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Unlicensed driver dies after single-vehicle accident

By **Larry Thornton**
Managing Editor

In what has become too much the norm in the Bailey County area, local ambulance crews transported the broken bodies of Muleshoe children from the scene of a traffic accident Saturday afternoon prior to them being transported to a hospital in Lubbock, where the oldest was pronounced dead.

Jesus Torres, 14, of Muleshoe, the unlicensed driver in the single-vehicle accident, and a student of the Farwell Independent School District — according to local sources — was pronounced dead at 3:38 p.m., Saturday, Dec.

5, by Dr. Beth Nickels, according to Cpl. John Gonzales of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

His brother, Irvin Torres, 5, was reported as being in satisfactory condition at Covenant Children's Hospital.

Neither the driver, nor the passenger, were wearing seatbelts at the time of the accident. Both were ejected from the vehicle.

According to the accident report filed by Tr. Benjamin Neville, the accident occurred shortly after 2 p.m. Saturday while the 2004 Ford F150 pickup being driven by Jesus Torres was westbound on

County Road 1038, about a mile and a half east of Osterkamp Dairy.

Torres drove left of center, off the edge of the road, and pulled back onto to road before skidding sideways and rolling, coming to rest on the far side of the westbound ditch, in the adjacent field, facing the northeast.

The identity of the owner of the vehicle was not released by Gonzales, an indication that the details of how Torres came to be in possession of the vehicle may still be under investigation.

Tr. William Pace and Bailey County Dep. Kevin Jefferson assisted with the investigation.



Texas Department of Public Safety troopers photograph the accident scene during Saturday's investigation. Photograph by Larry Thornton



Dueling Santas

Saturday's Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture found itself in an unusual position during Saturday's Christmas parade — dueling Santas, which left the local youngsters with the important question: Mom, which one did I mail my letter to? More parade photographs on page 12. Photographs by Larry Thornton



Reward increased in 'cold case'

By **Larry Thornton**
Managing Editor

The reward for information in Bailey County's "cold case," the murder of south county resident Jonathan "Wongo" Kindle has been increased to \$25,000.

Previously, the reward associated with the disclosure of information leading to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties involved in Jonathan Kindle's murder was set at \$10,000.

The action follows a recent meeting Jonathan's father, Bailey County Precinct 3 Commissioner Joey Kindle had with

Sheriff Richard Wills and a member of the Texas Rangers.

"We're just trying to jar something loose," Kindle said in a telephone interview Tuesday.



Jonathan "Wongo" Kindle

He added that while investigators have "persons of interest" in the case, the existing evidence was currently insufficient to pursue prosecution.

"We decided to shake the tree a little bit," Kindle added.

Jonathan Kindle was found dead at his residence, located at 2941 County Road 41, near Goodland, the victim of

a gunshot wound on Oct. 12, 2006.

Since that time, law enforcement officials have shared little about the incident with area residents.

According to Sheriff Wills, Jennifer Sparkman of Lubbock, the victim's girlfriend, reported discovering the body about 5:19 a.m.

The body was in the living room of the residence, and had been shot one time in the back of the head with what was possibly a small-calibre handgun.

"We don't have anything we can discuss right now," the sheriff said in an interview on Friday, Oct. 5, 2007.

Nor could the sheriff provide information concerning vehicles that might have been used in the crime's commission, or a motive for the crime.

"Anybody who has information regarding

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This week's newest video

- Muleshoe 2009 Christmas parade.
- First basketball games in new gymnasium.

The Christmas Key

By **Larry Thornton**
Managing Editor

Part 2

The dark little hut on the edge of the forest might have been a peaceful place to live, if it weren't so dark... if it weren't occupied by two of the meanest sisters to ever occupy a little hut on the edge of a forest, or anywhere else for that matter... if even a shred of good will ever brightened its interior.

In fact, for the past few hundred years, Sophia and Porsha, had lived in the hut seeking

to outdo each other in just plain meanness. Oh, they were kind enough to each other, after all, neither wished to live alone and even a tiny audience of one was better than none at all, but their eternally crabby nature tended to limit their number of friends.

In years past, they'd gloried in a variety of evil doings, both large and small, with the "hope" of bringing at least a dreary day to anyone they encountered.

Years ago, most of the forest creatures had abandoned the area.

Even the most pleasant-natured of bears tend toward grumpy when they're awakened too often from their winter hibernation for the entertainment of the winter witches.

And when things get so bad that even the foul-natured trolls pack-up and move, choosing to abandon their bridges rather than live in the same vicinity as Sophia and Porsha,

it says a lot about the neighborhood.

Still, there were some good things. There were... and, uh... Not to mention the....

Oh, let's face it.

Nothing and nobody wanted to live or even go near Sophia and Porsha's dark little hut. Which certainly didn't

brighten their mood any. A steady diet of tree fungus stew, because

even the bravest pizza delivery boy wouldn't volunteer to bring them a triple anchovy and liver pizza, did nothing to lessen their gloom.

Someone once said, "Even the pizza delivery guy is important!" but not around Sophia and Porsha's place.

Now, on the eve of one of their greatest triumphs, they could barely contain their glee.

"Let me hold it one more time," Porsha said, extending her wart-covered hand toward the object clutched in Sophia's hand.

With selfish sneer that approached a snarl, Sophia drew aside for a second before reluctantly handing over the key. "Alright," she said. "It's nothing but a glittering bauble, anyway."

Porsha took the key with a grin, knowing her sister was right, but delighting in holding the symbol of their latest victory against Santa Claus and his army of good-natured do-gooders.

"Do you think he's discovered it missing?"

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Contributions may be mailed to Parkview Nursing Care Center, 1100 W. Ave. J, Muleshoe, or dropped off at the nursing home, First Bank or Muleshoe State Bank.

McNeill reception set

A retirement reception honoring Muleshoe Independent School District Business Manager Trae McNeill is being held on Tuesday, Dec. 15, from 2-4 p.m., at the MISD administration office.

Christmas Crate

The staff of Parkview Nursing Care Center are participating in Project Christmas crate, an effort to deliver a fresh meal and Christmas presents to two needy families in Bailey County.

Individuals who wish to join in the effort may bring their gift or canned food items to the lobby of the nursing home and place the items in the barrels next to the reception desk.

Scouting for food

Muleshoe's Cub Scout Pack 620 will be collecting canned food door to door on Saturday, Dec. 12th, beginning at 10 a.m.

Leave your donations in a sack on your porch on this day before 10 a.m., and the cub scouts will pick it up.

Kindle case reward...

Continued from page 1 the crime is asked to contact me," the sheriff said.

Jonathan's nickname, "Wongo," was picked up many years ago while the family and friends were snow skiing at Taos, N.M.

His father said Jonathan wanted to go skiing with the adults, and when a friend of the family asked Jonathan, or "Juan" in Spanish, if he wanted to go, the small child picked it

up not as "Juan go," but rather as "Wongo," a nickname that was included on his gravestone.

"A lot of people in Lubbock didn't even know his first name," Joey Kindle said in an October 2007 interview.

Individuals with information concerning the investigation are urged to call the Bailey County Sheriff's Department at 806-272-4268.



Junior high play places

Watson Junior High students took part in district's one act play recently in Tulia, receiving a second place award for their play, *The Happy Scarecrow*, by I.E. Clark.

