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## House fire injures two residents

Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

An early morning fire sent two Muleshoe residents to the hospital Saturday.

The first indication of trouble came when the police department received a 911 call about 5:30 a.m., April 10, according to Lt. Otis Carpenter of the Muleshoe Police Department.

When the dispatcher realized that the caller couldn't talk, Police Officer Todd Cogdill was dispatched to the residence from which the call originated, 1007 W. 7th, the residence of Larry and

Sammie Hall, Carpenter explained.

When he arrived, Ofc. Cogdill saw the house was on fire and requested the fire department to respond.

Cogdill also found the garage door to the rear of the residence open, and saw two people, one in the garage, and the other in the hallway leading to the garage.

With the assistance of a neighbor, Joe Gear, the officer was able to move the Halls out of danger until medical assistance arrived.

Larry Hall was transported to Muleshoe Area Medical Center, prior

to being transported by helicopter to a hospital in Lubbock for treatment of the burns he'd received in the fire.

As of Monday, Carpenter said, Hall was still in critical condition.

Sammie Hall was transported to the local hospital for treatment of a broken arm which she had apparently received during her attempt to escape the fire.

According to Carpenter, no firefighters were injured in their battle with the house fire, but Ofc. Cogdill required minor medical treatment for smoke

inhalation.

Although Carpenter is a certified fire investigator he said the state fire marshals office and Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms fire investigators were asked to assist.

At this time, the cause of the fire has not been released, however foul play is not suspected.

Larry Hall is a former publisher of the *Muleshoe Journal*, selling the newspaper in 1995 after almost a quarter-century of ownership.



Fire and law enforcement officials examine the remains of the Larry Hall residence Monday, after Saturday's fire that hospitalized two people.

## Council discusses skunk attack

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

A Muleshoe man recently learned that trouble doesn't always wait for you to open the door.

During Monday's regular meeting of the Muleshoe City Council, City Manager David Brunson referred to an incident in which a local man was confronted by a

skunk inside his residence, and urged Muleshoe residents to make sure their pets were vaccinated.

On March 31, Mike Pugh was cooking dinner when his dogs started barking, according to information received from the Texas Department of State Health Services.

When Pugh turned around he discovered that a skunk had entered the kitchen through the dog door and was headed into the utility room. But when Pugh tried to shut it in, the skunk reportedly got out and charged him.

Fortunately, one of Pugh's dogs came to his defense, jumping in front of the animal and receiving a bite in the process, but delaying the animal's attack

long enough for Pugh to retrieve a weighted exercise stick to defend himself.

Animal control was able to capture the animal, which was later examined, and showed positive for rabies.

Councilman Earl Behrends also expressed his concerns during Monday's meeting, noting that parents should probably be concerned about children playing outside in the evening and possibly encountering an infected animal.

This was Bailey County's first positive rabies case in 2005. In 2004 there were no cases of rabies reported.

Abnormal actions by any animal should be reported to city hall at 272-4518, or the police department at 272-4589.

In other business, the city council:

- Approved minutes from its March 14 meeting.
- Approved an order cancelling the May 7 municipal

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## Muleshoe Hospital District election notice, filing petition raise questions

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Rumors of improprieties in the May 7 Muleshoe Area Medical Center's Board of Director's May 7 election have in part been disproved.

Shortly after the March 14 deadline for individuals wishing to declare as a write-in candidate, the *Muleshoe Journal* was contacted by individuals seeking information about the hospital's official notification of the upcoming election.

At the hospital board's

Feb. 17 meeting, the board called the election for Place 2, currently held by board president Tim "Buck" Campbell, and Place 4 on the hospital board.

Place 4 was held by Arline Phelps until her death on Feb. 14. In a special meeting on Feb. 23, the hospital board appointed Marilyn Riley to the position.

However, individuals within the community became concerned when the March 7 filing period and the March 14 deadline for declaring as a write-in

candidate passed without a notice of election being published.

On top of this, allegations of improprieties concerning the filing petition of incumbent Buck Campbell were also raised.

According to statements received from individuals who signed the petition, but have asked to remain anonymous, Campbell presented the petition to them on March 14, and they signed it.

A similar petition was later brought back around by MAMC CEO Jim Bone, but with a March 7 date.

Reportedly, some employees of the hospital district to whom the petitions were presented were instructed to sign the petition without reading it, and felt their jobs were in danger if they chose not to comply.

During the investigation by the *Journal* that followed, hospital administrator Bone said a notice of the election had been posted at the hospital, and that he wasn't aware that the law required anything else.

Bone also said that in his eight years with the hospital district, this was the first time he'd presented such a petition to employees at the hospital, and added that he only asked three individuals for signatures.

When Campbell contacted the newspaper

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## Chamber banquet set for Saturday

Area residents will be gathering at the Muleshoe High School Cafeteria Saturday for the 55th annual Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture banquet.

While the banquet's traditional steak and shrimp feast will draw many of those in attendance, many will also be present for the program, which will include speakers and the annual chamber awards.

At this year's event, "Unsung Heroes," Bailey County's emergency services personnel and military veterans, will be recognized for their efforts in the community.

Speakers at this year's festivities will include representatives of Bailey County's emergency services agencies, including the Muleshoe Police and Fire Departments, Muleshoe Emergency Medical Service and the Bailey County Sheriff's Department.

## Muleshoe Journal takes awards

The *Muleshoe Journal* staff brought home four awards from the Panhandle Press Association (PPA) Better Newspaper Contest held this past weekend in Amarillo.

Newspaper representatives from across the Panhandle gathered for workshops, business meetings and meals, all culminating in an awards brunch held Saturday

morning.

"I'm very proud to have won anything," said *Muleshoe Journal* General Manager Leah Bell. "This was our first contest entry since I've been with the paper. It's nice to have your peers acknowledge the sweat you put into your paper."

Delton Wilhite brought home a first place plaque for Sports Writing. Awards



Pictured above, from left to right, Davie Browder, Joye Bradford, Leah Bell, Delton Wilhite and Kristie Kinser display their awards.

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Thurs.  
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T-Storms.....62/41

Sat.  
T-Storms.....71/43

Sun.  
T-Storms... 68/44

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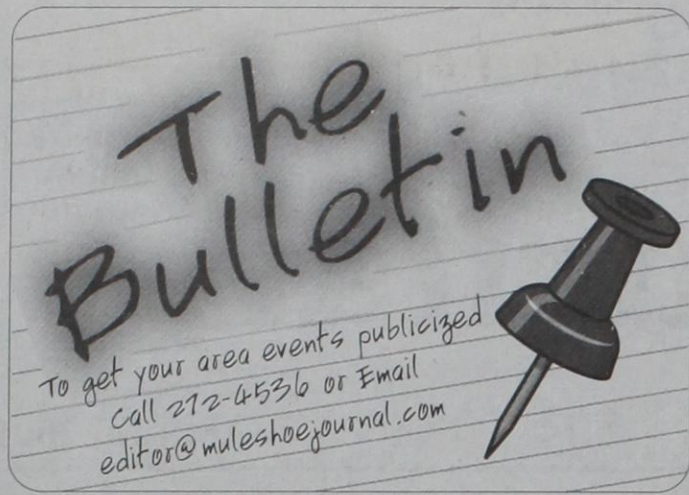
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Cost is \$40 per ticket or \$35 per ticket when purchasing eight or more tickets.

The banquet will be held Saturday, April 16, from 6:30-8 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. All-you-can-eat steak and peeled shrimp will served with potatoes and all the trimmings. This year's banquet theme is "Unsung Heroes."

For your enjoyment, have Stacy M. Thompson take your "date night" pictures to commemorate the event (can be purchased), bid on donated items at the silent auction and join your friends in the Kerry Moore Auditorium for the songs and sounds of Texas Crossroads from Shamrock.

**"Carrying On" County history**

Pre-orders for the reprint of the Bailey County history book "Early Bailey County History" are being taken now by members of the "Carrying On" Committee of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

The price for the pre-ordered hardback books is \$45. After July 1, the price will be \$50 per book.

The book, originally printed in 1978, was compiled in two years by seventh and eighth grade students in the Muleshoe Junior High Historical Society.

If you would like to order a book, contact Stacy M. Thompson at 272-3652 or send your checks to: Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, "Carrying On Committee," P.O. Box 356, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

**Support sought for Project Graduation**

Parents of the Muleshoe Senior Class of 2005 need your help to make Project Graduation safe, fun and memorable for our graduates.

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Donations for "2005 Project Graduation" or questions may be addressed to: Lavon Hunt, The Donut Hole, 1106 W American Blvd. Muleshoe, Texas 79347, or by calling 272-3668; Jody Wood, 1502 W. Ave. C, Muleshoe, Texas 7934, or by calling 272-7549; or Tom Ladd, Earl Ladd & Sons, 602 W. American Blvd., Muleshoe, Texas 79347, or by calling 272-3308.

**Singer showcase to be held**

The Roxy's Singers Showcase will be April 16, at 7 p.m. in Olton. All area vocalists are invited to come and perform. To perform, contact the Olton City Hall at (806)285-2611 or email your entry to oltonpwd@amaonline.com. The deadline to enter is Friday, April 15.

**Talent show**

Muleshoe High School is hosting a Talent Show on April 28. If you would like to show your talent and be a part of the show you can sign-up now. Simply fill-out the form available at the DeShazo Elementary, Watson Junior High

or Muleshoe High School and return it to one of the locations. The last day to sign-up is April 12. Auditions will be held after school on April 14. There is no cost for entering the show. First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded. For additional information, contact Annette Escobar or Raquel Mata at 272-7303.

**Scholarship donations sought**

The Muleshoe Independent School District would like to make sure that every Muleshoe High School graduate has the opportunity to pursue an education beyond the high school level. Four years ago, the Muleshoe ISD Board of Trustees took a bold step toward this goal by establishing the Muleshoe Opportunity Scholarship Trust.

The MOST scholarship funded is through contributions, honorariums, gifts, and memorials. "We are inviting you to be a part of offering a successful beginning to our seniors by making certain that every individual who graduates from MHS has a scholarship," MISD Superintendent Gene Sheets said. "Your donation of any amount, large or small, will be appreciated. Even a small amount, when pooled with others, can make a difference in the lives of our graduates."

A fully tax-deductible donation can be made to: MOST Scholarship, c/o Muleshoe ISD, 514 West Ave. G, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

**Diabetes management program offered**

Bailey County Extension and the Bailey County Diabetes Coalition will be sponsoring a diabetes educational series called Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes. The primary goal of this program is to help participants learn how to manage their meal plan and self-care to maintain their blood glucose in the ranges recommended by the American Diabetes Association.

