

## Economic development an ongoing local effort

*Oil mill bid an example of various groups working toward common goal*

By **MARTHA TOLES FROST**  
City Editor

Citizens and officials interested in economic development recently worked together to develop a land and incentive package to entice Plains Co-op Oil Mill to relocating near Muleshoe.

"We hoped we had made them an offer—like the Godfather—that they couldn't refuse," said David Marricle, president of the Muleshoe Area Industrial Foundation. "We are always looking for opportunities. We'll try again."

Marricle said oil mill officials told him that Muleshoe made a good presentation and a good proposal, but the site is just "too far from the central cotton market and lacks proximity to available seed."

The land package offered to the oil mill consisted of a 657-acre land package bordered by pavement, with railway on one side. Twelve water wells, nine interconnected, would have provided a water source to the site, and the land has access to gas, electricity, and telephone lines.

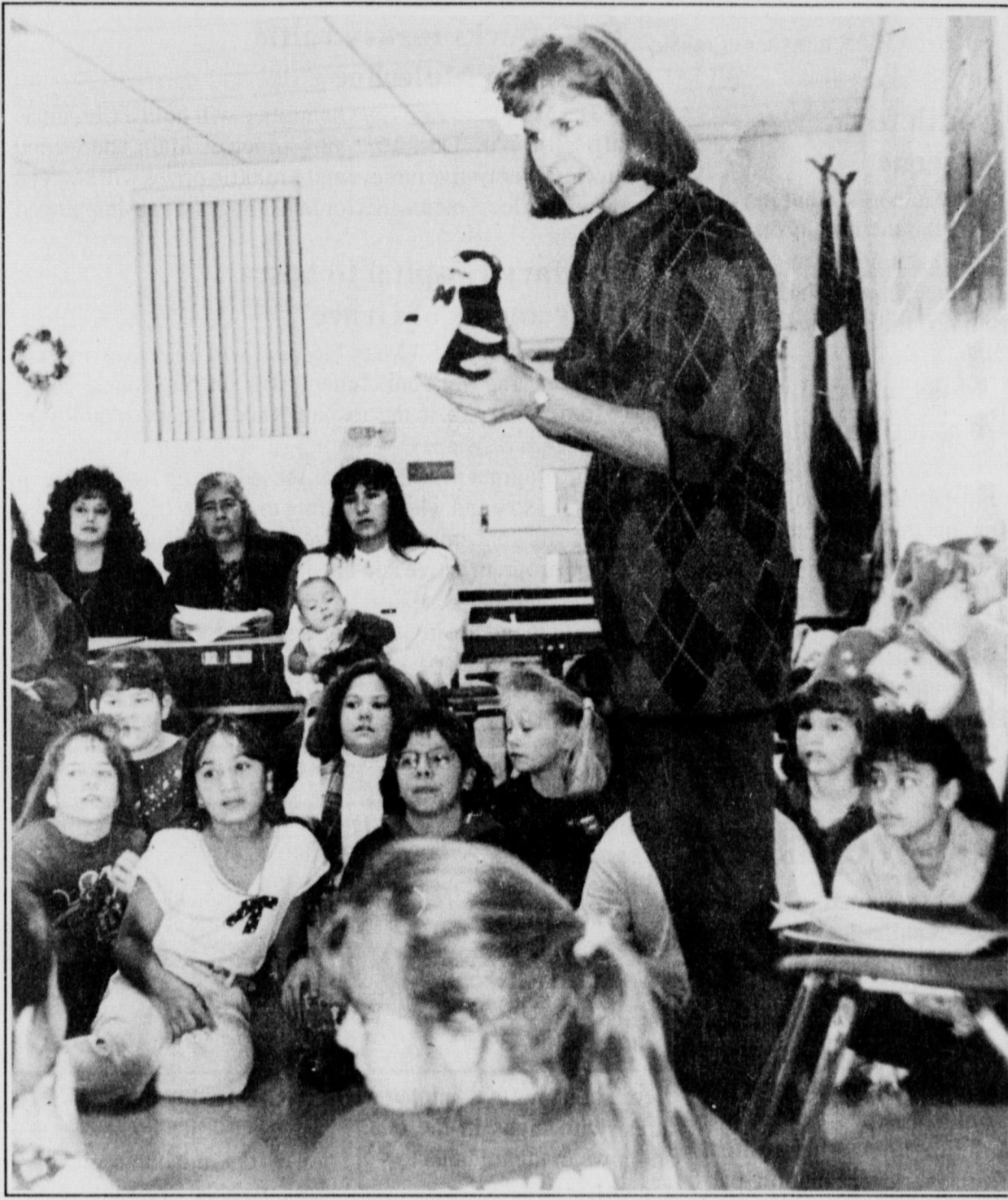
Recent initiatives by the Muleshoe Area Industrial Foundation, supported by the Economic Development Corporation, Bailey County, the City of Muleshoe and the Hospital District have brought to light ongoing behind-the-scenes work by city officials to benefit Muleshoe's lifestyle and economy.

"There is a lot of talent represented in this room," said City Manager Dave Marr, Jr. after Marricle presented the final proposal at a joint meeting of the Economic Development Corporation and City Council the morning of Dec. 1, just before he took the package to the oil mill's corporate offices in Lubbock.

When Mayor Robert Montgomery commended the city manager for the hours he spent finalizing the proposal and coordinating group efforts, Marr said, "I appreciate all the help I have received. I do this for a living . . . the others don't."

Marr later added, "These

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Journal photo by Rick White

### Breakfast Club

DeShazo teacher Nancy Benham talks to a group of fourth-graders Thursday during the school's books and breakfast program. It is a day when parents join their kids for breakfast and a demonstration of the school's "Success for All" reading program.

## Plans for Keepers of the Legend launched

By **MARTHA TOLES FROST**  
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Paula Paul's "Keepers of the Legend," a musical outdoor drama about the history of Bailey County, will be presented in conjunction with Fourth of July activities this summer in Muleshoe.

Muleplex Production Company, a group that produces and promotes drama in Muleshoe, voted unanimously Monday night to help support the production for the second year in a row, and they passed a preliminary budget.

"The main thing we need is volunteers to help with ticket sales, advertising/promotion and programs," said Alan Finney, one of the board members of the production company.

Finney said that Kerry Moor, head of Muleshoe High School's theatre department, had agreed to be one of the directors of the production, which will be presented from July 3-9 at 8:30 p.m.

The production will run

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## Hicks announces candidacy for re-election

Jerry Hicks announced his plans to run for re-election as the sheriff of Bailey County, subject to the Democratic Primary in March.

Hicks said that if re-elected, he will continue to do the best possible job for all the people of Bailey County.

He stated that he is proud of what has been accomplished in the last seven years and is especially proud of all the mem-

bers of the Sheriff's Office.

Hicks was born in Dickens County, Texas, near the small town of Afton, where he attended and graduated from Patton Springs School.

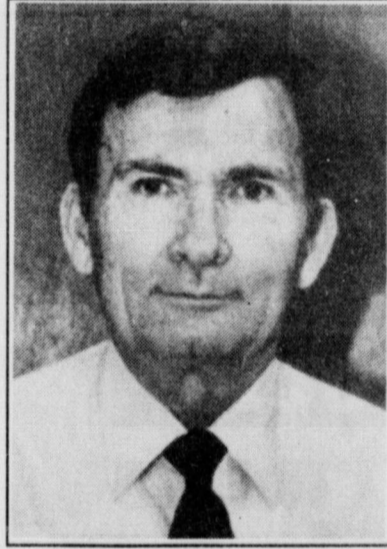
He moved to Muleshoe in early 1955 and, shortly thereafter, joined the Air Force. He served almost 21 years.

During his time in the Air Force, Hicks served primarily as a navigator and a jet fighter

pilot. He navigated transport aircraft all around the world. He also served a combat tour in Vietnam.

During his time in the service, Hicks attended college whenever possible and was able to obtain a bachelor's degree in business management from the University of Nebraska at Omaha in 1969. Jerry retired

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Jerry Hicks

## It's not always fair to keep score

Randy Adair didn't fail as a person, or as a teacher, and that's what coaches are — teachers.

What the Muleshoe High School head football coach failed to do is win.

That's a sin in West Texas, where on Friday nights the scoreboard shines brighter than the moon.

And that's how coaches are judged, by hundreds of little light bulbs that ultimately determine their success or failure.

"Yeah, the 0-10 season had a lot to do with it," said Muleshoe Independent School District Superintendent Bill Moore, who asked Adair to resign late last month. "I told him we needed to make a change in the program."

Adair's coaching record at Muleshoe was 4-32.

Moore said when he hired Adair four years ago, they made a gentleman's agreement.

"He told me that if at anytime there needed to be a change in leadership, to let him know," said Moore.

Adair was an assistant coach under Moore at White Oak in the late 70s and early 80s. They've known each other for more than 20 years.

"If I can't make tough personnel decisions about family or friends, they need to find another superintendent," Moore said when

**Rick White**  
Managing Editor

Moore said when asked about a rumor that he was not involved in the decision.

Perhaps it was the Texas Cadillac Club?

Moore said it was his decision, and his alone.

Make no mistake, Adair doesn't want to leave.

"I'm not the problem," Adair said earlier in the year and reiterated later. "I'm part of the solution. If I thought I was the problem, I'd leave."

Adair wrote in his letter of resignation to the school board: "Please be aware that I did not create a negative, losing situation. It predated my arrival. Sorry, but I will not wear that hat."

Muleshoe, which has had 29 coaches in its 70 years of football, was 0-10 and 1-9 the two years prior to Adair's arrival. The Mules were ranked 212 out of 213 Class 3A teams by the Harris Poll (the rating service for Texas high school football) the year before he arrived.

Muleshoe has made the playoffs eight times in nearly three quarters of a century of playing football. In the last 15 years, there have been more than 50 assistant coaches at Muleshoe.

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## Couple celebrates 66th anniversary

*McCormicks married since 1929*

By **MARTHA TOLES FROST**  
City Editor

Leonard and Tennie McCormick celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary at Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center this week, where he has been a resident four years—and she is a frequent visitor.

