. Still, more than 3 million Texans continue to smoke, and 24,000 of them die from tobacco-related illnesses each year.

The Quitline service is available year-round, but

demand usually peaks as a new year begins when many smokers resolve to stop using tobacco.

"The new year symbolizes a fresh start for many people, but help is available anytime," Harmonson said. "The first step is choosing a quit date that's right for you. Mark it on your calendar and make the call."

Thanks for reading!

Time for new appliances? 

WE ARE YOUR HOMETOWN WHIRLPOOL DEALER.

McDaniel's  *We now carry Speed Queen!*

1020 Main Street, Clovis, NM
505-762-4481 or 800-682-7891

NEW!

ICED LATTÉS & JAVA CHILLERS

made with Premium Roast Espresso

CARAMEL • MOCHA • HAZELNUT



 **1011 Hall • Littlefield**
1633 American • Muleshoe
OPEN 6AM

Some Thoughts on New Year's Resolutions

Last Sunday morning one of our elders asked our church folks, "How are you doing on your New Year's resolutions?" The giggles telegraphed the answer, six whole days into the new year. I'm guessing that the three or so people who didn't laugh and might have still been on their diets, budgets, etc., have also blown them by now, about ten days into the new year.

Personally, I'm batting 1000! A decade or two ago, I resolved



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

grace. But we deflect the lesson by majoring on outward ritual and skin deep pseudo-sanctification that feeds our pride.

You'd think that reading St. Paul's testimony in Romans 7 would be enough to drive us to sheer mercy and grace as it did him: "What I do is not the good I want to do; no, the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing."

Jesus warned that it's easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom. Hmm. How many—fill in the blank: rich, successful, thin, non-smoking, etc.—folks do you know who don't deep down think that everyone could be like them if they just tried harder? Keep going until you find your own area of arrogance staring at you from the blank.

I think Jesus might say to us, "It's more likely that pigs will fly than for wealthy, skinny, successful guys or gals with killer abs to learn a little compassion and genuine humility." Salvation, perfection, of any sort, will never come because we work so hard, so well, and finally "get it right."

Want to drop a few pounds? Cut back or away at a vice or two? Good! Just remember that even in the pig pen the prodigal son knew his father better than the self-righteous son who supposedly never left home.

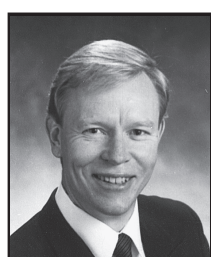
If you shed some pounds, great. Just remember that the folks who truly love you love you even when there's more to love. (And guys, be merciful. Your gal will work harder to shed ten than you'll work to shed thirty.) If for you or me the choice is to be a humble fat person or an arrogant thin twit, keep the pounds. On those rare occasions when we find it for a moment or two, humility is worth its weight in gold. We all look better carrying some of it.

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

Good Neighbor. GREAT RATES.

Looking for great rates and a secure place to grow your money? Call me today for more information about a CD from State Farm Bank®.

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT



Mark W. Morton
State Farm Agent
Muleshoe, TX 79347-3642
Bus: 806-272-7519
mark.morton.cv5g@statefarm.com



LIKE A GOOD NEIGHBOR, STATE FARM IS THERE.

Member FDIC
*Annual Percentage Yields as of 1/02/08. Rates subject to change without notice. Minimum balance to open an account and obtain the stated APY is \$500. Rates apply to deposits less than \$100,000. A penalty may be imposed for a withdrawal prior to maturity. Certificates automatically renew at maturity at the then-current rate for the same term.
P051035 STATE FARM BANK • HOME OFFICE: BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS • statefarm.com 08/05

Farwell Country Club is seeking new members.

Join before January 31, 2008 and we'll waive the regular \$320 Initiation Fee!

We are a 9-hole, scenic golf course with Pro Shop, cart rental, TV, banquet room and swimming pool.

GOLF LESSONS AVAILABLE.

FOR MORE INFO, CALL CHARLIE
806-481-9210
51 COUNTRY CLUB RD. FARWELL, TEXAS

We pride ourselves in maintaining beautiful grounds!

Weddings

Johnson, Thomason united in matrimony

Kala Deann Johnson and Bradley Matthew Thomason, both of Canyon, were united in holy matrimony on Saturday, Nov. 24, 2007, at the J.A. Hill Chapel on West Texas A&M University of Canyon, with the Rev. Dr. Stacy Conner of Muleshoe officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Reggie and Sue Johnson of Muleshoe. The groom is the son of Charles and Pam Thomason, also of Muleshoe.

Jana Thomason, sister of the bride, served as matron of bride, and Laura Johnson served as bridesmaid.

Brandon Thomason, the groom's brother, served as best man, while Chad Johnson served as groomsman.

The bride wore a white satin A-line dress with a cuffed neckline and a pleated black satin sash with a sweep train. She carried a bouquet of white calla lilies, and followed the wedding tradition of carrying her great-grandmother's engagement ring and her great-great-grandmother's cameo ring for something old, and the groom's mother's pearl necklace for something borrowed.

Her attendants wore black, and carried a white calla lily.

