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MAHD Board Adopts Proposed Budget, Tax Rate

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Area Hospital District's board of directors adopted proposed budget for FY 2013-14 based upon a proposed tax rate that was less than the district's effective rate during its Thursday, Aug. 22, regular meeting.

According to information received from the Bailey County Appraisal District, the MAHD effective tax rate for this year is .407300 per \$100 in valuation, while its rollback rate is .449900.

However, the hospital district's tax rate is capped at .40 per \$100 in valuation.

With the district's debt service set at .0876, that means the portion of the tax rate that can be used within the district is .3124.

"We can't change the tax rate, or the debt service," MAHD CEO David Burke said.

proposed budget, which the district's administration has been working on since May, Burke said a three-year average of the district's financial standing at seven months into the fiscal year was used.

He also noted that the hospital district is still in negotiations with local physicians, an issue that could still impact the district's actual budget.

The CEO also noted that regarding the district's current financial situation, it didn't appear it would be necessary to borrow any money to get through the end of the current fiscal year — as it has occasionally had to do in the past.

According to Burke, this means the district is in better financial condition at the end of the year than it was at the beginning.

However, Burke also

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Preparing For Fun

Workmen, pictured below and to the right, have been erecting the new playground equipment at DeShazo Elementary during the past week, completing over the weekend, it in time for use on the Monday, Aug. 26, opening of the school year.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

Court To Consider Ditching Discount

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Bailey County Commissioners' Court tabled a decision on whether to eliminate early tax payment discounts until its September meeting.

Prior to the court's discussion of the issue, County Judge Sherri Harrison explained that for many years Bailey County taxpayers had the opportunity of

receiving a discount on their county taxes if they paid them prior to the start of the calendar year.

In other words, payment of the taxes in October would receive a three percent discount, payment in November would receive one percent, and payment in December one percent.

Reportedly, the option costs the county about \$50,000 per year, with the county recouping the loss through the interest received on the tax funds that had been paid early. However, it was explained Monday that in recent years — due to the exceeding low interest rates, the county hasn't been able to recoup those lost funds.

The judge also pointed out that any change, according to statute, would have

to be approved by the commissioners' court before October 2013, and wouldn't take effect until October 2014.

"A lot of counties in Texas don't do it," Precinct 1 Commissioner Butch Vandiver said.

In support of his statement, Harrison had polled a large number of Texas county officials and discovered that the majority had stopped such discounts almost a decade ago.

"It doesn't make sense when we're not making any interest on it," Precinct 3 Commissioner Joey Kindle added. "We should have done it (rescinded the discount) a couple of years ago."

The only commissioner who spoke out in support of keeping the tax discount was Precinct

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Muleshoe ISD To Purchase School Bus, Discusses Trade-In

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Just imagine the scene... a group of faded yellow school buses, half-buried in the Bailey County soil, at an angle approximating that of the pyramids of Egypt, waiting for



tourists to travel hundreds of miles out of their way to view and maybe attack with spray paint.

While no reference to Amarillo's "Cadillac Ranch" was made by the members of the Muleshoe board of education during Monday's regular meeting, a similar such display is always a possibility when you have the appropriate materials laying around... namely old school buses.

The issue of what to do with old school buses brought a few tongue in cheek comments during Monday's meeting after board member

Jay Cage expressed his astonishment at the trade-in allowance offered the school district for a 1992 Am-Tran bus.

On the meeting's agenda was actions related to the purchase of a 59-passenger bus from Blue Star Bus Sales of Lubbock,

for the amount of approximately \$81,370. Should the Muleshoe Independent School District purchase the vehicle, the Lubbock bus company offered to accept the 1992 model bus, and reduce the cost of the new school bus.

"They can't really

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Hard Work On Hard Surface

Muleshoe city employees have been hard at work during the past couple of weeks putting down a hard surface on the jogging track at the New City Park. The project is expected to take about five years to complete.

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Around Muleshoe...



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Junior Class Pre-Game Meal

Muleshoe High School's Junior Class will be hosting the pre-game meal on Friday, Aug. 30.

The menu will include a brisket sandwich, with all of the trimmings, chips, beans, and dessert for \$7.

Serving will be from 5-7 p.m. for dine-in, and deliveries will be available from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. To place an order call 272-7305.

For tickets contact any MHS Junior or call the high school at 272-7303.

Library Movie Night

"Movie Night" will be Sept. 16 and 18, at 3:45 p.m., at the Muleshoe Area Public Library.

The movie that will be shown is *The Lucky One*. Library staff request that only teenagers and adults attend the movie viewing.

Reserved Seat Tickets

Reserved seat tickets for the 2013 Muleshoe Mules football season went on sale Monday, Aug. 5. The tickets are \$35 for six home games.

Persons who held reserved seat tickets for the 2012 football season may purchase their seating options at the MISD Administration office, located at 514 W. Ave. G, Monday through Friday, during regular business hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Beginning Monday, Aug. 26, all remaining tickets will go on sale on a first come, first serve basis.

Any reserved seats remaining after the season starts will be available at a cost of \$8 per game and may be purchased at the administration office on game day.

If you have questions concerning the ticket sales, contact Dana Rasco at 272-7400.

MAHD Funding Needs A Bit Of Grace

"Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's..."

Such are the words of Christ in Matthew 22:21 when asked about the paying of taxes to the Roman government, and in very few instances is there a joining of such a financial issue.

But, here in Bailey County, two particular issues come to mind that seem to do just that. One is the county's meals on wheels efforts — which cater to the nutritional needs of the area's "shut-in residents." And the other is the Muleshoe Area Hospital district as it seeks to serve the medical needs of area residents through the Muleshoe Area Medical Center and Park View Nursing Care Center.

While Bailey County Meals on Wheels can always use some financial assistance; probably one of the most pressing issues facing the entire Muleshoe community is the

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continued operation and financial well-being of the hospital district.

At Thursday's regular board meeting, the hospital district adopted a proposed tax rate of .400000 per \$100 in valuation, that's less than the hospital district's effective rate of .407300 and its rollback rate of .449900.

