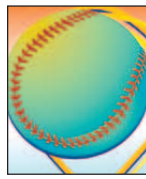




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Muleshoe council approves MEDC recommendation

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe City Council approved a request from the Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation to loan Circle R Dairy a total of \$150,000 during Monday's regular meeting.

According to the presentation given to the

council by MEDC president Wanda Hooten, the monies were to be divided under two separate loan arrangements.

The first is a \$50,000 "forgivable," no-interest loan, Hooten said. She explained that by providing no-interest loans instead of awarding grants, the MEDC could insure that the

business receiving the monies would remain as a viable member of the area's business community.

"We're holding their feet to the fire," she said.

According to the conditions of the \$50,000 loan, a third of the loan amount would be forgiven each year over a three-year period.

The remaining \$100,000, which Hooten said would be to pay for construction cost overruns on the \$5 million project in Bailey County, would be loaned at six percent interest with the first payment, plus interest being due 24 months from the date of the loan; followed by the remaining three payments at 12 month

intervals over a five year period.

Hooten said Ronnie and Toni Ray of Circle R Dairy first began looking at moving from California to Bailey County about two years ago. "They're going to be an asset to this community," she said. "You'll not regret approving this."

Prior to the motion to approve the loan recommendation, Mayor Pro Tem Earl Behrends asked about the loan funds the MEDC had available, and how the funds were accumulated.

It was explained that the MEDC currently has about

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Registration closes for May 12 elections

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The registration period for the May 12 election closed Monday with several candidates having placed their names on the ballot for the Muleshoe City Council.

Among those candidates are:

Dist. 1 seat

Rick Galt, Richard Orozco, incumbent, and Isidore Trevino.

Dist. 2 seat

Freddie Anzaldua, Wes Conway, Irene Mason and Donald Phelps.

The Dist. 2 seat has been vacant since the resignation of former Mayor Pro Tem James Roy Jones.

At the Muleshoe Area Hospital District, the only candidate to file was Wayne Pierson, who filed for the Place 4 seat currently held by Marilyn Riley.

No one filed for the Place 2 seat held by Ann McElroy.

Neither Riley nor McElroy refiled for their seats on the board.

According to MAHD officials, the hospital district does not accept "write in" candidates. Therefore, the hospital district won't have to continue with the election process. Pierson will take the Place 4 seat in May, and the hospital board will be appointing a representative for Place 2.

At the Muleshoe Independent School District, the only candidates who have filed are incumbents Thurman Myers and David Tipps.

Per its efforts to keep the voting public informed, the *Muleshoe Journal* will be scheduling a question and answer series for the positions remaining up for election on the Muleshoe City Council in upcoming editions.



Toasting Texas

Muleshoe fourth grade students were invited to celebrate Texas Independence Day at the Bailey County Courthouse Thursday at the annual "Toast to Texas" by the Muleshoe Jennyslippers and county officials. Turn to page 3 for a related story.

Photographs by Leah Bell



Commissioners court recognized by cancer society

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Bailey County Commissioners Court received certificates of appreciation from the American Cancer Society during Monday's regular session.

Dr. Davor Vugrin, MD, of the American Cancer Society of Lubbock appeared at the court to recognize its efforts, which included passage of a

resolution Monday declaring 2007 as "Colon Cancer Prevention and Awareness Year" in Bailey County.

Dr. Vugrin said, "It's unusual to take such action at the county level... but the seriousness of the issue calls for it."

Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer mortality in Texas, according to Dr. Vugrin. Over the next 10 years, an

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— Dr. Davor Vugrin

estimated 100,000 men and women in the state will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer, and it will be fatal for approximately 40,000 if preventive actions are not taken.

More than 90 percent of

colon cancers can be prevented from occurring, he said, and most deaths can be avoided if the best currently available technologies are consistently used for screenings.

By passing Monday's resolution, County Judge Sheri Harrison and the Bailey County commissioners joined the American Cancer Society and Lubbock Colon Cancer Prevention Task Force in their efforts to eliminate colon cancer as a cause of illness and death.

Polyp, a precursor to colorectal cancer, produces no symptoms and, if removed, will prevent it from turning cancerous, according to Vugrin.

In the early stages when it is curable, colorectal cancer usually has no symptoms. One has to look for them specifically in those who are at risk. Thus, the use of screening tests, the

removal of polyps and early detection saves lives.

Because the risk of colon cancer increases with age, Vugrin said the American Cancer Society recommends that all men and women of normal health begin preventive screening for colon cancer at the age of 50.

Those with a family history of cancer or polyps are at an increased risk and may need to start screening earlier, he added. Those with colon symptoms should seek medical evaluation regardless the age. About one out of 10 colorectal cancers occur before age of 50, the ACS reports.

In other business, the commissioners court:

- Discussed moving the Bailey County Extension Office to the Outpatient Clinic building on Ave. C.

- Extension agent Mandi Seaton said the services the current office space isn't sufficient for the expanding programs being provided to both students and adults.

- Approved an amendment to the FY 2007 budget, and payment of county bills totaling \$207,382.03.

Annual Roadrider rally set for Saturday

The annual Muleshoe Roadriders motorcycle rally is set for March 16-17, at the Bailey County Coliseum.

This year's event, which will feature registration on Friday, beginning at 7:30 p.m., and a light show at 9 p.m., will also include a wide variety of activities on Saturday, will mark the Roadrider rally's silver anniversary.

On Saturday, registration will continue until noon, followed by tour runs at 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., field events and games at 1:30 p.m., a bike show at 3:30 p.m., a parade at 5 p.m., and an awards presentation at 5:30 p.m.



A few of those attending last year's motorcycle rally look at a couple of the exhibits at the coliseum.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

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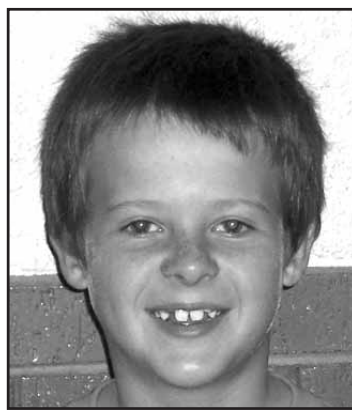
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LISD students honored

Lazbuddie Elementary recently honored second grade student Destry Ivy, pictured above on the left, the son of Lanse and Shelly Ivy, and fourth grade student David Guenter, pictured on the right, the son of David and Eva Guenter.

Muleshoe youth softball signups

Muleshoe Youth Softball signups are set for Thursday, March 22, and Saturday, March 24, at the Watson Junior High Gymnasium foyer, from 6-8 p.m.

The players must be from in second-12th grade. For more information call Eddie Alvarado at 272-5588, Frank Baca at 272-3043 or Julie DeBruin at 272-4410.

Diabetes support group

The Bailey County Diabetes Support Group will meet this month on Tuesday, March 20, at 6:30 p.m., in the meeting room of the Bailey County Coliseum. The program will be "Diabetes and Depression" Depression is more common in people with diabetes. It is important to recognize the symptoms of depression. When you feel depressed, you are less likely to take care of yourself, and this could worsen your diabetes.

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

Softball meeting set for March 20

Individuals interested in coaching, playing on a team or being on the committee for the 2007 Softball Season are encouraged to attend a meeting at the Muleshoe Fire Department on March 20 at 7 p.m. Individuals who wish to return for another season of women's softball are also invited to attend the meeting.

AA meeting

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

SPCAA energy applicants sought

South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. has received additional funding from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to operate the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program Jan. 1 through Dec. 31.

The primary intent of this program is to make funds available to enable SPCAA to respond to energy needs affecting low-income households.

Priority will be given to eligible households containing one or more persons age 60 or above, a handicapped individual and families with young children under the age of six.

The basic philosophy of energy self-sufficiency will be the central theme in the program, which is designed to offer flexibility to allow for creative implementation and innovation.

Service delivery not only entails utility payments on behalf of the client, but also a system that addresses the underlying contributing causes of energy-induced hardship.

For additional information contact Janie Posadas at 804 W. American Blvd., Suite C, Muleshoe, or call 806/272-7537.

