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## Young lives lost in another traffic tragedy

Muleshoe police chief says problem has to be addressed, steps up enforcement

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

For the second time in a month, area parents, families and students have had to face the tragedy of young lives coming to an unexpected end, this time northwest of Muleshoe, where Farwell students succumbed to injuries received in an automobile accident.

On Oct. 3, Billy Hernandez, 14, of Farwell and Frankie Reyes, 14, of Muleshoe were pronounced dead at the scene of a single-vehicle accident approximately two miles south of Hwy. 74 on County Road 1, according to Cpl.

John Gonzalez of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

According to Gonzalez, the 1992 Chevrolet Suburban being driven by Hernandez was traveling north at a high rate of speed. He said Hernandez apparently lost control of the vehicle, overcorrected and rolled the vehicle, which came to rest upside-down.

Reyes was ejected from the vehicle, Gonzalez said.

Among the other youth who were passengers, according to Cpl. Gonzalez, were:

- Eric Vasquez, 14, of Farwell who was reported in serious condition after being

transported to Plains Regional Medical Center in Clovis, N.M.

- Colton Capps, 13, of Farwell who was reportedly transported to Covenant

minor injuries at the scene and released.

According to the Texas trooper, Hernandez was not a licensed driver. The vehicle he was driving

reportedly was registered to a member of his family.

Tuesday's accident marks the second fatality in the last month in the Bailey County region due at least in part to the

Children's Hospital in Lubbock for treatment.

- Miguel Vega, Justin Moore, and Zachary Reynose, all of Farwell, and Nathan Gonzalez of Texico. All four were treated for

inexperience of the driver.

On Friday, Sept. 8, two Sudan High School students were killed in a similar accident near Sudan. The driver in this accident was also unlicensed.

When asked about the number of student involved accidents in the area, Gonzalez said his records showed 126 such accidents with drivers and passengers in Lubbock County alone in a one year period, but he was unaware of the totals from the surrounding area.

As for the problem with unlicensed student drivers, he said he didn't have the statistics, but added, "In any

small community it's going to be a problem. Farm driving is one thing, but then they get out on the road and it's a different type of driving."

During Monday's regular meeting of the Muleshoe City Council, Police Chief Brian Frieda announced that additional efforts would be made to reduce the chances of what has occurred in surrounding communities from occurring in Muleshoe.

"There comes a point when we have to step up and protect our children from themselves," Frieda

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**'There comes a point when we have to step up and protect our children from themselves...'**  
— Chief Brian Frieda



Photograph by Larry Thornton

### Booooo!

The day, or rather night, is rapidly approaching when the things that go bump in the night aren't a group of colorful yard ornaments being pushed around by storm winds. Pictured above, yard decorations at the corner of W. Ave. B and 14th Street are prepared to greet local costume-clad youngsters.

## Committee to look at building new softball field at city park

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Following lengthy discussion Monday, the Muleshoe City Council agreed to the formation of a committee to look at building a new softball field at the new city park.

Eufemia Torres and Bailey County Commissioner Juan Chavez appeared before the council during Monday's regular meeting, requesting that land in the new park be set aside for the

construction of a second softball field.

Although the cost of constructing such a facility was at issue, the location which Torres, a representative of a local softball association, suggested also raised concerns Mayor Cliff Black.

The area in question, located west of the existing softball field is used by youngsters at play as well as the local soccer league, City Manager David Brunson explained.

"We already have two (softball fields)," Mayor Black said, "Isn't that enough?"

Torres disagreed, noting that one of the fields was across town at the old city park, which according to the Brunson is available for the softball association to use

space raised the total construction costs.

While it was noted that Bailey County's Commissioners' Court had approved \$3,500 from its FY2006 funds to help pay for the field's construction at its Sept. 11 meeting — at the urging of Commissioner Chavez, it is noted in the court's minutes that since the city didn't have plans to construct the field the action was "null and void."

The mayor noted that the city's current budget doesn't include funds for such a large improvement project, and that other things were needed by the community first, noting specifically the need for a new swimming pool.

"We're talking about a lot of money to create and build a park," Black said. Council member Earl Berhends also raised concerns about the availability of funds for such a project and said he wanted to see a plan and the related costs, including the ongoing cost of operating the additional facility, before making any type of decision.

"It doesn't have to be done all at once," Chavez said.

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**'We already have two (softball fields)... Isn't that enough?'**  
— Mayor Black

### Local Weather

**Thurs.**  
Pt. Cloudy..... 54/33

**Fri.**  
Pt. Cloudy..... 63/40

**Sat.**  
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**Sun.**  
Sc. T-Strms..... 73/50

**Mon.**  
Mt. Sunny..... 73/43

**Tue.**  
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**Wed.**  
Sunny..... 77/44

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How often do we tell our family and friends we love and appreciate them? Don't wait until it is too late.

Words to ponder from Beverly

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Muleshoe's Water Department receives its award during Monday's meeting.

## County court deals with diminishing fiscal funds

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Bailey County's Commissioners' Court approved a lengthy budget amendment during Monday's regular meeting, a five-page document that included several large transfers from various department accounts.

The action, which marks the rapid approach of the fiscal year's end for the county included several for the sheriff's department, which County Judge Sherri Harrison said would probably be finishing the year with little if any carry-over funds due in large part to increases in energy and fuel prices.

Monday's county budget amendment, the 16th of the



The Bailey County Commissioners' Court at work Monday morning.

fiscal year, was for amounts totaling more than \$38,000.

In other financial actions, the court approved the payment of two sets of county bills, with a portion using FY2007 funds, and the majority using funds from the FY2006 budget. The total FY2007

invoices were for \$47,998.43, while the FY2006 bills totaled \$56,663.29.

In other business, the commissioners' court:

- Approved the minutes from the Sept. 11 regular meeting and the Sept. 28 special meeting.

- Approved the county treasurer's report for August 2006.

- Approved the Bailey County quarterly investment report for the period ending Sept. 30, 2005.

- Received the sheriff's department's FY2006 forfeiture report.

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**Freshman pregame meal**

The Muleshoe Freshman Class will be hosting a pregame meal on Friday, Oct. 13, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. The meal will include a Mexican Pile-on, and Rice Crispie Treats. Tickets are \$5, and orders will be delivered from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Call 272-7306 for additional information, tickets or to place an order.

**AA meeting**

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

**Athletics boosters to meet Monday**

The Muleshoe Athletic Boosters will be meeting every Monday at 7 p.m. at the Muleshoe High School Science Room.

**4-H fund raiser**

The Bailey County 4-H Club is now selling meat, fruit and candles. Meat and candle orders are to be turned in for Thanksgiving and the fruit orders will be done at the end of October for Christmas.

Contact the extension office at 272-4583 or a local 4-H member for more information.

All orders must be received before Oct. 13, and will be delivered the first or second week in November.

**Cookie dough, pie sale**

Muleshoe High School Senior class is conducting a Gourmet Frozen Cookie Dough and Pie fundraiser. The cookie dough comes in nine flavors. Each tub sells for \$10. The pies are 10" in diameter and range in price from \$10 - 14. To order cookie dough and pies, contact any senior class member or sponsor. The phone number at the High School is 272-7303 or email an order to asmith@muleshoeisd.net or by emailing dconner@muleshoeisd.net.

**84 on 84**

The City of Muleshoe will be participating in "84 on 84," in which businesses and area residents will be setting up sidewalk and garage sales on Hwy. 84, extending from Shallowater to Farwell on Saturday, Oct. 14.

For event information contact the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture office at 272-4248.

**Mail-in vote applications due by Oct. 31**

Applications for mail-in ballots for mail-in ballots are being accepted until Oct. 31, according to Bailey County Clerk Paula Benton.

Ballots being cast by mail are especially helpful for individuals 65 years of age and older who don't wish to travel to the coliseum on Nov. 7, and individuals who plan to be out of town on election day and can't take part in the early vote.

Voters are reminded that mail-in ballots must reach the courthouse by election day to be counted.

Individuals not wishing to wait until Nov. 7 to cast their ballots can vote early at the county clerk's office.

Early voting will be held from Monday, Oct. 23, until Friday, Nov. 3, from 8:30 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m.

At this time, registration to vote in the Nov. 7 election is closed and will not resume until after the election.

For additional election questions, contact the Bailey County Clerk's office, 300 S. First, Muleshoe, or call 272-3044.

**Got a moment? Why not check out our website muleshoejournal.com**

**Noah's ark fling**

8th Annual "Noah's Ark Fling" will be held Oct. 31 at the Bailey County Coliseum in Muleshoe, from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

The Noah's Ark Fling is an inter-denominational outreach aimed at keeping the children of the communities off the streets and providing a safe environment for parents and kids to have fun, get prizes and candy and enjoy the entertainment of the evening.

The event is for children of all ages, moms and dads. Intention is free but a donation of canned goods that will be given to the Bailey County Food Bank would be greatly appreciated.

NAF welcomes other organizations to donate and help with the outreach. For information or directions to the coliseum call 806-965-2787.