In comparison, the City of Muleshoe's effective tax rate is .747600, and its rollback rate is .795300; and Bailey County's effective rate is .855700 and rollback rate is .976700.

While each of these government entities could use a financial shot in the arm, nowhere is this more needed than the hospital district, which in biblical terms appears to receive less than the widow's mites.

While the *Journal* has occasionally had issues with some of the

hospital board's action — such as the recent decision by the board to ignore it's attorney's advice and meet with contracting physicians in closed session... an obvious violation of the state's open meeting act, we also recognize that dropping our support of an increase of the district's tax rate cap would in effect "throw the baby out with the

bath water."

Just as the hospital district needs its physicians, the residents of this community need the hospital and nursing home.

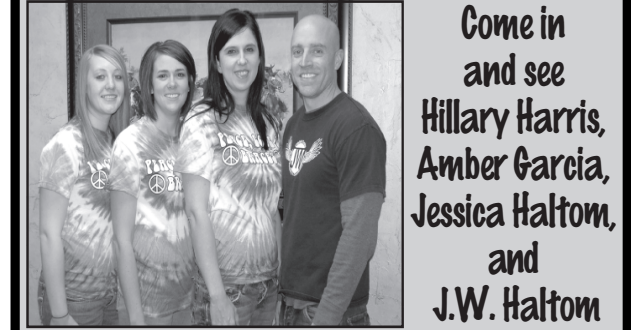
Few of us begrudge a local merchant the price of a loaf of bread, or a dinner, and yet we continue to hamper the providers of local medical needs with a cap on its tax rate that is far below the state limit.

Where's the justice, not to mention the grace?

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More Concerns Expressed About Egypt

As we've said before, President Barak Obama has some tough decisions to make over the problems that have arisen in Egypt, but his recent proclamation denouncing the deaths of protesters in Egypt appears to be a bit one-sided.

In blaming the interim government alone for the violence, the President jumps soundly on the side of the Muslim Brotherhood, ignoring reports that the government was responding to actions taken by the protesters.

The supporters of the displaced Egyptian president have reportedly attacked police stations, burned down churches, and reportedly injured and

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killed numerous non-muslim individuals.

There have also been reports of large weapons caches found within the protesters' camps. In fact, a couple of weeks ago, the protesters murdered 25 off-duty police officers with a rocket fired from an RPG recoilless rifle — one of many military-type weapons reported to have been smuggled into the country by the Muslim Brotherhood.

Yes, the deaths — any number of deaths in such instances — are horrifyingly wrong. But if police, or national guard, here in the United States were attempting to quell a riot by violent

and armed group of terrorists, could we expect anything less?

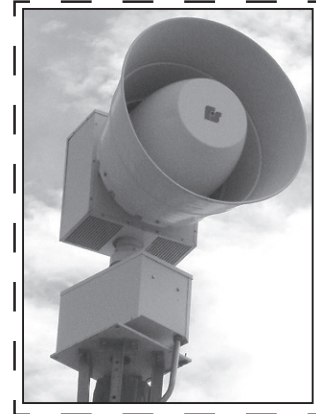
Should the Egyptian civil authorities simply turn over the streets to armed thugs? What about the safety of the non-Islamic victims of the protesters?

If you recall, among the reasons the current military leaders ousted Mohamed Mursi was his success in pushing through a constitution that denied the rights of many non-Islamic citizens.

There is a vast difference between the Egyptian government, or any government, responding violently to peaceful demonstrators — or even some not so peaceful rioters such as Los Angeles experienced a couple of decades ago, and taking action against the armed and dangerous criminals the Egyptian police and security forces face.

At the very least, our President needs to voice similar outrage over the actions of the protesters.

As for cutting off military aid because of Egypt's response to the protesters... while we aren't huge supporters of this particular aid package, to eliminate it because of the government's response to armed law-breakers seems at best distasteful.



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MAHD Budget... Continued From A1

said, "We're going to have to work hard to keep revenues up and expenses down."

The CEO also discussed the capital development plan through 2015, and said, "We're not going to spend any money we don't have to spend."

During previous strategic planning discussion, the board learned of various software, technology and other issues the district will be facing in the upcoming months and years.

Regarding the preparation of the proposed budget, Burke added, "This couldn't have been done without everyone in every department doing their share."

After adopting the proposed budget, the board set a meeting on the budget and tax rate for Tuesday, Sept. 17, at 6 p.m. Since the district is currently required to adopt a tax rate that is below even the effective rate, a public hearing isn't required.

The budget is set for official adoption at the district's regular Sept. 26 meeting.

In other business, the hospital district board:

- Voted to change its billing system from itemized statements to summary statements at the recommendation

of the hospital administration and with a split 4-1 vote. Board member Allen Smyer cast the dissenting vote.

It was explained that individuals wishing to receive a complete itemized bill could contact the hospital and pick it up from the business office, but that the billing software of the company which mails out the hospital's statements could only list 98 items, after which the remainder was summarized.

Specifically mentioned was an unidentified patient's bill which itemized a portion of the bill, but summarized the remaining items totaling more than \$6,000.

"If you have a long hospital stay, you're going to have more than 98 lines on a statements," it was noted.

"If I get a bill like this, I want every item itemized," Smyer said in his argument to fully itemize each statement.

"I shouldn't have to ask," Smyer added, referring to the administration's recommendation that billing return to the itemized statement policy of a couple of years ago, with the addendum that patients could pick up an itemized printout at

the hospital's business office — free of charge, upon request.

It was also noted that the billing company's equipment, on several occasions, had included sheets from one patient's itemized bill in the envelop sent to another patient.

"It's a lot cheaper on the hospital," board president Herb Ramage pointed out about the return to summarized billing prior to the board's vote.

• Received a financial report in which it was noted the cash balance for the district, at the end of July, was \$506,462.94, of which the hospital was at \$396,944.98 and Park View Nursing Care Center was at \$109,517.97.

From June, the report says the hospital's net accounts receivable increased from \$1,012,885.67 to \$1,112,782.01. During the same period at Park View the net accounts receivable dropped from \$211,255.02 to \$183,726.95.