The following Muleshoe students received individual awards: *Best Actress*, Bailey Bales; *All Star Cast*, Zachary Mumau and Bryant Torres; *Honorable Mention All Star Cast* — Kari Mendoza, Daniella Diaz and Blayne Shipman. The play was directed by Sally Messenger and Tom Boutell. Top row — Megan Cantrell, Gabby Chavez, Blayne Shipman, Miranda Debruin and Christian Reyna; center row — DonAnn Remppe, Zachary Mumau, Daniella Diaz, Victoria Guzman and Christian Mora; and front row — Bryant Torres, Kari Mendoza and Bailey Bales.

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Lessons from the beasts around the manger

C. S. Lewis once wrote a poem entitled, "The Nativity" as he reflected on the qualities the animals brought to the stable on the first Christmas:

*Among the oxen
(like an ox I'm slow)
I see a glory in
the stable grow
Which, with the ox's
dullness might at
length
Give me an ox's
strength.*

*Among the asses
(stubborn I as they)
I see my Saviour
where I looked for
hay;
So may my beast-like
folly
learn at least
The patience of a beast.*

*Among the sheep
(I like a sheep
have strayed)
I watch the manger
where my Lord is laid;
Oh that my baa-ing
nature
would win thence
Some woolly
innocence!*

Thus Lewis points us to lessons the animals teach around that stable: the ox's strength, the ass's patience, and the sheep's innocence, fine qualities all.

The ox may be dull. I've never been in the company of many oxen, but I've spent at least some time around steers, and I've not yet seen a very intelligent look in the eyes of any of them, not so much as a wink to acknowledge as they run through the chute, "Beautiful day, isn't it?"

But they are strong. And as the glory brightening the stable of old grows in me as a child of God, I hope to learn more about real strength and where it is found.

Real strength issues in gentleness and trust. That Babe all grown up would one day face a choice: to destroy his enemies with the force of 10,000 angels, or to win the greatest victory of all through trust and self-sacrificing love. That's strength.

I've not spent much time with donkeys or, sad for a fellow living in Muleshoe, to admit, mules, either.

But I too prove time and again that I understand and partake in a sizeable helping of their stubborn spirit.

When I am seriously frustrated by the obtuse folly of others, what bothers me most, if I'm honest, is that I'm just like them. I settle for hay, and low-quality hay, at that, rather than allowing God to remake me in the image of his Son as with patience I learn to follow him and to trust.

And the third beast? Well, we might have hoped finally for a regal, noble beast. Instead we get a sheep, "baa-ing"



Focus On Faith
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dumbly along.

Yes, I "baa" dumbly often enough, a witless sheep following foolishness and fools when I should be following the Good Shepherd, making noise of my own when silence might at least have given the appearance if not the reality of wisdom. What I need is not the sinful "baa-ing" nature of the First Adam (he blindly followed secondhand the advice of a souped-up snake from Hell, you recall), but to allow my soul to be healed by the Second Adam and receive the true innocence of God's Lamb.

Lewis is right. Before we even get to the manger, we can learn much from the animals surrounding it.

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The Christmas Key... Continued from page 1

Porsha said as she held out the key to let it gleam and glint in the light of the fireplace.

Sophia shrugged. "I don't know. Does it matter? The closer it gets to Christmas Eve, the more their horror will be."

As the thought grew in their minds of the shock the elves and even Santa would experience should they not open the cabinet until Christmas Eve to discover the magical key that allowed Santa to gain entrance to all the homes of the world missing sent shivers of glee down the sisters crooked spines.

"This will truly destroy Christmas!" Porsha said. "This time we'll win."

Dancing from foot to foot, she skipped out the door's hut as well as her old bones could carry her, chortling and wheezing... wheezing and chortling.

This time, it did indeed look as if their plans to upset Santa's plans might succeed. Several years earlier, their attempt to cause Santa Claus ill by snatching Mrs. Bea, the magical doll that helped him monitor the Christmas desires of the world's children had almost succeeded... only to be foiled at the last minute by the little girl, April.

Just as they had that night, they'd used their powers to enter Santa's workshop and snatch Mrs. Bea from her cabinet while she slept and shared the dreams of children. By the time she'd awakened, Mrs. Bea had been transported far to the south, and placed on a department store shelf with a myriad of other dolls.

The sisters' mistake that year was grabbing the doll too early in the year. But this time, they'd waited longer. It was less than a month before Christmas Eve, far too little time for Santa and his helpers to locate the key, even if they knew who had stolen the key and had an idea where to locate it.

Spinning in her excitement, Porsha tossed the key into the air, catching it as it came down, and tossing it a little higher the next time.

"Careful," Sophia said. "It will do us no good if you lose it."

Porsha's squeal of happiness was repeated as she tossed the key even higher... only this time, it didn't come back down.

"Sophia!" Porsha screamed, blaming her sibling, but when Sophia looked outside the hut's door, an expression of puzzlement covering her face Porsha realized something else was afoot.

Normally, the large black crow wouldn't hazard a flight that took him over the dwelling of the winter witches, but

on this day his thoughts of food had been enough of a distraction that he suddenly found himself doing just that.

And when his eyes caught the tempting glint of the sunlight on the metal object being tossed into the air it was more than he could stand. Pulling his wings close to his body in the manner of a falcon, the crow crooped toward the earth, and with near perfect timing, as the key reached its apex Darkbeak was there, in time to snatch the key with his beak, and with a strong beat of his wings sail upward again, southbound.

Toby's snow fort was short-lived, its walls and base rapidly disappearing with a warm breeze that turned the town's winter wonderland into a soggy mess of brown. Brown grass and brown earth replaced the blanket of white that had covered it for almost a week.

It also meant Toby was restricted to playing inside for a couple of days until the mud had a chance to dry.

"Mom, I won't play in the mud... this time," Toby said as she peered out the living room window. "I'll stay on the drive and the sidewalks."

"Yes, dear," her mother replied from the kitchen as she prepared supper. "I believe you will try, but, angel, I honestly don't think you're capable of avoiding the mud."

"But, Mom..."

"Toby, why not put in a video game, and let me finish supper? You're father will be home soon."

Toby knew it was a fight she couldn't win. There had been too many times in which her best intentions had ended up covered in mud.

She'd learned at an early age that jumping

over water puddles was more exciting than going around them, and the sad truth about most puddles is that there was mud underneath.

With a deep sigh, Toby turned from the window and powered up her game system. She was about to start the video game when her mother called from the kitchen.

"Toby, I forgot to ask if you've finished your homework."

Toby's dreary afternoon suddenly became even more dreary.

Far to the north, Santa's village had taken on many of the aspects of a military base. The wolf patrols had been doubled, and many of the geese that lived in the area were spending more time in the air, providing aerial surveillance.

The disappearance of the Christmas key had everyone at their highest state of vigilance.

"Couldn't it have been misplaced?" an elder elf asked Santa.

The normally cheerful leader of the Christmas village, Santa Claus himself, shook his head slowly, only a portion of his concentration focusing on the elf's questions.

"No, something else

is going on here," Santa said. "I should have suspected it when Mrs. Bea disappeared from the cabinet a few years ago."