Class reunion set

The Muleshoe Class of 1997 has set the date for its 10 year reunion. The event is scheduled for on June 9, in Muleshoe. Contact Jo Beth Gilleland at gillelaj@hotmail.com, or call Lindy Schuster at 806-272-5408 for additional information.

Cancer screening clinic set

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Muleshoe Area Medical Center on April 2 and 19.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance.

Call 806-356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Babe Ruth baseball

Parents interested in helping with Muleshoe's Babe Ruth baseball program should call Stacy Conner at 806-272-4224.

March is National Nutrition Month

Submitted by Mandi Seaton, Bailey CEA-FCS

Each March, since 1980, the American Dietetic Association sponsors National Nutrition Month. The purpose of the 2007 campaign is to encourage people to be 100 percent Fad Free.

The educational message of National Nutrition Month focuses on the importance of making informed food choices, eating healthy foods, and physical activity.

Key messages encourage people to:

- Develop an eating plan for life long health by focusing on overall health and implementing the recommendations from the 2005 Dietary Guidelines for Americans and MyPyramid.
- Choose foods sensibly. One food or one meal will not ruin a healthy eating plan. The key is moderation and portion control.
- Learn how to spot a food fad. Be aware of unreasonable or exaggerated claims. Food can affect your health, but there is no one food, supplement, or diet that will cure disease or offer a "quick fix" to weight loss.
- Balance food and physical activity. Exercise promotes control of body weight, feeling good about yourself, and lowers your risk of developing disease. The National Institutes of Health recommend that adults participate in at least 30 minutes of exercise most days of the week.
- Watch out for food and nutrition misinformation.

Gatewood honored

Christopher Gatewood of Muleshoe made the dean's list and the honor roll during the fall term at The Thomas M. Cooley Law School.

Gatewood is a graduate of Baylor University and Muleshoe High School. He is the son of J.C. and Zona Gatewood.

Misinformation is information that is false. Being misled about nutrition can affect your health. It can also cause you to spend money on foods or supplements that are not needed. For specific information on nutrition, contact a registered dietitian.

For more information on National Nutrition Month, go to the American Dietetic Association Website at: www.eatright.org/nnm.

You may also contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County extension agent – Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

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\$600,000 in unencumbered funds that it can use through various means to help develop the area's economy.

However, according to Muleshoe City Manager David Brunson, since the funds are generated through a "4A sales tax" there are certain restrictions placed upon their use by the State of Texas.

While the MEDC can use

the funds for industrial and manufacturing development, they cannot be used for developing a retail sales business.

Circle R Dairy is a "double-30" facility, permitted for a total of 2,400 head of cattle, located on property two miles northwest of Muleshoe.

Hooten said the dairy had a projected payroll of \$400,000 and planned to

employ from 18 to 25 people.

After the 4-0 vote of approval, Mayor Cliff Black expressed his appreciation to the MEDC board members in attendance.

"We can't say enough about the good work that you do," said the mayor.

In other business, the city council:

- Approved the minutes from its Feb. 12 meeting.
- Approved an amended personnel policy.

The city manager noted prior to the council's vote that it had been about 10 years since the city's policy had been updated.

- Approved a letter of understanding with Randall L. Field, P.C., of Muleshoe to provide auditing services for the city.

- Received a report from Police Chief Brian Frieda concerning the past month's activities.

Muleshoe students celebrate Texas Independence Day

The Jennyslippers, the women associates of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture, conducted its annual celebration of Texas Independence Day on Thursday, March 8, in the Bailey County Courtroom with special guests, the fourth-grade students and faculty of Mary DeShazo School, as well as other guests.

Since the courtroom was in use on March 2, the actual Independence Day, this year's celebration had to be moved to March 8.

Dianne Thornton, Jennyslipper president, welcomed all.

Nelda Merriott, led the group in lifting their cup of cool Texas water, in a "Toast to Texas" and reciting the toast... "To Texas, joyous and sparkling, Evergreen when it rains, enduring in drought, timeless, endless in boundaries, exciting, home to the adventurous of yesterday and today, with shrines from the past and space and spirit for the future. To Texas, everlasting in the hearts of your people!"

The American and Texas

flags were posted by Boy Scouts of Troop 620, Nathan Rejino and Cristian Mora. They led the Pledge of Allegiance to each flag. All of the students were also able to recite the "Pledge to the Texas Flag," which is, "Honor the Texas flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one and indivisible."

The Rev. Jack Stone, pastor of the First Assembly of God Church, led the exuberant group in singing three "Texas" songs, our state song, Texas, *Our Texas*, *The Yellow Rose of Texas* and *The Eyes of Texas*.

Bailey County Judge Sherry Harrison introduced the county officials, who spoke on the various duties of their offices.

The students welcomed Gene Sheets, superintendent of Muleshoe Schools, and enjoyed his presentation on Texas history, and the fact that six flags have flown over Texas, with Texas gaining their independence from Mexico on March 2, 1836.

This independence provided opportunity and education to every Texas child.

Sheets concluded his presentation with a quiz on Texas trivia, which included numerous Texas symbols.

The event closed with refreshments of home-made cookies and punch provided by the Jennyslippers, and enjoyed on the courthouse lawn.

MHS students receive medals at VASE meet

Fourteen Muleshoe High School students traveled to Idalou on Saturday, Feb 17, to the regional Visual Arts Scholastic Event.

These 14 students took 18 pieces of art to be judged, which included a requirement that the students defend their work in an interview with the judge.

Muleshoe received 15 medals, a Superior rating, as well as one state qualifier, and one alternate to the state event to be held in Houston in April.

Among the students receiving medals were:

Leo Chagolla, Laura Cogliandro, Cody Gonzales, Adrianna Gonzales, Kendall Johnson, Gunner Kirby and Alyssa Lopez.

Students who received two medals included: Claudia Morales, Janae Pyle, Noe Salcido and Wes Wood.

Janae Pyle's work titled "Portrait of Shaniqua" was judged in the top 10 percent of her division, and will advance to state.

Laura Cogliandro's piece entitled, "Judgement Day," will go as alternate.

From God's Holy Word

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." — John 1:14

Births

Braeden and Brennen Henry

Beau and Kimberly Henry of Abilene announce the birth of their sons, Braeden Lain Henry and Brennen Zain Henry, on Feb. 22, 2007.

Braeden was born at 6:46 p.m., and weighed five pounds, four ounces. He was 17-1/2 inches in length.

Brennen was born at 6:47 p.m., and weighed six pounds, seven ounces. He was 19 inches in length.

Their grandparents are David and Belinda Head of Muleshoe, and Craig and Sherri Doty of Sudan.

Great-grandparents are Marshal and Jo Anne Head of Muleshoe, Pat Nickels of Lubbock, Lafern Doty of Sudan, and Joyce Thompson, also of Sudan.

The twins' great-great-grandparents include Verdie Gann of Sudan.

The *Muleshoe Journal* publishes a large number of photographs — from wedding announcements to obituaries — along with related news stories. Sadly, many of these important photographs are never picked up from the news office. If you would like to retrieve a photograph that you've left with the newspaper, stop by during normal office hours.

The Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District Windbreak Trees sales are underway. Parmer County SWCD has a good selection of all variety of trees. Trees for windbreaks, wildlife, or fruit trees are available. Seedlings as well as larger replacement trees can be ordered. More than 30 varieties of shrubs, hardwoods, and evergreens are offered. Please place your orders while tree supplies last. Last day for ordering trees will be March 15th. To order call the Parmer County SWCD office, 806-481-3311 x 3 and talk to Elida Villarreal, Frank Torres or Earl Behrends.

Texas Tech fall honor rolls are released

Texas Tech University has announced who qualified for either the President's List or the Dean's List in the fall semester.

To make the President's List, a student has to take at least 12 qualifying credit hours and have a 4.0 grade point average (GP A).

Students qualifying for the Dean's List also must take at least 12 qualifying hours and have a GP A of 3.5 to 3.9.

Muleshoe students on the TTU honor rolls were:

Dean's List
Amanda Shea Bell, Tyrel James Gear and Brandi J. Wood.

President's List
Shawndee N. Nichols, Jonathan Layne Sheets and Tyler Wood.

