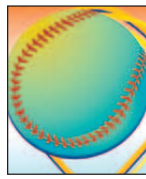




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Getting ready for an emergency

Employees with the Muleshoe Public Works Department were hard at work Monday afternoon on the fire hydrant at the corner of West American Blvd, and 19th. Pictured above are Jesse Carrion, John Paul Garza and Freddy Santos.

Laurel Healthcare Providers to administer Park View

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Area Hospital District Board of Directors approved a contract with Laurel Healthcare Providers, LLC, to provide administration services at Park View Nursing Home during Thursday's regular meeting. Under the contract, which is similar in nature to the contract the hospital district has with Covenant Health Systems to provide administrative services for Muleshoe Area Medical Center, the New Mexico-based nursing home company will provide both an administrator and a director of nurses.

The contract calls for Laurel Healthcare to be reimbursed for the salaries, along with 25 percent of the benefits the individuals in the positions are to receive.

The hospital district will also pay the moving expenses to relocate the new administrator to Muleshoe.

"I just want to make sure my expenses are covered," said Scott Athans of Albuquerque, N.M., the principal owner of Laurel Healthcare Providers, who attended Thursday's meeting and spoke to both the board and the area residents in attendance.

"I look forward to having this relationship with Laurel," said Ronnie Dent, MAHD board president.

Prior to the board's vote,

'I look forward to having this relationship with Laurel...'

— Ronnie Dent

Athans talked about himself and his company, noting that he had started out in hospital administration and than moved over into nursing home administration in about 1993.

Since that time, Laurel Healthcare Providers was created, and has grown into a \$85 million company with 10 nursing homes.

"Just because you run a hospital well, doesn't mean you can run a nursing home," he said.

Athans also joked that he was actually "trying to create full employment for his family."

He explained that his son is attending college with plans to follow him in the business, but before he made that decision, Athans said he made his son take a CNA course to help him better understand the business.

Athans said he was fortunate to have good people working for him.

"You're only as good as your people in the nursing home business," Athans said. "You're only as good as the CNA who is taking care of your mom and dad."

Athans said he felt good about the opportunities in Muleshoe. "I think we can do a good job," he added.

Ray Mason, CEO of the hospital district, discussed the contract initially offered by Laurel, and recommended its approval with only two minor changes, to which Athans had already agreed.

The first was in the amount of insurance, which was higher than the amount required under Texas law.

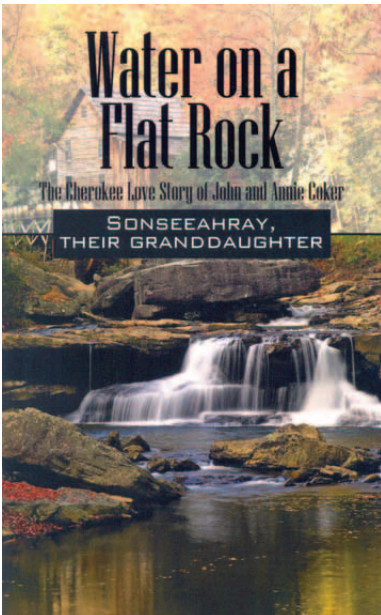
The other change noted was in the cost of nursing home consultants. Mason explained that while he didn't mind paying for consultants, when needed, or mileage, he didn't think the hospital district should pay for "windshield time."

Mason said the district's attorney had examined the contract, and "felt good about it."

Mason also said Athans would be setting up a hospice program that will be working through both the

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Muleshoe graduate to hold book signings, presentation



The cover of Copeland's first book.

1971 Muleshoe High School graduate Kathy Boren Copeland will be featured at a book signing on Sunday, April 22, and Monday, April 23.

Copeland, the author of two books, "Water on a Flat Rock" and "Butterflies Still Sing," is awaiting the August 2007 release of a third novel, "When the Morning Stars Sang."

This latest novel will be published under her Cherokee name, "Sonseeahray." is embellished with events she has learned through the study of her family's genealogy.

"I have always been an avid enthusiast of my family's Cherokee history," said Copeland. "In my writing, I combine the known elements of the lives of the people and events of my family and heritage into historical fiction novels."

A citizen of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma, Copeland has been invited to speak about Cherokee Indians and writing about Native Americans at the Northwest Arkansas Writing Conference, libraries and public schools in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona.

Copeland lived south of Muleshoe during her teen



KATHY COPELAND

years, where her father ranched and farmed, and where she became familiar with the pleasures of moving sprinkler pipes and hoeing weeds.

After graduating from Muleshoe, Copeland

received a bachelor of science degree from Southwestern Union College.

She has also worked for three years on the Navajo Nation and Gila River Reservation in Arizona, and retired from a career as a litigation paralegal in October 2006.

She currently lives in Fayetteville, Ark., with her husband, Joe, and enjoys traveling in their mobile home.

"I've been writing, in one way or another, for as long as I can remember. I was

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Sunny..... 77/39

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Child welfare board seeks to help small Texans

As part of its efforts to stamp out child abuse, the Bailey County Child Welfare Board handed out blue wristbands stamped with a telephone number to report child abuse to students at DeShazo Elementary on Friday, April 13.

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, and the local child welfare board was joining others across Texas to focus awareness on a problem that has brought suffering and death to a large number of young Texans.

The wristbands, carrying the number to the "Abuse and Neglect Hotline," 1-800-252-5400, are only of the steps the local child welfare board is taking to bring the issue to the attention to the younger generation at which such offenses are aimed.

The welfare board also plans to hand out bookmarks to raise awareness of the problem.

According to the Texas



Students receiving wristbands at DeShazo Elementary.

Department of Family and Protective Services, 227 children in the Lone Star State lost their lives from the abusive and neglectful

'This really is a problem that is going to require all of us to join together to fight...'

hands of parents and guardians in 2006.

Another 67,737 were victimized, and 17,536 children were removed from their homes as a result of abuse and neglect.

"This is a problem that affects the entire state and every community in it,

whatever we can to stop it."

Here in Bailey County, Child Protective Services conducted 56 investigations into child abuse allegations. Of those investigations, 34 were confirmed as being incidents of abuse or neglect.

"We're happy to be able

to do our part to fight child abuse in our community," Melody Sheets, vice president if the Bailey County board said.

"This really is a problem that is going to require all of us to join together to fight," Sheets added.

As an additional part of the statewide effort to fight child abuse, TxDFPS is launching a new adoption campaign called "Why Not Me."

Approximately 4,000 abused and neglected children in the state are in need of adoption. Almost half of these are nine years of age or older, which reduces their chances for adoption.

"Why not me?" they ask. "Why can't I have a family?"

TxDFPS is asking Texans, "Why not you? Why not adopt an older child?"

"We're asking responsible, caring Texans to step up and adopt abused or neglect-

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Donations will be acknowledged in the newspaper in one of three levels: Gold sponsor — cash donation of at least \$100, Silver — cash donation of at least \$50; Bronze — cash donation of at least \$25; Honorable mention — cash or prize donation less than \$25. Donations of any amount will be greatly appreciated.

Donations for "Project Graduation 2007" should be addressed to: Project Graduation 2007, 143 FM 1731, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

Meals on Wheels raffle

Bailey County Meals on Wheels is selling raffle tickets to help raise funds for the homebound food program.

First place is a painting by a local artist, second place is a quilt and third place is a \$50 cash prize. The tickets are \$5 each, and the drawing is set for May 11.