"At the time," he continued, "she said she didn't remember being removed from the cabinet, only the events that occurred after she awoke in the south and was given as a present to April. We tried to find out how it happened, and even put up alarms in the shop, but..."

"The only thing we're certain of this time is that magic was used... powerful magic."

As Santa lapsed into silence again, the elf patted his arm before returning to his work.

For almost an hour, Santa Claus pondered the situation, trying to decide which of the beings he'd dealt with over the centuries that had both the power and the inclination to attempt to disrupt Christmas in this manner.

"Whoever did it is just down-right mean," he muttered to himself, seconds before a light went off in his head. "Sophia and Porsha," he exclaimed.

After snatching the key, Darkbeak came to

his senses, realizing that he'd just stolen something from the winter witches. Instinct told him he should open his beak and let the key fall, but his greed overcame instinct, and he continued to hold it tightly.

Only, instead of returning to his nest, where he would have stowed it with the other glittering items he'd collected over the years, Darkbeak decided a new nest further south was warranted.

Continued next week

(Editor's note: We hope you've enjoyed this week's portion of the Muleshoe Journal's Christmas story, and will share it with your students and children.)

From God's Holy Word

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

— John 1:14

Without community service, we would not have a strong quality of life. It's important to the person who serves as well as the recipient. It's the way in which we ourselves grow and develop.

~ Dr. Dorothy I. Height

Thanks to the volunteers of Meals on Wheels and Bailey County EMS for all you do for our community.

We really appreciate all your hard work and acts of kindness.

Sherri Harrison
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~ Elizabeth Andrew

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Appreciation is a wonderful thing. It makes what is excellent in others belong to us as well. ~ Voltaire

Thank you to the Hospital Auxiliary and Mike "Shredder Dude" Jones.

Thank you for all your time and efforts to help us continue helping the community.



Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world, indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. ~ Margaret Mead

To the ladies of Muleshoe Heritage Thrift Shop and SCAC students and sponsors.

Thank you so much for all of your hard work and to bear witness to your passion is an unexpected perk. We could have never asked for a more dedicated group of volunteers and words cannot express how grateful we are. It is a pleasure and a privilege to work with you.

The Muleshoe Heritage Center Board of Directors



"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."

— Matthew 5:14-16 NIV

Your lights are shining in the Community.

Thank you, to all of the volunteers in this community. Your hard work and dedication is truly appreciated.

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Muleshoe Auto Parts would like to thank Charles and Tommie Bratcher of Bratcher Motor Supply for their 42 years of service to this community. You have been a great asset to the area. We are proud to continue this tradition of service with Muleshoe Auto Parts.

Charles and his family moved to Muleshoe in 1948, about the same time Tommie's family, also moved to Muleshoe. In 1953, they were part of the first class to graduate in what was the new High School.

They married shortly after high school and began farming. Tommie's parents owned Bovell Motor Supply at that time. Tommie's father passed away in 1964, leaving her mother to run the store. On Oct. 31, 1967, Charles and Tommie made the decision to buy the store from her mother and so began Bratcher Motor Supply. They continued to farm while learning the parts business. On October 31, 1974, in order to be available for the late night parts calls, they decided to move to town and quit farming. On Oct. 31, of this year, Charles and Tommie sold their business and began their retirement.

They have two children — Joel and Tami. When asked what made his business a success, Charles said, "Was I a success?"

After admitting that being in business for 42 years was successful, Charles said, "I attribute my success in this business to having good employees and loyal customers."

He served two terms as mayor of Muleshoe, served on the city council. He also served as president of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture, and was a member of the Kiwanis.

Muleshoe Auto Parts



Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn
Our heartfelt appreciation to all who came and had pancakes with us on Saturday. We had a great crowd. The people of Muleshoe are so good to support the Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizens Center. May God bless you.

The barber shop quartet with Richard Light and friends was a delight. Hope you were here to hear them. So good to have friends come by and entertain the senior citizens.

The next week is going

to be a busy week at the center. On Monday, Dec. 14, the board of directors will have the monthly meeting at 12:30 p.m. at the center. The meetings are open to the public. The board welcomes any suggestions and ideas to help improve our center.

Debbie Floyd, with the Bailey County Office of Aging, will also be here on Monday to help anyone with the Part D of Medicare.

This is open season so if you need to change your coverage this would

be the time to visit with her. She will be here during the lunch hour.

Tuesday will be our Christmas lunch. Make plans to come and enjoy the good food and fellowship.

Thursday, Dec. 17, will be a very busy day at the center. This will be the birthday party day. We hope to see all our senior citizens with birthdays

in December.

The Lazbuddie elementary children will be presenting a Christmas play during the lunch hour. This should be very entertaining and enjoyable. We appreciate the time and effort these children and teachers have given to us.

Also, on Thursday, Dec. 17, the United

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Thank You,

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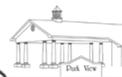
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Obituaries

Wilbert "Jimmy" Kalbas

A celebration of life and living the Christian faith will be held for Wilbert "Jimmy" Kalbas on Saturday, Dec. 5, at 10:30 a.m., at St. John Lutheran Church in Lariat.

Internment will be at Sunset Terrace in Farwell.

Wilbert was born on Jan. 28, 1927, to Ernest and Martha (Gloyna) Lingnau Kalbas in Lee County. He was given the gift of God's forgiveness and rebirth through the waters of Holy Baptism on Feb. 13, 1927, at Vernon. They moved and settled where Wilbert lived the rest of his life, south of Farwell in 1931.

They joined St. John Lutheran Church in Lariat where Wilbert was an active member, and made public affirmation of his faith in Jesus as his Savior on Aug. 11, 1940. His confirmation verse was Psalm 37:4, "Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart." He attended the West Camp school and graduated from Farwell High School in 1944. Wilbert married Mary Janhsen of Wildorado, on June 12, 1960, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Amarillo. God blessed their marriage with



Wilbert "Jimmy" Kalbas

three children — Donna, Sharon and Allen.

Wilbert passed from this life to eternal glory on Dec. 1, 2009, at the Lubbock Heart Hospital after a brief illness.

During his walk here on earth, he served as father, teacher, mentor and role model. His passion in life was his faith and it guided him daily. He served the Panhandle-South Plains Lutheran Camp Association for most of his life, beginning as a camp counselor when he was a teenager and served on the board of directors until the time of his death. He also served on the board of directors of the Lutheran Outdoor Ministries of Texas for several years and held most of the elected offices at St. John Lutheran Church throughout the years as well as serving as a Sunday School teacher, Sunday School Superintendent and Walther League sponsor.

Wilbert served on the Farwell School Board for 12 years and was fortunate enough to hand all of his children their diplomas. After the kids left home, he and Mary took up square dancing, and were active members of the Muleshoe Squares. Many square dancers from all over West Texas and Eastern New Mexico have fond memories of his "watermelon barn dances."

While farming was his occupation, it also served as his hobby. He planted a huge vegetable garden every year and enjoyed the tens of thousands of people who came out to the farm to pick their own vegetables. Over the last several years, he enjoyed loading up his pickup and trailer and going to the Clovis Farmers Market with his grandchildren. He and Mary were honored by several groups at Cannon Air Force Base for supporting trips to the farm in the fall.

Wilbert really enjoyed the friends he made over the years through this part of his business. He continued to farm up until the day before he entered the hospital. He often said that if you enjoy working, why quit?

