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News Briefs

Update on school county elections

The election season had two new events Monday with the start of early voting for the runoff for Texas state senator and the official call for the election of the two at-large seats on the Muleshoe Independent School District (MISD) Board of Trustees in May.

The early voting to decide between Kel Seliger of Amarillo and Kirk Edwards of Odessa will run through Friday. Election day for the special election is Feb. 17.

Just three days after votes for that race are canvased and a winner officially declared, the race begins anew with early voting for the primaries in a number of local, state and national offices, including state senator. The early voting will end March 5 and election day is scheduled for March 9.

The at-large seats currently held by trustees David Tipps and Bruce Barrett are also up for grabs.

Qualified citizens who wish to run can file Feb. 16 through March 15. Early voting will begin on April 28, if either seat is contested. Regular election day is set for May 15.

DPS offices to close early Friday

Texas Drivers License offices will close Friday, at noon, and will be closed Monday for President's Day, but will resume normal hours on Tuesday, February 17.

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City council contest continues with runoff

By Jeff West
Managing Editor

Like a pink rabbit, special city elections seem to keep going and going.

The race to replace Juan Chavez on the Muleshoe City Council is now headed to a runoff and Mayor Victor Leal made his resignation official as of May 10,

allowing the city to set a date to vote for his replacement.

Of the four candidates wanting to replace Chavez, Daniel Guzman got the most votes, 27.

His closest rival, Richard Orozco, got 21. Those two will meet on the ballot again on March 6, according to

City Manager David Brunson, assuming the city council approves that date. Early voting for the race will begin Feb. 18.

David Dominguez came in third place with 12 votes and Larry Taylor had two. Only 13 percent of the 478 registered voters in District 1 voted, a total of 62 votes.

Another vote is being held pending review about its validity but will not change the outcome in any case.

The special election for the mayor's seat on the council will be May 15, the date of the regular election for the city council seats in Districts 1 and 2.

"Whoever wins the run-

off for District 1 will not even sit in one council meeting before he has to file for re-election in May," Brunson said. "Since anyone can file for the regular election, it's technically possible that whoever is elected could serve for a couple or three meetings and then be defeated."

Ethanol proposal presented to MEDC

By Jeff West
Managing Editor

A grain fuel additive that seemed to have come and gone is making a comeback, with proponents saying it will help the environment in big cities and the economy here.

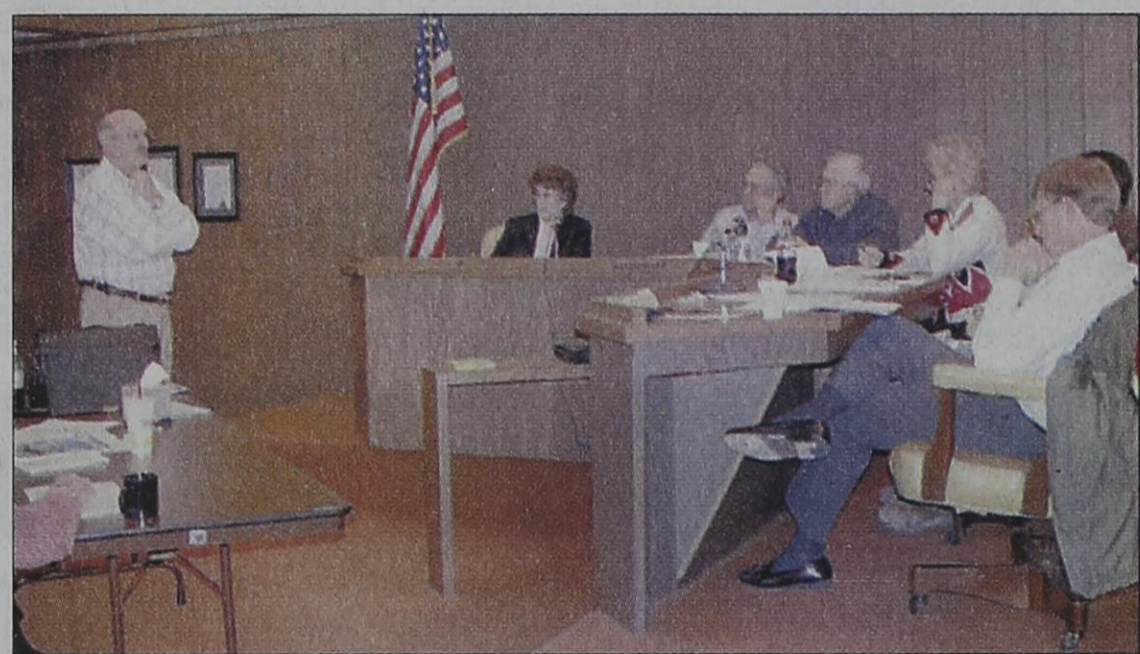
Ethanol is once again being promoted as a renewable fuel additive to lessen the dependency on oil. But now its use may be mandated by new environmental laws, and by lower production costs that could turn it into a money maker.

Those ideas brought Lindy Walker and Randy Peden of Texas Energy Systems to Muleshoe to speak to the Economic Development Corporation Board here.

The two men told the board they were helping Levelland develop an ethanol plant. Currently there is no such plant in the state, although another is being planned and built in Dumas.

The state is so determined that ethanol be created in the state that the legislature has

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Journal photo: Jeff West

Environment and the economy

Lindy Walker (left) of Texas Energy Systems explains his ideas about building an ethanol plant in Bailey County to the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation and citizens. At the table are Pat Angeley, treasurer; Buck Campbell, visitor; Max King, vice president; Wanda Hooten, president; Jose Sanchez, board member; and Mark Morton, board member.

Kitchens' trial delayed, may proceed in early spring

By Jeff West
Managing Editor

Larry Kitchens' day in court has been delayed for at least 60 days as a routine matter.

Kitchens remains in custody, accused of a triple homicide in October of last year.

According to District Attorney Johnny Actkinson, 287th District Judge Gordon Green sets all cases every 60 days. If a case is not

ready then it is delayed for another 60 days.

Actkinson got the delay because not all the work from the state lab has been completed he said.

Until that work is completed and the results given to the DA, he is not even sure if his office will seek the death penalty in the case.

"The trial would be specially set if we end up seeking the death penalty," he

said. "It takes a long time to get a case like this ready."

Kitchens is accused of going to the house of Vince Simnacher late on the night of Oct. 10, 2003 with an assault rifle and shooting his ex-wife, Rhonda Kitchens along with Simnacher and



Kitchens

Derwin Beauchamp, a guest at a gathering at the home that night.

Other guests at the party heard the shots and called authorities, who started arriving less than ten minutes later. By the time the first deputy arrived however all three victims were dead and the shooter had escaped.

Some witnesses alleged that Kitchens was the assailant and he was arrested without incident at his

home a short time later. A new trial date has not been set but Actkinson made a guess that the trial might get underway in early spring.

"I'm just guessing, and there is a defense lawyer and a judge who have a say, but I have a murder trial in Parmer County that I think will start in March or April and this case will probably start shortly after that, in April or May."

Hargrove's skill will be missed

By Jeff West
Managing Editor

Muleshoe Area Hospital District CEO Jim Bone expressed the sentiments of many when he said that when Gail Hargrove moves to Lubbock, the city will not only lose an important part of the medical staff but an important part of the community as well.

Hargrove has been part of Muleshoe since 1996 when she came here as a medical student and fell in love with the city. After she graduated, she moved here from Dallas to set up practice with Dr. Bruce Purdy.

"I enjoy the work here," she said. "In a smaller community you get to do so much, a whole variety of things."

But the variety of things that Hargrove has done is not limited to treatment and education of her patients. Shortly after arriving she

started serving the community in other ways, including joining the Jennyslippers organization.

"Any work that needs to be done Gail is there to do it," said Nelda Merriott of the Jennyslippers and senior center. "She worked a lot on the miniature golf course, baking and anything else we needed help on."

Merriott recalls one time she told Hargrove that she was going to go do some clean up at the girl scout hut.

"I didn't ask for her help and she didn't say she was going to help but when I got there, Gail was there getting her tools out of the back of her car, ready to go to work. She's always there. She's like family. To know she's leaving, you feel like you're losing your sister."

Hargrove not only was a member of the Jennyslippers organization, she served as secretary for three years. For

two years she also served on the board of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce.

Besides being a licensed physicians assistant, Hargrove also has a Ph.D. in medical education, which she has used extensively in Muleshoe.

Among the educational programs she has set up are child birth classes and a cardiac rehab program.

Both of those programs have now been taken over by others and will continue after Hargrove leaves. The same cannot currently be said about the television program that she created with a grant from the American Foundation of Physician's Assistants.