Tennie, 88, says she appreciates her husband's honesty and truthfulness "and the way he shows his love to me."

What Leonard, 85, likes most about his wife is "her big grin."

The two met in church in Littlefield, where he was running a country service station and she was a student at a Christian junior college.

The McCormicks were married by Church of Christ preacher Homer Gay Dec. 6, 1929 in Eden (between Dallas and Fort Worth) "in my

mother's living room," Tennie said.

They moved to Muleshoe in 1945 and built the house where she still lives.

"We had a good life together because we worked at it—we loved one another and loved the Lord," Mrs. McCormick said.

The McCormicks have two sons, Van, who lives in Clovis and preaches at the East Side Church of Christ, and Marcus, of Lubbock, who is retired from preaching at Mount Zion Church of Christ in Mississippi.

Their daughters, Peggy Corder of Lubbock and Linda Orick of Farmers Branch are "married to church-going men," the two agreed.

The McCormicks have 17 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren. Until their re-



Journal photo by Martha Toles Frost

### 66th anniversary

Van McCormick (left) of Clovis helped his parents Leonard and Tennie McCormick celebrate their 66th anniversary Dec. 6 at Muleshoe Healthcare Center, where Leonard has been a resident four years. The couple have lived in Muleshoe since 1945, and she still lives in the house they built.

irement in 1976, the couple owned and operated McCormick Upholstery and Drapery in Muleshoe.

"We turned the business

over to our son Van and his wife Betty. They drive to Muleshoe from Clovis five days a week to run the shop," Mrs. McCormick said.

AROUND MULESHOE

**First Baptist to present 'The Christmas Gift'**

The Adult Choir of First Baptist Church in Muleshoe will present the message of Christmas in story and song in "The Christmas Gift" Sunday, Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. in the First Baptist Church sanctuary, 220 W. Ave. E.

You are invited to join them as songs of the choir and crowd are pieced together by a family remembering Christmas traditions — especially the story of Jesus' birth.

Get to First Baptist early to enjoy the Christmas carols and get a good seat.

For more information, call Scott Pace, minister of music/education, 272-4224.

**United Methodist youth to provide live nativity scene**

The Muleshoe First United Methodist Church youth will provide a live nativity scene for the community on the church lawn Sunday, Dec. 10, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The performance will continue through 7:45 p.m., with a 15-minute intermission from 7-7:15. Families are invited to drive by and enjoy the reenactment.

**MISD Board to discuss audit, campus report, construction**

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees on Monday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m., the Muleshoe Independent School District will consider hiring a firm to conduct the annual audit for MISD and the Group Health Trust.

The campus report from the recent Texas School Improvement Initiatives Committee will be discussed.

The trustees will receive a report on current and future construction projects and take appropriate action.

**Muleshoe 4-H to celebrate season by caroling**

The Muleshoe 4-H Club will celebrate the season at its December meeting on Thursday, Dec. 14 at 6 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Muleshoe.

Activities will include Christmas caroling, dinner and games.

Members and their families are welcome to attend, as well as young people interested in becoming members of the 4-H organization in Muleshoe.

**MAC bucks turkey raffle Dec. 16 in Muleshoe**

The Muleshoe Activity Committee will hold a Christmas raffle at 2 p.m. Dec. 16 at the corner of Main and Second streets. Twenty-five turkeys and \$1,000 in prizes will be given away. Ask local merchants for MAC bucks when shopping in Muleshoe.

**St. Mary Hospital to host 'Movements of Grace'**

LUBBOCK — St. Mary Hospital will host "Movements of Grace," a spiritual enrichment program, on Saturday, Dec. 16 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the hospital's sixth-floor Arnett Room (4000 24th St.).

The program is designed for those looking for support in their ministry and who are willing to discuss the day-to-day issues and concerns which arise as they minister to people.

The program is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Participants are invited to bring guests. For more information, contact Sister Claire Oliver at (806) 796-6941.

**Journal to publish Letters to Santa in Dec. 24 edition**

For all those area children who want Santa to have a list of their Christmas wishes, the Muleshoe Journal will publish its annual "Letters to Santa" in the December 24 edition.

Letters may be brought by the Journal offices at 304 West Second or mailed to: Santa Claus, % Muleshoe Journal,

P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, TX, 79347. Letters must be received in the Journal offices by Dec. 20.

After Journal employees type the letters into the computer system, they will transfer the information on to Santa through his E-mail address on the Internet for more rapid service.

**Quote of note**

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**Weather service predicts normal wintery weather**

By **MARTHA TOLES FROST**  
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The past few days should not be called a "cold snap," according to the Weather Service in Lubbock.

"We're just into a normal winter pattern after unseasonably warm weather," a weather service representative said. "People just think it's cold," he said.

The recent warm weather preceding these "seemingly" chilly days—which are actu-

ally above normal in temperature—could be due to "El Nino," according to the weather service.

"El Nino" is a theory that "the oscillation of sea surface temperatures in the Pacific from the coast of South America to Australia affect hemispheric circulation patterns, resulting in high or low temperatures and precipitation, even hurricanes."

Sunday through Wednesday, the weather service pre-

**Weather**

R. G. Bennett, Muleshoe

Date	High	Low	Moisture
Saturday, Dec. 2	75	31	
Sunday, Dec. 3	76	32	
Monday, Dec. 4	64	28	
Tuesday, Dec. 5	71	26	
Wednesday, Dec. 6	55	30	
Thursday, Dec. 7	68	27	
Friday, Dec. 8	47	26	Trace

dicts about normal temperatures, with highs in the 60s, and lows in the mid 30s to 40 degrees.

County Agent Curtis Preston is neither elated nor concerned about the recent drop in thermometer readings.

"It takes a lot of cold, cold weather to kill bugs or wheat—we're talking one-digit, dry, cold weather," he said.

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## Acosta dares to dream of helping others

By MARTHA TOLES FROST  
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Charles Acosta has a dream—to help others accomplish theirs.

The 17-year-old Muleshoe High School senior, won first place in the VFW Voice of Democracy scholarship program—a patriotic audio essay contest the VFW has sponsored for 48 years.

Charles will receive a \$150 scholarship, and his tape will be judged in district competition at Wayland Baptist College this week.

State winners of the competition vie for the \$20,000 first place scholarship award at the national competition in Washington, D.C.

His speech on "answering the American call" focuses on daring to dream and helping people become what they are capable of being.

Charles intends to pursue a college degree in management—an appropriate dream for someone who wants to help others make dreams come true.

He believes we are here (in America) for a reason—to make America a better place.

"People who live on the street due to alcohol, drugs or who just do not have the abilities to help themselves—



Journal photo by Martha Toles Frost

### Dream weaver

Bob Clark, Commander of VFW Post No. 8570, congratulates MHS senior Charles Acosta for winning the Voice of America essay contest.

people whose lives are lived without a dream—are the ones who should be helped," Charles wrote in the speech. "For every person who does not dream, there is another loss to the community. Inside every person's mind is a dream just waiting to happen. We must release our dreams and make them into realities."

Charles was one of twenty-four Home Economics Career Education (HECE) students in Carolyn Johnson's home economics class to participate in the competition.

This is the first year for Muleshoe students to participate in the VFW scholarship

program, which Johnson selected as a major project for her class.

The winning speech was recorded by Gil Prather's Cowboy Connections Recording Studio in Muleshoe for quality sound before the final judging.

The award was presented in front of the home economics class by Bob Clark and Freddie Anzaldua of VFW Post No. 8570.

Charles is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dimas Acosta of Muleshoe.

He works at Lowe's Marketplace as part of his work/study program at MHS.

## Embry tops Journal's Power Points grid contest

Derrel Embry of 1816 West Ave. A in Muleshoe is the winner of the Muleshoe Journal Power Points football contest for the week of Dec. 2-4.

Embry scored 101 out of a possible 136 points to win the \$10 first prize and a gift certificate from Joe's Boot Shop.

Embry received a break when Alan Harrison's selections were disqualified. Harrison's total could have been as high as 115 points had he not picked the same game twice in two different spots. As a result, he left one game completely out, leading to disqualification.

Second place and \$7.50 goes to Alene Bryant of 117 E. Fir, Muleshoe. Bryant had 96 points in the contest. Third goes to Scott Brown of Rt. 3, Box 435, Muleshoe, with 94 points. He receives \$5.

Honorable mention honors go to Barry Wilson and John Purdy, each with 92 points.

The statewide winner of \$1,000 was R.W. Smith of Aransas Pass with 129 of 136 points. He entered in the Aransas Pass Progress.

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# Sports

## MHS suffers 2nd setback in I-27 tourney

It was just the kind of game Muleshoe needed.

A breather.

The Lady Mules rebounded from a tough loss to Hereford Thursday with an easy 57-32 win against Hale Center in the I-27 Tournament.

Senior post Mandy Cleavinger once again led Muleshoe (9-2) with 19 points in a game where the second unit saw as much time as the first.

Kristen Nichols added nine points for Muleshoe as all 10 players scored.

"It was a good chance for the others to play a lot," Muleshoe coach Jim Gruhlkey said. "They did a good job."

"This game did us a lot of good. It gave us a chance to regroup," Gruhlkey said. "We kept our intensity for the most part."

It was Muleshoe's third game in two days and seventh game in eight days.

Muleshoe opened the tournament with a 52-44 win over New Deal, but then ran into Class 4A Hereford in the championship round later that day.

The hot-shooting Whitefaces took a 29-17 halftime lead with the help of four 3-

pointers from four different players.

Muleshoe did manage to cut the lead to eight in the third quarter. But Hereford used a decided edge at the free throw line to keep the Lady Mules at bay.

Hereford was 15-of-19 from the free throw line in the second half. Muleshoe didn't shoot any free throws in the second half.

The Lady Mules were also chilly 14-of-44 from the field.

