

MEDC considers another 'conduit' project

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation approved an inducement resolution during Thursday's regular meeting, calling for the MEDC to act as the "conduit issuer" of up to \$2.5 million in industrial revenue bonds for a Deaf Smith County dairy.

During MEDC Director Janet Claborn's presentation to the board members, she explained that PPP Dairy would be using the revenue bonds to expand the existing facility. She also noted that she had accompanied Muleshoe City Manager to Hereford, where they discussed the issue with the Deaf Smith County commissioners, who approved the MEDC acting as the conduit issuer.

Thursday's resolution is the first step in the bonding process and marks the beginning of the 60-day period state law sets for the issuance of the bonds.

"This does not say we are going to be the issuers of the bonds," Claborn reminded the board members. For the MEDC to consider participating as bond issuer, PPP Dairy was required to include a \$1,000 non-refundable application fee.

Should the MEDC vote to approve proposal, corporation and municipal assets are protected from loss.

Prior to the vote, MEDC board member Mark Morton explained why the economic development corporation in Muleshoe was being asked to serve as the conduit issuer for a Deaf Smith County project. "Most communities are not as progressive as Muleshoe," he said.

During the portion of the meeting set aside for staff comments, Brunson voiced agreement with Morton's

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Former Columbine student, and brother of victim Rachel Scott, pictured on the right, spoke of the choices local students had during Saturday's gathering at the Bailey County Coliseum. The event, which was sponsored by the LAPD and Muleshoe Ministerial Alliance drew a large crowd of area students and adults.



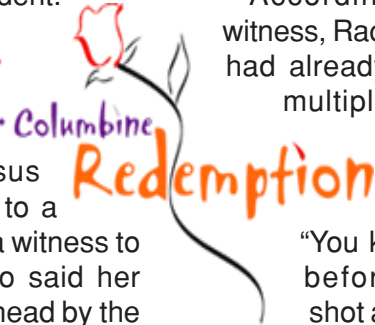
Scott urges students to 'start a chain reaction'

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Area students and adults gathered at the Bailey County Coliseum Saturday to listen to Craig Scott speak of the tragic shooting at Columbine High School and the prayers of his sister Rachel Scott, who became a symbol of love and compassion in the days that

followed the incident.

Scott talked about how Rachel was executed for her faith in Jesus Christ, referring to a statement from a witness to the incident who said her killer raised her head by the hair and asked, "Do you still believe in God?"



According to the witness, Rachel—who had already received multiple gunshot wounds, replied defiantly, "You know I do," before being shot a final time.

Craig spoke of his personal faith in God,

and how God gave him the strength to help other students in the Columbine High School's library flee to safety only moments after two of his friends were shot to death just inches away from him and just seconds before the gunmen returned to the library.

Talking about his sister's faith, Craig said she always

believed God was going to use her to impact the world.

Scott said God had done so, using Rachel's tragic death and the program Columbine Redemption to urge students to "start a chain reaction" of compassion, reaching out to tell students that they mattered and that they can make a difference.

'Dream Team' meets with school district's architects

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Independent School District's Citizens' Facilities Task Force — the MISD Dream Team — met with Stephen Faulk of MWM Architects during Thursday's meeting and looked at some alternate construction and renovation ideas the architectural firm had prepared.

At the beginning of the meeting, Superintendent Gene Sheets talked about the district's grade campus alignment and how the school district's facilities reached their current level and condition.

He also noted that while the district has some growth needs, there were other needs that had to be taken into consideration, referring to the ongoing building maintenance needs.

Faluk reminded the advisory committee that construction costs were not going down, and that the

price of fuel, steel and cement — items that dictated a large amount of the construction costs — were not going down. "We need to take such things into

"It doesn't make sense to paint the walls and not fix the air conditioning"

consideration when making a decision," he said.

Faluk said the architects had been working under the assumption there would be about \$20 million in state and local funds for projects

across the school district, referring to the bonding cap mention by the school district's financial advisor at a previous meeting.

Faluk said described the

architects were at a point where they needed to know the district's priorities.

When Dream Team member Max King asked about the possibility of renovating Muleshoe High School instead of replacing the majority of the building, as was suggested in the proposed drawings presented Thursday, Faulk estimated that renovation costs for the facility could reach as high as \$13 million.

King said he was concerned that the largest

portion of the construction and renovation funds mentioned in the options discussed Thursday would be directed toward the high school.

In response, task force

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Relay for Life seeks 2006 teams

The second annual Bailey County Relay for Life is scheduled for June 23 and 24 at Benny Douglas Stadium in Muleshoe, and will give area residents yet another chance to join the battle against cancer.

At last year's relay, 10 local teams helped raise almost \$10,000, and this year, Relay for Life coordinators have upped their goals, hoping for 10 additional teams to commit their efforts and raise an additional \$10,000, for a total 20 teams and \$20,000.

According to Relay for Life team recruitment chair Charla Cogdill, the teams will consist of eight to 10 people, with either a team captain or co-captains. Each team members is required to raise \$100, through fund



raisers or donations, and will receive a t-shirt for participating in the event.

Individuals wishing to form a team or request additional information my

contact the Bailey County event chair, Kim Cook, at 272-4093, cookbiz@yahoo.com, or Cogdill at 946-6123, cdcogdill@gmail.com.

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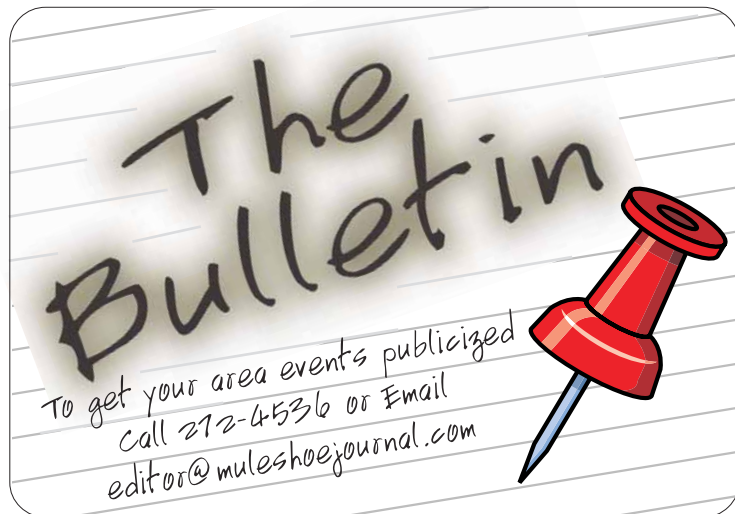
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The Bailey County Diabetes Support Group will meet this month on Monday, Feb. 20, at 7 p.m., in the Bailey County Coliseum Meeting Room. Please note the date change. It is for this month only. The program will be "Surviving a Hospital Stay." This program is free of charge to everyone interested. For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 806-272-4583.

AA and Al-Anon meeting

Those looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Friday at the First United Methodist Church, at 507 W. 2nd, Muleshoe. Please use the west side entrance. For information about these meetings or AA and Al-Anon in general call 806-965-2870.

Girl Scout cookies going on sale

Muleshoe's Girl Scouts, part of the Caprock Council, have started their annual cookie sales, and will be joining more than 4,000 other Caprock Girl Scouts in the annual marketing venture that will run from Jan. 10 to March 15.

Muleshoe Class of 1991

The Muleshoe High School Class of 1991 is looking for classmates. Please visit www.mhs1991.myevent.com or call (701)866-5063 for further information.

Scholarship applications available

Applications for the Kristy M. Landers Memorial Scholarship are available from the MHS counselor, Gayla Gear. Final day to apply is Feb. 23.

First Ag Credit Scholarship

First Ag Credit, Muleshoe is calling for applications for its 2006 scholarships. First Ag Credit is offering two \$250 scholarships to deserving high school seniors. To be eligible for the First Ag Credit Scholarship, students must be a resident of Panner, Bailey, or Lamb County, have a "B" above grade point average, be a full-time student at a college or university in the Fall 2006 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, the Friona High School counselor at 250-3951, the Lazbuddie High School counselor at 965-2156, or the Muleshoe High School counselor at 272-7303. The deadline to apply is April 15.

Calvary Baptist youth fund raiser

The youth at Calvary Baptist Church are selling cookies and cakes as a fund raiser. To place an order or request additional information call 272-4012 or 272-4071.

Softball league signup

The signup for the Co-ed Softball League has started and the final signup date is Feb. 18, with the season to begin on March 2. Anyone interest can sign up at the Alco in Muleshoe or contact David Ruiz at 272-5525, or Eufemia Torres at 272-4605 or 729-8106.

Fine Arts Booster to meet

Muleshoe Fine Arts Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 13, in the Band Hall. Parents and interested members of the community are invited to participate. Plans will be made for the annual Fine Arts "Night to Shine."

City Council meeting postponed

The Feb. 13 meeting of the Muleshoe City Council has been postponed until Monday, Feb. 13, at 5:30 p.m.

Muleshoe representatives to attend World Ag Expo

Janet Claborn, director of the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation, and Mark Beard of Bailey County Electric will be part of a multiple-community team traveling to World A Expo 2006, set for Feb. 14-16 at the International Agri-Center in Tulare, Calif.

The World Ag Expo is described as being the largest event of its kind, allowing participants the opportunity to make contacts that will help in the recruitment and expansion of the dairy industry in the West Texas region.

The multiple-community team will be representing the High Ground of Texas, a regional economic

development marketing coalition that represents the northern 60 counties in West Texas, and targets industries in their annual diversified marketing plan, including manufacturing, food processing, ethanol, dairies, plastics and packaging, corporate headquarters, value-added agriculture, metal fabricating, biotechnology, value-added meat processing, and more.

The participating communities comprising the team are Muleshoe, Perryton, Dumas, Dalhart, Stratford, Hereford, Friona, Amarillo, Tulia, Plainview, Dimmitt, Brownfield, Childress, Canadian and Shamrock.