As for the accounts payable, the hospital's increased from \$752,620.73 to \$882,753.59, while at the nursing home it went from \$99,206.40 to \$131,625.30.

Regarding the nursing home's year-to-date revenue, which

the financial report noted is over budget by \$222,938.45, Burke said earlier in the meeting, "We've seen an increase in our revenue considerably over the last three months."

• Approved a bank letter of authorization regarding individuals allowed to transact business or receive information regarding the resident trust fund at Park View.

• Approved changes to the MAHD policy and procedures manual concerning the district's indigent and charity care program with a 4-1 vote. Smyer cast the dissenting vote on the issue.

Specifically, the approved change eliminates a patient's requirement to apply for financial assistance for each specific medical treatment, and changes the definition of "presumptive charity care."

• Appointed Richard DeBenedetto, MD, and Luis Esparza, MD, to the hospital's medical staff, allowing them to work in the emergency room.

• Approved the minutes from its July 25 regular meeting, and Aug. 1, Aug. 8 and Aug. 15 special meetings.

• Spent almost two hours in executive session before returning to open session and adjourning without related board action.

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County Court... Continued From A1

Commissioner CE Grant said he felt rescinding the discount "raised taxes" because people who had previously been receiving the discount would have to pay more.

However, the Harrison suggested the only ones to receive any benefit from the

discount were county property holders who were wealthy enough to pay their taxes early.

In other county business, the court:

• Conducted the first of its public hearings on the FY 2014 budget, at which no one appeared to address the court.

• Approved an easement for a six-

inch waterline at the intersection of CR 1760 and CR 34, and west along CR. 34, at the request of Tejas Dunes Dairy.

• Approved a \$5,000 bond for Pat Angeley, the financial officer of the county juvenile board.

• Approved payment of county bills.

Mercy Is God's Gift, Given To Be Shared

Mercy.

Almost everyone will agree that it's a beautiful word and a fine concept. And then we'll go on and talk about the weather and the most recent idiocy perpetrated by the government or last night's game.

Until we need it desperately, no longer parsing words about it but recognizing it as our only hope. Until it is as precious and necessary for us as a lifeline is to a man who will surely drown without it.

That's all of us, by the way. But often we don't know it. That we need mercy as badly as air is hard-won knowledge.

I can't think of any easy way to get it. But it seems, naturally I suppose, particularly slow in coming to those who are young or "successful."

The young just haven't lived the years it usually takes to know themselves or life well enough to be able to realize that very few folks can stand up well under strict justice, demanding what they "deserve."

It's the older and



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Curtis Shelburne

wiser who cringe at the very idea of getting "what they deserve."

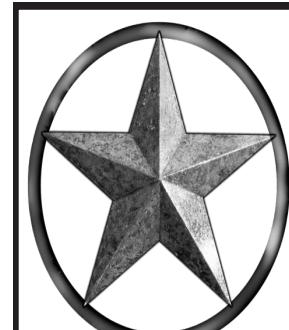
And those our society thinks of as "successful?"

Well, to put it bluntly, jerks have no place, no use, and no time in

their lives for mercy. And even for those who are "successful" and kind and nice and well-meaning, it's understandably difficult for them to imagine that anyone else who worked as hard as they have couldn't be just as successful and shiny and exemplary.

It's difficult to grasp the idea that lots of folks may be working

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Summer is gone. Time for school. Please look out for all the little ones going to school. We need to pat Joe Sowder and Fred Clements on the back. Joe purchased a new gas fryer for the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center and Fred painted the ramp. It is so rewarding to have these two on board with us. If you have not signed your new intake form for the 2014 year, please come by the office by Friday. Your name will not be in the book for October if we do not get a new intake signed. We need to get everyone updated. We will be open Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 2.

So, make plans to come on down and enjoy the fun and fellowship. Saturday, Sept. 7, will be the center's pancake breakfast time. Come and enjoy pancakes, several choices of syrups, sausage, bacon, orange juice, coffee, tea or milk. Come early or late. We will serve from 7 a.m. until 11 a.m. Our prayers and love go out to the Wanda Kittrell family. Buster and Wanda were so instrumental in getting our senior center started. We miss them but know they are in a better place. **Sept. 2-6 Menu:** Monday, Sept. 2 — Charbroiled beef patty with peppers and onions, garlic

mashed potatoes, beets, mandarin orange, and bread. Tuesday, Sept. 3 — Baked ham with pineapple, lima beans, chuck wagon corn, chocolate chip cookie, and a wheat roll. Wednesday, Sept. 4 — Grilled steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, tossed vegetable salad, wheat roll, and fruit cobbler. Thursday, Sept. 5 — Salisbury steak, diced potatoes, English peas, carrots, fruit cocktail, and a wheat roll. Friday, Sept. 6 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, beans, coleslaw, cornbread, and fruit salad.

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harder, trying harder, but with much less success because they started with many more serious challenges, real detriments, and far fewer blessings. (Which, by the way, is why Jesus tells us not to judge others. We don't know their story.) It's just almost impossible to give much real mercy if only politeness forces us to admit needing much. It's as hard, Jesus says, for the rich to enter the kingdom of heaven as it is for a camel to go through the eye of a needle. (Only God can get it done.) It's just as hard for folks who don't

recognize how much mercy they have been given (by God, friends, family, and colleagues) to feel a burning need to give anyone else much. Yes, mercy remains largely theoretical until we need it desperately for ourselves or those we love. Then it's gold. But I'm afraid the only way we learn how very precious it is, is by coming face to face with a depth of pain that might destroy us. If not for mercy. It's good to practice giving mercy. If you've been broken, crushed, you know how badly you need it every moment of every day. If not, just try to believe this: someday you'll

need it. And Jesus himself gives the promise and the warning: Who will receive mercy? The merciful. To receive mercy, and to give it, is a beautiful thing. Shakespeare wisely wrote that mercy "droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven / It is twice blest; / It blesseth him that gives and him that takes." And Abraham Lincoln said, "I have always found that mercy bears richer fruits than strict justice." So true. So very true. Thank God for mercy. In the final analysis, it all comes from him. What a beautiful gift!