The program has played on cable Channel 6, but no one has come forward to continue it, although most of the grant money has been spent Hargrove said.

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Journal photo: Jeff West

Gonna miss her

Gail Hargrove cuts one of many cakes created to honor her contributions to Muleshoe, both professionally and personally. She's going to Lubbock to a cancer center in a major career advancement.



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Stenholm coming to Muleshoe

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Reception for Gail Hargrove

A reception to honor Gail Hargrove will be at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center Thursday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. It is being hosted by the Bailey County Senior Citizens and the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce

Breast cancer clinic in Muleshoe

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 South First Street, in Muleshoe on March 1 & 16, 2004.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only.

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TxDot public corridor hearing

February 8-14, 2004 marks the National Observance of Child Passenger Safety Week. This special celebration is designed to encourage parents and other to "Buckle

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Free grant writing seminars

The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development will be hosting free grant writing seminars. The schedule and contact information are listed below:

Tulsa February 11-12

Contact: C. Lyn_Larson@hud.gov

Ft. Worth February 18-19

Contact: Nicolas_Ramon@hud.gov

Cardiology Clinic in Clovis

Lubbock-Covenant Heart Institute (CHI) will sponsor cardiology clinics in several West Texas and Eastern New Mexico communities. The purpose of the clinics is to cut down on travel for Covenant's regional cardiac patients. The clinic schedule for February is in Clovis, NM Thursday, February 12, 9:30 a.m., Covenant Family Healthcare Center, 912 West 21st Street, and also on Thursday, February, 26, 9:30 a.m. Clinic conducted by cardiologist James B. Moss III, M.D

For more information call 1-800-692-4313.

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The Muleshoe Journal has been authorized to list the names of the following candidates for public office:

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Hospital News

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reports the following patients:

January 16- Anna Clarkson, Boy Clarkson, Manuel Daniel, Daizy Montiel, Maria E Resenediz and Katie Wilkerson.

January 20- Mary P Chappell, Anna Clarkson, Trey A Clarkson, Eddie Estrada, Jaylin Gloria, Andrea Padilla, Baby Pena, Maria E Resenediz, Erwin G Stroud and Katie Wilkerson.

January 22- Mary P Chappell, Eddie Estrada, Jaylin Gloria and Erwin G Stroud.

January 25- Mary P Chappell, Louise Chintala and Jaylin Gloria.

January 28- Johnnie Burnes, Mary P Chappell, Mariah Chavez, Pat D Nickels, Aurora Rios and Ryan C Wolfe.

January 29- James K Angeley, Johnnie Burnes, Mary P Chappell, Mariah Chavez, Leonela Saucedo and Sandra L Sirkel.

February 1- James K Angeley, Johnnie Burnes, Mariah Chavez, Dalia M Galvan, Tomasa Garcia, Sandra L Sirkel and Gerald Stout.

Hargrove

The television grant is not the first that she has applied for and received. Her work in getting a grant to put automatic heart defibrillators in Bailey County Sheriff's Department vehicles was part of why she was named Muleshoe's Woman of the Year for 1999, she said. It was not the only thing.

Purdy said he will have another P.A. in a few months. Until then he will work without one.

The community's expression of gratitude has surprise Hargrove, she said and the support continues.

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Thursday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. the Bailey County Senior Citizens and Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce will host a reception at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center. The public is invited to come and say thanks and goodbye.

"I am taken aback by the reaction to my leaving. I want to thank everyone," Hargrove said.

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approved financial incentives to those who will create plants to produce the additive.

One of the reasons for the push for ethanol is that many feel one of the current additives is dangerous to the environment and are moving to stop its use.

"NTBEs were approved a number of years ago as an additive," said Walker. "But now California has banned its use and is going strictly with ethanol. Several states in the northeast are in the process of doing the same thing."

He said that the federal energy bill that the current Congress is working on originally also banned NTBEs but that measure was taken out. The bill is still under consideration.

Director of Economic Development Janet Claborn told the board that there was not an ethanol plant in California, the nearest one being an old one in Portales.

Walker said that California was not alone in legislating the use of ethanol.

The city of El Paso had a number of warnings from the federal government about air pollution. The city

had been cited for a number of days of "non-attainment" of air quality standards until it started requiring ethanol use part of the year. Since the change the city has only had one day of "non-attainment" in two years, Walker said.

Ethanol is made from crops such as milo or corn and is in fact made using a process similar to making drinking alcohol.

After seeing a diagram of the process Board President Wanda Hooten said, "This is just making booze."

Walker agreed saying, "The plant is like a giant still."

He added that enough gasoline is added to the mix to avoid any federal alcohol taxes.

The MEDC was interested in manufacturing ethanol more for economic than environmental reasons however.

Walker said there were benefits to having an ethanol plant. The main ingredient is grain, giving farmers in the region a place to sell their crops and the process of making ethanol actually makes three products.

"The by products of the

process also makes distiller grain and CO2," he said.

He said both wet and dried distiller grain is highly sought by dairies because studies show that milk production increases when it is feed to cows.

In northern states, such as Minnesota and Wisconsin the distiller grain has to be dried because of the weather but Walker said he thought the warmer, drier conditions here would allow the use of wet grains, saving much of the cost of drying.

The cost of building an ethanol plant in Bailey County would be around \$63 million, Walker said. He told the board \$15 million of that could come from a USDA guaranteed loan, \$28-30 million from a bond issue and \$10-20 million from investment from local investors.

Some of the board members question whether the

local community could invest \$10 million but Walker said, "All you have to come up with is \$5.1 million to control plant. He said that farmers, shipping companies, grain elevator operators and other business owners should be interested in investing in the plant.

Some members pointed out that when ethanol was tried before it lost money not made money. The difference is in advances in automation, Walker said. Computers allow greater control of the process with fewer employees. Thirty five employees would be able to operate the plant on a 24 hour basis, he said.

Several board members expressed interest in further study of the proposal but said there were more questions that needed to be discussed before they would be ready to make any decisions.

Mules succumb to Slaton Tigers - Dimmitt Bobcats

By Delton Wilhite
Journal Sportswriter

With losses to both the Slaton Tigers and Dimmitt Bobcats this past week the Mules are now in a must win situation to have a chance at the post season.

Slaton came back in the second half to drop the Mules 47-41 and Dimmitt handed the Mules an 88-71 loss.

Tyler Sheets opened the Slaton game with a trey from the top of the key and Sterling Via picked off a Tiger pass and raced down court to put the Mules up 5-3. The two teams traded buckets until Slaton went on a 6-3 run in the final three minutes of the period.

Landon Wilson drained a trey as the first period drew to a close with the Mules trailing 15-12. The Mules tightened their defense in the second period and held the Tigers to a single 3-pointer.

The Mules found holes in the Slaton defense and converted eight of 10 free throws to take a 27-18 lead at the intermission. The Tigers packed the lane with a 2-3 zone and held the Mules to only four points while gaining back the 15 that they lost in the second period.

Slaton had the momentum and extended their advantage to 38-31 in the first three minutes of the final frame.

Trevor Turnbow hit from behind the arc and Landon Sheets picked a Tigers pocket and drove for a layup. Ty. Sheets nailed a 3-pointer with just over a minute left in the game to the Slaton lead to three.

Slaton converted three of four from the charity line to hold off the late Mule charge.

Ty. Sheets led the Mules with eight points, Ln. Sheets had seven and Brady Black made six. Via added five and Daniel Campolla, Turnbow and Kory Atwood dropped in four points apiece and Wilson chipped in three.

Ty. Sheets and Turnbow poured in eight points apiece in the opening frame.

Dimmitt's Nicky Guana exploded for 19 in the second period to give the Bobcats a 45-32 advantage at the intermission. The Mules could not get the bleeding stopped in the third period and Dimmitt led to 70-44.

The Mules came out firing in the final frame and made seven treys to close the gap on Dimmitt. The Mules made 15 shots from long range in the contest.

Ty. Sheets paced the Mules with 19 points and five threes and Ln. Sheets followed with 17 and three 3-pointers.

Turnbow had two treys and 11 points and Via had back to back threes in the final frame and made 10 points.

Tatom Heathington made two 3-pointers for six points, Layne Sheets dropped in a trey and made four points and Daniel Campolla and Wilson chipped in two each.

The Mules hosted the Brownfield Cubs on Tuesday night and the Lubbock Cooper Pirates sail into Muleshoe February 13.

The Mules finish up the district slate with a trip to Littlefield February 17.