In the evenings, and during his down time, he enjoyed studying scripture, playing

games and going rabbit hunting with his grandsons. He was honored by the Bailey County Soil and Water Conservation District as Farmer of the Year and by the Farwell Chamber of Commerce as Agriculturist of the Year.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers — Alvin and Otto Lingnau, and his granddaughter — Lauren Ratke.

Those left behind include his wife Mary, of the home; son Allen and wife Edie and their children — Keith and Kinley of Farwell; a daughter Donna Ratke and her husband Mike and their children — Austin, Mitchell and Meredith of Farwell; and a daughter Sharon May and her husband Billy and their children — Josh, Abigail and Ashley Baker of Farwell; as well as great grandchildren — Jared and Karleigh Baker of Farwell.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the Panhandle-South Plains Lutheran Camp Association Endowment c/o St. John Lutheran Church, 725 CR DD Farwell, TX.

Arrangements were handled by Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

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Terry Green

Graveside services for Terry Green, 69, of Plainview, formerly of Muleshoe was held on Monday, Dec. 7, at Earth Memorial Cemetery, with the Rev. Larry Thornton of Muleshoe officiating.

Green died on Dec. 3, 2009, in Plainview. He was born on July 1, 1940, in Amarillo.

He graduate from Springlake High School, and was a hairstylist in Lubbock and Amarillo.

Survivors include two sons and their wives — Mark and Robin Green of San Angelo, and Michael and Melissa Green of Los Angeles, Calif.

Senior citizens...

Continued from page 4
Service from Lubbock, will be having a blood drive. This will be from 2-8 p.m.
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On Friday, Dec. 18, the Muleshoe Retired Teachers Association will be meeting at the center, beginning at 10 a.m.

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Menu for Dec. 14 -18:

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Tuesday, Dec. 15 — Turkey and dressing, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes, broccoli and cheese, wheat rolls and pumpkin crisp.

Wednesday, Dec. 16

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Thursday, Dec. 17 — Chili and beans, salad, cornbread, crackers and chocolate pudding.

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

Texas Farm Bureau honors James Dale

The late James Lewis Dale was honored with the Dist. 2 Pioneer Award at the 76th Annual Texas Farm Bureau State Convention.

Dale served the Bailey County Farm Bureau for more than 40 years and held the offices of

secretary-treasurer, vice president and president.

He served as a member of the committees on membership, policy development, economic services, cotton commodity, and national legislative affairs committees.

Dale was also a board member of the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) for nine years.

Despite suffering a stroke in 1990, Dale continued to serve actively as a board member.

Thank You,

To our friends and neighbors in Muleshoe and the surrounding area.

Thank you for your cards, food, presence and loving words during our loss. Thanks to Dr. Purdy, the staff at Muleshoe Area Medical Center and our EMT's.

A special thanks to Reverend Monty Leavell, Dr. Stacy Conner and Jack and Deb Stone for making the memorial for Lewis so special.

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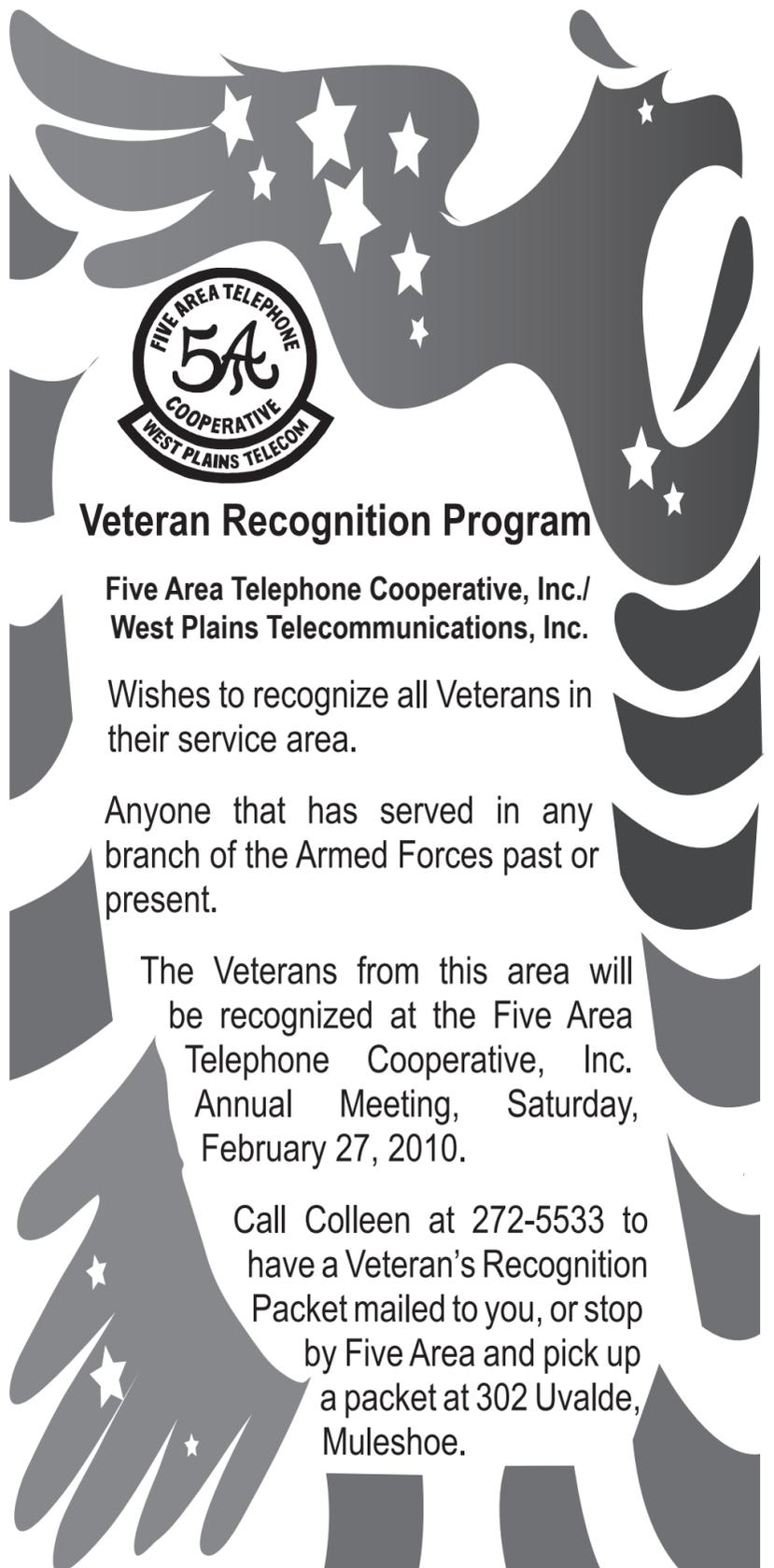
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Sports



Photograph by Stacy Conner

Varsity Mules tip off

Varsity Mule Cooper Washington dominates the tip off for the Mules first game in the Muleshoe Athletic and Convocation Center Tuesday, Dec. 8.

undefeated in the new gymnasium, according to Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets. Look for the detail about Tuesday's games in next week's issue of the Muleshoe Journal. However, clips of the game will be posted on www.muleshoejournal.com this week.