The painting and the quilt are available for viewing at the Bailey County Courthouse Aging Services office.

AA meeting

Those looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA and Al-Anon meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Friday at the First United Methodist Church, at 507 W. Second. Please use the west side entrance. For information about these meetings call 806-965-2870.

Bogus, fraudulent checks

Bailey County Attorney Scott A. Say will be holding a meeting with Bailey County merchants to review changes in policies concerning the collection and prosecution of bogus and fraudulent checks, on April 24, at 3:30 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Say will also discuss plans to purchase bogus check collection software for the county to increase efficiency and simplify management of the collection process.

Merchant concerns and questions will also be addressed at the meeting and merchants will have the opportunity to learn about vital information necessary to insure timely collection of such checks.

County merchants who accept payments by check are encouraged to attend or to send a company representative responsible for check collections. Specific problems or concerns may be tendered in advance of the meeting by calling the County Attorney's Office a 272-4205.

Migrant assistance available

The Guadalupe Economic Services Corporation will be holding its registration and commodity distribution on Thursday, April 26, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Texas Migrant Council Center, 719 Gum Street, Muleshoe.

Individuals needing to receive a new card for 2007 will need to bring the following: Identification, social security cards for everyone in the household, an electric bill, proof of income from the past 30 days for everyone in the household ages 24 and over, a bank statement, Check stubs and an award letter can be used.

The corporation also has rent, clothing and utilities assistance for migrants, seasonal farm workers and farmers.

Lazbuddie blood drive

The Lazbuddie community blood drive has been set for Monday, April 30, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., at the Lazbuddie Methodist Church's fellowship hall. Call 806-331-8800 to schedule an appointment to donate blood.

Hospital Report

The Muleshoe Area Medical Center has released the following lists of admissions:

- April 6 — Claude V. Rilpey.
- April 9 — Wanda Stanton and Donald Williams.
- April 10 — Agripina Frias and Maria Mascarenas.
- April 11 — Marina Trevino.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding..."

— Proverbs 3:5, NIV

4-H News



Bailey County 4-H members participate in fashion show

The Bailey County 4-H Fashion Show was held March 26, at the Muleshoe First United Methodist Church.

Nine 4-H clothing and textile project members participated, including: Madison Myers, the daughter of Thurman and Rhonda Myers; Shelbi Harrison, the daughter of Sherri Harrison and Alan Harrison; Taylor Prather; the daughter of Mike and Gina Prather; Bailey Bales, the daughter of Kem and Lori Bales; McKenna Dunham, the daughter of Michael and Denise Dunham; Miranda deBruin, the daughter of Floris and Julie deBruin, William Wauson, the son of Wayne and Mary Wauson; Kiley Sharp, the granddaughter of Don and Shirley Sharp; and Baylee Ruthardt, the daughter of Jedon and Tonya Ruthardt.

Bailey County 4-H was well represented at the Dist. 2, 4-H Fashion Show held at the First Church of the Nazarene, in Lubbock, Texas, on April 10.

Shelbi Harrison placed third in the Intermediate

Construction Specialty division.

Taylor Prather placed third in the Intermediate Embellished/Recycled category.

Bailey Bales placed second in the Junior Construction Dressy division.

And, Miranda deBruin, placed third in the Junior Buying Dressy category.

Julie deBruin, Tonya Ruthardt, and Shirley Sharp served as project leaders for the event.

In other news, the Bailey County 4-H Club met on April 9 at the Masonic Lodge for the monthly business meeting.

Upcoming events and activities were discussed.

District 4-H Roundup will be held in Levelland, Texas, on May 5.

Livestock Judging and Shooting Sports projects are taking place at this time.

The next 4-H meeting will be May 14. For more information about 4-H, contact the Bailey County Extension Office at 272-4583.

Hydrogen sulfide safety course set

South Plains College will be holding Hydrogen Sulfide Safety Training on May 7 at the Petroleum Technology Building on the SPC Levelland campus.

All courses begin at 6 p.m. through 9 p.m. This will be the final course of the semester.

The cost of the one-day class is \$10 per person and the three-hour course covers all aspects of hydrogen sulfide including detection, safety procedures and demonstration in the use of safety masks.

The course meets safety-training requirements for oil field work.

For more information, contact the SPC Division of Continuing and Distance Education at 806-894-9611, ext. 2341.

Thanks for reading!

On behalf of our precious little newborn daughter Addisyn Aliesha Triana, we wish to thank our Muleshoe friends for taking time out of your busy days to pray for our family and for donating to the fund-raiser to help defray the hospital costs and gas expense incurred while traveling back and forth to Dallas for Addisyn's surgery. We love you all and pray that God will bless you.
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Bridal Shower

Pinkston, Cox bridal shower held

Sherri Pinkston of Sugar Land and James Cox of Muleshoe were honored at a bridal shower held on Saturday, April 14, in the home of Julie Cage of Muleshoe.

The prospective bride is the daughter of Cheryl and Larry Pinkston of Sinton.

The prospective groom is the son of Ed and Carol Cox of Muleshoe.

Among the hostesses for the event were Hellen Adrian, Nancy Barnhill, Lana Bomer, Julie Cage, Kathy Embry, Barbara Finney, Gayla Gear, Kay Graves, Jean Harlan, Karen Harris, Diana Harrison, Hollye Hooten, Wanda Hooten, Debbie Hutto, Linda Latham, Joan Lewis,



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Sally Messenger, Cindy Purdy, Donna Redwine, Magann Rennels, Lindy Schuster, Sheila Stevenson, Dawn Williams and Criss Cleavinger.

The hostess gifts presented included bedding and two table lamps.

Special guests included Cheryl Pinkston of Sinton, Ruby Cox of Muleshoe, Jeanne Cox of New York City, N.Y., and Carol Cox of Muleshoe.

Copeland...

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 always a big reader, mostly because my parents were.,” Copeland said. “I always a big reader, mostly because my parents were.”

“I always got books for Christmas and birthdays, as well as in between,” she added. “My mom would get frustrated because I would finish them so fast, but I loved to read. ...I was the kind of kid that people always sighed over and said, ‘She has such a wild imagination’.”

“I love making up stories, which I think is a plus for writers,” said Copeland. “I could always daydream and have a make believe world going on in my brain. Now I get to share it with my readers.”

The Jennyslippers will be hosting both of the book signings. On Sunday, April 22, from 1-3 p.m., Copeland will be at Carolyn's Christmas Creations. And on Monday, April 23, she will be at the Muleshoe Public Library from 2-4 p.m.

Copeland will also be speaking at the Jennyslippers' quarterly meeting at 7 p.m., on April 23, at Richland Hills Baptist Church. The Jennyslippers invite the public to hear her presentation.

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nursing home.

“It's a wonderful service to provide a family,” Athans said, “noting that most of the charges associated with such a program are “pass through” charges from Medicare.

The contract also includes a “60-day out clause.”

In other business, the MAHD board:

- Received the hospital's quarterly quality assurance

report, which Mason described as “very good.”

- Received the district's financial report, in which it was noted that revenue was up and expenses were down.

- Approved sending “bad debts” totaling \$24,466.77 to collections.

- Expressed the board's appreciation to Jodie Rose, the interim administrator at Park View, for all the work she had done.