MISD Fine Arts 'Night To Shine' set for March 26

The annual Muleshoe High School Fine Arts to Shine is set for Monday, March 26, beginning at 6 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The Fine Arts Boosters would like to invite everyone to the event. The program will consist of performances by local band, one-act, art and choir students.

"This is a great opportunity for the Muleshoe Fine Art students to show their talents," a fine arts booster representative said.

In addition, refreshments will be served in the cafeteria, and there will be a silent and live auction. Donations to the auction were made from local and area businesses.

Proceeds from the event will be support the Fine Arts Programs, including a band trip to Dallas for a performance at the Six Flags Festival.

The boosters will be sponsoring the chartered

bus, and also help with other expenses incurred with out-of-town trips and competition by the band, choir, one-act, art, speech and debate.

Steer champion announced

Amber Synatschk of Sudan exhibited the Breed Champion Limousin Junior Market steer on Wednesday, Feb. 14, at the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo.

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Obituaries

Edna Robnett

Memorial services for Edna Robnett, 98, of Earth were held on Monday, March 12, at the First Baptist Church of Earth with the Rev. Cecil Golden and Bill Anderson officiating. Burial followed at Earth Memorial Cemetery.

Robnett died on March 9, 2007, at Running Water Draw Nursing Home in Olton. She was born on June 20, 1918, to Oscar and Gracie Anderson and had lived in Earth since 1929. She married Zeph Robnett on July 8, 1933, and worked at Springlake-Earth schools for 29 years as librarian and

school bus driver. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Earth.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her son — Billie, and her brother — Ervin.

Survivors include her daughter and her husband — Joyce and Clinton Green of Earth; a son and his wife — Buddie and Lynn Robnett of Odessa; and her daughter-in-law — Judy Robnett of Lubbock; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Earth Cemetery Association.

Orin McBroom

A memorial service for Orin "Okie" McBroom, 64, of Lazbuddie was held on Wednesday, March 7, at the Lazbuddie Methodist Church with the Rev. Tom Stribling of Happy officiating.

McBroom died on March 5, 2007, in Muleshoe. He was born on Aug. 26, 1942, in Canyon, and married Darla Newberry in Enid, Okla., on Dec. 29, 1962. He was preceded in death by a son — Troy Lane McBroom in 1995, and also by two brothers.

McBroom had lived in the Lazbuddie community since 1976, and was employed by Foster Fertilizer.

He was a member of the Methodist Church, and the

Lazbuddie Volunteer Fire Department.

Survivors include his wife — Darla of Lazbuddie, a son and his wife — Casey and April McBroom of Happy; a son — Patrick McBroom of Canyon; a daughter and her husband — Lori and Andy Stormes of Friona; three grandchildren; two sisters — Martha McBroom of Anniston, Ala., and Dorothy Allison of Amarillo; four brothers — Delbert McBroom of Evans, Colo., Everett McBroom of Friona, Alvin McBroom of Stinnett and Billy McBroom of Happy.

Memorials may be sent to the Lazbuddie Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 155, Lazbuddie, TX 79053.

Minnie Underdown

Funeral services for Minnie Underdown, 100, were held on Tuesday, March 13, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Muleshoe, with George Johnson of Lubbock officiating. Burial followed at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Underdown died on Saturday, March 10, 2007, in Dalhart.

Underdown was born on April 9, 1906, in Boone County, Ark., to Dee and Martha Hickman. She was raised in the Oklahoma Indian Territory and married Walter Reese Underdown on Oct. 17, 1925, in Weleetka, Okla., before moving to Bailey County.

Underdown was a

member of the Muleshoe Primitive Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, three brothers and two great-grandsons.

Survivors include three daughters — Evelyn Davis of Pensacola, Fla., Margaret Phipps of Dalhart, and Doris Jackson of Lubbock; two daughters and their husbands — Dorothy and Lon Martin of San Angelo, and Rita and E.H. Little of Dalhart; a brother — Frank Hickman of Harrison, Ark.; Thelma Lamb of Kansas City, Mo., Opal Hennigan of Lake Charles, La., and Betty Graham of Kansas City, Mo.; 13 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

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He doesn't speak. He removes his robe and takes the servant's wrap off of the wall. Taking the pitcher, he pours the water into the basin. He kneels before them with the basin and sponge and begins to wash. The towel that covers his waist is also the towel that dries their feet.

Isn't it enough that these hands will be pierced in the morning? Must they scrub grime tonight? And the disciples do they deserve to have their feet washed? Their affections have waned; their loyalties have wavered.

Look around the table, Jesus. Out of the twelve, how many will stand with you in Pilate's court? How many will share with you the Roman whip? And when you fall under the weight of the cross, which disciple will be close enough to spring to your side and carry your burden?

None of them will. Not one. A stranger will be called because no disciple will be near.

Don't wash their feet, Jesus. Tell them to wash yours. That's what we want to say. Why? Because of the injustice? Because we don't want to see our King behaving as a servant? God on his hands and knees, his hair hanging around his face? Do we object because we don't want to see God washing feet?

Or do we object because we don't want to do the same? Watch Jesus as he goes from disciple to disciple. Can you see him? Can you hear the water splash? Can you hear him shuffle on the floor to the next person? Good. Keep that image.

John 13:12 says, "When he had finished washing their feet." Please note, he finished washing their feet. That means he left no one out. Why is that important? Because that also means he washed the feet of Judas. Jesus washed the feet of his betrayer. He gave his traitor equal attention. In just a few hours Judas's feet would guide the Roman guard to Jesus. But at this moment they are caressed by Christ.

That's not to say it was easy for Jesus. That's not to say it is easy for you.

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Obituaries

Ann Sinclair

A funeral service for Ann Sinclair, 74, of Muleshoe, was held on Wednesday, March 7, at First Baptist Church of Muleshoe with the Rev. Dr. Stracy Conner officiating.

A private family burial followed in Park Lawn Cemetery of Plainview, on March 8.

Sinclair died on March 5, 2007, in Muleshoe. She was born on May 3, 1932, in Floyd County.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe, where she has lived since 2003, after moving from Plainview.

Sinclair was a National Guild Pianist, the highest grade achieved. She had performed at numerous revivals in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. She was a member and officer of the WMU, and was involved in teaching ostomy patients and helped organize the Lubbock Ostomy Association.

Survivors include her husband — James



ANN SINCLAIR

Sinclair of Muleshoe; two sons and their wives — James Steven and Laura Sinclair of Suquamish, Wash., and Joel Don and Gwen Sinclair of Muleshoe; two daughters — Lyn Ann Childress of Lubbock and Kelly Leigh Sinclair of Temple; seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; and a nephew — Renn Phillips of Petersburg.

Memorials may be sent to the First Baptist Church, Music Dept., 220 W. Ave. E, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or the Oneida Wagon Senior Citizens Center, 319 S. Main, Muleshoe.

Pauline Chappell

A graveside service for Pauline Chappell, 89, of Muleshoe, was held on Saturday, March 10, at the Bailey County Cemetery with Curtis Shelburne officiating.

Chappell died on March 8, 2007, in the Muleshoe Area Medical Center. She was born on Nov. 24, 1917, in Clareville, and married R.B. Chappell in Muleshoe on May 9, 1938.

Born in a time of poverty, Chappell and her siblings were critical to the success of their farm. Strength was her best asset. She graduated from Amherst High School when graduation was not a priority for most at that time.

From hauling of 100-pound cotton sacks, to raising her family, Chappell endured the hardships of dryland farming and assisting her parents for most of their lives.

She had a strong work ethic and Christian values that she carried into all of her endeavors.

Chappell worked at the Muleshoe Hospital as receptionist for six doctors for many years. She was a member of the 16th and D Church of Christ.

Her married life included making a home for her husband and daughters from California to Texas. She adapted to the city life

when needed and back to the life of farming and later as an auto mechanics wife.

Chappell was not a boring mother. She was always fun and ready to go. She entertained her girls on the farm with a vivid imagination, and also mesmerized her grandchildren with her own version of "The Three Bears."

Chappell loved her family and was always her family's stronghold.

She was a compassionate daughter, wife and mother as well as friend.

Chappell valued her friends, and usually beat most of them at bridge. Her mind and wit were very sharp.

She is now in paradise listening to the beautiful music of the love of her life.

