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Court selects interim EMS director

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Bailey County Commissioners Court voted to offer Bailey County paramedic William Winters the position of interim director during Monday's special session.

The court's action came as a result of former director Chris Thompson's resignation, which was effective Jan. 15.

During its regular session on Jan. 8, the court discussed the interim position with Winters, but took no action at that time.

Among the concerns discussed at Monday's meeting was the return of local volunteers to the EMS program, an issue that has surfaced at court sessions more than once during the past year.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Juan Chavez said he hoped Winters would "try to work with the local people as much as possible."

It was decided to offer Winters a set amount above his normal pay as a



Snow Day!

Youngsters on the west end of Muleshoe braved the chilly temperatures Monday to take part in a rite of childhood. Breaking out large lids and pieces of plastic when an actual sled wasn't available, they hit one of the few slopes in the area suitable for a morning of thrills... and a few spills.

Photographs
by Larry Thornton

Livestock show set for this week

The Bailey County Junior Livestock Show is set for this week, Jan. 19 - 20, at the Bailey County Coliseum.

The show schedules for this year's event are as follows:

- Gilts and Barrows — 8:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 19.; Goat — 1 p.m., Friday, Jan. 19.
- Sheep, following the goat show, Friday, Jan. 19.
- Steer and Heifer — 8:30 am, Saturday, Jan. 20.

For more information, contact any member of the Bailey County Junior Livestock Show Board or the Bailey County Extension Office.

Forty-six exhibitors have signed up for the 2007 show, and include 86 swine entries, 14 goat entries, 6 sheep entries, 27 steer entries, 19 heifer entries.

According to the Bailey County Extension Office, this year's judges will be Jon Davidson, swine; Ryan Rathman, cattle; Donal Gillit, sheep and goat; Showmanship — Kaci Poole; Classifying — Alan Bean.

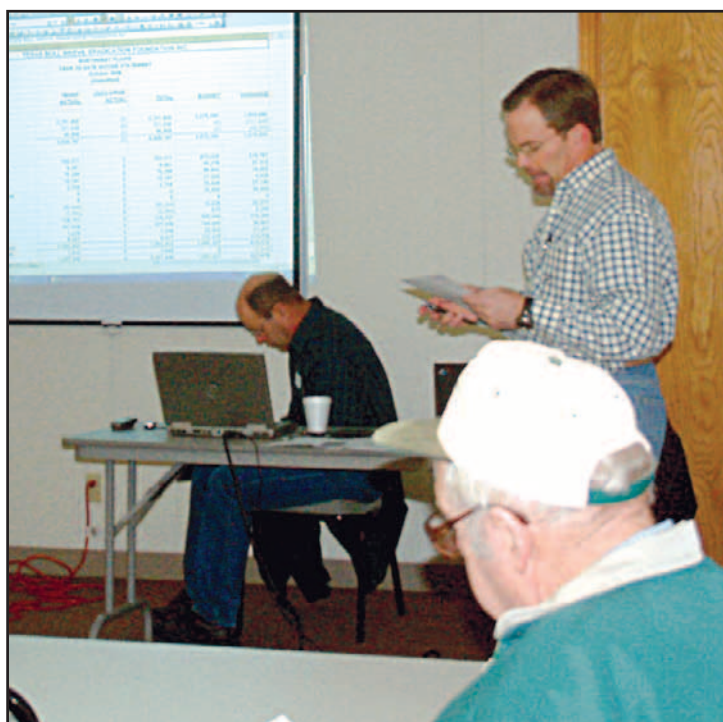
Boll weevil meeting recommends rate drop

By Leah Bell
General Manager

The steering committee of the Northwest Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone unanimously voted Thursday, Jan. 4, to recommend setting 2007 assessment rates at \$4 for irrigated cotton crops and \$2 for dryland cotton while keeping the same failed acre policy as 2006.

"Even though we are recommending these rates, the new Commissioner of Agriculture (Todd Staples) is the only person authorized by law to lower assessments below the rate established by the producers in the original referendum," said Bailey County's board member John Saylor. "We will forward this

recommendation to the Foundation Board's Finance Committee and they will make sure the proposed assessment will provide adequate funds to continue maintenance operations." Once approved by the Finance Committee and the Foundation Board, the recommendation will be sent to the Commissioner. The steering committee



Information being presented at the boll weevil meeting.

also discussed the meeting was the importance of the upcoming acceptance by Lyn Vandiver retention referendum. They to the zone manager's noted now important it is position.

'It isn't finalized, but we will be smaller next year. Fewer traps will be deployed and the interval between trap inspections will be increased...'

that producers vote "to continue the successful program protecting their investment and avoiding quarantine restrictions." Also announced at the Vandiver accepted the position following the retirement of Johnny Justiss, who had successfully managed the zone for the last few years.

Vandiver is a Muleshoe native and has worked with the boll weevil eradication foundation since 1999.

The steering committee, representing Bailey, Lamb, Castro and Deaf Smith counties, also unanimously agreed that 2007 will most likely see just two-thirds of the cotton crop planted in 2006 which

potentially change the face of the boll weevil program over the next several years.

Specifically, the county representatives suggested the following prognosticated acreage cuts: Deaf Smith - 2/3 less; Castro - 1/2 to 2/3 less; Parmer (Friona) - up to 1/2 less; Parmer (Farwell) - 1/3 less; Bailey (irrigated) - 1/3 less; Bailey (dryland) - 1/5 less; Lamb (northern) - 1/2 less; Lamb (around Springlake/Earth) - unsure; Deaf Smith - unsure, depends on the market and the price of cotton.

Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, Inc. Executive Director Lindy Patton assured the committee that Northwest Plains zone remains "the leanest zone we have in the state" and is in "the best shape of any zone in the state," even with a dramatic cut in cotton acreage. "Your zone is financially very stable."

'2007 will most likely see just two-thirds of the cotton crop planted in 2006 ...'

Inputting several assessment scenarios led steering committee members to choose the recommended rate which cuts down on the cash balance but leaves enough money to operate even through difficult years.

Program success in eliminating the boll weevil has allowed the program to reduce staff, pay off its debt and operate under budget. Steering committee members are predicting at least 100,000 less planted cotton acres in 2007, citing water issues and cotton seed prices as the main

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Local Weather

Thursday
Pt. Cloudy..... 46/21

Friday
Winter Mix 41/21

Saturday
Winter Mix 38/24

Sunday
Winter Mix 36/27

Monday
Pt. Cloudy..... 44/23

Tuesday
Pt. Cloudy..... 42/22

Wednesday
Pt. Cloudy..... 46/25

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Words to ponder from Beverly

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Wow! What a beautiful winter wonderland scene we had the last few days. But the weather could not keep the senior citizens from getting together for fun and fellowship.

The center was open on Monday and all who ventured out had a great time.

The center has been beautifully decorated for Valentines. When you come into the center, just look and enjoy, then pat Fred and Joyce Clements on the back for the good job they did.

The center has some white folding tables the board voted to sell for \$30 each. They are the same size as the ones they use to play dominoes on. If you are interested in acquiring one, please call or come by the center and visit with us.

The center also has several 2 inch by 10 inch mirrors they need to dispose of. If you would like one of those just come by and make an offer.

The Bootscooters Band will be playing for the Tuesday night senior dance on Jan. 23. Call a friend and come listen to our home town boys play their great music. Dancing will start at 7 p.m., a pot luck supper

LISD honor roll corrected

Lazbuddie Independent School District officials submitted an incorrect list for its third six-week period honor rolls, which was published in last week's issue of the *Journal*.

The correct listing for the elementary honor roll is as follows:

"A" — Bernardo Lopez, Ginsyn McGehee, Kenlea Barnes, Gentry Hicks, Destry Ivy, Colten McMurrian, Ashley Scott, Juan Samarron, Michah Vera, Lacey Jesko, Haley Beasley, Katlyn Hicks, Ashton Mason, Austin Mason and Shyann Rainey.

"AB" — Priscilla Salazar, David Guenter, Haldon Ivy, Andrea Lule, Albert Moran, Josephine Samarron and Allison Weaver.

Do you have story or photo ideas? Let us know! 272-4536

break at 8:30 p.m., and end at 10 p.m.

The January birthday party will be on Thursday, Jan. 25. All you senior citizens with a birthday in January come join us for lunch and be honored.

Bingo will follow the party at 1:30 p.m. Bring a can of food and come join in the fun. Refreshments and prizes are furnished.

The Senior Citizen's Red Hat Club met on Wednesday, Jan. 17. All who participated had a great time showing off their red hats.

We have had several games donated to the Center, Skip Bow, Scrabble, Yahtzee and Sequence. If you like to play any of these games, just get you a group of senior citizens and come on to the center. They just might be someone already hear that would like to play with you.

Menu for Jan. 22-26:

Monday, Jan. 22 – Chili and beans, salad, cornbread and cobbler.

Tuesday, Jan. 23 – Baked ham, macaroni and cheese, peas and carrots, tossed salad, wheat roll and diced peaches.

Wednesday, Jan. 24 – Chicken-fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll and cake.

Thursday, Jan. 25 – Chicken with sauce, corn, mixed greens, salad, wheat roll, cookies and jello.