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Obituaries

Maxine Carter

Maxine Helen Carter, 90, was born the youngest of eight children, to Louis Lee and Laura Odessa (Coleman) Slayden, on May 24, 1923 at Patton Springs. Maxine died on Aug. 22, 2013, at the Clearwater Nursing and Rehabilitation in Clearwater, Kan.

Maxine grew up in a very musically talented family and loved music. She enjoyed playing the piano and singing gospel music with her family.

She attended Eastern New Mexico University and graduated from there with a bachelors degree.

JR Carter and Maxine were united in marriage on May 17, 1947, at Portales, N.M.

She enjoyed gardening, sewing, cooking and traveling. She was a devout Christian and active in church. Her favorite trip was to the Holy Land in 2000.

Maxine was preceded in death by her parents and seven siblings.

She is survived by her husband — JR. of Caldwell, Kan.; a son — David of Amarillo; two daughters — Paula James of Lubbock and Peggy Buhrman of Wichita, Kan.; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Aug. 24, at the Schaeffer Mortuary Chapel in Caldwell, with Pastor Dane Massey officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Schaeffer Mortuary.

Pat Weber served as organist and played *I Love To Tell The Story*, *Amazing Grace*, and *Precious Memories*.

Casket bearers were Stetson Bruns, Daryl Bruns, Don Bruns, AJ Buhrman, Moses Arteaga, Matthew Arteaga and Steve Hamilton.

Interment was in the Corzine Cemetery, Corbin, Kan.

To share a memory or leave a condolence please visit www.schaeffermortuary.info.

Alejandro Aguirre

Funeral services for Alejandro "Alex" Aguirre, 61, of Muleshoe were held on Monday, Aug. 26, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Muleshoe with Father Leo Pahamtang officiating.

Visitation was held on Sunday, Aug. 25, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Muleshoe.

Burial followed Monday's services in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Alex was born on April 24, 1952, in Ojinaga, Chihuahua, Mexico, to Gumercindo and Lucia (Carrasco) Aguirre, and married Cordelia Velasquez in Muleshoe on Oct. 13, 1971.

He was preceded in death by his mother.

Alex moved to the Muleshoe community in 1970 from Mexico. He owned Alex's Tire Service. Alex was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus and the Sacred Heart. Alex was also a Crusista.

Survivors include his wife — Cordy Aguirre; his father — Gumercindo Aguirre of



Muleshoe; two sons — Alex Aguirre and wife Anna of Muleshoe, and Ricko Aguirre and wife Andrea of Amarillo; a daughter — Libby Herrera and Efrain of Muleshoe; two brothers — Agapito Aguirre and Gilberto Aguirre, both of Muleshoe; 10 grandchildren — Dominique, Eddie, Troy, Kaley and Sebastian Herrera, Elias, Jazlyn and Cordy Aguirre, and Ambree and Alexis Aguirre; and one great-grandchild — Zaylee Herrera.

Memorials may be sent to the American Heart Association, 2514 - 82nd Street, Suite B, Lubbock, Texas 79423; the American Cancer Society, 3411 - 73rd Street, Lubbock, Texas 79423.

Online donations and condolences can be made at www.ellisfuneralhomes.com

Barbara Matthews

Funeral services for Barbara Ann Matthews 83, of Ransom Canyon, were held on Tuesday, Aug. 27, at Ellis Funeral Home in Muleshoe with Jack Thompson of Buffalo Springs officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Barbara died on Aug. 24, 2013, in Lubbock. She was born on Nov. 15, 1929, to Olen and Nola (Reed) Ivy in Lazbuddie, and married CC Matthews in Muleshoe on Aug. 31, 1946.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a son — Darrell.

Barbara and her husband had farmed in Lazbuddie for many years. After their retirement they moved to Ransom Canyon in 1995.

She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Lazbuddie. Barbara was also a member of



the Buffalo Gal's Senior Citizens Organization at Buffalo Springs Lake.

Survivors include her husband — CC Matthews of Ransom Canyon; two sons — Gary Matthews and wife Carolyn of Grand Prairie, and Derrell Matthews and wife Treena of Dimmitt; a daughter — Angela Dunn and husband Lance of Lubbock; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery, PO Box 373, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

Online condolences can be made at www.ellisfuneralhomes.com.

Joe Jennings

Funeral services for Joe Bates Jennings, 91, of Bedford, were held on Wednesday, Aug. 28, at the Lazbuddie Methodist Church with Ken Peterson of Lazbuddie officiating.

Burial will be in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Jennings died on Aug. 25, 2013, in Bedford. He was born on Aug. 30, 1921, in Crosbyton, to O.N. and Ruby (Davis) Jennings, and married Cora Belle Page in Portales, N.M., on March 22, 1941.

Mr. Jennings had lived in the Muleshoe and Lazbuddie communities for many years.

He became a farmer after being discharged from the US Navy.

He was a member of the Lazbuddie

Methodist Church.

Mr. Jennings was preceded in death by his wife — Cora Belle, his parents, his infant son — Lyndal Page Jennings and a grandson — Derren Jennings.

Survivors include two sons — Derrell Jennings and wife Glenda of Hot Springs Village, Ark., and Hoppy Jennings and wife, Marsella of Hurst; a daughter — Tamra Jennings of Twisp, Wash.; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Lazbuddie Methodist Church, PO Box 129, Lazbuddie, Texas, 79053.

Online condolences and donations can be made at www.ellisfuneralhomes.com.

Engagement



Shelly Sheets and Jedidiah Mannon

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Dr. Kyle and Bernita Sheets announce the engagement of their daughter, Shelly Sheets of Lubbock, to Jedidiah Mannon, also of Lubbock.

The prospective bride is a graduate of the Aveda School of Cosmetology of San Antonio, and is a hair stylist at Bijou Hair Salon.

The prospective groom is the son of Dale and Lauri Mannon of Lubbock.