**'Turning something old into new'**

The Bailey County Extension Education Association would like to invite you to the program "Turning something old into new" on Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 2 p.m., in the meeting room of Five Area Telephone at 302 Uvalde, Muleshoe. This program will be presented by Jackie Edwards, Castro County Extension Education member.

The first Bailey County Home Demonstration Council was formed in 1935. The primary purpose for organizing Texas Home Demonstration Clubs was to establish a scholarship for a deserving 4-H girl.

Currently, the Texas Extension Education Association gives 12-\$1,000 scholarships across the State of Texas to deserving 4-H members. The purpose of the Extension Education Associations in Texas is to increase appreciation of home, life, and family living.

Bring a friend and enjoy this entertaining program on how to recycle things you already have into attractive, useful items.

For more information about the Bailey County Extension Education Association, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent — Family and Consumer Sciences, 272-4583; or Gail Gladden, chairperson of the Bailey County Extension Education Association, at 272-3024.



**SCAC at work**

On Sept. 30, the Student Community Action Club helped out with a special tour of the Muleshoe Heritage Center. The SCAC members served lunch, lemonade, tea, and gave tours of the various historical buildings at the center.

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## Watson Jr. High Students of the week

Watson Junior High Students of the Week for the week of Oct. 9 are pictured on the right.

The students honored this week, from left to right, are: Front row — Crystal Rubio, Leslie Carlile and Adelene Rivas; back row — Johan Rascon, Jose Maruffo and Matthew Martinez.



## Lamplight By Larry Thornton

Just a few lines on the yearbook's dedication page.

A teenager killed, the result of a horrible traffic accident. Memories of a laugh and a smile. A friend to so many, a loss to all... and years of harsh feelings if not anger.

The death of a fellow student is a terrible... horrible thing.

This one in particular was 31 years ago, long before most school districts thought about providing counseling for the students who suddenly found themselves seated next to an empty desk.

And in the years that followed the accident, just mentioning the name of the young man — another fellow student... the son of the high school's baseball coach and history teacher... who had been driving the motorcycle when Todd was killed — brought back angry memories and harsh feelings.

Such a stupid... senseless act...

Like Todd's death so long ago, the pain and sorrow that has filled so many in the Sudan, Farwell and Muleshoe areas over the last month due to the tragic deaths of several young students can easily leave a

lifetime of haunting memories.

2 Corinthians 1:3-5, NIV, says, "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows."

As Christians, God has commanded us to love one another. Not superficially, but with all the love that he has blessed us with. In fact, I wonder how we can truly fulfill God's command to "love our neighbor," if we cannot offer the comfort that is needed during difficult periods of life such as these communities are suffering.

... To reach out, hug them and cry with them. To let them know that they are loved.

Sometimes, we provide comfort by what we do, and sometimes by the things we don't do.

Sometimes, we provide the most comfort by just keeping our mouth shut and listening to another's cries of pain and heartache.

There is a difference between comforting and counseling. But if you are only called to comfort and console, rather than provide counsel, don't fall for the mistaken belief that what you are doing is in anyway less important.

In many instances, the work of the comforter has to be done first, helping to prepare the individual's heart and mind for the words of the counselor. Before a house can be built by the carpenters, concrete workers have already laid the foundation that will support the house.

In the Book of Job, we're told how Satan was allowed free rein to try to destroy a righteous man's faith in God. After burying his children, Job was filled with despair, so his friends come to his rescue.

Job 2:12-13, NIV, says, "When they saw him from a distance, they could hardly recognize him; they began to weep aloud, and they tore their robes and sprinkled dust on their heads. Then they sat on the ground with him for seven days and seven nights. No one said a word to him, because they saw how great his suffering was."

Job's friends were great

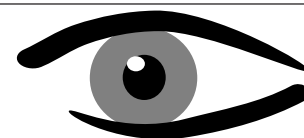
comforters. Where they fell short was as counselors.

In the days ahead, don't forget to lift up these families, their friends, and all of our area students in prayer to God the Father, who knows what it is like to experience the death of a Son, and who commands his followers to comfort others through the comfort he has given us.

## MEDC officers reelected to posts

During Thursday's regular meeting of the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation, the board conducted its annual election. Wanda Hooten, president; Mark Morton, vice president; and Pat Angeley, secretary and treasurer, were each reelected to their respective MEDC offices.

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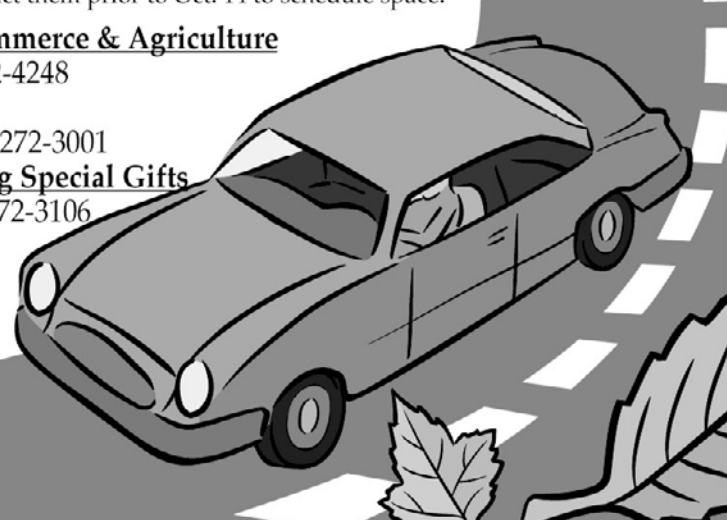
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WHEN THE GREAT PROPHET ELISHA LAY UPON HIS DEATH BED, JOASH, KING OF ISRAEL, CAME TO MOURN HIM AND ELISHA BADE HIM PICK UP A BOW AND ARROW AND POINT IT IN THE DIRECTION OF SYRIA AND SHOOT IT OUT THE WINDOW. JOASH DID AS THE PROPHET DIRECTED. THEN ELISHA TOLD JOASH TO TAKE THE REST OF HIS ARROWS AND STRIKE THEM UPON THE FLOOR....

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# Obituaries

## Arthur Fred Johnson

A graveside service for Arthur Fred Johnson, 95, will be held on Thursday, Oct. 12, at 11 a.m. at the Sudan Cemetery with the Rev. Jeff Coffman officiating.

Johnson had lived in Muleshoe since he was nine years old, moving to Reagan, Tenn., in 1993. He worked as an elevator operator for the King Elevator until he retired in 1965.

His family made a living as farmers.

Johnson was born in Young County on Oct. 3, 1911. He passed away on Oct. 8, 2006, at Chester County Healthcare at 12:40 a.m.

He was preceded in death by his parents — Jacob Herndon Johnson and Ida Bell Johnson; two brothers — Roy Lee Johnson and J.W. Johnson; three sisters — Ruby Mae Johnson, Cleta Faye and Luciel Johnson; his former wife and the mother of his children — Evelyn Grace Craig Johnson; daughter Edith Francie Amerson and her

husband Pete Amerson; daughter Glenda Fern Lorraine Patton and husbands Trumau Lorraine and J.C. Patton; daughter Bonnie Lou Carleton; a son — Raymond Gale Johnson; his grandchildren — Jimmy Lee Amerson, Delores D-Lynn Lorraine, Glenda Joyce Lorraine, Tisha Lynette Johnson Deitz, Brenda L. Carleton; and a great-granddaughter — Jennifer Buchanan.

He is survived by a son — Jacob Freddy Johnson of Odessa; two daughters — Latricia Ann Gatewood of South Carolina and Gracie Nell Long of Tennessee; a sister — Annie Lenora Scott of North Carolina; a brother — Oscar Milborn Johnson and his wife Creatha of Texas; 14 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren and 33 great-great-grandchildren; a former son-in-law and his wife — Gilbert and Rhonda Jones of Tennessee, six step-grandchildren, and nine step-great-grandchildren.

## Antonio Vega

A funeral service for Antonio Garcia Vega, 78, of Muleshoe, was held on Tuesday, Oct. 10, at St. Ann's Catholic Church of Morton with Father Bill Anton officiating. Burial followed in Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Rosary was said at Head Duarte Funeral Chapel.

Vega died on Oct. 5, 2006, in Lubbock. He was born on Oct. 17, 1927, to Antonio and Stephanie Vega in Ft. Hancock, and married Beatriz Hernandez on Sept. 29, 1977, in Adowa, Ohio. They moved

to Muleshoe in 1978.

Vega worked for H&W Harvesters, and was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Muleshoe.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife — Beatriz Vega of Muleshoe; two brothers — Victor Vega of Los Angeles, Calif., and Lorenzo Vega of Fresno, Calif.; three sisters — Christina Agosta of Los Angeles, Calif., Josephina Romero of Torreon, Mexico, and Alica Vella of Ontario, Calif.

## Frankie Reyes

Church services for Frankie Reyes, 14, of Muleshoe, were held on Friday, Oct. 6, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Muleshoe with Fr. Leonardo Pahamtang officiating.