Friday, Jan. 26 – Fish or chicken strips, gravy, tator tots, hushpuppies, coleslaw and fruit salad.

Cookie sales

The Girl Scouts of Muleshoe, and other members of the Caprock Council, have kicked off their annual cookie sales. To purchase cookies, or for additional information, contact the scouts and scout leaders in your area.

Firehouse fundraiser

The annual fundraiser for the Muleshoe Fire Department has been set for Saturday, Jan. 27, from 5-9 p.m., at the Earl Ladd Fire Station. The menu includes chili, beans and cornbread. Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased from local firefighters.

Pioneer women's handiwork

The Bailey County Extension Education Association will be hosting Reggie Knight on Tuesday, Jan. 16, at 2 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum meeting room for the program *Pioneer Women's Handiwork*.

Knight will take you on a journey into the past on the apron strings of a 10-year-old girl as she travels along the trail of a wagon train. Learn of the simpler life of days gone by and the almost forgotten traditions of family and crafts passed down from mother to daughter during an era of pioneers.

The program is open to the public. For more information contact the Bailey County Extension Office, 306 W. Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

Bailey County Jr. Livestock Show set

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St. Ann's benefit dinner

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina is sponsoring its annual German Sausage Dinner, Sunday, Jan. 28, from 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. at St. Ann's Parish Hall on Third Street in Bovina.

Donations will be \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under six. Take-out plates will be available at no additional charge. Sausage will be available by the pound the day of the dinner or by contact of any St. Ann's member.

Diabetes support group rescheduled

The Bailey County Diabetes Support Group will meet on Thursday, Jan. 25, at 6:30 p.m., in the dining room of Muleshoe Area Medical Center, because of the cancellation last week due to bad weather.

The program will be "Lifestyle Changes and Emotions." People diagnosed with diabetes must control their disease every day of their life. We will discuss what diabetes is and the general steps for managing blood glucose levels.

This program is free of charge to anyone interested. For more information, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent – Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 W. Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

IBJM at Richland Hills

Bro. Glenn Border of San Angelo, a missionary with the International Board of Jewish Missions, will be leading the worship service and Sunday school at Richland Hills Baptist Church, at 17th and West Ave. D, Muleshoe, on Feb. 11.

The public is invited to attend. Sunday school will begin at 10 a.m., followed the morning worship service at 11 a.m.

"This is a great opportunity to learn more about Bro. Border and the work of the IBJM, said Bro. Larry Thornton, pastor at Richland Hills. Call 272-5852 for more information.

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Heritage Board Report

By Jean Allison

The Muleshoe Heritage Foundation Board had its first meeting following the holidays at noon on Monday, Jan. 8, at the Santa Fe Depot.

The most exciting business was the report given by board member Sammie Simpson concerning the old Virginia City Hotel. She noted that the structure has been lowered, and bids are being taken for building the porch and for painting the inside of this unique addition to the Heritage Center.

The Virginia City Hotel is a great representation of what was occurring when "land barons" began purchasing large plots of ranch land to sell into small farms.

One of the reasons for this land rush was the breakup of the huge and famous XIT Ranch and three years of good rains. All of this occurred in the early 1900s when more than 200 lots were sold.

Mathew C. Vaughn, one of these land barons, used the 24 x 17 feet, plus porch, to accommodate prospective buyers.

By 1913 after three years



Walmart employee Bob Black presented the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation with a donation Friday, Jan. 12. Pictured above, from left to right, are: Jean Allison, Gary Hooten, Sheila Stevenson, Bob Black, Jo Bob Stevenson, Jenne McVicker and Dolores Harvey.

of extreme drought Virginia City became a "ghost town," and Maple Wilson bought the Virginia City Hotel and moved it two miles west of Maple for his ranch headquarters.

As far as anyone knows the Virginia City Hotel is the only wooden structure still in existence built for the sole purpose of accommodating the farmers when they came to inspect the land they planned to buy. It is

very fortunate that such an unusual piece of history of this area is now being restored at the Muleshoe Heritage Center.

A discussion was held about joining with the Texas Historical Commission in order to work more efficiently in preserving some of the heritage of this area. The matter was tabled until further research can be done about this merger. Center hostess Dolores

Harvey reported that the center donated two Heritage t-shirts to the Muleshoe PTA, which were greatly appreciated. She noted some repairs are needed at the center, the sale of Bailey County Historical books and the rent of the depot.

She noted the need for post cards which deal with Muleshoe, and which could be purchased at the center. A motion was made for Wells Hall to decide on three different designs for the post cards. The motion was approved.

The board members welcomed Ann McElroy back after a rather long absence due to out-of-town business.

She reported that the center has received a small grant from Wal-Mart which will be accepted at a special meeting soon. Meeting adjourned.

Northwest Plains meeting...

Continued from page 1 determining factors.

The recommended 2007 rates will allow farmers to "tread water and wait things out," according to Saylor.

Deaf Smith farmer Charles Schlabs expressed concern about rising seed costs and said, "The price of cotton could change if China doesn't show up next year." He also expressed concern about volunteer cotton,

stating it was a worse problem in 2006 than ever before in Deaf Smith County.

Also helping to determine the assessment rate in 2007 is the anticipated decrease in program expenses.

According to program director Dr. Charles Allen, "It isn't finalized, but we will be smaller next year. Fewer traps will be deployed and the interval between trap inspections will be increased. This will result in fewer people checking traps and a lower operating cost." These changes are all part of "Phase 3" in the Northwest Zone in 2007.

There are "no plans to go no trapping at all" according to Allen. The final Phase 4 component of the post eradication plan is "still in the works."

Farmers located in the Northwest Plains eradication zone will be receiving a letter from the steering committee in the near future explaining the retention referendum and encouraging cotton producers to vote to continue the program.

Members of the Northwest Plains steering committee include — Mark Williams of Farwell, Kevin Riley of Earth, Bryan Patterson of Lamb County,

Jerry Sowder of South Bailey County, Vic Nelson of Dimmitt, Charles Schlabs of Deaf Smith County, Rickey Rector of Friona, Frank Bezner of Hereford, James Brown of Muleshoe, Jimmy McCurry of Earth, John Saylor of Muleshoe, and Kevin Breshears of the New Mexico steering committee.

Court...

Continued from page 1 paramedic to fulfill the responsibilities required of the director's position.

In other business Monday, the court approved a contract with Oller Engineering to sealcoat the Bailey County Coliseum parking lot at an estimated cost of \$30,397. This amount does not include the funds needed to repair damage to the parking lot and prepare it for the sealcoating.

"We're going to have to do something, or we will have to do the whole thing," County Judge Sherri Harrison said.

According to Judge Harrison, \$34,500 had been budgeted for work at the coliseum.

The court also approved a resolution to initiate a joint sealcoat project with other west Texas cities and counties.

Park View van effort continues

Muleshoe area residents continue to address the needs of the residents at Park View Nursing Care Center.

To date, they have donated thousands of dollars toward the purchase of the new van, but there is still a need.

As of this month, the total still needed is: \$15,000.

Individuals, or organizations wishing to contribute to the effort may send their donations to the Park View Van Fund, at First State Bank of Muleshoe.

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Health

Don't be selfish... Secondhand smoke harms your loved ones

Submitted by Mandi Seaton Bailey CEA-FCS

Did you know that if you smoke around others, especially children, you are being selfish? Think about how smoking harms the people you care about.

Don't be selfish.

"Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching. They will be a garland to grace your head and a chain to adorn your neck..."

Proverbs 1:8-9, NIV

Secondhand smoke is the smoke that comes off of your cigarette or other tobacco product. This smoke can make you and your children sick... really sick!

Did you know that children who live in homes where people smoke get sick more often with coughs, breathing problems such as asthma, and ear infections?

Don't be selfish.

Secondhand smoke is also bad for adults. It can cause lung cancer, and it is also bad for the heart. It can even cause death. If you are

a husband who smokes, think about your wife. Your smoking is causing harm to her.

Don't be selfish.

Protect your family! Make your home and car smoke-free. Take your smoking outside and away from your loved ones. Poisons from smoke linger in the air for up to seven days. When you smoke inside the house or in your vehicle, you are exposing people to dangerous poison even if they are not present while you are smoking.

Quitting smoking is not

easy, but it can be done. Take your first step by taking your smoke outside and away from your loved ones.

By making a smoke-free home and vehicle, you are showing your loved ones that you are not selfish. You are showing them that you care for them. By making a smoke-free home, you are making their health better!

For more information on how to quit smoking, contact either the American Cancer Society at www.cancer.org or 1-800-ACS-2345, or the National Cancer Institute at www.cancer.gov or 1-877-44U-QUIT.

The Texas Cooperative Extension and the Texas Cancer Council encourage you to not be selfish. Put your cigarette or cigar out or at least outside!

For more information on the harmful effects of secondhand smoke, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 272-4583, email: mkseaton@ag.tamu.edu, and ask about their *Put it Outside for Healthier Kids* program.