Fulton honored for big buck

Trophy Game Records of the World recently announced that Adrienne Fulton, the 11-year-old daughter of Sean and Kristin Fulton of Muleshoe, has won the organization's Youth Big 9 division of the 2005-06 Big Buck contest.

As a contest winner, Adrienne will receive a custom jacket and belt buckle designed by Lopez Brothers Silversmiths.

Adrienne will also be among the contest winners honored on July 8 at the Y.O. Resort and Conference



ADRIENNE FULTON Center in Kerrville, and eligible to win a four-wheeler.

Corrections

The place of employment for Employee of the Month Ninfa Castorena was misidentified in the Feb. 2 issue of the Journal.

Castorena is employed by Azteca Milling.

Also, the company that has purchased the former Texas Sesame elevators was the Deaf Smith County Grain Company.

The Journal apologizes for the error and regrets any misunderstandings that may have resulted from them.

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Weddings

Wentworth, Byers united in matrimony

Stephanie Kaye Wentworth and Russell Ward Byers were united in matrimony on Friday, Dec. 30, at 6:30 p.m., in the evening at Shady Oaks Country Club in Fort Worth.

Dr. Stacy Conner of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe officiated.

Music for the wedding was provided by harpist Esther Vermillion, who continued playing throughout the dinner reception that followed at the country club.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at Joe T. Garcia's in Fort Worth.

The bride is the daughter of Steve and Karen Wentworth of Fort Worth. She is the granddaughter of Phyllis Wentworth and the late Eugene Wentworth of McKinney.

The groom is the son of James and Terry Byers of Muleshoe. He is the grandson of Troy and Marge Jones of Lubbock and Jim and LaVerne Byers of Kingsland.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an Alfred Angelo gown accented with a corset back, lace tiers and a sweep train.



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She carried a bouquet of Black Magic roses. The bride also wore an antique pearl necklace given to her mother by her father and worn on her parents' wedding day.

The maid of honor was Keleigh Wentworth, sister of the bride. The best man was Riley Byers, brother of the groom. Ushers were Robert Farquharson, cousin of the bride, and Cameron and Michael Dee Buchanan, cousins of the groom.

The bride graduated from Texas Christian University where she was a member of the women's track and cross country teams. She is employed by the General Services Administration as an accountant.

The groom attended Tarleton State University and is serving his country in field artillery meteorology with the 82nd Airborne Division at Ft. Bragg, N.C.

The couple resides in Fayetteville, N.C.

MEDC meets...

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Births

Gabriella Gonzalez

Rosemary Gonzalez of Earth is proud to announce the birth of her daughter, Gabriella Mercedes Gonzales, on Jan. 23, 2006, at 5:04 a.m., at the Lamb Healthcare Center in Littlefield.

Gabriella weighed 6-pounds, 12-ounces at birth and was 19-1/2 inches in length.

Other children in the family are Seth, Layla, Kadee and Nia Gonzalez. Gabriella's grandparents are Lydia Fuentes and Rogelio Gonzalez.

Jordan DeLao

Sarah and Marco DeLao of Earth are proud to announce the birth of their son, Jordan Xavier DeLao, on Jan. 26, 2006, at 11:32 p.m., at Lamb Healthcare Center, in Littlefield.

Jordan weighed 5-pounds, 13-ounces at birth, and was 18 inches in length.

Jordan's grandparents are Romana and Manuel DeLao, and Mary Jane and Rey Gorza.

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MISD Dream team meets

Continued from Page 1 member Adena Johnson said, "The high school is our school's image. People don't come to town to look at the elementary."

Member Janice Pacheco agreed with Johnson, adding, "The high school is just simply old," and noting that in 10 years the students at Dillman Elementary were also going to be at the high school.

Faulk also noted that classes for the high school students would have to be moved to another location during the estimated two years it took for the renovation project.

Voicing thoughts from what he described as "skeptics at his table," Dream Team committee chairman Bob Finney referred to option of renovations to the facilities

without work on the buildings' physical plant as well. "It doesn't make sense to paint the walls and not fix the air conditioning," he said.

While someone else noted, "It doesn't do any good to build a new building if you don't have desks to put in it."

MISD school board president David Tipps replied to this comment,

saying, "We've got the desks to put in there," and adding that a lot of the furnishings in the current facilities can be used.

At one point, committee member Barry Cowart reminded his fellow task force members they had to come to an agreement on a plan the community could stand behind.

Another task force member noted that the hardest task before them would be getting the community to understand that the district would only be paying for a third of the construction costs.

Prior to concluding Thursday, task force members were given the opportunity to tour the district's facilities on Monday, Feb. 6.

Tip Your Hat

This past week, I witnessed a bit of compassion that really touched my heart, and which I thought needed to be shared with the members of this community.

Friday morning, the Bailey County EMS responded to a rural residence. One of the county's elderly was in need of medical attention, and the ambulance personnel responded as we would expect them to respond... with speed and professionalism.

The EMS crew worked on the patient inside the home, performing the myriad of tasks needed, and eventually transported the patient to the hospital. But all of this is expected. This is what an emergency medical service does.

The thing that amazed me, and put Bailey County's EMS above any other I've ever dealt with — and there have been at least half a dozen — is that after delivering the patient to the emergency room, the local

EMS personnel returned to the residence.

Their return wasn't to retrieve equipment that had been left behind, but to clean up the mess that resulted from providing medical treatment to the patient.

Certainly, I can understand if they cannot always do this. Sometimes in emergency services — whether it's a law enforcement agency, the fire department, or EMS — you're responding from one

emergency situation to another.

But for the Bailey County EMS to even attempt to return and clean up a mess so the patient's family doesn't have to deal with it at such a difficult time places our EMS well above the majority in their profession.

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By Wiley Haydon

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The main reason many people with life-limiting illnesses choose hospice is because the support of the hospice team and the resources provided to preserve the highest quality of life. Some of the help provided at no cost, may include:

- Supportive medical and nursing care to manage problems such as disease complications or pain and anxiety
- Medical equipment to maximize independence
- Hospice related medications
- Being there-you are not alone if you

have problems or just need to talk to someone

- Help with household chores or personal care
- If you need help getting your spiritual, financial or personal matters in order
- Helping support your ability to participate in favorite personal pastimes
- Bereavement care to surviving family members

These are just a few of the benefits hospice patients appreciate. Many surviving family members comment on "how they do not know what they would have done without hospice".

If you would like a copy of the article "20 Commonly Asked Questions" about hospice or more information please call Wiley Haydon, RN at 806-385-9329 or toll free 866-645-4228.

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Obituaries

Rosemary Bell

A church service for Rosemary Bell, 71, of Muleshoe, was held on Monday, Feb. 6, at the Trinity Christian Center Church of Muleshoe with the Rev. Reydon Stanford officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Rosemary died on Feb. 3, 2006, in Muleshoe. She was born on Feb. 26, 1934, in Childress, and married Billy Dan Bell in Bailey County Dec. 31, 1954.

Rosemary was preceded in death by her husband on June 10, 1979.

Rosemary has lived in Muleshoe since about 1940, moving from Childress. She was a graduate of Muleshoe High School and was the owner and operator of the Lookin' Good dress shop in Muleshoe. She was also a homemaker.

Survivors include a son — Stephen Bell of Muleshoe; two daughters — Sharla Bell and Leah Bell,



ROSEMARY BELL

both of Muleshoe; a daughter and son-in-law — Lynda and Mark Washington of Muleshoe; a sister — Gloria LeVeque of Amarillo; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the American Diabetes Association, 8008 Slide Rd., Lubbock, TX 79424, or the American Heart Association, 3403 - 73rd St., Suite; #1, Lubbock, TX 79423, or the Muleshoe or Bailey County cemetery associations.

Maurine Barnett

Church Service for Maurine Barnett, 97, of Arlington, formerly of Sudan, was held on Friday, Feb. 3, at Sudan Church of Christ with family members officiating. Burial followed in Sudan Cemetery.

Barnett died on Sunday, Jan. 29, 2006, in her residence. She was born to WMJ and Ora Lee Price Ewing on Dec. 20, 1908, in Johnson County, and married Weaver Barnett in Rio Vista on Dec. 24, 1926. He preceded her in death on May 31, 1975. She was also preceded in death by a son and his wife — Weaver E. Barnett and Norma Jean Barnett; a son-in-law — Jim Sorrells; a sister — Loyce Elder; and a brother — Price

Ewing. Barnett moved to Arlington in 1977 from Sudan. She was a homemaker and a member of the Pleasant Ridge Church of Christ in Arlington.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law — Lucy and Joe Kent of Sudan; a daughter — Kathleen Sorrells of Arlington; two sisters — Ruth Dawkins and Eloise Boyd, both of Arlington; a brother and sister-in-law — Mort and Bonnie Ewing of Irving; five grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials should be sent to a charity of your choice.

Eliberta Rodriguez

A church service for Eliberta Rodriguez, 88, of Morton, was held on Wednesday, Feb. 1, at the First Assembly of God Church with Pastor Tim Whie officiating. Burial followed in Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Rodriguez died Monday, Jan. 30, in Covenant Hospital, Levelland. She was born on Nov. 16, 1917, in Candelaria, and married Blas O. Rodriguez in Marfa, on June 15, 1939. He preceded her in death on Aug. 13, 1978.

Rodriguez was a homemaker and a member of the First Assembly of God Church of Morton. She had lived in the Morton

Community since 1966 moving from Valentine.

Survivors include five sons — Roman Rodriguez of Pecos, Ramon Rodriguez of Victorville, Calif., Guadalupe Rodriguez of Tyler, and Justo and Albert Rodriguez, both of Morton; four daughters — Amelia Tarango, Marialuisa Franco and Elisa Franco, all of Morton, and Alejandra Castaneda of Levelland; three sisters — Refuja Hernandez of Valentine, Antonia Romero of Carlsbad, N. M., and Cvotilda Alvarez of Contidental, Ariz.; 32 grandchildren, 83 great-grandchildren, and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Edith Clements

Funeral services for Edith Virginia Clements, 90, of Denver City, were held on Saturday, Feb. 4, at the First Baptist Church of Denver City with the Rev. Phillip Golden officiating and the Rev. Bob Fred assisting. Burial followed in Denver City Memorial Park.