The groom and his groomsmen wore white shirts and black jeans.

Ringbearer Hayes Johnson, nephew of the bride, pulled flower girl MacKenzie Thomas, niece of the groom, down the



MRS. KALA DEANN THOMASON

aisle in a pink tulle covered wagon.

Following the ceremony was a reception dance at the Fifth Season Inn of Amarillo, with a meal provided by El Bracero of Amarillo, with friends and cousins of the

couple serving.

The bride and groom toasted with goblets that were used at the groom's wedding.

The couple honeymooned at Paradise Island, Bahamas.



Sgt. Anderson heading overseas

Sgt. Tony Anderson, pictured above, the son of Randy and Susan Anderson of Muleshoe, is serving with the 82nd Airborne All-American Chorus.

He is now deployed with the chorus to Afghanistan and Iraq to entertain all of the 82nd Airborne soldiers stationed there.

Sgt. Anderson recently returned to Ft. Bragg, N.C., from a duty assignment in West Germany, as well as Pakistan and Africa.

Subscribe!

BOOTS Work & Dress SHOES Casual & Athletic CLOTHING Western & Athletic

GENERAL STORE
SINCE 1963

1405 West American Blvd.
Muleshoe, Texas
806-272-MULE (6853)

Don't forget to pick up your photographs

Do you have any blank spots in your photo albums?

Photographs that have been submitted for publication in the *Muleshoe Journal* may be picked up during regular business hours following publication of the photograph.

At this time, a large number of photographs have been accumulated, at the *Muleshoe Journal* office and may include your missing photographs.

Why not drop by and look through the file?

One for every charmed moment

PANDORA
Jewelry

As seen in Glamour, Oprah & Lucky magazines

Antiques & Fine Things

2104 W. American Blvd., Muleshoe • 272-4217

Bridal Shower Selections

Complete Auto Repair

- Tune Ups
- Brake Service
- Computer Diagnostic Repair
- We Build Engines and Have Rebuilt Engines For Sale
- We Do On-The-Site Irrigation Motor Repairs

All Work Guaranteed
We Pick Up and Deliver!

Burton Service Center
803 W. American Blvd. • 272-5330
After hours: 946-8274 or 946-7996

Engagement

Gilbert, Tiller engagement announced

Donna Smith of Midland, and Billy Gilbert of Muleshoe, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Crystal Dawn Gilbert, to James Allen Tiller, the son of Darlene Tiller and the late James Tiller of New Waverly.

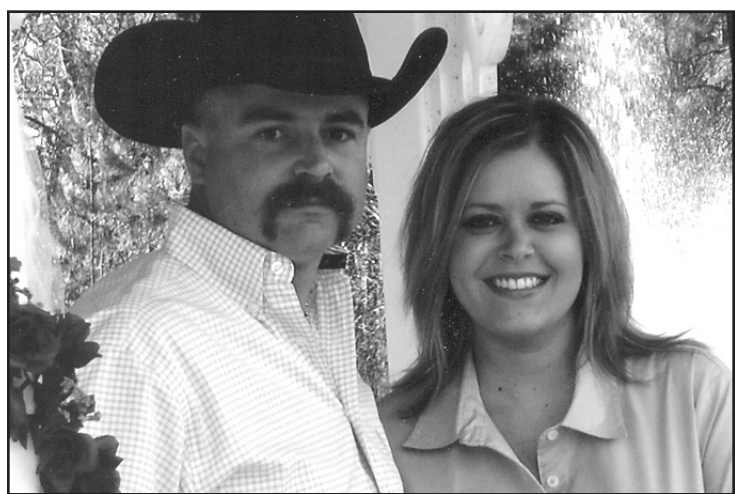
The prospective bride is the granddaughter of the late Floyd and Mary Burris of Muleshoe, and C.D. and Naomi Gilbert, also of Muleshoe.

She is employed as a special education teacher at Sally K. Ride Elementary of The Woodlands.

The prospective groom is the grandson of the late Jesse and Francis Thomas and Alvin and Mildred Tiller.

He is employed as a heavy equipment mechanic in Houston.

A February 2008 wedding is planned.



JAMES TILLER AND CRYSTAL GILBERT

90th Birthday Celebration

The children of

Joe Menzies

invite all friends and family to his

90th Birthday Celebration

Saturday, January 12, 2008

at the Friona Heritage Estates Dining Room

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

No gifts please, only your presence is desired.

FBC blood drive set for Wednesday

The First Baptist Church of Muleshoe, 220 W. Ave. E, will be hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, Jan. 9, from 3-6:15 p.m.

Call Donna at 272-5125 to make an appointment to donate. You must be 17 years of old, in good health, and have a picture ID to donate.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding..."
Proverbs 3:5, NIV

Please Join the Family of

Cecil "Jr" Mills

As We Honor Cecil on his

80th Birthday!