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... IN THE NORTH, SYRIA AND ISRAEL (SEPARATE FROM THE KINGDOM OF JUDAH AND JERUSALEM) HAD FORMED AN ALLIANCE AGAINST THE THREAT OF A TERRIBLE FOE TO THE EAST, ASSYRIA—THEN AT ITS HEIGHT AS A CONQUERING NATION, LOOTING AND DESPOLING ALL KINGDOMS IN ITS PATH TO WORLD POWER! SYRIA AND ISRAEL INTENDED TO ATTACK JUDAH FOR NOT JOINING THEM BUT, BEFORE THEY COULD, THEY WERE CONQUERED BY ASSYRIA, WHOSE KING, SENNACHERIB, THEN FOCUSED ON JERUSALEM, DEMANDING ITS TOTAL SURRENDER! KING HEZEKIAH SOUGHT ISAIAH'S ADVICE—WHEN HE WAS IN TROUBLE, THEN AND THEN ONLY DID HE TURN TO GOD AND THE PROPHETS—WHEN EVERYTHING WAS FINE, HEZEKIAH DID AS HE PARAN WELL PLEASED! ISAIAH TOLD HEZEKIAH TO ACT LIKE A REAL KING, FOR ONCE, AND DEFEAT ASSYRIA! A HARD THING TO DO WHEN, ALL AROUND HIM, KINGDOMS WERE TOPPLING LIKE TEN-PINS... SO HEZEKIAH STRIPPED HIS TREASURY OF ITS GOLD AND SILVER TO GIVE TO SENNACHERIB, HOPING HE'D GO AWAY! AT THIS TIME, EGYPT TOLD HEZEKIAH TO FEAR FOR HIS OWN SAFETY, GOT INTO THE FIGHT AND, EVEN AS ISAIAH SHOUTED DEFIANCE FROM JERUSALEM'S WALLS, SENNACHERIB, WITH NEWS OF A SERIOUS REVOLT IN HIS OWN COUNTRY, HIS ARMY DECIMATED BY SOME SUDDEN PLAGUE OF ILLNESS WHICH KILLED THOUSANDS OF HIS TROOPS OVERNIGHT, LEFT FOR HOME! INSTEAD OF GOING TO THE TEMPLE TO THANK GOD, THE PEOPLE OF JERUSALEM CELEBRATED IN A SERIES OF WILD ORGIES! ISAIAH'S WORDS FAIRLY DRIPPED SARCASTICALLY AS HE WATCHED, "EAT, DRINK AND BE MERRY," SAID HE, "FOR TOMORROW, I'VE GOTTEN MY DIRTY PREDICTION, 'WE DIE!' ISAIAH SAW WHAT THE FUTURE HELD FOR A PEOPLE WHO TURNED TO RIOTOUS REVELS AT THE SLIGHTEST EXCUSE—AND HE WAS RIGHT! IN LESS THAN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS, NINEBUHADNEZZAR WAS TO COME OUT OF THE EAST AND END FOREVER "THE POWER AND THE GLORY THAT WAS JERUSALEM."

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Obituaries

Lula Knowles

Funeral services for Lula Elizabeth "Lou" Knowles, 91, of Stamford, formerly of Muleshoe, were held on Friday, Jan. 12, at Orient St. Church of Christ with Wes Horn officiating. Burial followed in the Bailey County Cemetery with Curtis Shelburne officiating.

Knowles died on Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2007. She was born on July 29, 1915, in Hollis, Okla., to the late Wyatt "Bud" and Dora Cox King. She married D.C. Thomason in 1935. She later married Jack Knowles in 1953.

Knowles worked as a beautician in Muleshoe and Floydada, where she owned her own beauty shop. She served as a Dorm Director at West Texas State University in Canyon, retiring in 1982, and was a hostess for the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation.

She was a member of the Muleshoe Church of Christ and later a member of the Orient St. Church of Christ in Stamford.

Knowles was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter — Debra Pauline



LULA "LOU" KNOWLES

Knowles Aguilar; a sister — Juanita Harris; and a brother — Charles King.

Survivors include two sons and their wives — Ronald and Ann Thomason of Canyon, and Lanny and Dovie Knowles of Stamford; a daughter and her husband — Cathy and Larry Pipins of Mansfield; three sisters — Florence Knowles of Lubbock, Eddie Jo Powell of Pasadena, and Dorothy Morgan of Lubbock; a brother — Gerald Wayne King of Lubbock; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Muleshoe Heritage Center, 215 S. First, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

Mark Yarbrough

A church service for Mark Geoffrey Yarbrough, 43, of Odessa, was held on Thursday, Jan. 11, at the First Baptist Church in Morton with the Rev. Ken Dunsworth and James Dunsworth officiating.

Burial followed in Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Yarbrough died on Jan. 8, 2007, in Odessa. He was born on March 18, 1963, in Morton.

Yarbrough graduated from Whiteface schools in

1981. He attended South Plains College and North Texas State University.

He was a past president of the Optimist Club of Odessa and was employed by the City of Odessa.

Survivors include his parents — Melvin and Pat Yarbrough of Morton; a brother — Mike Yarbrough of Lubbock; and a sister — Leann Yarbrough of Lubbock.

Memorials may be sent to the Optimist Club of Odessa.

George "Ray" Moore Jr.

Graveside services for George Raymond "Ray" Moore Jr., 66, of Purcell, Okla., were held on Thursday, Jan. 11, at Hillside Cemetery in Purcell.

Moore died on Jan. 8, 2007, at his home in Purcell. He was born on Jan. 6, 1941, in Espanola, N.M., the son of George Raymond and Velma Katherine Moore Sr. He attended school in Espanola, and married Beatrice Aylesworth on Aug. 5, 1961, in Muleshoe.

Moore served in the U.S. Army. He completed Pipe Trades Apprentice School and was a union pipefitter in Albuquerque. He also worked for 25 years in Farmington, N.M., retiring in 2002.

Moore had lived in Purcell for the past 3-1/2 years after moving from Albuquerque, N.M.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife — Beatrice, of the home; three daughters and their husbands — Beverly and Tom Bixler of Farmington, N.M., Marcia and Tom Mawman of The Colony, and Paula and Steve Hand of Norman, Okla.; two brothers — Kenneth Moore of Aspermont and Lloyd Moore of Berthoud, Colo.; three sisters — Katherine Hennigh of Page, Ariz., Peggy Perry of Owasso, Okla., and Tonia Brunk of Las Vegas, Nev., and six grandchildren.

Jose Villarreal Sr.

A graveside service for Jose Villarreal Sr., 84, of Muleshoe was held on Tuesday, Jan. 9, at Bailey County Cemetery with Jonathan Flores officiating.

Military honors were provided by the Ft. Hood Honor Guard.

Villarreal died on Jan. 4, 2007, in Lovington, N.M. He was born on Aug. 22, 1922, in San Antonio to Eusebio and Benita Villarreal.

Villarreal was a native of Muleshoe, and worked in agriculture most of his life. He married Manuela Martinez on Jan. 26, 1942, in Crystal City.

He served in the U.S. Army, and was a member of

the Muleshoe VFW.

He is preceded in death by his wife — Manuela Villarreal, his parents and three sons — Pedro Villarreal, Juan Villarreal and a baby boy.

Survivors include seven sons — Jose Villarreal Jr. and Tony Villarreal, both of Crystal City, Lupe Villarreal of Napoleon, Ohio, George Villarreal, Charlie Villarreal and Jessie Villarreal, all of Muleshoe, and Oscar Villarreal of Hobbs, N.M.; four daughters — Beatrice Benavides of Hobbs, N.M., Benita Evans of Amarillo, Manuela Serrano and Christina Villarreal, both of Muleshoe; 28 grandchildren and 51 great-grandchildren.

Maria Salinas

Church services for Maria T. Salinas, 86, of Earth, were held on Monday, Jan. 15, at the Earth First Baptist Church with the Rev. Angie Castillo officiating. Burial followed in Earth Memorial Cemetery.

Salinas died on Jan. 11, 2007, in Muleshoe. She was born on April 10, 1920, in Mexico.

Salinas was a life-long member of the Earth community. Salinas was a member of the Temple of Adoration Church.

She was preceded in death by two sons — Pedro Sanchez and Ramonda Perez; five sisters and four brothers.

Survivors include five sons — Elpidio Perez of Earth, Richard Salinas of Amarillo, Gladia Gallegos of Abilene, Juan Gallegos of Earth and James Perez of Farwell; a daughter —

Justina Garcia of Earth; 26 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

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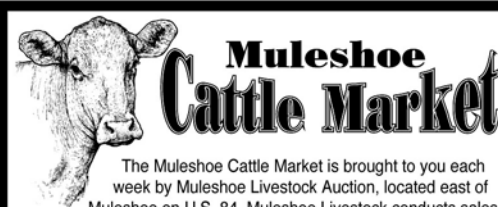
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'Pioneer women' author to speak

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Learn of the simpler life of days gone by and the almost forgotten traditions of family and crafts passed down from mother to daughter during an era of pioneers.

The program is open to the public. For more information contact the Bailey County Extension Office, 306 W. Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.



REPRESENTATIVE SALES

SAT., JANUARY 13, 2007
288 head of cattle, 89 hogs and 18 sheep and goats for a total of 395 livestock sold at the Jan. 13 sale. Few consignments due to the weather and roads and corn market.

