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## Muleshoe City Council candidates speak out

As part of the Muleshoe Journal's continuing effort to keep the voters of Muleshoe informed, the candidates for the City of Muleshoe Dist. 4 election, to be held on May 10, were asked to respond to a questionnaire.

The candidates are: Sharon Grant and Gary Parker, both of Muleshoe.

Sharon Grant was born in Lubbock and raised in Spur. She graduated from Monterey High School in Lubbock, attended Texas Tech University, and Clovis Community College before receiving an associate's degree in liberal arts from South Plains College.

She is married to Bailey County Commissioner C.E.



SHARON GRANT

Grant. They have three children.

In 1964, her family moved to West Camp, where they farmed and were part owner in a cotton gin. In 1989, they moved into Muleshoe.

Gary Parker was born and raised in Muleshoe. He



attended Muleshoe schools and graduated in 1975. He has been married to Cyndi Parker for 18 years. They have two children — Shanice Lambert of Childress and Goeff Goff of El Cajon, Calif., and five grandchildren.

1. Please list your qualifications for the city council, and explain why you think you are the best

candidate for the position.

Grant — I have served on the Muleshoe City Council for 7-1/2 years. I believe in community service and wish that more people would want to serve in this position. There are many people in our city who are capable of serving the citizens of Muleshoe in this capacity.

I believe because I have



GARY PARKER

already served on the council that I have a head start with my experience. There is really no way to study for this position. We, as a council, take one issue at a time and rely on our experience to make the right decision. I rely on my

conscience and my common sense before I vote on any issue. I believe my job as a GED instructor enables me to meet and understand the needs of the citizens from all walks of life, not just those of my friends and neighbors, all of whom have different needs and opinions.

I feel that my best qualification is that I listen. I can promise nothing else. I am only one vote, but I vote my conscience. You can depend on it.

Parker — I've worked for W.T. Services for 23 years. I believe that's a good example of my dedication. My wife and I moved from

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### Nap time woes

Thursday's high winds and blowing sand made it evident that an afternoon nap was best taken inside. Pictured above, a hammock at a residence just off of Ave. K battles against the wind, while the trees in the background are obscured by the blowing dust.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

### City council ratifies MEDC grant

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe City Council ratified a grant from the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation to the Muleshoe Area Education Foundation during Monday's regular meeting.

The \$43,752 grant, which was approved at the MEDC's April 10 meeting, will be used to renovate the exterior of the South Plains College-Muleshoe Center, addressing structural and cosmetic issues intended to make the building's entrance "more welcoming."

While the project's estimate is \$33,752, an additional \$10,000 was

approved for "cost overrun" reimbursements.

"We like their philosophy of "growing our own," Wanda Hooten, president of the MEDC, said Monday, referring to the MAEF and SPC-Muleshoe's efforts to educate medical personnel who will be more inclined to stay and work in the area.

It was noted that a job training facility such as the center was within the scope of the MEDC's charter.

In other business, the council:

- Were addressed by Tammy Underwood of Muleshoe concerning passage of a municipal that would prohibit semi-tractor trailers from parking

on residential streets.

Mayor Pro-Tem Earl Behrends noted that the City of Farwell had recently passed such an ordinance, and suggested that it was something Muleshoe should look at.

However, Mayor Cliff Black appeared to take the opposing view, wondering if such an ordinance could be a classified as a "restraint of trade."

The issue was tabled until the council's May meeting.

- Passed a series of items related to the federal CDBG and HOME grant the city has received to renovate or replace about five substandard houses within the city limits.

### Local Weather

Thursday  
Pt. Cloudy..... 57/29

Friday  
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### Bailey County court receives 'clean' audit report

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Bailey County received a "clean, unqualified" audit during Monday's regular meeting of the county commissioners' court.

"Nothing needs to be called to your attention, said Becky Roberts, CPA, of Abilene, as she addressed the court, referring to the audit which covered the period ending Sept. 30,

2007. Roberts indicated she was pleased with the audit, and said the process was "smoother" in this her firm's second year to audit the county offices.

"We didn't find any problems at all," Roberts said, adding that documentation problems noted in last year's audit had been cleared up.

Concerning the county's financial statements,

Roberts said, "It's been a positive year in your general fund."

She noted that Bailey County's net assets increased by \$285,535, for a total of \$1,901,433 during the 2007 fiscal year, and said the county closed out the year with combined fund balances of \$2,288,474.

The county's total revenue was \$4,456,194, and its total

expenses were \$4170,659.

In other business Monday, the court:

- Took no action concerning the Masonic Lodge in Muleshoe. At an earlier meeting, the court toured the building after learning the local lodge was combining with the lodge in Littlefield, and there was a possibility that the building might be donated for use as a courthouse annex.

"I don't think we need it," Precinct 1 Commissioner Butch Vandiver said. "We don't need another building."

During Monday's meeting, County Judge Sherri Harrison said the lodge is requesting \$10,000 for the building, which they plan to use to establish a scholarship fund.

She also said she was of mixed emotions about it with additional space for county offices being needed and the building's close proximity. "The location is prime for a courthouse annex," she said.

Precinct 3 Commissioner

Joey Kindle was also interested, but was concerned about the renovation costs, while Precinct 4 Commissioner Juan Chavez urged the court to move forward on the issue.

Precinct 2 Commissioner

It's been a positive year in your general fund."  
— Becky Roberts

### Muleshoe youngster heading to Washington

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

How do you spell "relief?" A Muleshoe youngster no doubt could tell you, and throw in some much harder words while she's at it.

She can also tell you that it's only a temporary thing because winning the regional spelling bee last month is just a prelude to next month when she has to compete in the national competition in Washington, D.C.

Stephanie Stancell, the 13-year-old daughter of Steven and Elaine Stancell captured first place honors in the Scripps National



STEPHANIE STANCELL

Spelling Bee's regional competition at Lubbock, on March 1, defeating a young lady who had taken the regional meet twice before in the process.

Now, she will travel to

the nation's capitol, where almost 300 kids will be gathering to compete for a \$20,000 prize on May 29-30.

Attributing her success to perseverance and her trust in God, the home-schooled youngster from Muleshoe is in her fourth and final bid for the national title.

In her first year of competition, Stephanie placed third in regional competition, and followed that success with second place regional titles in her next two years.

The oldest child in the

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**Santos benefit**

A brisket dinner to benefit Freddy Santos has been set for Sunday, April 20, from noon to 3 p.m., at the First Assembly of God Activity Center. Tickets are \$6, and the dinner will include brisket, potato salad, beans, rice, dessert and a drink. Delivery is available by calling 272-3017. Proceeds from the dinner are to help with Santos' medical expenses.

**Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes**

Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Bailey County is sponsoring Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes, a five-week series that will help you get the facts from diabetes experts and professional educators.

Presentations will include: Nutritional labels and diabetes and exercise on Tuesday, April 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the dining room of Muleshoe Area Medical Center. There is no cost to attend.

For more information contact, Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 118 W. Ave. C., Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

**Lazbuddie 3 on 3 tourney**

The Lazbuddie Longhorn Pride is sponsoring a "3 on 3" basketball tournament April 18 - 19, at the Lazbuddie High School gymnasium.

The games will begin at 5 p.m. Friday, and play will resume at 8 a.m. on Saturday. For additional information, contact the Lazbuddie Independent School District.

**Blood donation opportunities**

Muleshoe residents will have the opportunity to celebrate life by joining in the community blood drive at Muleshoe Medical Center, 708 S. First, on Wednesday, April 23, from 10:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call Tonya Lookingbill at 272-4524 to make an appointment.

Sudan residents will also have an opportunity to donate blood for Pam Merryman at Sudan High School, on Wednesday, April 23, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the PE room. Call Saunya at 227-2431, ext 122, to make an appointment at Sudan.

Another Muleshoe blood drive, benefiting Sandy Nash has been set for May 2, from 12:45-5:30 p.m. at the First Assembly of God, 521 S. First. Call 272-3597 or 272-4112 to set up an appointment.

**Postal food drive**

Postal carriers will pick up food on May 10 for distribution through the Bailey County Food Bank. Set non-perishable goods in a sack on the porch or sidewalk.

**Jennyslipper membership drive**

Muleshoe's Jennyslippers will be holding a membership drive and supper on April 21, from 6:30 - 9 p.m., at the Rebekeh Lodge. Area women of all ages are invited to be the guests of the Jennyslippers for the dinner and to discuss the fun activities of the Jennyslippers in serving the community.

**Umpire clinic**

The Muleshoe Softball Association offering an umpire clinic to be conducted by an official from Lubbock. Anyone interested in signing up for the clinic should call Angelica Olivas at (806)566-5333, Juan Sanchez at (806)729-2353, Oscar Hernandez at (806)778-9635 or Eufemia Torres at (806)729-8791. The cost of the clinic is \$65. The date and time of the clinic will depend on how many sign up for it.

**Softball teams sought**

Anyone interested in playing on a women's or co-ed softball team for the summer season should contact the Muleshoe Softball League board members: Juan Sanchez (806)729-2353, Oscar Hernandez 778-9635, Eva Chavez 729-0093, Eufemia Torres 729-8791, Juan Chavez 946-8246, Carl Patterson 946-8854, Daniel Guzman 946-7115, Kit Diaz 566-7115 or Angelica Olivas 566-5333.

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**Winner announced**

The winner of the \$10,000 donation project at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizens Center was drawn Wednesday, April 9. Pictured above, Laverne Winn of the center presents the winner, Judy Davenport, on the left, with her prize.

**Jennyslipper News**

The Jennyslippers met in a called session on Thursday, April 3, to discuss upcoming projects. They first enjoyed a pot-luck meal, then guest, Gail Gladden, brought information on hosting an Arts and Crafts Bazaar.

The bazaar is planned by the Jennyslippers in conjunction with Mule Days which has been selected by the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture for the weekend of Sept. 13.

Gladden answered many questions and encouraged 'getting the word out' so that crafts people could begin preparing their arts and crafts for the Bazaar.