A come-and-go reception will be held from 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Saturday, January 12, 2008

at the

Calvary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

1733 Ave C

Muleshoe, TX 79347

Please come celebrate with Cecil and his family

COUNTRY west, texas TRADER

"Your Best Source For ...
... Finding Great Values
... Convenient Shopping
... Wide Coverage Area

Have your advertising message read by **over 50,000 readers.**

The West Texas Country Trader goes into subscriber copies of these ten Panhandle newspapers each week:

Muleshoe Journal	Morton Tribune
Canyon News	Plainview Daily Herald
Olton Enterprise	Tribune (Lubbock)
Idalou Beacon	Free pickup in Tulia & Hale Center
	Every United Supermarket in Amarillo

Your advertisement would be inserted in all ten newspapers for just \$6-\$10 per column inch!

Reach New Customers!

Increase Your Visibility!

Grow Your Business!

Get More For Your Money!

COUNTRY west, texas TRADER

"Your Best Source For ...
... Finding Great Values
... Convenient Shopping
... Wide Coverage Area

Call or Email the Muleshoe Journal today to find out more about this great advertising opportunity! We can help!

272-4536 or advertising@muleshoejournal.com

Engagements



ERIN ALLEN AND B.J. GONZALES

Allen, Gonzales engaged

Mark and Lisa Allen of Muleshoe are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Allen, to B.J. Gonzales, the son of Rick and Alicia White, also of Muleshoe.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Plainview High School, and is currently enrolled in Covenant School of Nursing, in Lubbock.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Muleshoe High School, served four years in the U.S. military, and is currently employed by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

The prospective bride and groom currently reside in Lamesa and plan to be married in Las Vegas in the summer of 2008.



ZACHARY BARRETT AND REBECCA ELLYSON

Phillip and Darlene Ellyson of Purcell, Okla., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Rebecca Sue Ellyson, to Zachary Cole Barrett.

The prospective groom is the son of Robbie and Stephanie Barrett of Friona.

The wedding is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 26, 2008, at Union Hill Baptist Church in Purcell.

Obituaries

Charles Gist

A memorial service for Charles Larry Gist, 76, of Muleshoe, was held on Saturday, Jan. 8, at the Muleshoe Church of Christ.

Gist died on Jan. 2, 2008. He was born on Aug. 5, 1931, in Quanah to Virgil Gist and Lela Gist, and married Joyce Coffey in Pampa on Dec. 7, 1949.

Gist served in the U.S. Army. Afterwards, he was employed by Xcel Energy, first in Denver City and then in Muleshoe. He retired in 1992. He was a member of the Muleshoe Church of Christ.

Gist was preceded in

death by his parents; a brother — Carl Gist; and two sisters — Emma Gist and Wanda Tucker.

Survivors include his wife — Joyce Gist of Muleshoe; a son — Chuck Gist of Denver City; two daughters — Mona Otenti of Richardson and Debra Gist of Lubbock; three brothers — John Gist of Lubbock, David Gist of Snyder and Donalt Gist of Turlock, Ca.; a sister — Clara Provence of Wichita Falls; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Portales, N.M., Children's Home or the Boys Ranch of Texas.

Foreign investors must report U.S. agricultural land holdings

Foreign investors with an interest in agricultural lands in the United States are required to report their holdings and any transactions to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, according to Kim Hanlin, Executive Director of the Bailey County Farm Service Agency.

"Any foreign person who acquires or transfers any interest, other than a security interest, in agricultural land in the United States is required by law to report the transaction no later than 90 days after the date of the transaction," said Hanlin.

Foreign investors must file Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA) reports with the Farm Service Agency County Office that maintains reports for the county where the land is located.

"Failure to file a report, filing a late report or filing an inaccurate report can result in a penalty with fines up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land," said Hanlin.

For AFIDA purposes, agricultural land is defined as any land used for farming, ranching or timber production, if the tracts total 10 acres or more.

Disclosure reports are also required when there are changes in land use. For example, reports are required when land use changes from nonagricultural to agricultural or from agricultural to nonagricultural.

When the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act was signed into law in 1978, the reporting requirement was adopted as

part of the same legislation. Data gained from these disclosures is used in the preparation of periodic reports to the President and Congress concerning the effect of such holdings upon family farms and rural communities in the United States.

Hanlin added, "Foreign investors must also file a report when there is a change in the status of ownership such as owner changes from foreign to non-foreign, from non-foreign to foreign or from foreign to foreign."

For more information regarding AFIDA and FSA programs, contact the Bailey County FSA office at 806 272 4534 or visit the USDA Web sites at <http://www.usda.gov>.

WE'RE WHITTIN'
DOWN OUR INVENTORY!



LADIES SHOES

Skechers 50% Off
Clarks 20-30% Off
Athletic Styles 40% Off

MEN'S SHOES

Athletic Styles 40-50% Off
Clarks 20-50% Off
Bostonian Dress 50% Off

BOY'S & GIRL'S SHOES

Athletic Styles 20-50% Off

BOOT SALE 20% OFF

Justin & Anderson-Bean Styles On Sale!

Ostrich Starting at \$215
Anderson-Bean \$120 & up

LADIES WOOLRICH...50% OFF

FELT HATS

Just in time for area livestock shows!

American 10X \$170
Seratelli 5X \$125

WALLS & CARHARTT JACKETS
30% OFF Starting at \$36 to \$60

WRANGLER & CINCH SHIRTS
30% OFF As low as \$31.00!!