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Lee Billbrey, Bledsoe	3	RWF hrs	342 lbs.	at \$114
Richard Barnett, Lubbock	3	Blk. str	360 lbs.	at \$127
Richard Barnett, Lubbock	3	Mxd. hfrs	287 lbs.	at \$122
Richard Barnett, Lubbock	4	Mxd. str	505 lbs.	at \$97
Harriott Ranch, Datel, NM	7	Blk. str	349 lbs.	at \$133
Harriott Ranch, Datel, NM	4	Blk. str	456 lbs.	at \$115
Harriott Ranch, Datel, NM	14	Blk. hfrs	366 lbs.	at \$116
Harriott Ranch, Datel, NM	4	WF cows P8		\$600
Kenneth Rainey, Lazbuddie	2	Blk. hfrs	338 lbs.	at \$122
Kenneth Rainey, Lazbuddie	4	loho pairs		\$510
Kenneth Rainey, Lazbuddie	1	loho cow P8		\$540
Kenneth Rainey, Lazbuddie		Loho cow	1050 lbs.	at \$46.50
Lopez Cattle, Muleshoe		Blk. cow P6		\$600
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Great Plains, Hereford	3	Mxd. cows	1228 lbs.	at \$47
Great Plains, Hereford		Brin. cow	995 lbs.	at \$48
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Sports

Varsity Mules clip Bushland's Falcons, 47-36

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules clipped a very scrappy Bushland Falcon team 47 to 36 Tuesday night and then moved on to Friona to meet the Chieftains Friday night.

The Mules got off to a very slow start in Friona and gave the Chieftains an 18-7 lead. The two teams played almost even through the next 32 minutes. Friona hung on to their lead and added a few points with free throws at the end to down the Mules 66-52.

The Mules spotted the Falcons seven points before putting a point on the board. Dustin Barker got the Mules started with a pair of charity tosses. Garrett Riley saw Barker running on a break and hit him with a half court pass.

Barker made the lay up and converted the foul shot to get the Mules with in two. Barker stepped in a passing



Photograph by Norm Brantley

Mule Garrett Riley looks for the basket during the recent game against the Falcons.

lane to pick off a Falcon pass and drove the floor. His lay up would not go down but Colby Carpenter was there to clean up and tie the game at 7-7.

Eric Washington kicked the ball back out from deep in the lane to Brian Poynor. Poynor sank a 3-pointer from the wing that gave the Mules a 10-7 lead and they

held on to the lead the next 32 minutes.

TJ Brantley got the Mules started in the second period with a pair from the line after being fouled on a drive from

the elbow. Carpenter spotted Brantley open in the lane and he dropped in the short jumper.

Elias Alvarado dialed in from long distance for a trey and Barker made two from the line to give the Mules a 19-10 advantage with two and half minutes until the half.

Bushland made five points before Brantley ended the half with two from the line to put the Mules up 21-15.

Patrick Precure dropped in a 3-pointer near the end of the third period and the Mules increased their lead by four in the third and then held off the Falcons in the final period.

Brantley led the Mules with 12 points and made eight of 12 from the line. Barker dropped in nine points and Washington made all eight of his in the second half. Poynor added six points, Carpenter four,

Alvarado and Precure had three each and Riley chipped in two.

Whether it was the cold bus ride to Friona or the early start time but the Mules just could not find the range in the first period and the Chieftains took an 18-7 lead

Poynor and Carpenter each made a 3-pointer in the second period.

The Mules made seven of 11 from the charity line and cut two off lead. Barker made three of four free throws and the Mules trailed 31-22 at the intermission.

Precure pumped in two treys in the third period but the still Mules fell behind.

Precure hit his third 3-pointer in a row as the final frame began and Barker drained one from behind the arc as did Poynor.

The Mules were forced to foul to stop the clock but Friona made five of six from the line to hold down the Mules.

Precure led the Mules with 11 points and Brantley and Poynor each dropped in 10. Barker added eight points, Carpenter six, Riley four and Washington chipped in three.

The 2-2 Mules traveled to Amarillo River Road Tuesday and will host the Highland Park Hornets Friday to wrap up their first loop of district.

There are no undefeated teams in the district so the Mules are not out of the race.

The Mules will travel to Tulia Jan. 23 to start their second lap of district and will host the Dimmitt Bobcats on Jan. 26.

JV Lady Mules have a tough week; drop two games

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Lady Mules dropped two games last week. The fell to the Bushland Falcons 38-34 at on their home floor and traveled to Friona to face the Squaws on Friday.

The Squaws stunned the Lady Mules 48-20.

The Lady Falcons jumped in front 7-4 in the opening period. Ashley Scolley and Cassie Steinbock had the only buckets for the Lady Mules.

Gizell Vasquez made five of her seven points in the second period. Janae Pyle and Kathryn Owens each made baskets and Steinbock added a charity toss.

The Lady Mules trailed 20-14 at the half.

The Lady Mules came out strong in the third period and out scored the Lady Falcons 9-5. Ashley Cisneros, Vasquez, Steinbock and Owens each made a basket and Steinbock made one from the charity stripe.

The Lady Mules had cut

the Bushland lead to 25-23. Bushland held off the Lady Mules in the final period. Steinbock made trey and Pyle and BreAnn Baca made two baskets each.

Steinbock led the way for the Lady Mules with nine points, Vasquez dropped in seven and Pyle added six.

Baca and Owens made four each and Cisneros and Scolley chipped in two apiece.

Friona held the Lady Mules to four points in each of the first two periods to take a 27-8 lead at the half.

Scolley made both baskets for the Lady Mules in the opening frame and Steinbock and Pyle each made a bucket in the second.

The Lady Mules made six points in each of the final two periods.

Vasquez made two buckets in the third and Baca and Pyle made free throw each.

Scolley dropped in a trey and a deuce the final period and Vasquez chipped in one from the charity line.

Steinbock led the Lady

Mules in scoring with seven points and Vasquez dropped in five. Scolley added four points, Owens three and Baca chipped in one.

The Lady Mules will start their second lap of district at Amarillo River Road Tuesday and will host the Amarillo Highland Park Lady Hornets on Friday.

They will travel to Tulia to meet the Lady Hornets on Jan. 23 and host the Dimmitt Bobbies on Jan. 26.

JV Mules 'squeak by' the Bushland Falcons; 'scalp' the Friona Chieftains

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Mules squeaked by the Bushland Falcons 46-42 on Tuesday night and then scalped the Friona Chieftains 43-33 Friday. The Mules used a huge first quarter to jump on top of the Falcons and defend their home court.

Colt Ellis was the only Mule

with two buckets in the opening frame against the Falcons but Stephen Dominguez dropped in a 3-pointer. Austin Wright, Lane Wood and Devin Bullock each added a basket and Nathaniel Chavez chipped in a charity toss to give the Mules a 14-9 lead after one period.

The Falcons warmed up in the second period and out scored the Mules 14-10. Adam Zamora scored half the Mule points in the quarter with a 3-pointer and a bucket. The Mules led 24-23 at the half.

Bushland tied the game at 33-33 at the end of the third frame. Wright dropped in a

treys and charity toss to keep the Mules even.

The Mules made five of six from the line in the final period to ease in front. Ellis and Wes Wood each made baskets in the final period and L. Wood made a pair.

L. Wood led the Mules in scoring with 10 points, Wright made eight, Ellis dropped in

seven and Zamora added six. Dominguez had five points, W. Wood four, Chavez and Bullock made three each.

The Mules fell behind Friona 11-6 in the opening frame but came back strong in the second period. They held the Chieftains to seven while putting 10 on the board to trail 17-16 at the

intermission.

Zamora hit a pair from behind the arc in the second frame to help the Mules make up ground fast.

The Mules took the lead in the third period by out scoring Friona 13-5 and the momentum carried over into

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Sports

Lady Mules bash the Lady Falcons

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules bashed the Bushland Lady Falcons 45-34 Tuesday night and set the stage for a battle for first place in District 2-2A. They traveled to Friona early Friday to battle the Squaws. Both teams entered Friday afternoon's game with perfect 5-0 district records.

Mother Nature once more exerted her influence on Muleshoe sports and Friday's games were moved up one hour earlier. The Lady Mules spotted Friona a 15 point head start in the first half and the Squaws hung on to defeat the Lady Mules 59-41.

Chelsi Hawkins and Kyra Kimbrough teamed up on a Lady Falcon and took away a rebound. Kimbrough dropped in the dink shot and set the tone for the game. The Lady Falcons used their height to battle the Lady Mules to a 16-14 half time score.

The Lady Mules cranked their defense up a couple of notches after the intermission and that seems to ignite their offense.

Kimbrough's quickness allowed her to jump in a Bushland passing lane and picked off a pass as the second half began. She drove the floor for the lay up. A minute later Kimbrough grabbed an inbounds pass under the Lady Mule basket.

She made a short pass to Sarah Johnson for a dink shot that gave the Lady Mules a 20-16 advantage. Chi Hernandez stopped and popped from 10 feet. Following a Lady Falcon

turnover Hernandez got the ball in the lane and split the double team for a scoop shoot.

She was fouled and converted the old-fashion three-point play for a five-point scoring run in 16 seconds. Kate Lepard made one of two from the line before Kelsey Tipps went on an uninterrupted scoring run in the final minute and half of the quarter.