He has a bachelor of arts degree in

Pre-Game Meal Offered

Muleshoe High School's Junior Class will be hosting the pre-game meal on Friday, Aug. 30.

The menu will include a brisket sandwich, with all of the trimmings, chips, beans, and dessert for \$7.

Serving will be from 5-7 p.m. for dine-in, and deliveries will be available from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. To place an order call 272-7305.

For tickets contact any MHS Junior or call the high school at 272-7303.

psychology from Lubbock Christian University, and is employed as a pharmacy tech.

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Superintendent Says MISD Is Off To A Great Start

This past Monday, we started back to school in Muleshoe. We had a very smooth start. Buses ran like clockwork. Breakfast was served when students arrived. The rooms and hallways were clean and shining. Maintenance was complete throughout the district.

We even had several facility improvements that were finished when school started. We painted rooms and hallways and remodeled bathrooms at Dillman Elementary.

In fact, we remodeled bathrooms at campuses throughout the district.

We even have new playground equipment at DeShazo Elementary that was completed the weekend before school started.

We painted stripes on the student parking lot at Muleshoe High School, so now our Mighty "M" Marching Band can practice on the parking lot right next to the band hall.

Super news from MISD

By
Superintendent
Dr. Gene Sheets

We sometimes forget about all the things that go on during the summer to get ready for school to start.

We have maintenance and custodial personnel who work tirelessly to make sure we are ready to go when the third Monday in August rolls around.

Our hats our off to those men and women who worked so hard this summer to get us ready to start.

I talked to a Kindergarten student on the first day, and she said, "I remember you from last year! I said, "That's right. I was here last year, too."

She said, "You used to be a crossing guard!"

I said, "You have a good memory."

She said, "Yes. Y'all are lucky to have me!"

I said, "We sure are!"

We are lucky to have every student who attends Muleshoe ISD. I love being around students. You never know what they are going to say.

We are proud to provide a quality education in a disciplined environment for the children in Muleshoe.

Our vision is to provide the kind of education where our students graduate as productive, ethical, and positive citizens who are life-long learners.

As I visited our campuses this week, faculty and staff at all four of our campuses seemed to be more prepared for school to start and the students to arrive.

High school students received their class schedules before school started, so the first day

of school could be spent getting right down to business. We had fewer distractions and more learning go on from the very first.

Our teachers have really worked hard to get ready for this school year, and they haven't just been preparing for their curriculum either.

We have had several of our teachers working this summer doing some painting to get some rooms ready for the school year.

Teachers all over the district have their rooms decorated with instructional materials to help with instruction. Our faculty and staff

have gone to workshops and training to prepare them to help their students do the very best they can do this year.

Rating by the Texas Education Agency this year. The excitement and commitment of our faculty and staff has made me even more excited to start school this year. It's going to be a great year!

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Notice of Renewal Application

This is a Renewal Application for Private Club Registration Permit, N-054986 and Beverage Cartage Permit for Muleshoe Country Club located at 900 Country Club Road, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

New Board of Director officers are:

- John Saylor - President
- Hal Wood - Vice President
- Tim Black - Secretary
- Marshall Pool - Secretary

Published in the Muleshoe Journal August 29, 2013 and September 5, 2013.

MEET THE MULES



Mule fans had an opportunity to meet and greet the Mules during the annual gathering at the Muleshoe High School's gymnasium on Tuesday, Aug. 20. The event was sponsored by the Muleshoe Athletic boosters.

Photographs by Gabby Perez



Notice of Tax Revenue Increase

The COUNTY OF BAILEY conducted public hearings on August 26, 2013 and September 9, 2013 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the COUNTY OF BAILEY from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 7.128667 percent.

The total tax revenue raised last year at last year's tax rate of 0.826300 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$2,728,893.47.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of 0.916700 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$2,929,238.09.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of 0.916700 for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$3,011,308.73.

The Bailey County Commissioners Court is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 23, 2013 at

Bailey County Courthouse, Commissioners Court Room, 300 South First Street, Muleshoe, Texas 79347 at 10:00 AM

**Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery
Annual General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, September 3rd, 6 p.m.
Bailey County Electric Meeting Room
Located at 610 E. American Blvd.**

It is very important that all persons with an interest in the Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery attend this meeting in order to allow the following business to be conducted:

- Old & New Business
- Financial Report

Please make an effort to attend.

Thank you,
The Board of Directors



The Sudan Buzz



Sudan High School Cheerleaders

Pictured on the right are Sudan High School's cheerleaders — Ashton Sawyer, Kimberlee Gonzales, Alondra Ramirez, Shaylee Johnson, Katee Gonzales, Madison Chester, Natalie Camarena, Brianna Montes and mascot Araseli Cornejo.



Sudan Junior High Cheerleaders

Pictured on the right are Sudan Junior High School's cheerleaders — Lexi Bartley, Meilynn Gonzales, Madison Jennings, Julie Juarez and Delanie Black.



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School Starts At Sudan ISD

By Cheri Sain
Sudan Correspondent

The beginning of school is an anxious and exciting time for students.

Faculty anxiously await their arrival.

Sudan High School began their school year with an assembly produced by the Student

Council. Glow sticks, games, and review of policy highlighted the beginning of a fantastic year.

Parents who would like to meet their students' teachers Pre-K through 12th grade can come to "Back to School Night" on Tuesday, Sept. 3, at 6 p.m.

There will be a short meeting in the auditorium followed by meet and greet with teaches.

Herff Jones will come to Sudan for the juniors and seniors to order rings and invitations on Sept. 11, and later on in the month to finalize orders.

School picture day is Sept. 23. Junior high football as well as the entire students body and staff will take their pictures that day.

Order forms will be sent home the previous week.

Homecoming is set for Sept. 20. The bonfire will be held on Sept. 19, and there will be a week full of activities and dress-up days for the students to participate in.

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Test Dates Announced

By Cheri Sain
Sudan Correspondent

For many high school students, the first step in going to a university is to take one of the standardized tests. ACT, SAT, and Accuplacer are the standard norm for most to begin that process.