Rosary was said on Thursday, Oct. 5, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in the Bailey County Cemetery.

Frankie died on Oct. 3, 2006, in Farwell. He was born on Dec. 23, 1991, in Lubbock.

Frankie had lived in Muleshoe all of his life and attended school in Farwell, where he was a freshman.

He was a former student at Muleshoe ISD, and was a member of the Catholic church.

Survivors include his father — Joe Reyes of Muleshoe; his mother — Charlene Morris of Muleshoe; a sister — Katie Reyes of Muleshoe; and his grandparents — Jose and Yolonda Reyes of Muleshoe and Juan and Bonnie Pasina of North Carolina.

## Bruton receives training certificate

Muleshoe firefighter Jerry Bruton attended the Municipal Fire Training School at Texas A&M in July 2006, and was presented a certificate for his accomplishment.

In last week's issue of the *Journal*, information received concerning the local firefighter included a misspelling of his name.

communion service. The Bible study was directed by Ruth Hall from the First Baptist Church. The First United Methodist Church's communion and church services were at 2:30 p.m.

Saturday afternoon the residents gathered in the dining room for the Bingo bash.

Troy Thomas received visits from his daughters Marilyn and Jesse Monday.

Jo Ann Bulls of Earth visited Jimmie Dutton Monday.

Saturday, Danny Haleigh, Monalisa Ake visited Beverly Heathington.

**Additional obituary on page 10**

## '84 on 84' set for Oct. 14 in Muleshoe

The City of Muleshoe will be participating in "84 on 84," in which businesses and area residents will be setting up sidewalk and garage sales on Hwy. 84, extending from Shallowater to Farwell on Saturday, Oct. 14.

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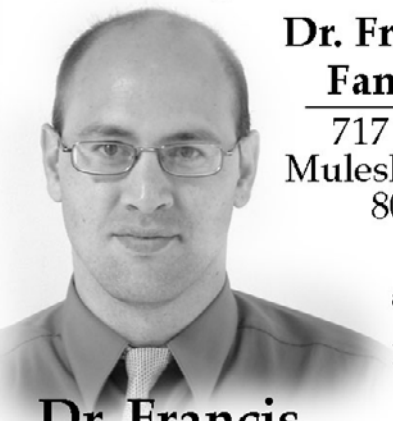
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## Nursing Home News

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Art and Enda Freeman from Littlefield directed a music and song service and Bible study Tuesday morning.

Josie Ovalle, Pat Clark, Eva Nell Dale, Beckye Conklin and Jan Crawford came Tuesday afternoon to shampoo and set the ladies' hair. Pat and Josie gave several haircuts.

Pauline Guinn received a visit from her daughters Tuesday evening.

Jodie Barrett visits his wife Gen Barrett morning and afternoon seven days a week.

Buster and Wanda Kittrell served coffee and sweet rolls to the residents Wednesday morning. Following coffee time,

Buster, Loyce Killingsworth, Anna B. Lane, James and Ann Sinclair and JoEllen Cowart directed the singspiration and devotional time.

After supper, Wanda Day, Marlin and Loma Mosley and Beverly Heathington played 42 into the "wee hours of the night" Tuesday.

We are gladly anticipating the arrival of our new bus this month, as we think of all the places we want to go and see. Thank you, bus committee and Muleshoe community.

Mary Friesen came Thursday afternoon and got Floy Hanson, Gen Barrett and Bonnie Tibbets together for a small group visiting and sharing.

Park View's Sunday services included the Muleshoe Church of Christ

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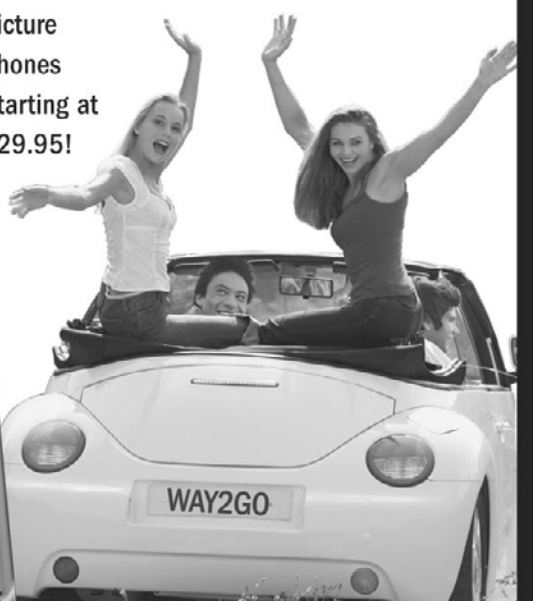
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# Sports

## Game against Highland Parks turns into a 'night of firsts'

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Mules had read the predictions and knew the Amarillo Highland Park Hornets were winless going into Friday night's game. The two teams had no common opponents to judge one another by so the game was a mystery for both teams.

The Mules turned the night into a game of firsts. It was the first meeting between the two teams. Victor Vasquez opened the game with an 85-yard kick off return for a TD. A first for the Mules this season.

The Mules kicked off and the Hornets could not find the handle on the ball. Bradley Branscum was there to claim the loose ball for the Mules on the Hornet 25. Garrett Riley threw a strike to Timothy Conner at the goal line for the Mule's second tally 48 seconds into the game.

Brant Hamilton was perfect in tacking on all seven extra points for the Mules and kicked a 34-yard field goal. This was the first game Hamilton had kicked and it was the first field goal of the season.

The Mules took the sting out of the Hornets with a 52-0 shellacking. It was the third shut out for the Mules this season and the first time they put 50 plus points on the score board.



Photograph by Norm Brantley

Mule Dustin Parker gathers in a pass during Friday's game against Highland Park

"This was a fun night for our kids" said Mule coach David Wood. "We felt like if we executed we could return a kick off for touch down and when we kicked off we thought we had a chance to recover a fumble."

"Both things happened right off the bat and it turned into a Mule night. The kids really had fun tonight and this will be a game they always remember."

Michael Catano boomed the ensuing kick off to the Highland Park 16 and they

returned the ball to their 35. Lane Wood and Vasquez stopped Josh Drillette for no gain on first down. Junior Martinez shucked his blocker on second down and slammed Kurtis Garcia to the turf after a short gain.

Garcia set up in the shot gun on third down and threw over the middle. Riley read Garcia's eyes and tipped the pass up in the air. He then turned and caught the ball and returned the ball to mid field. A holding penalty after the interception pushed the

Mules back to their own 44.

Eric Washington went wide to the right for 13 yards to get the Mules out of hole. Riley hit Hamilton for 10 yards and a first down. Conner made a grab on a slant over the middle to pull the Mules out of a hole created by a motion penalty.

Adam Zamora made a 20-yard grab on a deep slant to push the Mules to the Hornet 15. Washington took the ball up the middle for the Mules third TD in the opening frame to take a 21-0 lead with over six minutes left.

The Hornets finally got their offense untracked and marched from their 37 to the Mule 18 on six plays. The Mule defense stiffened and forced the Hornets to try a 35-yard field goal.

Lane Wood rushed up the middle and blocked the kick and then chased down the loose ball at the Mule 38. Five plays later Washington blasted up the middle for a 34-yard TD run. He ran through two tackles on his way to pay dirt.

Brian Poyner jarred the ball loose from the Hornet running back and Martinez was their to cover the ball on the Hornet six. Riley lobbed

a touch pass over the defense and dropped the ball in Dustin Barkers arms for a TD.

The first half was drawing to a close when Hamilton raced toward the Mule sideline and made the catch 10 yards down field on fourth down. He pulled up just on the playing field and then raced up field to the Hornet 16.

The clock showed seconds left in the half when the Mules lined up for their first field goal of the season. Hamilton spotted the kicking tee on the 34 and booted the ball between the uprights with his soccer style kick. The Mules led 38-0 at the intermission.

The clock ran continuously most of the second half and the Mules managed to put two more TDs on the board. Riley raced 43 yards for a score on an option play in the third period.

Vasquez got around the corner from the three for the Mules final tally.

The Mules had great field

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| <b>Offensive Players...</b>      |
| Bradley Branscum and Cesar Lopez |
| <b>Defensive Player...</b>       |
| Lane Wood                        |
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| Brant Hamilton                   |
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| Cade Smith                       |
| <b>Scout Team Player...</b>      |
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times for 65 yards and two TDs, Wood had three tries for 47 yards and Riley went 43 yards on one carry for a TD. Vasquez went 18 yards on four tries and a TD and Dusty Clayton took two snaps at quarter back and picked up 14 yards on option plays.

The Mule defense held Highland Park to a total of 110 yards. They had 52 yards rushing and 58 passing.

Wood made five solo stops, seven assists and a tackle for a loss. Cade Smith made four solo tackles, three assists and a sack, and Nick Brewster made four solo stops, three assist, a sack and caused a fumble.

Martinez had three solo tackles, three assists, caused a fumble and recovered a fumble. Riley made two solo stops, two pass break ups and had an interception. Bradley Branscum had a special team tackle and recovered a fumble.