She pointed out that lists of vendors that would come needed to be obtained, and they should be contacted as soon as possible.

Several requests have been received for birthday parties and playing golf at the Jennyslipper Mule-Putt Golf Course.

The Jennyslippers decided to have a clean-up, fix-up afternoon at the Mule-putt on Saturday afternoon, April 5. A fee of \$1.75 was set for a game on the 18-hole golf course, noting that the fee was very much lower than anywhere around, such as Clovis or Lubbock.

On Saturday afternoon the Jennyslippers turned up with rakes, hoes and

other cleaning equipment at the Mule-Putt Golf Course. A beautiful afternoon was profitable for the project and the golf course was soon sparkling and will be open to the public in the near future.

A membership drive is being planned for later in April and the Jennyslippers will welcome ladies of all ages to join in the fun of serving our community. More information will be available at a later date.

Four Jennyslippers attended the "Spring Fling" in Olton along with about 125 other area ladies on Thursday, April 10.

The Olton Chamber of Commerce sponsored the salad luncheon and style show.

About 40 door prizes were given and two Jennyslippers won prizes.

**Commissioners...**

Continued from page 1 gasoline prices. It was noted that this amount is still below the state reimbursement of 50.5 cents per mile.

- Approved a waterline easement in the vicinity of CR 235 and CR 1008.
- Approved a proclamation concerning colorectal cancer awareness.
- Approved the county treasurer's report for February and received March's report for review.



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## Muleshoe city council candidates... Continued from page 1

Muleshoe in 1994 and in 2003, decided it was time to come back home. I feel I have a lot to offer and can be an asset to our city council. Those who know me can attest to the fact that I don't have a problem expressing my opinion. But everyone's opinion should be formed with as much background information as possible, and based on what would be best for our community. I want to try to be part of the success of our community.

**2. What do you perceive to be the City of Muleshoe's greatest assets?**

**Grant** — I believe that one of Muleshoe's greatest assets is the citizens of our city. Anytime there is a need, the citizens band together to accomplish whatever goal that is necessary. Our citizens are always

willing to help their friends and neighbors when the need arises. It is because we work together that we accomplish so much more than other towns our size.

You have only to go to towns of similar size to see what a progressive town we have. The city council isn't responsible for this... the citizens are. The citizens deserve the credit because they give each entity — the school, county, hospital, nursing home and the city, the authority to accomplish the goals that have been set.

Another outstanding asset is that we are located where Highways 84, 70 and 214 intersect. Our traffic flow in a 24-hour period closely rivals Interstate 27 from Lubbock to Amarillo. This provides for us a tremendous opportunity for growth and tourist travel.

We need to take advantage of this and explore ways in which we can successfully expand on it.

**Parker** — Like all small towns in America, our greatest asset is our fine people. If it were not for good, honest, hardworking people with good family values, our town would cease to exist.

**3. What do you perceive to be the most important issues faced by the city, and how would you suggest these issues be addressed?**

**Grant** — Our most important issue at this time is playing "catch up." We have waited too long to purchase new equipment, build a new police station and build a new swimming pool. While some of these things can be done gradually, there are at least two that are immediate concerns. We

should commit to providing the necessary improvements to the infrastructure as soon as is feasible.

We have started working on these things, but we will have to carefully consider what can be done with the monies that have been allocated. It is each citizen's money that we are spending. We must always be aware of this.

**Parker** — Our city, in fact, our region, has always been almost totally dependent on the agriculture industry. And the agriculture industry has done its job well in keeping us prosperous. But we all know things are not what they used to be. I would like to see more effort to draw other types of business into our town. I don't think this is a job for only our city council, but I believe it's a good place to start.

I've watched our population drop since I was kid growing up here. I'd like to see us start growing, with more opportunities for our children to stay here to raise their families in the wholesome environment of a small town that they grew up in.

I feel like we have some of the best personnel anywhere staffing our EMS, our fire department, and our law enforcement agencies. My hat is off to all of them. I would like to see all these people able to do an even better job for us with an opportunity for better equipment, better facilities, and better training than they have ever had before. I understand these kinds of things take a tremendous amount of money, but I believe all citizens deserve the best possible in the safety of their families and possessions.

## Purdy honored by school district

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Long-time school board member Cindy Purdy was honored at a reception Monday afternoon and at the school board meeting later that day as she draws to a close her 21 years of service to the Muleshoe Independent School District, and the State of Texas.

Among those lauding Purdy Monday was Jim Crow, executive director of the Texas Association of School Boards, talked about her many years of service as a member of the TASB board of directors, and the chairman of TASB's Risk Management Fund.

"Cindy Purdy is a very special person," said Crow, noting that while three other TASB board members were recently recognized as they too leave the also the honors and recognition received by Purdy was more poignant. "Cindy is the epitome of what a school board member should be," he added later.

Dubravka Romano, the associate executive director of the TASB Risk Management Fund, who traveled to Muleshoe along with Crow to honor Purdy, said the retiring school board member was "The best advertising for Muleshoe anywhere."

She added that Purdy was instrumental to the operation of the Risk Management Fund that with her decision to retire, the fund's board of directors decided to appoint a committee to determine how to select her replacement.

Muleshoe ISD Superintendent Gene Sheets joined the accolades at the beginning of Monday's meeting, recognizing Purdy as a "great advocate for the board, and the school."

"It has truly been an honor for me," Purdy said between tears as she was presented with a clock commemorating her service to Muleshoe.

In other business, the school board:

- Received a presentation from Business Manager Trae McNeill on how the



Reception held for Cindy Purdy.

school district's budget was prepared.

Included in the discussion that accompanied the presentation Sheets commented on the state legislature's inability to properly fund education, and noted that if things didn't change a couple of years down the road the school district may have to look at either cutting staff or increasing taxes.

- Approved the second budget amendment for the current fiscal year, which McNeill said moved some monies around and didn't change the district's fund balance.

- Held the first readings of policy updates, one that covered the "state-mandated" district testing policy, and another that updated how the district ranked classes.

"We want to count more core classes," the

superintendent explained.

- Approved the purchase of a new route bus at a cost of \$78,000. At its last meeting, the school board decided not to purchase a new activity bus at this time. The additional funds re-allocated in the budget amendment were using monies that had previously been set aside for the new activity bus.

- Approved the minutes from the March 10 board meeting.

- Went into closed session to discuss personnel.

- Accepted the resignations of MISD instructors Greg Poyner, Ray Altman and Dustin Wilhite, along with that of Israel DeLeon, who was hired last month, but had already taken another position elsewhere.

- Approved the hiring of Becky Brown as a second grade teacher.

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# Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Our congratulations to Judy Davenport. She was rewarded with the \$10,000 for her donation of a \$100. Our many thanks to all who supported the center with your donations.

We have a first class senior center in Muleshoe. Anyone talking about a good center, Muleshoe is

always mentioned.

To maintain a good center we have to have donations. We are a nonprofit organization with no income except what we receive from our supporters.

The help we receive from SPAG, is only a small portion of the funds needed to support the center.

Remember the center if you would like to honor someone, give a memorial, or just want to do a good deed. All you merchants, doctors, dentist, and friends think about how your senior citizens have supported you all the past years.

It is rewarding to come in and see all the tables full with our senior citizens

enjoying life and not staying home being depressed and lonely.

Our appreciation to the ones who have furnished our coffee, donuts and refreshments. It makes our coffee taste better.

And also to all of the volunteers who helped with our pancake breakfast. Our breakfast was a huge

success thanks to you.

Fred Clements was honored with a plaque for his help to the center. He is a very talented handy man and his help is very much needed and appreciated. Congratulations, Fred.

I was also honored with a plaque from my super friends at the center. I told them the plaque needed

several names on it. You the senior citizens is what makes the center a good success.

Without your support and attendance there would be no need for the help.

Our birthday party will be Thursday, April 24. If you are on our records you should receive a phone call

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# Obituaries

## Mark Rodriguez

Church services for Mark Anthony "Marky" Rodriguez, 23, of Muleshoe, were held on Saturday, April 12, at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe with his uncle, Pastor Richard Rodriguez of Clovis, N.M., officiating.

Burial will be in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery in Muleshoe with Pastor Steve Claybrook officiating.

Marky died on Sunday, April 6, 2008, in Muleshoe. He was born on July 30, 1984, in Muleshoe, and was a lifelong resident of Muleshoe, and member of New Covenant Church.

Survivors include his parents — Mike Rodriguez of Lubbock and Debbie (Hurtado) Rodriguez of Texico, N.M.; a brother and his wife — Micheal and Kimberly Rodriguez of Sudan; two brothers — Manuel Campolla of Amarillo



"MARKY" RODRIGUEZ

and Daniel Campolla of Norfolk, Va.; his fiancée — Veronica Martinez; a daughter — Alize Devine Rodriguez of Muleshoe; his maternal grandparents — Julia Hurtado of Muleshoe, and "Grandpa" Ambrosio Rojas of Muleshoe; his paternal grandparents — Joe and Esther Rodriguez of Muleshoe; a niece — Micheala Rodriguez; and three nephews — Malachi, Micah, and Moses Rodriguez.

## Gabriel DeLeon

Church services for Gabriel Joel DeLeon, 25, of Muleshoe, were held on Friday, April 11, at Earth United Methodist Church with the Rev. Angie Castillo of Earth officiating.

Rosary was said on Wednesday, April 9, at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Muleshoe. Burial followed Friday's service at Earth Memorial Cemetery.

DeLeon died on Sunday, April 6, 2008, in Muleshoe. He was born on Aug. 24, 1982 in Littlefield, and married Cassandra Ann Flores.

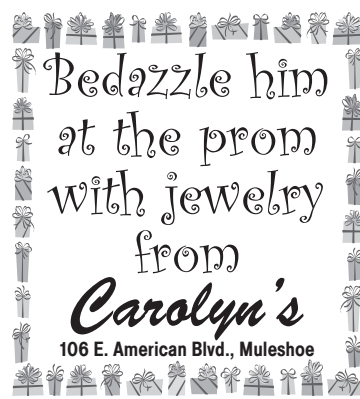
DeLeon moved to Muleshoe three years ago from El Paso. He was a member of the Spanish Methodist Church in Muleshoe.