Chappell was preceded in death by her husband — R.B. Chappell, four sisters and a brother.

Survivors include two daughters and their husbands — Sandra and Harold Cast of Clovis, and Dianne and Jeri Wiedebush of Muleshoe; five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and a great-great-grandchild.

Memorials may be sent to the 16th & D Church of Christ, 1600 W. Ave. D, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

Harvey Bass

Funeral services for Harvey Lee Bass, 88, of Snyder, formerly of Muleshoe, were held on Saturday, Feb. 10, at the Bell-Cypert-Seale Chapel. Burial followed in Snyder Cemetery.

Bass died on Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2007, in Snyder. He was born on Oct. 11, 1918, in Jones County, the last of 13 children born to Henry Isom Bass and Mary Evaline Jones Bass. He married Marie Bingham on July 24, 1946, in Crosbyton. He was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church.

Bass and his wife moved to Muleshoe in 1948, where they were blessed to own and operate a furniture and appliance store until 2003, prior to moving to Snyder.

He was also a Paul Harris Fellow, a charter member of the Muleshoe Rotary Club, helped organize the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture, served on several local boards and committees, tirelessly working to promote Muleshoe and Bailey County. He also served as the Democratic chairman of Bailey County for 26 years.

Bass graduated from Meadow High School in 1939, after which he worked for Burselson-Garrett Engineering, laying telephone line in East Texas.

Before World War II, he began working for North American Aviation in Hawthorne, Calif., building P-51 Mustangs and B-25 bombers. During his time in California, he joined the Primitive Baptist Church in Lindsey.

After the war, Harvey returned to Texas joining his brother-in-law, Afton Richards, in publishing *The*

Aspermont Star, and *The Banner of Love*, a Primitive Baptist publication.

The focus of Bass' life was the Primitive Baptist Church, his family, his work and his community. He served as deacon in the Primitive Baptist Church first in Rule and then in Muleshoe, teaching church singing schools in Texas and Oklahoma.

Bass was known for his positive attitude, optimistic outlook and tremendous enthusiasm.

Survivors include his wife — Marie Bass of Snyder; two daughters and their husbands — Carolia and Ron Johnson of Yorba Linda, Calif., and Vina and Thomas Strayhorn of Snyder; five grandchildren — Julie Johnson of Corona, Calif., Ellen Strayhorn Musallam, and her husband Hisham, of Ft. Worth, Eric Johnson and his wife Joyce of Austin, Carol Strayhorn of Ft. Worth, and David Strayhorn of Snyder; two great-grandchildren — Maya Musallam of Ft. Worth and Eva Johnson of Austin; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank Teressia Shoemake, Dr. Carl Dillaha, Susan Bills and the staff at Resident Care and Joani Singleton for their loving care.

The family suggests memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 4400 North Big Spring, Ste. C-32, Midland, TX 79705, Odyssey Hospice, 2003 E. FM 700, Big Spring, TX 79720 or to the Muleshoe Primitive Baptist Church, c/o Marshall Williams, 1292 Hwy. 84, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

Births

Landri Richey

Jonathan and Hailey Richey of Farwell announce the birth of their daughter, Landri Rachelle Richey, on March 5, 2007, at 5:09 p.m., at the Lamb Healthcare Center of Littlefield.

Landri weighed seven pounds at birth, and was 19-3/4 inches in length.

She has one sister — Kennedi Richey.

Her grandparents are Ginger Richey and Lach and Jackie Grimes.

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Sports

Lady Mules come up short against the Lady Cubs

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mule softball team came up a little short against the Brownfield Lady Cubs Tuesday afternoon. The Lady Mules fell to the Lady Cubs 14-10.

"Even though we lost today," said Lady Mule coach Shane Fuller, "I felt we played a much better game than we did against Slaton when we won. Our defense was much better and we hit the ball hard. We just played much better today."

Morgan Smith scooped up the tap back to the pitcher's circle and fired a strike to Gabby Perez at first for the first out of the game.

Back to back errors and a pair of base hits cost the Lady Mules two runs in the first inning.

Cici Reyna fielded three ground balls in a row in the second inning and threw out the Lady Cubs in order to Perez.

Brittany Ambriz was hit by a pitch in the second inning and advanced to second and third on passed balls. Amber Fuentes launched a high fly to center that sacrificed Ambriz across for the Lady Mules first and only run of the inning.

Perez scrambled for a ball she had missed at first and threw home to Ali Eagle. Eagle made the grab away from the plate and

stretched to make the tag on the runner attempting to steal home. It was the third out but the Lady Mules had given up eight runs on four

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hits and committed two errors.

The Lady Mules reclaimed five of the eight runs in the bottom of the third. Reyna doubled to left center to start the Lady Mule rally. The first baseman failed to catch BreAnn Baca's pop fly to first.

She rounded first and headed to second and the

first baseman over threw second. The series of errors allowed Reyna and Baca to both score. Shayla Hall was hit by a pitch a trotted to first.

She went to second and third on consecutive passed balls.

Perez brought Hall home with a single to left and moved to second on a passed ball. Perez came home on a single to right by Fuentes. Fuentes went to second on the throw home and stole third on the first pitch to Eagle. She took home on a wild pitch. The Lady Mules trailed 10-6 after three innings.

The Lady Mules gave up a single run on two hits in

the top of the fourth. Smith recorded her second strike out of the game for the first out. Reyna moved under a pop fly at short for the second out and Smith grabbed a ground ball and tossed to Perez for the final out.

The Lady Mules went in order in the bottom of the fourth but picked up one run in the fifth. Hall slide under the tag at home when she went home on a passed ball. The Lady Mules trailed 11-7 five after innings.

Brownfield scored three runs on three hits in the sixth.

Smith grabbed the come backer and tossed to Perez for the first out in the seventh. A single to center gave the Lady Cubs a base runner.

Reyna moved to her left to scoop up the ground ball

and stepped on second to start a double play. She fired to Perez at first to end the top half of the seventh.

Baca led off the bottom of the seventh with a single into short center field. Perez lined a double to the fence in left center to score Baca. Fuentes singled to right center to score Perez and moved to second on the throw home.

Fuentes went to third on a passed ball and scored on an error that allowed Smith to reach first. Fuentes run ended the night's scoring.

The Lady Mules were in the Ralls' Lady Jack Rabbit Tournament over the week end and hosted the Lubbock Roosevelt Lady Eagles Tuesday afternoon. The Lady Mules will start district play in Littlefield on Tuesday, March 20, at 5 p.m.



Over here!

A Lockney Longhorn calls for the baseball as Muleshoe's Timothy Conner slides into third in the Mules' season opener. Photograph by Norm Brantley

Track Mules place sixth in Littlefield Relays

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules ran sixth at the Wildcat Relays in Littlefield Friday afternoon. The Mules scored 35 points.

Randal, Idalou, Lubbock Cooper, Levelland and Littlefield all finished ahead of the Mules.

Austin Wright cleared 11 feet, six inches to take fifth

in the pole vault. Lane Wood also cleared 11-6 but was sixth on misses. Garrett Riley went over the bar at six foot to place fifth in high jump.

Eric Washington took the gold medal with a distance of 21feet, 5-1/2 inches in the long jump.

Wes Wood finished fifth in the 110-meter hurdles with

a time of 17.35 seconds. The 800-meter relay team of Washington, Brant Hamilton, Doc Fullmer and Bradley Branscum took sixth with a time of 1:33.95.

Hamilton took the gold medal in the 400-meter dash with a time of 50.90.

The Mules will run again in the Lobo Relays in Levelland on March 30.

JV ladies fall to Brownfield's ladies

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Time ran out during the JV Lady Mules half of the fourth inning Tuesday when they hosted the Brownfield Lady Cubs. Fortunately the Lady Mules had scored 16 runs in the first three innings and held the Lady Cubs to only five.

The Lady Cubs scored two in the top of the first to take an early lead. The Lady Mules responded by sending 15 batters to the plate and scored 10 runs in the bottom of the inning. The first eight Lady Mules either walked or were hit by pitches to get on base.

Ashley Grumbles tapped back to the pitcher and reached on a fielder's choice. The pitcher chose to stop the run from scoring but the catcher missed the throw home to allow Chi Hernandez to score.

