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Police Raid Yields Large Recovery

By Larry Thornton
Editor

As Christmas approaches, many a young ear eagerly awaits the tell-tale sound of hoofs on the rooftop, but when a SWAT team arrives at your home the flash isn't from tinsel or ornaments, and the walls shake and windows rattle.

Such was the case in Muleshoe early Tuesday morning, Dec. 17, when the Lubbock County Sheriff's Department SWAT team announced its presence at 407 W.

Boston with a couple of "flashbangs" — specialized grenades meant to disorient the occupants of a residence — as it assisted local law enforcement officers



Some of the property recovered during the recent police raids in Muleshoe.

in serving a search warrant.

It all started with a traffic stop by Muleshoe police officers Monday evening which led to the recovery of a large

amount of firearms, ammunition and other property stolen from Parmer County, according to Lt. Benny Parker of the Muleshoe Police Department.



Photographs by Larry Thornton

Lt. Parker and Det. Heath Edwards stopped a vehicle that had "rolled a stop sign," and noticed three rifles in the back seat of the vehicle — which isn't necessarily

a problem, unless you are a convicted felon as was the driver, Miguel Vargas, 22, of Muleshoe.

During the investigation that

followed, which included the work of Det. Sgt. Cassie Crandell and DA Investigator Eric Geske, it was learned that the firearms in Vargas' vehicle were among the firearms and other property taken in the burglary of a rural Parmer County residence on Sunday, Dec. 15.

Officers with the Bailey County Sheriff's Department also assisted in the investigation and recovery of stolen property.

It was also learned that much of the stolen property — including about 20 rifles and shotguns, and three pistols, and a large

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Muleshoe ISD Receives 'Report Card' From State

By Larry Thornton
Editor

The Muleshoe Independent School District's board of trustees received the district's "report card" during its regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 16, learning that while some improvements are needed the district as a whole had passed.

Officially titled the "Texas Academic Performance Report," formerly known as the AIS, the report presented by Dr. RL Richards, MISD assistant superintendent, notes that the local school district has met the state's required educational standards. "We've done well on

math," Richards said, referring to the fact that the student's STAAR test results for the 2012-13 school year are above the state average, "but we need a little work on ELA reading."

"It's interesting to see, because six years ago science and math was a critical issue for us," Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets said.

Regarding the school district's attendance and graduation rates, Richards mentioned that Muleshoe has surpassed both the state

and regional averages for the past two years.

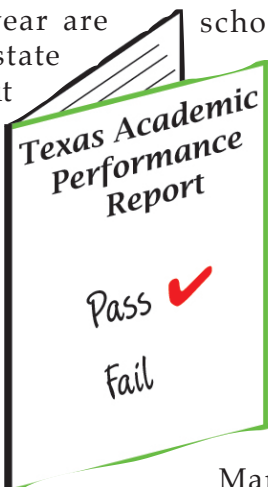
He also commended the members of the school board for their efforts to keep class size down.

In other business, the school board:

- Received a financial report from Business Manager Daniel Harper which noted that the district has received \$10,417 in investment interest to-date in the 2013-14 school year.

The financial report notes that the school district has expended

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Making A Joyful Noise

The youth from both the First Baptist Church and the First United Methodist Church, both of Muleshoe, were out carolling Wednesday evening, Dec. 18. Pictured above and below, the FBC youth stop to sing to at a residence on West Ave. D.



Photographs by Larry Thornton

2013: A Busy Year In Muleshoe

By Larry Thornton
Editor

Events in Muleshoe and Bailey County during the first half of 2013 ranged from road construction and jailer retention problems to a conviction for capital murder.

January

County elected officials gathered at the Bailey County Courthouse on Wednesday, Jan. 2, to be sworn into office. In 2013, the "new" office holders outnumbered the veteran office holders, with Justice of the Peace Debra Redwine, County



2012 The year in Review
After months of preparation, asphalt was finally being laid on West American Blvd. in February, 2013.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

Attorney Jackie Claborn II, and County Constable Kent Wiley filling their first complete terms of office.

County Clerk Robin Dickerson took office, completing the unexpired term of former County Clerk

Paula Benton, who retired in December 2012.

The beginning of the year also featured a

bit of excitement for Muleshoe police officers as they searched for the suspect in an armed robbery that occurred at a local department store.

According to Lt. Benny Parker, an Hispanic male entered Alco, on West American Blvd., and wandered through the store as if he were shopping.

A few minutes later, Parker said, the man was seen trying to take a 40-inch television through the store's east doors when one of the store's employees approached him and asked what he was doing.

"I work here," the man reportedly said, a statement the actual employee knew to be



Photograph of Alco's alleged robbery suspect.

false. At this point, according to the police lieutenant, the man

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Around Muleshoe...



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Local Library Program

The Muleshoe Area Public Library will be hosting a December Break Program on Dec. 27, 30 and 31, from 10-11:30 a.m.

Dillman and DeShazo students are invited to this program. However, they must be accompanied by a junior high or older volunteer.

On the Dec. 27, library staff will be reading the book, *The Legend of the Poinsettia*, and learning the song *Felix Navidad*.

The craft project for that day is Poinsettia ornaments.

On Dec. 30, the staff will be reading the book, *The Legend of the Christmas Stocking*, and learning the song, *I'll Be Home for Christmas*.

The craft project for that day is Christmas Stocking ornaments.

On Dec. 31, the staff will be reading the book, *The Legend of the Candy Cane*, and learning the songs, *Jesus is the Reason for the Season* and *O Holy Night*.

The craft project is a candy cane vase.

Individuals who attend the morning program will receive a ticket to watch a movie that afternoon. The movies the library will be showing are: *Monsters Inc.*, *Monsters University*, and *Despicable Me*.

High school volunteers are also needed to help build a Christmas Tree out of books.

Police Raids...

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Amount of ammunition, were at the residence of Dalmacio Barron, 22, on West Boston.

According to information received in the



investigation, it was determined that both Barron and a third individual — Jose A. Morales, 19, also of Muleshoe, were alleged to have been involved in two Parmer County burglaries, along with several property thefts from that county.

Because of the large amount of firearms involved, and the "high risk" of the alleged burglars immediate access to the weapons, Lt. Parker said the LCSO SWAT team was requested to assist in executing the search warrant at Barron's residence about 7:20 a.m., on Dec. 17.

Following up on

leads developed in the investigation, three additional search warrants were served on houses in Muleshoe, and additional property — ranging from "antique" toys to a roping saddle and tack, were recovered.

Vargas, Barron and Morales were placed under arrest and booked into county jail. Their bonds were set at \$100,000 each,

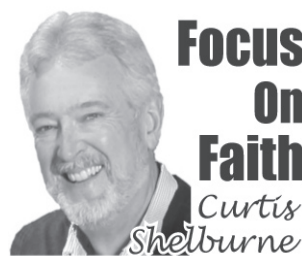
Regarding the burglaries, Parker reminds area residents that with the Christmas season it isn't unusual for burglaries and thefts to increase, and he warns local residents to take precautions to avoid being victimized.