He was preceded in death by a son — Gabriel DeLeon, on Feb. 15, 2008, and a

brother — Eli DeLeon.

Survivors include his wife — Cassandra Flores DeLeon of Muleshoe; a daughter — Dazza DeLeon, also of Muleshoe; his father — Raul DeLeon of Earth; his mother — Charleen DeLeon of El Paso; four sisters — Crystal DeLeon Ontiveroz of Ruidoso, N.M., Amber DeLeon and Ivett

Benavidez, both of El Paso, and Chey' Anne DeLeon of Dimmitt; two brothers — Junior Benavidez and Daniel Benavidez, both of El Paso; and grandparents — Gregoria DeLeon and Armando DeLeon, both of Earth, and Ernest and Camila Hurtado of Las Vegas, N.M.



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## Students of the week

Watson Junior High recently announced the Students of the Week for April 2. They are: Eighth grade — Saul Elizalde and Lourdes Martinez; seventh grade — Stefanie Lopez and Alex Mendoza; and sixth grade — Marissa Cortez and Cristian Zaragoza.

## Letter to the Editor

### Carrier's wife displeased by recent 'turkey column'

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to Larry Thornton's commentary on mail service in our community.

Mr. Thornton primarily wrote about attacks on postal workers by wild turkeys. This phenomenon actually occurred in Wisconsin and is not likely in Muleshoe.

I believe the primary complaints of the writer was a request by the postal service to place mail boxes at the curb, as well as the rising cost of postage.

I believe that most able bodied citizens can walk from their doorway to the end of their driveway once a day to retrieve their mail. Exceptions should be made for the disabled or homebound.

I am also concerned about cost of postage, and believe the request to relocate mail boxes is simply a method to control costs. Obviously an employee driving from mail box to mail box can deliver to more houses in eight hours than one who is walking.

Injuries on the job are expensive to businesses. Although Mr. Thornton must live in an area of Muleshoe that doesn't ever have a dog out of a fenced yard, let me assure you this is not the case in most neighborhoods.

Even friendly dogs can be territorial when a stranger, such as a letter carrier, approaches their home.

According to the US Postal Service web site there are over 3,000 dog bite injuries to postal workers in the United States every year.

Avoidance of these injuries by employees remaining in a vehicle would decrease costs and keep postage rates affordable.

Despite grumbling about increasing postage costs, you can't beat the price. For example, a large envelope weighing one ounce mailed anywhere in the United States by the postal service costs 80 cents. The same size envelope or "package" sent from here to the DFW area will cost between \$18 and \$24 with the "other" delivery services.

Mr. Thornton, let's talk "Turkey," you can't keep costs low without making changes.

**Lisa Allen, Muleshoe**  
(Editor's note: The cost of "the other delivery services" is required by federal law to be at least twice the cost of U.S. Postal Service delivery.)

### Postal food drive to be held

Muleshoe postal carriers will be picking up food donations on May 10 for distribution through the Bailey County Food Bank.

Set non-perishable goods in a sack on the porch or sidewalk and the carriers will pick it up.

## Spelling...

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family, with three brothers, Stephanie enjoys reading, and has a developing interest in language — especially French, both of which can prove beneficial in the spelling competitions.

And while a good memory for words is also helpful, Stephanie says it doesn't make up for a sound knowledge of spelling rules.

"I'm really proud of her," Elaine Stancell said of her daughter during Thursday's interview.

While Stephanie admits she's a little weak in science classes, spelling isn't the only area in which she excels. She has also placed seventh out of 96 students in geography competition.

**Thanks for reading!**

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# Sports

## Lady Mules softball team clenches a state playoff berth

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules had to defeat the Floydada Whirlwinds and the Littlefield Lady Cats this past week to clinch a state playoff berth.

Tuesday Floydada fell to the Lady Mules by a score of 26-7 in a game stopped after six innings.

The Lady Mules traveled to Littlefield Saturday with half their task behind them.

The Lady Cats had stayed close to the Lady Mules in the first round on the South Main Field. Ali Eagle woke up in Abilene Saturday morning and participated in UIL events.

If every thing went as planned she would arrive in Littlefield for the start of the game.

The UIL contest ran a little behind schedule

but fortunately so did the umpires and the game started about an hour and 15 minutes late. Eagle did not miss an at bat.

Val Olivas gave up four hits, walked four and fanned five Lady Cats in the five inning game.

The Lady Mules provided Olivas with a lot of support and blanked Littlefield 15-0 to lock up a playoff spot.

April Gardea entered the pitchers circle with a nine run lead in the bottom of the first inning.

The Whirlwinds failed to scratch until the second inning when they finally pushed a run across but by then the lady Mules had put 13 on the board.

Floydada chipped away at the Lady Mules until the sixth inning. The Lady Mules exploded for nine runs and Gardea set them down in order in

the bottom of the inning to end the game.

BreAnn Baca drew a walk to start the game in Littlefield and Tori Alvarado singled to right field. Gabby Perez walked to load the bases with one out. Amber Fuentes pounded a ground ball at the second baseman.

She scooped up the ball and tossed to first on what appeared to be a fielder's choice and Baca raced home.

The umpires met near the mound and after considerable deliberation decided Perez had been tagged out on the way to second for the second out for a double play to end the inning with no run scoring.

Only four Lady Cats went to the plate in the bottom half of the first inning. Erika Rodriguez made the grab on a line

drive to short stop. Olivas hit the second batter that she faced and walked the next to put runners at first and second.

Littlefield attempted a double steal and Alvarado fired a bullet to Baca and she made the tag at third for the second out. Olivas fielded a high pop over the pitchers circle for the final out and keep the score at 0-0.

Rodriguez drew a one out walk to lead off the second inning and stole second base.

Ashley Johnson pounded a line drive up the middle for a single that scored Rodriguez for the Lady Mules first run of the game.

Baca drew a two-out walk. Alvarado's line shot to short stop was bobbled and Alvarado reached on the error.

Johnson scored from

second as she was running on the pitch.

Olivas helped her own cause with a single up the middle that bought both Baca and Alvarado home. The Lady Mules led 4-0 after one and a half innings.

Baca charged a slow roller to third and made the throw to Perez a first for the first out in the bottom of the second.

A single to left allowed a Lady Cat to reach first. Rodriguez just had time to get her glove up for the catch on a line drive to short and tossed to first to complete the double play.

The Lady Mules batted

around for the second inning in a row and scored seven runs on one hit, four walks and three errors. Rodriguez, Johnson, Eagle, Baca, Olivas, Perez and Fuentes all crossed the plate to give the Lady Mules an 11-0 lead.

The Lady Mules cruised in after that as they recorded the shutout.

The Lady Mules hosted the Abernathy Lady Lopes in their final regular season game Tuesday on the South Main Field.

The bi-district opponent has yet to be determined so a playoff date and location has not been determined.

## Sleeping Mule bats awaken against Friona

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Mule's bats had been asleep for four games before the Tulia Hornets visited the Mules.

The bats continued to snooze and the Hornets blanked the Mules 11-0.

Mule baseball coach Shane Fuller packed an alarm clock with the equipment for the trip to Friona Friday afternoon.

The clock went off in the fifth inning and so did the Mules. The Mules exploded for 10 runs on six hits against the Chieftains.

The six hits included three homes as the Mules pounded Friona 15-3.

"All those hits today sure made today a lot more bearable," said Mule coach Shane Fuller as the cold north wind whipped the slow rain around the visitor's dugout in Friona. "It sure makes you wonder why we could not wake up those bats before. Now we just need to keep them up."

Stephen Dominguez ripped a single to right

field in the first inning for the Mules only hit against Tulia. The Hornets scored two runs in the first and second inning and one in the third. They added two more in the fifth and four in the seventh.

Friona seemed to be well on their way to blanking the Mules in the first and second innings. Tanner Bales doubled to left for the Mules only hit in the first two innings.

The Chieftains first batter walked and stole second base. A single to left gave Friona a 1-0 lead after one inning and held that lead through the second.

Gunner Kerby earned a walk on seven pitches to lead off for the Mules in the top of the third inning. Elias Alvarado sacrificed him to second before Dominguez doubled to right center to score Kerby and tie the game.

Friona reclaimed the lead in the bottom half of the third. The lead off batter bunted down the third base line and appeared to be rolling foul but stayed on the line

for a base hit. He was sacrificed to second and went to third on a passed ball.

Caleb Conner scooped up the slow roller to second but his only play was to first. The sacrifice pushed Friona back in front 2-1 after three innings.

Neither team scored again until the alarm clock went off in the Mule dugout and Mule's bats awoke from their long spring slumber. Friona's third baseman booted Kerby's blast down the line.

Alvarado singled to right center and went to second as the throw went to third in an attempt to cut off Kerby. Victor Vasquez dropped a blooper to short right field to score Kerby and Alvarado and give the Mules their first lead of the day.

Cesar Lopez was hit by a pitch to put Mules on first and second. Caleb Conner beat out an infield hit to short stop to load the bases. Bales had the first two pitches called for strikes and the next two were out of the strike

zone.

He fouled off four pitches before finding one he could drive over the left field fence for a grand slam home run. The blast not only gave the Mules a comfortable lead but it also excited the team. DJ Atwood was drilled with a pitch before Kerby sent the ball out of the park over the center field fence.

Alvarado singled to center field to keep the two-out rally going. Dominguez sent a high fly ball that seemed to keep going over the right field fence for the Mules third homer. The Mules had rallied for 10 runs in the fifth inning.

The Mules scored four insurance runs in the top of the seventh. Kerby singled to left and went to second on a balk. Alvarado singled to left and went to second on the throw to third.