Natasha Regalado sent a ground ball to short and an error at first allowed April Gardea to cross the plate. Marisila Casanova

walked to get on base for the second time in the inning to force home Erika Tovar. Laura Marrufo walked on six pitches before Melissa Mendoza singled to left to score Grumbles and Casanova.

Casanova scooped up the tap back in to the pitchers circle and made a perfect toss to Tovar for the first out. Sunny Snyder missed the ball on the third strike and over threw Tovar to allow the batter to reach base.

Snyder righted her error by firing a strike to second when the base runner attempted to steal second. Regalado made the catch and applied the tag for the second out. A Lady Mule error allowed a run on hit to center field.

Gardea chased down the ball in center and threw to Marrufo at short. Marrufo relayed the ball to Snyder guarding home and made the tag as the runner slide home for the final out of the inning.

Gardea, Grumbles and Regalado all scored in the

second inning to give the Lady Mules a 13-3 lead after two innings.

The Lady Mules gave up two runs in the top of third but got them back in the bottom of the inning. Tovar scored on a passed ball, Grumbles scored on an error and Regalado came home on a single by Casanova.

Casanova walked the first batter she faced in the fourth inning and the batter moved to third on passed ball. Marrufo made the grab on a line drive at short and stepped on second to double off the runner for an unassisted double play.

Mendoza gathered in a ground ball at third and fired across the diamond to Tovar to dash the hopes of the Lady Cubs for a come back. Mendoza and Hernandez scored in the bottom of the fourth before time ran out.

The Lady Mules will start district March 20 in Littlefield and travel to Dimmitt the following Friday.

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Sports

JV Mules place fifth at Littlefield track meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Mules scored 51 points at the Wildcat Relays in Littlefield Friday afternoon to take fifth place.

Randall, Idalou, Littlefield and Lubbock Cooper finished ahead of the Mules. Brian Poynor tossed the discus 94 feet three inches for sixth place.

Jared Skipworth cleared

5-6 on his first attempt for second place in the high jump.

Josue Macias completed the 3200-meter run in a time of 12 minutes and 24.04 seconds for fourth place.

Kyler Steinbock took the gold medal in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 18.32. Adrian Muniz ran fifth with a 20.95.

Gunner Kerby placed

second in the 100-meter dash with an 11.57.

The 800-meter relay team of Kerby, Caleb Conner, Joseph Lopez and Danny Galindo finished fourth with a time 1:43.07. Nathaniel Chavez took third in the 400-meter dash with a 55.28.

Muniz and Steinbock ran fourth and fifth in the 300-meter hurdles with times of

48.33 and 48.47 respectively. Chavez took fifth in the 200-meter dash with a 24.56.

Elias Alvarado, Alex Godinez, Poynor and Galindo finished fifth in the 1600-meter relay with a 3:51.35.

The Mules are back in action March 23 at Levelland in the Lobo Relays.

Lady Mules compete in Wildcat Relays

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules competed in the Wildcat Relays at Littlefield Friday afternoon.

Kathryn Owens tossed the shot 30 feet, nine and half inches for third place. Kyra Kimbrough took the gold medal in the pole vault by clearing 9-6.

Kimbrough cleared 4-10 in the high jumped for fifth place.

Lupita Andrade finished the 3200-meter run in sixth place with a time of 13 minutes 31 seconds. The 400-meter relay team of ran sixth with time of 54.88.

Cassie Steinbock finished sixth in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of

17.89. Kelsey Tipps ran fourth in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 51.55.

The 1600-meter relay team of took sixth with a time of 4:30.12.

The Lady Mules will compete in the Lobo Relays at Levelland March 23.

(Note: The names of the relay team members were not available at press time.)

JV ladies take fifth at Littlefield

The JV Lady Mules took fifth at the Wildcat Relays in Littlefield Friday afternoon with 22 points.

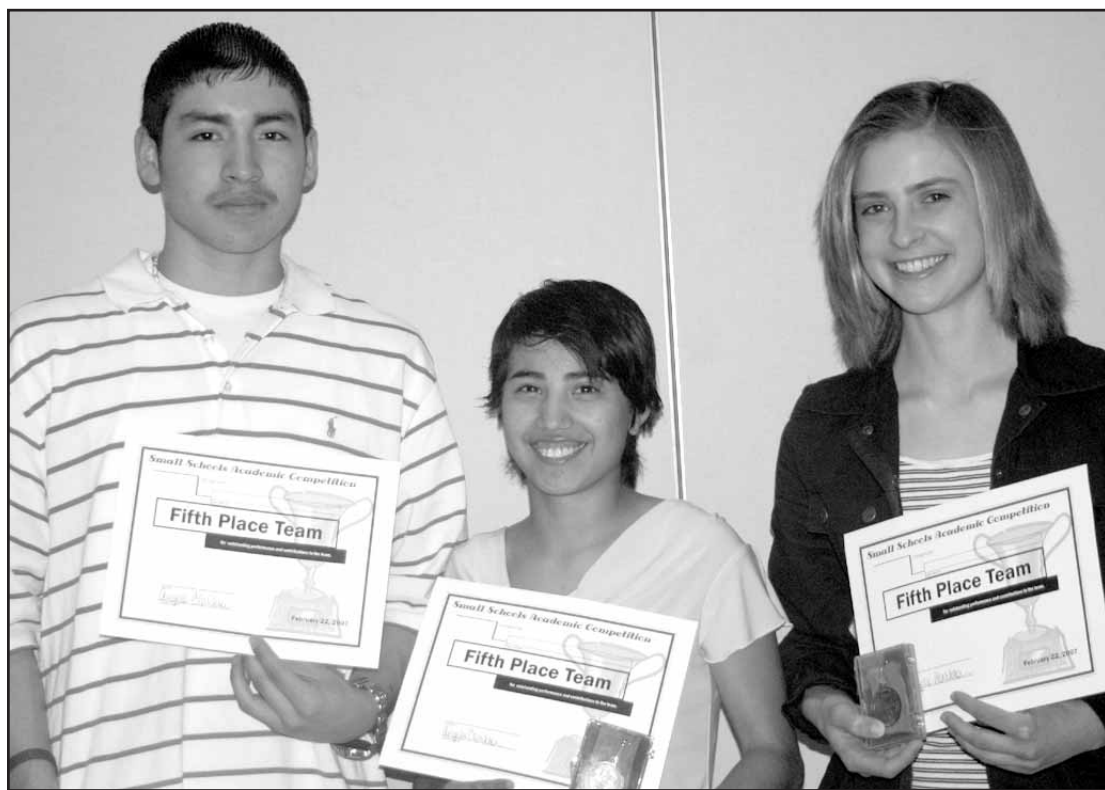
Lubbock Cooper, Levelland, Randall and Slaton finished ahead of the Lady Mules.

Ashley Johnson placed sixth in the shot put with a toss of 25 feet six and half inches. She also placed sixth in the discus with a throw of 60-1. Gabby Agundis took third in the triple jump with a distance of 24-8.

Tessa Burris, Veronica Soliz and Lindsay Moulton finished third, fourth and fifth respectively in the 800-meter run with times of 3 minutes 17.71 seconds, 3:48.45 and 4:01.84.

Alyssa Martinez took fifth in the 100-meter dash with a 15.03.

The Lady Mules will run next in the Lobo Relays in Levelland.



MHS students attend, place at SSAC competition

Students from Muleshoe High School traveled to South Plains College on Thursday, Feb. 22, to compete in the Area Small School Academic Competition.

Among the local students taking part in the SSAC event were: Elizabeth Symm, Brittany Villa, Adrian Perez, Brittini Carter, Cade Smith, Tony Guzman, Laura Cogliandro, Shayla Hall, Travis Thompson, Belen Nunez and Austin Thomas.

The SSAC is for A, AA and AAA schools in the state of Texas. Students compete in the core subject areas: English, math, science and social studies.

At the SPC competition, a MHS team consisting of Elizabeth Symm, Brittany Villa and Adrian Perez placed fifth, and will advance to state competition at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor in Belton, Texas, on April 29.

In addition to qualifying for state competition, these students were also awarded scholarship money. The students will have an opportunity to win additional scholarship money at the state competition.