"I take my hat off to Highland Park for the way they kept playing tonight" continued Wood. "I had an opportunity to talk to their team after the game and I told them I was proud of the way they played."

"I told them we had been when they are and that the road to success starts with discipline and a desire to get better" continued Wood. "Coach Victor Soliz is doing a good job here. The game got out of hand early and sometimes a team loses their cool but they did not and continued to play hard."

The win put the Mules at 5-1 on the season and 2-0 in district. River Road improved to 1-1 by defeating 0-2 Bushland 35-21. Tulia, 1-0, won their first district match by defeating 1-1 Dimmitt 53-18. The 1-0 Friona Chieftains were open and in Highland Park scouting both the Hornets and the Mules.

The Mules will play host to a more familiar Hornet team Friday at 7:30 p.m. when Tulia visits Benny Douglas Stadium.

## Freshman Mules showing improvement

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The freshman started the season at 0-3 but in the last three games have improved to 3-3. The Mules scalped the JV Morton Indians Thursday at Indian Stadium 22-0. Jared Skipworth got the offense started with a 30-yard run and then tossed to Caleb Conner for the two-point conversion.

Conner scored in the second period by scooting 17 yards to push the Mules' lead to 14-0. Conner added the final

Mule tally in the third quarter with a 79-yard pass and run and made the grab for the two-point conversion.

The Mules rushed for 188 yards and Skipworth was five of 13 for 92 yards and had one picked off. Skipworth carried nine times for 92 yards, Conner ran 13 times for 78 yards and caught three passes for 85 more.

Austin Bamert rushed seven times for 19 yards and made two grabs for nine. Brett Poyner caught a pass for one yard.

Adrian Chacon paced the

defense with seven solo tackles, six assists, two sacks and two tackles for a loss. Bamert made seven solo stops, three assists and two stops for a loss. Joseph Lopez made five solo tackles, two for a loss and recovered one fumble. DJ Atwood had a solo tackle for a loss, caused a fumble and blocked a punt.

The Mules host the River Road Wildcats in a rematch following the seventh and eighth grade games Thursday night.

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# Sports

## JV Mules utterly destroy the Highland Park Hornets, 54-0

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The JV Mules hammered the Amarillo Highland Park Hornets 54-0 in front of a home crowd Thursday night to improve to 2-0 in district. It was three and out for the Hornets on their opening drive with Patrick Precure and Mitchell Forti making stops for losses.

The Hornet deep snap fell short of the punter and the Mules swarmed him at the Highland Park 23. Wes Wood connected with Ray Ramirez for 11 yards and Elias Alvarado 12-yards on a blast up the middle. Alvarado's kick was good to give the Mules a 7-0 lead.

Precure tipped a Hornet pass that Austin Wright was

able to run under at the Hornet 30. Wood felt the pressure on first down as the Hornets swarmed him and he had a pass picked off at the 20.

It was three and out again for the Hornets and the Mules took over after the punt and a penalty at the Mule 49. Wood found Colby Carpenter on a slant to over come a 10-yard penalty.

A personal foul penalty advanced the Mules to the 10 before Wood looked off the defenders and then hit Carpenter at the goal line. Alvarado tacked on the point after.

Highland Park marched to the Mule 49 after the ensuing kick off before the

Mule defense shut them down. Alvarado made a perfect block on the Hornet punt and Precure covered the ball for the Mules on the Hornet 45.

The Hornet defense halted the Mules to force a punt. The Mules used some razzle dazzle and faked the punt and centered the ball short to Wood. Wood hit Ramirez over the middle and he raced 40 yards to the Hornet 16.

Carpenter was the lone wide receiver on the right and Wood found him at the goal line. Ramirez added the two-point conversion. Carpenter made a 20-yard grab with less than a minute left in the half and split the defenders as he raced to

the end zone. The Mules led 29-0 at the intermission.

In the third period Alvarado scored on a five-yard blast and Ramirez pulled down a pass and went to pay dirt. The play covered 69 yards and Alvarado added the point after. Ramirez scored the final two tallies for the Mules with a 15-yard run and intercepted a pass and returned it 66-yards for a score.

The Mules rushed 19 times for 107 yards and Wood completed 13 of 19 tosses for 249 yards and four TDs. Ramirez carried five times for 33 yards, Alvarado had six carries for 62, Wright ran four times for 17 and Precure rushed

once for four.

Ramirez had four receptions for 123 yards, Carpenter made four for 75, Alvarado had two for 18, Stephen Dominguez had one for 18 and Wright grabbed two for 15.

Alvarado made five solo tackles, five assists, one stop for a loss, a quarterback pressure and blocked a punt. Marshall Head made five solo stops, one assist, one for a loss and a quarterback pressure.

Julio Bustillos made four solo tackles, one assist, two for a loss and a special team

tackle. AB Flores had four solo stops and one assist, Precure made four solo tackles, broke up a pass and picked off a pass.

Dominguez made three solo stops, four assists, one special team tackle and recovered a fumble. Forti made two solo tackles and a special team tackle and Crestan Standard made two solo stops, one assist and a quarterback pressure.

The Mules are on the road Thursday in Tulia to tangle with another group of Hornets. They return home Oct. 19 to try to cage the Dimmitt Bobcats.

## Lady Mules compete in cross-country match

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Lady Mule cross-country team and Zane Matthews running for the Mules competed the Lubbock Invitational Cross-Country Meet the last Saturday of September.

A total of 313 girls left the gate for the two-mile run in Mae Simmons Park when the gun sounded for the class A-AA division.

The Lady Mule team took 11th place with 405 points. There were three Region I class 2A teams that finished in front of the Lady Mules. Shallowater took second with 118 points, Slaton was

fourth with 180 and Panhandle was ninth with 373 points.

The top three teams will compete at the Texas State Cross-Country Meet in Round Rock on Nov. 11.

"The competition running here today was very tough," said Muleshoe cross-country coach Carey Sudduth. "We ran hard and competed well even though Kate Lepard was not with us today. The girls really picked it up and gave it their all."

"No other district school finished ahead of us and there were three 2A schools ahead of us. This

should give us a lot of confidence going into the district meet October 24 and the Region I Meet right back here in Lubbock on Nov. 4."

Lupita Andrade paced the Lady Mules with a 39th place finish with a time of 13 minutes 16.7 seconds. Chelsi Hawkins crossed the line for 67th with a time of 13:31.4 and Ashley Cisneros ran 89th with a 13:45.4.

Sarah Johnson finished the course in place 103 with a time of 13:53.8. Ashley Grumbles finished 116th with a 14:00.9 and Kelsey Tipps was 129th with a time

of 14:13.0.

The Lady Mules practiced in the new city park Saturday and did not compete in a meet but will run in the Antelope Invitational in Abernathy on Oct. 14.

"I am proud of Zane Matthews for running by himself for the Mules. He practices and runs hard in the meets and represents his school well," concluded Sudduth.

Matthews finished in 141st place with a time of 21:12.1 on the three-mile course. He finished near the middle of the pack in the class A-AA division.

## Eighth-grade Mules defeat Highland Park Hornets, 48-3

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Mules ran past the Amarillo Highland Park Hornets 48-8 Thursday night in Amarillo.

Cooper Washington scored twice with TD runs of 35 and 45 yards. He added a two-point conversion and made a tackle for a safety.

Josh Quiroz made TD runs of 30 and seven yards and added a two-point conversion. Joey Ramirez found pay dirt on a 45-yard reception and then ran back a 99 yard kick off return for a tally.

Juan Sanchez picked up two two-point

conversions and Isaias Guerra scored one two-point.

Quiroz was the leading rusher with 83 yards and Washington ran for 63. Sanchez had 17 yards on the ground and Ramirez had a pass reception for 45 yards.

Rico Alacorn led the defense with five tackles for losses that totaled 47 yards. Ramirez made five tackles, Washington, Quiroz and Dameon Snell had three tackles each.

The undefeated Mules will battle the Tulia Hornets in Benny Douglas Stadium Thursday and will go on the road to face the Dimmitt Bobcats Oct. 19.

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### TIE BREAKER

(Write in your guesses for the score of this game)

River Road \_\_\_\_\_ at Friona \_\_\_\_\_

### CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE OF WINNER

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# Ghostly Sights!

Whoooo am I?

Have you ever seen a ghost? I have never seen one, except when I dress up to look like one. Some people do not believe in ghosts at all. Others think that the spirits of dead people do visit Earth sometimes.

I know that we think about ghosts a lot because we put them in the many scary or funny stories that we tell at sea or we share around a campfire. I like ghosts in books and movies. How about you?

## Why Might Ghosts Come?

People have never really proven whether ghosts do or do not exist. Here are some of the reasons why ghosts are believed by some people to come back to visit:

- to trouble people
- to right a wrong
- to complete unfinished jobs
- to protect families or friends
- to bring a message
- because they are stuck in time - they appear at the same spot over and over again

Oooooo.... Do you hear chains rattling?