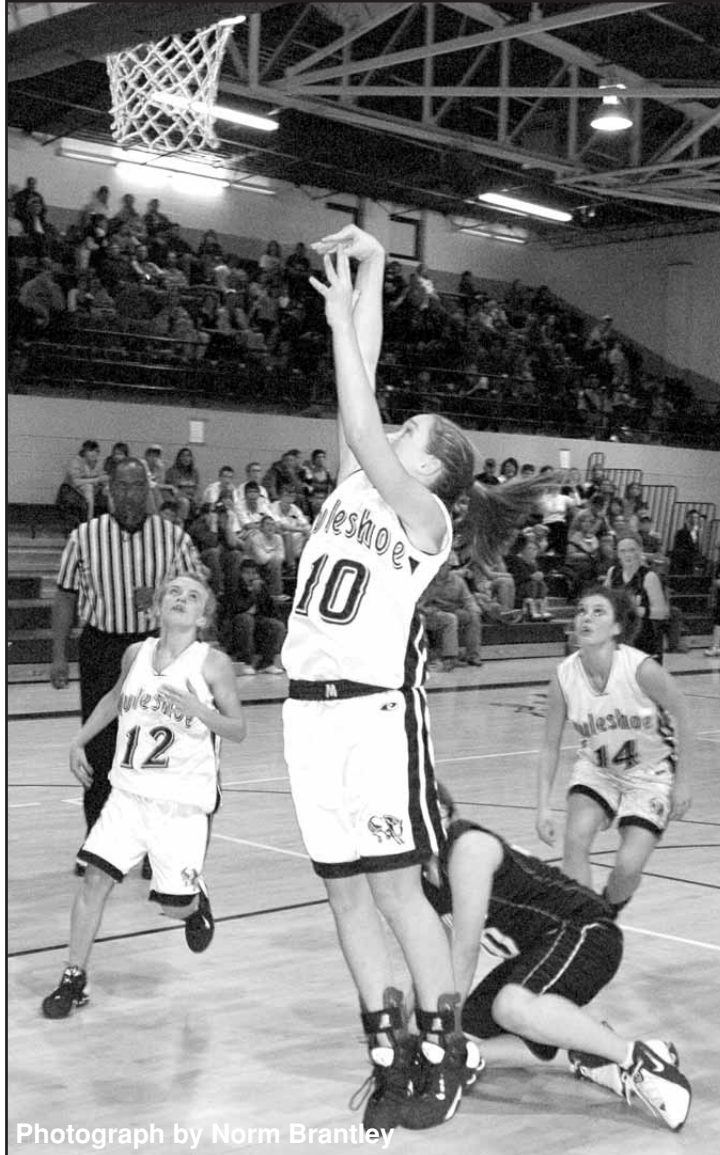
Tipps first scored on an inbounds play and then was fouled rebounding on the defensive end. She walked to the other end and made both free throws. Bushland missed a pair from the line.

The Lady Mules rebound the ball and Morgan Smith set the Lady Mule offense. Smith drove in the lane to draw the defense and dished to Tipps. Tipps dropped in the short jumper just before the buzzer ended the third period. The Lady Mules had out scored the Lady Falcons 16-6 to take a 32-20 lead into the final period.

The Lady Falcons made 12 of their final 14 points in the game from the charity line.

Hernandez set the scoring pace for the Lady Mules with 13 points and Kimbrough added eight. Tipps dropped in seven points and CiCi Reyna made two treys for six. Smith, Lepard and Ashlie Grumbles each added three points and Johnson chipped in two.

The Lady Mules gave up 17 points in the second period to Friona to trail 24-9 at the half. The Lady Mules came out determined after the intermission and cut the



Photograph by Norm Brantley

Lady Mule Sarah shoots during a recent game.

Squaws lead to eight with four minutes left in the third period. Friona went on a scoring run in the final four minutes to reclaim all but one of their 15 point half time lead.

The Lady Mules could not mount a second run in the final period to get close to the Squaws.

Johnson and Hernandez made eight points apiece to lead the Lady Mules in scoring. Lepard added seven, Hawkins dropped in six and Kimbrough had five.

Reyna made a trey for three points, Grumbles and Smith each chipped in two.

The Lady Mules completed their first round of district with a 5-1 record and firmly in second place. They traveled to Amarillo River Road Tuesday night to open their second loop of district and return home to host the Amarillo Highland Park Lady Hornets.

They travel to Tulia Jan. 23 and return home on Friday, Jan. 26, to meet Dimmitt.

God Can Bless Us By Slowing Us Down

As I write, a goodly portion (How's that for a really preacherly—yea, verily, a goodly—sort of word?) of our country has been shut down by a major winter ice storm.

Truth be told, I'm glad. Our world desperately needs to be shut down every now and then, and since not many of us have the power, the authority, or the good sense to voluntarily shut things down ourselves for awhile, I'm grateful when on

I'd spent more time on my schooling I could tell you the percentage, but I doubt that one Sunday off out of 52 per year (which is our usual rate of bad-weather-let's-cancel-services Sundays) hurts our average all that much.

I've wondered why I like it so much on these rare occasions when the world shuts down?

Because I'm lazy? Maybe. But a more flattering reason is this: Our lives so often spin out of balance that a little forced time to slow down or stop (and maybe even think, or read, or enjoy our families, or sit still) helps get them back, if only for a heartbeat or two, into something approaching balance.

I love education. My wife thought I'd never quit going to school. But not all education happens in the classroom. There's a time to get serious about memorizing multiplication tables. But we probably do that better if we're diligent enough about throwing snowballs when the right opportunity comes along. I figure we're long on chair time and short on snowball time.

I love what happens when we meet to worship the God who spins this world and paints it with snowflakes. And I'm afraid it's true that if we show up at church only when it's quite convenient, we hurt ourselves, our church, THE church universal, and our community much more than we realize.

But I suspect it's those most committed to worshipping the God they love who smile the healthiest smiles when God shuts the world down and we get a chance on a frosty Sunday morning to pull up the covers, breathe a heartfelt "Thank you, Lord!" and, before we fade gently back into blessed sleep, remember Jesus' words, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath."

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



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

occasion the Almighty does it for us. If ice works, so be it. (A faulty appendix did it for me, too, one time, but I prefer ice.)

The storm was beautiful in its own way. I like it when the cold fog rolls in with an icy mist, the treetops begin to turn white, and the whole world takes on a surreal, other-worldly beauty. Then you're thankful for a blazing fire, a warm house, and a big window to frame the silvery white world God is creating.

We had no school on Monday. That was a good call. The streets were slicker than New Orleans' mayor. I believe in education and have worked a good bit to promote it, but kids could probably do with a little more time than they usually get to sled down hills on ice and snow that the Lord graciously provides for such. Mark Twain was on to something when he said, "I never let my schooling interfere with my education."

We cancelled church on Sunday. That was okay, too. I enjoyed the "bye" a great deal. If



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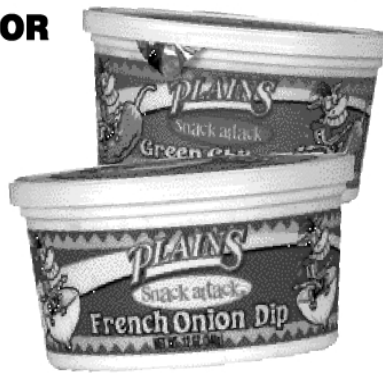
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1. I snuggle with dozens of my friends in the ground.

2. I have an underground home. I store seeds and nuts for snacks, but sleep during the coldest days.

3. I eat and eat in the fall. My new layer of fat takes care of me while I sleep the winter away in a hollow tree or in a cave.

4. We buzz and work hard while the flowers are in bloom to make and store food. We nibble and nap during the winter.

5. We gather in herds in the woods. We stay busy in the winter, eating bark and twigs. Males in our herds lose their antlers at the end of winter, but grow new ones in the spring.

6. I live in the land and carry my home on my back. I squeeze myself into cracks in rocks or into the earth. I pull into my shell, seal the opening and go to sleep all winter.

7. I use sticks, branches and mud to build my home. The entrance is in the water, so I can go for a swim even if the pond is covered with ice.

8. I put on my white coat when winter comes. It is hard to see me hopping in the snow as I look for weeds, buds or bark to eat.

9. A lot of us fly south. Some of us will stay if we can find enough food to eat all winter.

10. I go to the bottom of the pond. I dig deeply into the mud and do not come out until the spring.

11. I will use an old animal hole, stone wall, fallen tree or rocky cave to crawl into for my long, deep, winter sleep.

When you are done, a word will show below the arrow that means the deep winter sleep some animals take (and I think some people too).

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Read each statement. Circle "T" if it is true. Circle "F" if it is false.

1. Bears eat berries, nuts, fish and honey. T F
2. Bears eat a lot in the fall and gain weight. T F
3. Most bears hibernate from June to October. T F
4. In the winter, bears sleep in empty bird nests or mailboxes. T F
5. Their thick fur and stored fat helps to keep them warm. T F

Pop Quiz!

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Baby Showers



TISHA BOEHNING

Boehning baby shower held

A baby shower honoring Tisha Boehning was held in the home of Janet Claborn on Sunday, Jan. 7.