Jared Skipworth scrambled to first base when his tap back to the pitcher was bobbled long enough for him to reach

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# Sports

## Mules bring home district track championship

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Mules ran away from the other six teams in District 2-AA in Tulia. They scored 172 points to bring home the District Championship.

Bushland (161.5) placed second; Dimmitt (75) and Friona (75) tied for third. Tulia (73) ran fifth, River Road (31) was sixth and Highland Park (26.5) came in seventh.

"I was very excited today as this is my first varsity track district championship," said Mule boys track coach Ted Johnson. "The boys gave it all they had today and deserved to win. When you have 14 athletes to qualify for the regional meet you have had a great day."

"We hope to get in a couple of qualifiers meets before going to Abilene. Spring is such a busy time for these kids but we will keep working hard to get ready for the Region I Meet."

Fourteen Mules qualified for the Region I Meet in ten different events. Sterling Leopard was the first Mule to qualify with a gold medal time of 10 minutes 49.00



Photograph by Stacy Conner

Mule Alex Godinez competes in the long jump.

seconds in the 3200-meter run. Colby Carpenter was the second to qualify by taking the silver medal in the 3200 with a time of 11:42.00.

The Mules swept the medals in pole vault. Lane Wood cleared 14 feet even for the gold medal. Wes Wood had a vault of 13-0 for the silver medal and Austin

Wright cleared 11-6 for the bronze medal.

The 4x100-meter relay team of Victor Vasquez, Dusty Clayton, Caleb Conner and Doc Fullmer had a gold medal time of 44.79.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Fullmer, Clayton, Colt Ellis and Vasquez took the gold medal with a time

of 1:34.50.

Clayton and Conner earned the gold and bronze medals respectively with times of 11.11 and 11.54 in the 100-meter dash. Leopard earned his second gold medal of the day in the 1600-meter run with a time of 4:55.54.

Alex Godinez took the silver medal in the 400-meter run with a 52.59. The 4x400-meter relay of Fullmer, Godinez, Nathaniel Chavez and Ray Ramirez had a bronze medal time of 3:33.13.

Ray Ramirez ran a 41.85 in the 300-meter hurdles to take the bronze medal. Garrett Riley qualified for regional in the high jump by clearing 6-2 for the bronze medal.

Ellis placed fourth in the 200-meter dash with a time of 23.69. Chavez ran fourth in the 400-meter run with a 53.99.

Ray Ramirez took fourth in the 800-meter run with a 2:11.68. Gilberto Mojica finished fourth in the 3200 with a time of 5:22.03.

Jorge Rodriguez tossed the shot put 42-9.5 for fourth place. Carpenter had a distance of 39-7.5 for fourth in the triple jump. He also finished fifth in the 1600 with a time of 5:22.03.

Godinez placed fifth in the long jump with a leap of 18-11.25. L. Wood was fifth in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 16.64.

Zamora had a leap of 5-10 for sixth place in the high jump.

Gunner Kerby finished sixth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.90.

The qualifying Mules will be competing in Abilene April 25 and 26 in the Region I Meet.

## Wood tennis team defeats all comers; advance to Regional 1 Tournament

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

Lane Wood and Wes Wood defeated all comers in boy's doubles at the District 2-AA Tennis Tournament and advanced to the Region I Tournament.

The regional meet will be held at Abilene Christian University April 22 and 23.

As district champions the team of Wood and Wood were the only representatives from Muleshoe to advance to the regional meet.

Adam Zamora placed third in the Varsity Boys Singles division. Colt Ellis was close behind Zamora in fourth place.

The Varsity Mixed Doubles team of Colby Carpenter and Corie Ann Black took third place at the district tournament. Patrick Precure

and Tyson Turnbow placed third in boy's doubles.

Jenna Whitworth and Shayla Carpenter took first in the Junior Varsity Girl's Doubles. The team of Cassidy Lowe and Sandy Mojica finished third in JV Girl's Doubles.

The JV Boy's Doubles division was won by the team of Garrett Riley and Dusty Clayton. The team of Ryan Hall and Brad Poynor placed third.

"Tennis is a sport you can play all your life," said Mule tennis coach Colie Cox. "I was very proud of Lane (Wood) and Wes (Wood) for winning district in Boy's

Doubles and advancing to the Region I Tournament in Abilene. Wes (Wood) was playing with an injury but did not let it slow him down once the competition started."

"I was proud of all the athletes and the way they competed. They all played hard and represented themselves and Muleshoe High School like true Mules."

**More sports on page 12**

## Baseball...

Continued from page 6 safely and load the bases. Julio Bustillos walked to score Kerby. Dameon Snell singled down the left field line to score Alvarado and Skipworth.

Adrian Chacon singled to left to bring Bustillos across for the Mules final run. The Chieftains managed to push one run across in the sixth inning before going quietly in the seventh.

The Mules hosted Friona Tuesday and will travel to Tulia on Saturday. A Mule win over Friona would wrap up a playoff berth. They will wrap up their regular season in Dimmitt April 22.

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Using state-of-the-art technology and instrumentation, laboratory professionals help to prevent disease by detecting unknown health problems and by aiding in the diagnosis and treatment of existing conditions by giving accurate, timely test results.

To celebrate National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week, laboratories across the country will host open houses, tours, lectures, and demonstrations to help acquaint the public and other health professionals with the workings of the medical laboratory. M.A.M.C. plans to celebrate Lab Week by holding an open house Tuesday, a blood drive Wednesday, a raffle for \$200 from United to benefit the Hospital Floor Fund and a luncheon for the medical staff.

"We are proud of the work we do," said Tonya Lookingbill, lab manager. "We have been painstakingly meticulous in performing our jobs to provide dependable answers to your family physicians."

Doctors rely heavily on lab tests to make diagnoses, thus laboratory professionals are critical components of the health care system. Results of laboratory tests often identify the presence of disease in its earliest stages, when the possibilities of a cure are greatest and when treatment is least costly.

Yet, despite the important roles laboratory professionals play, and increasing demands for laboratory services, the profession is undergoing stress. In its most recent survey of laboratory wages and vacancies, ASCP reported that nearly 44% of laboratories report they are currently experiencing difficulties recruiting or hiring medical laboratory personnel. There are several reasons for the lab worker shortage, including rising retirement numbers among laboratory technicians, fewer schools of laboratory technology and the corollary decrease in the number of graduates.

With that in mind, laboratory organizations, including professional societies such as the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) and even laboratory equipment manufacturers are mounting active campaigns to recruit students to the profession.

Medical laboratory professionals represent a variety of specialties, including pathologists, medical technologists, clinical laboratory scientists, medical laboratory technicians, histotechnologists, histologic technicians, cytotechnologists, cytopathologists, phlebotomy technicians, clinical chemists, microbiologists, laboratory managers, and medical educators.

These professionals can be found in hospitals, doctors' offices, clinics, research facilities, blood banks, public health centers, the Armed Forces, universities, and industry. Within the laboratory, these highly educated and experienced medical laboratory professionals may work in chemistry, serology, hematology, cytology, microbiology, immunology, coagulation, histology, urinalysis, molecular biology, or the blood bank.

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## Jesus Makes His Followers "New Creations" Indeed

My wife and I got a great deal the other day on an old china cabinet. At least, that's what she and our close friends who discovered it for us at a garage sale tell me.

We paid fifty bucks for it. On the day I drove to Lubbock and picked it up, I'd have paid sixty bucks not to have had to, but . . .

A table purchase started this. My wife has long been due a new table. She says she's never had a new one, but I know that's

it. The guys were praying we'd buy it so we could quit talking about it. After trips to a thousand more furniture stores, we went back to the first one and bought it. (The table, not the store.)

I get shaky in furniture stores. I think it's post-traumatic stress syndrome. We've not spent much time in such stores over the years, but I still remember the financial wrecks (by my reckoning) that occur there. I feel like I'm going back to the scene of a terrible accident. The furniture store needn't be named Fingers for you to feel its fingers filching deep in your pocket.

So I should be thankful for the fifty dollar garage sale china cabinet that has saved us from paying much bigger bucks for the mega-shekel model made to go with our table.

I thought we had a perfectly fine china cabinet. It was given to us also in the 70's by church friends in Abilene who took pity on a starving student ministerial couple. Seems like a slap in their face to so lightly toss it aside after only thirty years.

The new one is oak. Glass shelves. Glass in the doors. And the cats in the garage where it was stored were obviously quite taken with it.

The makeover of the fifty dollar one has not been cheap. Sand paper, sander to replace the one that gave up and died on this project, drawer rails, hardware, paint, stain, etc. That does not include the beveled glass we'll craft to replace what's in the doors.

I admit it. I think it's gonna be a nice, though not inexpensive, makeover.

It makes me think. When God saves us, he doesn't just lightly "refinish" his children. Through Christ he remakes us completely into a "new creation." For us, the gift is free. But for our Creator? No gift was ever more expensive.

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

**Focus On Faith**

*Curtis Shelburne*

wrong. I distinctly remember going to Fingers Fine Furniture when, married but not yet 20, we were living in Houston. We bought a square 70's style (the ghastly stuff that's all the rage now and called "modern") breakfast table with "square" chairs whose bottoms were covered with banana yellow plastic. I didn't say it was beautiful. But it was brand new, and it was a table. I rest my case.

Long story short, we just bought another one. It had become clear we were going to. I had already asked all the pertinent rhetorical questions.

"Pretty, yes, but what, pray tell, does it really do? It has no cool-sounding engine with straight pipes. The only time it'll make zero to sixty is in the truck on the way to the house. It won't crunch numbers or process words or tell you "Good Morning" if you program it right. I ask again, what does it really do?"

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**REPRESENTATIVE SALES - SAT., APRIL 12, 2008**

631 head of cattle, 153 hogs and 517 sheep and goats for a total of 1301 livestock sold at the April 12 sale. Market 1-3 lower on stocker cattle, not enough feeder cattle to test market. Bred cows steady. Packer cows 2-3 dollars higher.