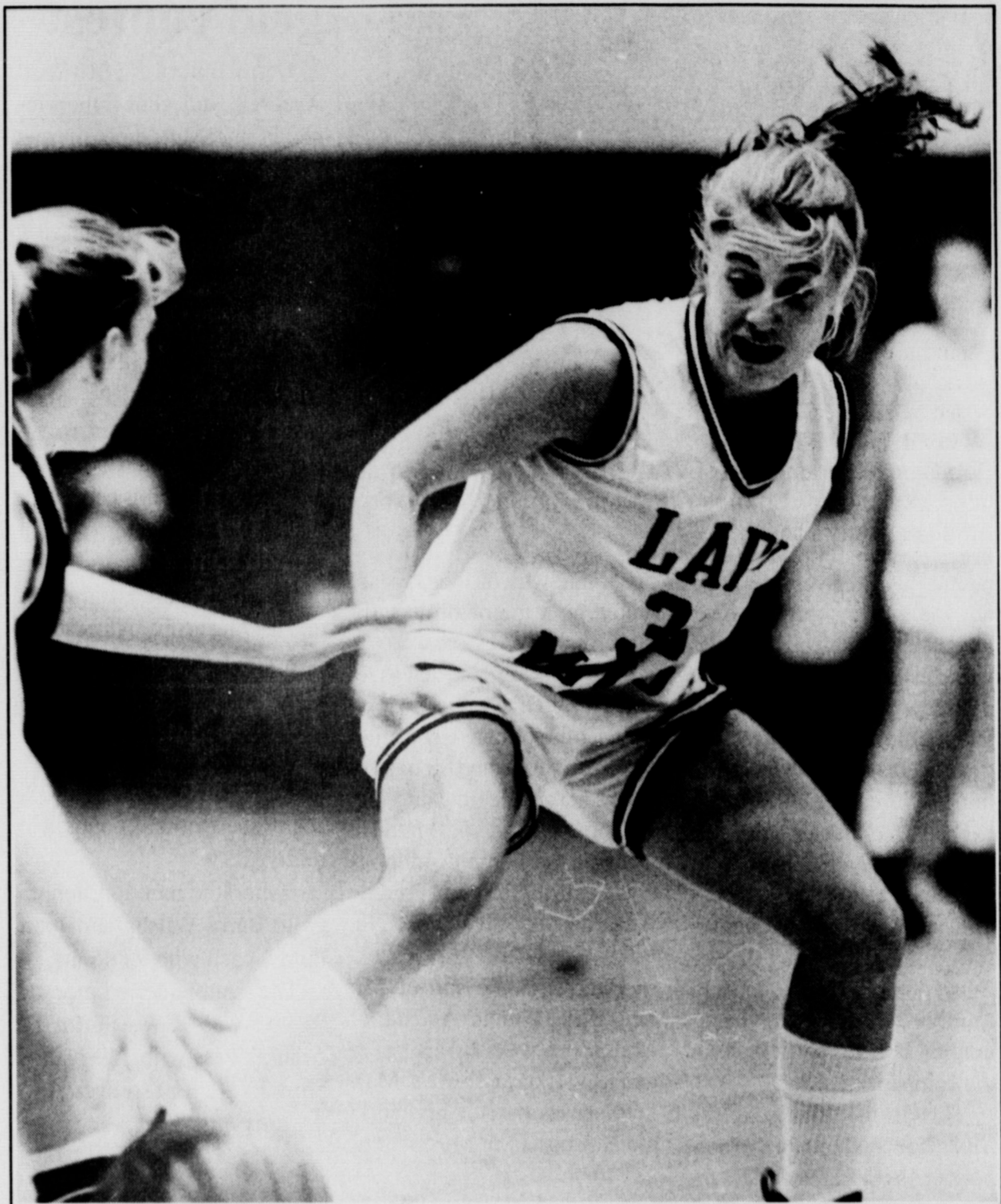
"They were aggressive," Gruhlkey said. "They were taking it to us."

Carolyn Schuster scored a career-high 16 points in the win over New Deal, including four 3-pointers. Cleavinger added 14.

**Muleshoe (57)** — Myers 10-0-2, Field 5 1-1 11, Williams 10-0-2, C. Cleavinger 1 1-1 3, Puckett 0 1-2 1, Schuster 0 (1) 0-0 3, Nichols 3 3-4 9, M. Cleavinger 7-5-6 19, Posadas 0 1-3 1, Harrison 1 (1) 1-4 6. Totals 19 (2) 13-20 57.

**Hale Center (32)** — Vick 3 (2) 0-0 12, Perez 0 (1) 0-0 3, Barron 3 1-1 7, Massey 3 0-0 6, Thomas 1 0-0 2, Hughes 0 1-2 1, Yell 0 1-2 1. Totals 10 (3) 3-5 32.

	1	2	3	4	tot
Muleshoe	18	12	18	9	57
Hale Center	2	11	8	11	32



**That's mine**

Muleshoe senior guard Lauri Puckett eyes the ball as a Tulia player dribbles upcourt during the Lady Mules' 42-32 win Tuesday night at Watson Junior High.

### I-27 Tournament

Thursday	
<b>First round</b>	
Muleshoe 52, New Deal 44	
Hereford 76, Lockney 35	
Nazareth 46, Vernon 28	
Hale Center 55, Ralls 43	
Tulia 38, Springlake-Earth 27	
Cooper 64, Stanton 27	
Littlefield 39, Wall 24	
Abernathy 56, Petersburg 37	
<b>Championship quarterfinals</b>	
Abernathy 52, Littlefield 49	
Nazareth 49, Hale Center 9	
Hereford 56, Muleshoe 31	
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>Consolation semifinals</b>	
Lockney vs New Deal	
Vernon vs Ralls	
Springlake-Earth vs Stanton	
Wall vs Petersburg	
<b>Championship quarterfinals</b>	
Cooper vs Tulia	
<b>Consolation semifinals</b>	
Lockney-New Deal winner vs Vernon-Ralls winner	
Springlake-Earth-Stanton winner vs Wall-Petersburg winner	
<b>Guarantee games</b>	
Muleshoe 57, Hale Center 32	
Tulia-Cooper loser vs Littlefield	
<b>Championship semifinals</b>	
Hereford vs Nazareth	
Tulia-Cooper winner vs Abernathy	

Muleshoe 52, New Deal 44	
	1 2 3 4 tot
Muleshoe	9 16 16 11 52
New Deal	11 10 13 10 44
Leading scorers — Muleshoe: Schuster 16, M. Cleavinger 14.	
New Deal: Johnson 11, Wood 9.	

Hereford 56, Muleshoe 31	
	1 2 3 4 tot
Muleshoe	7 10 6 8 31
Hereford	12 17 9 18 56
Leading scorers — Muleshoe: M. Cleavinger 17, Rampley 11.	

## Seminole foils MHS in quarterfinals, 70-40

SEMINOLE — If they only knew how to at their age.

Freshmen Caleb and Chris Ogden combined for 36 points Friday night to lead Seminole High School to an easy 70-40 win over Muleshoe in the championship quarterfinals of the Seminole Tournament.

The 6 foot 3 inch Clay scored 23 points, including a pair of 3-pointers, and the 6-5 Ogden finished with 13 points as the Indians pulled away in the second half.

Seminole (5-6) led 34-22 at the half.

"They're young, but they really don't play like it," Muleshoe coach Ralph Mason said. "We turned the ball over 21 times and really didn't shoot well."

Daniel Garbarino, playing his second game since return-

ing from knee surgery, led Muleshoe (3-7) with 16 points.

Alfonzo Mendoza added nine points on three 3-pointers.

In the first round, Garbarino scored 15 points to led a balanced attack as Muleshoe beat the Odessa JV, 69-60.

Alfredo Gonzales and Mendoza added 13 points each, and Corey Williams finished with 10.

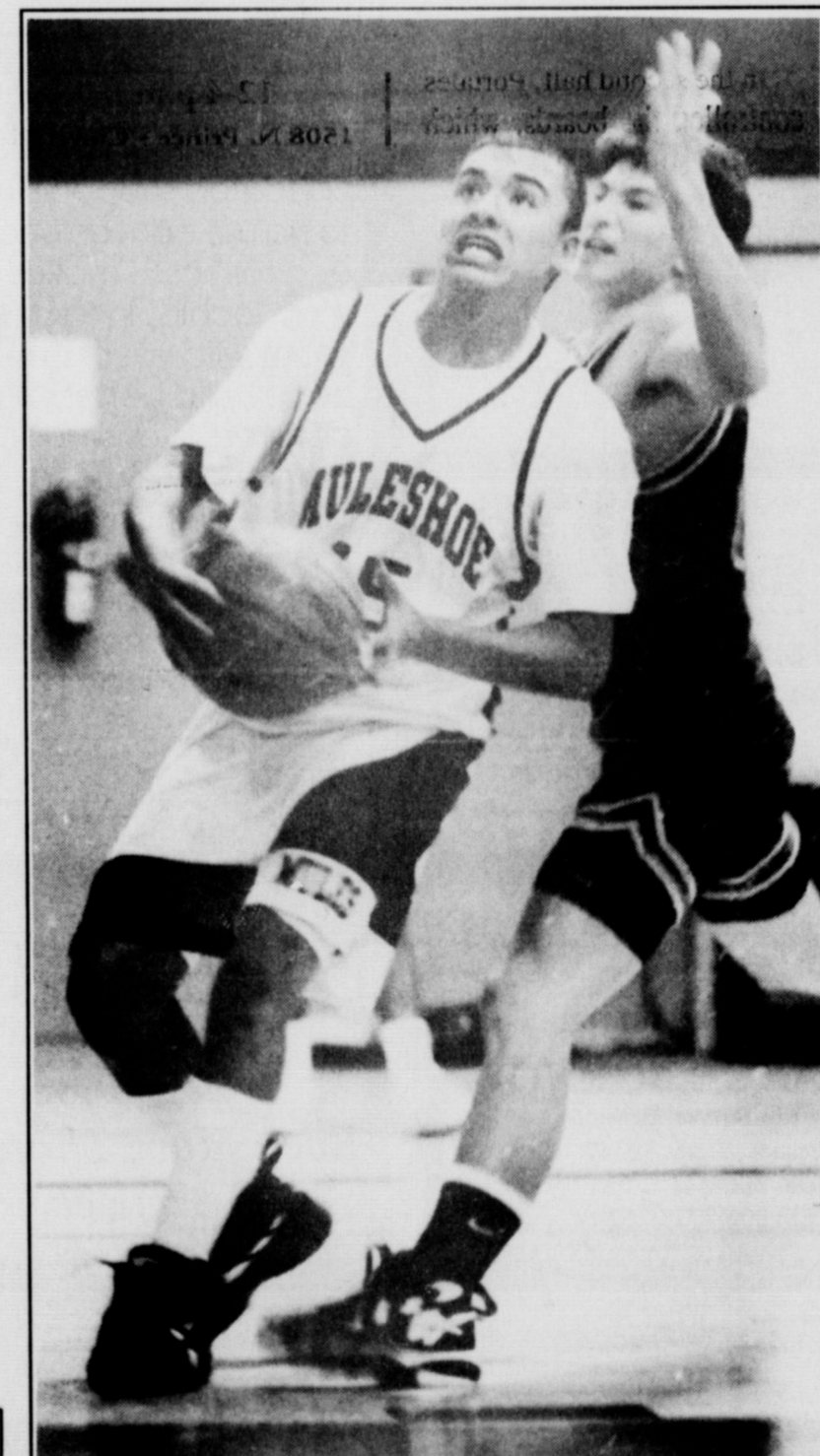
**Muleshoe (40)** — Garbarino 7 2-5 16, Sierra 1 0-0 2, Gonzales 2 2-4 6, Shain 1 2-2 4, Mendoza 0 (3) 0-0 9, Mason 0 (1) 0-0 3, Morris 0 0-0 0, Williams 0 0-0 0, Shelburne 0 0-0 0. Totals 11 (4) 6-11 40.