Hostesses for the event included Denise Alvarado, Zanea Carpenter, Janet Claborn, Tina Davis, RayAn Doshier, Starla Ellis, Kathy Embry, LeAnn Gallman, Gayla Gear, Christy Kendall, Jan Lawrence, Amy Melendez, Courtney Morris, Cindy Purdy, Noel

Turner, Rickie Warren and Sylvia Yourazeris.

The hostess gift they presented to the guest of honor was a stroller.

Special guests attending included Pat Young, Bertie Purcell, Chubby Douglass, Sue Boehning, Almata Boehning, Lisa Boehning, Rene Boehning, Bo Boehning, Macie Boehning, and Tiffany, Abby and Addison Boehning.

Retired Teachers of Muleshoe

By Alene Bryant

The Retired Teachers of Muleshoe met at the 16th & D Church of Christ for a noon luncheon on Dec. 15.

The prayer was said by the Rev. Monty Leavell. After everyone had enjoyed the Christmas luncheon, we played a game of "Guess the Christmas song." A song was described in other words, "Boulders of tinkling metal spheres" was "Jingle Bell rock."

Later, we told our favorite Christmas memory. They ranged from funny to tearful accounts. It was an enjoyable time.

Among those present were hostesses Joyline Costen and myself. Others present included Wilma Smith, Walter Marie Boness, Mary Crane, the Rev. Monty Leavell, Mary Lou Leavell, Mary Nell Bleeker, Jean Allison, Rose and Walt Sain, Maria Martinez, Lucy Faye Smith and Joe Costen.

Our next meeting will be Jan. 19, at 3 p.m.

We are looking forward to hearing about Barry Cowart's hunting trips to Alaska and Africa.



WJH Students of the Week

The Watson Junior High Students of the Week for the week of Jan. 15, pictured above from left to right: Front row — Claudia Orozco, Jodee Hall and Freddy Morales; and back row — Ariel Castorena, Merced Campos and Matthew Wiseman.

Sudan students named to all-state band

Ramiro Agundiz and Marcos Lopez, members of the Sudan Bold Gold Band, were chosen to be in the ATSSB All-State Band recently.

More than 9,000 high school band students from across Texas auditioned in 20 different regions for a place in their respective all-region bands.

The top chairs in each region advanced to one of the five area auditions held recently across the state. Only 240 of the 1360 students were selected for all-state honors.

The ATSSB All-State Bands will meet in rehearsals in San Antonio Feb. 14-17 and will present a concert on Saturday, Feb. 17, in the Scottish Rite Auditorium.

Ramiro plays contrabass clarinet and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ramiro Agundiz.

Marcos plays marimba and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jose Marcos Lopez. Marcos has received this honor for two years in a row.



RAMIRO AGUNDIZ AND MARCOS LOPEZ

Engagement

Lopez, Perez announce engagement

Mike and Rachel Lopez announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Lopez of Lubbock, to Lee Perez of Miramar, Calif., formerly of Sudan.

The prospective bride is a 2005 graduate of Muleshoe High School. She is currently attending Texas Tech University, and is employed as a finance secretary at Gene Messer Ford.

The prospective groom is the son of Pedro and Mary Lou Perez. He graduated from Sudan High School in 2003, received an associate's degree from New Mexico Junior College and is currently a lance corporal in the United States Marine Corps.



AMANDA LOPEZ AND LEE PEREZ

The wedding has been set for Feb. 24, 2007, at 2 p.m., at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Littlefield, with a reception to follow at the Koko Palace in Lubbock.

Obituaries

Gregorio Guzman Jr.

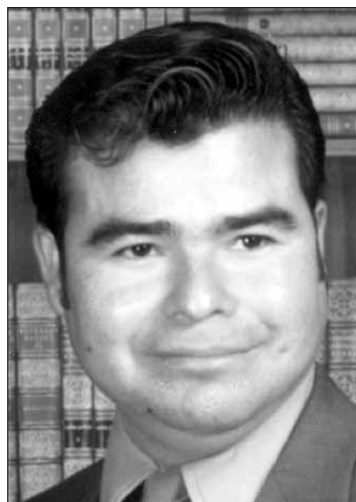
A church service for Gregorio Marin Guzman Jr., 50, of Muleshoe, was held on Tuesday, Jan 16, at the Primera Iglesia Bautista Church of Muleshoe with the Rev. Radisson Smith Sr. of Littlefield officiating. Burial followed in Bailey County Cemetery of Muleshoe.

Guzman died on Jan. 12, 2007, in Muleshoe. He was born on May 15, 1946, in Raymondsville, and married Ruth Gutierrez in Olton on Jan 21, 1967.

He was preceded in death by his parents — Gregorio and Antonia Marin Guzman Sr. and two brothers — Carlos and Rocky Guzman.

Guzman had lived in Muleshoe since 1998 moving from Stamford. He was pastor of the Primera Iglesia Bautista Church from 1998 up to the present.

Survivors include his wife — Ruth Guzman of Muleshoe; four sons — Greg Julian Guzman of Duncanville, Daniel Guzman of Roscoe, Paul Guzman of Lubbock and Joseph Guzman of Abilene; a daughter — Elizabeth Ann Chavez of Muleshoe; seven



GREGORIO MARIN GUZMAN JR.

sisters — Alicia Guzman and Mary Guzman, both of San Antonio, Olga Bernal of Sweetwater, Norma Guzman of Poth, Frances Romero of Buffalo Gap, Yolanda Camacho and Gloria Jones, both of Abilene; six brothers — Alcarlo Guzman of Amarillo, Henry Guzman of Sweetwater, Frank Guzman of Altus, Okla., Steve and Rick Guzman, both of Abilene, and Edward of San Antonio; and 10 grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Primera Iglesia Bautista Church, P.O. Box 345, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

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Sports

Freshmen Mules squeeze by the Falcons

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Both the freshmen Mules and Bushland Falcons got off to a slow start. The Mules worked their way to a 6-4 lead after one period and then dropped back to a 12-9 half time deficit. The Mules jumped passed the Falcons in the third period and held on for a 34-31 win.

Neither team scored in the first half of the third period. Jared Skipworth kicked the ball out of the lane to Brett Poynor outside the arc. Poynor launched a trey that knocked the bottom out of the net to knot the game at 12-12.

Skipworth picked up another assist with a bounce pass from the high post position down low to Austin Bamert for a short jumper and put the Mules in front 14-12. Skipworth teamed up with Bamert on the Mules next trip with a touch pass for an easy bucket.

Bushland made their only bucket of the quarter with 44 seconds left. Caleb Conner was fouled shooting and made both free shots to put the Mules up 20-14 going into the final quarter.

DJ Atwood answered a pair of Falcon free throws with a jumper from the

elbow. The Skipworth-Bamert connection continued to work and Bamert cashed in to give the Mules a 24-16 advantage.

Kyler Steinbock made the long in-bounds pass to Skipworth in the lane. Skipworth's shot made it a 10-point game. Skipworth kept the Mules in front by 10 with a 15 foot baseline jumper after a Bushland bucket.

Bushland went on a seven-point run in the final minute to cut the Mule lead to 30-28. Conner was fouled out front and made two from the line to make it a two possession game with 17

seconds left.

Bushland dropped in a trey to get with in a point with 12 ticks on the clock. Bamert stuck back a rebound to ice the game for the Mules.

Bamert paced the Mules with 10 points and Skipworth dropped in nine. Atwood added six points, Conner four, Poynor three and Steinbock and Joseph Lopez chipped in one.

The Mules' game at Highland Park was cancelled because of icy roads. They play in the Dimmitt Tournament Jan. 18 and 20, and will host Tulia Jan. 22.

Eighth-grade Mules lose to hard-fighting Falcons

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Mules could not seem to buy a free throw in the final period against the Bushland Falcons. The Mules entered the final period leading 31-26 and Bushland was forced to foul to try and catch up.

The Mules missed 12 charity tosses in a row in the last quarter and allowed Bushland to pass them. The Mules lost 40-39.

Tyson Turnbow nailed a 3-pointer to open the game. Sergio Montejano made a basket and Rico Alacorn made one from the charity stripe to give the Mules a 6-5 lead going into the second quarter.

Turnbow elevated to pick off a lob pass at the top of the key and pushed the ball ahead to Juan Sanchez for a fast break lay up. Cooper Washington and Alacorn made two buckets each in the second quarter.

Turnbow, Nick Hurtado, Joey Ramirez and Montejano each had a bucket. Montejano chipped

in a free throw as the Mules out scored the Falcons 19-9 and led 25-14 at the half.

Bushland out scored the Mules 12-6 in the third period to trail the Mules 31-26.

Turnbow hooked up with Washington as he made a move down the lane for a bucket. The Falcons answered with trey. Washington converted the Mules first two free throws of the period.

The Mules miss four from the line before the Falcons hit another trey to cut the

Mule lead to 35-31. The Mules missed four more from the line before the Falcons hit a bucket to get to with in one point.

Washington stuck back a rebound after two more missed Mule free throws. The Falcons tied the game at 37-37 with 30 seconds left in the game. Alacorn raced down the floor on a fast break to put the Mules up by two with 23 seconds showing.

The Falcons hit their fourth trey of the quarter to take the lead for the first

time in the game. The Mules could not get a shot to fall in the final 12 seconds.