The first ACT test will be on Sept. 21. Regular registration deadline has already passed for

this particular test date; however, students can still register for this date by doing late registration.

The deadline for late registration is Sept. 6. Other dates include Oct. 26, Dec. 14, Feb. 8, April 12, and June 14.

For the December and June test dates, the tests will be given at Sudan High School. The other test dates are

given at other local high schools.

SAT is also a standardized test that most universities accept.

Even though Sudan High School does not give this test at the campus, students can research where the closest place to take the test by going to the SAT website.

The first test for this upcoming school year will be held on Oct. 5. Registration deadline is Sept. 6.

The football team has already begun their season with scrimmages against Sundown and Post.

Their first non-district game is this Friday against Ralls.

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Sen. Seliger To Visit Area Communities

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Among the area communities, dates, times and locations he will be as follows:

Wednesday, Sept. 4 — Deaf Smith County, 9-10 a.m., Hereford Community Center, lounge, 100 Ave. C, Hereford; Parmer

County, 10:45-11:45 a.m., The Old Depot, city park, 700 Main Street, Friona; Castro County, 1:30-2:30 p.m.; Dimmitt City Hall, council room, 200 East Jones Street, Dimmitt.

Wednesday, Sept. 18 — Cochran County, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Cochran County Activity Building, 200 West Taylor, Morton; Bailey County, 3:45-4:45 p.m.; Muleshoe State Bank, 1010 West American Blvd., Muleshoe.

Other dates available are Nov. 2, Dec. 7, Jan. 25, March 8, May 3, and June 7.

Accuplacer is a test that most Texas schools require if a student does not meet the scores from ACT or SAT, or TAKS or STAAR testing.

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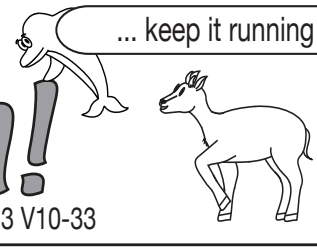


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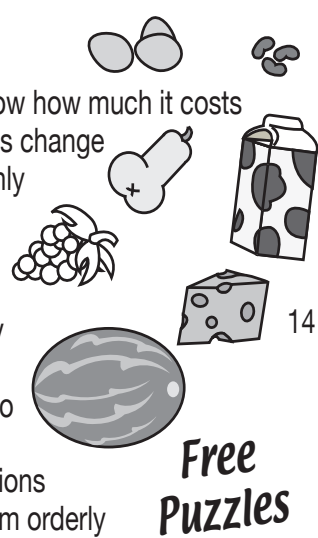
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3. the _____ clerk changes tickets on an item to show how much it costs
4. scans items on the belt, collects payment and makes change
5. in charge of keeping the whole store running smoothly
6. watches customers and works to keep theft low
7. the _____ clerk works hard slicing cold meats and cheeses, and scooping salads
8. gathers the shopping carriages, lines them up neatly
9. keeps the store sparkling clean and in good order
10. the _____ service person works behind a desk to help with any needs or questions customers have
11. cuts the meat into special cuts, answers any questions
12. the shelf _____ refills the shelves and keeps them orderly

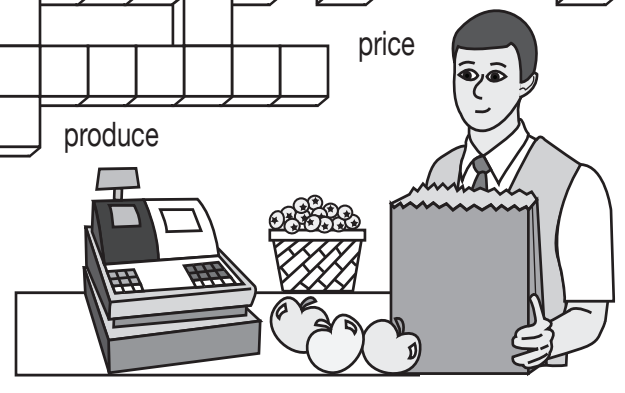


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Muleshoe Country Club Ladies Association

The Ladies Association of the Muleshoe Country Club met Wednesday, Aug. 21, for its monthly business meeting and luncheon.



Winners of the scramble were Linda Erdmann, Jeanetta Precure, Keisha Stickler, Christie Whitt.

Members present included Jeanetta Precure, Pat Kirk, LaVerne Winn, Jerie Flowers, Marlene Martin, Kay Field, Elinor Yerby, Linda Erdmann, Anita Black, Tarnmi Black, Helen Templeton, Becky Pool, Christie Whitt, Treena Matthews, Donna Glover, Ashley Pool and Bobbie Black.

Matthews and approved by the members.

Martin recognized the August birthday honorees — Christi Whitt and Linda Erdmann.

P. Kirk, club treasurer, reported on the funds received from the men's tournament and the ladies Jennyslipper Tournament, and that the 25 chairs purchased for the dining room have been received and payment made.

Under old business, L. Erdmann reported the hot dogs and sausage roll sales at the Muleskinner Tournament went very well and expressed

her appreciation to all of the ladies who participated in the Saturday and Sunday cooking and serving at the tournament.

New business was the appointment of Jerie

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Liles Receives Masters Of Education Degree

AJ Liles, a 1990 graduate of Muleshoe High School, received his master of education degree with certification in administration from Concordia University in Austin on Aug. 3.



AJ Liles

Liles graduated from Texas State University, formerly Southwest Texas State University, in 2001, with a bachelor of exercise and sports science degree with a minor in health and fitness management.

education and serves as a leader in CATCH, a fitness program for kids.

AJ and his wife Erin and children Maya and Ben live in Kyle. He is currently employed by the Del Valle Independent School District, and teaches Kindergarten through fifth grade physical

He is also the owner and CEO of Green Dude Lawn Care, specializing in organic lawn care in the surrounding area.

Liles is the son of Bill and Alice Liles of Muleshoe.

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SPORTS NEWS

Mules Vs. Pirates: Aug. 23 Scrimmage At L. Cooper



An unidentified Mule carries the ball during Friday's scrimmage against Lubbock Cooper.