Clements passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2006, at Yoakum County Hospital in Denver City following a lengthy illness. She was born on June 29, 1915, in Lehigh, Okla., and had been a resident of Denver City since 1951, moving there from Roswell, N. M.

She married W.M. "Doc"

Clements on Nov. 1, 1939, in Roswell and they operated a laundry in Denver City for many years.

Clements is preceded in death by an infant son — Edward Paul Clements in 1944, and by her husband.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law — Delmar Jack and Pat Clements of Muleshoe; a daughter and son-in-law — Jenny and Ben Coston of Denver City; a daughter — Billie Deaver of Stinnett; a sister — Jewell Nichols of Roswell; 10 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and 19 great-great-grandchildren.

James Robert Prather

A memorial service for James Robert Prather, 95, of Plainview, is scheduled for 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 11, at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, Muleshoe with Don Prather of Jefferson and George Michael Garmon of Plainview officiating. Burial will be in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Prather died on Feb. 5, 2006, in his residence. He was born on June 26, 1910, in Hollis, Okla., and married Joyce Julian in Clovis, N.M., on Dec. 22, 1932. She preceded him in death on May 14, 1997. Prather was then married to Jean Johnson on Jan. 3, 1990. He was also preceded in death by two brothers.

Prather was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Coleman. He was one of the first graduates of the Lazbuddie High School. He was a member of the VFW, the owner and operator of Drive-In Restaurants, and served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Survivors include his wife — Jean Prather of Plainview; a step-son — David Wood of Crowley; two step-daughters — Deanie Lilley of Taylor and Donna Baker of Jinotega, Niccaragua; a sister — Mary Gililand of Dalhart; six step-grandchildren, seven step-great-grandchildren

Memorials may be sent to Area Community Hospice, Inc., 3109 Olton Road, Plainview, TX 79072.



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Sports

Mules hang on to final period lead, defeat Brownfield Cubs

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules had to find a way to defeat the Brownfield Cubs if they were to have a chance at a post season berth. The key seemed to be to shut down the Cub 3-point shooting that saw them hit nine in the first half in Brownfield.

The second meeting found the Mules hanging close to the Cubs two top shooters and seldom giving them an open look at the bucket. The Mules opened an 18 point lead early in the final period and then hung on for a 67-54 win.

The Levelland Lobos were determined not to allow the Mules to do to them what they had done to the Cubs. The Mules went into the game handicapped by events that were beyond their control and battled the Lobos for 32 minutes. The Lobos prevailed 52-41.

"We have had trouble finishing games at times this year," said Mule coach Ralph Mason. "We played strong perimeter defense and kept them from getting many open looks at the basket."

"It was a big and necessary win for us to have hopes of getting to the playoffs. I told the kids as soon as they could to get over enjoying this win and start thinking about Levelland."

The Cubs got three open looks in the opening frame and made the Mules pay from 3-land. They jumped out to an 8-0 lead on the Mules before Myles James banged in a trey from the wing to kick start the Mule offense.

Brady Black picked a Cub's pocket after James' trey and drove the floor for an easy deuce. The Mules got a stop and Arsenio

Geter lobbed the ball inside to Black for a power move to the hoop to cut the Cub lead to 8-7.

The Cubs knocked down their third trey of the period before Black returned the favor to Geter with a feed. Geter spun and made a strong move to the hoop. The Cubs extended their lead back to four before Tyler Sheets cleaned up some trash on the back side for the Mules.

Brownfield made their final bucket of the period with 38 seconds on the clock. The Mules missed a shot and the Cubs took the ball to the other end. Trevor Turnbow flashed into a passing lane and picked the ball out of the air. He drove the floor and laid the ball up on the glass just as the buzzer began to sound with the Cubs leading 15-13.

Sheets kept it a two-point game with an athletic put

back as the second frame began. Dustin Barker set up on the arc and a Cub showed up as he got the ball. Barker pivoted away from the bucket and the Cub went away. Barker pivoted, squared up and drained the trey to make it a one-point game.

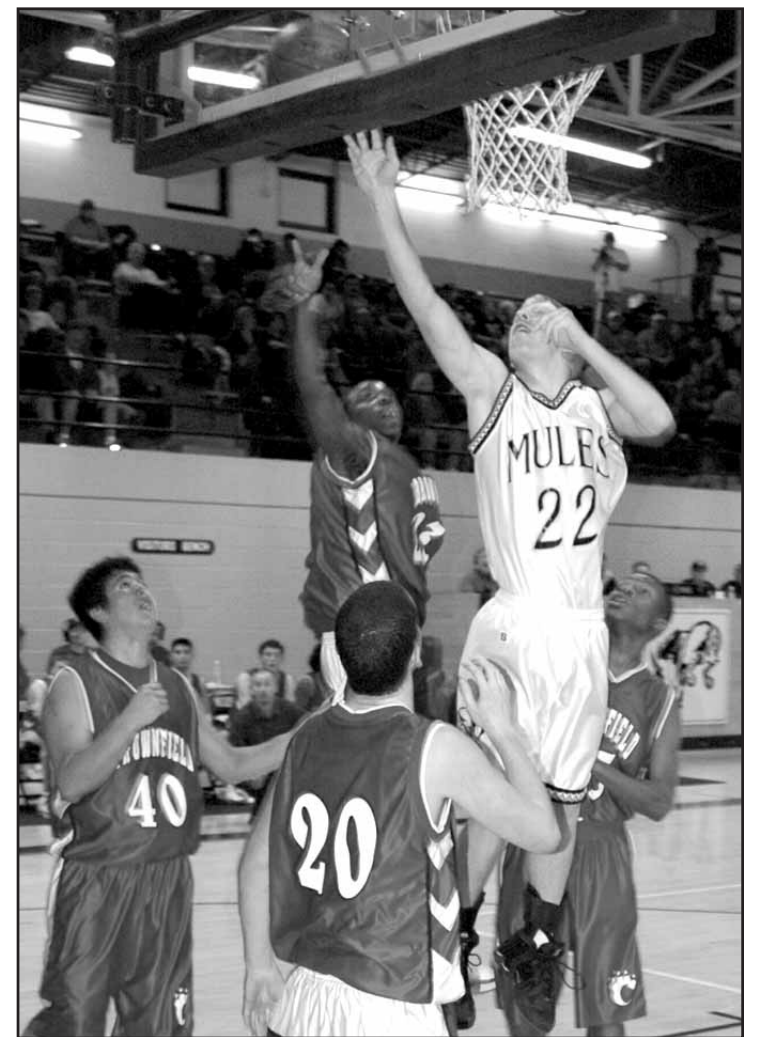
Turnbow knotted the score at 19 with a charity toss with 4:40 remaining before half. The Mules took the ball from the Cubs and Black got the ball inside to Geter. Geter beat the triple team to put the Mules in front to stay.

The Mules led 32-25 at the intermission with Turnbow, Geter and Sheets all dropping in treys in the final two minutes of the half.

The Mules pushed their advantage to 47-35 in the third period despite the Cubs knocking down a pair of 3-pointers. James sneaked in the back door for the bucket that buried the Cubs 18 points behind.

Turnbow led the Mules with 15 points and made eight of 10 from the line. Sheets made two treys and 12 points, James, Brant Hamilton and Sheets dropped in eight apiece, Barker had five and Cory Wallace added two.

Neither team could crack the others defense in the opening three minutes at Levelland. Geter finally broke the ice with a strong drive to the hole. Turnbow



Mule Eric Washington gets some air time during game against the Brownfield Cubs.

JV Mules drop the Cubs, 52-49

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Mules pounded the ball inside to TJ Brantley early against the Brownfield Cubs. Brantley scored nine of the Mules' 17 points in the opening frame as the Mules out ran the Cubs 17-9.

The Cubs fell a point farther behind to trail 28-19 at the intermission. The Mules held on in the second half to drop the Cubs 52-49 Tuesday night.

The Lobos of Levelland used their home court advantage to get past the Mules 51-43 Friday night.

The Cubs out scored the Mules 4-2 in the first two minutes of the second period before Colby Carpenter picked off a Cub pass. He went coast to coast to ignite the Mule offense. Brantley raced down the floor to finish a break and Carpenter added a charity toss.

Stephen Dominguez drove the baseline for a short jumper to match a pair of Cub free throws. Carpenter saw Julio Bustillos open in lane and delivered him the ball. Bustillos' bucket ended

the half with the Mules leading 28-19.

Patrick Precure drained a 3-pointer and Brantley hit three buckets inside in the third quarter. Cade Smith popped out side the arc and dropped in a three and added a charity toss. The Cubs out scored the Mules 15-13 to trail 41-34 going into the final quarter.

Smith and Brantley provided all the Mules' fire power in the final frame as the Mules held on for the win.

Brantley paced the Mules with 26 points, Smith added eight and Carpenter dropped in seven. Adam Zamora made four points, Precure three, Dominguez and Bustillos chipped in two each.

Brantley powered in three buckets in the paint and converted a charity toss in the opening period in Levelland. Precure, Smith and Elias Alvarado each added a bucket as the Mules trailed the Lobos 16-13.

The Lobos took advantage of their home court in the second quarter to open a 28-19 lead at the

intermission.

Precure made three of four from the line after a 5-point run by the Lobos to start the second half. Clayton sneaked down the base line and Carpenter delivered the ball. Clayton fought through a foul and converted the free throw for an old-fashion three-point play.

Carpenter grabbed a long rebound a few down the floor to end the period with the Mules trailing 38-27.

Brantley answered a Lobo bucket as the final frame began. Both teams went cold for over two minutes. Levelland scored six unanswered points before the whistle took over and controlled the final four minutes.

Brantley led the Mules with 11 points, Precure made nine and Carpenter added six. Clayton, Elias Alvarado, and Smith had five points apiece and Bustillos chipped in two.