Lady Mules take first win of season from Lady wolverines

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules picked up their first win of the season the first night of December against the Springlake-Earth Lady Wolverines.

The Lady Mules won every quarter to take the game 63-43.

The 1-7 Lady Mules entered the always tough Nazareth Invitational Tournament Thursday, Dec. 3, against the Panhandle Pantherettes.

Panhandle led most of the game and had an eight-point advantage going into the final 60 seconds of the game.

Yvonne Gardea went on a terror and made six steals in the final minute and the Lady Mules converted enough of those steals to points to trail by a single point with eight seconds left in the game.

The Lady Mules spread the floor along the base line and allowed Sarah Johnson to go one-on-one with her defender.

Johnson got a step on her defender and made the lay up for the win as time ticked away.

The Lady Mules defeated the Pantherettes 57-56.

Claude and Whitesboro both defeated the Lady Mules later in the tournament. The Claude Lady Mustangs used a big first quarter to defeat the Lady Mules 56-39.

The Lady Mules cut into the 11-point lead of Whitesboro in the final period but fell short 49-41.

Gardea led the Lady Mules with three first quarter baskets as the Lady Mules opened a 15-8 lead over Springlake in the first eight minutes.

Alyssa Leal, Devine Orozco, BreAnn Baca and Jandy Gomez scored a basket each.

Ivana Agundis made a free throw as six Lady Mules had scored in the opening quarter.

Johnson hit her stride in the second period as she knocked down a

pair of 3-pointers and a basket.

Val Olivas broke the scoring ice with a basket. The Lady Mules had opened a 32-20 lead by the intermission.

Gardea had set the scoring pace for the Lady Mules with 16 points. Johnson dropped in 13 and Leal had nine.

Baca scored six points and Olivas had five. Brenda Rodriguez scored all five of her points in the final quarter.

Orozco and Gomez made four points each.

Johnson and Gardea each made five points in the opening period against Panhandle. The Lady Mules trailed 15-14 to start the second quarter.

The Pantherettes came out firing in the second quarter and scored 21 points to lead the Lady Mules 36-23 at the half.

Gardea began to warm up again the third period and scored three buckets and Leal pumped in six points.

The Lady Mules cut one point off the Panhandle lead to trail 49-37 with eight minutes left to play.

Gardea and Johnson each scored six points in the final quarter.

Leal and Olivas pumped in four apiece in the Lady Mules win.

Gardea again paced the Lady Mules with 17 points and Johnson poured in 15.

Leal pumped in 12 points and Olivas scored eight. Rodriguez chipped in two points in the final period.

Johnson made 13 points against Claude and Gardea cooled down and scored nine.

Leal made all seven of her points in the first quarter and Olivas added six.

Rodriguez dropped in her four points in the third quarter.

Johnson made three shots from behind the arc against Whitesboro to lead the Lady Mules with 16 points. She also broke

the Lady Mule record for assists that was set by Lindsey Wood.

Wood had set the bar at 411 in her career as a Lady Mule and Johnson surpassed that mark to become the all-time assist leader.

Leal dropped in five of her eight points in the final quarter.

Gardea made seven points and Olivas made

all six of her points in the first half. Rodriguez chipped in two points in the second period.

The Lady Mules will open the new Muleshoe gymnasium Tuesday night, Dec. 8, as they host the Morton Maidens.

The Lady Mules will again be on their home floor on Friday, Dec. 11, when they play the Idalou Lady Cats.

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Sports



Mule Saul Sanchez fights for the ball against the seventh grade Bobcat team.
Photograph by Stacy Conner

Seventh grade Mules defeat the Bobcats

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The seventh grade Mules played host to the Childress Bobcats and both teams stumbled out of the gate in the opening quarter.

The Mules opened a lead in the second period but Childress continued to peck away at the Mule's lead and by the end of regulation the score was tied 22-22.

Childress only had two players that scored all 25 of their points in

the contest.

Saul Sanchez salted away the game for the Mules in over time by scoring two buckets for the Mules.

Childress had an opportunity to tie the game but missed a charity toss.

The Mules won 26-25 after four-and-half quarters.

Sanchez had four points at the end of regulation and added four in overtime for eight in the game. Braden

Bessire also had eight points with three baskets and two free throws in regulation.

Pablo Flores scored a basket in the first, second and fourth quarters for six points. Blayne Shipman and Grey Johnson each scored a basket for two points apiece.

The Mules took to the road on Monday afternoon to meet the Bobcats of Dimmitt. The Mules return home Dec. 14 to host Friona.

Bobcats no match for freshmen Mules

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The freshmen Mules raced out to a 16-4 lead over the Childress Bobcats last Monday evening.

Xavier Reyes nailed a pair of 3-pointers and Chris Cage made one trey in the opening period.

The Mules poured in 10 in the second quarter with Cage adding his second 3-pointer of the half. The Mules led 26-9

at the intermission.

The Mules faltered a bit in the third period and hung on in the final quarter for the 44-33 win.

Reyes led the Mules with two treys and 11 points. Ryan Johnson made six of eight from the charity line and 10 points.

Shawn Atwood dropped in seven points and Cage had six with his two 3-pointers.

Garrison Meyers made all three of his points in the second quarter.

Lupe Campos, Caleb Wood and Osmar Diaz had two points each and Jaxiel Lopez chipped in one point.

They traveled to Dimmitt to meet the Bobcats Monday night and will return home on Dec. 14 to host Friona.

The Mules will then take their Christmas break.

Bobcats fall to the eighth grade Mules

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Childress Bobcats had raced out of the gate in the Muleshoe Athletic and Convocation Center Monday, Dec. 7, to claim a 10-6 lead over the eighth grade Mules.

But the Mules settled in and claimed a one point lead by the intermission.

The Mules continued to pound away at the Bobcats in the second

half and sent them home with a 35-27 defeat.

AJ Barron had a big quarter and scored all six of the Mules points in the opening period. He cooled down until the final quarter and scored six more to lead the Mules with 12 points.

Eli Leal scored all seven of his points in the second half.

Blaine Hurtado and Joel Regalado made all four of their points in

the second quarter and Matthew Barron scored all four of his in the third period.

Trevor McCall made his two points in the second quarter and Austin Ross scored his two points in the final quarter.

The Mules traveled to Dimmitt to take on another group of Bobcats Monday evening and will return home on Dec. 14 to take on Friona.

Watson choral students place at Frenship

The Watson Junior High Varsity Choir attended the Solo and Ensemble competition at Frenship High School recently.

The students brought home 76 gold medals for first division ratings.

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when you congratulate the kids, don't forget to mention how their wonderful character and positive attitude shows everywhere they go", said Lorissa Mason.

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or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a funeral spray,
if so we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,
as any friend could say.
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just thought of us that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts,
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Candy canes for those who care

Muleshoe's "fairy princess" Jayci Nickels was peddling candy canes instead of either wands or scepters during Saturday's Christmas celebration. Proceeds from her sales go to the Make-a-Wish™ Foundation in Lubbock, of which Jayci is this year's poster child.

Photograph by Terry Brewster

Scouting for food set for Saturday

Muleshoe's Cub Scout Pack 620 will be collecting canned food door to door on Saturday, Dec. 12t, beginning at 10 a.m.

Leave your donations in a sack on your porch on this day before 10 a.m., and the cub scouts will pick it up.