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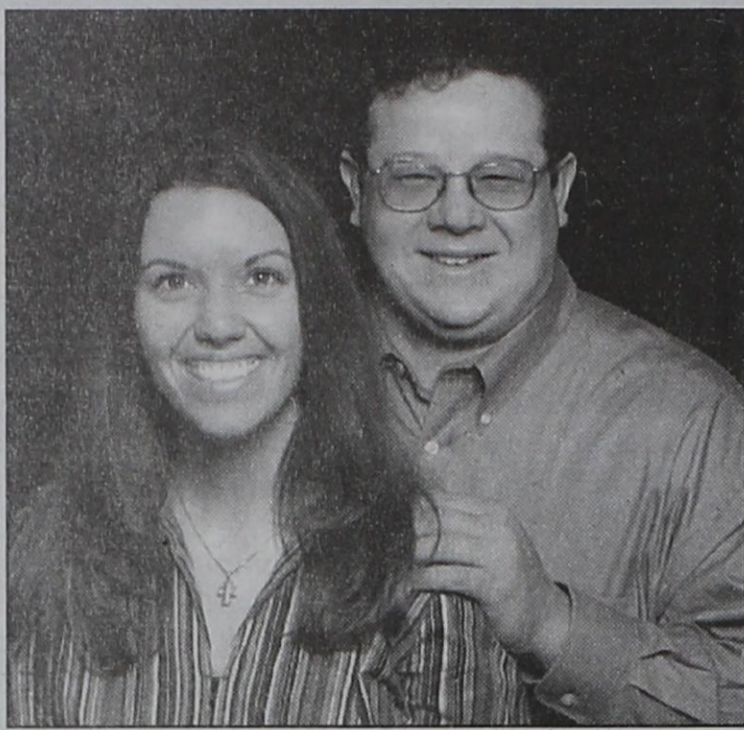
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Engagements

Slayden-Arledge

Mike and Teresa Slayden announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Michelle, to Travis Wade Arledge, son of Carol Ann Arledge of Robert Lee. Grandparents of the bride-elect are Carl Dupler of Morton and W.B. Slayden of Muleshoe. Both Slayden and Julie attend Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine. Travis will graduate in May 2004. Julie is a candidate for May 2005 graduation. The couple will marry on May 29, 2004 in Robert Lee.



Julie Slayden and Travis Arledge

Daniel-Griffith

Alan and Vallery Daniel of Plano announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Renee Daniel of Plano, to Joseph Patrick Griffith of El Paso.

He is the son of Robert Boyd Griffith and Jean Griffith of El Paso; and the grandson of Olavia Hand and the late Judge Joseph Patrick Hand of Emmetsburg, Iowa, and Dorothy Griffith and the late Robert Begg Griffith of El Paso.

She is the granddaughter of Jean and Ed Moore of Muleshoe and Bill and Ardis Daniel of Floydada.

The couple met while attending the University of Texas at Austin and will be married on Saturday, August 7, 2004 at Custer Road United Methodist Church of Plano.

The bride-elect is a 1996 graduate of Plano Senior

High School and a 2000 graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, where she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

She is currently a candidate for a master's degree in Elementary Education from Texas Tech University and will graduate in May 2004.

The groom-elect is a 1997 graduate of Eastwood High School, El Paso, and a 2001 graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, where he was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. He is currently attending law school at Texas Tech School of Law and will graduate in May 2004.

Upon graduation, the couple will reside in El Paso, where the bride-elect will complete her student teaching and teach elementary school.

The groom-elect will begin a clerkship with a federal judge.

Births

Brayden Logan Lutz

Tad and Kimberly Lutz of Odessa announce the birth of their son, Brayden Logan Lutz, born January 29, 2004 at Odessa Regional Hospital in Odessa. Brayden weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Grandparents are Jim and Linda Lutz of Muleshoe, and Gary and Lori Cunningham of Odessa.

Great-grandparents are Helen Lutz of Vernon, Jerry and Sandy Hensley, and Wallace and Iola Cunningham of Odessa.

Madeline Kay Milleson

Jay and Courtney Milleson of Amarillo announce the birth of their daughter, Madeline Kay Milleson.

She was born at 9:04 p.m. on January 31, 2004, at BSA Hospital in Amarillo.

She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 21 inches long at birth.

Grandparents are John and Kay Graves of Muleshoe, and Howard Milleson of Odessa and the late Shirley Milleson.

Great-grandparents are Ruby Kyle Stanton of Pampa.

Tipps makes Baylor Dean's List

Megan Tipps of University students must be an undergraduate Muleshoe was named to the Dean's Academic Honor List for the 2003 fall semester. To be named to the Dean's list, a student

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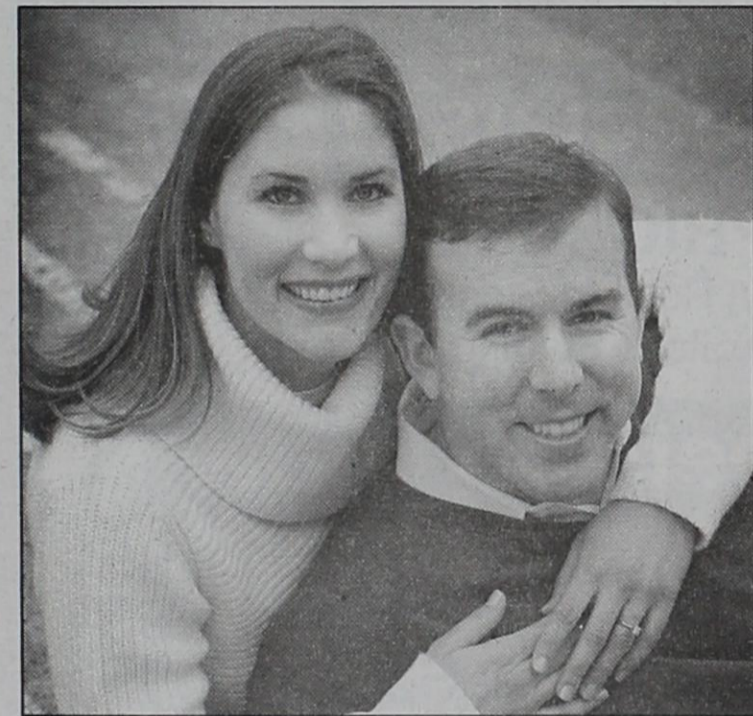
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Julie Daniel and Joseph Griffith

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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.

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FM Farms, Brownfield	9	Mxd. str.	287 lbs.	at \$134.00
Don Porterfield, Brownfield		Bmf bull	305 lbs.	at \$136.00
KP Farms, Lubbock	8	Mxd. bulls	326 lbs.	at \$127.00
Peter Wall, Muleshoe	4	Mxd. bulls	381 lbs.	at \$114.00
Ron Backus, Muleshoe		Blk. bull	430 lbs.	at \$112.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	4	Mxd. bulls	418 lbs.	at \$115.00
Suzanne Doyal, Lubbock		Blk. bull	493 lbs.	at \$111.00
B&P Livestock, Lubbock	7	Mxd. str.	634 lbs.	at \$89.00
B&P Livestock, Lubbock	8	Blk. str.	793 lbs.	at \$82.25
Chico Cattle, Abernathy	2	Blk. str.	830 lbs.	at \$83.00
John Hill, Abernathy	6	Blk. str.	892 lbs.	at \$79.25
FM Farms, Brownfield	4	Mxd. hfrs	300 lbs.	at \$113.00
Ricky Diaz, Muleshoe		Brng. hfr	310 lbs.	at \$105.00
Don Porterfield, Brownfield		Char. hfr	345 lbs.	at \$116.00
B&P Livestock, Lubbock	10	Mxd. hfrs	485 lbs.	at \$97.50
B&P Livestock, Lubbock	12	Mxd. hfrs	598 lbs.	at \$86.25
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WINONA DUDGEON

Services for Winona Dudgeon, 78, of Abilene and formerly of Sudan, were Friday, February 6, 2004 at First Baptist Church of Sudan with Rev. Truman Johnson of Lubbock and Rev. Jeff Reid of Abilene officiating. Burial was in Sudan Cemetery.

Ellis Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Mrs. Dudgeon died February 3, 2004 in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. She was born October 23, 1925 in Slaton. She married Noble Dudgeon in Sudan on February 8, 1959. He preceded her in death May 28, 1982.

Mrs. Dudgeon moved to Sudan in 1960 from Muleshoe. While in Sudan, she was a member of the First Baptist Church where she taught Sunday school until 2000. She moved to Abilene July 1, 2000. She was a member of the Pioneer Drive Baptist Church of Abilene and was a member of the Sudan Eastern Star. Mrs. Dudgeon was a cadet nurse from 1944 to 1947 at St. Anthony's School of Nursing in Amarillo and was an RN and nurse for 42 years. She was the Sudan school nurse for 27 years where she was a charter member of the retired teacher's organization.