**Seminole (70)** — Clay 7 (2) 3-3 23, Ogden 4 (1) 2-2 13, Sheets 5 0-0 10, Shain 1 0-0 2, Rodriguez 1-1-2 3, Stokes 1 0-0 2, Elder 0 (1) 0-0 3, King 1 1-4 3, Blackmon 1 0-0 2, Young 4 1-2 9. Totals 25 (4) 8-13 70.

	1	2	3	4	tot
Muleshoe	7	15	8	12	40
Seminole	20	14	14	22	70

### Seminole Tournament

Thursday		winner
<b>First round</b>		<b>Championship quarterfinals</b>
Muleshoe 69, Odessa JV 60		Seminole 70, Muleshoe 40
Shallowater 63, Trinity Christian 53		Dimmitt 62, Canyon 51
Andrews 71, Greenwood 37		Shallowater vs Andrews
Dimmitt 75, Denver City 53		<b>Championship semifinals</b>
Canyon 59, Clint 52		Muleshoe vs Dimmitt
Seminole, bye		<b>Muleshoe 69, Odessa JV 60</b>
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Consolation quarterfinals</b>		
Odessa JV bye		<b>Leading scorers — Muleshoe:</b>
Clint vs Denver City		Garbarino 15, Gonzales 13, Menoza 13, Williams 10. <b>Odessa JV:</b> Walton 14, Thomas 12.
Trinity Christian vs Greenwood		
<b>Consolation semifinals</b>		
Odessa JV vs Clint-Denver City		



**Hard to the hole**

Muleshoe junior guard Alfonzo Mendoza drives in for a layup Tuesday night with Portales' Charlie Sotelo in pursuit. Portales beat MHS, 72-53.

## Three Way falls to Sundown, 52-47

WHITEFACE — A late Sundown rally turned the lights out on Three Way, 52-47, Thursday in the first round of the Whiteface Tournament.

Keith Kindle scored 18 points for Three Way, but it wasn't enough as Sundown rallied from a 33-31 deficit in the fourth quarter.

Sundown trailed 24-19 at halftime.

In the girls tournament, Idalou beat Three Way, 98-15.

Nadine Webb nine points for Three Way (1-5), including a 3-pointer. Melanie McCaul added four points.

Idalou is 7-3.

## Lazbuddie holds off Texico in first round

### Smith scores

#### 23 in 62-53 win

FARWELL — Chris Smith fired in 23 points, including four 3-pointers, leading Lazbuddie to a 62-53 win over Texico (NM) Thursday in the first round of the Farwell Invitational.

Smith, a sophomore, hit three 3-pointers in the second quarter and was 7-of-8 from the free throw line in the game.

"He's like momey in the bank from there," Lazbuddie coach Gary Grahn said.

Freshman Jason Thomas added 13 points, Guy Nickels 12 and Justin St. Clair 11 as Lazbuddie (4-1) handed Texico (3-1) its first loss of the year.

The Longhorns played Friona Friday in the semifinals. Friona beat Melrose (NM), 72-52, in the first round.

In the girls tournament, Texico downed Lazbuddie, 40-33.

Roxann Warren led Lazbuddie (1-5) with 10 points. Texico is 5-1.

Lazbuddie played Melrose, which lost to Friona, 78-28, Friday in the second round.

### Farwell Invite

Thursday	
<b>First round</b>	
<b>BOYS</b>	
Lazbuddie 62, Texico 53	
Friona 72, Melrose 57	
Elida 54, Plains 44	
Farwell 68, Dora 44	
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>Second round</b>	
<b>Championship semifinals</b>	
Friona vs Lazbuddie	
Elida vs Farwell	
<b>Consolation semifinals</b>	
Dora vs Plains	
Melrose vs Texico	

	1	2	3	4	tot
Lazbuddie	12	17	15	18	62
Texico	10	16	11	16	53

Leading scorers — Lazbuddie: Smith 23, Thomas 13, Nickels 12, St. Clair 10. Texico: Kelterking 18, Salinas 13.

Friday	
<b>First round</b>	
<b>GIRLS</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>First round</b>	
Texico 40, Lazbuddie 33	
Friona 78, Melrose 28	
Plains 56, Elida 41	
Farwell 75, Dora 37	

Friday	
<b>Second round</b>	
<b>Championship semifinals</b>	
Friona vs Texico	
Plains vs Farwell	
<b>Consolation semifinals</b>	
Lazbuddie vs Melrose	
Elida vs Dora	
Texico 40, Lazbuddie 33	

	1	2	3	4	tot
Lazbuddie	8	7	9	9	33
Texico	11	2	15	12	40

Leading scorers — Lazbuddie: Warren 10. Texico: Marlow.

### Whiteface Tournament

BOYS		GIRLS	
<b>Sundown 52, Three Way 47</b>		<b>Idalou 98, Three Way 15</b>	
	1 2 3 4 tot		1 2 3 4 tot
Three Way	11 13 11 12 47	Three Way	2 7 2 4 15
Sundown	10 9 14 19 52	Idalou	28 21 27 22 98
Leading scorers — Three Way: Keith Kindle 18. Sundown: Perez 16, Serna 14, Holdman 11.		Leading scorers — Three Way: Webb 9, McCaul 4. Idalou: Foster 28, Soto 16, Hammond 16.	

Tuesday's games

# Lady Mules lack kick in Tulia win

A full-court man-to-man press in the third quarter pumped life into an otherwise lackluster effort as Muleshoe High School pulled away from ballhandling-impaired Tulia for a 42-32 win at home Tuesday in a non-district girls game.

The game against winless Tulia (0-9) was little more than a tuneup for Muleshoe (7-1) between premier tournaments.

The Lady Mules finished third at the Canyon Classic last weekend and played in the I-27 Tournament this weekend, which included Nazareth and Hereford.

"I was afraid we were going to be flat," Muleshoe coach Jim Gruhlkey said. "And we were flat."

That was until Brandi Harrison and a full-court man-to-man press gave the game a tempo infusion.

Harrison scored eight points in the third quarter, including a pair of layups off steals, as Muleshoe stretched a three-point halftime lead to 34-25 heading into the fourth quarter.

Baskets by Mandy Cleavinger and Cassidy

Cleavinger to start the fourth quarter gave Muleshoe its biggest lead of the game, 38-25, and Gruhlkey substituted liberally after that.

"I was pleased with our defense, although we gave up some offensive rebounds in the first half," Gruhlkey said. "We tried to pick it up a little in the second half. We probably should have gone to the man-to-man earlier."