Presenters include Dr. Thomas Smith, Kay Swint, Linda Bullock, Kristi Spies, Amanda Shelton and Jennifer Gregory. The program will be held from 7-9 p.m. on April 19, at the Bailey County Coliseum Meeting Room. Participants who attend all six sessions will receive a free glucometer. For more information or to register for the program, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

**Old yearbooks wanted**

Former Muleshoe students or anyone with old yearbooks, including parents who still have their kids' old yearbooks, are invited to contribute them to the Muleshoe Heritage Center. They will be placed in the Depot for people to take a mental stroll down memory lane.

To donate, call the Depot, (806) 272-5873, Monday

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through Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. and ask for Delores. Or mail them to the Heritage Depot, P.O. Box 201, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. At this time, yearbooks from 1950, 1951, 1952, 1962, 1970 and 1975-1979 are still needed.

**Muleshoe graduates sought**

The Ex-Student Association is looking for 1924-1985 graduates and former students for an all school reunion to be held on July 2, 2005.

**Pioneer history book available.**

The Muleshoe Senior Citizens' Pioneer History book is now available at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center. The cost is \$25 per copy.

**Muleshoe AA meetings set**

Those looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Saturday at 121 W. Ave. C. For information about these meetings or AA in general, call Bobby F. at 272-8948 or 272-4433.

**Chamber seeks event information**

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture website is being developed and needs the help of community members. Site designer Stacy Thompson needs local and area people to let her know about upcoming events of any nature in Muleshoe. Thompson suggests that events should be called in at least one month in advance for the calendar to be effective. Churches, organizations, clubs, schools, business, individual, etc. events will be publicized on the site if received in time to do so. Call your events in to Thompson at 272-3652 or contact by email at thompsn@fivearea.com.

**Workshop scheduled**

A gardening, mini-farming workshop has been scheduled for April 19 and 26, at the Garden & Art Center in Lubbock. The workshop will cover several gardening topics including organic, no-till and beds. For additional information call 767-3724, or email Ken Hargesheiner at "minifarms@aol.com".

**First Ag Scholarship applications sought**

First Ag Credit Scholarship First Ag Credit of Muleshoe is pleased to announce its 2005 scholarships. Two \$250 scholarships will be presented to deserving high school seniors. To be eligible for the First Ag Credit Scholarship, students must be a resident of Parmer, Bailey, or Lamb County, have a "B" or above grade point average, be a full-time student at a college or university in the Fall of 2005, and have parents or grandparents who are members of First Ag Credit, Muleshoe Branch. Applications may be obtained by calling the First Ag Credit Office at 272-3010 or Gayla Gear at Muleshoe High School at 272-7304. The deadline to apply is April 15.

**MCTA Scholarships available**

Muleshoe Classroom Teachers Association will be awarding two scholarships, one for a 2005 graduating MHS senior planning to major in education and one for a former MHS graduate who is majoring in education and is classified a junior or senior at his or her respective college. Applications for both scholarships may be picked up at Muleshoe High School from Gayla Gear and need to be returned to her by April 22. Contact Gayla Gear-272-7303, Dani Heathington at 272-4351, or Alice Liles-272-5200 for further information.

**'Relay for Life' fundraisers**

Several of Muleshoe's "Relay for Life" teams are holding fundraisers for the April 29 event.

"Cops Against Cancer" will be holding a garage sale Saturday, April 16, beginning at 8 a.m., at 406 W. 5th.

"Strides Against Cancer" will be holding a Hotdog Cookout and Bake Sale at Carolyn's on April 16, from 11 a.m. til 2 p.m.

"Lips and Hips," the Medical Records Department at Muleshoe Area Medical Center has a "Tree of Hope" at the hospital. Individuals wishing to help their fund-raising effort may purchase a purple or pink ribbon for the tree for \$1.

"Kids Against Cancer" will be hosting a "Kids Fun Day" on April 24, from noon until 5 p.m., at the old city park. The will also be holding a garage sale on April 16, from 9 a.m. until noon at 906 W. 8th.

"Ace Satellite" will be holding a three-on-three basketball tournament has been set for April 23, at the Muleshoe High School Gymnasium. There is a \$50 entry fee, and the registration deadline is April 21. Call Gabriel at 272-3215, Jerry at 272-3148, or email acesatellite@hotmail.com for additional information.

**Youth revival set**

A youth revival has been set for April 15-16, from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., at Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church. For further information, call April Goher at 806-225-4621.

**Lazbuddie Shootout**

The Lazbuddie Shootout, a three-on-three festival, is being sponsored by Lazbuddie Senior Parents of class 2005 on April 22-23, at the Lazbuddie High School Gymnasium. There is a \$50 entry fee for each four-member team. Competition categories include: Elementary, junior high, high school, adult, coed (two men and two women), and Over-40s.

The entry deadline is April 15. For more information, contact the Lazbuddie High School at 806-965-2152; Debbie Weir at 806-965-2302; Sarah Black at 806-265-3861, or any Lazbuddie High School senior.

**Commissioners court approves Justice Benefits funding agreement**

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

The Bailey County Commissioners court approved an agreement with Justice Benefits, Inc., during Monday's regular meeting, with the hope that the company would be able to locate additional funding for the county jail.

Sheriff Richard Wills explained that Justice Benefits tracks inmate information, determining if federal funds are available to pay for a prisoner's incarceration.

Wills used the example of a prisoner who has been arrested by local or county law enforcement officers, but has had a hold placed upon him by Immigration and Naturalization Services.

Because the prisoner can't bond out on the state of local charge, the federal government will pay the county to hold the prisoner until he is deported.

"We're letting all of this money go we could be getting from the federal government," Wills said, adding that his staff doesn't have the time necessary to track the prisoners.

"It's money we won't get if we don't contract with a company," County Judge Sherri Harrison said.

According to the judge, Justice Benefits will receive up to 22 percent of the funds collected for the county.

The commissioners approved the agreement, authorizing the judge to sign the required documents.

In other business Monday, the commissioners:

- Approved the minutes from the court's March meeting.
- Approved the County Treasurer's February report.
- Approved county payments totaling \$271,672.58.
- Voted to change the Justice of the Peace's clerk position to full-time.
- Approved an easement

**Amnesty week, book sale at library**

During Library Week the Muleshoe Public Library will also have "Amnesty Week."

This means all overdue materials from the library may be returned that week and all the fines for them will be zeroed out.

Individuals who have a book, video, audio cassette that is overdue, may turn it in by April 15 and pay no fine.

Also, the library will be having \$1 days on Thursday and Friday at the Annual Book Sale. On Thursday a sack full of items is only \$1. On Friday a box full of items is \$1.

**Hospital Report**

The Muleshoe Area Medical Center reports the following patient load:

March 31 — Helen Talley, Kelly Turner and Micha Williams.

April 1 — Evelyn Deming, Dan Henricks and Virginia Olivares.

April 2 — No report available.

April 3 — Cheyenne Bain, Felix Bonilla, Maria Hernandez, Miakayla Reyna, Carlos Rodriguez and Jaime Orozco.

April 4 — Manuel Rodriguez and Cynthia Williams.

for Gary Morris to bury a two-inch water line across County Road 1033, in Precinct 1.

- Approved changes to the FY 2005 budget.
- Approved an agreement

with Hospice and Patient Transport Services.

- Approved a resolution opposing the elimination of the federal Community Development Block Grant program.

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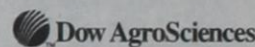
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# Obituaries

## Rev. Jim Williams

A chapel service for the Rev. Jimmie (Jim) Williams, 63, of Earth, was held Wednesday, April 13, 2005, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, in Muleshoe, with the Rev. Vaughn Gossman officiating. Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Williams died Sunday, April 10, 2005, in Covenant Medical Center of Lubbock. He was born on Sept. 27, 1941, in Flagstaff, Ariz., and married Sharon L. L'Heureux in El Paso on April 23, 1976. He was preceded in death by his parents — John Wesley and Frankie Williams, and a brother — Johnnie Williams on Dec. 5, 2002.

Williams moved to Earth from Muleshoe in 1992. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, and was a member of the Church of the Nazarene of Clovis, N.M.

He was a licensed minister of the West Texas District of the Nazarene Church. Graduating from Nazarene Bible College in 1981, Williams pastored churches in Colorado and Texas. He also served as a supply pastor in the New Mexico District for many years.

Survivors include his wife Sharon; a son — John Williams of Lubbock; a son and daughter-in-law — James and Sara Williams of Lubbock; a daughter — April Williams of Canyon; two sisters — Faye Houston of Springlake and Phyllis Jolly of Levelland; and four aunts. Memorials may be sent to a charity of your choice.



REV. JIM WILLIAMS

## Alma Turner

A church service for Alma Turner, 93, of Muleshoe, is scheduled for 3 p.m. Saturday, April 16, 2005, at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe with Dr. Stacy Conner officiating.

Burial will be in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery. Turner died Sunday, April 10, 2005, in her residence. She was born on March 21, 1912, in Boswell, Okla., and married Doyle Turner in Clovis, N.M., on April 7, 1928. He preceded her in death on July 10, 1994.

Turner and her family moved to Muleshoe from Abernathy in 1951. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe. She was also a member of the Muleshoe Study Club, Pleasant Valley Social Club and the Pleasant Valley Home Demonstration Club.

Survivors include three sons — Alan Turner of Kingsville, Royce Turner of Muleshoe and Doyce Turner, also of Muleshoe; three daughters — Joyce Bucks of Saugusa, Calif., Rita Hawkins of Muleshoe and Sherri Kendall, also of Muleshoe; 16 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Muleshoe Public Library, 322 W. 2nd, Muleshoe, Texas. 79347 or the First Baptist Church, 220 W. Ave. E, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

## Vera Damron Kehoe

A graveside service for Vera Damron Kehoe, 71, of Austin, was held Monday, April 11, 2005, at the Sudan Cemetery in Sudan with Jerry Ray and James Withrow of officiating.

Kehoe died Thursday, April 7, 2005, in Austin. She was born on April 6, 1934, in Dimmitt, and married Frank Kehoe in Clovis, N.M. on July 3, 1953. Her husband preceded her in death on May 10, 1994.

Kehoe, who was a homemaker, had lived in Austin since 1979 after moving from San Antonio. She moved to Sudan around 1938 from Dimmitt and left the Sudan area in 1950.

Survivors include a sister — Ola Pearl Davieau of Austin; numerous nieces and nephews; and brothers-in-law.

## Ruby Ingle

A church service for Ruby Ingle, 90, of Sudan, was held Thursday, April 7, 2005, at the First Baptist Church of Sudan with the Rev. Robert Roecker and Jeff Procter officiating. Burial followed in Sudan Cemetery.