Christmas Is Only As Strong As Its Weakest Link

I don't usually think of Christmas and chains as going together, unless I'm reading about the ponderously-chained Ghost of Christmas Past who so terrorized old Ebenezer Scrooge!

But I believe this to be true: Christmas is a "chain" which is only as strong as its weakest link.

If Christmas deals only with lights and tinsel, egg nog and poinsettias (all of which I enjoy very much, I hope you understand), and the Yuletide joy and peace, love and good will, we sing about are just artificial twinkles and largely illusory light, then Christmas is a weak and pathetic thing which can't possibly stand the test of life and time and which will fade a long time before the January



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

sales (and credit card bills) end.

If Christmas has to do only with parties and good times, but nothing to do with hospital rooms and disgusting diagnoses...

If Christmas has to do only with smiles and "Merry Christmases" and nothing to do with hope at a graveside...

If Christmas has to do only with sales and not souls, presents and not His Presence, holiday cheer but not lifelong Joy...

If Christmas has to do only with Jingle Bells and nothing to do with "God with us," well,

then, Christmas is not up to the task of making a real difference in our lives, and it's just one more momentary diversion for the despairing, one more false hope for people who know no hope, and it certainly won't make much difference in life, or in death, or in anything at all very real or substantial.

But if Christmas, and all that is best about this good season, points to real light and hope, glimmering reflections from the Father of Lights, the Giver of Joy, the Sender of the very best Gift, then the Christ

of Christmas can use this time of celebration to point us to light that truly is stronger than darkness, hope that is genuinely stronger than despair, and life that is ultimately and infinitely stronger than death.

Then we discover that the Light of Christmas is real indeed because He is real, and life is far more substantial than death.

Then Christmas means something beautiful and wonderful and real.

And Christmas joy can and will last forever.

School Board...

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39 percent or \$4,619,296 of its budget for the year, of which \$3,401,391 or 74 percent was expended on payroll.

- Approved the district's technology plan and an application timeline for accelerated instruction waiver.

- Recognized the achievements of the district's cross country and football teams, along with the high school choir and FFA students.

- Approved the minutes from the school board's Nov. 25 meeting as distributed.

Texas Milk Numbers Increase

Texas milk production totaled 779 million pounds during November 2013, up 2.4 percent from last year's production of 761 million pounds.

October 2013 production totaled 801 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during November averaged 440,000 head, up 10,000 from last year but unchanged from the October 2013 number.

Production per cow averaged 1,770 pounds during November, unchanged from last year but 50 pounds lower than October 2013.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 15.0 billion pounds during November 2013, up 0.3 percent from production in these same states during November 2012.

October revised production, at 15.4 billion pounds, was up 1.4 percent from October 2012.

Production per cow during November averaged 1,762 pounds, 1 pound above a year ago.

The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.50 million head, 22 thousand head higher than last year but 4,000 head lower than October 2013.

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allegedly pulled a handgun and threatened the employee.

The suspect then left the store with the television, and is believed to have driven westbound on Hwy. 84 (West American Blvd.) in a white Ford pickup.

Contrary to rumors about the incident, there was not a hostage situation, nor were any shots fired.

A year later, the police are still looking for the Hispanic male, from 20 to 24 years of age, 5-8 to 5-10 in height, and 160 to 180 pounds, with short hair, who committed the crime.

January also marked some changes at the Muleshoe Country Club as negotiations were underway with the City of Muleshoe regarding the operation of the golf course and the possible purchase of the organizations property during Monday's regular meeting.

City Manager David Brunson — who along with Mayor Cliff Black and Councilman Eric McElroy, had been meeting with representatives of the Muleshoe Country Club, presented a draft agreement the city council calling for the purchase of the club's property for \$141,000, the appraised value.

The city would then lease the clubhouse back to the organization — which the city manager described as a non-incorporated association of members for \$1,300 per month.

The golf course is already constructed on municipal property and wouldn't be included in the sale agreement, the city manager said.

Brunson said the lease amount — which could be increased later if necessary, would allow the city to recoup its investment in 10 years.

The city would also have to share in the expense of operating the golf course, which the proposed agreement lists the initial contribution at \$85,000, but which could vary depending upon the club's membership.

February
In February, local businesses located on West American Blvd., their customers, and even travelers passing through the Bailey County seat were still contending with traffic disruptions as road crews worked at

resurfacing the portion of Hwy. 84 passing through town.

And, if the road construction wasn't enough for local drivers, Muleshoe found itself blanketed with about six inches of snow in latter February, closing down roads and the majority of businesses. Even postal officials reported difficulties, if not impossibilities, associated with residential deliveries.

While over at Sudan, five members of the Sudan Resonance Speech Team competed in the National Forensic League Tall Cotton District Contest at West Texas A & M University.

The district includes private schools and 1A through 5A schools in the region, which includes the major cities of Abilene, San Angelo, Big Spring, Midland, Odessa, Lubbock,

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Amarillo and their surrounding towns.

In 2013, the national tournament was held in Birmingham, Ala., in June, with the Sudan Speech Team taking two of the 20 spots representing the Tall Cotton NFL District on to the National Tournament in June.

Advancing to nationals in Cross Examination Debate were the team of Brianna Azua and Doug Ames. Advancing to nationals in Lincoln Douglas Debate was Deric McCurry.

Along with the road construction, Muleshoe was also seeing a bit of a construction boom along West American Blvd.

Muleshoe State Bank opened the construction boom with an expansion project that saw the demolition and removal of the former "Harvey Bass" building in September 2012, followed by the extension of its drive-through service and new parking areas.

According to Jay Messenger, who became the bank's president in 2013, the renovations and expansions on the 40-year-old building were expected to be completed by the end of March.



Christmas Extravaganza

Although damaged during the latter part of 2013, the musical Christmas display at the Kim and Shonda Black residence was bringing holiday cheer to residential travelers Wednesday, Dec. 18.

"We out grew our facility," Messenger said, explaining a portion of the reason for the project.

"The bank has really grown the last few years," he added, noting that the expansion to a six-lane drive through would make it more convenient for many of the bank's customers.

Messenger said the decision was also based in a desire to "give back to the community."

"We just feel the community has placed its confidence in us, and in turn we want to express our confidence in it," said Messenger.

Further down the road, work crews have been busy preparing the land for a new McDonald's Restaurant in Muleshoe, and in December Great Plains Ag Insurance held the grand opening for its new building.

March
In March, the Bailey County Commissioner's Court was offering a new building to anyone wishing to move an existing structure to a new location.

During its regular meeting, the commissioner's court discussed whether the building which formerly housed Decorators Flowers & Gifts could be moved from its present location north of the Muleshoe Area Medical Center, to allow the land it is on to be turned into a parking lot for the hospital.