The Mules will complete their season on their home floor when the Lubbock Cooper Pirates and Littlefield Wildcats visit.

'Leg-weary' freshman Mules capture district championship

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The ninth grade Mules may have been a little leg weary going into Monday night's game for the district championship with the Levelland Lobos. It was their fifth game in five days.

The Mules had won the Dimmitt Tournament over the week end by defeating Floydada (58-11), Lorenzo JV (48-38), Friona (84-18) and Dimmitt (38-29).

The Lobos led 10-9 after the first period but after that it was all Mules. The Mules

drove the lane and floated up a balloon that found the mark to keep the Mules on top 4-2.

Eric Washington chipped in a charity toss as the period wound down and Geter hit a trey to end the period with the Mules on top 8-6.

Black scored in the paint three times in the second quarter and Barker completed an old fashion three-point play to put the

Mules on top for the final time as the half wound down. The Lobos made a last second shot to take an 18-17 lead at the half.

The Lobos took advantage of their home floor and out scored the Mules in the third period 19-10 and hung on in the final quarter.

Geter made a pair of 3's and 17 points to lead the Mules in scoring. Black dropped in 12, Barker and Turnbow had three points each and James and Washington chipped in one each.

The Mules are now in a tie with the Cubs for the second spot in the district race. The Mules met the Lubbock Cooper Pirates for the second time in the Muleshoe Athletic and Convocation Center Tuesday night.

They will host the Littlefield Wildcats Friday in their final regular season game. The Mules will have to defeat the Wildcats for the fourth time this season to have hopes of hanging on to second place.

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Sports

Lady Mules tame the Lady Cubs, 73-27

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules tamed the Brownfield Lady Cubs in the opening period and coasted to a 73-27 win that clinched a spot in the post-season playoffs. The Cubs had more fouls in the game than points.

The Lady Mules could not quite overcome all the obstacles thrown at them in Levelland Friday night and fell to the Loboettes 46-42. The Lady Mules battled all the way but had trouble at the free throw line.

Brownfield was no match for the Lady Mules as that out ran the Cubs 22-2 in the opening period and after that it was a practice session for the Lady Mules as they put up double digit numbers in each quarter.

Kyra Kimbrough drove the lane to get the Lady Mules cranked and after that it was a fast break clinic by the Lady Mules. Kasey Wood, Kate Lepard and Brandi Wood all finished at least one break

each as the Lady Mules opened a 14-0 lead in the opening four minutes.

Brownfield got their only two points of the period with 2:40 left on the clock. Chelsi Hawkins picked a Cub pocket and found Kimbrough racing to the hoop. Amberlee Steinbock set up in her corner and the Lady Mules swung the ball around the horn.

Steirnbock drained the 3-pointer before Cholov Hernandez was fouled shooting after a Cub turn over. Hernandez converted both charity tosses and added another before the period ended to give the Lady Mules a 20-point lead.

"It was the win that cinched a playoff spot for us," said Lady Mule coach Shanna Simms. "That is what made this game big for us. It was good to get everyone quality minutes tonight because we will need everyone in the playoffs."

B. Wood paced the Lady Mules with 18 points,

Kimbrough scored 14, Lepard and Hernandez each dropped in 11. K. Wood put up seven points, Hawkins six, Steinbock and Ashley Dickson each chipped in three.

Levelland proved to be a tough place for the Lady Mules to play. "The girls gave a great effort tonight," said Simms. "They never quit and just kept coming back. The foul line was not our friend tonight but everyone of the kids really did their best."

"I am very proud of the way they continue to believe in each other and themselves. They really did show everyone what kind of a team they really are," concluded Simms.

Lepard dropped in a 3-pointer from the corner to open the game and gave the Lady Mules their only lead of the night. The Loboettes went on a 12-point run before K. Wood raced into an open spot in the lane.

Dickson fired her ball

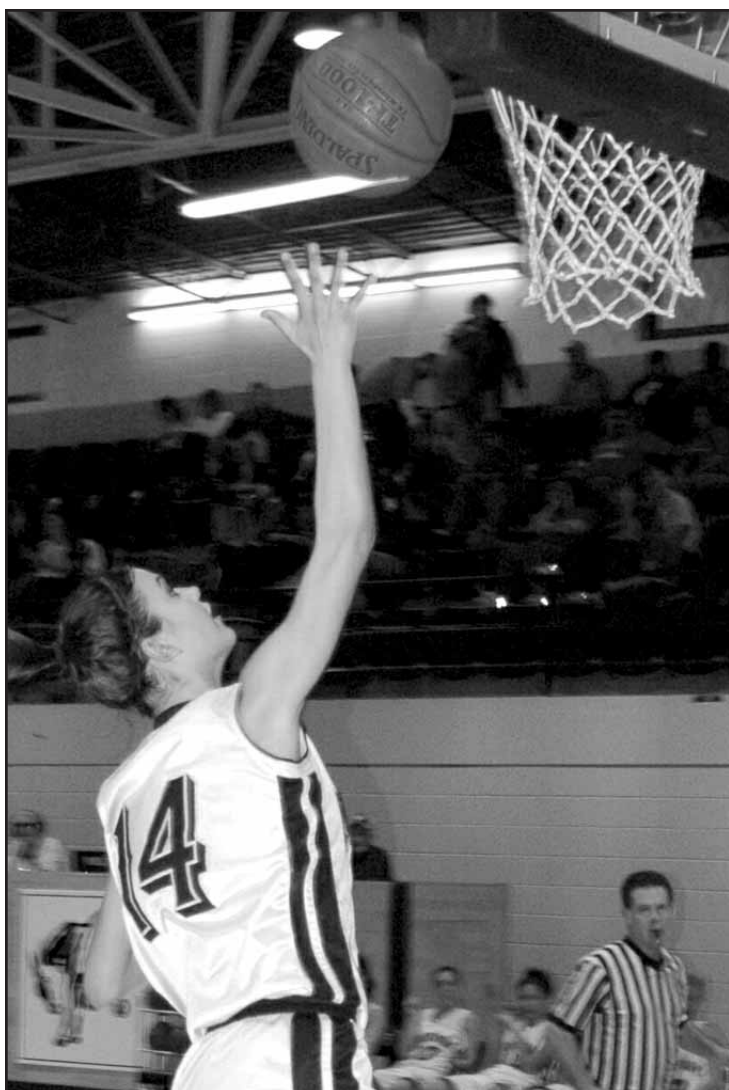
and she scooped in a short shot before the buzzer sounded. The Lady Mules trailed 12-5 going into the second period. The Loboettes scored first to open the frame.

The Lady Mules found the key that unlocked the Levelland press and K. Wood finished a break. The Lady Mules got a stop and K. Wood drove down the floor and drew the defense. She dished to B. Wood to finish the break.

B. Wood drove under the bucket and put in a baby hook shot. She was fouled and converted the charity toss to cut the Loboette lead to 14-10. B. Wood added a second free throw before the half ended with Levelland leading 16-11.

The Loboettes opened a seven-point lead in the third frame to lead 29-22 going into the final quarter.

Levelland opened the



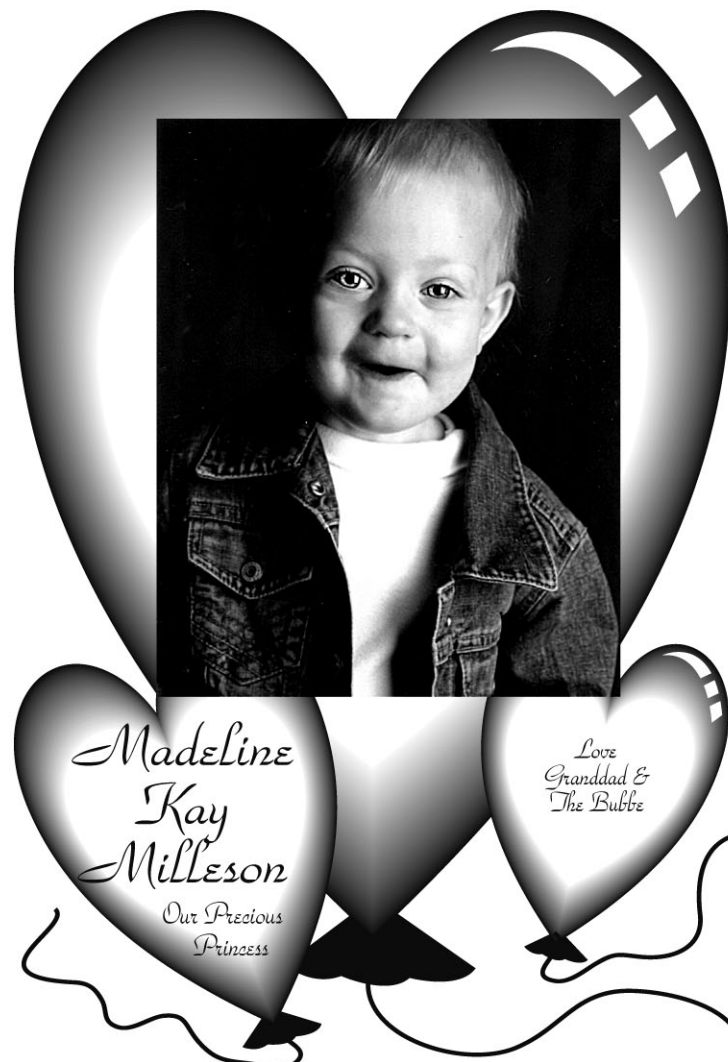
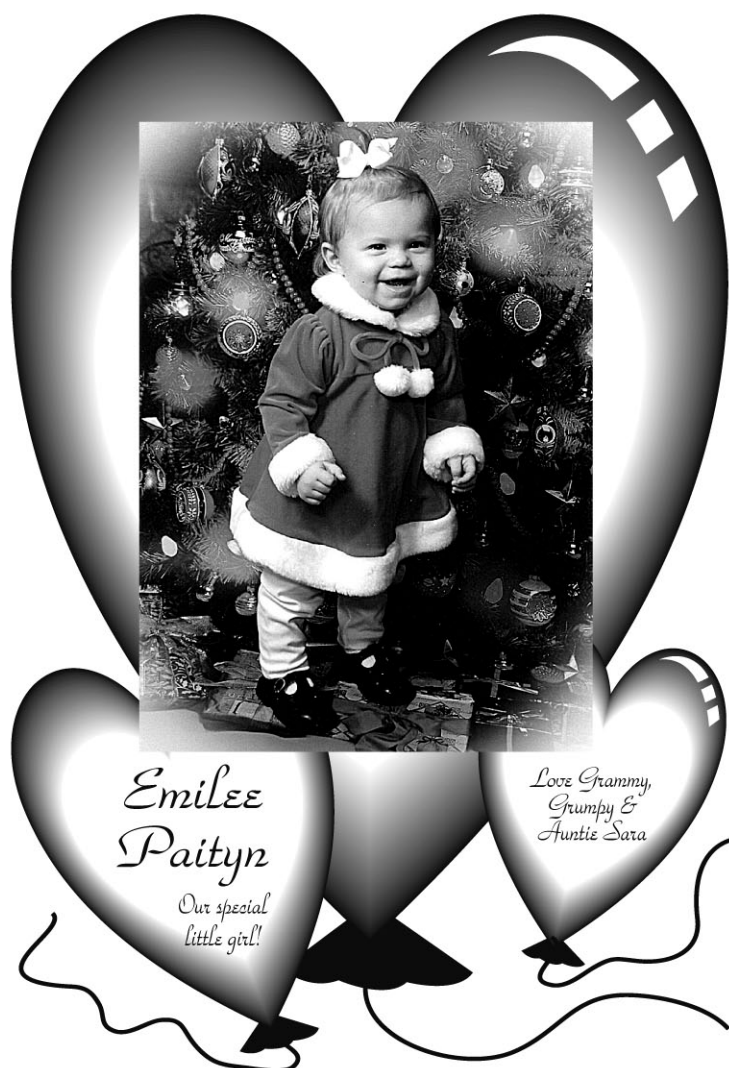
Lady Mule Kyra Kimbrough shoots during the game against the Lady Cubs.