Washington led the Mules with 10 points and Alacorn dropped in nine. Turnbow and Montejano made seven each, Hurtado, Ramirez and Sanchez chipped in two apiece.

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JV Mules...

Continued from page 6 the final eight minutes. The Mules put 14 on the board in the final frame and held the Chieftains to 10.

Zamora led the Mules with 14 points and Dominguez dropped in seven. Julio Bustillos put in six points, Ellis, W. Wood, and Chavez made four apiece. Wright and Chavez chipped in two points.

The Mules traveled to River Road Tuesday and return home Friday to meet the Highland Park Hornets. They travel to Tulia on Jan. 23 and host the Dimmitt Bobcats on Jan. 26.


Seventh-grade basketball on page 11

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Snowberries...

It's beginning to look a lot like... oops, that was last month. Like tiny bulbs on a December Christmas tree, the ice-laden branches pictured above bring a splash of color to Muleshoe's white landscape Monday.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

Students honored

Lazbuddie ISD first-grade student Julie Chavez, the daughter of Teodoro and Julia Chavez, pictured on the left, and fifth-grade student Berenice Galvan the daughter of Hector and Rosario Galvan, pictured on the right, were recently honored by their school district.



JULIE CHAVEZ



BERENICE GALVAN

Seventh-grade falls to the Falcons

By Delton Wilhite
Sports writer

The seventh-grade Mules had built up a lot of rust over the holidays and spotted the Bushland Falcons too many points in the first period to catch up in the next three periods. The Mules fell to the Falcons 37-27.

Jaden Herrera made the Mules only bucket in the first period. The Mules trailed 15-2 after the first quarter. They began to get untracked in the second period with Beau Avila making a pair of buckets.

Hector Flores made a basket and converted two of three charity tosses. Bushland led 25-10 at the

intermission.

The Mules made up two points in the third period with Flores, Mateo Castillo and Issac Baca each dropping in a bucket. The Mules made up three more in the fourth period with Avila finding Sergio Vasquez open in the lane for two.

Avila went coast to coast for a bucket after picking off a pass. The Falcons converted an old fashion three-point play to interrupt a six-point Mule run. Vasquez completed the run with a put back.

Weston Griswold drove the baseline after a Falcon trey and was fouled shooting. He made one

from the line. Baca made a steal and drove across the time line then pushed the ball ahead to Flores for the lay up.

Avila drove to the base line turned and hit the six foot jumper for the final points of the game.

Flores and Avila led the Mules with eight points each and Vasquez dropped in four. Castillo, Herrera and Baca made two apiece and Griswold chipped in one.

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Lamplight By Larry Thornton

Twenty-six years ago, I was much more physically fit than I am today. I was 80 pounds lighter, and could run for a couple of miles without the need to oxygen and a paramedic waiting for me at the finish line.

But something happened. I became complacent about my physical condition.

God created me, but the physical problems I'm been facing lately are the results of my own efforts, or rather lack of effort. I became complacent.

There is a difference between complacency and tolerance. Tolerance is the acceptance of something, while complacency is basically the unwillingness to do something about it.

But when we get right down to it, the only difference is the spelling, because when you're looking at your spiritual life, one attitude is as bad as the other. When you become complacent, you giving in to things that can damage the spiritual life of any Christian.

In the first chapter of the Book of Zephaniah, you can read how complacency can endanger your worship of God.

Zephaniah was calling the nation of Judah to repentance. In fact, the Book of Zephaniah is a sermon against complacency directed at the children of God who had forgotten what it meant to be the "children of God."

For many years, Judah had been disobedient, and in their disobedience many had turned to false gods. But many years later, during the reign of King Josiah, the people began turning their eyes back to the true God. Zephaniah's message was to those who were yet unwilling to repent and turn back to God.

How many times have you seen men and women who owe their salvation to the Son of God reach a

point in their lives where they grudgingly worship at the feet of God?

Complacency endangers your worship of God because it blocks your ability to worship in spirit and truth.

Complacency can also endanger your walk with God.

Matthew 5:6, NIV, says, "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled."

In Revelations 3, the Bible tells us how God feels about Christians who are complacent in their walk with him.

But Jesus told the Laodiceans how to battle their complacency. Rev. 3:20, NIV, says, "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him and he with me."

This verse is talking about the daily sustenance and strength we derive through our relationship with God.

To fight complacency, we have to spend time in the word of God and in prayer. In other words, our walk with God includes the time spent falling to our knees.

Complacency also endangers your work for God.

As Christians, we are

called to do more than bask in the warmth of God's holy power. We are called to be candles, burning brightly.

I've noticed that candle lovers now have the option of placing their scented candles on "candle warmers" gently melt the candle to release its fragrance rather than to light its wick.

This is nice, but it isn't God's plan for us. We are to be lit... on fire for him, showing his light to the world during these dark times in which we live.

Complacency endangers our work for God by helping us to rationalize why we aren't doing God's work.

There's a story about a man who filled out an employment application, and during the hiring process, the personnel department called his previous employer.

"How long did he work for you," the personnel director asked.

"About four hours," the ex-employer said.

"But his application says he was employed by your company for two years," said the personnel director.

"He was, but in that time, I only got about four hours work out of him."

What would your job application say about your life as a Christian?



Health

Cervical Cancer Awareness Day is Thursday

January is designated as National Cervical Cancer Awareness Month.

The Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center along with cancer centers around the country are hoping to increase awareness of cervical cancer by observing Cervical Cancer Awareness Day, Thursday, Jan. 18.

Cervical cancer begins in the lining of the cervix, but does not form suddenly. Cells first begin to change from normal to pre-cancerous cells and then to cancer cells.

This process usually takes a number of years, but in very rare cases it does happen more quickly.

Cervical cancer was once one of the most common causes of cancer death for American women.

Since 1955, the number of deaths from cervical cancer has declined due to the use of Pap tests or smears to detect cervical cancer earlier.

Routine Pap tests can

detect the changes of cells. That is why it is important for women to have regular Pap tests.

Although the precise cause of cervical cancer is unknown, the following risk factors may increase the likelihood of developing cancer of the cervix:

- Infection from the human papillomavirus (HPV) – The greatest risk factor for cervical cancer is having this sexually transmitted virus.

- Age – The average age of women newly diagnosed with cervical cancer is between 50 and 55 years, though this cancer can appear in women as young as in their twenties.

- Sexual behavior – Intercourse at an early age, having many sexual partners, or having unprotected sex at any age can increase the risk.

- Smoking – Smoking exposes the body to many cancer-causing chemicals that affect more than the lungs. Women who smoke

are twice as likely as nonsmokers to get cervical cancer.

Options for treating a patient with cervical cancer depend on the stage of the disease. That is why early detection is so important.

The three main methods of cancer treatment are surgery, radiation therapy, and chemotherapy. Sometimes the best treatment approach uses two or more of these methods.

For more information concerning Cervical Cancer Awareness Month or cervical cancer in general, contact Kalley Sadler at (806)351-1755.

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Retired ag teacher continues to make an impact

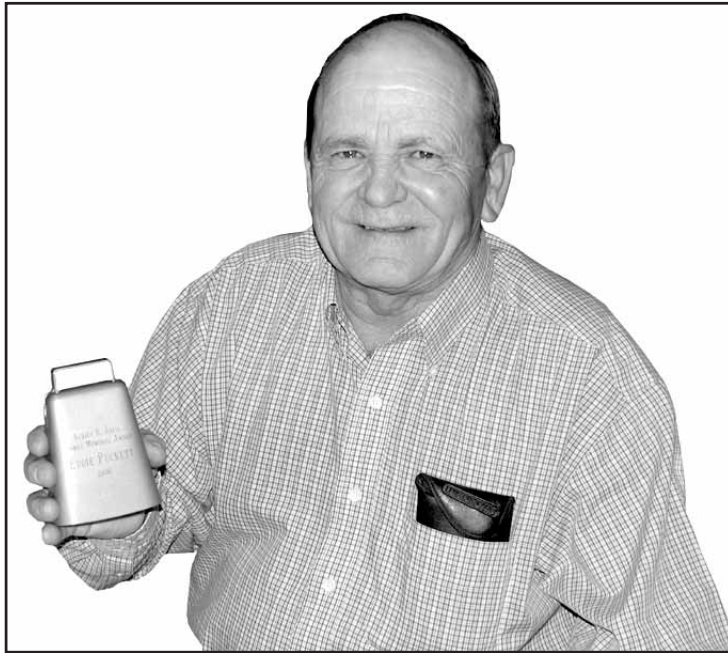
"Don't let the good 'ol boy exterior fool you. Earl Puckett is a forward-thinking, brilliant man with a unique combination of integrity, heart and kindness," said Dr. Gordon Davis, CEO and founder of CEV Multimedia.

Eddie Puckett, raised in Muleshoe and a long-time resident of Sweetwater, recently became the recipient of the Aubrey N. Davis Family Memorial Award.

Each year, Dr. Davis and his family give the symbolic cowbell to the CEV employee who embodies agriculture, family, fun, leadership, multitask ability, perseverance, teamwork, trust, vision and work ethic.

In memory of the late Aubrey N. Davis, the award is the most prestigious of CEV awards and is patterned after the Washington State Dairy Family of the Year award, won by Davis and his family in 1964 — a state-wide competition sponsored and coordinated by the Dairy Science Department of Washington State University.