## Famous Ghosts!

Match the names below to their description:

- Ghostbusters
- Casper
- A Christmas Carol
- Georgie
- McBroom's Ghost
- A tall tale in which the man hears voices of ghosts, or does he?
- Lovable ghost in young children's picture books.
- People track down and get rid of ghosts in this movie.
- The friendly ghost in cartoons, comics and movies.
- Scrooge travels with the ghosts of the past, present and future.

Here are a few of my favorite ghost and scary stories:

- Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark by Alvin Schwartz
- The Best Ghost Stories Ever edited by Christopher Krovatin
- The House With a Clock in its Walls by John Bellairs

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What are ghosts like? What can ghosts do? Below are some characteristics that writers, artists and storytellers give to ghosts in their books, movies and tales.

reflection date haunt  
 speechless walls short  
 invisible floating animal  
 appears tricks night

Read the clues! Can you fill in the puzzle?

### Ghosts:

- are seen mostly this dark time of day
- can't be seen in mirrors; they have no \_\_\_\_\_
- can become \_\_\_\_\_; can see things through them
- may be moving, held up in the air
- can suddenly be seen; one just \_\_\_\_\_
- play pranks
- may not talk
- \_\_\_\_\_ houses or graveyards
- only stay for a \_\_\_\_\_ time
- appear on a special \_\_\_\_\_ or at a place
- may look like a real person or \_\_\_\_\_
- can walk through \_\_\_\_\_ doors, etc.

I have to **disappear** now. I have a very busy schedule. Let's see:

- haunt a house
- moan in cemetery
- rattle chains at old school
- fly through pumpkin patch
- hitch a ride on a hayride.

## Where Do Ghosts Live?

Yahoo!

In a...

Find your crayons and use this color key to see where: W = white, B = black.

...of course!

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# Newcomer nabs Week 5 glory with perfect score

**By Leah Bell**  
General Manager

As many of you let us know, we inadvertently forgot to include the Week 4 contest winners in last week's paper. We're sorry! However, it was posted on our web site, www.muleshoejournal.com. Just a reminder, all sports are included on the web site!

Because it wasn't reported in the paper, I'll provide a quick recap here — an old guy named Joe Flores won, but it must have been a fluke because he didn't even come close this week! Flores was more likely thinking of a round of golf this week since he finished in 18-th! (It's the best I could do, quit booing!)

In Week 4, Flores was followed up by Veronica Gonzales in second (9 pts.), Patrick Orozco and Vicki Gonzales who tied for third (8 pts. each), and Jimmy Kay Moore (another contest newcomer) who captured fifth (6 pts.), Carl Jacobs who brought home sixth (5 pts.), and James Buie who placed seventh and managed to rack up four more points toward his

cumulative score and the grand prize of \$200. Then, in eighth place, Willie James (3 pts.); and ninth place (tie), Darryl McCamish and Sandra Orozco (2 pts.). No tenth place was awarded last week due to the ninth place tie.

All jokes aside and moving on to Week 5, the Journal saw another contest newcomer take the title and get the second perfect score of the season.

Rudy Gonzales demolished the competition and left no player standing. He's young. He's hip. He's ready to rumble!

Rudy managed to managed to avoid missing the games that tripped most players up this week — Shallowater's win over Lubbock Cooper, California's stunning defeat of Oregon, Texas Tech's loss to Missouri and Dallas' loss to the Eagles.

Gonzales will get \$25 and 10 points for his win.

Only two other players even came remotely close to Gonzales' score.

Missing three games each were Rosalinda Toscano and Veronica Gonzales, who finished

second and third and will get nine and eight points respectively.

Toscano's 45 total points guessed put her ahead of V. Gonzales who guessed just 40 points would be scored in the Muleshoe versus Ama. Highland Park tilt. The actual score was 52-0.

The scoring goes downhill from here.

Finishing with four misses and getting cumulative points accordingly based on tiebreaker guesses were Retha Tigue (7 pts.), Weldon Smith (6 pts.), Alene Bryant and Marilyn Engelking - tie (5 pts.), Debbie Weir (3 pts.), Charlotte Holt (2 pts.), and Carl Jacobs (1 pt.).

Jacobs missed five games.

Thus far, there have been no stand-out players in this year's contest and so, at this point in the season, everyone is still in the running for the \$200 grand prize. Keep playing 'cause you could just pull out a win!

You can Email your picks to us at ctyankee@fivearea.com, mail them to c/o Football Contest, P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, Texas 79347 or

drop them by the office at 201 W. Ave. C (no envelope necessary). You need not live in the area to play.

Just out of the points for week five were Vicki Gonzales, Travis Bessire, Patty Polando and Raymond Villalobos.

Cumulative points thus far (totalled over five weeks): Veronica Gonzales (27), Rosalinda Toscano (16), Weldon Smith (16), Rene Valle (16), Marilyn Engelking (14), Alene Bryant (14), Scott Brown (11), Rudy Gonzales (10), Joe Flores (10), Richard Orozco (10), Felipe Gonzales (10), Johnny M. Gonzales (9), James Buie (8), Travis Bessire (8), Sherri Harrison (8), Patty Polando (8), Patrick Orozco (8), Vicki Gonzales (8), Retha Tigue (7), Charlotte Holt (6), Jimmie Kay Moore (6), Terry Field (6), Gabriel Acevedo (6), Carl Jacobs (6), J.C. Orozco (5), Raymond Villalobos (5), Robby Gauna (4), Willie James (4), Joel Sinclair (4), Debbie Weir (3), Darin Bratcher (3), John Graves (2), Sandra Orozco (2), Darryl McCamish (2) and William Orozco (1).

**Check our web pages for additional sports stories!**

Sometimes, space doesn't allow for all of the sports stories listing the accomplishments of Muleshoe's young athletes to be included in the pages of the *Muleshoe Journal*. When this occurs, the complete sports stories are included on the newspaper's web pages at [www.muleshoejournal.com](http://www.muleshoejournal.com).

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# Columnist puts in two cents about getting 40 winks

"Go to bed, Jessica!" I have no clue how many times I have heard that from my parents, because I was still up and not in bed when I was supposed to be.

Most teenagers and kids need at least 8-9 hours of sleep every night, but in this day that is not very likely, some of the students don't get to bed until sometimes after midnight, because of homework, or talking on the phone, or on the computer for several hours. With teenagers there is no clue.

I am really bad about waiting until the last minute to do homework, but I am getting better. There are occasional nights where I have other stuff going and don't want to do my homework or forget to do it, but either way, I am still up late.

I used to have to be up extra early because of early band rehearsals and when I didn't go to bed until almost midnight or after, it really took its toll as the day went progressed.

I will confess, I do try and sneak a little time to sleep during school, but only when I have no work to do or my work is done.

I am getting better about not sleeping in class, unlike last year when I slept in three classes almost everyday. In one class, I

## Mule Moments

By Jessica Thornton

slept pretty much everyday and still managed to do my work and keep my grade up. I don't know how, but I did it.

*(Editor's note: No doubt several of her teachers will read this week's column and start monitoring her habits more closely in the future.)*

Not sleeping enough like I said can really take its toll on your body if you don't get enough hours of sleep, so when breaks come around I really enjoy them because I can stay up late and sleep in just a little bit, not much, but a little bit.

I am getting better about getting to bed early and have for a few weeks and I have really noticed that I feel more refreshed in the morning and am not as tired and ready to fall back to sleep by the middle of first period.

Of course, I will never be able to sleep in first period, because its band and we are always marching in the mornings.

Last Friday night was the football game in Amarillo and from my experience last year those games mean getting back at 2-2:30 a.m., and so you want to take every opportunity and catch as many "Z's" as possible.

And catch them I did,

though we reached the band hall around 12:30-1 a.m. Saturday morning. A lot earlier than what we did last year and thank goodness that it was the only Amarillo game, but you never know what football playoffs have in store.

All I can say is getting enough sleep is a good thing and it is something you want, because once you get to college sleep is a very precious commodity, I think, but I will find out next fall when I go myself.

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# Obituaries

## Billy Hernandez

Memorial services for Billy Hernandez, 14, of Farwell were held on Saturday, Oct. 7, at Farwell High School with the Rev. Kyle Clayton of the First Baptist Church in Farwell, officiating.

Billy died on Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2006, near Farwell. He was born on March 27, 1992, in El Paso to Joe Hernandez and Catherine Brown.

He had been a freshman at Farwell High School for one day and previously had been a student at Lockwood and Cameo Elementary schools and Gattis Junior High in Clovis, N.M.

Survivors include his father — Joe Hernandez of Farwell; his mother —



**BILLY HERNANDEZ**

Catherine Brown of El Paso; his grandparents — Frank Sosa and Linda Brown of El Paso, Jose and Felicidad Hernandez of El Paso, Ben Brown of Steelville, Mo., and Doug and Mary Carter of Midland.

Also by a sister — Sandy Hernandez of Farwell; and four brothers — Scott and Danny Hernandez of Farwell and Jesse Hernandez and Ben Brown of El Paso.