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SCHOLASTIC ART WINNERS, FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: BACK ROW — RUDY GONZALES, LEO CHAGOLLA, GEOFF SIRKEL, KELSEY TIPPS, ELY VILLA AND ARIANA DIAZ; MIDDLE ROW — CAMI JO VANDIVER, CHELSI HAWKINS, KENDALL JOHNSON, DAVID RODRIGUEZ AND CALEB HEINRICH; FRONT ROW — ALYSSA LOPEZ, MADISON SMITH, HOLLY HUNT, LIDIA VILLEZCAS, EMILY ZACKOSKI AND IRMA TORRES.

Muleshoe art students receive awards at WBU

Several Muleshoe students received awards at the Scholastic Arts show held at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview on Jan. 14.

Among the students honored and their awards were:

Gold Key winners — Chelsi Hawkins and Kendall Johnson.

Silver Key winners — Leo

Chagolla, Caleb Heinrich, Alyssa Lopez, Ely Villa, Lidia Villezcas, Andria Diaz and Holly Hunt.

Honorable Mention — Rudy Gonzales, David Rodriguez, Geoff Sirkel, Madison Smith, Kelsey Tipps, Irma Torres, Carni Jo Vandiver and Emily Zackoski.

This show, with participants from as far

north as Amarillo and as far south as Midland, pits Muleshoe against all schools, regardless of size, including all the Lubbock SA schools.

This year, more than two-thirds of the entries Muleshoe from Muleshoe were award winners.

The Gold Key winners will be sent on to New York for national judging.

Library News

Storytime for children ages 2 to 11 is every Tuesday from 4 – 5 p.m. This month's schedule is: Feb. 7 — Tricksters; Feb. 14 — Valentine's; Feb. 21 — Time; and Feb. 28 — Toys. The library has purchased:

Gone by Lisa Gardner; *Long Time Coming* by Sandra Brown; *Rejoice* by Karen Kingsbury; *The Vow* by Kim and Krickitt Carpenter; and *Where Yesterday Lives, When Joy Came to Stay*, and *On Every Side* by Karen Kingsbury.

Dyan's picks of the month:

Picture books
Red Lace, Yellow Lace by Mike Casey.

This is a neat book that will teach your kids how to tie their shoes. It's a wonderful teaching tool!

Junior Chapter Books
The Incredible Journey: The Tale of Three Animals by Sheila Burnford.

This story is a classic. It is on the AR list and the Books that build character list. I highly recommend it.

Youth Fiction
The Serious Kiss by Mary Hogan.

This is a fun book to read. It will make you think differently about people.

Can You Sue Your Parents for Malpractice by Paula Danziger.

This book is very good and thought provoking. And she decides not to sue them after all.

Adult Fiction
Gardenias For Breakfast

by Robin Jones Gunn.

This book was very interesting and thought provoking. This author also wrote the *Sisterchicks* books. This one is a more serious type.

Adult Non-Fiction
The Prayer That Changes Everything: The Hidden Power of Praising God by Stormie Omartian.

I purchased this book to

give to my daughter, that's how good I thought it was!

The library provides a fun site called Tumblebooks on our website. Go to www.mapl.lib.tx.us and click on the Tumblebook button. This provides online read-along children's books and many fun games to play as well. We think it is a fantastic tool for the children to use to learn to read.

One of God's Best Gifts Is the Talent for Happiness

In C. S. Lewis' account of his early life, *Surprised by Joy*, Lewis begins by writing about the two family strains that had come together to give him life. On his father's side . . .

By the way, Dr. J. D. Grey, for many years pastor of New Orleans' First Baptist Church, used to tell the story of a little lad who lived a long way from his paternal grandmother. When he went with his father to the railway station to pick her up, she hugged him and said, "Young man, I'm your grandmother on your father's side." To which the lad replied, "That

something you don't already know, but you probably can't make unhappy folks happy no matter what you do, and I suspect it's unwise and unproductive to waste too much time trying.

Some folks are unhappy at work. They're unhappy at school. They're unhappy at the Little League park. They're unhappy at the grocery store, at the church, at the bank, and at the barber shop. See a pattern?

The sad fact is that unhappy people tend to spread their unhappiness like chicken pox in a kindergarten class and it seems to be a law that unhappy people never seem closer to a twisted sort of happiness than when they're busy making other people unhappy. Misery does indeed love company.

Until unhappy folks make a decision to be happy, they won't be. Not only can you not make them happy, if you spend a good bit of your time trying, you will only succeed in becoming the unhappiest of all. I promise you, even if you get a little fleeting smile out of them if you stand on your head and stack a dozen or so BBs on your nose, they'll suddenly remember that they knew somebody back in Kansas who was able to do the same thing except he stacked two dozen sideways while singing "Climb Every Mountain."

People who want to be unhappy almost certainly will be. So what to do?

Be sure you're not one of them. (Focusing on Christ and on others and on your blessings and not on your own navel will go a long way toward producing happiness under your own hat.) Love them by behaving in Christlike ways toward them. Pray for them. Model thankful and joyful living as you thank God with every breath that he put within you a "talent for happiness." Use it and give thanks!

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



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Curtis Shelburne

may be, but you won't be in the house ten minutes before you figure out that you're on the wrong side!"

On his father's side, Lewis descended from Welshmen: "sentimental, passionate, and rhetorical, easily moved both to anger and to tenderness; men who laughed and cried a great deal and who had not much of the talent for happiness."

Lewis' mother, however, like her family, was a woman of "cheerful and tranquil affection." Her people "had the talent for happiness in a high degree" and "went straight for it as experienced travelers go for the best seat in a train."

You've probably noticed long ago that not only is not everyone happy, a good many folks seem to possess little or no "talent" for happiness at all.

I don't mean to be cynical, and I don't think I'm telling you

College News

TTU list released

Matthew Lopez, the son of Mike and Rachel Lopez of Muleshoe, was among the students listed on the President's Honor List for the Fall 2005 semester at Texas Tech University.

The President's Honor List is limited to students who have attained a grade-point average of 4.0.

ASU list released

The Dean's List for the 2005 Fall semester at Angelo State University in San Angelo has been released.

Among the honorees, and their majors, were Muleshoe area students Joel J. Salcido, biology; and Laura Marie Wood, business.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

FYI

If your college student is graduating or has made the Dean's or President's List, in order for that information to appear in the *Muleshoe Journal*, we must receive notice from the respective educational institution. Your son or daughter must sign a release so the information can be sent to us. Have them visit their bursar's office to sign a form indicating they wish to share their good news! Once permission to share information has been granted, the college or university should send the info via email to: editor@fivearea.com.

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Nursing Home News

Nancy Lemons delivered ceramics for he residents to paint in craft class Thursday morning.

Thursday, Volunteers Plus hosted the December birthday party. Lasting Impressions gave each birthday resident a corsage or boutonniere and a 2Y Beanie baby attached to a big, bright balloon.

Brady Mason provided entertainment. Marilyn Wilson and Dianne Brown volunteered their time to assist with serving refreshments of ice cream cake, mini peanut butter crackers and punch. Residents honored were Hubert Elliott, Howard Awbrey and Floy Hanson.

Michael Dean played the new digital piano Thursday morning. Michael played hymns as well as fun songs.

Saturday, Butch Vandiver directed the Bongo Bash! He takes bingo to a new height of enjoyment.

Lona Embry, Mike and Eva Doyle and Nathan visited Park View Friday afternoon.

Paul Chassion, administrator of Park View, and Joy Stancell visited Running Water Draw Nursing Home in Olton on Friday afternoon. They were well received and brought back a lot of useful ideas and information.

Danny May brought his tall ladder and hung Valentine decorations above the nurses station Friday.

Mary Johnson attended the 50th anniversary at Trinity Baptist Church Sunday. She is a charter member of the church.

Hershel Patterson received a lot of visitors from his church in Earth and also family members.