1405 W. American Blvd.
Muleshoe, Texas
272-6853

**Want your paper delivered early?
Get an electronic subscription
to the Journal for only \$24 a year!
Call 272-4536.**

CCC to present music program

Clovis Community College to present "A Night on Broadway" with David Geist on Saturday, Jan. 26, at 7 p.m., New Mexico time, at the Mabry Inn.

This special fundraiser for the Cultural Arts Series features Broadway pianist, David Geist, who has worked with some of the brightest stars on Broadway during an illustrious 20-year career.


Tickets are \$50 and must be purchased in advance at

the CCC Cashiers' Windows. Tickets go on sale Jan. 14. Call 575-769-4956 for more information.

*In times of loss; God's love shines through
your family, friends and community.
We are going through that wonderful
blessing as we lost our loved one. From the
fullness of our hearts we want to say we
love you and thank you for loving us.*

The A.G. (Albert) Smyer Family

50th Wedding Anniversary



Jimmy & Betty White
will be celebrating their
50th Wedding Anniversary
January 18, 2008.

*The Whites were married at
The Main Street Baptist Church in
Muleshoe in 1958. They lived in
Muleshoe, Earth and Dalhart before
retiring in Lubbock five years ago.
Jimmy is retired from XIT in Dalhart.*

*The family hosted a party in
celebration of this momentous event.*

CLASSIFIEDS

Deadline is Monday at 5 PM to place a Classified ad. Call 272-4536.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Lubbock
Contract 6169-89-001 for MATERIAL DELIVERY in FARMER County, etc will be opened on February 08, 2008 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$348,150.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.
NPO: 25815

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office(s)

Lubbock District
District Engineer
135 Slaton
Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771
Phone: 806-745-4411

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

HELP WANTED

Full/part time physical therapy assistant needed. \$30/hr. and up depending on experience. Benefits available. Runningwater Draw Care Center, Olton, Texas. 806-285-2677.^{2chcall1-10}

Experienced cook needed at La-Tea-Da Tues.-Sat., 8:30-2:30. Must know how to cook tea-room type food. Looking for a permanent employee. Applications will be thoroughly verified. Please come by after 2:00 Tues.-Sat. for application, 104 E. American Blvd. No phone calls please.^{ttmh11-15}

SALES PEOPLE NEEDED! Guaranteed salary plus commission, paid vacation, no experience necessary. Bilingual a plus. Apply in person at Big Valley Auto of Muleshoe, 1112 W. American Blvd. or call 272-7777.^{ttmh8-16}

100 WORKERS NEEDED. Assemble crafts, wood items. To \$480/wk. Materials provided. Free info. pkg. 24-Hr. 801-428-4649.^{1pd1-10}

Part time certified occupational therapy assistant needed. \$28/hr. and up depending on experience. Runningwater Draw Care Center, Olton, Texas. 806-285-2677.^{2chcall1-10}

Full time Physical Therapist needed. Benefits. Competitive pay. Runningwater Draw Care Center, 800 W. 13th St., Olton, Texas. Call for appt. 806-285-2677 or 806-786-7455.^{3chcall1-3}

ADVERTISE! 272-4536

DRIVER ★★★★★★★★★★



LOCAL RUNS Food Grade Tanker Drivers
*Medical, Dental, Vision
* Excellent 401k plan
* Paid Holidays and Vacation
CDL-A w/tank end. & 1 yr. exp.

RUAN
800-879-7826
www.ruan.com
Dedicated to Diversity. EOE
★★★★★★★★★★★★★^{1pd1-10}

PHLEBOTOMIST POSITION OPEN
Parmer County Community Hospital is seeking candidates for a Phlebotomist. Position is full time and requires excellent verbal skills, basic computer knowledge and skills, phone skills and ability to professionally interact with the medical staff and public. One to two years experience preferred. Competitive wage and benefit package. Mail resume to, or stop by for application: Parmer County Community Hospital, Human Resources, 1307 Cleveland, Friona, TX 79035.^{2ch1-3}

Drivers: Home Every Other Day! Excellent Benefits, Competitive Pay. Tanker End./2 yrs. exp./23 YOY. Good MVR.^{1pd1-10}
Western Dairy Transport 866-288-7334

LHC Family Medicine Clinic is seeking a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNC) or Physician Assistant (PA) to provide professional medical services in the community health center setting. Must have a current NP or PA certification and license with the State of Texas. At least 1-2 years experience as a FNP or PA. Hours are 8:00 to 5:00, M-F. Apply at Lamb Healthcare Center, 1500 S. Sunset, Littlefield, Texas. For more information call 806-385-6411. LHC is an EEOC employer.^{ttmh1-10}

Needing CNA for Home Visits. Part Time/Full Time. Apply in person: Legacy of Love Hospice, 420 Phelps, Littlefield. 806-385-9329.^{1ch1-10}

LHC Family Medicine is accepting applications for an LVN office nurse. Hours are 8:00-5:00, M-F. Apply at Lamb Healthcare Center, 1500 S. Sunset, Littlefield, or call 806-385-6411 for more information. LHC is an EEOC employer.^{2ch1-10}