Billy's body was donated for the benefit of others, as per his request.

## Seventh-grade Mules sting the Hornets

The seventh grade Mules swatted the Amarillo Highland Park Hornets 44-6 in a blow out on the road. Isaac Baca got loose on a 15-yard Hammer play on the Mules first offensive play for a TD. Jose Marrufo added the two-point conversion.

Sergio Vasquez intercepted a pass and rambled 40 yards for a TD. Baca added the two-point conversion. Beau Avila scored on a 31-yard option romp for a TD on the Mules second offensive play.

Avila scored his second TD of the night on a one-yard quarter back sneak and Marrufo tacked on the two points. Baca caught a 35-yard TD pass from Avila on the first play of the second half. Hector Flores capped the scoring for the Mules with a 10-yard TD run and Carlos Sosa added the two-point conversion.

Avila only carried twice during the game for 52 yards and two TDs. Baca rushed twice for 35 yards and a TD and caught a pass for 35 more. Flores had five totes for 30 yards and a touch down. Eric Orozco had a catch for 20 yards.

Pilar Campos had four tackles, one for a loss, two quarter back pressures and a sack. Saul Elizalde made four tackles and two sacks. Vasquez had three tackles, two for losses and one interception. Baca had two tackles, one for a loss and Billy Alaniz made two tackles, one for a 10-yard loss.

Big defensive plays were made by Jaden Herra when he chased down the Hornet punter for a 20-yard loss. Adelaido Godinez made a TD saving tackle late in the contest.

The Mules will host the Tulia Hornets Thursday at five and then go on the road to face the Dimmitt Bobcats Oct. 19.

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# Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

The senior citizens who came to the center on Saturday evening had a marvelous time at the box supper. Our thanks to the ones who brought decorated boxes, pies, money and fellowship.

Many thanks goes to Troy Scott for auctioning the items. Nona Clements won first prize for the best decorated, and Nancy Kidd won first prize for the most unusual.

Tuesday, Oct. 17, the flu shots will be available from 10 a.m. until 12 noon. We are signing you up early, so if you need your flu shot, make plans to come by and let us sign you up. It will help speed the process up on Tuesday.

Mandi Seaton from the Extension office will be bringing her nutritional and interesting program on Tuesday, Oct. 17. Mandi always presents a very good program.

Beginning at one o'clock

on Tuesday, Oct. 17, representatives from SPAG will be at the center for a hearing on what programs need to be established for the seniors in this area. This is a very important meeting so make plans to be at the center.

Sandy will be here furnishing the music for Tuesday's dance. Bring your dish for a pot luck break at 8:30 p.m. and come enjoy the music and friends.

Thursday, Oct. 19, Regence Health Network, RHN, will bring a program regarding the clinic they will be opening in Muleshoe to help with your health and other problems.

The clinic will be located at 208 W. Second St. Make plans to have lunch and be here for the program.

Remember the Bingo games on Thursday beginning at 1:30 p.m. Bring a can of food for the Food Bank and come have fun.

Menu for Oct. 16 -20:  
Monday, Oct. 16 — Vegetable stew, salad, cornbread and apple cobbler.

Tuesday, Oct. 17 — Baked ham with pineapple, mixed vegetables, salad, wheat roll and cherry cobbler.

Wednesday, Oct. 18 — Chicken-fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, sliced tomatoes, wheat roll and pears.

Thursday, Oct. 19 — Chicken pattie on bun, fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fruit salad.

Friday, Oct. 20 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, tator tots, hushpuppies, coleslaw and apple cobbler.

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## Food safety program scheduled

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The Food Manager Certification Training Program, called "Food Safety: It's Our Business" seeks to reduce the risk of foodborne illness. By taking the course, food service managers can receive the latest information on personal hygiene, how to use thermometers, how to store food safely, how to prepare and serve food properly and how to keep the food preparation areas clean and sanitized. Participants can fulfill requirements for food manager certification if they pass the certification exam offered at the end of the course.

The training session will be offered for \$79 on November 10 and 13, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., in the Activity Building at 200 W. Taylor, in Morton. The cost includes training materials and the State food manager certification examination. Deadline for registration will be Nov. 3. For more information contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent at 806-272-4583.

## God's Spirit Living Inside Does What No Law Can Do

It was good news when Moses came down from Mt. Sinai with the Ten Commandments of God, the Law. It was good news that God so loved mankind that he would reveal to us the law that would show us what kind of God we serve and how to live to please him. Good news.

But the bad news was that even the holy Law which could show mankind what a perfect man might look like (one who completely kept the commandments) was powerless to pro-



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duce one. It could only show us where we fell short. What it did, it did well; it was never designed to do more.

But when Jesus came, God did through his Son what even his holy Law was powerless to do. The Good News of Christ, the New Covenant bought by his blood, the real sacrifice that the blood of a million sacrificial lambs could only foreshadow—now that's the best news of all!

I wonder why we sometimes have such a hard time believing the Good News? I wonder why we so often use religion to run away from the Good News of Christ and trade it for a sham?

St. Paul's words in 2 Corinthians 3 warn us about the "bad news" and hold high before us that which is truly good.

There was a time, Paul writes, when God wrote his Law on tablets of stone, but no longer. Since Christ has come, God's Law is written on human hearts.

There was a time when all man knew about was the old covenant based on law, but since Christ has come, Paul says, "God has made us minis-

ters of a new covenant—not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life" (v. 6).

As the amazing chapter unfolds, Paul showcases the contrasts. The law engraved in stone came down in great glory on Mt. Sinai. It was so glorious that the Israelites begged Moses to wear a veil after he came down from Sinai because his face glowed so brightly.

Yes, Paul writes, the Law came in glory, but the "ministry that brings righteousness" is far more glorious. What was glorious has no glory at all compared to "the surpassing glory" of what has come through Christ and his Spirit.

We are not like Moses who veiled his face as the "radiance was fading away." No, we're Christ's children, and the veil has been taken away. God's Spirit lives inside our hearts and with "unveiled faces" we "all reflect the Lord's glory."

Even holy stone is dead, but God's Spirit living inside our hearts, giving us life, transforming us "into his likeness with ever-increasing glory" does what the Law could never do. Paul praises God for such glory, but he also grieves that "to this day" whenever the Law is read, the same veil covers the hearts of people who love law more than they love the Lord and in a sad irony, find slavery (often of a very religious sort) less frightening than real freedom in Christ.

Two choices then. Two choices now. We trust in law, or we trust in a Savior. One means slavery; the other, freedom. The letter of the law still kills. The Spirit still gives life.

Two approaches. One spends most of its time frantically trying to turn wine back to water. The other sees the delight in the eyes of its Lord who still turns water to wine. Then it laughs with him and dances with unveiled joy in his presence.

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## FSA to limit managed hay and grazing practices on CRP land

USDA Farm Service Conservation Reserve Agency administrator Teresa Lasseter recently announced the USDA will limit managed haying and grazing on

Program acres from once every three years to once in every 10 years. The change is part of a settlement that

also changes the definition of primary nesting and brood rearing season back to pre-2002 Farm Bill dates.

"The settlement is limited

to certain states and does not affect emergency haying and grazing," said Lasseter. The USDA also plans to conduct an additional environmental analysis concerning managed haying and grazing on CRP acreage.

The federal government settled with the National Wildlife Federation and several of its state affiliates regarding a complaint filed in U.S. District Court. The complaint challenged certain provisions of managed haying and grazing on CRP acreage.

The lawsuit alleged that the managed haying and grazing practices violated the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Food Security Act of 1985, and the Administrative Procedure Act. Specifically, the lawsuit challenged the frequency

allowed for managed haying and grazing on CRP acreage. It also challenged the dates set to define primary nesting and brood rearing seasons that limited the activity.

The settlement is limited to certain states, including Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. It applies to new contracts, including re-enrollments, in those states approved after Sept. 25, 2006, and also applies to

contract extensions in those states approved after that date if the participant had not previously been approved under the CRP contract for managed haying and grazing.

More information on the settlement agreement, including a map depicting the geographic locations, is available online at [http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSFSAFile/settlement\\_agreementCstates.pdf](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSFSAFile/settlement_agreementCstates.pdf) (map).

## NRCS sets sign-up deadline for 2007 EQIP

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas has set a Dec. 15, 2006, sign-up deadline for the 2007 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

"The funds allocated for EQIP will help farmers and ranchers improve natural resources on private working lands in Texas," said Dr. Larry Butler, NRCS state conservationist for Texas.

"The program provides cost-share and incentives payments to producers applying approved conservation measures that help solve natural resource

problems," he said.

Natural resource concerns are established in each county by local work groups, who identify the most important natural resource issues in the area.

Through EQIP, NRCS also funds projects that address special statewide resource concerns recommended by the Texas State Technical Committee. The 2007 statewide resource concerns are animal waste, invasive species, plant condition, water quality, water quantity, and wildlife emphasis areas.