Muleshoe High School's SSAC fifth place team, pictured above, include Adrian Perez, Brittany Villa and Elizabeth Symm.

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The Good News Is That God Opens Up Locked Doors

What God wants his children to possess in amazing measure is a quality of relationship with him, and thus with life-giving collateral healing, joy, and love extending also to others, that for our souls will be light dispelling darkness, health vanquishing disease, and warmth allowing no room in our hearts for anything at all marked by the cold chill of death.



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

even to those closest to him.

As the story unfolds, Father Tim, who is sixty or so and has long since put aside any idea of marriage (remember, he's an Episcopal priest and not Roman Catholic) is surprised when God brings into his life a beautiful new neighbor named Cynthia Copperfield. God uses her to begin to "open him up" in ways he'd never thought possible. "Locked doors" in his heart and soul begin to swing open, and, as the author writes, Father Tim "felt a kind of thaw, a snow melt. Something was being released and healed."

The good rector tells the love of his life, "I read something the other day: 'What is asked of us in our time is that we break open our blocked caves and find each other. Nothing less will heal the anguished spirit nor release the heart to act in love.' . . . Locked doors. Blocked caves. It is all the same. It is so hard to be real."

Father Tim is on to something, something at the very heart of the Good News. Our souls don't have to remain distant from God and others, blocked by cold stone. Two of the largest stones blocking our lives and crushing out our joy are Pride and stone-cold, sick, and legalistic Religion.

But when God through the sacrifice of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit rolls away forever that stone at the garden Tomb, he magnificently irradiates our lives with love and joy and blasts away the stones that have shut us off from Him, from each other, and from light, joy, and warmth.

What a shame if we choose to start stacking them back up.

I've been enjoying again Jan Karon's "Mitford" book series. I love spending time with her Father Tim, the winsome Episcopal priest of Mitford's little "Lord's Chapel" church.

Father Tim is a fine and warm man and a wonderful pastor to his flock, but he is human. Particularly difficult for him to overcome has been the upbringing of a father who was a cold fish—a stern, chilly, and aloof man. God's best blessing to Timothy, his salvation, was an amazingly warm mother whose love and light kept her son from being frozen by his father's winter.

Most of the inhabitants of the village of Mitford would be shocked and incredulous should anyone refer to Father Tim as anything but open and warm. But Timothy himself knows that, though he is blessed to both be a good friend and have good friends, he has always had difficulty opening up in a vulnerable way

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

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SAT., MARCH 10, 2007

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Wendell Jones, Morton	1	Blk. bull	425 lbs.	at \$133
David Phares, Olton	1	Char. str	375 lbs.	at \$139
Jacen Claunch, Enochs	3	Char. hfrs	318 lbs.	at \$140
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	8	Mxd. str	385 lbs.	at \$145
Fields Farms, Dora	1	Blk. str	570 lbs.	at \$120
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Danny Collins, Olton	49	Mxd. hfrs	687 lbs.	at \$103.75
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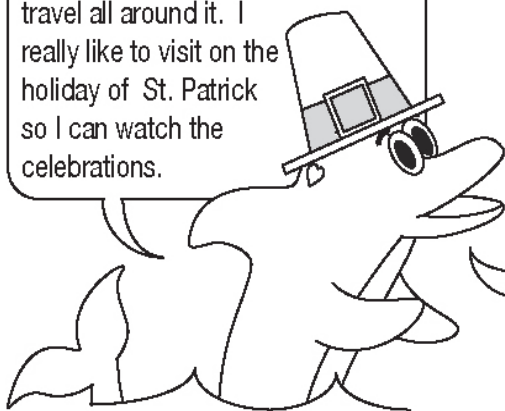
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Happy Saint Patrick's Day!

I love to visit the island of Ireland. It is a beautiful, emerald green land surrounded by lovely ocean water, which makes it easy for me to travel all around it. I really like to visit on the holiday of St. Patrick so I can watch the celebrations.



The Christian holiday honoring the patron saint of Ireland is religious as well as fun. St. Patrick, who was not Irish, came to Ireland as a missionary to teach Christianity. He used the three-leaf shamrock as a symbol to explain how the Father, Son and Holy Spirit were "three, yet one." This is a day to remember St. Patrick and enjoy the customs and foods of the Irish. Many cities hold parades and many people wear green to join in the fun. Do you know any Irish folktales or songs?

I think talking dolphins might be real. After all I can talk!

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Real or Not Real?
Circle "R" if it is real and "N" if it is not real.

1. shamrock	R	N
2. leprechaun	R	N
3. rainbow	R	N
4. Saint Patrick	R	N
5. corned beef	R	N
6. talking dolphin	R	N

- Ireland is the island of the Irish! The Irish are well-known for many things called "Irish." Can you fill in this puzzle with some of them?
- light, handwoven fine cloth used for collars, handkerchiefs
 - folks like lively jigs and reels
 - breed of large hunting dog; has long, silky, reddish-brown hair
 - mutton, potatoes, onions, other veggies
 - extinct species of deer; remains were found in Ireland (and Europe); they had antlers up to 11 feet from tip to tip. The "Irish" _____
 - leprechauns are part of these
 - flies with three colors: green, white, orange (Republic of Ireland)
 - bishop named Patrick who taught Christianity
 - like the English kind, but with larger leaves
 - heavy lace with rose or leaf designs

I'm just hitchhiking a ride to Ireland!

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- How many 3-leaf shamrocks are here?
- How many lucky 4-leaf shamrocks can you find?
- How many shamrocks have smiling faces?

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Lamplight By Larry Thornton

The Garden, the Tree and the Man

There are several programs on the History channel that I enjoy, but one of my favorite deals with the trinity... not the Holy Trinity of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, but rather a "historical trinity," with a small "t."

I'm talking about the show called "The Man, the Moment, and the Machine."[®] For those non-history buffs, reading today's column, this program deals with instances in which these three categories come together to impact each other and society.

As each of us has probably heard before, history has a tendency to repeat itself. In the Bible, we see several things in the Old Testament that foreshadow events in the New Testament. And just as there was a "man, moment and machine" associated with the fall of man, there is also a "man, moment and machine" associated with man's salvation as well.

To be more exact, Genesis 3 talks about "the Garden, the Tree, and the Man," associated with mankind's fall into sin.

The garden is the moment in our historical trinity. In the Garden of Eden, sin was brought into the world. But we need to remember that sin can't be blamed upon man's environment.

There are many who believe it is man's environment that results in sinful behavior. Adam and Eve lived in a garden that was as earthly perfect as possible, yet sin still reached them, because the moments of man's fall wasn't about the location of his body, but rather the location of his heart.

The basic elements of sin "are God's will and man's transgression of that will. What man does after that transgression is secondary. Matthew 5:27-28, NIV, says, "You have heard that it was said 'Do not commit adultery.' But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart."

Adam sinned before he ate the fruit. He sinned when, knowing the will of God concerning the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, he made the decision to place his will above God's will.

But just as sin entered into the world, in a garden, the Bible tells us that man's redemption also occurred in a garden. In the Garden of Gethsemane, the Son of God knelt down in prayer and acknowledged that the Father's will was more important than his own, and in doing so marked himself as the perfect lamb to be sacrificed for our sins.

The tree is the mechanism, the machine by which the events in the garden occurred. The Bible doesn't tell us Genesis, chapter 2, tells us there were many fruit-bearing trees in the garden, all of which were "pleasing to the eye," and "good for food."

But in the middle of the garden were two special trees: Life and the Knowledge of Good and Evil.

Of this second tree, God warned Adam that to eat of it would cause his death. But the Serpent raised doubts in Eve's mind. Doubts that interfered with her relationship with the Creator, and allowed her to be lead

into sin.

The Bible tells us that knowledge can't save us, but the Bible also tells us there isn't anything wrong with wanting to be like God. In both Leviticus and 1 Peter, God says, "Be holy because I am holy." God wants us to desire righteousness in our lives.

Satan told Eve she wouldn't die if she ate of the fruit, but instead would gain wisdom. And he was partially right. He has used "half-truths" to his advantage since the beginning of time. But where Satan referred to Eve's physical death, God was referring the more important spiritual death of Adam and Eve.