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Seller, City	#	Type	Wt.	CWT or PH
Paula Nix, Springlake	3	Mxd. bulls...	137 lbs.	at \$265.00
Paula Nix	2	Mxd. bulls	265 lbs.	at \$135.00
Paula Nix	4	Mxd. bulls	496 lbs.	at \$105.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	4	Blk. str.	303 lbs.	at \$123.00
Dean Jackson, Hobbs, NM	2	RWF str.	323 lbs.	at \$121.00
Dean Jackson	2	RWF str.	510 lbs.	at \$108.00
Suzanne Doyal, Lubbock	1	Blk. bull	375 lbs.	at \$120.00
B&M Cattle, Lubbock	9	Mxd. str.	445 lbs.	at \$115.50
JR Rodriguez, Bula	1	Blk. str.	520 lbs.	at \$111.00
Kelly Cure, Olton	8	Mxd. str.	536 lbs.	at \$108.00
Kelly Cure	6	Mxd. str.	607 lbs.	at \$96.00
Paula Nix	3	Mxd. hfrs	257 lbs.	at \$335.00
Paula Nix	3	Mxd. hfrs	332 lbs.	at \$121.00
FM Farms	4	Red hfrs	341 lbs.	at \$111.00
Suzanne Doyal	5	Mxd. hfrs	421 lbs.	at \$114.00
Richard Carter, Lubbock	3	Mxd. hfrs	437 lbs.	at \$106.00
Joe Tarter, Muleshoe	3	Mxd. hfrs	487 lbs.	at \$108.00
Joe Tarter	3	Mxd. hfrs	652 lbs.	at \$88.50
Kelly Cure	15	Mxd. hfrs	499 lbs.	at \$103.00
LaShea Mason, Muleshoe	3	Char. hfrs	500 lbs.	at \$110.00
Alma Rodriguez, Sudan	2	Blk. hfr.	715 lbs.	at \$88.00
Euell Adams, Tulia	2	RWF cows P7		\$630.00
Alberto Acosta, Littlefield	1	Char. cow P7		\$600.00
Albert Diaz, Muleshoe	1	Red cow P7		\$635.00
Paula Nix	1	Blk. cow P8		\$810.00
Paula Nix	2	Mxd. cows	1045 lbs.	at \$55.00
Paula Nix	1	Char. bull	1365 lbs.	at \$58.00
BT Livestock, Morton	1	Red cow	1365 lbs.	at \$58.00
SS Cattle, Springlake	3	Red cows	1122 lbs.	at \$55.75
Dean Jackson	1	Red cow	930 lbs.	at \$55.50
4B Livestock, Muleshoe	1	Blk. cow	1380 lbs.	at \$55.00
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A tax is money that we give to our government so people in our government offices can pay the bills for everything we need to keep our country running. To help raise the needed money, we pay taxes on items we buy, such as:

- \$ cars
- \$ clothes
- \$ houses
- \$ medicine
- \$ money we make
- \$ gasoline...

Some people disagree with the way their tax money is spent by our government. Some feel the money is sometimes wasted.

Tax money is used to buy things needed by all:

- schools
- prisons
- post offices
- sidewalks
- bridges...

Tax money is used to pay people for services we all need:

- firemen
- policemen
- teachers...

In our country, the more money you make the more taxes you should pay. Does this seem fair to you?

The largest part of the Treasury Department of our government is the Internal Revenue Service. They give people information on how to fill out their tax forms. They make sure people in the country pay their share of taxes. It is a huge job. What do you think they use to check millions of tax forms every year?

Fill in the crossword puzzle to find out. The answer will show below the arrow.

1. President who gave the government the power to collect taxes on the money people made at their jobs

2. person who gathers taxes for government

3. a tax is \_\_\_\_\_ that is paid to the government

4. taxes pay for things for all \_\_\_\_\_ to use

5. taxes keep our \_\_\_\_\_ running

6. spent foolishly

7. system of rule

8. initials of the Internal Revenue Service

9. \_\_\_\_\_ D.C. is where where our national government is located

collector Lincoln people  
government IRS money  
Washington wasted country

Yahoo! We finished our taxes on time.

**Who Buys This?**

We buy many things for our own use. We also pay taxes, or money to our government, to buy some items or pay some people who are needed by all of us. Which of these items do we buy for ourselves? Color them. Which of these items are bought by our government to help all people? Circle them.

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**Tax Trail!** hmmm!

Study the 3 trails in the puzzle. Which trail follows the 4 steps below in exact order to help little mouse get his taxes in on time?

1. Little mouse picks up blank forms from mailbox.
2. He fills out the forms.
3. He has his tax person check forms on a computer.
4. He mails forms and any taxes due.

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Tax Laws

Income Tax Form

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# Bridal Showers

## Madrid bridal shower held

Jai-Deanne and Steven Madrid were honored with a bridal shower on March 30, in the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe's parlor.

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Jesusa Badillo of Donna. The groom is the son of Kevin and Rhonda Smith of Muleshoe, and Dennis Madrid of Lubbock.

The hostesses for the event included Pat Atwood, Cindy Barrett, Brenda Black, Yerry Byers, Debbie Conner, Ruth Hall, Sheri Hawkins, Jo Ellen Cowart, Debbie Hutto, Janene



STEVEN AND JAI-DEANNE MADRID

Jesko, Janet Morgan, April Smith, Nan Vaughn and Suzanne Nichols.

The couple received individual gifts.

Special guests at the event included Jesusa

Badillo, Rhonda Smith, Paula Madrid, Doyle and Lela Sue King, and Avelina Madrid, Sandra Speck of Lubbock, Robin and Jacob Carty, Amy Williams and Toni King.

# Engagement



MACIE LANCE AND COREY KENNEDY

## Lance, Kennedy engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Bo Lance of Sudan and Mr. and Mrs. Royce McAdams of Temple announce the engagement of their daughter, Macie Lynae Lance, to Corey Layne Kennedy.

The prospective bride is a 2004 graduate of Sudan High School. She will graduate from Texas A&M University in May with a bachelor of science degree in kinesiology, and plans to pursue a masters degree in occupational therapy at Texas Women's University in Dallas.

The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Kennedy of Abilene.

He is a 2004 graduate of Abilene Cooper High School, and will graduate from Texas A&M University in December with a bachelors degree in mathematics, and plans to pursue a master of divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary of Ft. Worth.

The wedding date has been set for Saturday, May 24, 2008, at the First Baptist Church of Sudan.



JAMES MARRICLE AND MORGAN BURTON

## Burton, Marricle engaged

Terry and Donna Burton of Muleshoe announce the engagement of their daughter, Morgan Shea Burton of Lubbock, to James Ryan Marricle, also of Lubbock.

The prospective bride is a 2005 graduate of Muleshoe High School and is currently attending Texas Tech University.

She is employed with

Plains Capital Bank of Lubbock.

The prospective groom is the son of David and Terry Marricle of Muleshoe.

He is a 2004 graduate of Muleshoe High School and is currently working for South Plains Electric Cooperative of Lubbock.

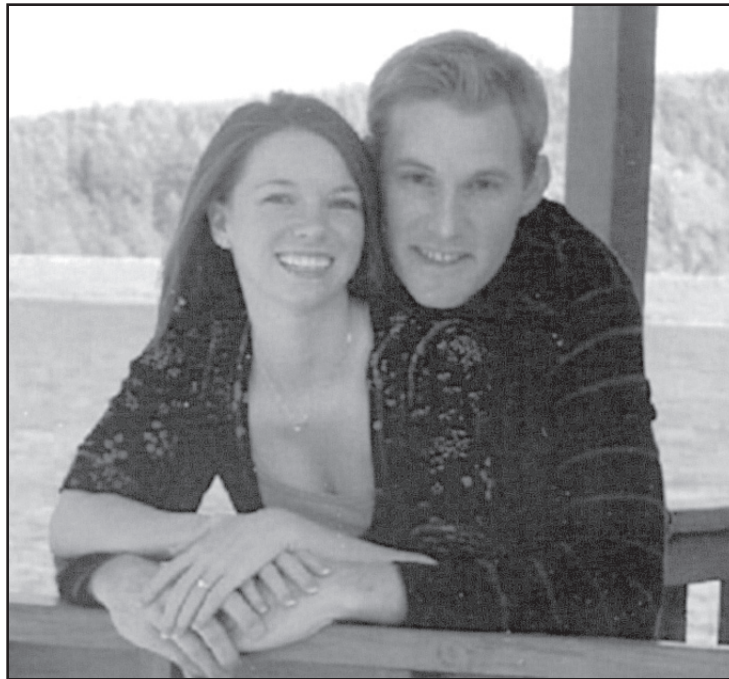
The wedding date has been set for Saturday, July 26, in Muleshoe.

## Postal food drive to be held

Muleshoe postal carriers will be picking up food donations on May 10 for distribution through the Bailey County Food Bank.

Set non-perishable goods in a sack on the porch or sidewalk and the carriers will pick it up.

**Thanks for reading the Journal!**



TABITHA GORE AND GAVIN HAYNIE

## Gore, Haynie engaged

Rusty and Gwenna Gore of Sudan announce the engagement of their daughter, Tabitha Gore of Clovis, N.M., to Gavin Haynie.

The prospective bride is a 2001 graduate of Sudan High School and a 2007 graduate of Eastern New Mexico University with a masters in communicative disorders.

She is employed as a

speech therapist at Clovis Municipal Schools.

The prospective groom is the son of Roger and Yvonne Haynie of Clovis, N.M.

He is a 1996 graduate of Clovis High School, and is owner of All-Pro Steam Carpet Cleaning.

The wedding has been set for June 7, 2008, at the First Church of the Nazarene of Clovis, N.M.

# Club News

# SCAC

The Student Community Action Club is once again ready to accept applications for new members. SCAC is for students who want to better our community by doing volunteer work.

The organization meets every third Monday of the month to discuss what needs to be done, and works closely with the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation. The work SCAC does includes the food pantry, manning a rest stop for the Tour de Muleshoe, wrapping Christmas presents for the needy, decorating the Jane's Ranch House for Christmas, giving tours at the heritage center, helping with the fall festival, holding a bake auction to raise money for the heritage foundation, and other volunteer projects.