Immediately following the end of the sign-up period, all

applications will be ranked. Producers with an approved application will work with an NRCS conservation planner to develop a contract and a plan and will begin implementing conservation practices next spring.

Local NRCS field offices have complete details for their county and the applicable state concerns.

Additional information, including ranking criteria, eligible practices, and cost-share rates for all programs, can also be found on the Texas NRCS Web Site at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/).

### Farwell Mennonite Church AUCTION & BAKE SALE SATURDAY, OCT. 21

The Farwell Mennonite Church will be auctioning assorted building supplies and tools and having a bake sale on Saturday, Oct. 21. Look for a complete list of auction items in next week's paper. For more info, contact Dalen at 806.786.9001 or Lynn at 505.799.7432.

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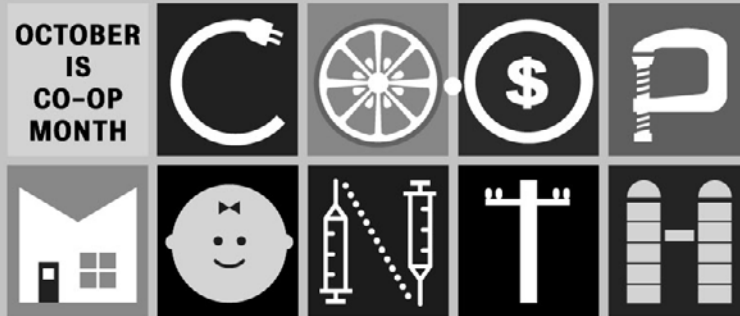
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# Heritage center hosts tourists

By Jean Allison

It was an incredible experience on Saturday, Sept. 30, to have six buses arrive at the Muleshoe Heritage Center loaded with more than 250 people pouring out onto the grounds all eager to experience the center.

This was a tour group sponsored by the Texas Historical Commission from Cochran and Hockley Counties. The large group arrived at the center at 12:30 p.m., and the first order of business was to each be handed a sack lunch and a glass of lemonade by a member of Student-Community Action Club of Muleshoe High School.

Dr. Kerry Moore, former high school speech teacher, was the overall coordinator for this event. Current board members, along with Marie and R. A. Bradley of Lubbock, former volunteers at the center conducted tours along with the SCAC members.

Mattie Hicks whose husband was a former board member was at the Muleshoe Ranch Cookhouse to tell about the days when her husband, Jack, was a cowboy and many times ate at the old cookhouse.

Assisting Sammie Simpson at the recently refurbished Figure 4 Ranch House were Bob Sanders of Amarillo and Pat Glasscock Watson and husband of Portales. Bob's mother

Katherine Sanders grew up in the Figure 4 House and Pat Watson was born in the house and could tell many interesting things that happened there.

A number of members of the 1956 and the 1966 classes here for homecoming also came by the center and were amazed that Muleshoe now has such a wonderful tourist attraction. Over and over on this day you could hear tour visitors as well as other guests exclaim, "How completely beautiful," or "I can't believe this truly unique Heritage Center has been here and we did not know about it!"

At the monthly board meeting of the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation on Monday, Oct. 2, the main topic of conversation was the tour group which came to the center on Sept. 30, along with so many other visitors.

Foundation president Jo Bob Stevenson opened the meeting and asked Gary Hooten to give the prayer. Jenne McVicker, secretary Jamie Hs"ickel read the minutes which were approved and Gary Hooten, treasurer, gave the financial statement.

The president then introduced the three new board members and asked them to tell a little about themselves.

Board members present welcomed the new members: Jay Cage, Wells

Hall and Bernita Sheets. Sammie Simpson read E-mails from Marie and R.A. Bradley and from a group from Levelland who were on the tour on Sept. 30.

Both the Bradleys and the tour group commended and, thanked the board for the hospitality received on this day.

Bobbie Harrison who was on this tour along with Sammie told what a great experience the tour was and recommended that others go next year.

Dolores Harvey, center hostess, told of repairs needed at the center and emphasized the need for adult supervision at all of the old structures during special activities when tours are conducted. Board members voted to take care of these repairs.

A discussion was held about cleaning the storage building on the property as well as an offer to redo the old chuck wagon. The president was given authority to take care of these matters.

Secretary McVicker read a thank you note from the Ladies Golf Association, thanking the board for the donation of water bottles which were left over from former Tour de Muleshoe bike rides. Election of officers for the Heritage Board will be held at the next board meeting in November.

Sheila and Bobbie were appointed to serve on the nominating committee.

# Calvary Baptist celebrates 60 years

The weekend of Sept. 23-24 proved to be a wonderful celebration of God's love through the 60 years commemorated by the church which began in a church building built by the Rev. E.L. Merriott on a corner acre of his farm near Lazbuddie, according to a member of the Calvary Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

Rev. Merriott pastored the Lazbuddie Independent Baptist Church for six years, until it was moved into Muleshoe and re-named Calvary Baptist Church.

On Saturday afternoon a cookout was held and food and fellowship was enjoyed by the large crowd which gathered. It was followed by an enlightening presentation by Rev. Joe Copley about their work on the Wind River Indian Reservation at Arapahoe, Wy.

Copley and his wife, the former Lela Hughes, are both former Muleshoe residents and graduates of Muleshoe High School. They have begun two flourishing, fundamental, independent Baptist churches, one of which is in Montana, the other at Arapahoe.

He also brought an inspiring message and Ms. Lela sang and played the piano.

Sunday morning services began with special music by several groups. Lonnie Merriott, the remaining charter member of the church, sang, "How Great Thou Art."

The Rev. B. G. Hill of Clarendon, former pastor, told of his continuing ministry, and brought the message. His wife, Mae, accompanied him to Muleshoe.

The Rev. Glenn Border spoke warmly on growing up in Muleshoe and his love for the fine people here. He is

now a missionary with the International Board of Jewish Missions, and is one of 32 missionaries, throughout the world, now supported by the church.

Following lunch, the Blue Grass Gospel Group of Calvary Baptist brought several of their special songs and music.

The Rev. Jeff Coffman, who is the current pastor of the church, gave a devotion, and told of the many lives touched by the church, and the 60 years of progress by the church.

He also talked about receiving letters of congratulations and well wishes from former pastors and other friends who were unable to attend.

The Rev. Chester Clay Beavers, now of Amarillo,

spoke of his various services for the Lord, which included pastoring two churches in New Mexico. He has recorded music for use by churches who have no pianist.

Several people gave their testimonies and spoke of happy memories at Calvary Baptist throughout the years.

The Rev. Darrell Martin, former pastor, and his wife, Barbara, now on staff at Girlstown at Whiteface, spoke of their special ministry to girls in need there. He played the piano and they sang two hymns. He closed out the days festivities with an uplifting message on carrying on the Lord's work in Muleshoe.

Many stayed for more visiting over pie and coffee, as the day wound to a close.

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## TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR-IN-TRAINING — JOB #47067

The City of Lubbock, Texas invites qualified individuals to apply for the position of **Treatment Plant Operator-in-Training**. Lubbock is a strong community with a distinguished history, heritage and culture. The "Hub of the Plains" is the 11<sup>th</sup> largest city in Texas and the largest city on the South Plains with a population over 200,000. Information about the City of Lubbock along with Lubbock links can be found at <http://www.ci.lubbock.tx.us> [www.ci.lubbock.tx.us](http://www.ci.lubbock.tx.us)

**DUTIES:** Under direct supervision of a certified treatment plant operator; inspect, operate, and maintain equipment in a treatment plant on an assigned shift.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Any combination of education and experience equivalent to completion of a high school diploma or G.E.D. with an additional one year general water work experience. **Must live within 15 minutes travel time of Sudan Pump Station. Must possess a Water or Wastewater Class C Certificate issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality within two years of employment. This certificate must be obtained within the required period for continued employment in this position. An upgrade in classification to Operator will be made upon obtaining this certification and satisfactory fulfillment of Operator in-training duties. Possession of a Texas Commercial Class A Driver's License.** Knowledge of industrial water safety and operation of water or wastewater utility equipment. Ability to monitor and control treatment plant equipment. Ability to prepare reports and interpret written instructions. Ability to work cooperatively with others. Ability to operate a computer keyboard. Ability to perform duties in noisy working conditions. Ability to properly use self-contained breathing apparatus as required. Performs job duties in a way that promotes a positive image of the City organization and the department; demonstrates effective interpersonal skills and delivers exemplary customer service. **Must be able to work in all outside weather conditions. Must be able to pass Pulmonary Function Test in order to be able to use SCBA equipment as needed. Must be clean shaven in order to wear SCBA equipment. CDL Driver's Permit will be accepted for application/selection process and thirty days will be allowed after being hired to complete the driving portion of the CDL. A comparable out of state CDL Class A Driver's License will be accepted during the application/selection process; however, the applicant must be in possession of a Texas CDL Class A Driver's License with endorsements on or before their hire date. The applicant(s) selected for this position must pass a felony conviction criminal history check at time of hire.**

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**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 13<sup>th</sup> 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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### PUBLIC NOTICE