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Muleshoe's Favorite Team Has Been Getting Ready For Aug. 30 Debut

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Are the Mules rebuilding in 2013 or is Muleshoe's head coach, David Wood, just reloading?

That is the question many Mule fans have been asking on the brink of the 2013 football season.

The Mules have

have had to ask some young players to step up and fill some key roles. We just were not sure that they would."

"I have never been in this boat before with so many sophomores and a freshman starting out on the varsity.

But those young kids did step up and played well during the

line and Brian Loera has the outside linebackers.

Wes Wood is coaching the receivers.

When the Friday night lights go on in Benny Douglas Stadium Aug. 30 the Mules will open their 2013 season. They will be facing the preseason pick to be the Class 3-A Running Back of the Year, Jarek Black, and another Division I prospect in tight end, Cameron Knight, and the Shallowater Mustangs.

Youth has its advantages. Having no fear is certainly one of those advantages.

The 2013 Mules appeared to be a team with something to prove and not a team with fear. That trait has become the tradition of the Mules.

"We build our offense and defense around our strengths and minimize our weaknesses," continued Wood. "We try to get better and better with each passing week by getting in as many repetitions as possible."

Friday night could be the start of another surprising and fun season for Muleshoe fans.

scrimmages. They went at the opposition 100 miles an hour."

"They made some mistakes but even an experienced team makes mistakes. I am probably more optimistic about this team than I would have been in previous years. We have set the bar very high for them and they are striving hard to meet our expectations."

The Mules have four new coaches to go along with their youth.

David Sturdivant is the defensive secondary coach and helps with the corners.

William Smith is coaching the offensive



been working hard all summer and hit the turf ready to work when the preschool workouts began.

They had scrimmages with both a perennial playoff team in the Idalou Wildcats and the 3-A Lubbock Cooper Pirates with 60 plus on their varsity.

This allowed the Muleshoe coaches the opportunity to observe the 2013 version of the Mules.

"I was a little more encouraged after watching the scrimmages than I was in the spring time," said Coach Wood. "After losing some kids we

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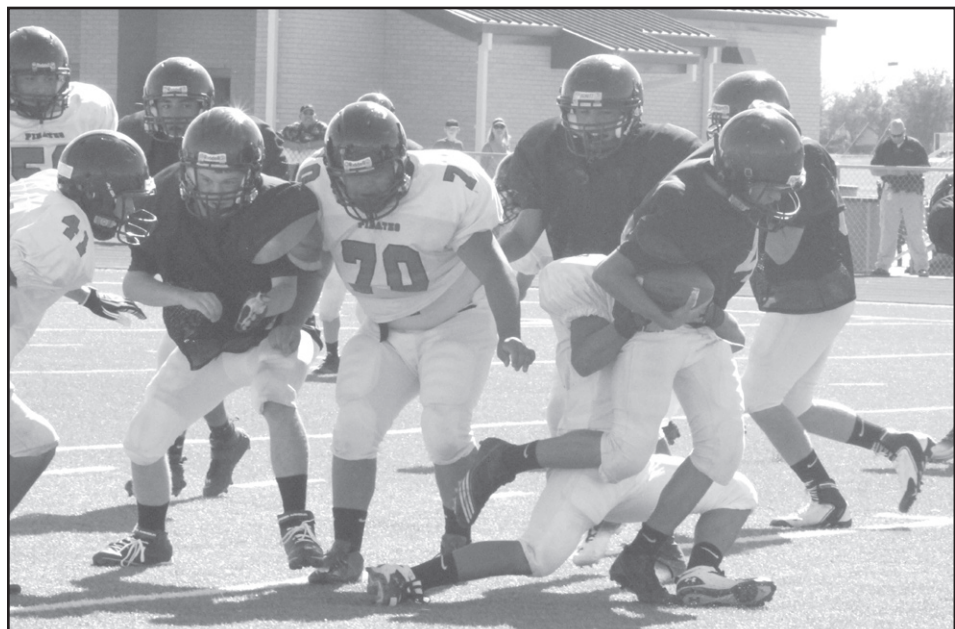
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School Board Discusses Bus Purchase

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mean they're going to give us \$500 for the old bus," Cage said, later adding "They're gouging us."

"They've found a market for it, and we haven't," Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets said. He recalled that it wasn't unusual for an old school bus to go for such a low amount, adding that he was once able to sell a similar bus for \$1,000, but added that it took a lot of hard work to accomplish.

The superintendent explained that the old bus had about 200,000 miles on it, and was in very poor condition.

He also pointed out that the school district had to advertise for sealed bids, and couldn't dispose of property as easily as a private individual.

"That just doesn't sound fair," Cage said, referring again to the trade-in offer. "We took a truck that had burned up, and got \$500 for it."

Cage suggested that

the school district could just park the old buses until a buyer could be located — hence the possibility of a school bus art display such as the "Cadillac Ranch."

Dr. Sheets explained that prior to his coming to the Muleshoe school district, cheaper makes of buses were purchased, but they didn't last as long as the more expensive models.

"We can buy cheaper buses, but they fall apart," Sheets said.

Eventually, Cage made a motion to purchase the new bus, and accept the current trade-in offer, seconded by board member Kelly Kettner, but asked that the school district's transportation director search for a market for the surplus vehicles.

A second question that arose concerning the new bus came from board member Daniel Guzman, who was curious about it being a 59-passenger bus, instead of a 60 passenger.

A s s i s t a n t

Superintendent Dr. RL Richards explained that one of the seats at the back of the bus was smaller to allow easier exiting in the event of an emergency.

In other business, the school board:

- Adopted the school district's tax rate for FY 2013-14.

According to the superintendent's recommendation, the total tax rate is \$1.35, the same as last year, with a maintenance and operation rate of \$1.04, and a debt service rate of .31 cents, which will cover the district's 25 cent EDA-funded bond payment and it's six cent IFA-funded payment.

- Approved an "Option 4" agreement with Sundown ISD, which will allow that district to recapture money and send it to the Region 17 technology consortium rather than to the state.