Bro. Gary and Judy Hubbard from Earth directed a celebration of life service for Dott Parker Tuesday morning. The residents and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parker and Bro. Bennie Wright attended the service.

Tuesday afternoon, Pat Clark, Pat Watson, Dolares

Garrett, Dianne Brown, Eva Nell Dale and Billie Mason and Zona Gatewood came to shampoo and style the residents' hair. Billie also brought refreshments for the residents and volunteers.

Angela Babcock came Tuesday morning to give nail care.

Lela Crawford was taken out for supper by her grandson Tuesday night.

Mr. Carter's daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Clark McCamish and his grandson played 42 Monday afternoon.

Happy February Birthday, to Angelo Casto, Eula Hennington, Grant Webbington, Gloria Elliott and Frieda Locker.

This month's birthday party is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 23, at 3 p.m. If you would like to host the party, please call Joy or Janis at Park View.

Coach Wood and about 30 members of the Muleshoe Mules football team visited the residents Wednesday.

The residents and the football boys ate hotdogs with all of the trimmings and brownies. Dietary made the hotdogs and Donita Behrends made the football-shaped brownies with frosting. Park View's cooking class also made brownies.

Engagement



Coker, Don engaged

Roy Don and April Coker, both of Lazbuddie, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jodie Erin Coker, to Evan Jay Friemel, the son of Don and Anne Friemel of Amarillo.

The prospective groom is a 2001 graduate of Claude High School. He is employed as a quality assurance specialist by Panhandle Assessment Center in Amarillo.

The prospective bride is a 2002 graduate of Lazbuddie High School, and a 2005 graduate of West Texas A&M University, with a bachelor of science in biology. She plans to begin Physical Therapy School at Texas Tech in June. She is currently employed by SCCI hospital in Amarillo.

The wedding is planned for May 6 at the Lazy L3 Ranch outside Amarillo, with a reception following.

Diabetes Support Group

The Bailey County Diabetes Support Group will meet this month on Monday, Feb. 20, at 7 p.m., in the Bailey County Coliseum Meeting Room. Please note the date change. It is for this month only. The program will be "Surviving a Hospital Stay." This program is free of charge to everyone interested. For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 806-272-4583.

City Council meeting postponed

The Feb. 13, meeting of the Muleshoe City Council has been postponed until Monday, Feb. 13, at 5:30 p.m.



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Club News

Student-Community Action Club meets

The Student-Community Action Club met Jan. 16 in the home of Brady Black.

SCAC President Brady Black called the meeting to order and asked the secretary, Hillary Tipps, to read the minutes.

Following the minutes, the treasurer, Myles James, read the treasurer's report.

Club member Jarad Flores then introduced the guest speaker, Earl Behrends, who spoke to the club members about his work as a city councilman.

He enjoys being part of Muleshoe, and the Muleshoe community.

Earl said, "The Muleshoe community is like one big family," and it means a lot to him.

Old business discussed included SCAC's participation in wrapping presents for the community at the church during the holidays.

New business included a discussion about the upcoming bake sale on Channel 6.

There is not a set date, but we are looking at the weekend in April before Easter.

A Citizen of the Month for February was chosen and will be the next guest speaker. Cade Smith will contact the February guest speaker.

The next official SCAC meeting will be held on Feb. 20, 2006 at 7:30 pm in the home of Kate Lepard.

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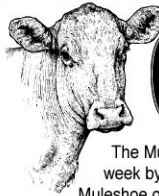


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REPRESENTATIVE SALES

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FM Farms, Brownfield	5 Blk. bulls	223 lbs. at \$175.00
Charlie Bishop, Amherst	Char. str	265 lbs. at \$170.00
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B&C Cattle, Seminole	3 Mxd. bulls	517 lbs. at \$128.00
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Donna Weems, Portales, NM	4 Yell. str	704 lbs. at \$112.00
Donna Weems, Portales, NM	5 Yell. str	786 lbs. at \$105.00
Backus Cattle, Muleshoe	Red bull	770 lbs. at \$99.00
Billy Ray Thomas, Hereford	Roan hfr	285 lbs. at \$152.50
Billy Ray Thomas, Hereford	Red hfr	335 lbs. at \$134.00
Randy Kirkpatrick, Bovina	Blk. hfr	310 lbs. at \$152.50
Randy Kirkpatrick, Bovina	2 Blk. hfrs	483 lbs. at \$118.00
Miguel Chavez, Clovis, NM	Blk. hfr	425 lbs. at \$151.00
B&C Cattle, Seminole	6 Mxd. hfrs	564 lbs. at \$115.00
Donna Weems, Portales, NM	Char. hfr	585 lbs. at \$112.00
Donna Weems, Portales, NM	4 Yell. hfrs	768 lbs. at \$97.50
ACU, Morton	4 Mxd. hfrs	844 lbs. at \$91.00
Dan Day Sr., Meadow	4 Blk. hfrs	848 lbs. at \$94.50
Ramiro Lopez, Muleshoe	BMF pair	\$1075.00
Melanie Meeks, Muleshoe	RWF cow P7	\$810.00
Melanie Meeks, Muleshoe	Blk. cow	1450 lbs. at \$50.00
Harvey Patterson, Amherst	Red cow	1175 lbs. at \$51.50
David Prewitt, Rogers, NM	Red cow	1255 lbs. at \$51.25
Ruth Knight, Lamesa	Blk. cow	1460 lbs. at \$50.25
Rigoberto Flores, Hereford	Hol. cow	1235 lbs. at \$49.25
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Students of the Week

Watson Junior High Students of the Week for the week of Feb. 6 are, from left to right: Front row — Mari Andrade, Jodee Hall and Ricky Morin; and back row — Cristian Godinez, Jared Skipworth and Amanda Rainey.

Obituaries

Polly Otwell

A church service for Polly Otwell, 77, of Muleshoe was held on Thursday, Feb. 9, at Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. Jeff Coffman and the Rev. James Williams officiating. Burial followed in Bailey County Cemetery.

Otwell died on Feb. 5, 2006 in, Covenant Hospital in Lubbock. She was born on Feb. 1, 1929, in Mineral Wells, and married Jerrel R. Otwell in Vernon on Sept. 29, 1949. He preceded her in death on Aug. 25, 2004.

Otwell moved from Texico, N.M., to Muleshoe in



POLLY OTWELL

1949. She was a graduate of Texico High School. She was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church of Muleshoe, Muleshoe Rebekah Lodge, the Bailey County Child Welfare Board and the Muleshoe Tops. Otwell was employed by

KMUL Radio Station and the *Muleshoe Journal* as a salesman and bookkeeper. She owned and operated Otwell Caribbean Shaved Ice.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law — Jerrell C. Becky Otwell of Muleshoe a daughter — Narssia Swain of Almagordo, N.M.; a stepson and daughter-in-law — Robert M. Bridgett Otwell of Wichita Falls; six grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Memorials may be sent to the Oklahoma Medical-Research Foundation, 825 Northeast 13th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73104.

Jack Wood

Funeral services for Jack L. Wood, 85, of Fredericksburg were held on Wednesday, Feb. 8, in the chapel of the Schaeffer Funeral Home, Fredericksburg. Graveside services followed the Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio.

Wood died on Feb. 4, 2006. On Dec. 26, 1961, he married Dorothy Carr in Muleshoe. She preceded him in death, and he later married Patricia Harper.

Survivors include his wife — Patricia Wood of Fredericksburg; a daughter and son-in-law — Susan and Curt Dennis of Grapevine; three sons and daughters-in-law — Greg and Evelyn Wood of Fredericksburg, Philip L. and Debbie Barron of Canyon, and Michael Carr Barron of California; six grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

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A burn ban is in effect in Bailey County

College News

Coker graduates

Jodie Erin Coker of Lazbuddie, the daughter of Roy Don and April Coker, has received a bachelor of science degree in biology from West Texas A&M University.

Graduation ceremonies were held Dec. 16 at the First United Bank Center in Canyon.

While attending West Texas A&M, Coker was a member of the equestrian team, and was inducted into the Alpha Chi honor society in 2003.

She plans to pursue a career in physical therapy and has applied to the Physical Therapy program at Texas Tech.

She is currently employed by SCCI Hospital in Amarillo.

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Greetings from the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center. Remember, the computer classes will be Monday, Feb. 13, beginning at 1:30 P.M. Patty Banks will be here to help any senior citizen with their computer skills.

Mandi Seaton, with the Extension Office, will present the program on nutrition on Tuesday at noon. The dance on Tuesday night will be a special occasion. We invite all 60 and up senior citizens to come and bring your sweetheart, friend, and favorite dish for the pot luck meal, and have a great time at the Valentine Dance.

We are playing Bingo

each Thursday, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

We had 25 players last week and everyone had a great time. Prizes are given and refreshments are served. We invite you senior citizens to come and join in the fun. Bring a can of food for the food bank.

The February birthday party will be held on Friday, Feb. 17. All honorees should receive a phone call reminding you to come.

Our senior citizens who come for lunch each day are really enjoying the good meals and fellowship. We encourage any senior citizen 60 years and older to come eat with us. The meals are served from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

A \$3 donation is suggested for the meal. Our meals are planned by a Nutritionist from the Texas Tech Health Science Department.

Ray Mason, administrator at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center, will be speaking at the center on Feb. 10, at noon.

Menu for Feb. 13-17:
Monday, Feb. 13 — Polish sausage, baked beans, okra, salad, rolls and sugar cookies.

Tuesday, Feb. 14 — Chicken enchiladas, beans, rice, chips, salsa and banana pudding.

Wednesday, Feb. 15 — Chicken-fried steak, white gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables,

salad, wheat roll and cherry gelatin.

Thursday, Feb. 16 — Beef tips with gravy, peas and carrots, mashed potatoes, pickles, hot roll and brownies.

Friday, Feb. 17 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, tator tots, coleslaw and fruit salad.