In February, both the Muleshoe Area Hospital District's board of directors, and the commissioner's court gave tentative approval to an agreement under which the hospital district would deed over the EMS building an a piece of adjacent property to make it easier to seek grants for an expansion of the facility.

In exchange,

county officials had agreed to remove the aforementioned floral shop building and construct a parking lot in its place.

Among the incidents keeping local law enforcement officers busy in March was the arrest of a Muleshoe man who was booked into Parmer County Jail after a lengthy pursuit that originated in Muleshoe.

According to then Muleshoe Police Sgt. Steve Clifton, Ofc. Jacie Ainstead pulled over a gold Saturn sedan near the intersection of First and American Blvd., around 11 p.m. on March 16, and after making contact with the driver — Allen Beasley, 45, of Muleshoe, requested assistance from a drug canine out of Lamb County.

However, before the Lamb County canine unit arrived, Beasley allegedly fled from the scene of the traffic stop, traveling north of Lazbuddie, and eventually to the Hubb area.

Beasley was eventually apprehended in Parmer County, after his car broke down, and was being held in the Parmer County jail on charges related to his attempt to elude and possession of a small amount of what was believed to be a controlled substance.

The police department also took part with state law enforcement officers in serving an search warrant in the 1200 block of W. Ave. B, resulting in the arrest of Antonio Rosa, 40,

after an undisclosed amount of crystal methamphetamine, marijuana and cocaine were removed from the residence.

April
In April, the Muleshoe City Council re-approved a police department program that would provide a trained drug dog. Although the program was initially approved during the council's March meeting, it was initially understood that the funds needed for the program was being donated by local businesses.

"This came from the community," City Manager David Brunson said at the March 11 meeting, adding that neither the city nor members of the police department had solicited contributions for the program.

However, at Monday's, April 8, meeting, the city manager said there had been an apparent misunderstanding, and that there was some "solicitation" involved.

"I don't feel the city should solicit money for something the city should do," Brunson said about the decision to bring the issue back for the council's re-approval.

It was Brunson's recommendation that the program be approved, but also that the initial funding — estimated at about \$9,000 — would instead be taken from the Muleshoe Police Department's "unused salary funds."

Also in April, the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture gathered on Saturday, April 6, at

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Is it really time to draw to close out 2013? Each one of us has their own good memories of the year along with possibly some unwanted times. Take a moment to recall the good ones and what made them special.

As we all start the new year, please have a safe and Happy New Year.

Time is growing short to get your tax deductible donation to the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center.

By your donations, you help keep we seniors off the streets by allowing us a safe place with good fellowship and a hot lunch each Monday thru Friday.

To dispel a

misunderstanding about funding for the center, the center does receive some funds from your government which do not cover the cost of the food and the funds will be lowered next year by about 10 percent.

So when you see the lights on and folks at ease at the center, it is because of your donations.

The center does want to thank each and everyone of the folks who have made donations of monies, time and work to make the center a special place.

The center will be open as usual, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday for the week of Dec. 30 to Jan. 3.

The center will be

close on New Year's Day only for the holiday time.

Dec. 3 - Jan. 3 menus:
Monday, Dec. 30 — Navy beans soup, sweet potatoes, turnip greens, cherry cobbler, and cornbread.
Tuesday, Dec. 31 — Salisbury steak, diced potatoes, English peas, fruit salad, and wheat rolls.

Wednesday, Jan. 1 — Happy New Year! The center is closed.

Thursday, Jan. 2 , Charboiled beef patty with peppers and onions, garlic mashed potatoes, beets, bread, and mandarin oranges.

Friday, Jan. 3 — Fish or chicken strips, borracho beans, green peas, tossed vegetable salad, low calorie French dressing, whole wheat rolls, and tropical fruit mix.

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Obituaries

Francisco Reyes

Funeral services for Francisco Javier "Frank the Tank" Reyes, 32, of Muleshoe, were held on Monday, Dec. 23, at the Bailey County Coliseum in Muleshoe with Jaime Rivera of the Iglesia Apostolica Church officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Frank died on Dec. 18, 2013, in Junction. He was born on June 2, 1981, in San Rafeal, Mexico, to Jose and Rosa Reyes, and married Jennifer Rojas in Muleshoe on Dec. 30, 2002.

Frank moved to Muleshoe from San Juan in 1987.

He was employed with the family construction business, and was a fan of the San Francisco 49ers. He enjoyed cooking and barbecuing outside.

Frank loved watching his son play for the Muleshoe Mules football team, and treasured his two sons.

He was preceded



in death by a son — Nathan Reyes, and his grandfather — Isauro Vasquez.

Survivors include wife — Jennifer; two sons — Justin and Jaydin Reyes of Muleshoe; his parents — Jose and Rosa Reyes; his grandmother — Consuelo Vasquez; a sister — Milagros Reyes of Snyder; three brothers — Joe Reyes of Muleshoe, and Julio Reyes and Juan Carlos Reyes, both of Snyder.

Memorials may be sent to the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Youth Group, 805 East Hickory, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

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MAHD Board Approves EMR Software Vendor

By Larry Thornton
Editor

The Muleshoe Area Hospital District's board of directors voted to continue contracting with HealthLand as the district's electronic health records vendor during Thursday's regular meeting.

Although the district's IT staff — Coordinator Bobby Turner and consultant David Buchanan, addressed the deficiencies with the program offered by Healthland during the hospital district's budget workshop in late July, the hospital board decided that it was still the best option considering the price tag of switching to another company.

During the hospital district's strategic planning sessions, it was noted that MAHD had spent approximately \$750,000 on a federally required electronic medical records system a couple of years ago.

But Turner informed the board of directors that the current system needed to be replaced, adding that representatives from Healthland had notified him the EMR program that had been installed will be neither upgraded nor supported after the third quarter of 2014.

He further explained that Healthland Classic EMR won't function on a computer with a newer operating system than Windows XP, which in turn is no longer supported by Microsoft.

During the discussion, computer consultant Dave Buchanan noted that Healthland Classic is based on computer software — D-Base, one of the first database

management programs, that is a couple of decades old.

"They eventually had to admit it (Healthland Classic) wouldn't work on Windows 7," he added.

Turner explained that because Healthland Classic can't be upgraded the hospital won't be able to meet the federal "Meaningful Use Stage 2" requirements, which will be necessary for the hospital to receive reimbursement funds.

Turner further said at the planning session that the hospital district will be faced with additional costs of about \$60,000 for new computers at Muleshoe Area Memorial Center.

An additional \$15-30,000 may be needed for peripheral equipment, depending upon the requirements of the new EMR program, he said.

"This is one of those things," Turner said in July. "We don't have any choice."

Although the federal government won't "force" the hospital district to make the change, Turner indicated it was a numbers game in which the hospital will lose.

"If you don't, the (federal) government will cut (Medicare) reimbursements, and

in the fourth year fine the hospital," he said.

"When they do it to the bigger hospitals," Turner said, "they do it to us also."