Ingle died Monday, April 4, 2005, in Lamb Healthcare Center in Littlefield. She was born on April 11, 1914 in Eldorado, Okla., and married Russel Ingle in Spade on Feb. 9, 1936. He preceded her in death on Aug. 21, 2003.

Ingle had been a longtime resident of the Sudan community. The last few years, she had made her home in the Harmonie House in Amherst. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Sudan where she had taught Sunday School.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law — La Delta and Calvin Vernon, Geneva and Jim Newman, all of Sudan; a sister — Neoma Brewster of Madisonville, Ky.; a brother — Alford Nixon of Portales, N.M.; four grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Thanks for reading!

## Newspaper wins awards

Continued from page 1

The Journal brought home third place in Headline Writing behind the Canadian Record and the Clarendon Enterprise.

The staff also brought home an honorable mention for their Special Section selection, Women In Business. Winners in the category were, respectively: County Star News, Castro County News (A Salute To Dairies), and the Canadian Record.

Sister papers Castro County News and Olton Enterprise also did well this past weekend.

Dimmitt's Castro County News won third place in the Best Front Page Layout contest, Best News Writing, and Best Feature Story. Castro also brought home a second place in the Best Special Section contest.

The Olton Enterprise won first place in the Best Feature Story category and a second place in Advertising Initiative.

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Following the awards, Bradford, who owns the Muleshoe, Dimmitt and Olton papers, was installed as president of the PPA for 2006.



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# Sports

## Lady Mules skin the Ladycats in district play, 21-13

By Delton Wilhite  
Sports Writer

The Lady Mules picked up their first win in district Saturday afternoon by skinning the Ladycats of Littlefield 21-13. Earlier in the week the Lady Mules fell short of defeating the Levelland Loboettes 9-8.

The Lady Mules spotted Littlefield eight runs in the top of the second inning. They managed to get four of those runs back in the bottom half of the same inning with Madison Smith, Kelly Dale, Ashley Dickson and Kindra Pruitt all crossing the plate.

The Ladycats added two runs in the third to take a 10-4 lead. The Lady Mules showed patience at the plate and drew four walks in their half of the third and had two batters hit by a pitch. The Lady Mules converted the walks and hit batsmen to five runs to only trail by one run.

Monica Posadas, Jenna Rasco, Dale, Dickson and Pruitt all scored in the



Lady Mules in the field during a recent softball game.

bottom of the third.

Both teams scored three runs in the fourth inning with Smith, Dale and Dickson all crossing the plate for Muleshoe. The Lady Mules continued to trail Littlefield 13-12.

The Lady Mules clamped down on defense after the fourth inning and never allowed Littlefield to score

another run.

The Lady Mules exploded for eight runs in the fifth inning to take the lead for the first time.

Abby Lawrence scored twice in the fifth inning and Posadas, Rasco, Smith, Dale, Dickson and Heather Holcomb all crossed the plate during the inning. Rasco scored in the sixth

inning for the Lady Mules final run of the game.

The Lady Mules were tied 8-8 with Levelland going into the final inning. The Lady Mules could not manufacture a run in their half of the inning and gave up the winning run to Levelland in the bottom of the seventh.

Smith, Erica Sanchez, Dickson and Pruitt all scored in the fourth inning to knot the game at 4-4. Levelland scored four runs in the fifth inning to retake the lead. Sarah Sexton, Lawrence, Kristen Ambriz and Dale all came home in the top of the sixth to deadlock the score at 8-8.

The Lady Mules are now 1-5 in district play and tied with Littlefield for third place.

The Lady Mules traveled to Lubbock Cooper April 12 to open the final round of district.

Unfortunately, Lorin Duff and her Lubbock Cooper Lady Pirates defeated the Lady Mules 18-0 to start the second lap of district. A triple to left field set up the only run Cooper could score in the first inning.

Cooper scored on sacrifice. The third batter doubled to left field. Kendra Pruitt charged a fly ball to short center field for the second out and doubled the runner off second base with

a toss to Madison Smith. The Lady Mules could not get Sanchez home.

The Lady Mules went in order in their half of the inning.

Ashley Dickson camped under a pop fly at third for the first out of the second inning. Dickson charged a ground ball and fired to Jenna Rasco at first for the second out.

Dickson scooped up a ground ball and fired to Rasco to stop a Cooper threat.

Erica Sanchez ruined Duff's hopes of a second no-hitter against the Lady Mules with a base hit to left.

The Lady Mules could not get Sanchez home.

Cooper scored nine runs in the third inning to take a 10-0 lead. They added four in the fourth inning and four more in the fifth. Madison Smith singled to left for the Lady Mules second hit of the game.

They return home April 16 to host Levelland and finish the regular season in Littlefield April 18.

### History Notes

In 1919, the 36th Legislature adopted the pecan tree as the state tree of Texas.

## Weather troubles Lady Mules tourney

By Delton Wilhite  
Sports Writer

The Lady Mule golf team hosted the first round of the District 2-3A tournaments April 5. The Muleshoe Country Club Course was in good shape for the early spring event.

The only problem was Mother Nature, who didn't schedule a day conducive to good scores with a blustery cold wind blowing from the

south. Being a West Texas high school golfer requires being a resilient and mentally tough athlete, willing to play in all conditions.

The Lady Mules shot a team score of 480 that was good enough for second place. Levelland took first with a 405 and Brownfield placed third with a 502. The Lady Mules' JV team was fourth with a 544. Lubbock Cooper and Littlefield only had girls to compete as medallist.

Hillary Tipps set the pace for the Lady Mules with a 111 and had the fourth low individual score. Mandy Brantley's 119 was good for eighth low individual and Jamie Carpenter recorded a 124 that tied her for 12th low individual.

Amberlee Steinbock tied for 15th with a 126 and Paje McRoberts rounded out the team with a 127 that tied her

for 18th.

Gini Sheets led the JV Lady Mules with a 127 and Hillary Shurbet followed with a 131. Cori Ann Black shot a 135 and April Crabtree finished with a 151.

The Lady Mules had taken third in the Abernathy Invitational March 29 with a 221. The tournament was stopped after nine holes because of inclement weather. Lubbock Christian finished first with a 183 and Vega was second with a 204.

Steinbock recorded a 48 to lead the Lady Mules and Tipps followed with a 57. McRoberts and Brantley each carded 58s and Carpenter finished with a 60.

Littlefield will host the final district tournament on April 13 to determine which two teams advance to the regional tournament in Odessa April 25-26.

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## Engagements



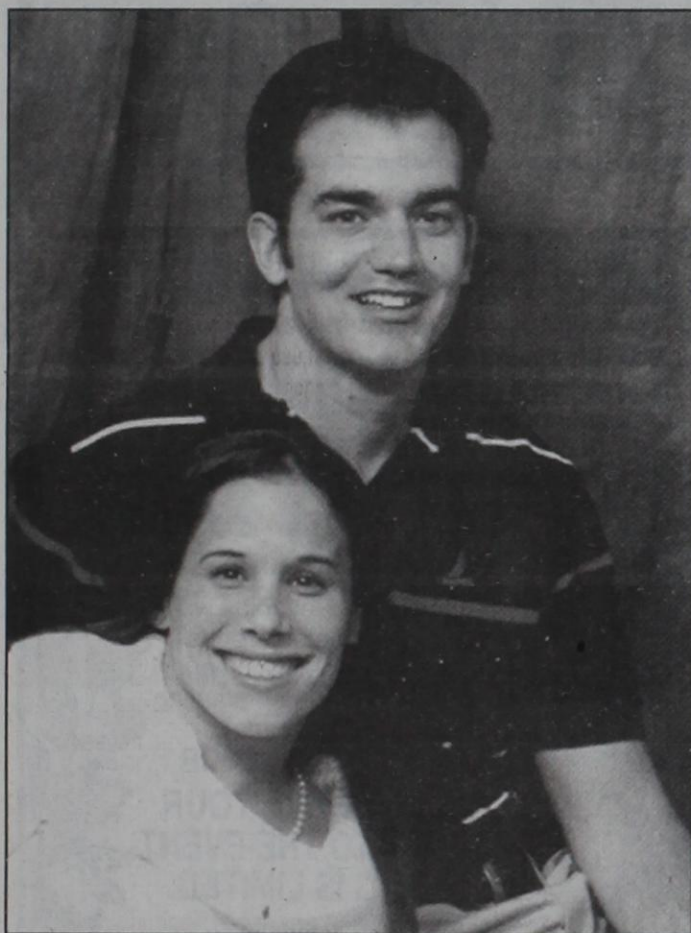
### Berry, Forno engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Berry of Muleshoe are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Shannan Berry of Lubbock to Anthony Forno, also of Lubbock.

The prospective bride is a 1987 graduate of Muleshoe High School, and is currently employed as a grocery checker at United Market Street.

The prospective groom is the son of Ernest Forno of Vestal, New York, and Rita Bell of Spur. He graduated from Spur High School in 1984, and also works as a checker at United Market Street.

The wedding has been set for July 9, 2005, at Christian Life Assembly of God, Lubbock. A reception will follow the wedding services.



### Chafitz, Madrid engaged

Rhonda and Kevin Smith of Muleshoe and Dennis Madrid of Lubbock announce the engagement of their son, Timothy Madrid, to Deborah Chafitz, both of College Station. The prospective bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Chafitz of Sugar Land and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Miller of Houston and Irving Chafitz of Boca Raton, Fla.

Deborah graduated from Plano West Senior High in 2001 and is a senior at Texas A&M University, where she is majoring in exercise physiology and will graduate in August.

The prospective groom graduated from Muleshoe High School in 2000 and is a junior at Sam Houston University in Huntsville, majoring in criminal justice. He is employed by Universal Computer Systems. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Doyle King and Mr. and Mrs. Juan Madrid, all of Muleshoe.

The couple will be married in the garden of the Richmond House in the Houston suburbs on May 7, 2005. They will live in Conroe after the wedding.

## Publication of Obituaries

Obituaries printed in the Muleshoe Journal are printed free of charge and contain the following types of information: date and details of funeral and place of burial; date and place of birth and parents names; date of marriage; limited biographical information, including the highest level of schooling achieved, service in the Armed Forces, profession (and retirement information if applicable); names of relatives who have preceded the person in death; names of survivors (including husband and wife, parents, in-laws, brothers, sisters, grandparents (only the number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren) will be included; and where memorials may be directed. We will be pleased to run a one column black and white photo at no charge. A larger photo or a color photo will cause the obit to be paid. Please keep in mind that everything must be submitted by your funeral home.

## Sports

### Mules outscored by Cubs in district game

By Delton Wilhite  
Sports Writer

The Mules dropped their second district baseball game to the Brownfield Cubs Saturday afternoon.