The problem with Eve is that she went for the "quick fix," and sought the wrong kind of knowledge, an in the process her innocence was lost.

As with all sin, Adam's sin had consequences, and those consequences must be faced by mankind today.

God cursed Adam and Eve, and all of their descendants. But the Bible also tells us that even when he was driving them from the garden, he was foretelling the coming of a redeemer.

God placed a cherubim in front of the Tree of Life in the garden to prevent mankind from eating of its fruit, and as a consequence having to live forever in spiritual death, but at the same time, he set in motion the events that would one day erect another tree, the Tree of Calvary, upon which his Son would be sacrificed.

And through this tree of death, it is possible for mankind to once again receive life.

As we know, the man in

the Garden of Eden was Adam, the first man, and his helper... woman, whom Adam named Eve. Created from the dust of the earth, and filled with the breath of life by God himself.

God gave him dominion over the beasts of the earth, the creatures in the air, and those in the water. It was God's intention that man would live forever, in fellowship with him, and it was only after man's fall and sin filled the world to the point that God brought about a great flood, that God shortened man's life-span.

But man, whom God had created in his own spiritual image with the ability to make the choice of whether to worship God, or to reject him, turned from God in the Garden.

The Bible tells us Adam chose to listen to Eve rather than to follow God's will. The Bible tells us that while Eve based her decision to eat the fruit based upon the it's looks and the desire for wisdom, apparently Adam did it because his woman asked him to do it.

There are consequences for our sins. Consequences that our children or our descendants may have to face. When a pregnant woman smokes, drinks or uses drugs, it isn't uncommon for the child to have to deal with the consequences.

In the garden, Adam listened to Eve. He chose to submit to her will rather than God's. Adam chose to follow Eve's instructions rather than the words he had received directly from God.

Some people frown upon how some things are handled within a church. They fall into the trap of "political

correctness" when making decisions about the leadership within the church and ignore the words God has placed in scripture.

In doing so, you run an extreme risk of placing your will above the Father's. Granted, Jesus spoke out against issues of rabbinic laws. But he never questioned the issues his Father had placed into scripture. For us to start picking which portions of the Bible we're going to follow, and which we in this "enlightened age" can safely ignore places us dangerously close to the original sin.

Just as we know the man in the Garden of Eden was Adam, we know the man in the Garden of Gethsemane was our Lord and Savior, Jesus, the one whom John the Baptist called the "Lamb of God."

Everyone from Satan, to Adam and Eve, to every single creature who ever walked the earth said, "I want to be important." But Christ looked up, and acknowledged that the Father, and the Father's will ranked above all other things.

There was still work to be done. As was foretold in Isaiah, he would be hung on the tree, would suffer the most terrible death imaginable, and would rise from the grave to prove the truth of God's promise. But on that night in the Garden of Gethsemane, Satan lost the battle he had started in the Garden of Eden. Man had fallen, but now was the time for his redemption.



Sunny Snider, John Michael Salinas and Tara Fullmer

MISD computer team competes

The Muleshoe High School Computer Programming team traveled to Lubbock recently to compete in the Texas Computer Education Association's Area programming contest.

The MISD team is composed of Tara Fullmer, Sunny Snider and John Michael Salinas.

In the competition, three person teams are given two hours to solve a packet of 18 problems of varying point values.

The MISD team will be competing at the state level the end of April at the University of Texas at Tyler.

Have a story or photo ideas? Let us know! 272-4536

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PROPOSITION 1 (SJR 13)

SJR 13 would amend the Constitution to authorize the legislature to adjust the public school ad valorem tax or tax rates for taxpayers who are aged 65 or older, or are disabled, and who are owners of an exempted homestead. The amendment would thereby allow the legislature to provide tax relief to such elderly or disabled taxpayers who did not receive tax relief as a result of the school tax rate reduction passed in the 79th Legislature, 3rd called session.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for public school purposes on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect any reduction in the rate of those taxes for the 2006 and 2007 tax years."

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- Olton Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 1055, Olton, TX 79064
- Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery, Inc., 104 E. Ave. C, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-5727
- Muleshoe Area Educational Foundation, P.O. Box 62, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

For a complete list of local and national agencies, contact the Muleshoe Community Foundation; Gary Sirkel, 272-4710 or Kay Mardis, 272-3349.

If you would like to be added to this published list, please contact the Journal with your mailing address and phone number at 272-4536.

Government-In-Action Youth Tour Contest

**Bailey County Electric Cooperative
305 East Avenue B, Muleshoe
April 12, 2007
6:30 P.M.**



**Entry forms must be received
by April 2, 2007**



Be the successful candidate during "The Youth Tour Interview" and you could win an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., with other winners from across the State of Texas. The trip is June 7-15, 2007. We will select two winners from the area high schools.

Questions should be addressed to Rickie Warren at (806) 272-4504 or toll free at (800) 869-7049.

Engagements



RACHEL SANCHEZ AND JIMMY GAUNA

Sanchez, Gauna to wed

Ignacia Sanchez of Clovis, N.M., and Tino Cortez of Floresville announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Rachel Sanchez of Pettus to Jimmy Gauna, also of Pettus.

The prospective groom is the son of Nora Gonzales Avena of Muleshoe.

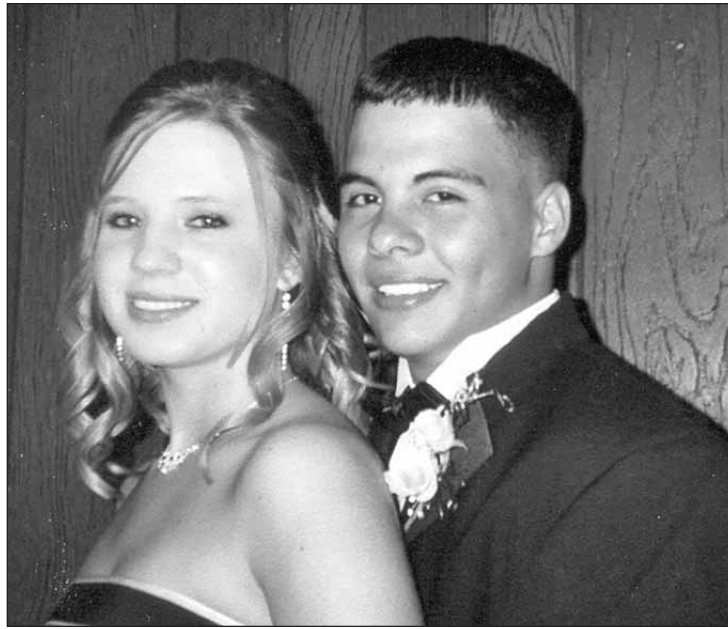
The couple plan to exchange vows on March 17, 2007, in the garden of close friends, Robbie and Traci Tomlin.

A reception will follow at The Pavilion in Tuleta.

The prospective bride is a 1997 graduate of Clovis High School. She is employed at Pettus Independent School District as a full-time substitute teacher.

The prospective groom is a 2001 graduate of Sal Ross State University. He is also employed at Pettus ISD as a teacher and coach.

The couple will make their home in Pettus.



TAYLOR COX AND MARTIN RODRIGUEZ

Cox, Rodriguez announce engagement

Kim Cox and Gary Cox announce the engagement of their daughter, Taylor Nicole Cox of Muleshoe, to Martin Humberto Rodriguez, also of Muleshoe.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Muleshoe High School.

The prospective groom is the son of Nancy and Romaro Rodriguez. He is a 2007 graduate of Muleshoe High School, and is employed with Boehning Dairy.

The wedding has been set for March 24, 2007, in Muleshoe.



BAYLIE NELSON

Nelson inducted into Phi Theta Kappa at SPC

South Plains College inducted Baylie Nelson of Sudan into the Kappa Mu Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society on March 6 in Levelland.

Requirements for induction include attendance at an institution offering an associate degree program, complete at least 12 hours of coursework and maintain a grade point average of 3.5.

Lazbuddie students place

Students from Lazbuddie High School recently competed in the Caprock UIL Invitational Meet.