South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG) as the Area Agency on Agency will be conducting a public hearing at the Bailey County Senior Citizens Association Center on October 17, 2006, at 1:15 p.m. The location of the site is 319 South Main Street in Muleshoe, Texas. **THE PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING/FORUM:** In accordance with Public Law 89-73 of the United States of America known as the "Older Americans Act of 1965", Congress listed as an objective of the Act that: "Older persons (age 60 or older) should have free exercise of individual initiative in planning and managing their own lives, full participation in planning and operation of community-based services and programs provided for benefit and protection against abuse, neglect, and exploitation. This public hearing/forum is being held to provide you, the older person (age 60 and older) the opportunity to participate in the planning and operation of community-based services and programs provided for your benefit through the South Plains Association of Governments Area Agency on Aging. It is not intended to answer questions. It is to receive your problems/comments/concerns. If we receive a comment that is already covered by some current program or law, we will contact you after the hearing. However, we will input a problem that reflects lack of information/education in the particular area you commented on. You are encouraged to attend this important hearing to provide input and direction for the services that are provided in SPAG's service region. Older persons requiring special accommodations please contact SPAG at 1-888-418-6564. *Published in the Muleshoe Journal on October 5 and October 12, 2006.*

The County of Bailey will accept bids for the purchase of two (2) 2007 4 door police package cars, and one (1) 2007 full size 4X4 crew cab pickup. Specifications and terms of payment may be obtained at the Bailey County Judges' Office in the County Courthouse. County Judge, Sherri Harrison, will accept sealed bids and all bids must be submitted by October 26, 2006 at 10:30 A.M. *Published in the Muleshoe Journal on October 5 and October 12, 2006.*

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•309 acres- Near Progress. Hwy. 84 frontage. 1/2 mile of pavement. Good soil, lays good, depreciable assets.

•Bailey County- West of Muleshoe on 1760. 315 acres, 3 wells, 1 to 2 circle sprinkler. Fenced. Large Quonset barn.

•Lamb County— Southeast of Amherst 922 acres, 310 acres of alfalfa. 5 center pivots, 42 acres of drip irrigation.

•Northwestern Lamb County — 160 acres, 2 wells, Center pivot, perimeter fence, 1/2 circle of improved grasses, good allotments.

•Lazbuddie Area — Brick home, 3 BR/2 BA, 2 park garage, on 1.3 acres. 2,200 sq. ft. plus large enclosed patio, large fenced back yard. ON PAVEMENT.

• West of Muleshoe — 80 acres, irrigated with 2 wells. Lays good. Good direct payment.

•Lamb County, North of Springlake — 2800 square foot home on 3.46 acres. 4 bedroom, 2 bath, den, large living-dining area, large kitchen. \$60,000.

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**Very nice 4 bedroom/3-1/2 bath** - brick home, refrig. air, central heat, lots of space, 2 car garage, fenced back yard, plus a lot more.

**New Listing** - Clay's Corner - Country home, great 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath, home on 5 acres, built-ins, refrigerated air, central heat, sunroom with fireplace, large utility, covered patio, 2 car garage, a 45 x 85 quonset barn, very nice landscaping. Call for more details.

**New Listing** - Clay's Corner - 5 acre tract for sale.

**New Listing** - 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath brick home, cellar, corner lot, priced to sell!

Country Home on Hwy. Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home on approx. 3 acres, ref. air, central heat, lg. utility, fireplace, built-ins, spacious living area, finished basement, 2 car garage, 30 x 30 barn + more.

4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath brick home, ref. air, built-ins, fenced back yard, 2 car garage.

Nice country 2 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home, built-ins, ref. air, central heat, sunroom, 2 car garage, sprinkler system, fenced back yard, 2 metal barns, all on approx. 3 to 4 acres.

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• 3-1 Home, corner lot, built-ins, Cent. A&H, hardwood, tile & carpet, sunroom, 2 car garage!! \$44.5K!!  
• VERY NICE 4-2 Mobile Home, Cent. A&H, built-in, 28' x 56', Mstr. bath has garden tub & separate shower, vaulted ceiling, storm windows & doors, large lot!! \$63K!!

**HIGH SCHOOL AREA**  
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• 413' Frontage on S. Hwy. 214, 24' x 50' shop, 24' x 30' office, chainlink fence!! \$21K!!  
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• CLAY'S CORNER - 320 acres, 2 wells, 2 circle sprinklers, 2 bedroom 2 bath, 2 carport home!!  
**RURAL**  
• EARTH-NICE- 3-2 Brick Home, Detached 2 car garage/workshop/storage, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, auto spkrl., fenced yard!! \$54,500!!  
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• NICE 3-2-2 Home on 60 acre tract!! Central A&H, built-ins approx. 2575' lv. area, 10 hp, well, workshop, barns, corrals, fenced!! MORE!! \$130,000!!  
• NEEDMORE - Fin Building, office, well on 3.6 acres (Hwy. 214 & FM 298)!! \$13,500!!





The Mighty M Band

## Mighty 'M' Band captures trophy in Muleshoe band competition

The Mighty M Band hosted their Inaugural "Mulemania Marching Madness" Competition on Oct. 7, and placed second among the bands participating.

Their show was entitled "Kartunemania" and featured songs from "The Jetsons," "Linus and Lucy" (Charlie Brown), "Flintstones," "Scooby-Doo," "Pink Panther," and "Looney Tunes."

The bands performed in a preliminary and final round of competition with the highest possible score being 600 points.

Trophies were awarded to the top three bands.

The Tulia "Fightin' Hornet Band" received 540 points followed by the Mighty M Band with 498 points and Farwell High School's "Legends In Blue" Marching Band earning 472 points.

Judges for the competition were Carroll Rhodes, Band Director from Tahoka High School and Dustin Seifert, Director of Band at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales. The announcer was David Dominguez, principal at Watson Junior High School.

Band Director Brad Walker commented, "I am very proud of these fine young musicians for both

their participation as performers in the contest and for their hard work in running the contest at the same time! I have received many commitments from area band directors to come to next year's competition."

Marcos Gomez noted that the band has steadily improved this year and looks forward to the rest of marching season.

The Mighty M Band will now travel to Plainview to compete in the "Pioneer Marching Festival" on Oct. 14, at 7:15 p.m.

They will then compete at the UIL Marching Contest on Oct. 21 in Lubbock at 3:45 p.m. at Lowery Field.

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said. With this in mind, the police chief said his officers would be doing all they could to reduce the incidents of traffic accidents resulting from underage, unlicensed drivers, and reckless driving.

"This is an attempt to keep Muleshoe out of the unwanted limelight of fatality accidents," Frieda said.

Unlicensed drivers caught violating the law

would receive a traffic citation, Frieda said, adding that in the event such a driver was caught a second time the officers would be exercising their statutory option to issue the parent or person who allowed the unlicensed person to drive the vehicle a citation.

Also, as a result of the recent accidents, the Bailey County 4-H Council, and the Bailey County Youth Board will be hosting

demonstrations of the "Roll-Over Convincer" with David Barrera of the Texas Department of Transportation at all four Muleshoe ISD campuses on Oct. 12.

The demonstration at Dillman Elementary is scheduled for 9 a.m.; for Muleshoe High School at 11:40 a.m.; at Watson Junior High at 12:20 p.m.; and DeShazo Elementary at 1:30 p.m.

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"The Heritage (Center) didn't get where it is in one project," he said, adding that the total figures weren't needed before work started on a ball park.

The mayor disagreed, saying that long-range planning was needed.

"The city needs to make a decision about the land... where a field could be built first," Chavez said.

"What I'm hearing is that we need a plan and we need a place to start," Behrends responded.

However, the city manager reminded the council that another local sports organization routinely uses the area in question.

"I would be real hesitant to tell the soccer kids they couldn't play there anymore," he said.

"We have to figure out if we can make it work our for the city," Black said.

At Brunson's suggestion, it was agreed that a committee consisting of municipal staff, softball association representatives and the city council would be formed to study the situation, the costs and the best location for a second softball field.

In other business, the council:

- Recognized the efforts of the Muleshoe Water Department, which has been awarded a "Total Coliform Rule Program" Award for 2005.

Mayor Black noted that the award was the result of

the department's providing 60 months of clean water to the citizens of Muleshoe.

- Approved the reimbursement of \$360 to Comite Patriotico from its Sept. 16 celebration.

- Approved a resolution allowing the city to apply for a South Plains Association of Governments solid waste grant to purchase of a brush chipper and a used tire container.

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Special praise to Chris, Bryan, Kim, Chad and also to officers Clifton and Cogdill.

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## Jones resigns from Muleshoe City Council

The Muleshoe City Mayor Cliff Black Ozozco nominated each Council accepted the recognized Jones, who is other for the position of resignation of council moving from Muleshoe, for Mayor Pro-Tem, requiring member and Mayor Pro-Tem James Roy Jones his years of service. the mayor to cast the deciding ballot for during Monday's meeting. Behrends and Richard Behrends.

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