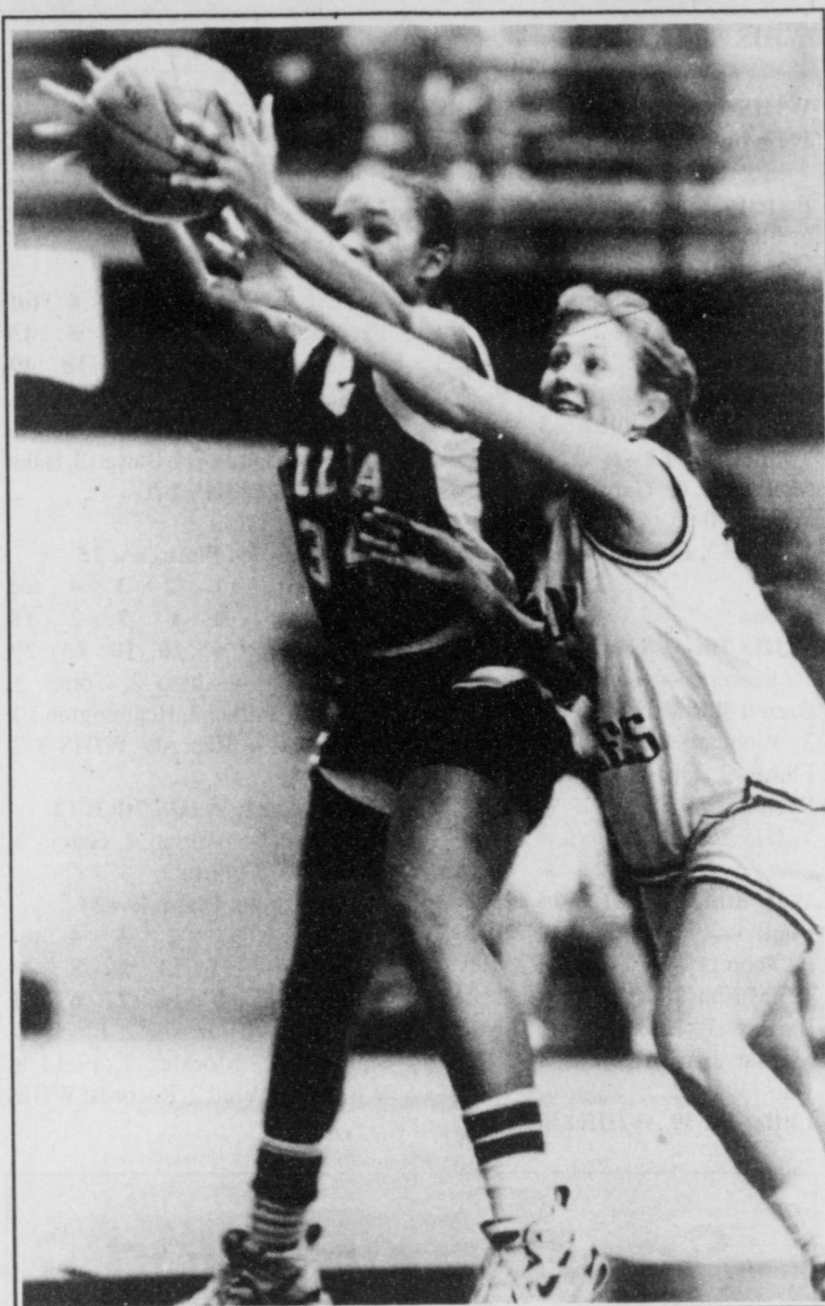
Harrison and Mandy Cleavinger led Muleshoe with 10 points each.

Roni Henderson scored 10 of her 23 points in the first quarter when Tulia took a 12-10 lead.

**Tulia (32)** — Culwell 0 0-0 0, Bevill 0 2-2 2, Bice 0 0-0 0, Kirkpatrick 1 (1) 0-0 5, Turner 0 0-0 0, Hooper 0 0-0 0, Bossett 0 0-2 0, Henderson 8 7-10 23, Brooks 1 0-0 2, Cosby 0 0-0 0, Robinson 0 0-0 0. Totals 10 (1) 9-14 32.

**Muleshoe (42)** — Myers 0 0-0 0, Field 1 0-0 2, Williams 3 0-2 6, C. Cleavinger 1 (1) 0-0 5, Hutton 0 0-0 0, Puckett 1 0-0 2, Schuster 0 (1) 0-0 3, Nichols 2 0-0 4, M. Cleavinger 4 2-4 10, Posadas 0 0-0 0, Harrison 5 0-0 10. Totals 17 (2) 2-6 42.

	1	2	3	4	tot
Tulia	12	7	6	7	32
Muleshoe	10	12	12	8	42



## In denial

Muleshoe senior guard Holly Hutton tries to knock the ball loose for Tulia's Zuri Bossett Tuesday night during the Lady Mules' 42-32 win. Muleshoe played in the I-27 Tournament this weekend. Look for full results in Thursday's paper.

# Portales rams MHS, 72-53

Portales High School's depth up front, plus seven 3-pointers, proved too much for Muleshoe Tuesday night in a 72-53 loss at home.

Corey Williams scored a season-high 12 points for the Mules, who lost their fourth straight game.

"I thought we played pretty well," Muleshoe coach Ralph Mason said. "I left the gym feeling pretty good about our effort."

Muleshoe (2-6) had trouble matching up with the physical Rams, who went 10 deep, and lost little.

Post players B.J. Mitchell, Raul Anaya and Ross Hampton combined for 53 points for the Rams (1-0) and guard Brian Aguilar had 16 points and four 3-pointers.

Portales cancelled it first two

Tuesday's games

games because most of its players were on the football team that went deep into the New Mexico state playoffs.

"We have some ability," Portales coach Scott Parker said. "If we play some defense and hit the boards, we'll be okay."

Williams scored eight points in the second quarter when Muleshoe cut an 11-point first-quarter deficit to 22-20 with 2:05 left in the half.

Portales took a 29-23 lead into halftime, and built it into a 42-28 edge midway through the third quarter on Hampton's hoop inside.

Mitchell added four points and Aguilar a 3-pointer in the 13-5 run.

Portales maintained a double-digit lead the rest of the way.

In the second half, Portales controlled the boards, which fueled its running game.

Alfonzo Mendoza had eight points, four rebounds and four assists for Muleshoe. Ceferino Sierra added eight points.

**Portales (72)** — Wells 1 0-0 2, Dudley 0 (1) 0-0 3, Aguilar 1 (4) 2-2 16, Sotelo 0 1-2 1, Raul Anaya 3 (1) 1-2 10, Newberry 0 1-2 1, Horton 2 (1) 0-0 7, Hinderliter 0 0-0 0, Lopez 1 0-2 2, East 0 2-2 2, Ricardo Anaya 0 1-2 1, Griffin 1 2-4 4, Hampton 5 0-0 10, Mitchell 6 1-2 13. Totals 20 (7) 11-20 72.

**Muleshoe (53)** — Mason 0 3-4 3, Kemp 2 0-0 4, Mendoza 3 2-3 8, Williams 3 (1) 3-4 12, Shelburne 0 3-4 3, Gonzales 2 0-0 4, Morris 3 0-1 6, Sierra 4 0-0 8. Totals 18 (2) 11-16 53.

	1	2	3	4	tot
Portales	15	14	20	23	72
Muleshoe	4	19	14	16	53

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### THE HARMON FORECAST

The Top Twenty Major-College Teams

1. Nebraska	6. Florida State	11. Kansas State	16. Washington
2. Florida	7. Colorado	12. Penn State	17. Oregon
3. Ohio State	8. Texas	13. Virginia Tech	18. Miami
4. Northwestern	9. Notre Dame	14. Texas A&M	19. Southern Cal
5. Tennessee	10. Michigan	15. Auburn	20. Virginia

Thursday, Dec. 14 LAS VEGAS BOWL  
Monday, Dec. 25 ALOHA BOWL  
Wednesday, Dec. 27 COPPER BOWL  
Thursday, Dec. 28 ALAMO BOWL  
Friday, Dec. 29 HERITAGE BOWL  
Saturday, Dec. 30 LIBERTY BOWL  
Sunday, Dec. 31 SUGAR BOWL  
Monday, Jan. 1 OUTBACK BOWL  
Tuesday, Jan. 2 FIESTA BOWL

UCLA .27  
Texas Tech .28  
Michigan .29  
Southern-Baton Rouge .24  
Washington .21  
L.S.U. .31  
Kansas State .26  
Stanford .27  
Arkansas .21  
Virginia .30  
Texas .22  
Penn State .25  
Ohio State .33  
Clemson .25  
Colorado .32  
Northwestern .29  
Florida State .31  
Nebraska .28  
Nevada .20  
Kansas .23  
Air Force .21  
Texas A&M .25  
Florida A&M .16  
Iowa .19  
Michigan State .22  
Colorado State .15  
East Carolina .24  
North Carolina .20  
Georgia .22  
Virginia Tech .21  
Auburn .21  
Tennessee .27  
Syracuse .24  
Oregon .25  
Southern California .20  
Notre Dame .23  
Florida .24

**HIGHLIGHTS**

Once again this year, the bowl alliance has lucked out, at least as far as the national championship is concerned. Thanks to Ohio State's loss to Michigan Thanksgiving weekend, Nebraska's showdown with Florida in the Fiesta Bowl Jan. 2 will produce a clear-cut No. 1 team, and we think the Huskers will solidify the position they've held for most of the season with a four-point win. Nebraska QB Tommie Frazier and his Gator counterpart, Danny Wuerffel, are two of the best-known and most talented players in the college game — they're true team leaders — and they should make the post-season finale a memorable one.

We've been criticizing the bowl alliance for a while now, but we promise to ease up if the Big Ten and Pacifio-10 conferences can be persuaded to join it next season. If Ohio State or Northwestern or U.S.C. should go undefeated in 1996, we'd hate to see them left out of the hunt in the non-allied Rose Bowl. In the meantime, look for the Buckeyes to mix it up with Tennessee in the second-best bowl game — the Citrus — and for the Northwestern Wildcats to cap their unforgettable season with a win over Southern Cal in the Rose Bowl.

We like to gauge the best college teams' long-term success — and popularity — by checking the percentage of bowl-game returns. This year it's down from recent years: Only 19 of the 40 teams that played in a bowl last year are back. The other major statistic we chart is much higher. This season we picked a total of 1,761 games right and 591 wrong (with 42 ties), a forecasting average of .749.

Finally, we present our annual list of the top 20 college conferences, based on the average of our power quotients for the teams in every conference in the country. With Ohio State and Northwestern leading the way, the Big Ten tops our list for the second year in a row. Here's the breakdown:

1. Big Ten .976	11. Southland .684
2. Southeastern .953	12. Big West .680
3. Big Eight .933	13. Yankee .653
4. Pacific-10 .929	14. Southern .640
5. Atlantic Coast .895	15. Gateway Athletic .637
6. Big East .876	16. North Central .582
7. Southwest .874	17. Ohio Valley .528
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## WJHS 7th remains unbeaten with 45-23 win

Chris Vela scored 15 points and the Watson Junior High School 7th-graders remained unbeaten with a 45-23 win at Plainview Monday.

WJHS (3-0) outscored Plainview 27-9 in the second half.

Darrell Lewis and Jeff Shelburne added six points each for the Mules.

In earlier games, Vela scored 11 points and Shelburne six points in a 33-27 win at Littlefield. The Mules opened their season with a 53-15 home win against Friona. Lewis and Shelburne led a balanced attack with eight points each.