Loyd Beaty 90th Birthday Celebration



Please join us for a luncheon in honor of Loyd Beaty's 90th Birthday
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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., DECEMBER 5, 2009

511 head of cattle, 455 hogs and 301 sheep and goats for a total of 1267 livestock. Market and receipts lower due to cold and snowy conditions on days heading up to Saturday. **ONLY 2 MORE SALES THIS YEAR**, several consignments already for next week.

FOR INFO. ON SALES OR TO CONSIGN CATTLE - 272-4201

Seller, City	#	Type	Wt	CWT or PH
MATEO BARRAGAN, LEVELLAND	240	BLK BULL	240	\$118.00
STEVE CARR, LITTLEFIELD	255	CHAR BULL	255	\$124.00
JULIO SOINAS, HEREFORD	395	BLK STR	395	\$109.00
B&M CATTLE, LUBBOCK	396	8 BLK STRS	396	\$105.00
VEGA BROS., HART	400	CHAR STR	400	\$103.00
LOHAH FARMS, MORTON	407	6 BLK BULLS	407	\$118.00
PAT DENSEL, LITTLEFIELD	445	BLK STR	445	\$108.00
NM RANCH, NM	498	24 RWF STRS	498	\$100.00
NM RANCH, NM	498	34 RWF STRS	498	\$100.00
DALE DENSEL, SUDAN	624	4 BLK STRS	624	\$89.50
DALE DENSEL, SUDAN	680	11 BLK STRS	680	\$90.00
ERIC PARKEY, SPRINGLAKE	370	2 BLK HFRS	370	\$92.00
ERIC PARKEY, SPRINGLAKE	370	3 BLK HFRS	370	\$85.00
NM RANCH, NM	398	9 RWF HFRS	398	\$100.00
NM RANCH, NM	459	15 RWF HFRS	459	\$91.50
NM RANCH, NM	526	5 RWF HFRS	526	\$88.00
JUAN MEDINA, DUMMITT	428	4 BLK HFRS	428	\$89.00
DALE DENSEL, SUDAN	492	3 BLK HFRS	492	\$85.00
DALE DENSEL, SUDAN	668	11 BLK HFRS	668	\$80.00
B&M CATTLE, LUBBOCK	8	BLK PAIRS	8	\$875.00
PAT DENSEL, LITTLEFIELD	2	BWF COWS	2	\$560.00
BOEHNING DAIRY, EARTH	1670	HOL COW	1670	\$48.50
BOEHNING DAIRY, EARTH	1455	HOL COW	1455	\$45.75
MIKE BEAUCHAMP, BOVINA	1415	BLK COW	1415	\$46.75
STEVE CARR, LITTLEFIELD	1020	CHAR COW	1020	\$46.00
MULESHOE FEEDERS, MULESHOE	1660	HOL BULL	1660	\$58.75

*****CONSIGNMENTS FOR NEXT WEEK*****

- 1 LOAD RED ANGUS STRS & HFRS 375 TO 475 LBS.
- 1 LOAD WEANED HERS 400 TO 500 LBS.
- 50 WEANED STRS 400 TO 500 LBS.
- 2 LOADS STRS & HFRS 500 TO 640 LBS.
- 150 RUNNING AGE COWS - HEAVY BRED

Our class collected coats, hats... ...and mittens to donate to a shelter.

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Days Full of Caring and Sharing!



December is a month with many holidays. People may celebrate Hanukkah, Christmas or Kwanzaa. New Year's Eve, the very last night of the year, may be celebrated by everyone! This is a good time of year to show good cheer toward other people. It is a time when people reach out to help someone or to greet them with "Happy Holidays!"

- C. Bring Joy to Children**
- _____ a toy to put in a "new toy drop box"
 - _____ away your used toys to charity
 - _____ a child's toy or jewelry to donate
 - _____ new toys to bring to a Children's Home

The first day of winter, the coldest season of the year, is the 21st of December. Many families must stretch their budgets to pay for heating, food, health appointments and presents for the holidays, too. **Read the clues to find out ways that people are helping others in their communities. Fill in the crossword puzzles.**

- A. Fight Hunger**
- cook for a _____
 - help at a soup _____
 - collect cans for the food _____
 - donate produce that you buy from your local _____ market
- B. Beat the Cold**
- collect _____ and sweaters
 - start a _____ tree
 - donate _____ and quilts
 - donate _____ to a fuel fund

A shelter 1 kitchen
 2 _____
 pantry farmers
 3 _____
 4 _____

B blankets 2 money
 3 coats 4 mitten

C bedding 1
 2 _____
 3 rescue
 4 _____
 shelter
D food

D. Care for Animals

- donate to an animal _____ center
- visit the _____ after the holidays
- give pet _____ to a shelter
- donate pet _____ and blankets

E. Help with Good Health

- start a jogging/biking _____
- donate _____ to the Red Cross
- _____ someone to an appointment
- _____ a free exercise or dance class

A Dozen Ways to Show You Care!

Almost every town has a special collection for gifts to spread good cheer to others who don't have much, live alone or have few relatives with whom to celebrate the season. It doesn't have to cost a lot to give to others. **Read these ideas to see if there is something your family would like to do. Find and circle the 25 words in bold print in the gift box.**

- Find "new" items around your house that you think you will never use and make **gift sets**.
- Package** some sporting **equipment** (ex., bat, ball, glove).
- Gather** teas, coffees and cookies on a **tray**.
- Put** a few paperbacks in a **box**: Westerns, kids, cookbooks.
- Arrange** fancy soaps and a nice small towel in a **basket**.
- Place** 2 decks of cards, a notebook and pencils in a **bag**.
- Stuff** cocoa and candy canes into a **mug**.
- Fill** a **jar** with wrapped candy and nuts.
- File** some scrapbooking materials inside an **album**.
- Collect** some fun magazines and puzzle books in a **tote bag**.
- Insert** a fun picture, **calendar** or poster into a **frame**.
- Group** colored pens or pencils, stationery in a **case**.

Oooo... I wonder what's in the box!

Gift Box Word Search:

A	A	O	M	U	G	A	J	W	X	I	B	B	T	I	U	Q		
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N	M	R	G	I	F	T	S	E	T	S	G	K	A	I	A	T	Q	
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C	O	L	L	E	C	T	E	A	Q	T	O	I	C	E	E	W	E	
P	L	A	C	E	Q	X	V	A	B	E	Q	O	L	P	U	T	N	
H	R	C	O	S	F	G	H	S	M	B	E	P	E	L	M	M	T	
H	N	E	V	N	B	K	R	M	U	A	J	M	F	I	L	E	K	
C	A	L	E	N	D	A	R	O	M	G	A	E	F	Y	W	R	O	
I	K	Q	G	P	V	A	W	M	U	R	R	F	V	N	E	V	D	
N	S	R	S	B	O	E	Y	J	M	F	P	U	L	Q	H	S	A	D
E	T	W	L	S	X	F	I	K	S	L	W	A	N	Y	J	T	A	
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The holidays are _____

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Inventory shows 13,013 center pivot systems in operation

Approximately 13,013 center pivot systems are currently operating within the 15-county High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 service area, according to a recent survey conducted by district staff with assistance from the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS).

This represents an additional 800 center

pivots in operation since the previous Nov. 2005 inventory.