Muleshoe ISD is seeking applicants for High School Peims Secretary. Applications may be obtained by call Pam Thomason at 806-272-7404.^{2ch1-10}

HELP WANTED

Park View Nursing Care Center is seeking: 1. RN, Asst. DON - MDS/TILE exp. preferred. 2. Night shift Charge Nurse, LVN. Competitive salary, benefits. Contact Yolanda Mendoza, DON, or Sandy Z. Sandlin, Admin. 272-7578.^{1ch1-10}

Lamb Healthcare Center is accepting applications for a full time night RN Charge Nurse. Call 806-385-6411, ext. 214 for more information or apply at 1500 S. Sunset, Littlefield. LHC is an EEOC employer.^{2ch1-10}

Lamb Healthcare Center is accepting applications for a full time day and night CNA. CNA experience required. Call 806-385-6411, ext. 214 for more information or apply at Lamb Healthcare Center, 1500 S. Sunset, Littlefield. LHC is an EEOC employer.^{2ch1-10}

WANNA MAKE MONEY? The Muleshoe Journal is seeking a dynamic, positive, self-motivated, outgoing individual to lead our sales department. The successful candidate will work on a salary plus commission basis with opportunities for monthly and other bonuses. Area travel is a must so reliable transportation is required. A background in sales is helpful, but not necessary. We will train the right person. You must be organized and work well under a deadline. **Benefits include medical insurance, paid vacations, flexible schedule and paid mileage.** Apply in person at 201 W. Ave. C, Muleshoe, M-F, 8AM-5PM.^{ttmh1-3}

Attention Nurses! Do you have Home Care Skills? Medical Staffing Network has immediate needs for RN's and LVN's, Pediatric Home Care Nurses. Go back to one-on-one patient care and make a difference. Apply on-line at www.MSNHealth.com, or call 1-866-676-2120 or 1-806-780-4180. Competitive pay and benefits.^{2ch1-3}

REAL ESTATE

Bailey County, South of Muleshoe — Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home with fireplace, sunroom, barn and outbuildings on 10 acres. Excellent condition. \$135,000. Visit our website for all listings at www.streetsrealestate.com
Sellers and Buyers • Farm • Ranch • CRP
Hunting • Rural Properties
STREET REAL ESTATE • PLAINVIEW, TX
JOHNNY STREET • 806-847-7400



Cleavinger & Associates
Real Estate Just Became A Breeze™

Beautiful Homes:
4 bed / 4.5 bath / 2 garage — \$299,000
Enjoy country living in this beautifully updated 4400 sq/ft home sitting on 6 acres. The home features an isolated master bedroom with a jetted bath tub, great open family room with vaulted ceilings, hard wood floors/carpeted bedrooms, an office, and beautiful entertaining pool. The gourmet kitchen features a custom cast stone vent, 2 kitchen sinks, custom cabinetry, and stainless steel appliances.
3 bed / 3 bath / 2 garage — \$130,000
This is a very well maintained country home with many updates and additions. One completely remodeled bathroom, a large master bath, three hot water heaters, a beautiful 40 X 12 redwood deck with hot tub and an above ground swimming pool. Close to school and about 15 miles from Muleshoe.

Irrigated Farms:
1149.15 Acres with a Dairy Permit — \$2,415,000
Beautiful productive farmland operated by the same farmer for many years. The farm has great water. Dairy permit for 3308 head.

1120 Acres with a Dairy Permit — \$2,800,000
10 Wells! 2 beautiful homes! This farm is well cared for and a playa lake takes some of the east half section but it lies well for a dairy. A 4000 head dairy permit is in place and according to the permitting office, could easily be increased for additional cows.

186 Acres in Parmer County — \$390,600
8 tower sprinkler packaged for 900 gallons per minute. 1 well with turbine pump and 75 horse power electric motor. 1: 4 inch 30 horse power submersible.

473 Acres and 3/2 Home — \$1,005,000
Three separate quarter sections all with newer Reinke seven tower sprinklers and equipped with LEPA nozzle. One sprinkler has a 450 gallons per minute package, one is packaged for 550 gpm, and one is packaged for 650 gpm. We have bases and yield information. House on property is a beautiful well maintained 3/2/2 with lots space and storage.


Great Commercial Property:
311 W. American Blvd. — \$150,000
An established business that carries everything for your farm animals needs. Currently, this business carries hay, Hi-Pro feed for large and small animals and a wide variety of animal care essentials. It is located in an area surrounded by feed yards, dairies and farmsteads.

623 W. American Blvd. — \$250,000
A thriving business in a progressive rural city. The business currently includes tree and plant sales, landscaping projects of all sizes, yard sprinkler planning and installation, and yard and tree spraying. Also included are approximately 700 growing trees on five acres south of Muleshoe that will be maintained by the current owners for five years. The land does not convey. Great opportunity.

1202 W. American Blvd. — \$90,000
Prime location off main thru way. The surrounding retail businesses include McDonalds, Ford Dealership, various restaurants and retailers. A definite high traffic, visible area.