**WJHS 8th .....63**  
**Plainview .....25**

Bret Clements led three Mules in double figures with 22 points in WJHS' 63-25 win Monday at Plainview.

Jesse Reyes added 12 points and Mitch Mason 10 for the Mules (2-1). Mason, James Barrett and Ryan Hodges all had 3-pointers.

WJHS split a pair of earlier games, beating Friona, 49-43, and losing to Littlefield, 39-38.

The Mules hit eight 3-pointers in the win over Friona.

WJHS trailed 38-31 heading into the fourth quarter.

Jeff Bruns and Ike Norman each had a pair of 3-pointers. Bruns paced the Mules with 10 points.

In the loss to Littlefield, Clements scored 16 points.

**GIRLS**  
**WJHS .....39**  
**Plainview .....15**

Shari Alanis scored 17 points and Myndi Heathington added 10 points, leading WJHS (3-0) to its third-straight win.

The Lady Mules opened their season with wins over Friona (38-16) and Littlefield (47-10).

In a "B" team game, Christi Adrain scored four points and Roxann Garcia and Melissa Aguirre three points each in WJHS' 21-12 win.

**Plainview .....40**  
**WJHS .....31**

Plainview handed the Lady Mules their first loss of the season Monday, 40-31.

Lysie Black led WJHS (2-1) with 10 points, Lindsey Field added eight points and Crystal Wheeler finished with five.

WJHS opened their season with wins over Friona (27-20) and Littlefield (30-19).

## Scoreboard

WJHS 7th 45, Plainview 23

	1	2	3	4	tot
WJHS 7th	12	6	15	12	45
Plainview	4	10	7	2	23

Scorers — King 2, Garcia 4, Barrett 4, Vela 15, Woodard 4, Lewis 6, Flores 4, Shelburne 6. Records: Mulshoe 3-0

WJHS 7th 33, Littlefield 27

	1	2	3	4	tot
WJHS	5	10	13	5	33
Littlefield	5	6	7	9	27

Scorers — Williams 3, Vela 11, Tunnell 3, Lewis 3, Otwell 4, Shelburne 6, Garcia 3. Records: WJHS 2-0

WJHS 53, Friona 15

	1	2	3	4	tot
Friona	5	4	0	6	15
WJHS 7th	8	12	19	14	53

Scorers — King 2, Garcia 7, Barrett 3, Pineda 4, Vela 7, Nichols 3, Woodard 3, Bates 4, Lewis 8, Flores 2, Otwell 2, Shelburne 8. Records: WJHS 1-0

WJHS 8th 63, Plainview 25

	1	2	3	4	tot
WJHS 8th	21	15	14	13	63
Plainview	6	8	8	3	25

Scorers — Clements 22, Reyes 12, Mason 10, Vrus 5, Black 4, Barrett 3, Hodge 3, Latham 2, McClanahan 2. Records: WJHS 2-1, 1-1.

Littlefield 39, WJHS 8th 38

1 2 3 4 tot

WJHS 8th	9	12	8	9	38
Littlefield	7	9	14	9	39

Scorers — Clements 16, Black 5, Hahn 4, Barret 4, Reyes 3, Posadas 2, Mason 2, Bruns 2. Records: WJHS 1-1, 1-1.

WJHS 8th 49, Friona 43

	1	2	3	4	tot
Friona	12	14	12	5	43
WJHS	9	14	8	18	49

Scorers — Bruns 10, Clements 8, Norman 6, Black 6, Posadas 5, Mason 4, McClanahan 4, Barrett 3, Hahn 3. Records: WJHS 1-0.

**GIRLS**  
**WJHS 7th 39, Plainview 15**

	1	2	3	4	tot
Plainview	0	6	7	2	15
Mulshoe	6	10	10	13	39

Scorers — Sharp 2, Torres 3, Alapis 17, Parker 3, Heathington 10, Hernandez 4. Records: WJHS 3-0, 2-0.

Plainview 21, WJHS 7th B 12

	1	2	3	4	tot
Plainview	11	13	8	8	40
WJHS 8th	2	16	7	6	31

Scorers — Johnson 2, Black 10, Hancock 2, Morales 2, Field 8, Wheeler 5, Whitt 2. Records: WJHS 2-1, 2-0.

## Lubbock Christian deals Longhorns first loss, 61-50

LUBBOCK — Lubbock Christian High School parlayed huge rebounding advantage and cold shooting by Lazbuddie into a 61-50 win here Tuesday.

Justin St. Clair scored 12 points for the Longhorns (3-1), who were playing without senior point guard Josh Warren. Warren has pneumonia and is expected back next week.

Jason Thomas added 11 points and Chris Smith finished with 10 points for Lazbuddie, which shot 28 percent from the field and was outrebounded, 52-23.

Matt Paden led Lubbock Christian (7-2) with 14 points. Shay Smith added 12 points and Steven Watkins contributed 11.

Lazbuddie (50) — Mimms 0 1-2 1, St. Clair 5 2-4 12, Nickels 2 1-2 5, Smith 2 6-7 10, Luera 2 (1) 2-2 9, Lopez 10-0 2, Thomas 3 5-12 11. Totals 16 17-29 50.

Lubbock Christian (61) — Paden 4 6-10 14, Smith 5 2-2 12, Watkins 5 1-3 11, Epperson 2 2-2 6, Richards 2 4-4 8, Echols 2 0-0 4, Sellers 20-0 4, Bynum 10-0 2, Stone 0 0-1 0. Totals 23 15-22 61.

	1	2	3	4	tot
Lazbuddie	9	11	12	18	50
LCHS	8	18	16	19	61

JV score — LCHS 69, Lazbuddie 60.

**GIRLS**  
**LCHS .....59**  
**Lazbuddie .....34**

LUBBOCK — Emily Berry scored 18 points to lead tall and talented Lubbock Christian to a 59-34 win here Tuesday.

Freshman Holly Engelking had 15 points and three 3-pointers for Lazbuddie (1-4). Mandy Magby added 13 points.

"We played pretty well and knocked down some shots," Lazbuddie coach Carey Sudduth said. "But they just wore us down. They're a good, solid team and Berry is one of the better players in the South Plains."

Lazbuddie (34) — Weir 00-00, Foster 00-10, Holly Engelking 2 (3) 2-4 15, Heather Engelking 0 0-0 0, Jones 00-00, Magby 5 3-4 13, Hill 0 0-0 0, Warren 30-2 6. Totals 13 5-11 34.

Lubbock Christian (59) — Stevens 6 0-0 12, Dahlstrom 40-0 8, hall 1 1-3 3, Rinehart 20-0 4, Poarch 10-0 2, Richards 10-0 2, Huffman 0 0-0 0, Berry 8 2-2 18, Pritchett 5 0-1 10. Totals 28 3-6 59.

	1	2	3	4	tot
Lazbuddie	14	8	5	7	34
LCHS	21	14	18	6	59

**Sports complied by Rick White**

## Score

Continued from page 1

Hardly the stability needed for success.

Adair is hurt by the decision, but remains concerned about the program he was asked to leave.

In his letter, Adair wrote "there must be a commitment by all parties involved that matches expectations."

He remains concerned that the new coach will get the same hand-me-down problems like poor participation numbers at the high school level, lack of a quality off-season program and lack of a community commitment to support the program.

You didn't have to be Einstein to calculate the home crowds toward the end of the year.

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## Keepers

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seven consecutive nights in order to keep the actors' momentum going, Finney said.

The play will be presented in front of the Muleshoe Heritage Center's Janes ranch house, with some modifications from last year, due to a new sprinkler system. But the giant sand dune will continue to be a part of the set.

Finney, who played a major role in getting the outdoor drama off the ground last summer, is hoping for verbal commitments from at least 100 people by the first of the year to help with various aspects of getting the production ready by July.

To volunteer to help with any aspect of "Keepers of the Legends," contact Chuck Smith at 272-5648 after 5 p.m., Janet Parker 272-4727 after 5 p.m., or Alan Finney's answering machine at 272-5778.



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### Gomez receives GED at Pep High School

Phoebe Gomez of Muleshoe received her GED certificate from Muleshoe Superintendent Bill Moore at a Pep High School graduation on Nov. 20. Also graduating or receiving GEDs were Tracy Ann Castillo and Rudy Espiniza, of Anton, and Hope Lucero and Mark Mancillas, of Whiteface. As of Nov. 20, 105 students have graduated or received GED certificates from the alternative high school at Pep.

## Economic development

Continued from page 1

are the fun things. It's just that everything else doesn't go away."

"We kept the proposal simple deliberately," said Marr, who felt the co-op oil mill's board members would appreciate the simplicity and straightforwardness of the proposal.

Marr and Rex Harris were selected by the Council to negotiate the land option presented in the package.

Bailey County Electric Cooperative sought grant application for reduced utility bills for the oil mill, and the County and Hospital District agreed to tax abatements so the company could get on its feet.

In addition, the City voted a non-annexation agreement to benefit the company.

Marricle said the foundation can meet quietly, without publicity, to pursue leads, be-

cause it is not required to advertise its meetings.

"We presented an informational proposal on another project on Monday," Marricle revealed. "Not major—just to give us a chance."

As for the nursing home project brought before the City Council by George Nieman on Nov. 21, Marricle said he thinks prospects are good.

## Hicks

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from the Air Force with the rank of major in 1976.

Jerry's law enforcement career began in 1978 with the Muleshoe Police Department as a patrolman. Over the next three years, he also served as lieutenant and acting police chief. Jerry then moved to Lubbock, where he worked as a district parole officer.

Hicks returned to Muleshoe in January, 1982 to serve as a deputy sheriff. When Sheriff Henderson did not seek re-election in 1988, Jerry ran and was elected.

Upon Sheriff Henderson's resignation, Jerry was appointed to fill the unexpired term as Sheriff on August 1, 1988, then was sworn in on January 1, 1989 to serve his elected term. He was then re-elected in 1992 and is presently serving that term.