The Cubs out scored the Mules 6-3.

Landon Wilson pitched a complete game despite being hit on the thigh by a batted ball in the top of the seventh inning. The Cubs scattered six hits and Wilson struck out five.

The Cubs scored two runs on a double in the first inning to take the lead. The Mules got on the board in the third inning with Garrett Behrends sacrificing Wilson after he had doubled to left field.

A Mule error allowed the first Cub batter to reach base and start the fourth inning. He scored before the Mules could record the third out.

Robby Bomer doubled to center field for the Mules in the fourth. Juan Nunez traded places with him on a double that scored Bomer to make it a 3-2 ball game.

The Cubs scored again in the fifth inning before Behrends chased down a fly ball to right for the third out.

Cody Clark drew a walk to open the bottom of the

fifth inning and moved to second on a high pop fly the pitcher could not catch. Behrends laid a bunt down the first baseline for a hit and loaded the bases.

Brownfield changed pitchers and Clark scored on a wild pitch. The next three Mules stuck out and stranded Wilson and

Behrends on base.

Neither team could score in the sixth inning as the two sides were retired in order.

Wilson got the first Cub of the seventh to ground out to Elias Alvarado at second and struck out the second batter. Wilson hit the next two batters before getting hit with a line drive to load the

bases.

An error allowed two runs to score and the Mules could not answer in the bottom of the seventh.

The Mules traveled to Levelland on April 5 and returned home to take on Lubbock Cooper on April 12 and complete the first round of district.

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### NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN ENVIRONS GAS RATES

On February 25, 2005, Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos" or the "Company") filed a Statement of Intent with the Railroad Commission of Texas (the "Commission") to increase its gas rates in the unincorporated area ("Environs") surrounding the Cities of West Texas Service Area (the "Cities"). This proposed increase in gas rates willing to apply to customers residing inside the city limits of the West Texas Service Area.

In its filing, the Company proposes to change its Environs base rates and service charge tariffs to the same level as those current rates previously approved by the Cities for customers inside the city limits. The service charge rates have been in effect inside the city limits since April 10, 2003 and the base rates have been in effect inside the city limits since May 1, 2004. The Company proposes to change the Environs rates effective April 1, 2005. The Commission may suspend the proposed effective date for up to 150 days.

The proposed changes will affect all classes of Environs tariff customers, including Residential, Commercial, Industrial, State Institution, and Public Authority customers. The Company's Air Conditioning Customers, who currently take service under a separate tariff, will instead be served under the Residential tariff. There are approximately 17,306 Atmos Environs tariff customers (15,071 Residential, 1,916 Commercial, 182 Small Industrial, 16 State Institution, and 121 Public Authority). The proposed changes in Environs base rates are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately \$440,274. The Company also proposes to implement and apply a new Weather Normalization Adjustment clause to the bills of customers in weather-sensitive classes (Residential, Commercial, State Institution, and Public Authority).

The typical monthly residential customer bill (assuming consumption of 6 Mcf) and the typical monthly commercial customer bill (assuming consumption of 30 Mcf) will be affected as follows by these changes:

	Current Bill (1)	Proposed Bill (1)	Difference
Residential Customer using 6 Mcf:	\$13.99	\$15.12	\$1.13
Commercial Customer using 30 Mcf:	\$43.05	\$43.10	\$0.05

(1) (a) Includes average PGA of \$4.96 per Mcf as of December 31, 2003.

Atmos estimates that the proposed changes to its nonrecurring charges will increase its Other Revenues in the Environs by approximately \$30,377 annually. The proposed changes are as follows:

Description	Current Charge	Proposed Charge	Increase
<b>DURING BUSINESS HOURS:</b>			
Turn on new service (with meter set)	\$23.50	\$32.00	\$8.50
Turn on service (shut-in test required)	\$19.00	\$23.50	\$4.50

Description	Current Charge	Proposed Charge	Increase
<b>DURING BUSINESS HOURS (cont'd):</b>			
Turn on service (meter read only required)	\$10.50	\$15.00	\$4.50
Miscellaneous service calls	\$10.50	\$11.25	\$0.75
Reconnect delinquent service or Service temporarily off at customer's request	\$29.50	\$37.50	\$8.00

Description	Current Charge	Proposed Charge	Increase
<b>AFTER BUSINESS HOURS:</b>			
Turn on new service (with meter set)	\$35.25	\$48.00	\$12.75
Turn on service (shut-in test required)	\$28.50	\$35.25	\$6.75
Turn on service (meter read only required)	\$15.75	\$22.50	\$6.75
Miscellaneous service calls	\$15.75	\$16.88	\$1.13
Reconnect delinquent service or Service temporarily off at customer's request	\$39.00	\$56.25	\$17.25

The various changes in base rates and nonrecurring charges proposed by Atmos would increase the Company's total revenues in the Environs by approximately \$470,651 on an annual basis, or 9.7%. The proposed change in revenues is a "major change" under state law. The new Environs rates will not exceed 115% of the average of all rates for similar services in all municipalities served by Atmos Energy within the same county.

Affected individuals may review a copy of the proposed filing during normal business hours (9 am until 5 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays) at 1) the local offices of Atmos in its West Texas Division; 2) Atmos' Lubbock office, located at 5110 80th Street; or 3) the Railroad Commission.

Customers affected by the proposed Environs rate changes may file written comments or protests with:

Docket Services Section  
Legal Division (Re: Docket No. 9573)  
Railroad Commission of Texas  
P.O. Box 12967  
Austin, Texas 78711-2967

### Muleshoe Rotary funds shelter box

The Muleshoe Rotary Club has provided funding for a shelter box to be sent to the tsunami-ravaged coastal area of Medan, Northern Sumatra.

With countless thousands dead and nearly five million made homeless by the devastating tidal waves that struck the area on Dec. 26, humanitarian aid enclosed in a box is bringing shelter, security and hope to thousands in the effected areas.

The Muleshoe shelter box is part of a 5,600-box shipment sent to provide temporary housing for more than 56,000 people in the tsunami-affected region.

The unique shelter box, a grass roots humanitarian project of Rotary International, is designed to provide long-term shelter to victims displaced by natural and man-made disasters.

Each durable and multifunctional shelter box contains the means to provide shelter, warmth and survival tools for 10 people, including a three-man 10x20 tent, 10 sleeping bags, water purification tablets, water containers, tools, cooking stove with utensils and containers, flashlights, rain gear, and other useful items.

Shelter boxes are assembled by the Shelter Box Trust in Helston, Cornwall, United Kingdom.

Founded by the Rotary Club of Helston-Lizard, the Shelter Box Trust is assisted with distribution by the worldwide network of Rotarians ensuring that critical shelter arrives for victims in any geographic area.

Sponsors can trace the status of their box online at [www.shelterboxusa.org](http://www.shelterboxusa.org).

For more information contact Shelter Box USA, 941-358-7676 or email [info@shelterboxusa.org](mailto:info@shelterboxusa.org).



**EDITORIAL**

Several years ago, playwright Bertolt Brecht was quoted as saying, "What if they held a war, and no one came? Why then, the war would come to you."

While this slightly tongue-in-cheek remark may capture the imagination, a situation stemming from the May 7 election of the Muleshoe Area Medical Center is at the very least disturbing.

What if you held an election, and no one filed? Well, if you followed Brecht's logic, the obvious answer is that the incumbent can be reapportioned to the position without an election being necessary.

The problem with this is that more than one individual who has spoken to the Muleshoe Journal during the past week have indicated they might have been interested in filing as a candidate if they had known the hospital board election was coming up.

This, of course, is partially the fault of Texas' election laws, which set the deadlines for applications to be placed on the ballot, along with declarations as a write-in candidate, prior to the notice of election.

Granted, we're new to the Lone Star State, but should anybody be surprised if candidates don't file for office if they haven't been notified an election is being held?

Personally, we're too new to Muleshoe to make any type of judgement about Mr. Tim Campbell's service on the hospital board. We've spoken to him three times, and we can say he has always been polite and courteous.

But the fact is that individuals within the community have been voicing concerns about the hospital's administration. Unfortunately, many of these people are apparently reluctant to address these issues directly with the hospital's board of directors... or through the electoral process by filing as a candidate.

We encourage the hospital board members to take a hard look at the events surrounding this election. Even if there was no intent to do wrong, many citizens within the hospital district perceive that a problem exists.

Maybe the answer is to ask for candidates interested in serving on the board prior to appointing someone to the position. Maybe the answer is to call a special election.

We don't know.

What we do know, is that Muleshoe needs this hospital, and somehow... someone needs to come up with a workable solution.

**Letter to the Editor**

**To the Editor:**

We here at the Bailey County Jail would like to let our community know that on April 6 we had our annual jail inspection from the Texas Jail Commission of Jail Standards. We passed with no deficiencies.

We as employees owe it to our jail administrator, Eileen Ciampoli, and assistant jail administrator, Gail Wilcox. These two individuals work long, hard hours to keep this jail up and running.

We enjoy working for these two, and we appreciate all of their dedication to this jail. Without these two, we would not have our jobs. We want to let our community know that these two women, Eileen and Gail, make this jail, and it would not be possible without them.

**Stephanie Geel,  
and the Jail Staff  
of Bailey County Sheriff's Office**

**Art show winner results released**

The results of the Muleshoe Art Annual Spring Show have been released.

The awards and their recipients include:

First Bank Best of Show — Ginnie Seifert with "Garage Sale Bargain," oil.

Oil — First, Jackie Hinderliter with "Gail and Ditto"; Second, Marie Tidwell with "Changing Colors"; and Third, Dot Bowers with "Barn Dance."

Watercolor — First, Mildred Williams with

**American Legion convention set**

The American Legion, 19th District, will hold a two-day Spring Convention beginning on Saturday, April 16, at noon and commencing again on Sunday, April 17, from 9:30 a.m. until noon in Lubbock at Post 575, 6628 W. 66th St.

All members of the American Legion are encouraged to attend. The meeting is also open to all veterans who wish to join the American Legion.

The American Legion is made up of veterans who continue their service to America by serving their communities.

Veterans' involvement in the community creates and supports the feeling of camaraderie that makes the American Legion the nation's largest and most respected organization of wartime veterans.

**Lamplight** By Larry Thornton

I don't like mayonnaise... well, to be perfectly honest saying that I "dislike" mayonnaise is an understatement that only my friends and family who have watched my encounters with it over the years can understand.

After all, I say that I don't like cheese also, but I'll eat it on pizza and the like without complaining... too much. But my dislike for that off-white emulsion of vegetable oil and egg is unsurpassed by any other culinary concoction known to man.

I still remember when my dislike for mayonnaise truly blossomed. Up until that day I didn't like mayonnaise but it hadn't been placed at the top of my list of things that are most wrong with the world.