Center pivot totals by county are as follows: Lamb, 1,835; Hale, 1,823; Parmer, 1,792; Castro, 1,459; Hockley, 906; Deaf Smith, 896; Lubbock, 830; Bailey, 739; Floyd, 705; Cochran, 666; Crosby, 588; Lynn, 572; Randall, 125; Armstrong, 45; and Potter, 32.

All of Armstrong and

Potter Counties were included in the inventory as they have less than 50 total pivots.

Only the southwest portions of each county are within the High Plains Water District service area.

The center pivot inventory includes all types of water application methods, such as Low Energy Spray Application (LESA), Mid-Elevation

Spray Application (MESA), Low Energy Precision Application (LEPA), and others.

"The 2008 USDA National Agriculture Imagery Program (NAIP) was used to identify the pivots," said Scott Orr, Agricultural Group supervisor.

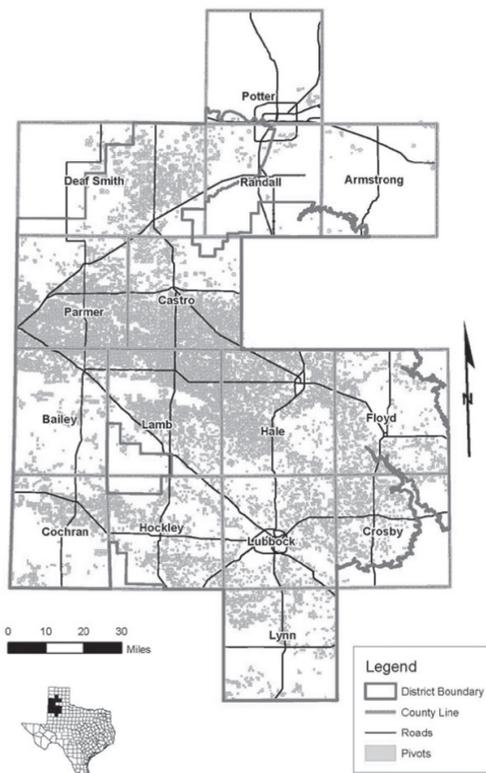
"The pivots that are identified indicate that an active pivot (evidence that it was used in 2008) was present at that location.

However, the imagery does not identify how much of the pivot was actually used for irrigation or crop production in 2008," he said.

Field observation indicates approximately 65 to 70 percent of these pivots are equipped with high-efficiency application packages.

Hale County had the largest increase in center pivots since the last inventory with 194 pivots added.

Other increases by county during the three-year period include: Floyd, 168; Lamb, 100; Lubbock, 87; Castro, 85; Lynn, 76; Cochran, 51; Deaf Smith, 50; Crosby, 39; Parmer, 6;



and Potter, 4.

Four counties showed decreases in center pivot irrigation. These include Bailey, -29; Hockley, -25; Armstrong, -3; and Randall, -3.

The 2008 survey shows 1,704,097 acres under center pivot irrigation within the water district.

This is 95,540 acres more than the 1,608,557 acres reported during the 2005 survey.

Previous center pivot inventories were conducted by High Plains Water District and USDA-NRCS staff in 1986, 1990, 1993, 1995, 1998, and 2005.



Employee of the Month announced

Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently announced the Employee of the Month for December is Carol Ring of the Bailey County Office of Aging. Pictured is Sharla Johnson, Carol Ring, Debbie Floyd and Mark Anthony.



The Sudan Buzz

Sudan Church of Christ delivers sacks

Sudan Church of Christ minister Terry Wilson and members of his congregation delivered 75 Christmas food sacks to citizens in Sudan and in the immediate surrounding area on Wednesday, Dec. 2.

Members split up into groups and took different areas of the town in order to get all of the sacks delivered that night. After delivering the sacks of food the group met back at the church to report on the success of the mission and it was deemed a big success.

This mission was done

because the congregation believes in the scripture in Hebrew 13:16 "to do good and share with others," a church representative said.

The hope of the Sudan

Church of Christ is that the citizens of Sudan will know that the church has open doors and open hearts to all who will come, according to the representative.

Buzz-A-Licious Recipes

Baked Bean Casserole

4 cans Pork and beans
1 cup barbeque sauce
6 slices bacon, cut into pieces
1 medium bell pepper, cut into strips
1 medium onion, sliced into rings
Cook bacon slowly

with pepper and onions until vegetables are tender.

Pour off grease. Put beans and barbeque sauce in baking dish and add bacon and vegetables and bake in 350 degree oven until bubbly.



'Dynamite' tunes

The Dynamite Quartet performed during the pancake breakfast at Muleshoe's Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizens Center Saturday, Dec. 5. Richard Light of Sudan is the lead singer in the quartet, which performs a wide variety of music throughout the year. The members of the quartet, pictured above are Stephen Keel, Richard Light, Mike Williams and Roy Hedtke.

Photograph by Terry Brewster

Sudan KFC finishes year

Sudan KFC will not have any more meetings this year. Meetings will start back after Christmas holidays are over in January.

Sudan ISD holidays announced

Sudan School Christmas holidays will begin on Monday, Dec. 21, and will continue through Friday, Jan. 1.

School will resume on Monday, Jan. 4.

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New signs go up at Muleshoe ISD

Have you seen the new state championship sign at the football field?

In addition to the 2000 Semi-Final sign, we now have a 2008 state championship sign near the entrance to the football field.

This sign pays tribute to the 2008 Muleshoe Mules football team that won the state championship by winning 15 games in a row in 2008.

The sign is in the shape of the state of Texas. It has "2008 State Champions" on the sign,

School News By Dr. Gene Sheets

as well as a picture of a football. It also has a star representing Muleshoe on the Texas map.

It really looks good, and it will be a fitting reminder of the great football season of 2008.

We had several local businesses and people in Muleshoe who contributed to bringing this sign to the football field.

Muleshoe Metal Art

donated their time to design the sign and put the sign together.

Bailey County Electric donated their time to drill the hole for the sign.

Wilson Drilling donated their time to set the pole for the sign.

T&S Concrete donated the concrete for the sign. Bamert Seed Company and David Head donated funds for construction

and painting of the sign.

Sam Whalin coordinated the efforts for the school system.

We also finally have a working sign at Dillman Elementary.

Many of you have driven by Dillman Elementary and wondered when the sign was going to be operational.

After working on a solution to the problems with the sign for several weeks, we finally found the right combination to

get the sign working.

This sign will display information and news for parents and community members regarding events at Dillman Elementary.

It will be helpful to communicate last-minute changes to schedules and events to parents as they drop off or pick up their

child.

Our goal is to communicate the great things that are happening at Muleshoe ISD.

These signs are yet another tool to let you all know about the good things our faculty and staff are doing as they work with children in Muleshoe.



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WJH Choir students...