Nominations sought for MISD teacher awards

Muleshoe Independent School District's 14th annual Teacher of the Year awards will be presented at the general faculty meeting on May 25 in the high school auditorium.

Teachers at Dillman Elementary and DeShazo Elementary will be eligible for the elementary award and Watson Junior High and Muleshoe High School teachers will be eligible for the secondary award.

The awards, which are underwritten by Muleshoe State Bank and First Bank, each consist of a golden apple and a check for \$250.

The teacher selected will also advance to the regional competition in Lubbock and from there can qualify for state and national honors. Last year's Teachers of the Year were Bill Reed of DeShazo Elementary and Sandi Chitwood of Watson Junior High.

To be selected, the nominee must be a full-time

classroom teacher. Anyone in Muleshoe ISD — including employees, students, parents, and community members — may nominate a teacher for the award.

If you would like to nominate a teacher for one of these honors, please send a brief letter stating why he or she should be Teacher of the Year to the superintendent's office at 514 W. Ave. G. no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, April 27.

A committee composed of representatives from each campus, the MISD Board of Trustees, and the community will review the information provided by each nominee and select the winners.

Births



ADDISYN ALIESA TRIANA

Addisyn Triana

Loy and Jennifer Triana of Burkburnett announce the birth of their daughter, Addisyn Aliesa Triana, on April 6, 2007, at 4:18 p.m., at St. Paul's Hospital of Dallas.

Addisyn weighed five pounds, .04 ounces at birth, and was 18 inches in length.

Addisyn's grandparents are Jose and Dora Triana of Muleshoe, Guy Hedges of San Angelo, and Tim and Barbara Ashby of Burkburnett.

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SNOW BUNNY

The Muleshoe Housing Authority presented “Mr. B. Bunny,” the Easter Bunny, on Saturday morning, April 8. He sat in his giant Easter nest taking pictures with children and giving away Easter candy and toy filled eggs. The weekend's bizarre snow storm kept the group from hunting outside. He was later seen at United Supermarkets and Lowe's Marketplace and even visited those living and working at Park View Nursing Care Center. Pictured are Muleshoe Housing Authority secretary Rosemary Franco, executive director Bea Garcia, maintenance engineer Antonio Garcia and Bryan Vandusen, aka “Mr. B. Bunny.”

Don't forget your photographs

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Chamber Business of the Month

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently announced that BeautiControl, owned by Louvenia Garlington is the April Business of the Month. Garlington has owned the business for 21 years. Pictured above, with Garlington, are chamber board members Ray Ybarra, Sherrie Shipman, Tadd Young and Noelia Flores.

Jennyslipper News

The Jennyslippers met for their regular second Tuesday noon meeting at the Girl Scout Little Hut at noon on April 10.

Members present included Dianne Thornton, Brenda Tapley, Nelda Merriott, Joy Stancell, Peggy Bruton, Anna Bales, Ellen Ladd, Ruby Green, Alene Bryant, Donna Kirk, and new member, Clara Flores.

Jennyslipper president Dianne Thornton called the meeting to order and welcomed our newest member, Clara Flores.

Kirk gave the invocation. Minutes of March 13th and 27th meetings, were handed out, read and approved.

Tapley gave the treasurer's report, which was approved

by the group. Thornton advised of schedules and locations for the book signings being hosted for writer, Kathy Boren Copeland, a 1971 graduate of Muleshoe High School.

The Jennyslippers will host a book signing on Sunday afternoon, April 22, from 1-3 p.m. at Carolyn's Christmas Creations, and at the Muleshoe Public Library on Monday, April 23, from 2-4 p.m.

Although her books are fiction, she has included various facts and embellished actual incidents to make the read even more entertaining.

The public is invited to the Richland Hills Baptist Church at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 23,

to hear Copeland's presentation and to visit with the former Bailey County resident.

Peggy Bruton reported that she took the pictures that she made of the Toast to Texas to Mary DeShazo School to share with the students who were excited and appreciative.

It was announced that a Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture board meeting is coming up and our president will attend these meetings as her time permits.

The club president reminded the members of the clean-up day at Mule-Putt Golf set for Saturday, April 21, at 9 a.m. The opening date will be May 5.

BAILEY COUNTY DEVOTIONAL PAGE

STANDING FIRM

"Put on the full armor of God that you may be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil." — Ephesians 6:11

Have you ever been body surfing? It is a lot of fun to ride the waves. Often times, while you are out in the ocean waiting for that really big wave, you have to stand firm against smaller waves. If you do not stand firm, you will get knocked off your feet and lose ground in your quest to catch "the big one."

In the Christian life, God admonishes us again and again to stand firm against the devil. It seems a little strange that God would not command us to go forward. After all, we do have the song "Onward Christian Soldiers." Why all the emphasis on standing firm?

THE THIEF

The reason God tells us to stand firm against the devil has to do with what He has already given us. The Book of Ephesians tells us we have been blessed already "with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ" (Eph. 1:3). It tells us that we are "seated with Him in the heavenly places in Christ" (Eph. 2:6). We are to stand firm against the devil so that we do not lose one inch of blessing ground that God has already given to us.

Jesus told us that the devil is a thief. He comes only to steal and kill and destroy (John 10:10). The devil comes at us to steal away our joy, peace, power and blessings that God has already given to us to enjoy.

HOW DO YOU STOP HIM?

The way you deal with the thief is to take authority and stand firm? Sadly, many Christians are failing to do this, and, as a result, they are letting the thief steal them blind.

That's right, I said, "Letting." He cannot take anything from you unless you let Him?

Suppose some unarmed man that you knew you could whip were to walk in the front door of your house and start hauling off your stuff. He starts taking your TV, your computer, your refrigerator, your jewelry, etc. How would you respond? Would you just cower in a corner and let him have his way? Would you call your friends and wail and lament over all the bad that has befallen you? Of course not!! You would face this one you can whip and tell him to drop it and beat it! You would take authority and stand firm.

Jesus Christ has all power and all authority. If you are genuinely born again, Jesus Christ lives in you. The Bible says, "Greater is He who is in you (Jesus) than he who is in the world (Satan)" (1 John 4:4). You have power and authority over the devil and his demonic hoard. You have the full armor of God to stand up to your enemy and defeat him every time in Jesus' name.

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

Quit whining and crying while he steals you blind and start standing up to him!! Take the full armor that God has given you and the weapons of the word and prayer and begin to defend your spiritual ground. As Nehemiah told the people who were building the wall in Jerusalem, "Do not be afraid of them; remember the Lord who is great and awesome, and FIGHT!!!"

Will you fight for your marriage? Will you fight for your children? Will you fight for your church? Will you fight for the Christian values in America we see eroding away before our eyes every day? Will you fight to keep all the blessings God has so graciously bestowed upon you? The battle is not against flesh and blood — it is against the devil and his demons. And we have the victory!!

The time is NOW for God's people to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. Who is with me?

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Obituaries

Virginia Barton

A church service for Virginia Barton, 79, of Earth, was held on Thursday, April 12, at Earth United Methodist Church with the Rev. Larry Bass officiating. Burial followed in Springlake Cemetery.

Barton died on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, in Covenant Medical Center of Lubbock. She was born on March 17, 1928, in Ft. Worth to E.E. and Evelyne Leonard, and married Ardis Barton in Ft. Worth on Sept. 12, 1949.

Barton graduated from Texas Tech in 1949, majoring in zoology. She taught in the Science Department of the Springlake-Earth High School and worked for the Barton Gin Company.