Co-ed softball league signup

Signup for the Co-ed Softball League ends on Feb. 18. Contact David Ruiz at 272-5525, or Eufemia Torres at 272-4605 or 729-8106 for additional information.

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Choosing the right athletic shoes

Submitted by Mandi Seaton, Bailey CEA-FCS

It's a new year and time to keep that resolution of "losing weight and being healthy." According to Courtney Schoessow, Texas Cooperative Extension health specialist, one way to achieve this goal is by choosing the right athletic shoe.

With the many types of athletic shoes available, it can be hard to choose the right shoes. There are differences in design and variations in material and weight. The American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons says that these differences have been developed to protect the areas of the feet that encounter the most stress in a particular athletic activity. Some of the different types of sports shoes available include the following:

- Athletic shoes are grouped into the following categories: running, training, and walking; they include shoes for hiking jogging, and exercise walking. These shoes should have a comfortable soft upper, good shock adsorption, smooth tread, and a rocker sole design that encourages the natural roll of the foot during the walking motion.

Features of a good jogging shoe should include cushioning, flexibility, control, and stability in the heel counter area, lightness, and good traction.

Cross-training shoes combine several characteristics of other types of shoes so that you can participate in more than one sport and wear the same shoe.

A good cross trainer should have flexibility in the forefoot that is needed for running, in addition to stability on the inside and outside of the shoe for the control needed for aerobics and tennis.

Walking shoes should flex easily at the ball of the foot, which help feet to push forward.

• Court sport shoes include shoes for tennis, basketball, and volleyball. Most court sports require the body to move forward, backward, and side-to-side. As a result, most athletic shoes used for court sports are subjected to heavy abuse. The key to finding a good court shoe is the sole. Ask a coach or shoe salesperson to help you select the best type of sole for your sport.

• Field sport shoes include shoes for soccer, football, and baseball. These shoes are cleated, studded, or spiked. The spike and stud

formations vary from sport to sport, but they generally are replaceable or detachable cleats, spikes, or studs affixed into nylon soles.

- Track and field sport shoes are very specific to the sport. The needs of the individual are most important when picking the shoe. For example, foot types, gait patterns, and training styles should always be considered. It is always best to ask a coach about the type of shoe that should be selected for the event in which you are participating.

It's also important to choose proper-fitting sport shoes. Proper-fitting sports shoes can enhance performance and prevent injuries. Follow these specially designed fitting facts when purchasing a new pair of athletic shoes:

- Try on athletic shoes after a workout or run and at the end of the day. Your feet will be at their largest.

- Wear the same type of sock that you will wear for that sport.

- When the shoe is on your foot, you should be able to freely wiggle all of your toes. There should be a thumb's width from the tip of the shoe to the end of the shoe.

- The shoes should be comfortable as soon as you try them on. There is no break-in period. If they're not comfortable in the store, they won't be comfortable when you're exercising.

- Walk or run a few steps in the shoes. They should be comfortable. The heel of the shoe should not slip off the foot as you walk or run.

- Always re-lace the shoes you are trying on. You should lace through each top eyelet as you crisscross the lacing pattern to ensure a more snug fit and decrease slippage. Don't tie the laces too tight as this may cause injury to the nerves or tendons on the top of the foot and ankle.

Now that you know what type of shoe to buy and tips to picking out a properly fitting shoe, you need to consider its construction—how well it is made.

Understanding the basics of shoe construction can help you choose intelligently from among the thousands of available styles. Stitching should be secure, even, and straight. Rubber around the base of the shoe should be one continuous strip, tightly attaching the sole to the upper.

The toe box should be square for adequate toe room. The should have side and tongue padding for extra comfort. Cushioning on the cuff around the ankle and at


the Achilles tendon helps to reduce friction and irritation.

The inner sole should be soft and resilient, with adequate arch cushions. The reflector should be as big as possible, especially if you will be outside at dusk or dawn. The insole should be removable for cleaning and, when it loses springiness, replacement.

In addition to being overwhelmed by all the choices in athletic shoes, you may be surprised at how much they cost. Paying more than \$100 does not necessarily get you a better shoe. Good quality shoes may be pricey, but don't overlook the less expensive shoes because they can outperform their costlier brandmates.

Be sure that whatever price you decide to pay for the shoes, it's because the shoe has the features that meet your need—not because it is a certain brand or has a sports celebrity's name on it.

For more information about physical activity and the proper shoes needed, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.



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Tuesday, Feb. 21

9 a.m. Expo and Exhibits open

10 a.m. Horse Demonstration • Sponsored by: Joe's Boot Shop
Tree Maintenance, Yucca Room, JLCC • Sponsored by: Goober McCool's

11 a.m. Source and Age Verification of Beef Cattle, Yucca Room, JLCC • Sponsored by: Farm Bureau
Antique Tractor Parade, Midway • Sponsored by: PNM
Art Quilt Demonstration, Women's Building • Sponsored by: Western Bank

11 a.m.-2 p.m. Chuck Wagon Lunch, Sheep Barn • Sponsored by: Sunland Peanuts

1 p.m. New Mexico Cattle Growers, Cacahuete Room, JLCC
Repairing Antique Quilts, Women's Building • Sponsored by: Western Bank

1:30 p.m. Antique Tractor Games • Sponsored by: PNM
Herbicide and Chemical Update, Yucca Room, JLCC • Sponsored by: CIDC and Curry County Chamber of Commerce

2 p.m. Horse Demonstration • Sponsored by: Joe's Boot Shop
Cooking School: No Mess, No Fuss Meals, Cacahuete Room, JLCC • Sponsored by: Roosevelt County Electric

2:30 p.m. Antique Tractor Parade, Midway • Sponsored: PNM
Using Reproduction Records to Assess Management, Yucca Room, JLCC • Sponsored by: AccessBank

5 p.m. Expo closes for the day

Wednesday, Feb. 22

9 a.m. Expo and Exhibits open

10 p.m. Working Stock Dog Demonstration • Sponsored by: Desert Bloom Realty
Antique Tractor Games • Sponsored by: PNM

11 a.m. Antique Tractor Parade, Midway • Sponsored by: PNM
Biofuels and Energy Cost Outlook, Yucca Room, JLCC • Sponsored by: Xcel Energy

noon DFA Dairymen's Lunch, Cacahuete Room, JLCC • Sponsored by: DFA

12:45 p.m. What's Ahead in Milk Prices for 2006, Cacahuete Room, JLCC • Sponsored by: Southwest Cheese and DFA

1 p.m. Country Fashion/Music Festival, Women's Building • Sponsored by: Buena Vista Realty

1:30 p.m. Air Quality Regulations Update, Cacahuete Room, JLCC • Sponsored by: Bill Johnston Auctioneers
Working Stock Dog Demonstration • Sponsored by: Desert Bloom Realty


2:30 p.m. Antique Tractor Parade, Midway • Sponsored by: PNM

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Sports

Freshman ladies coast to 61-20 win over Lady Cubs

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Lady Mules put 28 points on the board in the opening frame against the Lady Cubs of Brownfield

Lady Mules...

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fourth quarter with trey to take a 32-22 advantage. K. Wood called "glass" before she fired up a trey from near the baseline to cut the lead back to seven.

B. Wood went coast to coast with a drive and Dickson added a free throw to keep the game with in seven. B. Wood claimed inside position and was fouled on a defensive rebound. She made both ends of the one and one.

The Loboettes scored before Dickson split the defense with a drive down the lane and pulled up for a short jumper to make it a 37-32. Leopard hit a 3 with two minutes left and Dickson was fouled after a steal.

Dickson made both charity tosses to get the Lady Mules with in two points with under two minutes left to play. Levelland made the next four points. B. Wood grabbed her own missed shot and was fouled. She made both shots from the line.

Leopard kissed her shot high off the glass and the shot dropped neatly through the net for a 3-pointer to cut the Loboette lead to 44-42 with 30 seconds left. Levelland added two free throws and the Lady Mules could not get a shot to go down in the final seconds.

B. Wood paced the Lady Mules with 14 points and Leopard made three treys and 11 points. K. Wood had a trey and nine points, Dickson made seven all in the second half and Irma Torres chipped in one.

The Lady Mules closed out the regular season on their home floor when the Lubbock Cooper Lady Pirates shipped into the Muleshoe Athletic and Convocation Center Tuesday night.

Tuesday night and then coasted to a 61-20 win. Friday night the Lady Mules jumped out to a 20-11 lead with four minutes left in the first half.

Whistles took the Lady Mules out of the flow of their game and allowed the Loboettes of Levelland to climb back into the game at the foul line. The game was tied at the half and Levelland used their home floor advantage to take a 51-48 win.

The Lady Mules added 10 in the second frame with Jacy Lawrence, Cecilia Reyna, Ashley Grumbles, Kelsey Tipps and Ashley Scolley all scoring. The Lady Mules led 38-10 at the intermission.

Reyna picked the Cub's point guard's pocket and drove the floor for a lay-up. She added two more buckets later in third period. The Lady Mules grabbed a long rebound and relayed the ball down the floor to Janae Pyle to finish the break.

Gabby Agundis finished the next Lady Mule break. Amy Withrow and Morgan Smith finished two breaks each in the final three minutes to push the Lady Mule lead to 56-14 to start the final quarter.

Reyna dropped in a 3-

pointer from the top of the key to begin the scoring for the Lady Mules in the final frame. Smith saw Withrow break to the bucket from the back side. Smith delivered a quick pass and Withrow dropped in the deuce.

Reyna led the Lady Mules with 16 points, Withrow made seven in the first period and 13 in the game and Grumbles added eight in the first period and 10 in the game. Tipps and Agundis dropped in six points each, Pyle had four, and Scolley, Smith and Lawrence chipped in two each.

Smith saw a crease in the Levelland defense and made a strong drive to the bucket to end the first period with the Lady Mules on top 11-8. Reyna fired a pass to Withrow cutting down the baseline. She was fouled and cashed in both free throws for points to open the second frame.