On that particular day a childcare worker placed before me, as she did all of the children in her care, a seriously mayonnaise-laden hamburger. Then, when I tried to explain that I didn't eat mayonnaise, she took it upon herself to force me to eat the burger.

No, it wasn't physically forced down my throat, but I was browbeat until I picked it up, took a bite, and eventually ate about half of it before I was allowed to stop. As I write this, I can still remember the sight of the mayonnaise as it squished out the sides of the burger... pardon me for a second while I shudder.

From that day on, my hatred for the substance has become almost legendary. As a result, the worst mistake a cook or waitress can make in my opinion involves mayonnaise.

Do you remember the television commercial where the arrogant waitress took the top off the sandwich and wiped the mayonnaise onto the edge of the table? Friends, we're talking about serious heart palpitations. Oh, and don't let anyone trick you... salad dressing is

**Hospital district to receive grant**

The Muleshoe Area Medical Center has received notice of a \$50,000 grant awarded by Office of Rural Community Affairs.

Part of the state's Rural Health Facility Capital Improvement Fund program, the grant will be used to purchase hospital beds in the Bailey County facility.

"Congratulations on your selection," said Charles Stone, ORCA executive director, in his letter to the hospital district. "It is a sign that Muleshoe Area Hospital

mayonnaise.

In the 10th chapter of Acts, we see where the Apostle Peter had to deal with things that he believed to be unclean:

"About noon the following day as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray. He became hungry and wanted something to eat, and while the meal was being prepared, he fell into a trance. He saw heaven opened and something like a large sheet being let down to earth by its four corners. It contained all kinds of four-footed animals, as well as reptiles of the earth and birds of the air. Then a voice told him, 'Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.'

"Surely not, Lord!' Peter replied. 'I have never eaten anything impure or unclean.' The voice spoke to him a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.' This happened three times, and immediately the sheet was taken back to heaven."

By telling Peter to eat the unclean animals in defiance of Jewish law God was preparing Peter for an important journey that he was about to undertake... sharing the truth of God's salvation with the Gentile friends and family of Cornelius.

Jewish law mandated that certain creatures, as detailed in the 11th chapter of the Book of Leviticus, were unclean and were not to be consumed. However, this same law also declared relationships between Jews and Gentiles as being unclean. Therefore, this stumbling block to evangelism had to be removed.

Remember, since the death and resurrection of Christ, mankind has been living under grace and not the law.

While we don't necessarily have these same stumbling blocks, we as Christians often must

deal with other obstacles in our struggle to do God's work. Perceived social standing, economic barriers and personal fears are just a few of the reasons we hesitate and even fail to share God's word with others, ignoring the fact that God has already spoken against each of these, labeling them for what they are... disobedience and sin.

As you move through the week ahead, try to recognize the obstacles that are interfering with your ministry and ask God's help to set them aside.

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### Muleshoe Fire Department receives Farm Bureau check

The Muleshoe Fire Department received a \$150 check recently from Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies as an expression of thanks for the department's work on the property of Steve and Rianna Acorn. The money will be used for the department's loss prevention program. The Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies pay fire departments this amount when the department works at a fire in rural areas, involving property insured by them. The insurance company believes fire departments have contributed to reduce the amount of loss involved by fire and more importantly, to prevent fires. It is their hope this money will help the Muleshoe Fire Department in their program. Pictured on the far left, Muleshoe Fire Department training officer J. O. Parker receives the check from Farm Bureau board member Rodney Baker.

*Nuestros  
Quince Años  
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*Stephanie Morales*

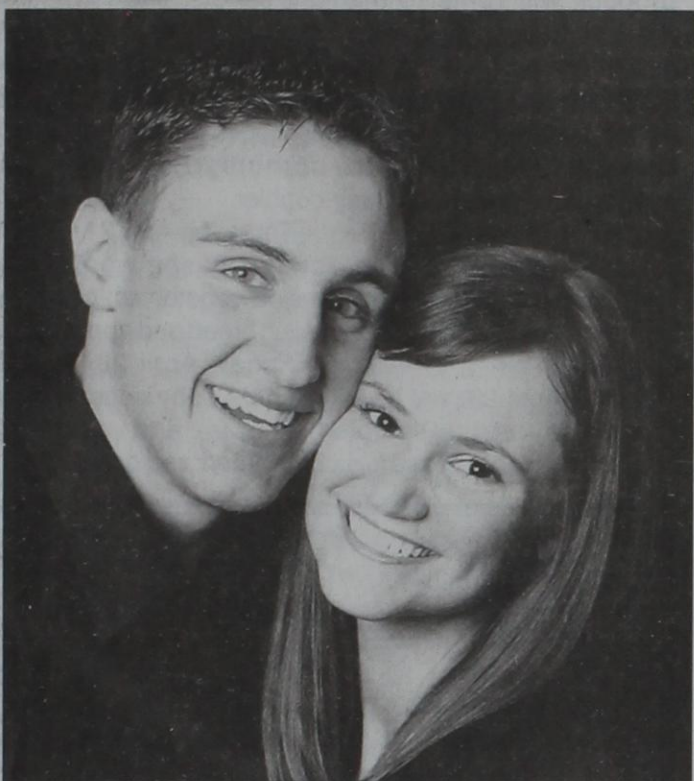


*Felicia Covazos  
April 13, 2005*

*Stephanie y Felicia se complacen en invitarles a la celebración de sus Quince Años, que se llevará a cabo el Sábado 16 de Abril del año 2005 a las 3 de la tarde en el Salón Chicanos Unidos en Muleshoe. Después del servicio agradecemos su presencia a la recepción y al baile de 5 de la tarde a las 1 de la mañana.*

*We Love You!  
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Grandpa & family*

## Engagements



### Warren, Edwards engaged

Mike and Janice Warren are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Stephanie Nicole Warren of Sudan to Guthry Lance Edwards of Earth.

The prospective bride is a 2002 graduate of Sudan High School, and is currently enrolled at Texas Tech, from which she plans to graduate with a degree in accounting in August 2005.

The prospective groom is the son of Steve and Connie Edwards of Earth. He graduated from Springlake-Earth High School in 2002, and is also enrolled at Texas Tech, from which he plans to graduate with a degree in agribusiness in December 2005. Currently, Edwards is an intern at ADM of Lubbock.

The wedding has been set for May 21, 2005, at 6 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Earth, with a reception to follow.



### Johnson, Thomason engaged

Reggie and Sue Johnson and Charles and Pam Thomason are happy to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Jana Gayle Johnson of Stephenville, to Brandon David Thomason, also of Stephenville.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Muleshoe High School and Salon Professionals Academy. She is a stylist for the Regis Corporation in Stephenville.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Muleshoe High School and Tarleton State University with a degree in agricultural service and development. He is employed by Sierra Mesa Ranch in Hico.

The couple will marry June 25, 2005, at First Baptist Church of Muleshoe. A reception will follow in the fellowship hall.

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823 head of cattle, 153 hogs and 449 sheep and goats for a total of 1,425 livestock sold at the April 9th sale. Market fully steady on all stockers with very good demand. Feeder cattle steady to a dollar higher. Packer cows 1-2 dollars lower.

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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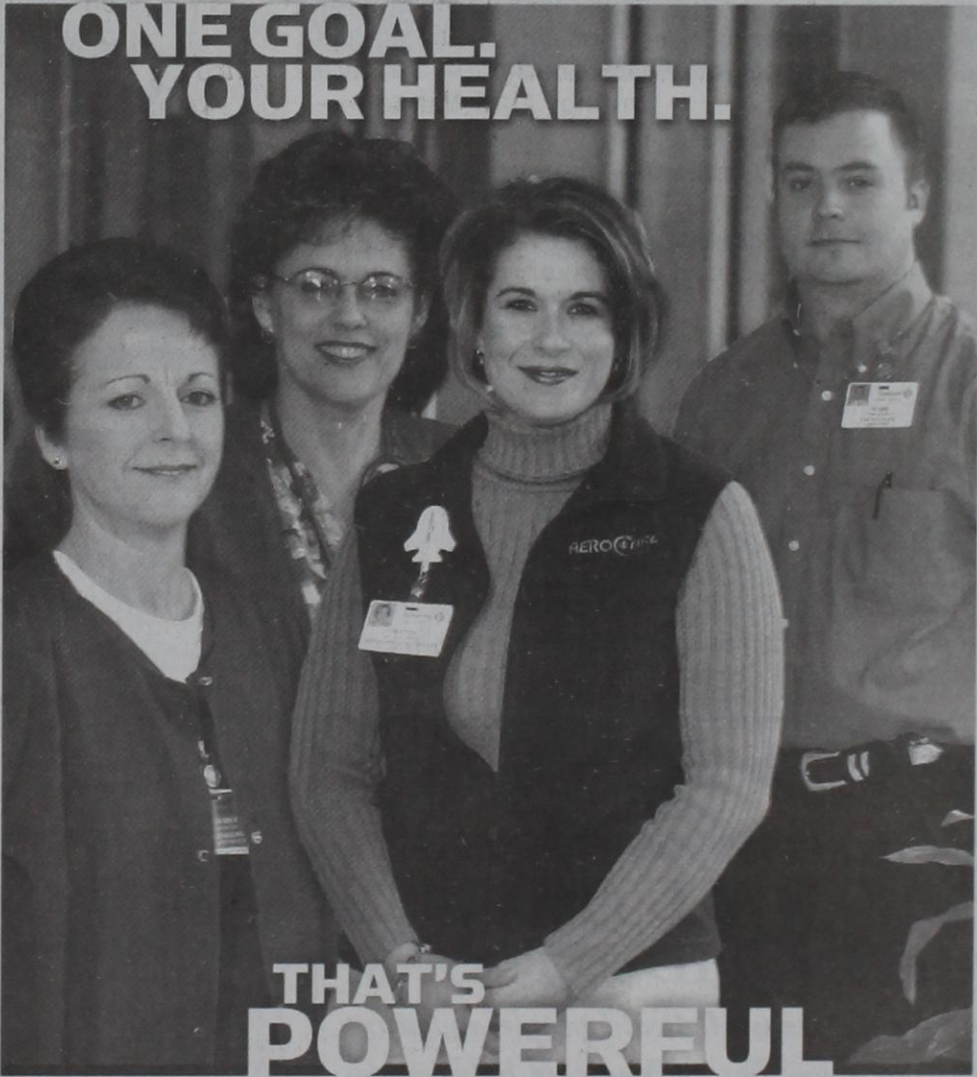
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KP Farms, Lubbock	2	Blk. bulls	318 lbs.	at \$157.50
KP Farms, Lubbock	3	Mxd. bulls	400 lbs.	at \$151.00
Melanie Meeks, Farwell	2	YWF bulls	373 lbs.	at \$147.50
Luis Flores, Muleshoe	4	Mxd. str	373 lbs.	at \$160.00
Luis Flores, Muleshoe	5	Mxd. str	437 lbs.	at \$150.00
Larry Jesko, Muleshoe	3	Red str	407 lbs.	at \$146.00
Larry Jesko, Muleshoe	3	Red str	532 lbs.	at \$130.00
Jay Ray Sagaser, Hale Ctr.	3	Blk. bulls	508 lbs.	at \$130.00
Bill Roberson, Muleshoe		Char. str	550 lbs.	at \$122.00
Buck Gossett Jr., Anton		Blk. bull	580 lbs.	at \$129.00
Troy Tillman, Hale Ctr.		Char. bull	625 lbs.	at \$121.00
Marcial Campos, Muleshoe	3	Mxd. bulls	697 lbs.	at \$102.00
B&P Cattle, Anton	17	Blk. str	802 lbs.	at \$104.75
Felipe Alvarez, Portales		Blk. hfr	225 lbs.	at \$430.00
Luis Flores, Muleshoe	9	Blk. hfrs	365 lbs.	at \$144.00
KP Farms, Lubbock	8	Mxd. hfrs	405 lbs.	at \$125.00
Rafael Reyes, Dimmitt	3	Mxd. hfrs	495 lbs.	at \$123.00
Marcial Campos, Muleshoe	3	Blk. hfrs	630 lbs.	at \$108.00
6P Cattle, Co., Hereford	7	Mxd. hfrs	776 lbs.	at \$100.00
Jerry Giesbrecht, Farwell		BMF pair		\$900.00
Zefferino Saucedo, Swanton		Red cow P7		\$975.00
Ramiro Lopez, Muleshoe		Blk. cow P8		\$1025.00
Cody Altman, Muleshoe	2	Blk. cows	1515 lbs.	at \$57.50
A&B Cattle, Muleshoe	3	Mxd. cows	1460 lbs.	at \$57.00
Zell Roberson, Muleshoe		Blk. cow	1225 lbs.	at \$55.50
Clay Birdwell, Hereford	2	Blk. cows	1520 lbs.	at \$55.00
Joel Liddel, Hereford		Hol. cow	1350 lbs.	at \$57.50
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### Chamber Business of the Month