Among the survivors are her husband — Ardis of the home; two sons and their families — Tony and Lisa Barton of Earth and



VIRGINIA BARTON

children, Audrae, Hannah and Neal Barton, and Mark and Michele Barton, also of Earth, and children, Kris and Tori Barton; a daughter and her family — Cindy and Carol Blackwell of Lubbock and children, Lee Ann Newberry, Rhett Newberry and grandchild, Riley Newberry; and a brother — Earle Leonard of New Braunfels.

Memorials may be sent to the American Cancer Society or to one's favorite charity.

Winnie Mills

Church services for Winnie Mills, 80, of Muleshoe were held on Monday, April 9, at the Calvary Baptist Church with Bro. Darrell Martin and Bro. Jeff Coffman officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mills died on April 6, 2007. She was born on July 26, 1926, in Baileyboro, and married Cecil Mills in Portales, N.M., on Dec. 15, 1951.

She had lived in Muleshoe since 1952, moving from Portales, and was a homemaker and a member of the baptist church.

Mills was preceded in

death by her parents — Walter and Ella Chambers, two sisters, a brother and a grandchild.

Survivors include her husband — Cecil Mills of Muleshoe; a son — Jimmy Mills of Muleshoe; two daughters — Linda Foshee of Littlefield and Daina Blue of Lubbock; a daughter and her husband — Gayle and Eddy Morris of Muleshoe; a sister — Letta Harvey of Portales; eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Samaritan Hospice of Hereford, Alzheimer's Association of the South Plains, or Park View Nursing Care Center.

Library News



Library Family of the Year announced

The Muleshoe Public Library has selected the Steven Stancell family as its 2007 Library Family of the Year. Pictured above, from left to right, are the family members: Back row — Austin Adam; front row — Carson sitting in Steve's lap, Steve, Elaine and Stephanie.



Lazbuddie students honored

Lazbuddie Independent School District recently honored Kindergarten student Brayden Marquez, pictured above on the left, the daughter of Jose Marquez and Teresa Hood, and fourth grade student Lacey Jesko, pictured above on the right, the daughter of Terry and Janene Jesko. Also, honored were fourth grade student Albert Moran, pictured below on the left, the son of Javier Solano and Sulema Moran, and fifth grade student Shyann Rainey, pictured below on the right, the daughter of Kenneth and Ann Rainey.



Muleshoe student wins at state

Janae Pyle, a sophomore at Muleshoe High School, and the daughter of Tracy Been, was named state champion at the Visual Arts Scholastic Event held in Houston at the University of Houston, Clear Lake on April 14.


Janae's scratchboard piece titled, "Shinequa" was one of 1000 pieces out of more than 3000 pieces hung at the show from throughout the state of Texas. Janae is an art student of Hellen Adrian's. "Muleshoe has only had a three other young artist

achieve this level of excellence at the state level," said Adrian. "We are very proud of Janae and her hard work. She has accomplished what very few art students from across the entire state are ever able to do."

Janae received a gold medal for her efforts.



MULESHOE ART STUDENT
JANA PYLE



Muleshoe Cattle Market

The Muleshoe Cattle Market is brought to you each week by Muleshoe Livestock Auction, located east of Muleshoe on U.S. 84. Muleshoe Livestock conducts sales every Saturday, beginning with hogs, sheep and goats at 10 a.m. and cattle following at approximately noon.

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

SAT., APRIL 14, 2007

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NM Ranch, NM	7 Blk. str.	334 lbs. at \$154
NM Ranch, NM	14 Mxd. str.	445 lbs. at \$130.50
Suzanne Doyal, Lubbock	2 Blk. bulls	335 lbs. at \$145
Grady Free, Muleshoe	3 Mxd. bulls	347 lbs. at \$138
David Prewett, Rogers, NM	4 Blk. bulls	425 lbs. at \$139
David Prewett, Rogers, NM	7 Blk. str.	457 lbs. at \$134
Edward Avitia, Levelland	2 Char. str.	578 lbs. at \$121
Edward Avitia, Levelland	3 Char. str.	823 lbs. at \$100.50
NM Ranch, NM	8 Mxd. str.	720 lbs. at \$106
NM Ranch, NM	10 Mxd. str.	610 lbs. at \$120.50
NM Ranch, NM	21 Mxd. str.	689 lbs. at \$115
NM Ranch, NM	11 Blk. str.	735 lbs. at \$108.50
NM Ranch, NM	10 Mxd. str.	777 lbs. at \$106.25
L&L Cattle, Seminole	45 Mxd. str.	720 lbs. at \$106
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JCL, Inc., Sudan	9 Blk. str.	880 lbs. at \$101
Tommy Lewis, Morton	8 Blk. hfrs	301 lbs. at \$134
NM Ranch, NM	5 Blk. hfrs	308 lbs. at \$135
David Prewett, Rogers	6 Blk. hfrs	389 lbs. at \$130
David Prewett, Rogers	4 Blk. hfrs	456 lbs. at \$121
Grady Free, Muleshoe	6 Blk. hfrs	442 lbs. at \$121
Ronnie Short, Hereford	Yell. hfr	525 lbs. at \$120
NM Ranch, NM	16 Mxd. hfrs	628 lbs. at \$108.50
L.W. Shafter, Muleshoe	6 Mxd. hfrs	694 lbs. at \$98.50
Phil Garrett, Muleshoe	Blk. pair	\$1150
Phil Garrett, Muleshoe	Blk. pair	\$1025
Phil Garrett, Muleshoe	Blk. cows P7	\$835
Phil Garrett, Muleshoe	Red cow	1435 lbs. at \$55.25
Rodney Smith, Olton	Brin. cow P8	\$725
D&R Partnership, Muleshoe	RMF cow	1100 lbs. at \$54
D&R Partnership, Muleshoe	5 BW cows	1572 lbs. at \$58
T-N-T, Muleshoe	Red cow	1070 lbs. at \$55
Jeff Dalluge, Tulia	Blk. cow	1445 lbs. at \$54.25
Rodney Smith, Olton	RMF cow	1180 lbs. at \$53.50
Landon Smith, Olton	Blk. cow	1180 lbs. at \$53.50
Tommy Lewis, Morton	Brin. bull	1325 lbs. at \$70.50

Lazbuddie blood drive set

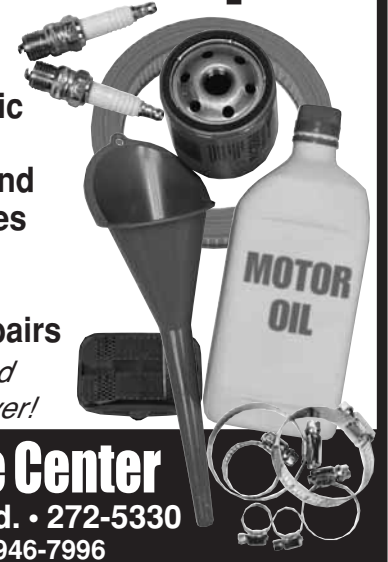
The Lazbuddie community blood drive has been set for Monday, April 30, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., at the Lazbuddie Methodist Church's fellowship hall.

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Sports

Mules ignore the weather, run away with district meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Tuesday was a less than perfect day for track but the Mules over came the weather to run away with the District 2-2A Meet in Tulia. They scored 163 points in the meet and the next closest competitor,

Dimmitt, could only post 100.5.