At the event, the LISD Computer Science team took first place. These students were Devlin Thompson, first; Chase Timms, second; Jacob Schacher, third; and Jason Davis, fifth. Chelsee Nichols placed ninth place in calculator.

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Baby Showers



AMY AND BRYLAN SHELBURNE

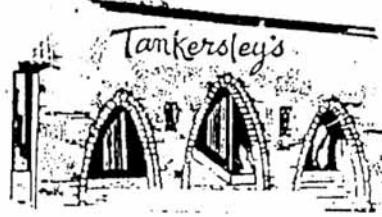
Shelburne shower held

Amy and Jeff Shelburne, and their daughter, Brylan Paige, were honored at a baby shower on Feb. 18, at the 16 & D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.

Hostesses for the event included Patti Kent, Nelda Wilhite, Margaret Hamilton, Robin Welch, Peggy Buhrman, Vicki Black, Linda Latham, Jody Wood, Rickie Warren, Courtney Morris, Hellen Adrian, Amy King, Janet Claborn, Sharon Stegall, Donna Mason, Dana Wright, Melody Sheets, Suzanne Nichols, Linda Wood, Buffy Mullins, Betty Poynor, Diane Skipworth, Leah Poynor and June Conway.

Among the gifts the Shelburnes received were a swing, a playpen, a high chair, and a glider for the nursery.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

3/12/07

LEGAL NOTICE

The Muleshoe Independent School District, Muleshoe, Texas is accepting bids for the following: **Asbestos Abatement at Dillman Elementary for Muleshoe ISD.** All bids must be submitted by **3:00 P.M. local time, Thursday, March 29th, 2007** and addressed to: Gene Sheets, Superintendent Muleshoe ISD, c/o Grimes and Associates, 21103 FM 179, P.O. Box 65, Wolforth, Texas 79382. Fax: (806) 863-3350 Fax: (806) 863-2479 Plans and Specifications are available and may be acquired from: Grimes and Associates, Consulting Engineers, L.P., P.O. Box 65, Wolforth, TX 79382. 806-863-2462. www.grimesengineering.com. A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at **3:30 P.M. local time, Thursday March 22nd, 2007**. All interested parties should meet at the Principal's Office, W. 18th & Ave. G in Muleshoe, Texas. The Muleshoe Independent School District Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and waive all formalities.

Published in the Muleshoe Journal on March 15 and 22, 2007.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Muleshoe Area Hospital District is seeking Bids to sell for cash a certain property (land and improvements) located at 1100 West Avenue J, Muleshoe, Texas. This subject property is approximately 5.0 acres in size and contains a 90 bed nursing home facility, located in Bailey County, Texas. Bids will be due at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 South First Street, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. Bids will include a cashier's check in the amount of 5% of the Bid price. To inspect the property, contact Ronnie Dent at (806) 946-9155, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. **Bids will close on March 26, 2007 at 2:00 p.m.** The name of the bidders will be available at that time, but the amounts of Bid for the property will not be available. The Bid must be presented in a sealed envelope marked, "Bid for the purchase of nursing home." Published in the Muleshoe Journal on March 15 and 22, 2007.

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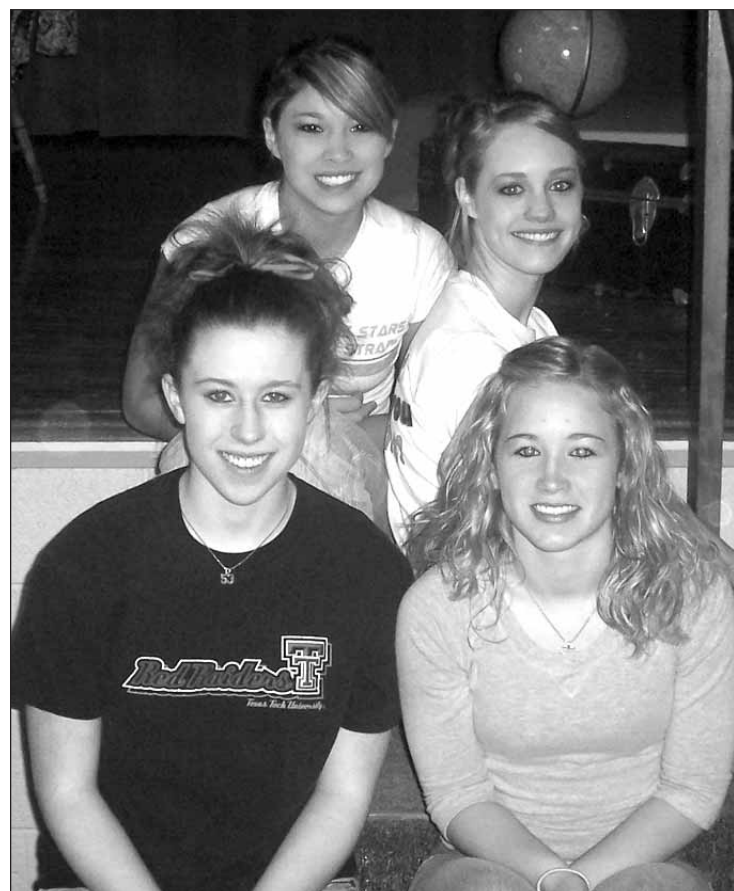
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Lady Horns honored

All-District results for the Lazbuddie Lady 'Horns were recently released. Making the team were Chelsee Nichols, Brittney Schacher and Brianna Schacher. Brittany Sexton received an honorable mention.

Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

We at the center are very sad with the loss of one of our dear friends and entertainers, Ann Sinclair. We extend our prayers and thoughts to the family.

Our thoughts and prayers, also go to Evelyn Ellington for her loss. Evelyn is a dedicated helper and supporter of the center.

The center is making plans for an outing to the Cactus Theater.

We have had a request to see "Smoke on The Mountain" that is being presented at the theater during March. Our plans are to go March 31.

If you are interested in going, please come by the center and sign a register. We need to get a count on the number wishing to go.

Members of the Muleshoe high school band presented a program for the

seniors on Friday, March 9, during the lunch hour.

Tuesday, March 13, Mandi Seaton, with the Bailey County Extension Office gave a presentation. Mandi always has a very interesting and helpful program.

Mark your calendars for

Saturday, March 17, from 6:30 a.m. until 11 a.m., the senior center will be serving a pancake breakfast, with all the trimmings.

The cost will be \$5. Everyone is welcome to come by and enjoy the good food and fellowship.

Our sincere appreciation

goes to Decorators Floral and Gifts, Muleshoe Body Shop, Muleshoe Metal Arts, Richard Hawkins, Dollar General, and Cecil Mills, for the support, and help at the center. Due to their help, our center is very beautifully decorated and a place to come and enjoy.

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Muleshoe area students receive degrees from TTU

Texas Tech University of Lubbock has released its list of Fall 2006 graduates.

Among the Muleshoe area students earning degrees at Texas Tech University were Candace Dee Hutto, with a bachelor of science in exercise and sports sciences, and Matthew James Lopex, Summa Cum Laude, with a bachelor of arts in psychology.

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The Muleshoe Journal's 13th Annual Cutest Baby Contest

This year's contestants will appear in the April 12 edition of the Muleshoe Journal. A panel of unbiased judges will pick the **MOST ATTRACTIVE PICTURE** to be the 2006 Cutest Baby. All baby pictures will be printed in this edition of the paper. Babies need not be born in this area. Journal employees and their families are not eligible to win.

Bring your favorite photo along with \$15 to the Muleshoe Journal office at 201 W. Ave. C, Monday-Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or mail the adjacent coupon along with your child's photo and \$15 to Cutest Baby Contest, c/o Muleshoe Journal, P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. You may pick up your baby's picture during office hours after Monday, April 16, 2007. **NOTE: Postage must be paid to return photos by mail.**

ENTRY DEADLINE
Weds., April 4 at 5 pm

Winner will receive a \$50 Savings Bond for being selected 2006's Cutest Baby!

Enter any child born in 2006 who you fell in love with at first sight - children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends, etc.
Please provide phone number or address (it will not be published) so that we may contact you if we need additional information or clarification.

Baby's Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Weight at Birth: _____
Length at Birth: _____
Place of Birth: _____
Mom & Dad's Name: _____
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Contact Info: _____