Sheets explained that it doesn't actually benefit the Muleshoe school district — except for the possibility that some of the technology

funds could be received by MISD.

"It's a little more paperwork for us, but it will benefit the region," he said.

Sheets further explained that with Muleshoe being classified as a "poor school district" by the state, the agreement would provide more money for the Region 17 program.

- Adopted Update 97 for the board's policy manual, and approved minutes from the school board's July 29 and Aug. 5 meetings.

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by Rhea Gonzales

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Entries need to be at the *Muleshoe Journal* by noon on Friday. Sorry, there are no exceptions to this rule.

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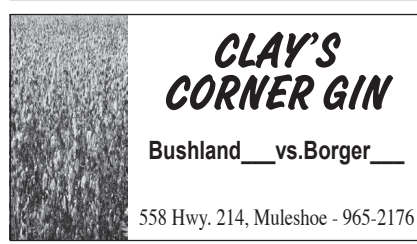
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They'll See You Before You See Them

Labor Day is the official end of summer. It is also one of the most deadly holidays for encountering impaired drivers.

In an effort to get impaired drivers off the road, raise public awareness about the dangers of impaired driving, and most importantly, to save more lives and prevent injuries on our roadways, a nationwide impaired-driving enforcement crackdown, "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over," will be conducted from mid-

August through Labor Day, Sept. 2.

Hundreds of law enforcement officers across the state will be aggressively looking for impaired drivers and will arrest anyone caught driving impaired. The officers will see you before you see them!

Statistics show that when the public's perceived risk of being arrested for impaired driving increases, they are less likely to drink and drive.

It is illegal to drive with a blood alcohol

concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher in all 50 states. Yet 1,099 people died in Texas in 2012 in impaired driving crashes in which at least one vehicle driver or motorcycle rider had a BAC of .08 or higher.

"Drive sober or get pulled over," said Bailey County Extension Agent Kathy Carr. "Law enforcement officers are working during this crackdown to save lives and prevent injuries at the hands of impaired drivers.

The easiest way to avoid going to jail is to

never drink and then drive."

For information on free alcohol awareness programs available through the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Watch UR BAC program in College Station, go to www.watchurbac.tamu.edu, or call 979-862-1911.

Market Steers Are Still Down

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.49 million head on Aug. 1, down six percent from a year ago.

According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was down three percent from the July 1, 2013, level.

Producers placed 460,000 head in commercial feedlots during July, down three percent from a year ago but up eight percent from June.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 520,000 head during July, up nine percent from 2012 and up eight

percent from June.

On Aug. 1, there were 2.16 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 87 percent of the state's total.

The number on feed across the area was down six percent from last year and down three percent from the July 1 total.

July placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 407,000 head, up 10 percent from the June total.

Marketings were up nine percent from last month to 466,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head

or more totaled 10.0 million head on Aug. 1.

This inventory was down six percent from Aug. 1, 2012.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.72 million head, 10 percent below July 2012.

July placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 390,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 275,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 455,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 602,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 2.00 million head, five percent above 2012.

Muleshoe Country Club Ladies Association

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Flowers to chair the nominating committee for the 2014 officers.

Flowers will ask three other members to assist in the selections.

Tournament

chairman T. Black reported there were 30 teams for the Jennyslipper Tournament and it went very well.

She thanked the ladies for their help with the registration, the beautiful and unique table decorations, the food for the breakfast buffet and luncheon

and their attending to the serving tables.

High Plains chairman Matthews reported the organization had four players in the Aug. 14 tournament held in Hereford.

They were T. Black, Erdmann, Kirk and Matthews.

Muleshoe had one winner in the fourth flight, T. Matthews, low gross.

The next tournament will be on Sept. 11, at Portales, N.M.

President Martin advised the ladies of the Lone Star Senior

Women's Tournament to be held in Borger Sept. 22-26.

The entry fee is \$110, and is due by Aug. 22.

The scramble teams were Kirk, T. Black, Pool and Flowers; Precure, Erdmann, Whitt and Stickler; and Field, Templeton, Matthews and Yerby.

The door prize was won by L. Winn.

Tourney Results Announced

Thirty teams teed off Saturday morning, Aug. 17, at the Muleshoe Municipal Golf Course in the annual Muleshoe Country Club's Jennyslipper Golf Tournament.

Winners were as follows:

- Championship flight — First place, Treena Matthews and Tory Harris; second place, Alice Doshier and Carol Snider; and third place, Betty George and Julie Smith.
- First flight — First place, Dawn Kuchta and Beverly Idsinga; second place, Joan Farrell and Mary Forester; and third place, Helen Templeton and Lesa Wood.
- Second flight — first place Linda Erdmann and Judy Cato; second place, Diane Wilson and Cynthia Ham; and third place, Jackie Ochs and

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FEATURING: DOWN TOWN BROADWAY CATTLE DRIVE

Saturday, Sept. 14
5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Trail Boss Shootout
Elks Lodge

Friday, Sept. 20
7:00 p.m. Women's Ranch Rodeo
Bar-None Rodeo Grounds

Saturday, Sept. 21
7-9:30 a.m. Breakfast at Ollie Linder Center, \$5
Open to Community

7:00 a.m. Hale on Wheels Bike Ride Registration opens (Ollie Linder Center)

8:30 a.m. Hale on Wheels Bike Ride

8:45 a.m. Hale on Feet 5K and 10K run begins

10:15 a.m. YMCA Moo-a-Thon (9th & Broadway)

10:30 a.m. Cattle Drive and Parade (9th & Broadway)

After Parade events located at the Ollie Linder Center

11 a.m.-3 p.m. Barbecue Style Lunches
Catered by Lance Moore

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4-H Horse Rides

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Texas Drama Play & Shootout

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The Following Events at Bar-None Rodeo Grounds, 601 S. Date

Saturday, Sept. 21
5:00 p.m. Cowboy Church
6:00 p.m. Ranch Rodeo - Admission: \$10 Adults, \$5-12 & Under (includes wristband for dance)
9 p.m.-1:00 a.m. Rodeo Dance

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