Mrs. Dudgeon is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Roy Don and Philda Dudgeon of Abilene, and Dana Ray and Vivian Dudgeon of Palm Harbor, FL; three sisters, Juanita Burkhardt and Pat Parker of Graham, and Belle Stovall of Possum Kingdom; one brother, Herbert Blair Jr. of Carrollton; and five grandchildren, Carian Rose, Vianca, J.R., R.J. and Danny.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church of Sudan or Pioneer Baptist Church of Abilene.

GENOVEVA SAMMARRON

Service for Genoveva Samarron, 73, of Earth were Saturday, February 7, 2004 at First Baptist Church of Earth with Julio

Samarron of Sundown officiating. Burial was in Earth Memorial Cemetery.

Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home of Earth handled arrangements.

Mrs. Samarron died February 3, 2004 in Covenant Medical Center of Lubbock. She was born December 20, 1930 in Jourdanon. She married Santiago Samarron in Jourdanon on May 8, 1947.

Mrs. Samarron had lived in Earth since 1952, moving from Charlotte. She was a member of Bright and Morning Star Baptist Church in Earth. She worked as a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband on December 29, 1999, and by a brother, Jesus DeLeon.

She is survived by nine sons, Refugio Samarron of Bastrop, Manuel and Francisco Samarron and Raul Triana, all of Earth, Santiago Jr., Dimas and Enrique Samarron, all of Levelland, Julio Samarron of Sundown, and Arturo Samarron of Roswell, NM; seven daughters, Guadalupe Garcia, Juanita Samarron, Eufemia Longoria and Rosadrio

Gonzalez, all of Earth, Teresa Dobrowski and Senaida Martinez, both of Littlefield, and Rebecca Gonzalez of Levelland; a sister, Consuelo Zambrano of Alvin; two brothers, Armando DeLeon of Earth, and Manuel DeLeon of Erick, Okla.; an adopted grandson, Frank Samarron, Jr.; an adopted granddaughter, Crystal Samarron; 47 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to one's favorite charity in memory of Genoveva Samarron.

ERNEST D. MARTINEZ

A church service for Ernest D. Martinez, 39, of Hart and formerly of Morton was held Tuesday, February 10, 2004 at St. Ann's Catholic Church of Morton with Rev. Father Jesse Cruz officiating. Rosary was said February 9, 2004 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Martinez was born November 13, 1964 in Morton. He died February 6, 2004 in his residence in Hart.

He moved to Hart in 1964 from Morton. He was a member of St. John's Catholic Church of Hart and was a 1981 graduate of

Hart High School. He was a landscaper and a gardener.

Mr. Martinez is survived by his mother and father, Benito and Frances Martinez of Hart; six brothers, Benny Martinez Jr. of Hart, Eddie Martinez and Richard Martinez of Lewisville, Albert Martinez of The Colony, Max Martinez of Lubbock and Anthony Martinez of Carrollton.

LARRY V. CRAWFORD

Services for Larry V. Crawford, 53, of Midland are scheduled for 11 a.m. Friday at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Midland with Rev. Richard Edwards officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mr. Crawford passed away Tuesday, February 10, 2004. He was a graduate of Muleshoe High School and Texas Tech University. He moved to Midland in 1976 where he was in the insurance business.

He is survived by his wife, Marsha; two sons, Doug and Kevin; and one sister, Beverly Vaughan. He was preceded in death by his parents, Hazel and V.O. Crawford.

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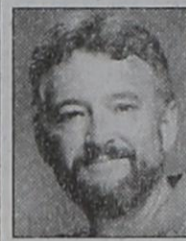
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"Welcome Back!" to a Good Friend I Once Kicked Out

Ivan Woodard is coming back! Having-kicked Ivan out of one house, I'm very pleased to welcome him back to the 16th & D Church this Sunday. I don't usually write much in this column about "in-house" stuff, but you might find this interesting. You see, my friend Ivan Woodard has been my predecessor in more ways than one. Ivan was the first preacher

Kerrville and Mom & Dad had invited him to live with them and my much-older siblings while he was in Amarillo—until I arrived (quite a surprise, I was!) and baby-booted him out!

Some years later (in the very early 70s) my brother Gene was in Muleshoe guest-preaching on a particular weekend or Sunday, and I'd tagged along because I was so spiritually minded (and because the Poynder girls lived in Muleshoe). Ivan had moved here recently, and I remember him taking us down the street and up the hill overlooking Avenue E ("Snob Hill" he smilingly called it) to show us the parsonage, then being constructed/renovated. I remember looking out across Muleshoe from its upstairs window and talking to Ivan. I had not the ghost of an idea that I would live in that house for (at this point) almost 20 years and raise four sons there. And neither one of us knew that part of what Ivan was doing as he preached in Muleshoe was blazing a trail for me.



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

at the 16th & D Church of Christ. (In its almost 35-year history, it has had only four—Ivan Woodard, Terry Bouchelle, James Johnson, and Yours Truly, and I'll be celebrating my 19th anniversary here on Easter.)

But I'd known about Ivan a long time before he came to Muleshoe because he was living in my parents' home in Amarillo when I made my initial appearance there myself in January of 1957. Dad was, in addition to preaching revivals all around the country (good Church of Christ folks called them "gospel meetings" lest, I suppose, we should become confused with folks who got spiritually revived!), and he was directing a Bible training program that was responsible for helping launch the ministries of a very significant bunch of ministers and ministry families. Ivan was one of those ministers (as were two of our other four). He'd moved up from


From the fireplace in the fellowship hall (which the youth group wanted and paid for by selling the watermelons they raised on Dan Throckmorton's land) to the *Mulehound Special* (it was a really old really interesting bus Ivan patched up—sort of—and used to cart the youth group all over the state) and on to his attitude of infectious love for Christ and everybody else who loved Christ regardless of denominational lines, Ivan did a great job. I owe him a lot. And it will be great to have him back this Sunday.

Curtis Shelburne is minister of the 16th & D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.

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JV Lady Mules take two near season's end

By Delton Wilhite
Journal Sportswriter

The JV Lady Mules are getting stronger as the season draws to a conclusion. They used strong second half performances to drop Slaton 37-24 and Dimmitt 43-41.

The Lady Mules and Slaton struggled on offense in the opening frame. Slaton trailed 4-2 to begin the second frame. Kate Lepard turned on the blocks for a bucket and Cecelia Reyna drained a trey from the top of the key to boost the Lady Mules to a 9-5 lead with four minutes left in the first half. The Tigerettes went on a seven point scoring spree

to jump in front 12-9.

Lepard scored with a put-back to end the first half with the Lady Mules down 12-11. Jenna Rasco caught fire in the third period and put seven on the board for Muleshoe.

The Lady Mules leaped over the Tigerettes with a 13-4 surge in the third period and outlasted Slaton 13-8 in the final frame. Lepard led the Lady Mules with 12 points, Rasco added nine and Reyna made eight. Ashley Dickson dropped in five points and Madison Smith chipped in three.

In Dimmitt the Lady Mules played the Bobbies to an 11-11 dead heat in the

first period. Monica Posadas provided the Lady Mules with their only points in the second quarter. Dimmitt led at the break 26-16.

The Lady Mules stepped up their defense in the final two periods and trimmed the Bobbie lead to 32-27 after three periods. Rasco saw Chelsi Hawkins running through the Dimmitt back door as the final quarter began.

Lepard stuck back an offensive rebound to stop a four-point Bobbie scoring surge. Reyna tipped an offensive rebound to Dickson and she put up an eight footer to close the gap to

two points.

With just over a minute left in the game, Reyna knotted the game at 40-40. A Bobbie turnover gave the Lady Mules the ball. Hawkins found Hillary Tipps with a long pass just inside the arc and Tipps drained the long two.

Dimmitt cut the Lady Mule lead to 42-41 with a charity toss. Rasco nailed the door shut for the Lady Mules with a free throw as time ran down.

Reyna set the scoring pace with 12 points and Lepard added 10. Posadas dropped in eight, Hawkins six, Tipps four, Dickson two and Rasco chipped in one

for the Lady Mules.

The Lady Mules hosted the Brownfield Lady Cubs Tuesday night in the final game of the season for both teams.

Lady Mules win district again

By Delton Wilhite
Journal Sportswriter

The Lady Mules put a lock on their second district crown by taming the Slaton Tigerettes 53-40.

The Lady Mules traveled to Dimmitt last Friday and iced their district cake with the Bobbies 82-36.

Slaton jumped out to a quick 7-2 lead before Brandi Wood and Kelsi Friskup took control. B. Wood blocked a shot and ran the floor to finish the break to crank the Lady Mule scoring machine.

B. Wood added a second bucket and Friskup scored on back to back trips down the floor to put the Lady Mules on top to stay at the five minute mark of the first period. The Lady Mule defense nailed the Tigerettes to seven points for almost four minutes while they took over the lead.