According to Turner, the hospital district is already in HIPAA violation for every computer it is operating under the XP operating system. However, action or penalties for such violations have been deferred until April 2014.

The new program — depending upon the vendor selected by the MAHD board, could run from \$500,000 up to \$3.9 million.

At Thursday's meeting, the hospital board was faced with a choice between Healthland's Classic EMR, with a future upgrade to its Centriq™ program, and three other vendors — McKesson, CPSI or Nextgen.

Although it was believed by many involved in the recommendation to the board that McKesson was probably the best software offered, MAHD CEO David Burke said the computer program's \$3 million price tag put it out of the hospital's reach.

"We're not going to make everybody happy, for those who work on

the system,"

Burke said, noting that different portions of each vendor's offering pleased different hospital departments.

With the upgrade to Healthland's Classic, Burke noted that the hospital would eventually have to make the later upgrade to Centrix™ — which he said is currently not available — to meet the federal Stage 3 requirements.

"This is not something we want to do," Burke said.

Prior to the board's approval of continuing with Healthland, Burke noted that the company's sales representatives had agreed to an \$18,000 discount due to problems the hospital district has had with the program.

The price for the upgrade will be \$411,587.

In other business, the hospital board:

- Set a Tuesday, Jan. 7, date for a special meeting regarding the hospital district's redistricting efforts.

Maps for the current place boundaries, and the option recommended by the MAHD redistricting advisory committee are currently on display at Muleshoe Area Medical Center.



Q: You often see temperatures fall in a hurry in some parts of the country. What's the largest temperature drop in the United States?

A: Montana appears to hold the record, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University.

"On Dec. 14, 1924, the temperature at Fairfield, Mont., went from 63 degrees at noon to minus 21 degrees at midnight, meaning the temperature fell 84 degrees in a 12-hour period. But even that day was topped. On Jan. 23, 1916, the temperature in Browning, Mont., fell from 44 degrees one afternoon to minus 56 degrees the following afternoon — a drop of an even 100 degrees," he said.

Q: Why does Montana hold those kind of records?

A: Because of the huge size of the state, its geography and its northern location, Montana has the right ingredients for temperature fluctuations, McRoberts adds.

"Nearby Spearfish, S.D., has the largest temperature rise on record. On Jan. 22, 1943, the temperature went from minus-4 degrees at 7:30 a.m. to 45 degrees by 7:32 — an incredible

warm-up of 49 degrees in just two minutes. The warm Chinook winds of this region can bring about very swift warming periods, while the strong arctic cold fronts from northern Canada can cause sharp temperature drops of 30 and 40 degrees in just a few hours. Texas is also no stranger to such drops. On Dec. 12, 1919 in Amarillo, it was 67 degrees at noon, and a strong cold front blew in and dropped the temperature to 23 degrees by 1 p.m., an amazing 44-degree drop in just one hour."

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A Busy Year In Muleshoe... Continued from A3

the Bailey County Coliseum for the chamber's 63rd annual banquet, and recognized local businesses, organizations and individuals.

Among the evening's activities and entertainment was a report on the "State of the City," by Muleshoe Mayor Cliff Black, a catered meal, entertainment provided by Holly Avenue of Lubbock, and singers from Trinity Christian Center, and the awarding of local honors.

Among the local honorees for the 2013 banquet were Employee of the Year, Kathy Embry of First Bank; Business of the Year, Frontera Feedyard; Man of the Year, Curtis Shelburne; Women of the Year, shared between the Jennyslippers and chamber president Gina Wilkerson; and Farm Family of the Year, the Ronnie Altman family.

Special honors were also awarded to author Francis Stegall.

A bit of an unexpected surprise dropped into the lap of the police department in April when a suspicious package was found at a local residence.

As was noted in the story carried in the Muleshoe Journal, packages during the Christmas Season, or around your birthday, are always exciting, but the package dropped off at a local residence on Thursday, April 11, sparked a bit of excitement that wasn't quite as pleasant.

According to Lt. Benny Parker of the Muleshoe Police Department, local resident Eddie Alvarado reported a suspicious package had been left at his residence in the 600 block of W. Seventh, a little before 3:30 p.m.

Even though there weren't any exposed wires, because of how the package, a briefcase to be specific, had been placed, and the resident's previous military service, local law enforcement officials felt it best to request the assistance of the explosive ordinance disposal unit with the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office.

After the arrival of the bomb squad a high-pressure water cannon was used to "breach the package," and determine it didn't contain explosives.

Instead of explosives, the briefcase was found to contain miscellaneous papers belonging to a local organization.

Over at the Bailey County Law Enforcement Center, the problem wasn't incoming packages in April, it was outgoing jailers, as noted during the monthly county commissioners' court when the issue of how additional revenue could be raised to fund a pay increase for jailer positions drew a suggestion

that a study should be made to determine the feasibility of raising the jail's current rate for boarding out of state prisoners.

However, while such a study had yet to be completed, County Judge Sherri Harrison expressed concerns about the possibility of losing prisoner boarding contracts with current counties, both in Texas and New Mexico, due to a rate increase.

Looking at the numbers behind the operation of the county jail, the judge recognized that at the current rate and number of prisoners being boarded, the revenues generated by the facility would barely cover this year's bond payment.

According to Harrison, the jail is projected to make about \$321,000 during the current fiscal year, and the 2013 debt service payment is set at \$321,585.

Although the projected revenue for the facility in the 2013 budget was set at \$415,000, with the county already five months into that budget, the actual revenue was below the anticipated amount, at \$167,666.44.

District Attorney Katheryn Gurley also announced in April that she wouldn't be seeking the death penalty in the capital murder trial of Daniel A. Cardon Jr., 50, of Artesia, N.M.

With the death sentence removed from consideration, Gurley said the possibility of moving the trial up — possibly to the end of May 2013, existed because it would require less time for both the prosecution and the defense to prepare.

Cardon was accused of the murder of his estranged wife, Lucila Perez, 38, during the early morning hours of June 4, 2012.

According to Lana Perez, a sister-in-law of the alleged victim — who contacted the Muleshoe Journal in the days following the alleged murder, Cardon kicked in the door to her residence, across from the Dillman Elementary campus on West Third, and shot his estranged wife, Lucila Perez, in her (Lana's) presence.

Over at the Muleshoe Area Hospital District, in April, the board of directors received an

in-depth audit report that while softened by discussion of the things that are being done well, included information and warnings about the state of the hospital district and health care issues across the

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nation. "I love to see hospitals and communities come together, like you do, and make it work," said Deborah Whitley, CPA, of BKD, LLP of Waco, the district's auditing firm, at the beginning of her presentation. "It's not an easy task."

"It's not just hard in Muleshoe," she added, referring to the difficulties all rural hospitals are experiencing, especially under the changes currently being experienced, and expected in the months ahead, under the reforms nationally referred to by many as "Obamacare."

"A lot of good comes out of health care reform," Whitley said, "the bad is that it comes at a cost."

She noted that while MAHD hasn't been faced with the issue to date, a lot of hospitals are already laying off personnel.