Jerry is married to the former Mary Surratt of Muleshoe. They have 5 children and attend the First Baptist

Church in Muleshoe.

Jerry stated that he would like to express his thanks to the citizens of Bailey County for

their support during his time in office and asks for their continued support in the Democratic Primary.

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Marsha Lewis is the Business Office Manager for Muleshoe Area Home Health Agency. She has been with the hospital district for 6 1/2 years. She was the Medical Transcriptionist at the hospital before moving to the Muleshoe Area Home Health Agency.

Marsha has been married to Randy Lewis since 1977. She was raised in Friona. She is the only child of Jacquelyne Carlan of Muleshoe and the late Thomas Carlan. Her hobbies are traveling, reading, crafts and computer games.

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**Lazbuddie students of the month**  
The students of the month for December have been selected at Lazbuddie Elementary School. Pictured are Regina Mata (back row, left), Mandy Haney, Robbie Martin and Lucas DeLeon. In the front row are Clint Grahn (left), Stefanie Welker and April Godinez.

## Lazbuddie selects Dec. students of the month

Students of the month for December, 1995, have been selected at Lazbuddie Elementary School. These students have exhibited outstanding qualities of character, leadership and citizenship:

**Pre-Kindergarten:** Stefanie Welker, daughter of Ralph and Nancy Welker.

**Kindergarten:** Regina Mata, daughter of Eraul and Valentina Mata

**1st Grade:** Clint Grahn, son of Gary and Marsha Grahn.

**2nd Grade:** April Godinez, daughter of Armando and Julia Godinez.

**3rd Grade:** Mandy Haney, daughter of Greg and Netta Haney.

**4th Grade:** Robby Martin, son of Tommy and Linda Martin.

**5th Grade:** Lucas DeLeon, son of Tommy and Elva DeLeon.

Students of the month were presented with a ribbon and congratulated on their efforts.

## Hall has Thanksgiving visitors

Holiday visitors in the home of Mrs. Helen Hall, of Muleshoe, were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hall of Ft. Worth, TX; Tommy Hall of Channing, TX; Mr. and Mrs. Todd Hall of Corpus Christi, TX; Mrs. Tammie Nash, Jimmie Watson and Scotty Stockman, all of Plainview. Also Brandon Hall and Jessica Hall.

Everyone had an enjoyable weekend visiting and catching up on old times.

## Public Record

### Obituaries

**Linda Ann Braig**  
CASPER, WY — Funeral services for Linda Ann Braig, 50, of Douglas, WY, were held Saturday, Dec. 9, at the Memorial Chapel Funeral Home of Casper, WY. Burial followed in Douglas, WY.

Mrs. Braig died Tuesday, Dec. 5 at the Wyoming Medical Center after an illness. She was born in Muleshoe, Sept. 10, 1945. She married Ron Braig, May 20, 1966, in Muleshoe.

She had been a resident of Douglas, WY for 16 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

Survivors include her husband, Ron of the home; three sons, Shayne Braig of Victor, CO, Lance Braig of Gillette, WY and Lon Braig of Douglas, WY; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Haley of Muleshoe; one sister, Caryn Lechner of Amarillo; one brother, Jerry Haley of Muleshoe; her grandmother, Maude

Young of Muleshoe; and six grandchildren.

The family suggest memorials to Nowcap Memorial Chapel, 710 E. 2nd, Casper, WY 82601.

### Births

**Macey Morgan Ruthardt**

Jedon and Tonya Ruthardt are the proud parents of a new baby boy born December 1, 1995 in the Plains Regional Medical Center of Clovis, NM.

The young man weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces at birth and was 19 1/2 inches long. He has been named Macey Morgan Ruthardt.

Grandparents include Jerry and Darlene Ruthardt and Don and Diane Copley, all of Muleshoe.

Great-grandparents are Opal Ruthardt, J.R. and Ella Copley, and Tip and June McNeill, all of Muleshoe.

Great-great-grandparents are Basil and Opal Foster of Levelland.

## Jennyslippers News by Nelda Merriott

The Jennyslippers entered a float in the Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture's lighted Christmas parade last weekend.

The float, called "Lone Star," featured the "Lone Star" of Texas over the manger in Bethlehem.

If Jesus had been born in Texas long years ago, Joseph might have been a cowboy.

The Wise Men might have been a rancher bearing a gift, an Indian chief offering a warm fur to keep the baby Jesus warm, and maybe a Mexican dignitary from the South, offering tribute.

Instead of shepherds tending their sheep, cowboys herding cattle might have marvelled at the brilliant "Lone Star" of the East as they warmed their hands over a campfire.

And the baby Jesus would still be the baby Jesus, the Savior of all mankind for all time, if Jesus had been born in Texas.

The Jennyslippers wish everyone a happy and blessed Christmas season.

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Color Sparky with crayons or markers and clip this page out. Then, check your safety list to make sure your home is ready for the holidays. (Ask for your parent's help!)



### SAFETY LIST!

- Check all cords for frayed or bare wires, cracked insulation, loose connections and damaged plugs or light sockets.
- Test lights before stringing.
- Unplug lights before making any repairs or replacing light bulbs.
- Don't overload circuits with too many plugs!
- No lights on metallic trees.
- Keep your tree fresh by trimming the base and keeping plenty of water in the tree stand.
- Turn off all lights before leaving or going to bed.
- Don't use indoor lights outside.
- Avoid outdoor electrical lines when hanging lights on the rooftop or in tall trees.
- Use waterproof lighting equipment outdoors. Hang sockets downward and don't leave a socket empty.

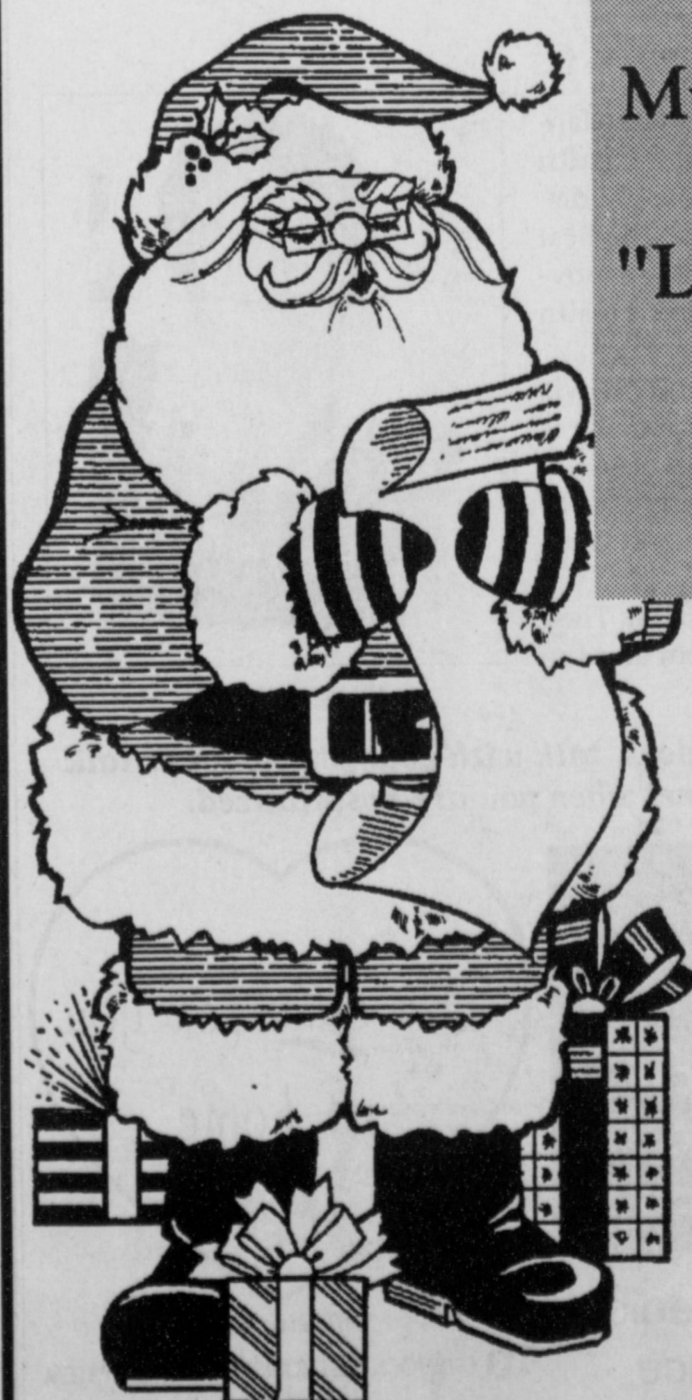


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## Letters to Santa

The Muleshoe Journal will publish "Letters to Santa" in the December 24 edition



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## Police report

### Incidents

**Dec. 4** — A male reported a structure fire in the 500 block of E. Ave E. A storage structure valued at \$5,000 was destroyed.

**Dec. 3** — A male reported a disturbance in the 300 block of W. 9th St.

**Dec. 3** — A female in the 300 block of E. 6th St. reported the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

**Dec. 1** — A Muleshoe High School employee reported a fight on school grounds.

**Nov. 30** — A female reported being harassed in the 300 block of Main Street over a period of nine days.

### Arrests

**Dec. 5** — Manuel (Stimpy) Venegas, 17, was charged on locals warrants with failure to appear and driving without a license.

**Dec. 4** — Gregory Allen Carter, 19, was charged with issuance of a bad check.

**Dec. 4** — Darla Duncan Stagner, 37, was charged on a Curry County (NM) warrant with multiple counts of embezzlement for a total of more than \$250 and less than \$2,500. She was also charged on a Randall County warrant with theft by check.