Friskup capped the 11 point scoring run with a three-point play.

The Tigerettes had no answer for the high flying Benham. L. Wood who knocked down back to back treys to put the Lady Mules up 31-14.

In the second half the Lady Mules seemed content to hold the Tigerettes in check.

"It was a tough game tonight and I am glad we have it behind us," said Lady Mule coach Shana Simms. "Slaton is a very good young team and I was afraid of how we might start the game."

"After the first three minutes we got untracked and got stronger as the first half went along. We had a couple of things up our sleeves tonight and the girls really got it done. Now we need to finish the season strong and prepare for the playoffs."

Jamie Carpenter continues to be side lined due to a

head injury.

"I am really proud we are the district champs for the second year in row," said Jamie Carpenter. "It is hard not to be on the floor and helping my team. But it seems every game different girls step up and get the things done our team needs."

Carpenter indicated she was to have medical test soon and hoped to see at least see limited action in a practice game before the Lady Mules begin their playoff run.

Friskup led the Lady Mules with 16 points and Benham poured in 15. B. Wood had 12 points, L. Wood six and Tori Barton and Amber Cowart added two points each.

Friskup dominated the lane in the opening period and scored eight as the Lady Mules raced out to a 17-7 lead. Benham pounded in eight in the second period and B. Wood and Cowart each connected from behind the arc.

L. Wood dialed in a trey near the end of the half as the Lady Mules out scored the Bobbies 27-12. The Lady Mules continued to dominate the Bobbies 16-6 in the third frame and 22-11 in the final period.

Four Lady Mules had double-digit production against the Bobbies with Benham leading the way with 22. Barton, Friskup and L. Wood followed with 15, 14 and 11 respectively. B. Wood added nine points, Cowart seven and Ashley Gutierrez and Kasey Wood chipped in two each.

"I was really proud of the way the girls played tonight," said Simms. "I was a little afraid of a let down, but these kids really have a great mind set and they got after it."

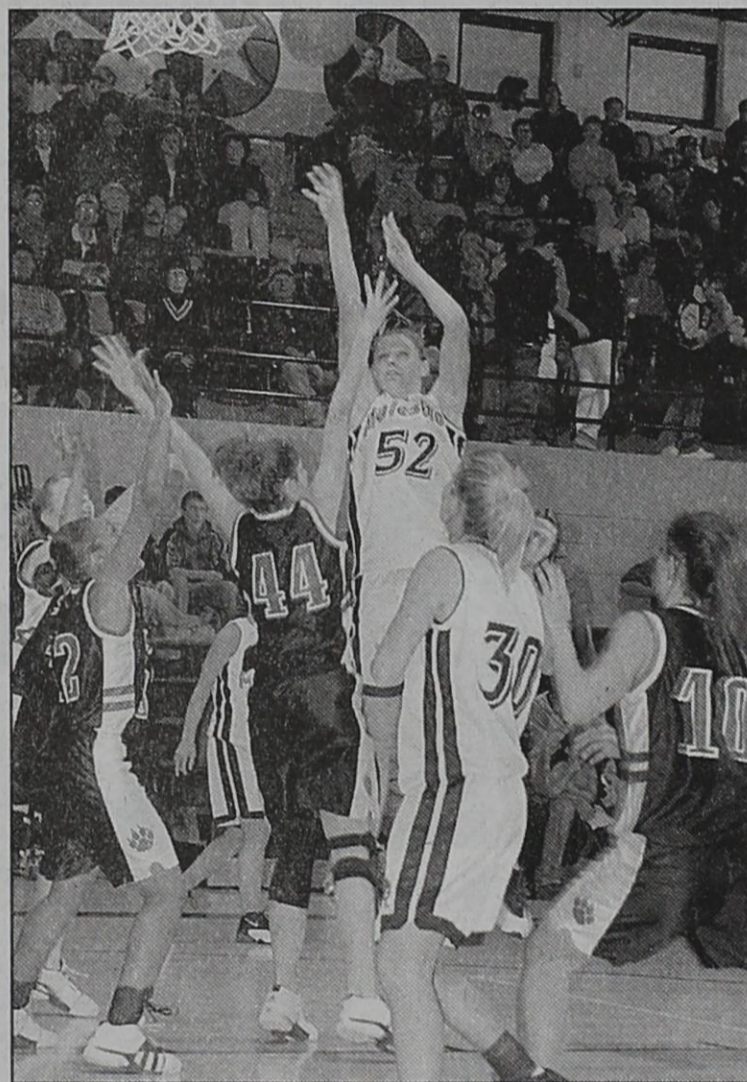
"Dimmitt is a tough place to play and we knew it would be a playoff type at-

mosphere," concluded Simms.

The Lady Mules final regular season game was at home Tuesday night with the Brownfield Lady Cubs. A win would give the Lady Mules their second perfect 10-0 district records in a

row.

The Lady Cats of Canadian will meet the Lady Mules Monday February 16 in Canyon at 6:30. The game is tentatively scheduled for Canyon High. Plans had not been finalized at press time.



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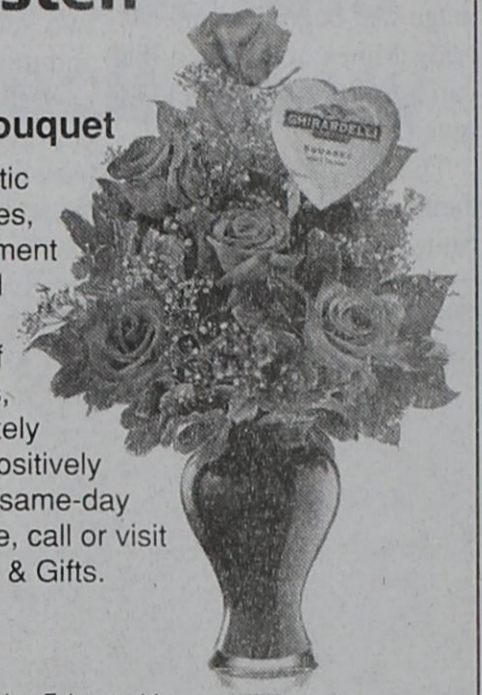
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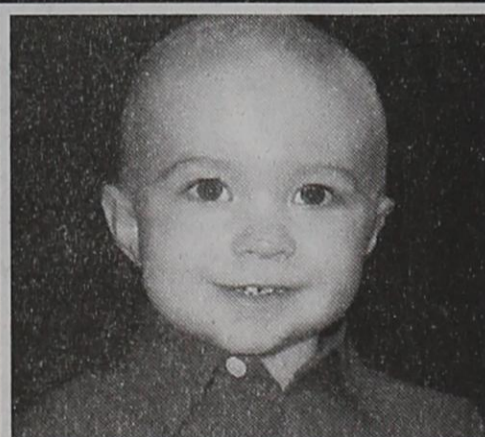
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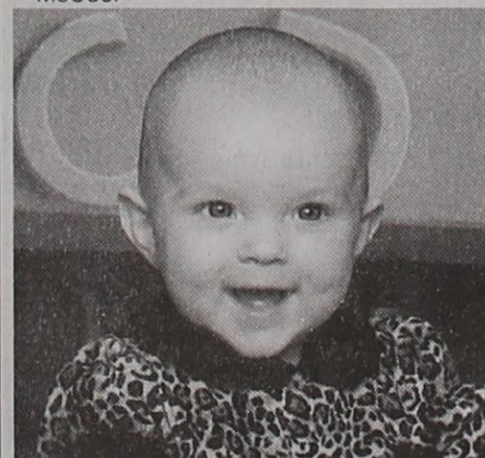
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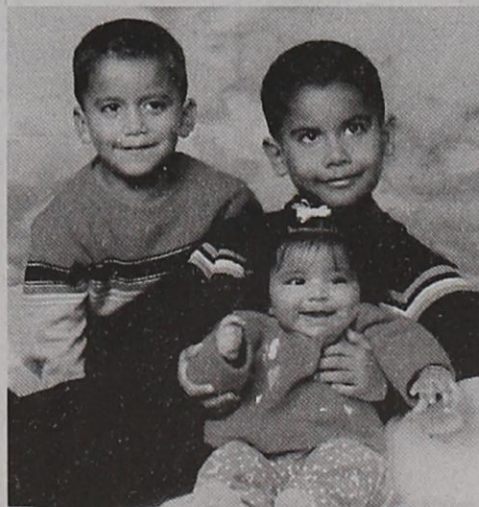


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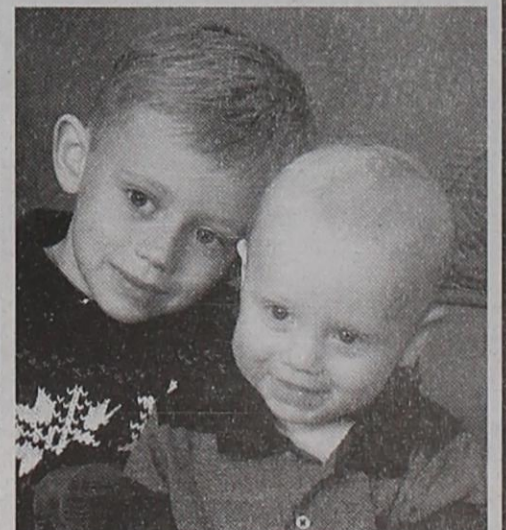
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Lady Mules softball ready for inaugural season

By Delton Wilhite
Journal Sportswriter

The Lady Mules are preparing for their first season of softball. The girls began working out after school this week and will host the Dimmitt Bobbies in a scrimmage February 17th. The scrimmage will begin with the JV Lady Mules at five and the varsity girls take the field at seven.