Members of SCAC are a part of a group of people working together to achieve a common goal. Being a member of SCAC allows you to become closer to

fellow students, have fun, and make the community a better place.

Applicants must be upcoming juniors and seniors.

Applications can be picked up in Chris Mardis' room at Muleshoe High School and must be returned by April 21.

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Handicap units available. Gas, electricity, water, sewer and garbage are included.

For more information call Bea at 806-272-5560.

Office hours: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

La Autoridad de Cubierta de Muleshoe ahora está aceptando aplicaciones para viviendas para los trabajadores de la agricultura.

Unidades de la desventaja son disponibles. El gas, la electricidad, el agua, la alcantarilla y la basura son incluidos.

Para más información, llame Bea al numero 806-272-5560.

Horas de oficina: Lunes por viernes, 8:00 mañana-5:00 por la tarde







# The Sudan Buzz

## Sudan kicks off 'clean up'

"Let's clean up Sudan" kicked off on Saturday, April 5. This event lasts all month long to do a city-wide clean up.

The city will provide an opportunity for collection and proper disposal of non-recyclable and recyclable residential waste materials. "We want to recycle, reuse or relocate these items to a proper disposal site," a city official said.

If you have an old vehicle

that you no longer want and need it to be towed off your property, Progress Wrecking Yard has offered their services for free. You can contact them at 806-566-5135 or 806-272-3513.

Recyclable and Reusable items include any and all metal including old appliances, batteries, phone books, tires and limbs.

Items that will be relocated

to a proper disposal site include furniture, wood, and trash.

You may dispose of your items at the location provided at the 400 Block of East First Ave.

The orange mesh fences that are labeled for the different items.

Large bins can also be provided if needed. Contact Sudan City Hall at 227-2112 for any questions or concerns.



March 11 ribbon cutting held at the new development. Pictured above, from left to right, are Monty Edwards of Lance Insurance Economic Development for Sudan, Greg Lance of the Economic Development and First United Bank of Sudan, Mayor Bob Scisson, Tara and Dustin Provence owners of the first home currently being constructed, Larry Sawyer of Llano Homes, LLC, and Jarrod and Ashton Sawyer.

*Who are they...  
and what are they doing...*

## Work crews in Sudan

Have you noticed the work crews around town, in our yards, alleys, and lots?

They are from Moore Utility Construction Company, which has contracted with West Plains Telecom after completed similar work in Muleshoe.

Moore Utility has already

begun burying new fiber optic telephone cables, so that if the power goes out in the Sudan area, with the battery back up, phone service will still be available.

A representative from Moore Utility will be visiting with each resident to

arrange for the placement of the new buried lines on your property.

This process will take several months to be completed.

If you have any questions you can contact West Plains Telecom at 272-5533 or Moore Utility at 272-8949.

## New restaurant in town

A grand opening was held on Saturday, March 29, for Tio Pepe's Mexican Restaurant, located off Hwy. 84, in Sudan, across the street from the Allsup's Gas Station.

The owners, Jose and Sandra Ramirez, are new in town, recently relocating to Sudan from California.

When asked what made

them decide to open up the restaurant, Alma Ramirez, daughter said, "My dad had a dream... he has always wanted to open up a restaurant."

After learning the building was for sale and had previously been a restaurant, Ramirez finally had an opportunity to pursue his dream.

He remodeled the restaurant, and it is now open for business.

The restaurant serves authentic Mexican food, as well burgers and chicken strips and corn dogs for the kids, Rameriz said.

The hours are Tuesday through Thursday, 11 a.m. - 9 p.m., and Friday and Sunday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.

## Hornet Hoops, AAU

With the closing of Hornet Hoops, the boys and girls teams had a great season. Boys and Girls from first through sixth grades participated.

Johnna Pointer of Amarillo held the fundamental clinics.

The Hornet Hoops Tournament was held on April 3-5. There were a total of 22 teams competing.

In spite the hard work, it was a lot of fun and the kids were able to learn some fundamentals for basketball.

AAU basketball has started. There are many girls and boys participating. The tournaments are in Amarillo and are held just about every weekend.

For more information or to get a schedule, go to [www.hoop10.com](http://www.hoop10.com).

## Upcoming Sudan ISD events

### April

- April 16-19 — Student Council State Conference at Arlington.
- April 21-22 — Regional UIL Golf Tournament at Elm Grove Golf Course, Lubbock.
- April 22-24 — FFA State Judging Contest at

Stephenville.

- April 23-24 — Regional UIL Tennis Tournament at SPC Levelland.
- April 25-26 — Regional UIL Track Meet at SPC Levelland.
- April 25-26 — Industrial Arts Regional Contest at Lubbock.

## Blood drive set

Sudan residents will have an opportunity to donate blood for Pam Merryman at Sudan High School, on Wednesday, April 23, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the PE room.

Call Saunya at 227-2431, ext. 122, to make an appointment at Sudan.

## Softball teams

Anyone interested in playing on a women's or co-ed softball team for the summer season should contact the Muleshoe Softball League board members: Juan Sanchez (806)729-2353, Oscar Hernandez 778-9635, Eva Chavez 729-0093, Eufemia Torres 729-8791, Juan Chavez 946-8246, Carl Patterson 946-8854, Daniel Guzman 946-7115, Kit Diaz 566-7115 or Angelica Olivias 566-5333.



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## New housing development breaks ground in Sudan

A new subdivision has opened in Sudan, and construction has already started for one new house.

Sunset Estates is located off S. Hwy. 303 from the intersection of FM 298 and Hwy. 303, signs and lots are on left side.

These new homes are available to be built with prices starting in the low \$100s with full city services.

The city is in the process of getting all the water and sewer lines installed.

A new paved road will be installed now that will serve the first 22 lots.

A future road will be installed to serve the other lots as needed.

Travis Nolte of Sudan and Larry Sawyer of Amherst are partners in the venture, Llano Home, LLC, which will install concrete curb and gutters for the new road.

The City of Sudan is paving the road, and will

be attaching a paving lien to each lot, which will reimburse the city with the sale and construction of each new home in the development.

The picture of the house site is an approximately 2,000 square foot home that should be completed in June.

Home sizes will range from 1,200 square feet to as large as 3,000 or more.

These sites have some building restrictions to keep the development values into the future.

## For your information...

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](mailto:editor@fivearea.com).



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The "buzz" around town is true! In an effort to serve our friends and neighbors of Sudan who don't have a newspaper to call their own, the *Muleshoe Journal* will begin printing a page each week devoted to a variety of Sudan news and events.

This endeavor will only be successful if advertisers are willing to sponsor the page and the citizens, organizations and businesses of Sudan are willing to share their news.

We have hired Leslie Powers as our Sudan correspondent. Leslie can be reached by Email at [lslpowers@yahoo.com](mailto:lslpowers@yahoo.com) or you can call the *Journal* office at 272-4536 and we'll pass your Sudan news along.



If your business would like to sponsor this page, please contact Terry Brewster at 806-893-0473.

It has always been the goal of the *Muleshoe Journal* to serve the best interest of the public. We are excited about this new venture, and we hope you are, too.

## The Sudan Buzz

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## Senior Citizen News

Continued from page 4  
inviting you to come and be honored with a card and cake.

**Menu for April 21-25:**  
Monday, April 21 — Hamburger on bun, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, cheese, chips, fruit and cookies.

Tuesday, April 22 — Pork roast, gravy, scalloped potatoes, black eye peas, salad, cornbread and iced

cake.  
Wednesday, April 23 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll and apple cobbler.

Thursday, April 24 — Chicken and dressing casserole, cranberry sauce, butter beans, salad, roll and pecan pie bar.

Friday, April 25 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, coleslaw, beans, cornbread and fruit salad.



Fred Clements receives his plaque at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizens Center Friday, April 4.

## Lazbuddie FCCLA teams compete in Regional Star Events, qualify for state competition

The Lazbuddie FCCLA chapter of Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America attended the Region I Conference held in Lubbock on Feb. 22-23.

The youth developed theme, "Get a Clue with FCCLA" was carried out through tracks featuring a series of specialized workshops and general sessions in which members discovered ways to become actively involved in issues facing today's youth.

STAR Events (Students Taking Action for Recognition) are competitive events in which members

participate at the regional meeting.

These events allow members to showcase their life skills in different areas of competitions. Lazbuddie FCCLA had three teams compete at this region meeting.

The results are as follows:

• At the junior level (grades 7-9) Lazbuddie had one team compete.

Chapter Service Project is an event that lets students design a display that shows a community service project that has been completed by the chapter.

The chapter service project this year was to adopt two families for Christmas and make their holidays special.

The members of this team are Amy Howard, Jordan Hernandez, and Joseline Garcia. They placed second.

• On the senior level (grades 10-12) Lazbuddie had one team compete.

Focus on Children is an event that lets students design a display explaining a community service project that benefits children.

This year's project focused on hygiene and many different ways to develop good hygiene.

The students on this team are Chelsea Nichols, Brianna Sanchez, and Laura Beliz. They received sixth place.

National Programs in Action is a team event that students present a speech on how they incorporated a national program in a community service project.

This team focused on violence issues among students, such as bullying, internet predators, gossiping, and dating violence.

The members of this team are Katie Sanchez, and Lydia Campos.

Teams placing in the top six can qualify to compete at the state competition.

Lazbuddie FCCLA has qualified two teams for the state competition in April. The State FCCLA meeting which was held in Galveston April 3-5.