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture selected United Supermarkets as the April Business of the Month. Pictured above, from left to right, are: Jan Thompson — chamber manager, Jake Davis, Charity Price, Heather Foley — chamber president, Robert Nichols of United, Tad Young, and Noelia "Shorty" Flores.



### Adnaloy's ribbon cutting

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture held a ribbon cutting Thursday, April 7, at Adnaloy's on West American Blvd. Pictured above, from left to right, are: Front row — Jan Thompson, chamber manager, Alice Valdez, Adnaloy's owner Yolanda Ybarra, and Noelia "Shorty" Flores; Second row — Ceclia Flores, Heather Foley, chamber president, Sylvia Wright and Tad Young; and back row — Robert Nichols.

### Muleshoe students take UIL title

For the fifth time in the last six years, Muleshoe High School has captured the Conference 3A District title at the Academics Spring Meet, according to University Interscholastic League officials. Muleshoe scored 418.66 points in the event, outdistancing Cooper at 394, Levelland at 303, Littlefield at 145.33, and Brownfield at 183. Muleshoe students placed in all but two of the events. Among the students, and the events they placed in were: Cristobal Almanza — current issues; Kory Atwood — news writing; Ashley Beggs — calculator applications, feature writing, poetry interpretation, ready writing; Kelsey Beggs — calculator applications, Lincoln Douglas debate; Jordan Bonds — computer science; Charissa Conner — literary criticism; Amber Cowart — feature writing; Angel Daniel — social studies; Trisha Escobar — spelling and vocabulary; Niclas Green — computer science, mathematics, number sense; Jessica Hall — prose interpretation; Lindsey Hall — prose interpretation; Brad Henry — computer science; Paje McRoberts — feature writing; April Morgan — literary criticism; Shanna Rempe — mathematics; Anna Symm — ready writing, science; Cami Jo Vandiver — poetry interpretation; Brant Wedel — computer science; Tyler Wood — mathematics, science. Of these participants, Cristobal Almanza, Ashley Beggs, Kelsey Beggs, Charissa Conner, Amber Cowart, Trisha Escobar, Niclas Green, Jessica Hall, Brad Henry, Franklin Piland, Shanna Rempe, Anna

Symm, Brant Wedel, Tyler Wood, Amberlee Steinbock and Camie Jo Vandiver will be going to regional competition.

## Senior Citizen News

Clara Harbin and Elsie Williams are April hostesses for the 9 a.m. games every Tuesday morning at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center. The refreshments are great and the games are fun.

The pool tables are seeing a lot of action and there's a good number at the 10 a.m. exercise video, "Walk Away the Pounds." Walkers still click off the miles too and new books arrive often at the library.

The Senior Citizens Board Meeting at the center is always on the 2nd Tuesday at 6 p.m. at the senior center. They meet on April 12 this month. The meetings are open to the public and your ideas are welcomed.

The Tuesday evening Senior Citizen Dance welcomed a number of first time visitors last week. Five people came from Littlefield, some from Lubbock and many from surrounding towns.

The crowd always numbers more than 50 and the food, fellowship and music make for a fun evening out in Muleshoe. Some new people said they hadn't danced in years, but found that they still remembered the steps and enjoyed dancing.

On Thursday, at 11 a.m., W. T. and Pat Watson will begin their program of country-western music on piano and steel guitar for our birthday party. They will join the lunch crowd at 11:30 a.m.

We'll recognize our birthday people at noon. W. T. and Pat will bring more of their toe-tapping music right after lunch.

On Friday, April 15, Jim Milner with Rightway Medical will be at the senior center to see those who need diabetic shoes.

On Monday, April 18, at 2 p.m. the movie, "Iron-jawed Angels" will be shown at the senior center, presented by Kay Cole. It is the story of women gaining the right to vote.

On April 19, Tuesday, the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council from Lubbock will come to the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center to view the facility and have lunch with our seniors. All senior citizens are invited to come to lunch and help us welcome this group.

On Thursday afternoon, April 28, we'll enjoy a sing-along with Ann and James Sinclair.

Friday, April 29, will be a special day at the senior center when Rosalee

Musgrave brings two exhibition teams of line dancers from Lubbock. They will perform at 11 a.m. and then again right after lunch.

Local seniors will be able to join the teams and learn the art of line dancing. We are looking for line dance instructors also. Come to this fun event at the center

The menu for the upcoming week is:

Monday, April 18 — Carne guisada, ejotes guisados, mexican rice, ambrosia fruit salad, and coyotitas.

Tuesday, April 19 — Roast beef sandwich on wheat toast, tator tots or fries, peas and carrots, sliced tomatoes and fruit salad.

Wednesday, April 20 — Braised steak with onions, scalloped potatoes, spinach, cornbread and apple cobbler.

Thursday, April 21 — Pork chop, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, raisin bread and applesauce.

Friday, April 22 — Fish nuggets, baby limas, carrots, bananas and oranges, cornbread and cookies.

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# Education

## MISD teacher talks to education leaders

Muleshoe ISD Junior High Math teacher Robin Welch traveled to Austin this week to speak to the Texas Education Agency regarding problems with the TAKS math test.

Welch, who spoke on behalf of teachers in Muleshoe and all across the state, is a former Muleshoe ISD Secondary Teacher of the Year as well as Region 17 Secondary Teacher of the Year.

Along with MISD Superintendent Gene Sheets, Welch met with the Director of Math TAKS and the Director of Student Assessment at the Texas Education Agency.

Welch articulated the problems with the math test and TAKS in general. She brought samples of her students' work for several of the math questions, and showed the TEA staff that some of these questions were misleading and confusing and didn't properly test the students' knowledge of math.

The representatives from TEA listened and took notes during the meeting. Several times, they told Welch she had very good points and

they would consider what she said as they worked on future tests.

Welch said that teachers were not afraid of accountability, but the questions on the TAKS test seem to be constructed in a way that "distracts" students from getting the correct answers on the math test instead of trying to determine whether the students knew the math they should have been taught.

Sheets and Welch also met with Rep. Warren Chisum and Sen. Kel Seliger. Both legislators came off the House and Senate floors to meet with her, and listened to Welch and seemed concerned about what was happening on the TAKS tests.

Welch told the legislators students were frustrated at having to take a test such as confusing questions. She told them it wasn't right to fail a child based on these tests when the tests are constructed in this manner.

Reportedly, Sen. Seliger was so impressed that he said he was going to try to establish an interim committee to study this situation.

"They could definitely see Mrs. Welch's love for children and passion for teaching. She did a great job representing all of the teachers in Muleshoe and all of Texas who care about helping each child be successful," Sheets said. "I am very proud to have teachers like Robin Welch in Muleshoe who truly care about children."

### History Notes

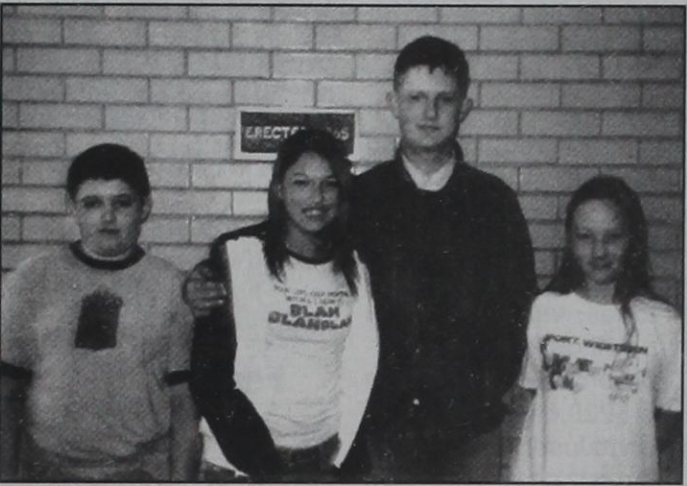
In 1997, the 75th Legislature designated the guitar as the state musical instrument.



## Lazbuddie Elementary February Students of the Month

The students of the month for February have been named at Lazbuddie Elementary. 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 as follows: Pre-Kindergarten — Priscilla Salazar, the daughter of Jamie and Elizabeth Salazar; Kindergarten — Gentry Hicks, the daughter of Scott and Tiffany Hicks; First

Grade — Alonzo Soto, the son of Luz Andrade; Second Grade — Celeste Lucio, the daughter of Monse Melendez and Guadalupe Martinez; Third Grade — John Ryan, the son of Dieter and Kristine Isaacson; Fourth Grade — Leslie Carlile, the daughter of Becky Cook; and Fifth Grade — Todd Nichols, the son of Mike and Sherrie Nichols. Pictured above, from left to right, are: Front row — Priscilla Salazar, Gentry Hicks, Alonzo Soto and Celeste Lucio. Back row — Todd Nichols, Leslie Carlile and John Ryan Isaacson.