The Lady Mules will open their season in Dimmitt February 21 and then return

home to face the Levelland Loboettes on the 24th. Lady Mule softball coach, Steve Dunn is very excited about the coming season.

"We are looking at having a winning program our first year", said Dunn. "Littlefield and Dimmitt are the other two schools in our district and this is their first year to play also. However, we will be playing several teams that have been around for a while. We have Levelland, Lubbock Estacado, and Seminole on

our schedule."

"One of the reasons I decided to come to Muleshoe was because the girls are very athletic. They are picking up softball very quickly and will continue to improve during the season. Most of the girls are sophomores, so they will be in the program for several years."

"Pitching is a very important part of softball and we are fortunate to have Deanna Cody move in this year and she has some experience and I am working to improve her speed and control," continued Dunn.

"My approach to the game is to score more runs than the competition and play tough defense. Madison Smith will anchor our defense at short stop and Ashley Dickson will be on third. They will have to play smart and get to a lot of balls."

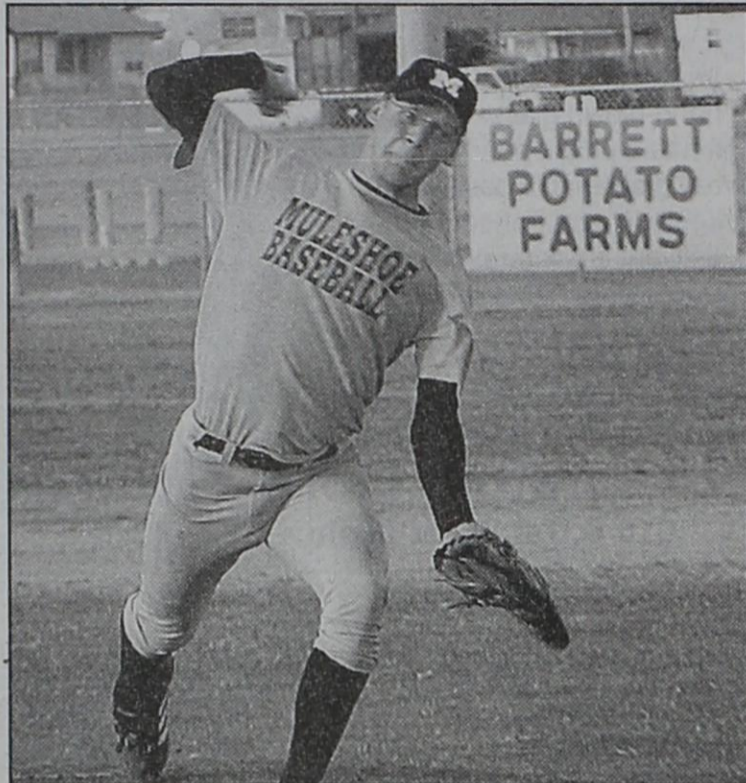
"Our outfield has Mandy Brantley in center, Sarah Dominguez in right and Sarah Sexton in left. These girls get to the ball well and have good arms."

"That really allows our infielders to go after balls and not worry because the outfield is there to back them

up."

"We are planning on winning the district championship. The girls already know we have to win two games right away so I will have a 100 wins. Then we can start working on the second hundred."

"We want to invite the people out to watch our games when the season starts. Fan support is a big part of high school sports and we are going to be very competitive and a fun team to watch," concluded Dunn.



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Right on pitch

Muleshoe pitcher Jonathan Marlow winds up to sail one past the plate during a recent scrimmage.

Muleshoe baseball gearing up for season

By Delton Wilhite
Journal Sportswriter

The Mule baseball team returns 11 lettermen from last year. It's no wonder Muleshoe baseball coach Gilbert Ramirez is looking forward to the 2004 season.

"Last year we were trying to win more games than they did the year before," said Ramirez. "But this year the emphasis is going to be on defense. No mistakes and no excuses will be our style of ball."

"We will start each practice with defense and try to limit our errors in a game to less than two per game. We lost several close ball games last year because of errors and we are working hard to cut down on mistakes."

"Our seniors are working hard and that teaches the younger kids how to work and what is expected of them. We are not forgetting about offense but we hit the ball pretty well last year and ex-

pect to again this season." "A lot of our kids have grown and we are working to get more of them to learn to pitch. If we can get four or five pitchers in the rotation then we will be hard to beat."

The Mules' first scrimmage is February 9 at home with Abernathy at four and then go to Lockney on the 13th and Friona on the 20th. The first game will be at Lubbock Christian on the 24th. The Mules first home game will be with Friona on Friday the 27th and both the junior varsity and varsity teams will see action that day.

"Our first three weeks of practice will be like our training camp where we work hard and get our game and attitudes in shape. After that we can have some fun and win some games. We hope to have a lot of people out to watch. It really helps these kids to have fans in the stands," Ramirez said.

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A special thank you and fond farewell to my co-workers at Muleshoe Family Medicine Clinic who I respect and admire and whose friendships will always be treasured. I will be forever grateful to my mentor, Dr. Bruce Purdy, for his professional guidance and the opportunity he gave me. It was my great privilege to work with him and his staff and the dedicated employees of Muleshoe Area Hospital District. Lastly, I thank each of you for the trust and confidence you showed in me by allowing me to be your health care provider. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve you.

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Todd Cogdill was sworn in as a Muleshoe police officer by Municipal Judge Norma Perez earlier this week. Cogdill had been serving as a Parmer County Deputy but moved to Muleshoe with his wife, Charla, and son, Christopher, to be closer to his mother-in-law, Charlotte Holt.



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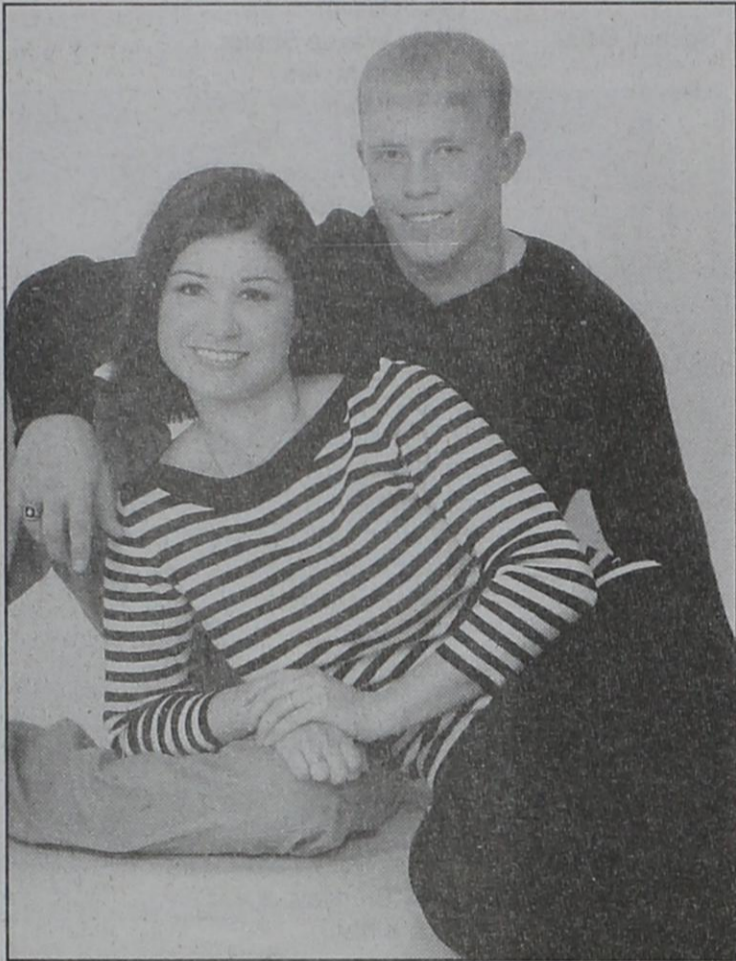
Engagements

Devin Cole Waggoner of Morton and Cassandra Nicole Guerrero of Levelland announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Jr. and Vicky Guerrero of Levelland. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Donna Waggoner of Morton and Eddie

Waggoner of Muleshoe. The couple is planning a Saturday, September 4 wedding at South Plains Church in Levelland.