FCCLA is a dynamic youth organization that has the family as the central

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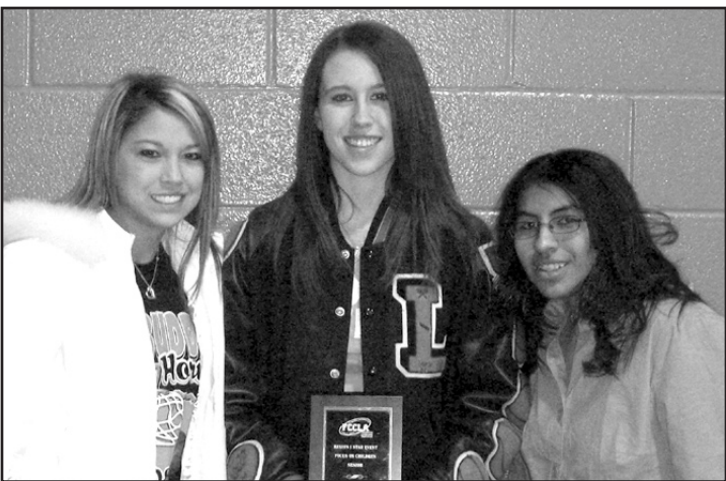


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JOSELINE GARCIA, AMY HOWARD AND JORDAN HERNANDEZ

## Wedding Showers



APRYL EDWARDS

### Edwards bridal shower held

Apryl Edwards, the daughter of Wayne and Gloria Edwards, was honored with a bridal shower on March 28, at the home of Linda Wood of Muleshoe.

She is the prospective bride of Damon Davenport, the son of Raymond and Judy Davenport.

Hostesses for the event included Jacque Boutell, Norma Bruce, Connie Bruns, Gail Bruns, Peggy

Buhrman, Amber Elliott, Kaye Elliott, Cindy Harrison, Debbie Jo Kemp, Patti Kent, Margaret Quintana, Gwen Sinclair, Clara Sudduth and Linda Wood.

The hostess gift was a Visa gift card.

Special guests included Judy Davenport, Neva Calvert, Gereta Meissner, Misty Lassiter, Francy Whitehead, Gloria Edwards and Ida Clark.

## Obituaries

### Billy Kinard

Funeral services for Bill Jack Kinard, 65, of Lubbock, formerly of Muleshoe, will be held on Thursday, April 17, at 2:30 p.m. at the Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers, 82nd St. and Iola Ave, Lubbock.

Burial will follow at Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park.

Kinard died on Monday, April 14, 2008, at University Medical Center.

Memorials may be sent to the Muleshoe Volunteer Fire Department.

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Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 10, 2008 for voting in a general election to elect:

Board Member Place 3

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas elect orales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el May 10, 2008 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir:)

Board Member Place 3

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City Hall, 215 S. First, Muleshoe, TX

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(La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de Lunes a Viernes en)

City Hall, 215 S First, Muleshoe, TX

Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 28, 2008  
(entre las 8:00 a.m. de la mañana y las 5:00 p.m. de la tarde empezando el)

and ending on May 6, 2008. (y terminado el May 6, 2008)

Early voting hours are extended from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on April 29, 2008 and May 6, 2008 as required under Section 85.005 (d) of the Election Code.

(las horas de votar temprano estan estendidas de las 7:00 de la mañana alas 7:00 de la tarde el 29 de April 2008 Y el 6 de Mayo 2008 es requerido por la seccion 85.005 delCodigo de Eleccion.)

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*Bob Donaldson*

Signature of the Board of Directors Vice-President  
(Firma del Board of Directors Vice-President)



# Sports



Photograph by Stacy Conner

Lady Mules compete in the 4x200-meter relay

## Lady Mules place fourth in Dist. 2-AA track meet

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

Three Lady Mules advanced to the Region I Track Meet in Abilene in six events.

The Lady Mules placed fourth in the District 2-AA Meet in Tulia with 72 points. Bushland (198) won the meet, River Road (116) placed second and Tulia (105) was third.

Yvonne Gardea led the Lady Mules by qualifying in three events. She earned the gold medal in the high

jump by clearing five feet even. She cleared seven feet six inches in the pole vault for the silver medal.

Y. Gardea had a silver medal time of 49.95 seconds in the 300-meter hurdles.

Lupita Andrade qualified for regional in both the 3200- and 1600-meter runs. She had a silver medal time of 13:18.00 in the 3200 and won the bronze medal with a 6:04.02 in the 1600.

Kathryn Owens was the final regional qualifier with a bronze medal toss of 33-2.5 in the shot put.

Sarah Johnson placed sixth in the 3200-meter run with a time of 14:16.00. Kelsey Tipps had a leap of 14-7.5 in the long jump for fourth place. Morgan Smith placed sixth in the long jump with a distance of 14-3.

The 4x100-meter relay team of April Gardea, Tipps, Ashley Cisneros, and Y. Gardea finished

fifth with a time of 54.52. The same team ran the 4x200-meter relay in 1:53.80 to take fourth place.

The 4x400-meter relay is the final race of the day and the Lady Mule team of Sandy Mojica, Tipps, Marisela and Cisneros placed fourth with a time of 4:23.40.

Andrade, Y. Gardea and Owens will travel to Abilene to compete in the Texas Region I Track Meet April 25 and 26.

## Area girls compete in Golden Spread All-Star tourney



Kamber Banks, Jacey Davidson, Brianna Sanchez, Chelsee Nichols and Miranda Fry

Five area girls competed this past weekend in the Golden Spread All-Star game in Canyon Texas.

Brianna Sanchez and Chelsee Nichols of Lazbuddie, Jacey Davidson of Sudan, Miranda Fry of Friona and Kamber Banks of Springlake-Earth played on the West squad.

Each team of 10 players were divided into groups of five to compete in five minute periods throughout the game.

These five girls played the entire tournament together in the same group.

The West squad defeated the East Thursday night by

a score of 64-42 sending them into the finals.

Saturday night they faced the South squad and defeated them with a score of 69-55.

Kamber Banks was named MVP of the tournament after leading all scorers on Saturday with 28 points.

During the tournament there was also a three-point contest held at halftime of each game on Thursday and Friday.

The top three shooters advanced to the quarterfinals to be held during halftime of the championship game on Saturday. Chelsee, Jacey and Miranda each advanced

to the quarterfinals with Jacey making 10 and Chelsee and Miranda each with seven.

Chelsee and Miranda each made it on to the semi-finals making five each and tied there sending them into a shoot off to see who went to the finals.

Miranda hit seven and won advancing her to the finals where she took second place.

## Umpire clinic offered by Muleshoe Softball Association

The Muleshoe Softball Association offering an umpire clinic to be conducted by an official from Lubbock. Anyone interest in signing

up for the clinic should call Angelica Olivas at (806)566-9635 or Eufemia Torres at (806)729-8791.

The cost of the clinic is \$65. The date and time will be determined later.

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room located at 514 West Avenue G, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. Muleshoe ISD reserves the right to receive or reject any and all proposals as is in the best interest of the district. Published in the Muleshoe Journal on April 10 and 17, 2008.

### PUBLIC NOTICE OF TEST OF AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT

Notice is hereby given that the automatic tabulating equipment that will be used in the City of Muleshoe, Muleshoe Independent School District and Muleshoe Area Hospital District elections to be held on May 10, 2008 will be

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ance of this citation the same being Monday May 26, 2008 before the Honorable 287th District Court of Bailey County, at the Courthouse in said County in Muleshoe, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 21st day of December 2007 in the above entitled cause. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit in Partition as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Muleshoe, Texas this 9th day of April 2008.

Attorney for Plaintiff or Plaintiff: Johnny Actkinson P.O. Box 286 Farwell, TX 79325 Clerk of the Court: Elaine Parker Bailey County, Texas By Deputy Published in the Muleshoe Journal on April 17, 24, May 1 and 8, 2008.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

tested on Wednesday, April 23, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. at the Bailey County Courthouse, 300 S First, Muleshoe, Texas to ascertain that it will accurately count the votes cast.

LeAnn Gallman Muleshoe City Secretary AVISO PUBLICO DE PROBAR EL EQUIPO PARA TABULAR AUTOMATICAMENTE Por lo presente se da aviso que el equipo para tabular automaticamente que estara usado en la elecciones de la Ciudad de Muleshoe, Muleshoe

Independent School District and Muleshoe Area Hospital District que se llavara a cabo el dia 10 de Mayo de 2008, se probara el miercoles el 23 de April de 2008, a las 9:30 a.m. en la Bailey County Courthouse, 300 S Uno, Muleshoe, Texas para averiguar que el equipo contara con exactitude los votos para todos los puesto oficiales. LeAnn Gallman Secretaria de la Ciudad de Muleshoe Published in the Muleshoe Journal on April 17, 2008.

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COX were issued to EDWIN R. COX, a resident of Bailey County, Texas, on the 8th day of April, 2008. All persons having claims against the Estate of RUBY COX are hereby required to present the same to EDWIN R. COX at c/o Nolan Greak, Attorney at Law, 8008 Slide Road, Suite 30, Lub-

bock, Texas 79424, within the time required by law. Respectfully submitted, NOLAN GREAK Attorney at Law 8008 Slide Road, Suite 30 Lubbock, Texas 79424-2828

806/783-0081 (Telephone) 806/783-0045 (Facsimile) By: Nolan Greak State Bar No. 08343200 Published in the Muleshoe Journal on April 17, 2008.

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New Listing - 3 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath home, heat pump, all electric, wood floors, utility room, master bedroom, detached garage, fenced back yard, priced to sell.

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!!!!

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 • 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. spkrl., workshop/storage, fenced yd., corner lot!! \$169,500!!

**HIGH SCHOOL AREA**  
 • NICE 3-2-1 carport Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx. 1794' lv. area, auto. spkrl., fenced yd., storage bldg.!! \$84,500!!  
 • 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**  
 • NICE OFFICE/SHOP/WAREHOUSE on .7 acre on N. Hwy. 214, Cent. A&H, insulated shop & warehouse, has 1-3/4 bath & 1-1/2 bath!!! MUCH MORE!! PRICED TO SELL!! \$85K!!  
 • 1900' Off. Bldg., 106' x 140' lot on Hwy. 70 and 84!! \$79,5K!!  
 • ANA'S BEAUTY SHOP — Approx. 1120' bldg., with or without furniture & fixtures!! PRICE REDUCED!!  
 • 3 office units on 40.8' x 140' lot across from courthouse!! \$33,000!!