MIKE CLEAVINGER, ABR
KELLER WILLIAMS REALTY

4747 S. Loop 289, Suite 110
Lubbock, TX 79424
Cell: (806) 239-5139
Office: (806) 771-7710



REAL ESTATE




• **3BR-1BA-1GA**, 309 Worth Street - Sudan. Home with app. 1284 sq. ft. living area on a double lot w/separate detached 2 car garage. Nice house with lots of potential. \$34,500.

Monty Edwards, Agent
(806) 786-5426

REAL ESTATE

• **Irrigated farms** — Spade, Earth, Levelland, Plainview.
• **Levelland** — 3 nice brick homes for horses w/arena.
• **Lubbock** — 5A tracts (one well), also 107A tract.

FARRAR & ASSOCIATES
806-894-7099



Ronald Byrd
Licensed Broker
Crista Bass
Sales Associate

228 Main Street, Muleshoe, Texas
www.byrdrealestate.net

AK Ranch - 1425 acres, 35 miles SW of Muleshoe, 35 miles SE of Farwell. Located on Highway 1731. Has beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage home and 40x60 metal barn. 6 pastures, 4 domestic wells and a 20 acre pond. Excellent wildlife hunting deer, quail, ducks, geese and dove. Very scenic property. Call for more details!!!!

Country Home on Highway - Nice 3 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath home, central air, fireplace, sunroom, utility, 2 car garage, 10x80 double barn on 10.5 acres, priced to sell!!!


Approx. 2100 sq. ft. 3 bedroom, 1 bath home, large family room with fireplace, livingroom, utility, new carpet, carport, storage buildings, fenced back yard, priced to sell!!!
Price Reduced - Cute remodeled 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, Cent. A&H, fireplace, 1 bedroom upstairs, deck, pond, sprinkler system, storage building, apartment or office building in back. This home will not last long, call today!

NEW LOWER PRICE - Nice 3 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath brick home, large utility, fireplace, sunroom, built-ins, Cent. A&H, sprinkler system, 2 car garage, fenced back yard, all on corner lot.

Spacious - 4 bedroom, 3 bath brick home, built-ins, refrig. air/central heat, living room, dining room, sunroom, built-in grill, fireplace, utility, sprinkler system, fenced back yard, 2 car garage. Plus more!

WE NEED HOUSE LISTINGS!!
160 acres on highway includes very nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home. Refrigerated air and central heat, built-ins, fireplace, large utility and 2 car garage. Has circular sprinkler, 2 wells, 70'x100' hay barn, 24'x25' storage building and more.
708 Acres South of Muleshoe - 5 - 8" irrigation wells, 4 circular sprinklers. Excellent for peanuts, potato crops, dairy permitted. Highway frontage. Call for details.

WE NEED FARM LISTINGS!!
Office: (806) 272-5380
Toll Free: 1-888-999-3846



116 E. Ave. C • George Nieman, Broker • 272-5285 or 272-5286

CHECK OUR LISTING INFO., PHOTOS, ETC. ON-LINE AT WWW.NIEMANREALTY.COM
HAVE BUYERS! NEED HOME AND LAND LISTINGS!!

RICHLAND HILLS - PARKRIDGE - HIGHLAND
• 3-2-1 Home, corner lot, Cent. A&H, built-ins, storm windows & doors, fenced yd., workshop/storage. \$47,500!!
• 2 NICELY REMODELED DUPLEX UNITS & 1 NEW Duplex unit!! PRICED TO SELL!!
• NEW 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, spklr. sys., fenced yd.!!
• BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM BUILT 3-2-2 Brick Home, built-ins, FP, isolated master, safe rm., patio, nicely landscaped, spklr. sys., fenced yd.!!
• NICELY REMODELED 3-2-2 Brick, new Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 3125' lv. area, spklr. sys., fenced yd., MORE!!
• VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, fireplace, utility, new paint, carpet, tile, atrium doors, blinds, 7 fans, cov. patio, stor. bldg., fenced yd.!! MORE!! \$145,000!!
• VERY NICE 3-2-5-2 Brick Home, Dual Fuel Heat Pump, built-ins, FP, basement, cent. vac. & humidifier systems, auto. spklr., workshop/storage, fenced yd., corner lot!! \$169,500!!

HIGH SCHOOL AREA
• Very NICE 2-1-2 brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, new paint, carpet, wood laminate, kitchen & bath countertops, fenced yd.!! MUCH MORE!! \$85K!!

COMMERCIAL
• ANA'S BEAUTY SHOP — Approx. 1120' bldg., with or without furniture & fixtures!! PRICE REDUCED!!
• 3 office units on 40.6' x 140' lot across from courthouse!! \$33,000!!
• VERY NICE CHURCH BLDG. WITH PARSONAGE - MAY BE SOLD SEPARATE!! Price Reduced!!
• GOOD INCOME PROPERTY-LONG TERM LEASE- Approx. 8,075' office bldg. w/ approx. 20,000' paved parking area!! PRICE REDUCED \$39.5K!!
• NICELY REMODELED - 800 sq. ft. Bldg., Cent A&H, updated electrical & plumbing. PRICE REDUCED \$39.5K!!
• 4.2 acre tract at edge of town, 40' x 60' metal insulated bldg., 2 other sheetrock bldgs., chainlink fenced area, numerous uses!! \$59K!!
• Approx. 1274' Building, 75' x 140' lot, U.S. Hwy. 84!! \$39.5K!!
• 100' x 140' tract, corner lot on Hwy. 84, 1760' Bldg., 1076' Bldg., 308' storage, & 2-56' x 22' metal building w/paved area!! \$49.5K!!