Nicole is employed at American State Bank in Levelland. Devin is currently attending South Plains College and is employed by Frontier Valley, Inc. in Morton.



Cassandra Guerrero and Devin Waggoner

Scouts have fun time building and racing tiny pinewood cars

Muleshoe Cub and Boy Scout officials held a Pinewood Derby race recently and have announced the winners:

Awards: Best Paint Job – Matthew Dickerson, Best Design – Cristian Mora, “Cubiest” Car – Camilo Torres

Winners in the Cub Scout Division: Tigers – 1st place Nathan Rejino, 2nd place Ethan Zackoski, and 3rd place Cristian Mora

Wolves – 1st place Hunter Hall, 2nd place Mat-

thew Dickerson, and 3rd place Judd Baker

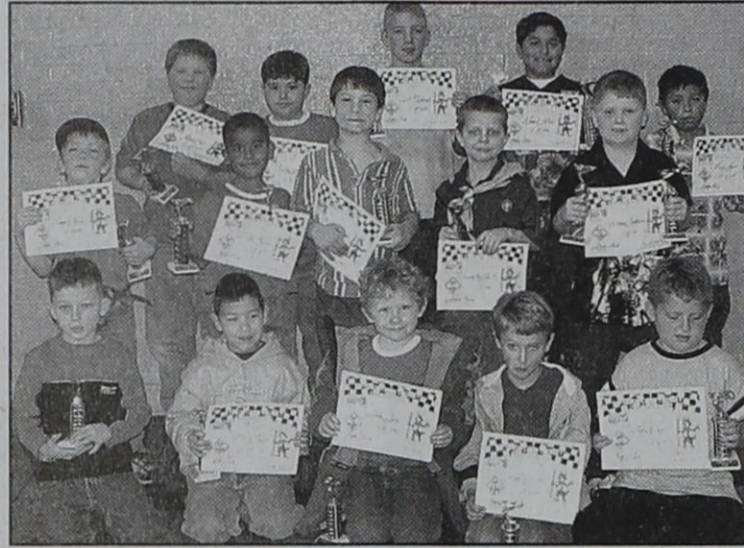
Bears – 1st place Camilo Torres (no 2nd or 3rd places due to the fact that only one Bear entered the race)

Webelos – 1st place Ricky Morin and 2nd place Zachary Richards

Winners in the Boy Scout Division: 1st place Craig Black, 2nd place Cole Hawkins, and 3rd place Matthew Richards

KING OF THE TRACK: Nathan Rejino

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Scout racing winners were: Judd Baker (back row left), Cristian Mora, Zachary Richards, Camilo Torres, Ricky Morin. Thomas Eagle (middle row left), Nathan Rejino, Ethan Zackoski, Hunter Hall, Matthew Dickerson. Britton Beall (front row left), Marco Daniel, James Lutz, Colton Fulton and John Stiles.



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Hospital District News

Bill Saxton has resigned as Park View Administrator. Gail Hargrove will resign from her position as Physician Assistant at Dr. Purdy's clinic on Friday, February 13. She will relocate to Lubbock and work with Dr. Rodolpho Martinez at the Lubbock Cancer Center. We wish both Bill and Gail the very best.

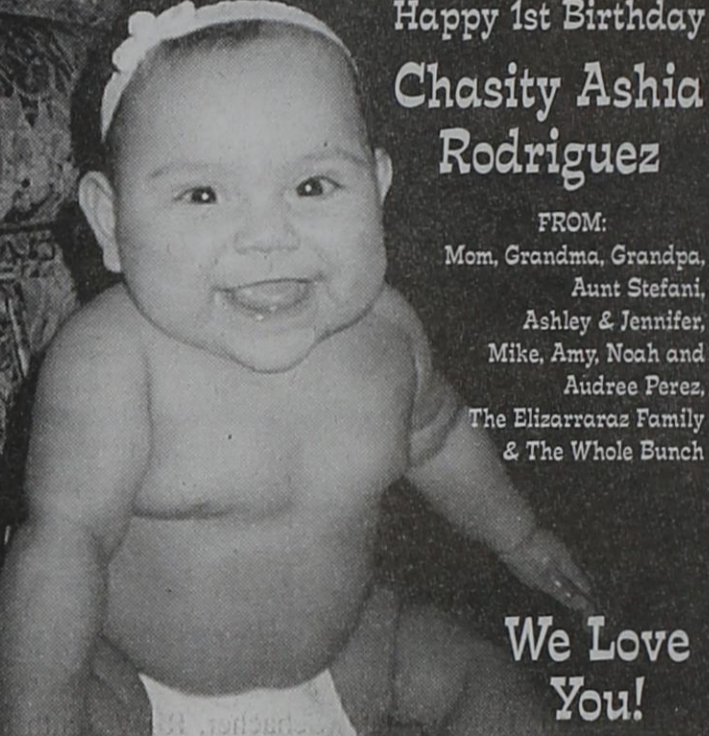
New employees at Park View are Erica Quezada, Melissa Rodriguez, Dana Torres, Neva Furnice, Tracie

Williams, Ressie Welty and Nora Cruz.

New to the hospital are Charla Codgill, Christina Gonzales, Kristy Peck, Sherri Kennedy, Maria Diaz, Andrea Dorman and Zonelle Baker.

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Lazbuddie Elementary names students of month

The students of the month for December have been named at Lazbuddie Elementary school. These students have displayed outstanding qualities of character, citizenship, and leadership. They have proven to be an asset to their class and to their school. Each student was presented a ribbon and commended for their efforts. They are the following:

Pre-Kindergarten: Arrick Estrada, son of Rick and Esmeralda Estrada.
Kindergarten: Megan

Pierson, daughter of Wayne and Jo Pierson.

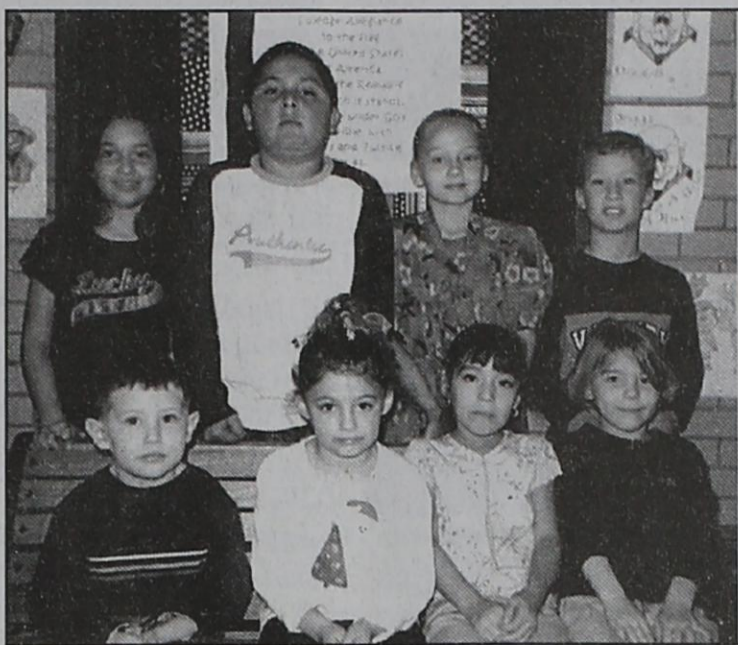
1st Grade: Andrea Lule, daughter of Jose and Rosalva Lule.

2nd Grade: Haley Beasley, daughter of Allen and Stacy Beasley.

3rd Grade: Anna Harder, daughter of Peter and Katharina Harder and Ross Steinbock, son of Terry and Judy Steinbock.

4th Grade: Luis Tafoya, son of Celia Tafoya.

5th Grade: Joseline Garcia, daughter of Jesus and Cruz Garcia.



Courtesy photo

Lazbuddie elementary students of the month are Joseline Garcia (back row, left), Luis Tafoya, Anna Harder and Ross Steinbock. Arrick Estrada (front row left), Megan Pierson, Andrea Lule and Haley Beasley.

Lazbuddie Elementary releases honor roll list

Lazbuddie Elementary Third Six Weeks "A" Honor Roll includes:

Second Grade – Haley Beasley, Katlyn Hicks, Madison Jesko, Ashton Mason and Austin Mason.