**Dec. 4** — Karen Lee Hight, 27, was charged with issuance of a bad check.

**Dec. 2** — Delores Arriazola Costilla, 30, was charged with public intoxication and disorderly conduct (fighting).

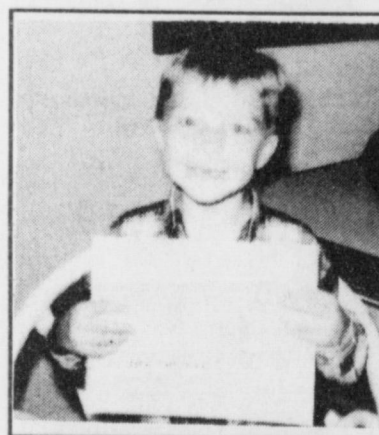
**Dec. 1** — A 15-year-old male was charged with disorderly conduct (fighting).

**Dec. 1** — Jose Maurillo Rendon, 37, was charged on a Capias County warrant with driving without insurance.

## Sheriff report

**Dec. 3** — Arney V. Fredrichs, 21, was charged with theft by possession of stolen property.

## Jones' Christmas card design wins honorable mention



**Alan Jones**

Alan Jones, a second grade student at Lazbuddie Elementary School, was honored on Dec. 3 by the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center of Amarillo.

The Circle of Friends, an organization of the Harrington Cancer Center, sponsors a Christmas Card Collection that is then sold to the public as a fund-raising project to help the victims' of cancer and their families.

Alan was awarded an honorable mention for his Christmas card design.

Alan and his family were recognized at the reception. He is the son of Chester and Vivian Jones of Lazbuddie

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"Oh that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!"

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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## What's Cooking?

Area school menus

### Muleshoe High School Watson Junior High Breakfast

**Monday**-Pancake w/sausage, fruit or juice, milk  
**Tuesday**-Biscuit w/gravy, fruit or juice, milk  
**Wednesday**-Breakfast hot pocket, fruit or juice, milk  
**Thursday**-Chicken taquito, fruit or juice, milk  
**Friday**-Cinnamon roll, fruit or juice, milk

### Lunch

**Monday**-Spaghetti w/meat sauce, Italian vegetables, sliced pears, Italian bread, milk  
**Tuesday**-Szechuan chicken, white rice, egg roll, oriental vegetables, milk  
**Wednesday**-Taco salad, Spanish rice, Mexican squash, corn bread, milk  
**Thursday**-Crunchy corn dog, vegetable soup, cinnamon roll, pears, milk  
**Friday**-Chicken fingers, mashed potatoes, whole kernel corn, hot roll, milk

### Dillman, DeShazo Breakfast

**Monday**-Pancake w/sausage, fruit or juice, milk  
**Tuesday**-Biscuit w/gravy, fruit or juice, milk  
**Wednesday**-Breakfast hot pocket, fruit or juice, milk  
**Thursday**-Chicken taquito, fruit or juice, milk  
**Friday**-Cinnamon roll, fruit or juice, milk

### Lunch

**Monday**- Chicken sandwich,

lettuce & tomatoes, tator tots, fruit jello, milk

**Tuesday**-Frito pie, vegetable dippers, fruit cocktail, hot roll, milk

**Wednesday**-Corn dog, vegetable soup, cinnamon roll, pineapple tidbits, milk  
**Thursday**-Burrito w/ chili, pinto beans, broccoli w/ cheese, corn bread, milk  
**Friday**-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, milk

### Three Way Breakfast

**Monday**-Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk  
**Tuesday**-Oatmeal, juice, toast, milk

**Wednesday**-Sausage, juice, biscuit, milk  
**Thursday**-Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk

**Friday**-Cereal, fruit, graham crackers, milk

### Lunch

**Monday**-Chicken fried steak w/gravy, green beans, whipped potatoes, hot rolls, milk, ice cream  
**Tuesday**-Chicken nuggets w/sauce, raw vegetable, corn, hot bread, milk, fruit cocktail

**Wednesday**-Cheeseburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, tator tots, milk, peaches  
**Thursday**-Burrito w/chili & cheese, baked potatoes, pinto beans, crackers, milk, apricot cobbler  
**Friday**-Ham & cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomato, chips, milk orange

## Ronda Scott feted with bridal shower

Ronda Scott, bride-elect of Jason Box, was honored with a bridal shower, Sunday, Dec. 3 at the home of Janelle Turner.

Ronda is the daughter of Ronald and Joyce Scott and Jason is the son of Ken and Lynne Box, all of Muleshoe.

The refreshment table was decorated with a dark green tablecloth and large pots of red poinsettias and Christmas angels. The refreshments were served from brass appointments.

Special guests at the shower were the mother of the bride-elect, Joyce Scott and the mother of the future groom, Lynne Box. Also attending were grandmothers, Myrtle Puckett, Rheba Barrett and Doris Scott.

Also attending were aunts of the bride-elect, Brenda Turner of Portales, Mary Brantley of Muleshoe and Wilma Nicewarmer of Amarillo, and great-aunt, Vivian White of Muleshoe. Sister of the future groom, D'Anne Box, also attended.

Aunts of the future groom attending were, Pat King of Muleshoe and Carolyn Harrell of Amarillo.

### Compassionate Friends plans memorial

The December meeting of the Compassionate Friends will be held Thursday, Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m.

A memorial service will honor the memory of the children who will not be in physical presence this holiday season.

Compassionate Friends invite you to join in this healing experience, where it is okay to talk about your child, and to honor his or her memory with a tribute, together with others who are going through the same difficult time.

Bring a picture, a memento or poem about your child for the sharing time.

The meeting will be held in the fellowship hall of the Lazbuddie Methodist Church, just inside the side door entrance.



Ronda Scott

Also attending were the bride-elect's friends from Lubbock, Sunny and Brandi McGinnis.

The hostess gift was an entertainment center. Hostesses included Pat Watson, Sheree Hunt, Sherri Shipman, Sharon Montgomery, Connie Kenmore, Jan Crawford, Jeanine Gunstream, Terry Young, Margrethe Taylor, Diana Harrison, Pat Young, Wanda Wiley, Pat Angeley, Judy Wilbanks, Anita Allgood, Janelle Turner, Myrt Feagley, Charlotte Field, Lena Gartin, Sheryl Morris and Sandi Chitwood.

The couple plan a January 27 wedding at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

## Gledelig Jul Og!

Gledelig jul og et godt nytt ar!

No, my fingers are not in the wrong spot on the keyboard nor am I typing "in tongues"! I've just wished you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year in Norwegian!

I do not know Norwegian. That bit of Norwegian speech was the last line in a Christmas

"cool." They have two children who live in Norway and grandchildren for whom English is a second language; the Norwegian tongue is their first!

In their letter of a few Christmases past, the Halvorsens wrote that their church in Decorah had given them a very special Christmas present—two plane tickets to Norway! They spent Christmas that year in Norway visiting their family.

Let me share one short but meaningful paragraph from their letter. They write, "We look forward to worshipping in a Norwegian church this Christmas. Although the language and some of the traditions will be different, the message of joy and hope and peace will be the same."

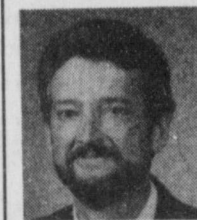
This letter warmed my heart for more reasons than one. It's always good to hear from the Halvorsens, and it was great to hear that their church in Iowa obviously loves and appreciates them. They're easy to love.

But what really fills me with warmth is the truth they expressed: When people anywhere in this world share a real love for the Savior, barriers of language and tradition don't really matter much. Their Lord, and the joy and hope and peace that He gives, is the same. That's reason enough to rejoice in any season!

Gledelig jul og!  
Curtis Shelburne is minister of the 16th & Avenue D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.

### Focus On Faith

Curtis Shelburne



letter we received from friends serving a church in Decorah, Iowa. They are of Norwegian descent, though they haven't descended very far; they're still Norwegian to the bone! Decorah, they write, is the "home of all things Norwegian—Vesterheim Museum, the annual Nordic Fest," not to mention even "a McDonald's with authentic Norse decor!"

Who is the country singer who used to croon, "I was country before country was cool"? Our friends, John Victor and Hazel Halvorson, were Norwegian long before Garrison Keillor and his mythical Minnesota town of Lake Wogegon peopled with good Norwegians made being Norwegian

### Ruthardt installed on health board

PLAINVIEW — South Plains Health Provider Organization has installed Marie Ruthardt of Muleshoe to its board of directors.

Ruthardt, who was appointed at the executive board meeting in Plainview on Nov. 27, will represent Bailey County.

She is a go-between for patients and the Department of Health in Muleshoe as well as

South Plains Community Action (SPCA), where she is a secretary.

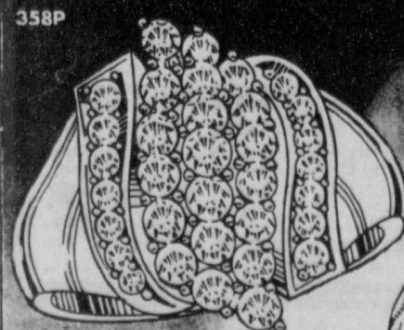
SPCA provides services for the indigent, said Ruthardt, who was a licensed vocational nurse for three years.

Ruthardt can be reached at 272-4867 or 272-7537 for concerns about health related issues.

Ruthardt is from Wichita, Kan.

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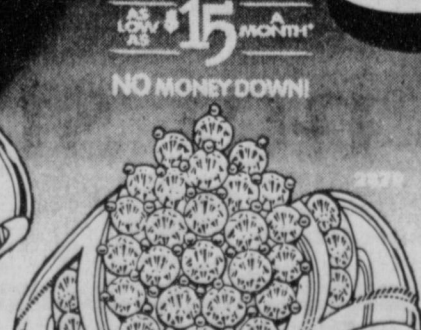
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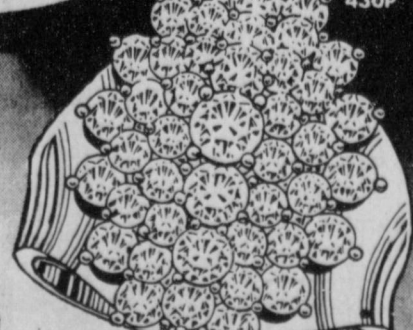
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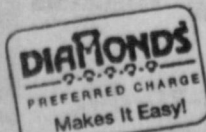


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