Puckett was a Texas agricultural instructor for 34 years before retiring from the public school system and later becoming employed by CEV Multimedia, a company based out of Lubbock, in 2003.



MULESHOE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE EARL PUCKETT

While the new employment brought change, the same goal was at hand... helping students. Puckett's charge was to bring a new wave of technology into agricultural classrooms by promoting the Multimedia Textbook™, specifically designed to replace traditional textbooks and to engage students in 21st-century learning experiences.

From El Paso to Brownsboro, Quanah to Eagle Pass across the state of Texas, Puckett sold one or more Multimedia Textbooks™ to more than 300 schools.

Due to his distinct work ethic and perseverance, thousands of Texas students will be taught agriculture and other career-building

subjects via multimedia.

"When searching for someone to help us promote and demonstrate our Multimedia Textbooks™ to agricultural teachers across the state, adding Eddie to our team was a no brainer. His teaching success demands so much respect from his peers," said Davis.

Although Puckett's tenure at CEV has been relatively short, he is not a stranger to the company. Together with his teaching partner, Kenneth Dudensing, Sweetwater FFA was CEV's International Video Judging Contest (IVJC) Sweepstakes winner in 1994, 1997 and 1999, along with winning Dairy Cattle Judging in 1996 and 1999, Meats Judging in 1995 and Livestock Judging in 1996.

"Eddie is one of the masters at training judging teams, at training young people in general," said Davis. "He truly is a teacher in every sense of the word. We have a fairly young group of individuals which work at CEV, and most of them will say they have learned at least one valuable lesson or tool from Eddie."

The Davis Family Memorial Award is just another addition to a list of many Puckett has received over the years.

In 2001, he was named Texas Vocational Agricultural Teacher of the Year by the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers Association.

Also in 2001, the Nolan County Stock Show was dedicated in his honor.

However, if you ask Puckett, he will list his wife of 40 years, IraLea, his two daughters, four grandchildren and hundreds of students as his greatest achievements.

Just another example as to why Puckett was chosen for the Davis award.

"I have known Eddie for 27 years and have worked closely with him for three. His work ethic and dedication is second to none," said Davis. "I feel my dad would be truly honored that the cowbell bearing his name was presented to Mr. Puckett."



Scout Day at Dillman

Cub scouts at Dillman Elementary suited up for "Boy Scout Day" recently. Pictured along with the students is their principal, Todd Newberry.



Eagle Scout inducted

Craig Black, pictured above on the left, the son of Muleshoe Mayor Cliff Black, was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout during ceremonies held Jan. 3 at the First United Methodist Church.

Obituaries

Earl Schmitz

A memorial service for Earl Schmitz, 83, of Muleshoe, is scheduled for 1 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 18, at the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe with the Rev. Dr. Stacy Conner to officiate.

A private burial will follow in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Schmitz died on Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2007, in Muleshoe. He was born on June 12, 1923, in Crosbyton, and married Helen Arnold in Lubbock on Nov. 13, 1943.

Schmitz was a 1942 graduate of Muleshoe High School and member of the

First Baptist Church. He was also a member of the Muleshoe Country Club and the Muleshoe Senior Citizens. Schmitz was a farmer and a veteran of World War II.

He was preceded in death by one brother and one sister.

Survivors include his wife — Helen Schmitz of Muleshoe; two daughters and their husbands — Anita and Bob Black of Muleshoe, and Judy and Paul Wilbanks of Muleshoe; four grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

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Cotton Market Weekly

Quiet export trading conditions for U.S. cotton and the anticipation of Friday's release of USDA's January supply/demand report suppressed the market this week. However, cotton futures on the New York Board of Trade rose slightly Thursday after trade selling late in the day stripped earlier gains and traders prepared for the upcoming report from USDA.

Cotton analysts viewed USDA's January revisions to global supply and demand estimates as bearish due to increases in U.S. and Chinese production and a reduction to U.S. exports. This month's 2006/07 U.S. cotton estimates showed increased production and lower offtake, resulting in an increase of 12.7 percent in projected ending stocks.

The U.S. production estimate was 21.7 million bales, two percent more than last month due primarily to higher

production in Texas and the Southeast. Domestic mill use was reduced 100,000 bales to 5.0 million, reflecting the recent downward trend in reported monthly mill use. Exports were lowered 300,000 bales to 15.7 million due to the continued sluggish pace of export sales and shipments and a significant reduction in the import forecast for China. If realized, the carryover projection of 7.1 million

bales would be the largest since 2001/02.

The world 2006/07 cotton estimates included an increase in production, which was partly offset by higher consumption, resulting in slightly higher ending stocks. World production was raised 0.7 percent as increases in Brazil, China, Pakistan, and the United States were partially offset by decreases for Turkey, Greece, Syria, and others. World consumption was raised marginally due mainly to an

increase for India. World trade was reduced two percent as lower imports by China were partially offset by higher imports by Turkey and Argentina. China's imports were reduced 1.25 million bales from last month due to lagging purchases and an announcement that the government would defer issuance of additional import quotas until March or later. Exports were reduced mainly in the United States, Syria, and Greece.

In other news, weekly export sales were considered weak, though total shipments were within the range of expectations yet far below what is needed on a weekly basis to achieve the government's 2006/07 projection of 15.7 million bales.

Net export sales of 41,900 bales in the week ended Jan. 4 were 27 percent less than the previous week and 76 percent less than the four-week average. Major

purchases by China, Turkey, Taiwan, and Brazil were offset by cancellations by Mexico.

Export shipments of 155,600 bales were 14 percent more than the previous week and three percent more than the four-week average. Primary destinations included Turkey, China, Mexico, and Indonesia.

In the week ended Jan.11, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas totaled 47,885 bales as increased demand boosted sales of loan equities. The previous week, which was limited to just three days of trading due to the New Year's holiday and the observance of President Ford's passing, spot cotton sales totaled only 9,088 bales. Average prices received by producers in the most recent week ranged from 44.18 to 52.20 cents per pound compared to 44.79 to 51.11 cents per pound the previous week.

Reward offered in deer slaying

Operation Game Thief, the Wildlife Crimestoppers program and a local landowner have teamed up to offer a reward of \$2,000 for the capture and final conviction of the person or persons who killed several mule deer recently.

"Three mule deer were killed illegally and left in the field to rot on or about Dec.

9-10, 2006, in a wheat field on the Motley-Floyd County line," said Mark Collins, game warden with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

"The offense occurred just off of U.S. Hwy. 62/70. In addition, we are offering a \$500 reward to anyone who can provide substantial information about this deer slaughter. Anyone involved in this senseless killing is an outlaw, not a hunter."

Anyone with information about this crime should contact the Operation Game Thief 24-hour telephone line at 800-792-4263, or the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department regional office in Lubbock at 806-761-4930.

Cookies available

The Girl Scouts of Muleshoe, and other members of the Caprock Council, have kicked off their annual cookie sales.

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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.

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Commercial - 1202 W. American Blvd. - Prime location in Muleshoe, off Main thru way. \$90,000.
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• CLAY'S CORNER - 320 acres, 2 wells, 2 circle sprinklers, 3 bedroom 2 bath, 2 carport home!!

RURAL
• SUDAN-NICE 4-2 Mobile Home on 94' x 140' lot, 1848' lv. area, Cent. A&H, built-ins, Mstr. bath has garden tub & separate shower, 1 car detached garage, deck w/hot tub!! \$49,9K!!
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• SUDAN-2-1- Home, corner lot, \$15,000!!

Welcome to the 62nd Annual Bailey County Jr. Livestock Show & Sale Friday & Saturday, January 19th & 20th Bailey County Coliseum

Schedule of Events

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

8:30 AM...Gilts & Barrows Show
1:00 PM...Goat & Sheep Show

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

8:30 AM...Steer & Heifer Show

*"Jimmy Dale Black Award" presentation
immediately following Steer & Heifer Show.*

1:00 PM...Premium Sale

1:00 PM...Product Auction/Sale
*Prospective buyers are welcome to attend a luncheon
beginning around noon on Saturday, January 20,
prior to the premium sale.*

Friday and Saturday at the Bailey County Coliseum, forty-six exhibitors will vie for the glory in the 62nd annual Bailey County show. There are 86 swine entries, 14 goat entries, six sheet entries, 27 steer entries and 19 heifers entered in this year's show.

Judges are: Jon Davidson of Turkey, TX, swine; Ryan Rathman of Texas Tech, cattle; Donal Gillit of Ropes, TX, sheep and goats; Kaci Poole of Lubbock, showmanship; and Alan Bean of Earth, classifying judge.

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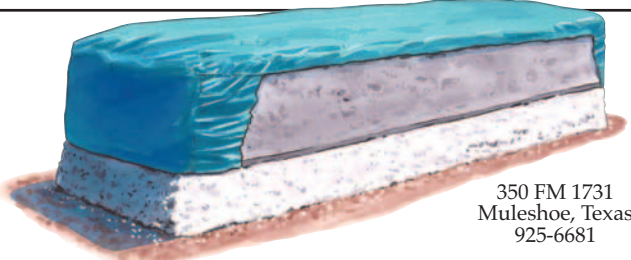
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