Tulia placed third with 91 points and fourth place Bushland had 78. Friona was fifth with 66, River Road took sixth with 60 and Amarillo Highland Park posted 58.5.

Nine Mules qualified to

participate in the Region I Track Meet at Abilene April 27-28. The meet will be held on the Abilene Christian University track.

Colby Carpenter and Zane Matthews took the silver medal and fourth in the 3200-meter run with times of 11 minutes 51.12

seconds and 12:18.13 respectively. The 3200 is the first race of the day.

Eric Washington took the gold medal in the Long Jump with a leap of 21 feet four and three quarter inches. Victor Vasquez leaped 19-5 to place sixth. Vasquez had a bronze medal Triple Jump of 40-3.

Garrett Riley and Adam Zamora took the gold and bronze medals in the High Jump. Riley cleared 6-0 and Zamora reached a height of 5-10. Wes Wood and Austin Wright dominated the Pole Vault. Wood had a gold medal vault of 12-6 and Wright cleared 12-0 for the

silver.

Brant Hamilton had gold medal time of 10.77 in the 100-meter dash and Dusty Clayton took the bronze medal with an 11.03. Bradley Branscum placed fifth in the 200-meter dash with a 23.62.

Hamilton took silver in the 400-meter dash with a 51.05 and Nathaniel Chavez placed fifth with a 54.67. Ray Ramirez took the bronze in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:10.25 and J Andrade ran fifth with a 2:13.66.

The 4x100 meter relay team of Clayton, Hamilton, Washington and Timothy

Conner had a gold medal time of 44.20. The 4x200 meter relay team of Clayton, Washington, Doc Fullmer and Branscum also took a gold medal with a 1:34.96.

Ramirez, Carpenter and Andrade had gold, bronze and fourth place performances in the 1600-meter run. They had times of 5:09.23, 5:16.66 and 5:17.21 respectively. The 4x400 meter relay team of Alex Godinez, Fullmer, Washington and Chavez finished fifth with a time of 3:43.52.

A qualifiers meet had not been announced a press time.

Varsity Lady Mules will go to Region 1 track meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Five Lady Mules earned the opportunity to participate in seven events the Region I Track Meet in Abilene April 27 and 28. The meet will be held on the Abilene Christian University track.

Tuesday did not provide ideal weather for the District 2-2A Track Meet in Tulia. The Lady Mules scored 111 points to place third. Tulia won the meet with 172 points and Bushland was second 115.

Amarillo River Road placed fourth with 78.5 points, Friona was fifth with 73, Dimmitt placed sixth with 63.5 and Amarillo Highland Park had six.

Lupita Andrade and Sarah Johnson had gold

and silver medal runs in the first event of the day. They finished the 3200-meter run in times of 13 minutes 16.94 seconds and 13:29.67 respectively.

The two runners traded places in the next to last race of the day. Johnson took the gold medal and Andrade the silver in the 1600-meter run with times of 6:01.32 and 6:03.10. Kelsey Tipps placed fourth in the Long Jump with a distance of 15 feet two inches.

Kathryn Owens took the bronze medal with a toss of 32-4.5 in the Shot Put. Tipps earned the bronze in the Triple Jump with a distance of 30-11.75.

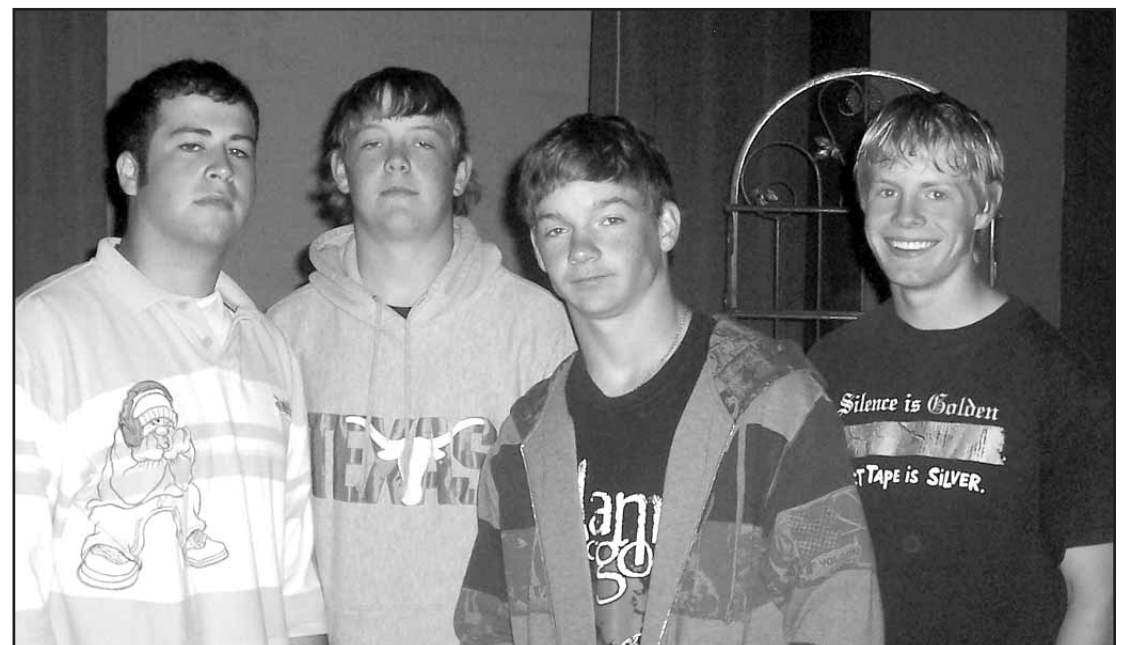
Kyra Kimbrough earned two gold medals in the field events with leap of 4-10 in the High Jump. She cleared 8-6 in the pole vault for her second gold.

Amelia Clemmons placed fourth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.93. She ran a 28.11 in the 200-meter dash for fifth. Kimbrough finished sixth with a 28.34. Ashley Cisneros ran fourth in the 400-meter dash with a 1:06.17.

The 4x100-meter relay team of Cisneros, Janae Pyle, Tipps and Kimbrough finished fourth with a 54.86. The same team ran the 4x200-meter relay in 1:55.77 and again placed fourth. Tipps earned the silver medal in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 51.57.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Morgan Smith, Pyle, BreAnn Baca and Marisela Casanova placed fifth with a time of 4:41.04.

No qualifier meet had been found by press time.



Lazbuddie golfers advance

The Lazbuddie Varsity boys golf team won second place at district and will be advancing to regionals. Team members, pictured above from left to right, are: Jason Davis, Kayle Jesko, Trevor Coker and Jacob Schacher. Not pictured is Devlin Thompson. Kayle Jesko also placed third individually.

JV Mules dominate district's final meet of season at Tulia

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Mules dominated the District 2-2A Track Meet in Tulia Tuesday. When the day had ended the Mules had racked up 193 points and forty points better than second place Bushland.

Highland Park took third with 70 points, Tulia fourth at 63 and River Road was fifth with 59.

Friona placed sixth with 35 and Dimmitt finished seventh with 28.

Josue Macias took the gold medal in the 3200-

meter run with a time of 12 minutes 19.26 seconds and Carlos Bustillos took sixth with a 14:35.23.