• VERY NICE CHURCH BLDG. WITH PARSONAGE - Possible Owner Finance!! Price Reduced!!  
 • GOOD INCOME PROPERTY-LONG TERM LEASE- Approx. 8,075' office bldg. w/ approx. 20,000' paved parking area!!! PRICE REDUCED \$350K.  
 • NICELY REMODELED - 800 sq. ft. Bldg., Cent. A&H, updated electrical & plumbing. PRICE REDUCED \$35,000.

• 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 canopies w/paved area!! \$49,6K!!  
 • FORMER RICHLAND HILLS TEXACO - 1414' Bldg. + 1080' canopy + 16,530' asphalt paving!!

**RURAL**  
 • PROGRESS AREA - 4-3 1/2-2 Home on Hwy. 84 on 10 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, basement, approx. 3,000' lv. area, 720' metal gar./wkshop.!! \$249,500.00!!  
 • WEST CAMBRIA - 3-2-2 Brick Home on 2.5 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, island cooktop, gameroom, approx. 3206' lv. area, pergola, nicely landscaped, stor. bldg., pecan trees!! MORE!! \$129,900!!  
 • Nice 3-2 Home at edge of town on .8 acre tract, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, efficiency apt. or guest cottage, horse barn & corral!! \$119,900!!  
 • 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, 1600', 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 \$125K!!





### Lazbuddie Student Spotlight

Students at Lazbuddie Elementary were recently honored. These students included: Preston Stewart, Kindergarten, the son of Brian and Jennifer Stewart; Junior Vallejo, Kindergarten, is the son of Guillermo and Maria Elena Vallejo; Andres Solano, first grade, the son of Javier and Sulema Solano; Destry Ivy, third grade, the son of Lanse and Shelly Ivy; Albert Moran, fifth grade, the son of Javier and Sulema Solano; David Guenter, fifth grade, the son of David and Eva Guenter.

### Annual roping set for May 2-4

The fourth annual Joe's Boot Shop Calf Roping will be held Friday through Sunday, May 2-4, at the Curry County Mounted Patrol Arena.

The Friday and Saturday events are open to the public. The Sunday afternoon events will require a \$10 ticket.

The Clovis Swim Club will provide concessions for the roping events.

This year's calf roping is shaping up to be the biggest and best ever, with three days of food, entertainment and the best calf roping in the southwest.

Besides three full days of calf roping, the event includes a chuck wagon cook-off, a chuck wagon breakfast, a cowboy church service and three match roping events that promise to leave spectators talking until next year.

Highlights of the event include:

- The Joe's Boot Shop Open Roping, where 10 National Finals Rodeo veterans are among the 30 ropers already entered, with \$500 fees and \$7,500 added money.

Monty Lewis, Ryan Jarrett, Joe Beaver, Stran Smith, Blair Burk and Jerome Schneeberger are among the featured ropers in the open field, as are Marty Jones, Josh Peek, Cade Swor and Jim Locke.

The open roping is slated to begin at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 4.

- The Open Cowboy Match which was a hit at last year's event, features four ropers and 16 calves — all in the arena at once.

In working style, each roper must rope and tie four calves to stop the clock and earn the winner's share of the pot.

The event, which features \$500 per man fees and \$2,000 added money, is a true test of a cowboy's skill, horsemanship, strategy and most of all, stamina.

It is also a spectator's dream, with non-stop action in every corner of the arena.

This year's match will feature 2005 All-Around world champion Ryan Jarrett of Summerville, Ga.; 2007 Reserve All-Around world champion Josh Peek

of Pueblo, Colo.; three-time NFR qualifier Cade Swor of Winnie, and New Mexico ranch-bred calf roper Shay Good, who now hails from Midland.

The event will be run between rounds of the Open Calf Roping.

- The Local Cowboy Match is like the Open Cowboy Match.

The event features four ropers and 16 calves in the arena simultaneously.

Fees are \$500 with \$1000 in added money.

Contestants include Jerry "Slo" Fulgham of Clovis, N.M., Tony Lacina of Amarillo, Greg Dutton of Los Lunas, N.M., and Dale Crowder of Hobbs, N.M.

This event will be run between rounds of the Open Calf Roping.

- The Double Muggin, which is limited to 20 two-man teams.

The double mugging was a big hit in its 2007 debut.

Contestants team up to rope and tie yearling-sized cattle.

The fun begins when the cowboys dismount and attempt to get a 750-pound bovine on its side and tie three legs.

The event features \$100 fees and \$1,000 in added money, and will run between rounds of the Open Calf Roping.

All of Sunday's events are included with a \$10 admission.

Tickets are available at Joe's Boot Shop, or at the gate at of Curry County Mounted Patrol Arena.

The highlight of Saturday's events is the "Duke of the

Dutch Ovens" chuck wagon cook-off.

The event will feature 15 of the top chuck wagon cooks and crews in the southwest and a limited number of spectators will get the chance to sample the food at noon.

Chicken-fried steak, beans, potatoes, biscuits, gravy, peach cobbler and drinks will be served.

Blue Grass music will be provided by "Pickin' and Grinnin'".

The cost is \$15 per person and tickets are limited. A chuck wagon cook-off ticket will get you a free ticket to Sunday's big calf roping events.

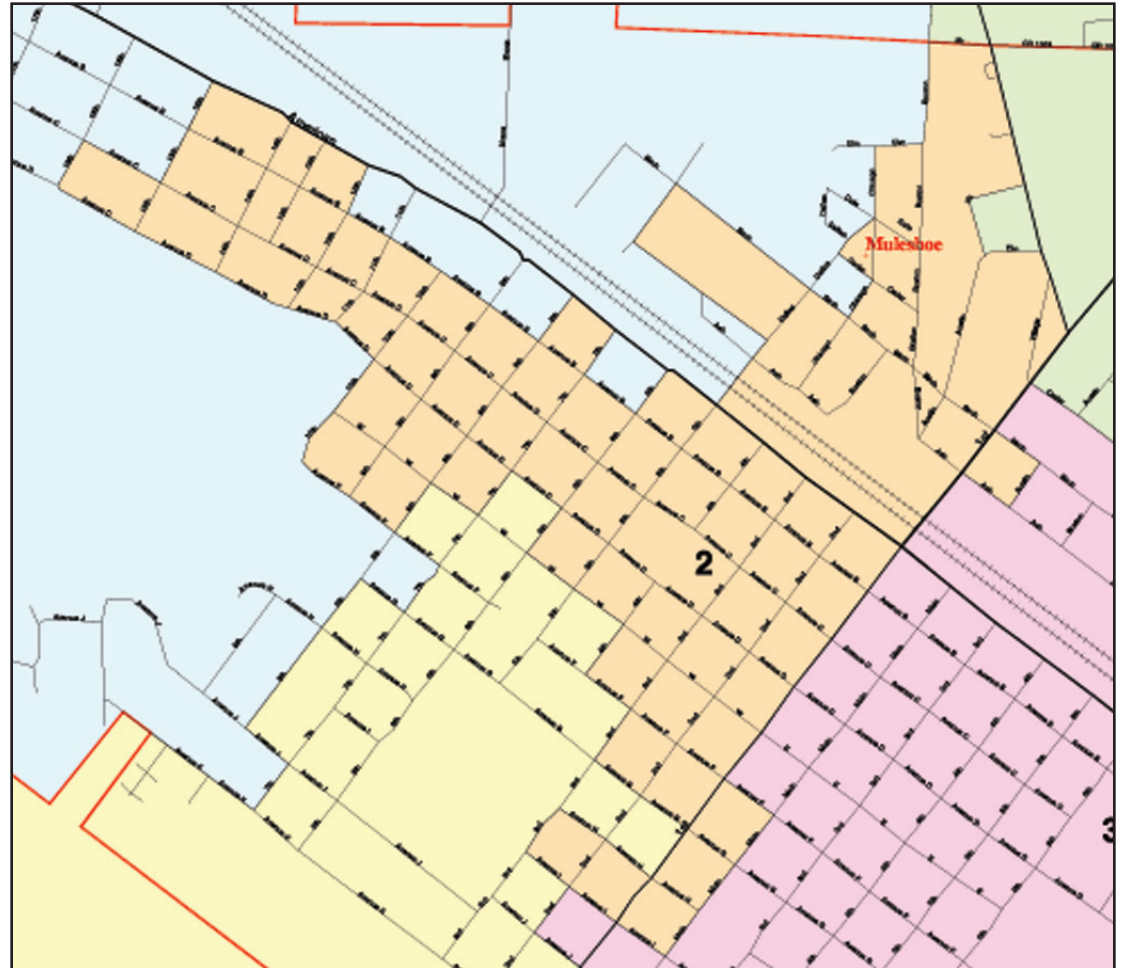
The top overall chuck wagon cook will be crowned "The Duke of the Dutch Ovens" and will receive a bronze sculpture crafted by New Mexico artist Curtis Fort.

A chuck wagon breakfast will be served Sunday as well and tickets will be \$8. But tickets for both the chuck wagon cook-off on Saturday, May 3, and the chuck wagon breakfast on Sunday, May 4, can be bought for \$20, a savings of \$3 over purchasing them separately.

A Cowboy Church service by Pat Boone of Elida, N.M., and Billy Borden will be held at 9:30 am.

Among the wagons competing is a crew from Cannon AFB, the Cannon Air Commando Wagon.

The Duke of the Dutch Ovens Cook-Off and breakfast will benefit the Miss Rodeo New Mexico Pageant and Scholarships.



### MISD Dist. 2 voters take notice

Voters living in Muleshoe ISD Dist. 2, who will be voting in the May 10 election, may have the wrong district listed on their voters registration card, according to MISD Superintendent Gene Sheets.

Registered voters living in the region marked in orange above will be eligible to vote

in the election. A larger map is available at the MISD administration building. Call 272-7404 for additional information.

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## Mildred Williams: A life reflected on canvas

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