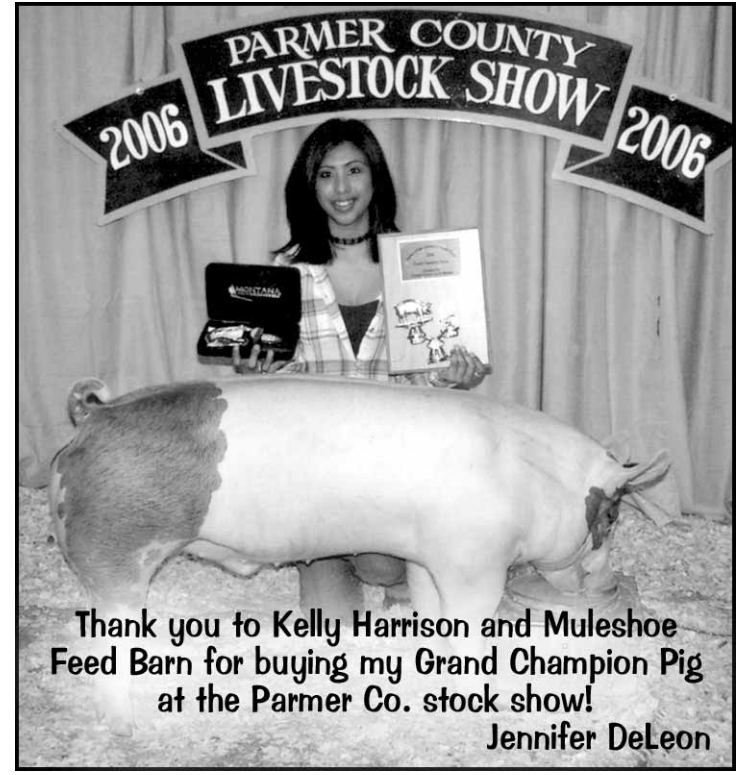
Smith swapped sides of the lane and drove from the left wing for a bucket. Reyna found a loose ball outside the arc and fired up a 3-ball to push the Lady Mule lead to 18-11. Reyna grabbed a long rebound and pushed the ball to Smith, she drove and drew the defense then dished to

Withrow to finish the break.

Whistles filled the air in the final four minutes of the half and Levelland went to the line four times to tie the game at 22. Reyna knocked down a pair of treys in the third frame and two in the fourth.

The Lady Mules trailed 37-32 going into the final frame. Reyna made three of four from the line and Grumbles chipped in one. Smith, Agundis and Pyle added a bucket each as the Lady Mules made a strong run at the Loboettes.

Reyna paced the Lady Mules with 20 points, Withrow dropped in 12 and Smith made 11. Agundis and Pyle made two points each and Grumbles chipped in one.



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JESSICA WITHROW

Withrow named as Panhandle Hall of Fame inductee

Muleshoe High School graduate Jessica Withrow is to be inducted into the Texas Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame during ceremonies scheduled on Feb. 12.

Withrow, the daughter of Muleshoe Junior High track coach Jeff Withrow, graduated from MHS in 2005 and signed a letter-of-intent with Abilene Christian University.

During her senior year, Withrow captured two gold medals and two silver medals in state competition.

During her first year at Muleshoe, Withrow claimed the district championship in the high jump, long jump, 100 meter hurdles, 300 meter hurdles, and was part of the district champion mile relay team.

Similar honors were receive in succeeding years.

Recently, Withrow qualified for the national track meet, which will be held March 10-11 in Boston, Mass.

Earth United Methodist Church holds dedication ceremonies

On Sunday, Jan. 24, 1965, Earth United Methodist Church conducted its first service in its current building.

After being questioned about the absence of dedication plaque, the current membership decided to rectify the situation.

Clara Mae Jones began the process and soon others were involved. Percy Parsons donated a beautiful granite stone engraved with the dates and names of those involved.

Rick Ruby did the brick work to set the plaque in the outside wall of the church, and on Jan. 31, the membership performed their dedication ceremony.

Albert Lindley, who was



Pictured from left to right: Rick Ruby, Dean Jones, Jimmy Nunn, Albert Lindley, Clara Mae Jones, J.J. Coker, Janis Morrison, L. Anna Jones, Percy Parsons, and Ed Dawson.

the pastor at the time that construction was completed, refreshed everyone's memory of his and others involvement in the construction. Those remembered and honored included: O. Eugene Slater,

Bishop; Dr. J.E. Shewbert, trustees; Kenneth Cowley, district superintendent; J.J. chairman of the finance Coker, chairman of the campaign; and W.O. board; Norman Sulser, "Buzzy" Jones, chairman of chairman of the board of the building committee.

Other members of the building committee were Ray Axtell, Carolyn Coker and Ed Dawson.

Relatives of the committee who participated in the dedication service included: Dean Jones, Janis (Cowley) Morrison, L. Anna (Sulser) Jones and Bob Coker. Jimmy Nunn, a former pastor and the current district superintendent, gave the sermon.

Afterwards the congregation was invited outside for the unveiling of the plaque and pictures. A pot luck dinner and fellowship followed.

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CLOSING DATE: February 10, 2006

TO APPLY: Send application to Human Resources, City of Lubbock, P.O. Box 2000, Lubbock, Texas 79457. All applications must be received in the Human Resources Office located at 1625 13th Street, Room 104 by 5:00 p.m. on the closing date. Resume must be accompanied by an application. The City of Lubbock is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The City of Lubbock is under the Texas Public Information Act and information from your resume/application may be subject to release to the public.

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On January 27, 2006, an application was filed with the Federal Communications Commission seeking consent to the assignment of license of KICA (AM), Clovis, New Mexico, KICA-FM, Farwell, Texas, KMUL (AM), Farwell, Texas, KMUL (FM), Muleshoe, Texas, and KKYC (FM), Clovis, New Mexico, from Broadcast Entertainment Corporation ("BEC") to 1 Chronicles 14, LP ("Chronicles"). The officers, directors, or persons holding 10% or more of BEC are Thomas Crane, Rick Keefer, and Ronald Pierson. 1 Chronicles 14, LP is a Texas Limited Partnership made up of the following partners: Weston Entertainment, LP, Second Kings, LP, Michael Wakely, Elliott Cunningham, John 1 GP, LLC and the IGI Trust. A copy of the

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Associates of Pre-Paid Legal Services is looking for PT sales representatives. Contact D.J. Dominguez after 5 p.m. for info. 806-272-6814.

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION-TRC 109 & 114

Cause No. 8193
THE STATE OF TEXAS: IN THE INTEREST OF JOHNNY MARTENS, A CHILD IN THE 287th DISTRICT COURT OF BAILEY COUNTY, TEXAS

TO: MARGARETHA FRIESEN Defendant-GREETING
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: **You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 am on the Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after the date this citation was issued, a default judgement may be taken against you.**

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday, March 6, 2006 before the Honorable District Court of Bailey County, at the Courthouse in said County in Muleshoe, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 16th day of January 2006 in the above entitled cause.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Parent-Child Relationship as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit. Order setting hearing for temporary orders is January 30, 2006 at 1:30 p.m. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court of Muleshoe, Texas this 16th day of January 2006. Attorney for Plaintiff or Plaintiff: P.O. Box 1775 - 304 W. 3rd St. Hereford, TX 79045 Clerk of the Court: Elaine Parker Bailey County, Texas By /s/ Becky Espinoza Deputy

LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF MULESHOE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

CONTRACT NUMBER 724154
FINAL PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Muleshoe, Texas, will conduct a Public Hearing to allow public comment on a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP Contract No. 724154). The project involved the preparation of a comprehensive planning study. The intent of the public hearing is to review program performance and receive public comments.

The public hearing shall be as follows:
DATE: February 13, 2006.
TIME: 5:30 P.M.
PLACE: Council Chambers, 215 S. First

Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and comments to LeAnn Gallman, City Secretary, City of Muleshoe, 215 S. First, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. Handicapped individuals that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. If anyone interested in attending the public hearing requires a translator, please contact the City Hall office prior to the public hearing so arrangements may be made. All written comments in writing within fifteen days after public hearing.

Published in the Muleshoe Journal on February 9, 2006.

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- Parmer-Bailey County — 152 acres, very good water, 1 well, center pivot, on pavement.
- Bailey County — 312 acres, 2 sprinklers, good water. Lots of improvements.
- Lamb County — Southeast of Amherst 922 acres, 310 acres of alfalfa. 5 center pivots, 42 acres of drip irrigation.
- Lamb County — Pleasant Valley area-315 acres, 5 wells, 2 pivots, very clean, on pavement.
- Lamb County — Pleasant Valley- 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home on 5 acres, on pavement. Barn and other outbuildings.
- Bailey County — 24 acres, 2 sprinklers. House, barn and other improvements.
- Country Home South of Muleshoe — 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, 2 car garage, full basement, barn and outbuildings. All on approximately 3 acres.
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- New Listing - Extremely nice 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home. Newly remodeled kitchen & bathrooms. New appliances, fireplace, office, storage, 2 car garage, fenced back yard & front sprinkler system + more.
- 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home, built-ins, ref. air, central heat, single car garage, full basement, workshop, deck and fenced back yard.
- In Country on Highway - Approx. 2100 sq. ft. Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home, built-ins, large utility, 800 sq. ft. of master bedroom and bath with garden Jacuzzi tub, spacious closets, 2 fireplaces, large wooden deck with hot tub and pond, shop, outbuildings, 160 acres of dryland grass, great for cattle plus a lot more! Call for more details!!
- New Listing - Nice spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, built-ins, large bedroom, central heat, great closet space, fenced back yard, shop, 2 car carport. All on corner lot near high school!
- 320 acres-Northeast of Lazbuddie, 2 circular sprinklers, 4 irrigation wells. Good trees and fields. Lays well. Call for more details.
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- 640 acres-Parmer/Castro Co. One of the flattest sections in the 2 county area. Small set of cattle pens, 5 wells, 1 submersible. Lots of depreciable assets.
- 336 acres-Castro County, 2 circular sprinklers, 2 wells, 2 submersible wells. Lays excellent!
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