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The following student performed ensembles and received Superior Rating-1:

Bailey Bales, Britney Cabrera, Idali Cruz, Bernie Delgado, Celeste Flores, Tori Guzman, Kalie Lovell, Jasmine Villegas, Rosa Burciaga, Alex Cortez, Daniela Diaz, Esmeralda Flores, Katelyn Gable, Donann Rempe, Samantha Rogers, McKenna Dunham, Paule Flores, Valerie Godinez, Junior Guzman, Adrienne Precure, Desiree Reyna, Diana Salcido, Jasmyne Guerra, Adriana Loya, Dalia Salcido, Vanessa Morales, Donann Rempe, Jayde Rodriguez, Samantha Vazquez, Sierra Contreras, Marissa Cortez, Jasmine Lucero, Jose Martinez, Makenzie Mendoza, Christain Reyna, Lyzette Vasquez, ExceleInt Rating-11, Magen Cantrell, Mireya Castorena, Victoria Cotton, Alex Delgado, Hadlea Geissler, Ashton Hunt, Angelina Perez, Melissa Terrazas, Bonnie Elizarraraz, Julissa Hernnandez, Melissa Hernandez, Yesenia Huerta, Mitzi Ramirez and Dallas Tosh.

Business of the Month

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently announced the Business of the Month for December is Ace Satellite. Pictured above are, Lupe, Martha, Rosa and Gabriel Acevedo, and chamber representatives Mark Anthony, Debbie Floyd and Sharla Johnson.

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LEGAL/ PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Muleshoe ISD will hold an AEIS—Academic Excellence Indicator System, public hearing on December 14, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., at the MISD Administration Office, 514 West Avenue G, Muleshoe, TX, for the purpose of presenting an overview of the District's 08-09 accountability rating. *Published in the Muleshoe Journal December 10, 2009.*

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) CONTRACTS Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read. **CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE/ BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)**

Dist/Div: San Antonio Contract 6203-72-001 for GUARDRAIL REPAIR in KENDALL County, etc will be opened on January 05, 2010 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$517,947.50.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 31565 State Office

Const./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540 Dist/Div Office (s)

San Antonio District Engineer 4615 NW Loop 410 San Antonio, Texas 78229-0928 Phone: 210-615-1110

Wichita Falls District Engineer 1601 Southwest Pkwy Wichita Falls, Texas 76302-4906 Phone: 940-720-7700

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- VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx. 2336' lvg. area, auto. splkr, fenced yd, MORE!! \$125K!!
- 3-1 3/4-2 w/workshop, wall furnace heat, window refig, plus efficiency apt, storage bldg, fenced yard, corner lot, \$77,000!!
- Six Unit apartment plus additional lot with 2 bedroom Mobile Home \$119,500!!
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- VERY NICE 3-3-2 CARPORT Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, fireplace, approx. 2653' living area, covered deck & patio, workshop/storage, cellar!! Auto.splkr. (front yd.) \$140,000!!
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- VERY NICE 4-3 doublewide (2006) on 7.38 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fenced yd., 25' x 40' Metal Bldg. septic system, domestic well, on pavement close to town!! \$152K \$130K!!
- Nice 3-2 Home at edge of town on .8 acre tract, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, efficiency apt. or guest cottage, horse barn & corral!! PRICE REDUCED!! \$92,500
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- CLAY'S CORNER - VERY NICE 3-2 3/4-2 Home on 5 acres, approx. 2500' lvg. area, remodeled, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, whirlpool tub, fenced yard, 600' workshop/storage!! \$185K !!
- Nice 3-1 Home, on 1.99 ac. tract, an approx. 1000' basement, an approx. 29' x 60' shop/storage, and a 28' x 29' shop/storage building with attached shed!! NICE TREES!! \$89,000!!

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- NICE OFFICE/SHOP/WAREHOUSE on 7 acre on N. Hwy. 214, Cent. A&H, insulated shop & warehouse, has 1-3/4 bath & 1-1/2 bath!! MUCH MORE!! PRICED TO SELL!! \$85K!!
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MULESHOE, TX

WEDNESDAY—December 16, 2009 10:00 AM

<p>Rolling Stock—Equipment—</p> <p>1-Case 2394 Tractor (Starts/Runs) 1-IH 1586 Tractor (Salvage-Trans/Rear Problems) 1-Ford TW-35 Tractor (Salvage-Engine Problems) 1-IH 1400 Stripper (Starts/Runs) 1-1983 IH 1480 Combine 1-1978? Chev Tandem Axle Grain Truck w/Lift Bed 1-Ford F350 Ford Feed Grinder/Mixer Truck 1-24' PCF, GN, Tandem Axle, Flat Bed Equipment Trailer (NICE) 1-1980? GMC Pickup (Salvage) 1-Big 12 Grain Buggy 1-Big 12 Grain Trailer</p> <p>Equipment—</p> <p>1-IH 900 8R Planter 1-IH 800 Air 8R Planter 1-Hamby 13 Shk, 3 Bar w/Packer, Chisel Rig 1-Hamby 13 Shk, 3 Bar Chisel Rig 1-Johnson 13 Shk, 3 Bar Chisel Rig (no Chisels) 1-RAC, 3 Bar, 7 Shk, Chisel/Stubble Mulch Plow 2-Lilliston, 8R Toolbar (no tools) 1-Johnson 8R Rear Mt Cultivator, w/Spring Shks 1-Hamby, 2 Bar, 8R Folding Toolbar, Sweepout Rig 1-Hamby, 2 Bar, 8R Toolbar, Sweepout 1-Hamby, 2 Bar, 6R Rodweeder Toolbar 1-RAC, 2 Bar, 6R, Toolbar 1-Hamby, 2 Bar, 8R Folding Lister Toolbar 1-JD, 7R Lister Toolbar 1-8R Rear Mount Cultivator 1-JD 158 Front End Loader</p>	<p>1-RAC, 2 Bar, 8R, Sweepout Rig 1-JD, 400, 8R, Rolling Cultivator 1-JD, 400, 6R, Rolling Cultivator 1-Hamby, Single Bar, Spray Rig 1-Tye, 8R Grain Drill 1-IH, Dble Opening Disk, 14' Grain Drill 1-JD 4R Shredder 1-JD 230, Folding Tandem Disk 1-Krause, 18', Off-Set Tandem Disk 1-McCenny, 8R Rotary Tiller 1-Servis, 6' Blade 1-SS, 17R, Folding Sandfighter 1-SM, Heavy Duty, Rear Mt, Hyd Hay Fork/Lift 1-Noble, Rear Mt, Incorporator 1-SM, Pipe Drag 1-4 Btm Plow Packer 1-Set 18.4X38 Tractor Duals 1-SM, 500gal Steel Water Tank-4 Whl Trailer 1-SM, 500gal Steel Fuel Tank-4 Whl Trailer 1-SM 1000gal, Mixer, Pump, Nurse Tank-4 Whl Trailer 1-SM 1000gal, Nurse Tank, 4 Whl Trailer (no Wheels) 1-Colby Cotton Trailer Chassis 1-Flatbed, Steel Floor, Cotton Trailer 1-24' Cotton Trailer, Short Wire Sideboards 1-Pickup Bed Field Service Trailer w/Toolboxes 1-SM 2 Whl Pipe Trailer 3-6R Corn Headers 1-Lot Toolbar Tool Makeups 1-Lot Hyd Cylinders 8-Stalk Cutter Row Units 1-Grain Hopper w/Stands 1-Lot Cattle Panels 1-Round Bale Feeder 2-Calf Creep Feeders 1-Hunter, Commercial Size, Radial Arm Saw 15- Baby Calf, Wire Pens 1-Lot of 1.5" Well Drive Shafting</p>
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