• FORMER RICHLAND HILLS TEXACO - 1414' Bldg. + 1080' canopy + 16,530' asphalt paving!!
FARMS
• 70 acre tract close to town, has irrig. well (not used in several years)!! \$450 per acre!!
IN CONTRACT RURAL
• EARTH - VERY NICE 3-3 w/2 car detached garage/workshop on 1.158 acres on Hwy. 70. Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, island cooktop, gameroom. Approx. 3206' lv. area, pergola, nicely landscaped, stor. bldg., pecan trees!! MORE!! \$129,900!!
• PROGRESS/LARIAT AREA - 3 bdrm. & den or 4 bdrm., 2 bath, Cent. A&H, built-ins, approx. 2270' lv. area on 7 acres, corrals, MORE!!
• Nice 3-2 Home at edge of town on .8 acres tract, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, efficiency apt. or guest cottage, horse barn & corral!! \$119,900!!
• 3 bdrm., 2 bath home on 30 acres, 24' x 36' workshop, 13' x 36' storage, domestic well, irrig. well!! MORE!! \$75K!!
• NICE 4.8 acre homesites, close to town, deed restricted!! \$17,500!!
• NICE 3-2-5 carport Home on 2 acres, Cent. heat, Cent. evap. air, built-ins, fireplace, fans, utility, cellar, large shop, stor. bldg., MORE!! \$129,500!!
• SUDAN - VERY NICE 2-1-1 carport Brick Home, elec. baseboard heat, window evap. air, fans, large utility, approx. 1220' lv. area, cov. patio, 3 car detached carport with storage, corner lot!! \$32,500!!
• CLAY'S CORNER — VERY NICE 3-2-75-2 HOME on 5 acre tract, Cent. A&H (Elec. Heat Pump), built-ins, FP, 1100 sq. ft. new in 2005 plus additional updating w/carpet, tile, paint, fenced yd., cov. patio, 600' workshop/storage Bldg.!! Numerous other amenities!! \$189,500!!
• PROGRESS - NICE 3-2 Mobile Home on 1.24 acres, approx. 1876 sq. ft., Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 5 fans, 2 carport, 1250' Metal shop, 160', 480', & 96' stor. bldgs., domestic well, fenced yd.!! MORE!! PRICE REDUCED \$69K!!
• 3-2 BRICK HOME on 7 acres, W. Hwy. 84, built-ins, office, geothermal heat pump, whirlpool tub, basement, paved circle drive & conc. parking!! MORE!! PRICE REDUCED \$125!!

Health

Pneumonia is a deadly serious disease for Americans

Submitted by Mandi Seaton, Bailey CEA-FCS

Andrew B. Crocker, Extension Program Specialist, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, reports that every year, more than 60,000 Americans die from pneumonia — an inflammation of the lungs that is usually caused by infection with bacteria, viruses or other organisms.

Pneumonia is a particular concern for older adults, people with chronic illnesses or impaired immune systems, but it can also strike young, healthy people.

There are many kinds of pneumonia ranging in seriousness from mild to life-threatening. Infection often follows a cold or the flu, but it can also be associated with other illnesses or occur on its own. Symptoms of pneumonia caused by bacteria usually come on quickly, including but not limited to

- Cough, sometimes producing rusty, green or blood-tinged mucus
- Fever

- Fast breathing, heart rate and/or shortness of breath

- Shaking and chills
- Chest pain that often feels worse when you cough or breathe in

- Feeling very tired and/or weak
- Nausea and vomiting and/or diarrhea

Symptoms caused by viruses are usually the same as those caused by bacteria; but, they may come on slowly and often are not as obvious or as bad, states Crocker.

Ironically, high-risk groups such as older adults may have fewer or milder symptoms than less vulnerable people do.

And instead of the high fever that often characterizes pneumonia, older adults may even have a lower than normal temperature. Or they may have a cough but not bring up mucus.

The main sign of pneumonia in older adults may be a change in how well they think — confusion is common.

If you think you may have

pneumonia, do not hesitate to get medical care.

See your health provider right away if you have a persistent cough, shortness of breath, chest pain that fluctuates with your breathing, an unexplained fever or if you suddenly feel worse after a cold or the flu.

You usually do not “catch” pneumonia from someone else. Instead, you develop the disease because your immune system is temporarily weakened. The following suggestions can help keep you healthy:

- Get vaccinated. Because pneumonia can be a complication of the flu, getting a yearly flu shot is a good way to prevent viral influenza pneumonia, which can lead to bacterial pneumonia.

In addition, get a vaccination against pneumonia at least once after age 55. Medicare may pay for this if you are a Medicare beneficiary with Part “B” coverage.