Third Grade – Chandler Barnes, Karina Galaviz, Kolten Morris and Shea Scott.

Fourth Grade – Emily Agee, Jarrod Jesko, Jordan Mason, Kylie McGehee, Todd Nichols and Justin Schacher.

Fifth Grade – Jordan Hernandez and Colton Weaver.

"A/B" Honor Roll

Second Grade – Cutter Glover, Luis Godinez, George rHarder, Johm Ryan Isaacson and Allison Weaver.

Third Grade – Jessica Estrada, Anna Harder, Matthew Oliverez, Seth Russell, Ross Steinbock and Jared

Timms.

Fourth Grade – Paola Estrada, Veronica Mireles, Kenton Randolph, Tony Suderman and Luis Tafoya.

Fifth Grade – Joseline Garcia, Lakota Goe, Tori Pollard, Lacy Russell and Tina Suderman.

Lazbuddie Jr. High Third Six Weeks "A" Honor Roll

Sixth Grade – Kyler Steinbock.

Seventh Grade – Ryan Mason and Chase Timms.

Eighth Grade – Chelsea Nichols, Brianna Sanchez, Brittney Schacher and Rochelle Smith

"A/B" Honor Roll

Sixth Grade – Lydia Campos, Katie Chavez, Geovanni Garcia, Dylan Haney, Darin Ivy, Kayle Jesko, Logan Mason, Frankie Rodriquez, Kinzi Schacher, Riley Smith and Monica Vera.

Seventh Grade – Tiffany

Estraca, Brenda Garcia, Jacob Schacher, Cassie Steinbock, Helena Suderman and RaJon Thorn.

Eighth Grade – Regina Mata and Megan McGuire.

Lazbuddie High School Third Six Weeks "A" Honor Roll

Ninth Grade – Amberlee Steinbock and Addie Treider.

Tenth Grade – Dakota Pitcock.

Eleventh Grade – Kayla Parham.

Twelfth Grade – Suzanne Aragon, Shonnah Black, Kelli Harris, Katy Louder, Robby Martin, Raul Mata, Shawndee Nichols, Bethenie Sanchez, Michelle Scott and Stephen Thomas.

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Ninth Grade – Erica Derma, Jesse Gomez, Kyra Kimbrough and Stephanie Williams.

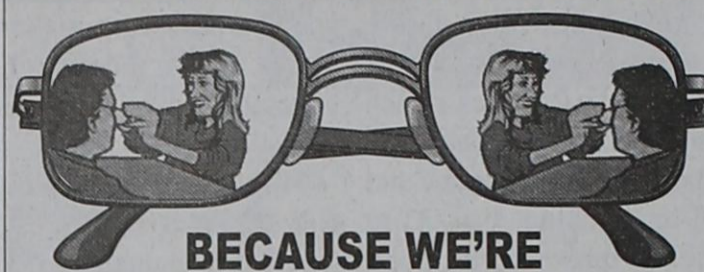
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Senior News

The senior citizens are looking forward to the big Valentine's Pot Luck Lunch this Thursday, February 12. The Center is decorated and all are looking forward to seeing those Seniors (60 plus), especially those who have not visited the Center yet. There will be many special guests plus prizes, surprises and entertainment. Grady and Dorothy Sorley

will be performing those sweet oldies. The Center hopes this will be the biggest crowd ever!

Muleshoe home health providers will be at the Center for screenings.

Tentative plans are for a scrap-booking class on the afternoon of February 24. More details to follow.

This Saturday, February 14 at 6 p.m., the Music Mak-

ers will gather for their jam session at the Center. Larry Martin heads up the group. Visitors are welcome to join in or just listen.

Saturday, February 21 will be the All-Ages Game Tournament. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and games start at 10 a.m. at the Oneita Wagon Senior Center on Main Street in downtown Muleshoe. Lunch will be

served and prizes given. Tickets are \$10 each for this fund-raiser (to help provide new handicap restrooms at the Center) and may be obtained at the Center or from the Center chairpersons: bridge— E.T. Ford, 272-4039; Shanghi— Melba King, 272-4857, "42"— Nona Clements, 272-5307, and Dominoes— Joe Sowder, 272-5307. Come join the

fun!
Hope to see everyone at the big Valentine's Pot Luck

lunch Thursday! All senior citizens are welcomed—any time!

Nursing Home News

Anita Johnson and Frankie Carpenter directed the craft class Thursday morning. Residents participating were Letha Patterson, Aline Locke, Alliene Lasiter, Delphine Gruda, Gladys Wilson, Ruby Riley and Juanita Teague.

Arline Phelps visited Vere Fox Sunday afternoon.

Kenneth Precure sang several songs for the residents Thursday morning. Coralynn Jarman accompanied Kenneth as they directed a sing-a-long Thursday morning.

Friday morning Pete Whitebird gave a music and song gospel concert in the day room. Mr. Whitebird ministered to the residents of Park View as arranged by Jearl James and Mr. Whitebird.

Pauline Chappel returned to Park View Tuesday after being hospitalized in the local hospital. Thank you for your prayers on her and her family's behalf.

Bro. Gary and Judy Hubbard came Tuesday morning and directed the music and praise devotional.

Beverly Wagon, Pat Clark, Pat Watson, Mary Jo Burge, Beckye Conklin, Dolores Garrett and Iva Nell Dale came to shampoo and set the ladies hair. Pat Clark gave haircuts.

Mrs. Letha Patterson was visited by her grandchildren, Jennifer, Rodney, Daniel, and great granddaughter, Skylee. Letha was also visited by her son, Lionel, and daughter-in-

law, Liz, and her daughter, Nancy.

Buster and Wanda Kittrell and Harold and Mary Jo Burge served coffee and donuts to the residents at coffee time Wednesday morning. Harold read words of wisdom and things of interest to the group.

Buster Kittrell, Loyce Killingsworth and Cody Favor directed our "singspiration" and devotional time.

Jackie Scoggin and Glenda Jennings came Wednesday afternoon to direct our sing-a-long in the day room and special care unit.

Kathleen Stroud comes every Saturday and shampoos and sets her mother's hair and also gives Letha Patterson haircuts when they are needed.

Connor, Cameron and Andy

Copley visited Diane Copley recently.

Donna Locker visited her mother, Aline Locke, this week. Donna and Mrs. Locke did some house cleaning or room cleaning and Donna gave Aline a manicure.

Earl and Paula Madrid visited Avelina recently.

Happy February birthdays to Grant Wobbington 2-8; Frieda Lockett 2-16; Dottie Parker 2-19; Vivian Morris 2-

26.
The February birthday party is scheduled for Thursday, February 26 at 3 pm.

The First Assembly of God plan to host the resident's Valentines Party Friday, February, 13 at 3 p.m.

Jan Pierce visited her dad, Jim Kee, Wednesday afternoon.

Rheata White decorated the rhe room in Hall #1 in Valentine's Day deco.

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Muleshoe scholastic artists do well in competition

By Teresa Young
Special to the Journal

More than 100 students will have their artwork forwarded for national judging in the Scholastic Art Awards Competition after winning Gold Key awards in the West Texas Regional competition hosted by Wayland Baptist University.

The Gold Key winning pieces, along with several hundred Silver Key and Honorable Mention award winners, are currently on exhibit at

Wayland's Abraham Art Gallery through Feb. 12.

Five pieces were chosen for American Vision Awards as best of show, one of which is guaranteed to be exhibited in the national exhibit this summer.

Christy Morgan, a senior at Muleshoe High School, had her art portfolio selected for advancement to the national competition as well, qualifying her to compete for academic scholarships. Morgan also received a scholarship from Wayland Baptist University.

Tyler Wood, a junior at Muleshoe High, earned a Gold Key for his painting titled "Light on Still Life."

Silver Key winners included Kendell Johnson, ninth grade, painting, "Rock Window;" Logan Caddell, tenth grade, drawing, "Cumio;" Tyler Wood, junior, painting, "Floral Chroma;" Yuri Aguirre, junior, drawing,

"Patterns;" and Baldemar Torres, senior, drawing, "Split Personality."

Honorable Mention awards went to Kasey Wood, tenth grade, drawing, "In Youth;" Christy Morgan, senior, mixed media, "Heritage;" Ashley Dickson, sophomore, mixed media, "Design on Hand;" Paje McRoberts, junior, painting, "Purple Plants;" and Christy Morgan, painting, "The Potter."

Hellen Adrian is the art teacher.



Courtesy photo

Muleshoe Wood

Pictured is the Gold Key winning piece by Tyler Wood, a junior at Muleshoe High School, a painting titled "Light on Still Life."



DECA standouts

DECA student Chris Jones (left) won first place in vehicle and petroleum marketing and Jaret Tucker (right) won second place in the same event in a recent competition in Lubbock.



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