Brian Poynor grabbed the gold in the discus with a toss of 106 feet two and half inches. DJ Atwood placed sixth with a throw of 83-11.

Poynor picked up a silver medal in the shot put with a toss of 36-6.

Jared Skipworth and Kyler Steinbock both cleared 5-4 in the high jump. Misses gave Skipworth the silver medal and Steinbock the bronze.

Michael Hale and Justin Griswold took the gold and silver medal in the pole vault by clearing 10-00 and 9-00 respectively. Adrian Muniz took fourth in the triple jump with a distance of 32-3.5.

Gunner Kerby earned the gold medal in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.49.

Colton Heinrich took fourth with an 11.90.

The 4x100 meter relay team of Caleb Conner, Joseph Lopez, Kerby and Heinrich took the gold medal with a 47.91.

Steinbock grabbed the bronze in the 110-meter hurdles with a 17.48 and Muniz ran fifth with an 18.69. Muniz took the bronze in the 300-meter hurdles with a 46.01.

Colt Ellis and Heinrich took the gold and silver medals in the 200-meter dash with times of 23.70 and 24.38 respectively.

Elias Alvarado earned the gold in the 400-meter dash with a 57.70. Marshal Head grabbed the bronze with a 59.97 and Austin Bamert ran sixth in 1:01.82.

Gilbert Mojica took silver in the 800-meter run. Mojica earned a gold medal in the 1600-meter run with a time of 5:35.27 and Macias took the silver with a 5:35.83.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Alvarado, Poynor, Ellis and Lopez ran away with the gold medal with a time of 3:52.37.

This was the final meet of the season.

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Hornets stop Mule winning streak

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Tulia Hornets halted the Mules winning streak at 10 on a less than perfect day for baseball. Tulia exploded for 15 runs in the fourth inning to down the Mules 17-2. The Mules bounced back to cinch a playoff berth with a 14-4 win over Friona.

The Mules spotted Friona a 9-1 lead in the second meeting of the two teams in just five days. The Mules scored 10 runs in the fifth inning to down Friona 12-9. The Mules have two regular season games remaining.

Tulia will visit the Mules Saturday afternoon and the Mules will host Dimmitt for their final district game.

Dusty Clayton and Victor Vasquez were the only two Mules to cross the plate in Tulia. Clayton walked and

moved to third on a base hit by Vasquez. Both runners scored on a double by Timothy Conner.

The wheels came off for the Mules defensively in the fourth and Tulia scored 15 runs to take the game.

Friona scored in the top of the first to take their only lead against the Mules on Monday afternoon. T.J. Brantley hit a one out double down the left field line. Vasquez walked on four straight pitches.

Brant Hamilton helped his own cause with a double up the middle to score Brantley. Conner walked to load the bases for the Mules. Stephen Dominguez doubled to left center to clear the bases and give the Mules a 4-1 lead.

Marshal Head singled to left to get the Mules started in the second inning. Clayton bunted to move Head to

second and Brantley was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Vasquez singled to center to score Head and Clayton.

Hamilton doubled to score Brantley. Conner sacrifice fly scored Vasquez to give the Mules an 8-1 margin. The Mules added one in the third and two in the fourth to extend their lead to 11-1.

Friona scored three in the fifth to extend the game to the sixth inning. The Mules held Friona scoreless in the top of the sixth.

Caesar Lopez singled to lead off the bottom of the sixth for the Mules. Tanner Bales singled to left and an error by the short stop allowed Clayton to reach to load the bases with Mules. Brantley and Vasquez hit back to back singles to score Lopez, Head and Clayton to end the game on the 10-run rule.

The Mules scored in the top of second at Friona to take a 1-0 lead. Friona begin to hit the ball in the third to take the lead and then tacked on five in the fourth to claim a 9-1 lead over the Mules.

The Mules answered in the fifth by sending 14 to the plate. They had seven hits and took advantage of two errors to score 10 runs and claim an 11-9 lead. The Mules tacked on some insurance in the seventh as Elias Alvarado scored on a passed ball.

The Mules must win one of the next two games to claim at least a share of the District 2-2A title. They can claim the title out right by defeating Tulia on Saturday. It would be the first district championship in 15 years for the Mules.

A win over Tulia would give the Mules a bye in the first round of the Texas State Playoffs.

Eighth grade Mules defend home track turf

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Mules defended their home track in the Mule Junior High Relays. The Mules put 168 points on the board. Dimmitt placed second with 154, Abernathy finished third with 112 and Friona was fourth with 98. Littlefield ran fifth with 64 and Tulia rounded out the field with 24.

Mark Quezada, Ryan Hall and Damien Snell got the Mules started in the field events at the pole vault pit. Quezada took the bronze medal by clearing seven feet six inches, Hall tied for fourth at 7-00 and Snell was sixth at 7-00.

Sterling Lepard broke his 2400-meter run record that he'd set at another meet.

Cooper Washington took the gold medal in the shot put with a toss of 43-2. Clay Pena was sixth with a toss of 37-2.5. The 4x100-meter relay team of Rico Alacorn, Josh Quiroz, Tyson Turnbow and Washington grabbed the gold medal with a time of 47.96 seconds.

Washington had a gold medal leap of 17-3 in the long jump. Quiroz took fourth with a leap of 15-4.5. Sergio Montejano had a silver medal throw in the discus of 116-4 and Estaban Vidana placed sixth at 100.5.

Turnbow and Quiroz took

the silver and bronze medals in the high jump with leaps of 5-3 and 5-0 respectively. Alacorn placed fifth by clearing 4-10.

Turnbow took the gold in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 17.38. Quiroz finished fourth with an 18.65.

The 4x200 meter relay team of Jun Sanchez, Alacorn, Vidana and Zach Toscano set a new school record with a gold medal time of 1:45.56. Washington took the gold in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.96 and Sanchez finished sixth with a 12.87.

Jonathan Perez ran sixth in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:06.52. Turnbow finished sixth in the 300-meter hurdles with a 50.66. Vidana tied for fifth in the 200-meter dash with a 26.62.

Lepard set his second school record of the day in the 1600-meter run. He had set the school record earlier in the season and blew through his own record for a new mark of 4:58.02. Quezada earned the bronze medal with a time of 5:50.80. The 4x400-meter relay team of Alacorn, Christian Godinez, Washington and Quiroz had a bronze medal time of 4:03.00.

The Mules were in Tulia Saturday for the District 2-2A Meet.

Mule win golf championship

The Mules had an eight stroke lead going into the final district golf tournament on their home course. The Mules defended their home course to win their third consecutive District Championship.

The Mules took the District 2-2A crown with back to back rounds of 329 for a 658 total. River Road was the next closest competitor with 692 strokes.

Brian Poynor made up a three-shot deficient on the front nine of the Muleshoe Country Club and left little doubt that he was the best golfer in the district. Poynor shot a 75 at Tulia and fired a

74 on his home course to take the District Medalist honors with a two round total of 149.

Brett Poynor shot an 85 and an 81 for a 166 total and finished as the fourth district medalist.

Patrick Precure had an 84 going into the final round and posted an 86 for a two round total of 170. He finished in fifth as a medalist.

Cade Smith shot an 88 to go with his first round 85 for a 173 total. Ethan Frieda shot a 120 and a 109 for a two round total of 229.

The Mules will travel to Baird for the Region I Tournament on April 23-24.