## Lazbuddie High School, Jr. High Students of the Month announced

Lazbuddie High School and Junior High's February Students of the Month have been announced. Among the students honored are:

- Brett Mimms, the 18-year-old son of Clay and Reta Mimms. His favorite

musicians are Bob and Tom. Butterscotch is his favorite candy. Brett will be attending Sul Ross University. Crabs and duck sauce creep him out. Brett's teachers say he has been working hard to maintain his good grades.

- Brianna Sanchez, the 15-year-old daughter of Jr. and Chandra Sanchez. She doesn't have a favorite musician, but her favorite candy is cookies and cream. She has not yet decided where she will attend college. Spiders creep her out. She says we should ask her teachers why she was chosen as student of the month. Brianna has been a positive influence in school areas.

February's Junior High Students of the Month are:

- Cohen Weaver, the 12-year-old son of Shannon Weaver and Robin Strobel. His favorite musician is Toby Keith, and his favorite candy is Snickers®. Colten would like to attend Texas Tech University. Shellfish creep him out. He thinks he was chosen as student of the month because of his good grades. His teachers say he works hard on improving his skills.

- Tina Suderman, the 12-year-old daughter Peter and Aganetha Suderman. She likes Skittles® candy. Spiders and snakes creep her out. She feels she was chosen as a student of the month because she was here all month, and her conduct was good. Her teacher says she is cheerful and polite and works very hard.

### History Notes

In 1991, the 72nd Legislature designated the square dance as the state folk dance.

## Final softball signup set

The last chance to register for Muleshoe youth softball has been set for April 22.

Youngsters wishing to play must be signed up by April 22.

Individuals seeking information about the program or registration should call Elisa Baca at 272-3043, or Christy Garcia at 272-4732.

There is a \$25 registration fee.

## Nursing Home News

Anita Johnson directed the craft class Thursday morning. Residents participating were Gladys Wilson, Cathy Wilson, Gladys Wright, Alliene Lasiter, Cynthia Crawford, Ruth Clements and Jack Graves.

Thursday afternoon Liz Howard from Hobbs, N.M., entertained by singing.

A special performance was given by our own Blanca.

Friday morning was a time for April fool pranks, which were played on the staff and residents as well.

The Harold Carpenters visited Friday afternoon. Harold played songs requested by the residents as well as songs that came to Harold's mind. Avis lead songs in which the words were familiar to her, as well as the residents.

The Bingo Bash was directed Saturday by Butch Vandiver and Iris Clements. Joan Brown, from Portales visited Park View Friday and brought beauty supplies and bingo prizes for the residents.

The Muleshoe Church of Christ directed a communion service Sunday morning.

Harold Burge taught the Bible Study Sunday morning.

The First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe directed a communion service as well as church services Sunday afternoon.

The Earth Church of Christ delivered gift sacks that they had put together for the residents Sunday afternoon.

April Smith's computer lab of Muleshoe High School prepared the April Activity Calendars and delivered them Thursday.

Jarl James visited the residents and staff Friday.

Pastor Gary and Judy Hubbard directed a memorial service for Vada Alexander Tuesday morning. Vada's children, Sharon Dale and Curtis Alexander, and her granddaughter, Diane Skepworth and the residents attended the service.

Volunteers came Tuesday afternoon to shampoo, set and comb out the ladies hair.

Pat Clark, Pat Watson, Dolores Garrett, Josie Ovalle, Eva Nell Dale, and Jan Crawford volunteered their time and talents.

Peggy Dent visited the residents and did special things for them Tuesday afternoon.

Laverne James visited

Jewel Peeler and Virgie Perry on Monday.

Doris Palmer baked cupcakes and brought them to the CNAS and nurses Monday.

Jim Kee was visited by his daughter Jan Pierce this week.

Francis Purdy and Mollie Johnston received a visit from Cindy Purdy, this week.

Harold and Mary Jo Burge and Loyce Killingsworth served coffee and donuts to the residents at Coffee Time Wednesday morning. Harold read humorous and interesting tidbits to the residents.

Loyce Killingsworth, Anna B. Lane and Jo Ellen Cowart directed the singspiration/devotional time Wednesday morning.

The Gladys Myers family "dressed up" our home with beautiful bouquets of fresh flowers.

Jackie Scoggins came Wednesday afternoon to play the piano for our sing-a-long.

Arnold Prater and Rick Hunter played catch with Mr. Prater's granddaughter Bailey recently.

Joy Whitt visited Park View Wednesday afternoon. Among those she visited were Jewel Peeler and Francis Purdy.

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## Some Days Bring a Lot of Waiting—and Wondering

Last week my brother Jim and I were in Houston. What follows is an article he wrote for his church newsletter.

As I write this late at night from a computer in Houston, I'm struck by the strangeness of the situation I'm in. Not that it's strange in its circumstance—but that it's strange in mine. I'm in hospitals all the time; I'm in ICU's and CCU's almost weekly, sometimes daily, helping the injured

nology is always a blessing.

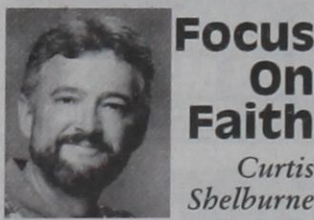
My sister smiled today as my brother Curtis and I joked about our being able to finally get the last word (she can't talk because of the ventilator); she spelled out a few words on a letter chart with great effort that made me tired just watching. And she endured our forced monologues for longer than anyone should have to. (Of course, our churches have to endure our monologues all the time!) I was glad she could smile, glad she could still squeeze my hand, glad she could find comfort in prayer and the closeness of brothers she half-raised. The next few days will bring a lot more waiting. And a lot more wondering.

Will she survive this? What kind of life will she have if she does? How long will it take before we know? Why does life have to be so hard for some people? What is the purpose in prolonged suffering if there's no good outcome? Why can't God just take her home if that's what's best? Those are standard waiting room questions, all too common and on the minds of every family member who spends time in ICU.

It's O.K. to wonder; it's only human. The good news is that God's still God; and completely in control. If He chooses to heal her slowly over months and years, then God's good and I'll be thankful. And if He chooses to heal her quickly by letting her lose this battle of the injured flesh—then God's good, and I'll be thankful. Of all the points on my "list of things to wonder about," there's one thing I never wonder about—God's goodness. God is good. All the time.

I love you! Jim

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



### Focus On Faith

Curtis Shelburne

members of my flock find comfort and support. Sometimes, helping them as they die. That's what I do. It's my job. I'm no stranger to bed-sides in hospitals and after pastoring for 27 years, I think I've seen just about everything.

But this time is different, because this time I'm not the pastor, I'm the family member, I'm the one sitting in the waiting room until it's time to go in again. The one in the bed, fighting for life, is my sister Ruthie who, almost 8 weeks ago, managed to get run over by a Houston Metro Train while riding as a passenger in a medical transport van. One minute she's coming from a doctor's appointment—the next, she's being extricated from a crushed van by the jaws of life. Since that time, all that's kept her alive is a ventilator and lots of other whiz-bang medical technology. Sometimes I wonder if tech-



## Hospital district election questions... Continued from page 1

concerning the allegations that had been lodged against him, Campbell denied saying anything intimidating to the hospital personnel he asked to sign the petition, noting that when he asked one person to sign the petition, a couple of other employees across the hall overheard him and walked over to sign it as well.

"There was no intent to do anything wrong," Campbell said. He also said he felt bad because Bone took the petition around as a favor to him.

Campbell, who said he hadn't initially intended to run for election again, only deciding to do so at the last minute when someone else he thought was going to run for the Place 2 seat decided not to run.

Campbell also expressed surprise that the election notice hadn't been published or posted

properly. It should be noted that the state's election code allows several methods of posting election notices:

- By publishing in a newspaper,
- By posting in a public place within each of the hospital district's five precincts.

- By mailing the notice to each registered voter within the hospital district.

"There was no effort or intent to deny individuals the opportunity to file," Bone said. "We want to do everything we can to stay within the law."

Which, according to information from the Texas Secretary of State's office, the hospital district has done.

A political subdivision such as the hospital district has until Monday, April 18, to a post notice of election in each election precinct instead of publishing the notice in a newspaper.

Publication in a newspaper would have required the first insertion of the notice to be on April 7.

If the hospital district wished to mail individual notices to the registered voters, it apparently would have until approximately April 27, the required 10 days prior to election day, to accomplish the task.

However, these dates are currently moot, according to Bone, who said in an interview Thursday, April 7, that at its next meeting, one of the items will be to cancel the May 7 election for both Place 2 and 4.

Bone explained that as Riley was the only candidate to file for Place 4, she will take that seat unopposed.

Bone further said that since Campbell's initial improperly-dated petition, and the petition he (Bone) presented for signatures were destroyed and not filed, the Place 2 seat will

be vacant, and said the hospital board is empowered to appoint someone to that position.

As for the petitions, state law requires that an individual who circulates a petition explain the reason for the petition prior to it being signed, and sign an affidavit attesting to that fact when the petition is turned in.

According to officials at the State Ethics Commission, there is a possibility that an individual employed by a political subdivision, such as a hospital district, who uses "time on the job" for his own or another's personal benefit could be prosecuted under Sec. 39.02 of the state penal code.

And also that state law also prohibits the coercion of a voter, but that such incidents would be referred to the county attorney's office rather than a state agency.

## Health

Submitted by Mandi Seaton  
Bailey County, Extension Agent-FCS

A special luminaria ceremony held during the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life — Bailey County — remembers those lost to cancer and honors those who have survived. Luminaria candles will be lit at Benny Douglas Stadium on April 29 to represent those individuals.

Anyone desiring to purchase a luminaria may do so by contacting Heather Foley at 272-4102 or 965-2727. Luminaria candles are available for a donation. All funds raised through these sales support the programs and services of the American Cancer Society.

"It will be beautiful when all the bags with candles are illuminated around the track," said Heather Foley, Luminaria chair. "We hope to sell enough to light the entire area."

Relay for Life brings numerous groups and individuals concerned about cancer together for a unified effort to fight back. Former and current cancer patients, their families, businesses, civic organizations and the public are invited to take part in this exciting team event. This "celebration of life" takes place on April 29, from 5 p.m. to April 30 at 10 a.m., at Benny Douglas Stadium.