Whitley referred briefly to the dilemma hospitals may face when they have to cut costs in one area and add personnel in administration because of heightened paper work requirements.

"Health care reform is going to change a lot about health," she said.

And, in Muleshoe High School Sports Austin Ross took a gold medal Region I Track Meet in Odessa's Ratliff Stadium.

"He had made two attempts in the long jump before getting everything right. He sailed twenty-six feet seven inches and on to the medal stand for the gold medal," Sportswriter Delton Wilhite said in his report of the event.

Wilhite said the leap put Ross in the Muleshoe record book and qualified him for the Texas State Track Meet.

Junior Baca also

qualified for the state meet for the third consecutive year in the 800-meter run.

May

In May, the Muleshoe Police Department identified former Muleshoe High School teacher Morgan Marricle of Muleshoe as being under investigation for an inappropriate relationship with a student.

According to information received from police officials, Marricle, who was a first year English instructor at Muleshoe High School, was accused of touching a 14-year-old male student in a sexual manner, an allegation that was initially denied in a press release from her attorney, Chuck Lanehart of Lubbock.

"Morgan Marricle has not been charged with any criminal offense, as has been widely reported by the media. An investigation has been launched into accusations that have been made against her, and she maintains her innocence as to the allegations," the release from Lanehart stated.

And in May, Colt Ellis defeated opponent Isidoro Trevino by almost three to one Muleshoe's District 1 municipal election, according to totals released by City Secretary LeAnn Gallman.

Isidoro Trevino received 15 votes in the election that concluded Saturday, May 11, while Colt Ellis received 44 votes.

Only 59 of the registered 474 voters took part in this year's municipal election.

On a side note, according to the available information at Muleshoe City Hall, Ellis—at 22 years of age, was the youngest person elected to the Muleshoe City Council.

His grandfather, Frank Ellis, also served on the city council for several years.

And while members of the Muleshoe High School senior class were celebrating their release from the rigors of secondary education, accused burglar Sergio Guzman was also celebrating his release.

It only took 14 minutes for a Bailey County jury, in May, to deliberate and return a "not guilty" verdict in his trial.

Facing charges of burglary of a habitation and theft from a person, Guzman was acquitted of both charges by the five men and seven women jury.

In her opening argument, Dist. Attorney Kathryn Gurley said, "This case is about a man who overstepped the line," but by it's decision based upon the testimony received the jury

apparently disagreed.

According to testimony received from Muleshoe Police Ofc. Logan Ruthardt, he was called to the residence of Laura Orozco on Dec. 14, 2012, in reference to an incident that occurred the previous evening.

According to the testimony received from the officer, following an argument with the victim, the defendant was told to leave the residence in the 500 block of W. Ave D, only to return about 25 minutes later, and allegedly force entry through the locked back door.

"I didn't want to see him again that night," Orozco said.

Problems arose at the hospital district, local physicians expressed both their concerns for the hospital district and their support during a special meeting on May 22.

During the open forum, the physicians—led by Dr. Bruce Purdy, said it was important that the physicians, and physicians' assistant have an "open door" of communication with the governing body of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District, which brought words of agreement from its board president, Herb Ramage.

According to Dr. Purdy,

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2013: An Exciting, Emotional Year At Sudan

The year 2013 was an exciting and emotional year at Sudan, and especially at the Sudan Independent School District.

In January, SISD hosted a retirement reception for three employees who had dedicated decades to the betterment of the school district.

Susan Baker, Maria Montez, and Charls Ann Williams celebrated their retirement with dozens of family, friends, and coworkers present.

Charls Ann Williams had worked for Sudan schools for more than 30 years serving as a lunchroom attendant, substitute teacher, bus driver, and ISS teacher.

"When the students



Susan Baker, Charls Ann Williams and Maria Montez

would ask who was substituting for a particular teacher, and they found out it was CA, the students would groan," Sudan Elementary Principal Deann Wilson said, as reported by Sudan

Correspondent Cheri Sain.

"That usually meant that CA was respected for being firm with the students, but very loved as well. All the kids love CA."

Maria Montez had served in a custodial capacity for the school district for 30 years.

Montez began working for the school when the school was brand new. Wilson said that Montez is more than a custodian for

this school.

Susan Baker had worked for Sudan Schools for 40 years. Baker has been an elementary teacher the entire time, and she expanded her role in the elementary by becoming one of the technology directors for the school.

In February, the Sudan Speech Team and the UIL Academic Team competed at two separate contests, walking away with several awards — a feat that was repeated in April, and continued through the 2012-13 school year and into the first half of the 2013-14 school year.

In March, Jesus Lozaya and Terra DeSautell, both of Sudan High School, were among the artists honored for their work in the fourth annual Juried Youth Art Exhibition as part of National Youth Art Month.

The Runnels Gallery — located within the ENMU Golden Library, received more than 145 submissions to this year's exhibition, Cheri Sain reported.

"We are extremely pleased with the turnout to this year's

event," said Bryan Hahn, Runnels Gallery manager. "The quality of work continues to grow exponentially every year; there is such a bright and promising voice of the artist in each artwork."

A public reception was held in honor of all the artists selected for inclusion in the show.

And in May, several Sudan track students were heading to Austin to participate in the UIL State 1-A Track Meet in May.

Dayton Fisher competed in four events in Austin, Sain reported.

At the Region I Track Meet at South Plains last Friday and Saturday, Fisher broke a 38-year record for the high jump.

The previous record was 6'9". Fisher shattered the record with a jump of 7'1" and almost made 7'2".

Fisher has signed with Texas Tech to compete in the high jump next year.

Fisher also won the triple jump with a distance of 46-09.25. Fisher was less than two inches from breaking that regional record as well.

A Busy Year... Continued from A6

the physicians — including Dr. Kyle Sheets, Dr. Tyson Purdy and Dr. Jobey Claborn, had been discussing some of the issues facing the hospital district, and apparently felt it was time to address the issues with the board.

Among those issues was the number of doctors currently practicing in Muleshoe with its local population, as well as the population in the surrounding area who travel to Muleshoe for basic medical care.

"We, in my opinion, need more doctors," Purdy said in his address to the hospital board, describing the doctors as the driving force behind the financial success of Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

Also in May, the Muleshoe Area Hospital District's board of directors voted to hold an election to remove its existing 40 cent tax rate cap.

Prior to the construction of Park View Nursing Care Center, there was reportedly a 25 cent cap on the hospital district. However, to pay for the bonds necessary for the nursing home hospital district votes raised the cap to 40 cents.

At issue during Thursday's regular meeting, was whether the cap should be removed — raising the district's effective cap to the state's 75 cent limit, and whether a vote on the issue should be set for a November 2013 ballot, or postpone such an election until May 2014.

During the discussion that preceded the board's vote, it was noted that for the November 2013 election, the board had to come to a decision prior to the end of June.