Lady Mules golf team finishes fourth

The Lady Mule golfers finished in fourth place in District 2-2A with 932 strokes. Friona won the district championship with 842 strokes. River Road placed second with 876 and Bushland finished third with 897.

Amberlee Steinbock paced the Lady Mules in both district tournaments and qualified for the Region I

Tournament as a medalist with a two round total of 192. She shot a 94 on the course at Dimmitt on April 2.

Nine days later she posted a 98 on the course in Friona. Steinbock will compete on April 23-24 in the regional meet at Baird. Two strong rounds would punch Steinbock's ticket to the Texas State Meet in Austin on May 10-11.

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¿Quién califica para una exención?
Cualquier dueño de una residencia principal el día 1 de enero tiene derecho a una exención de residencia de \$15,000 este año para rebajar sus impuestos escolares...y no importa si la residencia es casa, condominio o casa móvil. Los condados, ciudades y distritos especiales de impuestos también pueden ofrecer exenciones de residencia.

¿Hay otras exenciones?
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¿Debo solicitarla cada año?
No. Si recibió una exención de residencia en el 2006, no hay necesidad de solicitarla de nuevo en el 2007—a menos que se lo pida su jefe de valoraciones. Sin embargo, si no ha recibido una exención en su residencia actual—o si ha cambiado de domicilio tendrá que solicitar una exención para el 2007. Si cumple 65 años durante este año, tiene hasta un año de esa fecha para solicitar una nueva exención. Si resultó incapacitado, tendrá que solicitar la exención de personas adicionales.

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Debe presentar su solicitud en la oficina local del distrito de valoraciones antes del día 30 de abril. Si necesita más tiempo, puede contactarnos en:

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Who qualifies for an exemption?
Anyone who owns a home on January 1 and uses it as a primary residence on that date is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower school taxes this year...and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.

Are there other exemptions available?
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Do I have to apply each year?
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When and where should I file?
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Chamber Employee of the Month

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently announced that Danny Ramirez is the April Employee of the Month. Ramirez has worked for the U.S. Post Office for the past eight years. Pictured above, with Ramirez are chamber board members Sherrie Shipman, Noelia Flores, Tadd Young and Ray Ybarra.

Various production agriculture lease agreements impact DCP participation

The Texas Farm Service Agency reminds agriculture producers that flexible and combination leases may alter the agreement terms of the Direct and Counter-cyclical Program.

"FSA rental regulations have been in effect for nearly 10 years, but recently have attracted interest due to the popularity of flexible or combination leases," said Kim Hanlin of the FSA office

in Muleshoe. "These rental provisions are in place to protect both landlords and tenants, as well as to insure compliance with payment limitation rules."

The key determinant in terms of how FSA interprets producer lease agreements is whether the landlord shares in the production risk of the crop. Leases which are based on a share of the crop or proceeds are considered share leases and must be reported as such by the producer when signing up for DCP payments. In addition, producers must report shares on a field-by-field basis when certifying crop acreage.

Previously, most producers rented land for a specified cash rent fee only. Due to the recent spike in cash grain prices, many renters and landlords are becoming more creative in the way rent agreements are structured.

"While this is certainly acceptable, renters and landlords must have a clear agreement, and convey their rental terms to their local FSA office," said Hanlin.

If rent in a lease agreement is based on the amount of crop produced or the income derived from that crop — whether or not the crop is actually grown — or any combination of the two, it is a share lease and the landlord must receive a share of the DCP contract payment. This is because the landlord now shares the risk in the crop. The more bushels produced or the higher price received for that crop creates a higher rent.

Signup for the 2007 DCP is currently underway at all county FSA offices and continues through Aug. 3. Additional information is available at county FSA offices.

For more information, contact the Bailey County FSA office at (806) 272-4538 or visit: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

Lazbuddie ISD honor rolls released

Lazbuddie ISD recently released its honor rolls for the fifth six-week period.

Among the students honored were:

Elementary "A"

Bernardo Lopez, Kenlea Barnes, Gentry Hicks, Destry Ivy, Colten McMurrian, Ashley Scott, Juan Samarron, Alonzo Soto, Micah Vera, Lacey Jesko, Haley Beasley, Ashton Mason, Austin Mason

and Shyann Rainey.

Elementary "AB"

Julie Chavez, Tina Harder, Ginsyn McGehee, Priscilla Salazar, Peter Guenter, David Guenter, Haley Ivy, Andrea Lule, Albert Moran, Katlyn Hicks.

Junior High "A"

Jordan Hernandez and Colton Weaver.

Junior High "AB"

Karina Galaviz, Anna Harder, Shea Scott, Ian Thompson, Jarrod Jesko, Todd Nichols, Joseline

Garcia and Authur Gomez.

High School "A"

Brittney Schacher and Rochelle Smith.

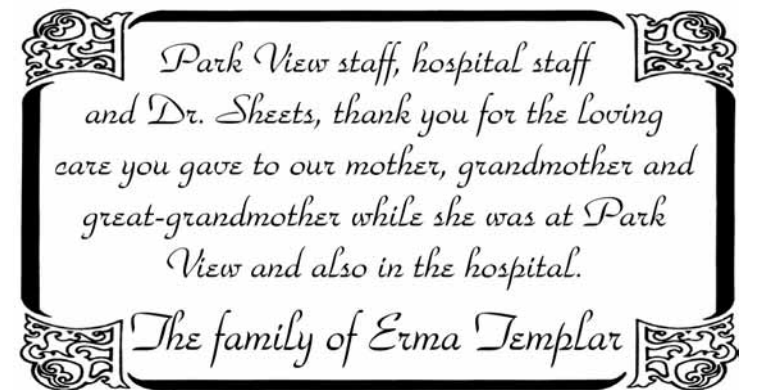
High School "AB"

Katie Chavez, Darin Ivy, Kayle Jesko, Kinzi Schacher, Jacob Schacher, Devlin Thompson, RaJon Thorn, Chase Timms, Jason Davis, Regina Mata, Megan McGuire, Chelsee Nichols, Esteban Pacheco, Brianna Sanchez, Angela Vensor, Erica Derma, Stephanie Williams.

Crystal River to appear

The First Assembly of God of Muleshoe will be hosting a "Praise Celebration Concert," with the gospel music group Crystal River on Sunday, April 29.

The service will begin at 10:30 a.m., and the public is invited to attend.



Births

Makylee Baldwin

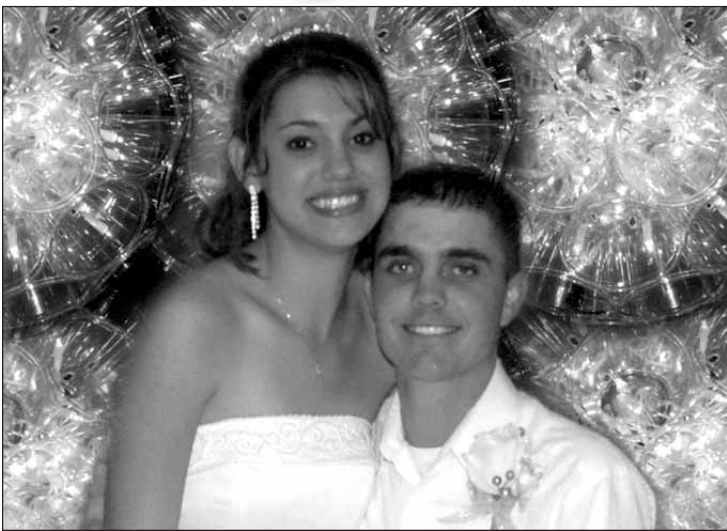
Coby and Stephanie Baldwin of Muleshoe announce the birth of their daughter, Makylee Jayce Baldwin, on at 1:30 p.m. on March 2, 2007, at Lubbock.