Relay for Life is a family-oriented event where participants enjoy the camaraderie of a team and also raise funds to support the activities of the American Cancer Society. Participants camp out at the Relay site and when they are not taking their turn walking or running, they take part in fun activities and enjoy local entertainment.

Bailey County cancer survivors will kick off the Relay for Life on April 29 with the first official lap; then the rest of the participants join the fun. For information on cancer, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit the web site [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org) <<http://www.cancer.org>>.

## City Council takes action... Continued from page 1

election. Behrends and Mark Beards were unopposed in their bids for the Dist. 3 and 4 seats. Monday was Councilwoman Sharon Grant's final regular meeting.

- Reluctantly received the resignation letter of Tom Scolley, emergency management coordinator for Muleshoe and Bailey County. Brunson expressed his appreciation for the years of service Scolley has provided to the community, and said Mayor Cliff Black and County Judge Sherri Harrison would have the responsibility of appointing Scolley's replacement.

- "I'd like to say thanks to Tony," Mayor Black said. "It takes a lot of behind the scene work," the mayor added, referring to Scolley's efforts in emergency management.

- Approved a request from Juan Chavez, president of Bailey County Comite Patrotico, for \$800 to help with the promotion of el

Cinco de Mayo 2005.

- Approved a request from Lonnie Adria of Tour de Muleshoe for \$1,518.39 to be used in promoting the June 11 bicycle tour. Although Adrian requested \$4402.09, the city manager pointed out that the T-shirts and water bottles listed in the promotion cost breakdown fell into the category of prizes and didn't meet the new requirements that had to be met.

- Approved a request from Daniel Guzman, president of the Muleshoe Roadriders, for \$1,413, used to promote the March 18-19 event. Guzman thanked the city, the council and the police department for their assistance with the event.

- Approved the city's financial statement and investment summary for the period ending March 31.

- Approved a resolution authorizing the city to submit a 90/10 matching grant application for two police cars from the Office of the

Governor, Criminal Justice Division. Brunson explained the city had learned there were funds available from the governor's officer for police equipment, and Police Chief Don Carter had already taken the preliminary steps required, and that the police department had already been "pre-approved" for two fully-equipped Ford Crown Victorias, valued at more than \$60,000.

- Approved a resolution for a \$220,000 grant application to fund a home renovation program. Brunson explained that if the funds were received, the city would use the money to either renovate local homes or possibly demolish and replace four existing private homes of approximately 900 square feet.

"They'd be pretty plain," the city manager said, "but they'd be a vast improvement over what they replaced."

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# Heritage Board Report

The monthly meeting of the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation Board had many lively discussions about anticipated activities at the center on Monday, April 4, at the Santa Fe Depot.

President Jim Allison conducted the business meeting and the secretary's report was given by Jenne McVicker. Gary Hooten gave the financial statement and both reports were approved.

Ladene Spears gave a positive report about the Heritage Thrift Shop. The center hostess Dolores Harvey asked the board to

approve the purchase of shelves to hold the Muleshoe High School annuals which she has been collecting. The board approved this purchase and also voted to buy a new annual each year to keep the collection updated.

Dolores reported that some grade school annuals have also been donated. The board approved charging a fixed fee for use of the depot rather than for separate rooms and an added fee for use of the kitchen.

The hostess then reported that she and board member Sammie Simpson,

have discovered two door knobs at the Janes Ranch House which have Aladdin House on them.

Simpson has a catalogue from Aladdin Houses which shows these door knobs exactly. This solves one of the longtime mysteries about the origins of the Janes House. After further investigation, they found door hinges at the Figure 4 Ranch House duplicating hinges found in a Sears, Roebuck catalogue. Simpson has done extensive research on old structures and artifacts and is now researching old Black school houses from the segregation era. It

should be noted that Muleshoe has one of these old schools.

The president then reported on some of the wonderful ideas which were given to the board at the town hall-type meeting held March 22 with interested visitors. He continued that others have been calling with other ideas, so there is a great deal of community interest in these activities.

Allison further stated that the Dean of Architecture at Texas Tech University plans to come to the center sometime in April to help board members develop a master plan for the Heritage Center.

Board members then discussed having a special day or weekend using some of the ideas submitted by area citizens during the summer. Further action on this soon.

Updates were given about grant proposals now pending and the publication of the Bailey County Historical book published in 1977-78 by the students of Lavonne McKillip.

New business dealt with landscaping on the highway frontage area by the Figure 4 Ranch House. Board members voted to consider plans submitted by those interested in doing this work. Hopefully, landscaping can begin soon on this area.

Lonnie Adrian gave an upbeat report about the summer Tour de Muleshoe Bike Ride which will be held June 11 beginning at the Assembly of God Activity Center.

The rides will be the same length with all of the same features such as a free T-shirt, free lunch and the drawing for \$500, as well as merchant's door prizes.

Adrian also noted that

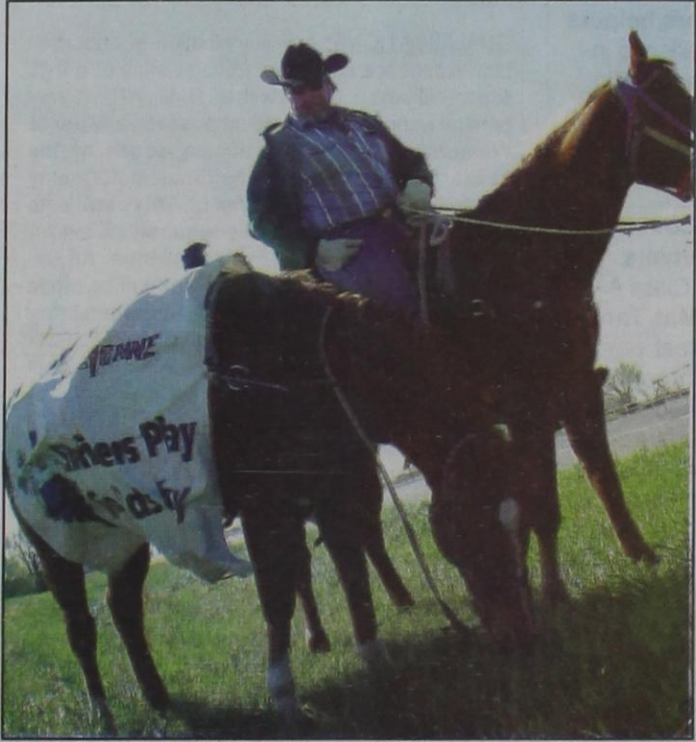
water bottles are much more expensive this year and that flyers advertising the event and T-shirts have been ordered.

The T-shirts this year will be yellow with a new design on them and the seven business sponsor's logos on the back.

These business sponsors are: First Bank, Leal's Restaurant, Muleshoe State Bank, Minsa Corporation, United Supermarket, Five Area Telephone Coop and Bailey County Co-Op Association.

The last business conducted at this meeting was the election of Robert Nichols, the new manager of United, to replace Joe Bolinger who was recently transferred to the Canyon United store.

Board members attending this meeting included: Allison, board secretary McVicker, board treasurer Hooten, vice president Dustin Wilhite, publicity chair Jean Allison, Sammie Simpson, Lonnie Adrian, Lavonne McKillip, Ladene Spears, Vivian White and Hostess Harvey.



Mike Hansen heads out on another day of riding.

## Riding from Houston to Cheyenne the hard way

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

What had begun as a "simple" horseback ride from Houston to Cheyenne, Wyoming, has become a journey fueled by determination for Mike Hansen of Santa Fe, Texas.

And while Hansen's first steps may have begun on Feb. 26 at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo trail ride, the journey actually began many years earlier when Hansen's oldest son Clayton was only 12 years old.

Hansen, a heavy equipment operator by trade, said in an interview that Clayton was severely burned while playing with gasoline and was rushed to the Shrine Burn Institute at Galveston for treatment.

After several skin grafts on his legs, Clayton was released, Hansen said, but the burn center didn't charge him a penny for all of his son's medical treatment. That was several years ago, and Clayton is now 21 years old, but Hansen said he's been trying to think of a way to repay the Shrine Burn Institute for all it did ever since.

Then, a couple of years ago, Hansen got the idea to ride a couple of his horses from one of the country's biggest rodeos at Houston, to the other — the Frontier Days Rodeo at Cheyenne, which starts on July 22.

"It was about all I figured I could do," Hansen said. He also pointed out that he wasn't a Shriner, or a member of the related organization the Masons.

Hansen explained that he was making this 1,200 mile trek to bring attention to the work being accomplished at the burn center, and hopefully to raise money for the hospital also. Toward

that end, the hospital gave him a number of envelopes, marked "Houston to Cheyenne" to distribute along the way.

Originally, Hansen had thought about making the trip alone, however, his youngest son Justin joined him during the early stages, driving Hansen's pickup and towing his stock trailer. Unfortunately, when Justin had to return home for college, Hansen was left by himself, which effectively tripled the distance Hansen has to travel.

After saddling two of the three horses he's brought with him, Hansen tries to ride from 20 to 30 miles a day, leaving his pickup and trailer at the spot he's camped the previous night. Then, he finds a place to leave his horses, hitchhikes back to the truck, and drives it and his remaining horse to the location of the other two horses.

"Some bad days," Hansen said, "I think about quitting and going home, but I won't."

Individuals who wish to donate to the Shrine Burn Institute may do so by mailing a check to Arabia Shrine Hospital Benefit, "Houston to Cheyenne," P.O. Box 20625, Houston, TX 77225-0625.

### Safety Notes

#### To protect your child:

- Set hot water heater thermostats to 120° or less.
- A baby's bath should be no warmer than 100°.
- Avoid placing hot liquids within reach.
- When cooking, use back burners and turn pot handles inward.
- Secure matches, lighters, gasoline and other flammables.
- Use electrical outlet covers, and keep electrical appliances out of reach.

## United stores help to fight family violence

United Supermarkets has teamed up with the Texas Council on Family Violence and local family violence shelters to help raise funds that will ensure the continuation of emergency shelter services to victims of family violence and their children.

Because of shrinking dollars on the federal and state levels, the ability for many Texas shelters to remain open and available to battered women and their children is in jeopardy.

Beginning on April 15, and ending on May 15, United Supermarkets customers will have the option to make a monetary donation to their local family violence shelter while checking out. The minimum contribution is \$1. Shelters will use funds raised during the Connecting to Hope Campaign to meet the most basic needs of battered women and their children, including the provision of emergency shelter, food, clothing, transportation, medical assistance, and other individualized personal needs.

Further, funds will ensure the continuation of

supportive services for women and children including individual and group counseling for women and children, legal advocacy services, social services referral, and prevention and intervention services through Community Education Programs.

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