When board member Allen Smyer why the board was rushing to a decision at its May board meeting, MAHD CEO David Burke explained that the Bailey County Appraisal District would need to know the board's decision prior to its regular meeting on June 27, so it was placed on May's agenda.

In either case an increased tax rate wouldn't do into effect until November 2014.

The end of May also marked the end of the murder trial of Daniel A. Cardon, Jr.

While a Bailey County jury only needed 14 minutes to acquit Sergio Guzman of his burglary charge, another jury took less than two hours to deliver a guilty verdict Cardon's capital murder trial.

Because the jury found the 50-year-old defendant guilty of capital murder, which carries a mandatory life sentence, without parole, it wasn't necessary for the jury to sit through a bifurcated trial to determine the punishment to be assessed.

"Daniel Cardon is a killer," Dist. Attorney Kathryn Gurley said in her opening statement to the four men, eight women jury.

Cardon didn't wait long to make his first bid for freedom after the verdict was read.

Cardon, who erupted in anger in the courtroom following the announcement of the jury's guilty verdict voicing his disapproval of defense attorney Rob Cowie's closing argument, was removed from the courthouse prior to the release of the jury by Dist. Judge Gordon Green, and placed in a sheriff department unit.

After the jurors left the building, and after the Cardon appeared to have calmed down, he was returned to the courtroom, where Judge Green asked if there were any reasons he shouldn't be sentenced immediately.

Without any objections from either the district attorney or the defense attorneys, Greene sentenced Cardon to life in prison, without the possibility of parole.

A few minutes later, Bailey County Sheriff's deputies and officers with the Muleshoe Police Department led him out of the courtroom and down the stairs, where — according to Sheriff Richard Wills, Cardon knocked one of the officers off balance and fled from the courthouse, northbound on West Second Street.

Although a remote-controlled "stun cuff" had been placed on the defendant prior to court Wednesday's court session, after an incident outside the courtroom, unbeknownst to the deputies and officers who had placed Cardon in the patrol unit following his outburst at the reading of the verdict, when he was placed in the unit, the defendant succeeded in removing the cuff from his ankle.

As Cardon fled, attempts to bring him down with the remote were unsuccessful.

According to Sheriff Wills, Muleshoe Police Det. Heath Edwards and Dep. Jeremiah Murillo, followed closely by other law enforcement officers, captured the convicted felon about two blocks away, at the corner of Ave. B and West Second.

June

In June, Bailey County

Relay for Life celebrated 282 "birthdays" during its annual fund raiser, held at the Bailey County Coliseum.

According to Relay publicity chairman Starla Ellis, the birthdays were the cumulative total of years since county cancer survivors were initially diagnosed.

Although this year's event didn't reach its goal of \$50,000, through the work of the relay teams and local donors \$45,000 was collected for cancer research, surpassing last year's total by \$1,000.

And while in May, Muleshoe area physicians and the hospital district's board of trustees presented an image of unity at its May 22 special meeting, such was not the case during another special meeting on Thursday, June 13.

With a single agenda item: Procurement of medical staff services for the hospital district, the board met with Dr. Bruce Purdy who also serves as Muleshoe Area Medical Center's chief of staff, and Dr. Tyson Purdy to both the recruitment of another physician.

And, while possible recruitment efforts included the news that one of the part-time physicians currently working in MAMC's emergency room was interested in moving to the community, the feelings rising over the contracts were an indication the hospital district may have a new problem on the horizon.

The contract situation wouldn't be resolved until the second half of 2013.

Year in Review continued next week.

event," said Bryan Hahn, Runnels Gallery manager. "The quality of work continues to grow exponentially every year; there is such a bright and promising voice of the artist in each artwork."

A public reception was held in honor of all the artists selected for inclusion in the show.

And in May, several Sudan track students were heading to Austin to participate in the UIL State 1-A Track Meet in May.

Dayton Fisher competed in four events in Austin, Sain reported.

At the Region I Track Meet at South Plains last Friday and Saturday, Fisher broke a 38-year record for the high jump.

The previous record was 6'9". Fisher shattered the record with a jump of 7'1" and almost made 7'2".

Fisher has signed with Texas Tech to compete in the high jump next year.

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SPORTS NEWS

Lady Mules Win District Opener

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules traveled to Friona Tuesday evening to play their first district game of the 2013-2014 season against the Squaws.

Both teams seemed to be a bit timid in their offense in the opening period and it ended in a 10-10 tie.

The Lady Mules opened up their game in the second period and appeared to be on their way to an easy win but Kendall Barnett nailed a long distance 3-pointer just prior to the buzzer to cut the Lady Mule lead to 26-23 at the intermission.

The Squaws could not catch the Lady Mules in the second half and the Lady Mules were able

to add to their lead and defeated the Squaws 50-44.

"We had hoped to give you an 'L' tonight," said Friona Squaw coach Darrel Ray.

"But it did not work out that way. The Lady Mules played well and we just could not make up the difference despite having some opportunities," the coach said.

Friona scored first with a basket 15 seconds into the game. Both teams hit a dry spell and McKenna Dunham tied the game with a pair of free throws with 4:44 left in the first period.

It was a see-saw battle after that.

The inside game of Dunham and DonAnn Rempe had an answer

for ever Squaw basket. Dunham added a hoop and Rempe made a basket and two free throws.

Adrienne Precure finished a fast break to give the Lady Mules a 10-10 tie at the quarter break.

"The girls are working very hard to get better every game," said Lady Mule Coach Jay Gorman.

"Rempe, Dunham, (Shanice) Rosas and (Reagan) Reynolds are giving us a much needed inside game," he added.

"Our passing and court awareness have really improved and getting a win tonight should really give the girls a boost of confidence."

Emily Precure and Daniela Diaz both dropped in 3-pointers in the second quarter as the Lady Mules began to build a lead.

Reynolds and Rempe both stuck back offensive rebounds and Diaz drove to hoop for a lay up.

Dunham added two more baskets as the Lady Mules opened a 26-23 lead at the half.

Dunham opened the second half scoring with an eight-foot baseline jumper.

A Precure sank a trey from the top of the key and Sadie Sudduth dropped in a 3-pointer from the wing.

Dunham got Rempe the ball on the blocks and she spun and shot over the Squaw defender for two points.

Dunham finished the quarter with a free throw and the Lady



Photograph-by-Gabby-Perez-

Lady Mule McKenna Dunham shoots during the game against Friona.



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Lady Mule Adrienne Precure drives past a Friona Squaw during the recent game.



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Mules had increased their lead to 37-33.

Rempe and Dunham cleaned up the offensive rebounds in the fourth period and each one score a basket.

Diaz drove nails in the Squaws coffin by making three-of-four free throws.

A Precure also charged the Squaws for fouling as she made all six free throw attempts in the final period.

Dunham led the Lady Mules in scoring with 13 points and pulled down 11 rebounds.

A Precure dropped in 11 points and Rempe added 10. Diaz was close behind with eight points, E Precure and Sa Sudduth made three points each.