- Wash your hands. Your hands are in almost constant

contact with germs that can cause pneumonia. Washing your hands thoroughly and often can help reduce your risk.

- Don't smoke. Smoking damages your lungs' natural defenses against respiratory infections.

Take care of yourself. Plenty of rest and a healthy diet along with moderate exercise can help keep your immune system strong.

- Protect others from infection. If you have pneumonia, try to stay away from anyone with a compromised immune system.

If you have pneumonia, the following measures can help you recover more quickly and decrease your risk of complications:

- Get plenty of rest.
- Drink lots of fluids, especially water. Liquids keep you from becoming dehydrated and help loosen mucus in your lungs.

Take the entire course of any prescribed medications. Stopping medication too soon can cause your pneumonia to come back and contributes to the development of antibiotic-resistant bacteria.

- Keep all of your follow-up appointments. Even though you feel better, your lungs may still be infected.


For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Bailey County, at 806-272-4583.



Lance Insurance
Competitive Rates, Variety of Leading Companies
For Home, Auto, Commercial and Crop
806-227-2466

www.drippi.com

¡Se Habla Español!



TO ALL TEXAS MEDICAID PERSONS

We see Texas Medicaid people and want you to know that all Medicaid holders who are over 21 years of age are entitled to an eye exam when your card says you are eligible. We will get this exam done for you. And of course, we also see children who are eligible for eye care.

Dr. A.R. Ploudre
OPTOMETRIST
1515 GIDDING STREET • CLOVIS
505-762-2951



Aid available for some SPC students

The Panhandle-Plains Student Loan Center recently presented South Plains College a check for \$6,000 to fund scholarships for needy students. Twelve students will benefit from the scholarships which will range from \$400 to \$500. Shown, from left, are Earl Hudgins, senior vice president for Special Projects at Panhandle-Plains; Jim Ann Batenhorst, director of Financial Aid at SPC; and Dr. Kelvin Sharp, SPC president.

Photograph by Wes Underwood

SPC announces basic police academy

South Plains College will host its Summer Day Academy beginning May 5.

To be eligible for the class, prospective students must make an application on or before Jan. 22 and not later than April 18.

The academy ends Aug. 14.

The police academy meets from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. five days a week. Students will be required to attend some Saturday meetings during the summer to complete course competencies.

Because of the demanding nature of the academy, outside work is discouraged while attending the SPC Academy.

Following the 16-week police academy, students will be scheduled to take the state license examination to become a Texas peace officer.

The test is an employment requirement for law enforcement agencies; however, police academy graduates are not law enforcement officers until employed by a law enforcement agency.

Interested students

should contact Patsy Garner, department secretary, at 806-894-9611, ext. 2291, to make an appointment to take the Academy Entrance Test.

The general knowledge exam will test reading comprehension, spelling and grammar. A short biographical essay also is required.

Applicants with a passing score of 75 percent or above then will meet with the Academy Coordinator to determine eligibility requirements.

Upon completion of eligibility requirements, SPC requires a non-refundable \$50 application fee.

The fee is used to process a records request through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement for state and federal background checks.

A favorable return from TCLEOSE is mandatory before a student is admitted to the academy.

For more information about the academy, visit www.southplainscollege.edu/law.

THE PARMER COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT ADVISES THAT ONCE AGAIN IT IS TIME TO PLACE YOUR ORDER FOR WINDBREAK TREES.

Parmer County SWCD has a good selection of all variety of trees. Trees for windbreaks, wildlife or fruit trees are available. Seedlings as well as larger replacement trees can be ordered. *More than 30 varieties of shrubs, hardwoods and evergreens are offered.*

To order, call the Parmer County SWCD office, 806-481-3311 and talk to Jenny Baize, Frank Torres or Earl Behrends.

JANUARY ONLY!



WHOLESALE TO THE PUBLIC

<p>2007 JEEP WRANGLER UNLIMITED <i>4 to choose!</i></p>  <p>Stock # JP181305 Kelley Retail = \$27,150 Kelley Wholesale = \$23,175 YOU SAVE \$3,975!</p>	<p>2007 FORD FOCUS SES <i>6 to choose!</i></p>  <p>Stock # FE121703 Kelley Retail = \$14,195 Kelley Wholesale = \$11,985 YOU SAVE \$2,210!</p>
<p>2005 TOYOTA PRIUS HYBRID</p>  <p>Stock # OPO27892 Kelley Retail = \$22,740 Kelley Wholesale = \$18,925 YOU SAVE \$3,815!</p>	<p>2006 CHEVY MALIBU MAXX <i>3 to choose!</i></p>  <p>Stock # OE166344 Kelley Retail = \$16,470 Kelley Wholesale = \$13,450 YOU SAVE \$3,020!</p>

LOWER PRICES = PAYMENTS TO FIT YOUR BUDGET!

HUGE SELECTION OF CLEAN USED CARS, TRUCKS & SUVS!




PORTALES
1115 N. Chicago (575) 356-8581

MULESHOE
1112 W. American Blvd. (806) 272-7777

CLOVIS
3300 E Mabry Dr. (575) 762-2986