Makylee weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces at birth, and was 20-1/4 inches in length.

She has two brothers, Garret, 6, and Rustin, 3.

Her grandparents are Stscy Baldwin of Wolfforth, and Craig and Gaye Frizzell of Sterling City.

Weddings



MR. AND MRS. CORY HUNT

Harlow, Hunt united

Family and friends witnessed the marriage vows of Cory Blain Hunt and Angel Star Harlow on Dec. 15, 2006, at Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship.

The Rev. Andy Scott, a close friend of the groom, read the vows in a winter wonderland setting.

The bride is the daughter of Cathy and Kevin Harlow of Amarillo. Grandparents of the bride are Jeannine and Robert Ingle of Perryton, and Fred Harlow of Amarillo.

The groom's parents are Lavon and Curtis Hunt of Muleshoe. Grandparents of the groom are Darla and Joe Rhodes of Clovis, N.M., and Nelda and Robert Hunt of Muleshoe. Great-grandparents of the groom are Lois Morrison of Lubbock and Ruth Hunt of Muleshoe.

The bride was escorted by her father, as she carried a bouquet of hydrangea and roses and the wedding tradition of something old, something new, something borrowed and something blue were carried out in her dress, bouquet, garter and table decor featuring colors of ice blue, silver and white.

The couple repeated their vows beneath an archway decorated with bows, hydrangea and roses.

The maid of honor was Ashleigh Harlow, the bride's twin sister. Bridal attendants were Jessica Haller and Khallie Ruthardt.

The best man was Curtis Hunt, the father of the groom. Groom's attendants were Coli Hunt and Micah Ruthardt.

The flower lad was Josiah Haller and the ring bearer was Garrett Baldwin.

Special presentations included a reading entitled "Cory," read by the groom's father. Also a reading entitled "The Longer I Serve Him," read by Robert Ingle, the bride's granddad.

"The Wedding Prayer" was sung by Jeff Bearden, the bride's high school coach.

A medley of wedding selections were played by Michael Dean, as the guests were registered by Mandy Brantley and candles were lit by Lisa Whalin and Cindy Magby.

"The Day Before You" by Rascal Flatt, played as Cory and Angel proceeded to the reception.

The bride's table featured an Italian creme and chocolate chiffon tiered cake topped with a "foil couple" made by the bride, depicting the groom teaching her to dance.

Servers were Megan Gaona and Amanda Harlow.

The groom's table featured a yellow cake with chocolate icing, topped with a mini spray plane served by Jenna Hunt.

The groom's Bible, drum sticks, flight helmet and goggles complemented the table.

Out of town relatives attending included JoRonda Northcutt and children, Dustin, Nathan and Ethan of Clifton, Va., Sheila Black of Lubbock and Zak Harlow of Amarillo.

Artificial snow showered the couple as they left for a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nev.

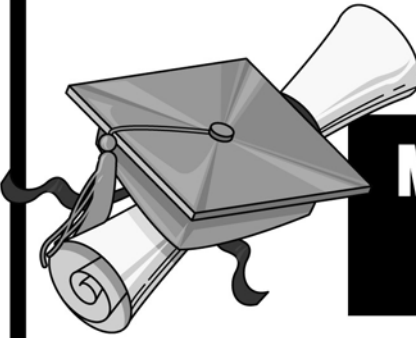
The groom is a 2003 Muleshoe High School graduate and a 2004 graduate of AgFlight, Inc. of Bainbridge, Ga. He is employed at Ag Aviation of Muleshoe as a spray pilot.

The bride is a 2003 graduate of San Jacinto Christian Academy of Amarillo. She is pursuing a teaching degree from SAGU, Dallas, and is employed as a librarian at Watson Junior High in Muleshoe.

Both are active in music and activities at Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship.

The couple will reside in Muleshoe.

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

The Oneita Wagnon Senior Center was very busy this week.

We hope you took advantage of the free health clinic we had at the center on Tuesday.

The fun part took place on Wednesday with the domino tournament. Everyone had a good time.

The Friday night dance held by the senior citizens from Clovis had a good crowd even tho it was snowing and cold weather.

The seniors like to get their exercise in. Dancing is one of the best. Also the good

fellowship and fun.

The Bootscoters played for the dance on Tuesday night. They always play good music and entertain the dancers. Thanks to them for filling in for Sandy.

Sandy will be back for the Friday night dance and the dance on Tuesday, April 24.

Remember to bring your favorite dish for the pot luck supper and join in the fun and fellowship.

Wednesday, April 25, Covenant Home Health from Littlefield will be here for a program on the services they provide.

Come join us for lunch and

hear the information you might need.

The April Birthday Party will be Thursday, April 26.

If you have a birthday in April and are on our records you should receive a phone call reminding you to come and be honored.

If you do not receive a call and are a senior citizen we invite you to come in and let us get you on the record. We invite you to come for lunch and join in the fun.

Menu for April 23-26:
Monday, April 23 — Baked Ham, black eyed peas, Mexican corn, salad, corn bread and pineapple cake.

Tuesday, April 24 — Chicken-fried steak, gravy, potatoes, fried okra, salad, wheat roll and cobbler.
Salmon patties, macaroni and cheese, pinto beans, pickles, onions, cornbread, peaches and cookies.
mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat rolls and pudding.
Friday, April 27 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, tator tots, hush puppies, coleslaw and fruit salad.
Thursday, April 26 — Meat balls with sauce, au gratin

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of the City of Muleshoe, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Muleshoe, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 12 2006 for voting in a general election to elect:

Council Member District #1
And
Council Member District #2

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Council Member District #1
And
Council Member District #2

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Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 30, 2007
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and ending on May 8, 2007. (y terminado el May 8, 2007)

Early voting hours are extended from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M., on May 1, 2007 and May 8, 2007 as required under Section 85.005 (d) of the Election Code.
(las horas de votar temprano estan estendidas de las 7:00 de la mañana a las 7:00 de la tarde el 1 de Mayo 2007 y el 8 de Mayo 2007 es requerido por la seccion 85.005 del Codigo de Eleccion.)

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Issued this the 11th day of February, 2007.
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/s/ Earl Behrends
Signature of Mayor Pro-tem (Firma del Alcalde)



WJHS Students of the Week

The Watson Junior High Students of the Week for the week of April 16, pictured above from left to right, are: Front row — Adelene Rivas, Betsy Careaga and Gabriel Leyva; and back row — Roper Kerby, Alexis Rodriguez and Alvaro Sanchez.



Congratulations, champions!

Members of the champion Muleshoe Adult Flag Football League team who will be traveling to Clovis in May to compete in the Clovis tournament are: back row, from left — Bradley Branscum, Ruben Mata, Stephen Woodward, Moe Barela, Robert Rodriguez, Dustin Barker, Eric Washington, T.J. Brantley, Ray Ybarra; front row, from left — John Paul Garza, Che Chavez, Johnny Florez, Anthony Garcia, Valentin Colunga and Tony Guzman.

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c/o: **TINA DAVIS**
Attorney at Law
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