Reynolds chipped in two points.

The Lady Mules hosted the Olton Fillies Friday night before starting their Christmas break.

They will play themselves back into shape in the Lubbock Caprock Tournament and return to district action Dec. 31 when they travel to Dimmitt to play the Bobbies.

Lady Mule Tough...

Lady Mule McKenna Dunham takes the game to the planks as she fights with a Friona Squaw for the ball during the recent game.

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WE SUPPORT THE MULES AND LADY MULES!

Seventh Grade Lady Mules Defeat Lady Hornets, 29-28

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The seventh Mules just escaped the Tulia Hornets with a win On Dec. 9.

The Mules came back from a 26-23 deficit in the final period to defeat the Hornets 29-28.

The Mules won the opening tip and Luis Franco went coast-to-coast to put the Mules in front.

Luke Leal drove from the wing for a hoop and

Ryan Rodriguez picked a Hornets pocket and pushed the ball ahead to Izaiah Hurtado for a lay up that gave the Mules a 6-0 lead.

The Hornets made the next 10 points to take a 10-6 lead to start the second period.

The Hornets scored to open the second period and double up on the Mules.

Hurtado dropped in a six-foot jump shot off an in bound play.

Franco picked off a Tulia pass and pushed the ball ahead to Hurtado on a break.

Ean Hasley tied the game with a shot from the elbow and then put the Mules in front with a reverse lay up on the Mules next trip down the floor.

Rodriguez cleared the boards with an offensive rebound and put the ball up and in to give the Mules a 16-12 at the intermission.

The Hornets out scored the Mules 14-7 in the third period to take a 26-23 lead to start the final period.

Leal made a half-court pass to Rodriguez running on a break.

Ethan Villa was fouled driving the lane and tied the game at 26-26 with 4:11 on the clock.

Tulia scored but Raul Sierra answered with a six-foot jump shot in the lane.

Rodriguez made the free throw to put the Mules in front to stay.

Hurtado led the Mules in scoring with 12 points.

Rodriguez added six points and Leal dropped in four. Franco, Sierra and Hasley made two points each.

Villa chipped in one point for the Mules.

The Mules traveled to Abernathy to play the Antelopes Monday before taking their Christmas break.

The Mules will play their way back into shape after the holidays

Jan. 9-11 in the Levelland Lobo Tournament.

The Mules return home Jan. 20 to play the Olton Mustangs.



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Tenant Is Responsible For Damage To House

Q: For the past five years I have rented a house to the same tenant. Last month he gave notice and moved out. When I went to see the property I was shocked by all the damage. I had not checked the condition of the property in almost three years, and there was major damage. I took a security deposit but the damage is much more.

Am I limited to the amount of the deposit? P.S. I learned my lesson and will always periodically check the property in the future.

A: I am glad you have learned something from this experience, but I am sorry it has been such an expensive lesson.

A landlord should always make regular trips to visit and inspect the rental property.

You are not out of luck, however, with respect to recovering for the damage to your property.

The first thing you need to do is send the

Ask A Lawyer... By Richard Alderman

tenant written notice describing the damage and the costs of repair, stating that the security deposit will be applied to that amount. Let the tenant know you expect he will pay the remaining balance, or you will consider legal action to collect.

If he does not pay, consider a claim in Justice Court. As I have said before, this court has replace small claims court and should be just as easy to use.

Q: How long do you need to live together to have a common law marriage? I was told seven years.

A: This may be one of the most common myths about the law. There is not time limit for establishing a common law marriage.

A common law marriage requires the parties agree to be married, hold themselves

out as married, and live together as married. The time period could be as short as one day.

Q: I owe a lot of money and can't pay my bills. I tried to pay what I owe but it is impossible. I can no longer stand the debt collectors bothering me and want to file bankruptcy.

I have been told that even if I file bankruptcy, I will still owe my student loans. Is this true? They are my largest debts.

A: As you seem to know, when you file bankruptcy, most of your debts are "discharged." This means that you no longer have any obligation to pay.

Not all debts, however, are discharged. The most common type of debt that is not discharged in bankruptcy is a student loan. Student loans are discharged only if paying them would be an "undue hardship" on the debtor.

In most cases, it is very difficult to get a student loan discharged in bankruptcy. If most of what you owe is for student loans, bankruptcy may not be a good idea.

I suggest you speak with an attorney board certified in consumer bankruptcy and get his or her opinion.

Library Program Offered

The Muleshoe Area Public Library will be hosting a December Break Program on Dec. 27, 30 and 31, from 10-11:30 a.m.

D i l l m a n and DeShazo students are invited to this program. However, they must be accompanied by a junior high or older volunteer.

On the Dec. 27, library staff will be reading the book, *The Legend of the Poinsettia*, and learning the song *Felix Navidad*.

The craft project for

You also should speak with someone about arranging for a payment plan for your student loans.

There are payment plans based on income that allow you to satisfy your obligation without having to pay the full amount.

Q: I have a life insurance policy that designates one of my three sons as the beneficiary.

I also have a will, which divides my property equally between all three sons.

Which has priority, the life insurance policy or the will?

A: The beneficiary named in the life insurance policy will receive the proceeds of the policy, regardless of who is named the beneficiary in your will.

The will deals with only the property in your estate.

The proceeds of your life insurance policy do not become part of your estate and will go directly to the son named in the policy.

I should point out that the son who is the beneficiary of the life insurance policy will also receive a third of your remaining estate pursuant to the will.



Christmas Memorial At Muleshoe Library

The Muleshoe Area Public Library has put up Christmas Memorial Book Tree, pictured above, that will stay up all year round, according to Librarian Dyan Dunagan.

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL PERMIT NO. WQ0010049001 APPLICATION.

City of Muleshoe, 215 South 1st Street, Muleshoe, Texas 79347, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to renew Texas Land Application Permit (TLAP) No. WQ0010049001 to authorize the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 205,000 gallons per day via irrigation on 78 acres of golf course via outfall 001, and 435,000 gallons per day via irrigation on 240 acres of land via outfall 002. The domestic wastewater treatment facility and southern disposal area are located approximately 1.5 miles south of the intersection of State Highway 214 and U.S. Highway 84, in Bailey County, Texas 79347. The northern disposal area is located 0.75 mile east of the intersection of State Highway 214 and U.S. Highway 70, in Bailey County, Texas 79347. TCEQ received this application on October 1, 2013. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at Muleshoe City Hall, 215 South 1st Street, Muleshoe, Texas. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?la t=34.206944&lng=102.723333&zoom=13&type=r>

ADDITIONAL NOTICE. TCEQ's Executive Director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After technical review is complete, the Executive Director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list and to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the deadline for submitting public comments. PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting on this application.** The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. **OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments, and the Executive Director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. **TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and, the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing."** If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit without

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- 5-3-2+2 carport home, Cent. Air & Heat, approx. 3124' lv. area, FP in den, WB stove in lv. area, 2 large workshops, stor. bldgs., +1 bdrm aptmkt., corner lot, MUCH MORE!! \$440,000!! \$120K!!!
- VERY NICE - 3 - 2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, WB stove, nice flooring, utility, thermal win. & doors, fans, fence yd., stor. bldg.!! \$99K!!!
- 3-2 1/2 - 2 carport HOME, corner lot, 2301' living area!! \$80K!!! REDUCED \$72K!!!
- 4-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, DW, fans w/lights, lg. util., fenced yd., auto. sprklr. approx. 1962' lv. area!! \$89.5K!!!

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- VERY NICE 3-2.5-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx. 2749' lv. area, lots of storage, nice courtyard & landscaping, workshop/storage/ fenced yd., Much More!! **Reduced-\$155K!**
- 3-2 BDRM. DUPLEX UNITS, TOTAL ELECTRIC!! \$180K!!!
- 2-1 Home, wall furnace heat, window evap. air!! \$30,000!!!
- CUSTOM BUILT 3-2.5-2 Brick Home on corner lot, 2608' lv. area, built-ins, FP, covered patio w/ grill, fenced yd., auto sprklr., numerous amenities!! \$270 K!!
- VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, Built-ins, FP, thermal windows & doors, approx. 1876' lv. area, workshop/storage, fenced yd.!! \$119,500!!!
- NICE 3-2+2 carport Home, corner lot, Cent. A&H, built-ins, ceiling fans w/light kits, storm doors, & windows, covered patio, tile block fence, auto. sprklr., workshop/storage. MUCH MORE!! \$135K!!!

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- 3 Bdrm, 2 bath, 2 carport, Cent A&H, Dishwasher, WB Stove, approx. 2156' lv. area, \$60K!! \$48K!!!

RURAL

- NICE 4.8 acre homesites, deed restricted!! \$17,500!!!
- NICE 3-2-2 Home on 11 acres at edge of town, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, freshly painted interior, thermal windows & doors, plus 1 bdrm house, workshop, storage, greenhouse, plus 3 garages, barns & outbuildings!! \$455,000!! \$135,000!!!
- FM 1760 @ edge of town, nice 3-2-2 carport home on 3 acres, cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx. 2253' lv area, fenced, horse barn w/corrals, hay & tack room!! \$105K!!!
- FM 303-4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Det. Garage, 2 acre tract, Par. Cent. A&H, Dw, disposal, thermal windows, storm doors, fans, stor. bldg.!! \$80!! \$69,500!!!
- 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Mobile Home (1998 Skyline), approx. 2280' lv. area, Cent. air&heat, built-ins, FP, metal roof, auto spklr., 40' x 80' insulated metal building, w/office, 1/2 bath, workshop, loft storage, 220 electric, 14.68 acres on Hwy/84 close to town!! MUCH MORE!! \$157,900!!!
- STEGALL 3-2-2 Austin Stone Home on 3.67 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, gas log FP, approx. 3064' living area, workshop/storage, 24'x36' metal shed, MORE!! \$125K!!!
- MAPLE - 3-2.5-2 Brick Home on 2.48 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, gas log FP, approx. 2557' lv. area, (garage enclosed), storage unit!! MORE!! \$65K!!!

LAND & COMMERCIAL

- Approx. 1080' metal bldg. w/off. & 3 bay garage/ workshop area plus chain link fenced area!! \$39,500!!!
- GREAT BUSINESS LOCATION - 13000' Bldg., 7000' paved parking, corner lot, Hwy. 84 & Main. A&H, \$100,000!! **Price Reduced \$80,000!!**
- 101.8 acres, edge of town, pasture & farm land, 1 irrig. well!! \$122,244!!!
- FOR LEASE - 2100' office space + 20,500' warehouse area!!
- 308 W. 2nd - 2856' bldg. - former Odd Fellows Lodge, PRICED TO SELL!! \$31,500
- 1020 S. Main - 200' x 104' tract w/ 1000' Bldg.!! \$20K!!!
- 2.95 acre tract with 2140' office + 17000' & 3465' ware houses 4 miles east on U.S. 70 - \$130K!!! \$99K!!!
- CASTRO CO. / FM 303 - Approx. 440 acres, 6 subs, 1 turbine, 2 valley & 1 Zimmatic circle!! \$1750 per acre.!!
- NICE OFFICE/SHOP/WAREHOUSE on approx. .7 acre tract, metal bldg. one 1/2 bath & one 3/4 bath, cent. A&H, city water, insulated \$85K REDUCED - \$50K!!!
- 2007 W. American Blvd. - 100' x 140' tract - \$12750!!!

Sudan Schools Christmas Concert Held

By Cheri Sain
Sudan Correspondent

The Sudan School Christmas Concert took place on Thursday, Dec. 19, in the high school auditorium.

Band director Nick Stephenson and his wife Mykaela Stephenson directed the fifth, sixth and seventh grades, and high school bands to the apparent delight of the audience.

The fifth grade band played featured songs such as "Jingle Bells" by Pierpont, "A Mozart Melody" by Mozart, and "Up on the Housetop" by Sweeney.

The junior high band played songs to bring a festive air to the audience.

Featured songs included "Frosty the Snowman" by Sweeney, "A Christmas Classic" by Swearington, and "Jingle Bells" by Sweeney.

The high school band took the stage and played "Christmas Kings" by Balent, "Jingle Bells Around the World" by Balet, "Crusade" by Gassi, and "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" by Sweeney.

A silent auction also took place during the event, benefiting the Sudan Bold Gold Band's scholarship fund and funding for various activities.



SHS Students Help Out

Members of Sudan FCCLA and SUDS collected canned food to benefit the Sudan Food Bank and various families around the community.

FCCLA sponsored a canned food contest where the winning elementary class received a grand prize full of games, candy, and other items.

The winning class was the second grade. More than 900 canned

goods and other staples were collected.

FCCLA also donated turkeys to nine families.

"The food will help those who may need that little extra help to make it through the holidays," FCCLA sponsor Cheri Sain said.

The canned food drive is an annual event. Some of the proceeds were donated through a grant provided

from United Way in Lubbock.

Other service events that happened this past week were the Anchors for India where students from FCCLA, SUDS, and STUCO collected more than \$350 through the bake sale, bracelet sale, paper airplane throw, and donations.

Students also donated to Toys for Tots, and SUDS bought stockings for the Buckner's Children's Home.



Sudan High School students pack food boxes.

Students Climb Aboard Polar Express

Sudan Elementary students watched "The Polar Express" in their pajamas as they ate gingerbread cookies and drank hot chocolate.

They then had a visit from Santa Claus.



Bad Sweater... Great Fun!

The Sudan Student Council held a contest for the worst Christmas sweater prior to the Christmas break. Raemi Goen, center, won the high school contest. Pictured with her are classmates Isabel Chacon, Natalie Camarena, Joanie Miller, Raemi Goen, Nereida Trillo and Kimberlee Gonzales.

More Classifieds

Continued from B3

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