

## Mason named head basketball coach at MHS

Ralph Mason has been named head boy's basketball coach at Muleshoe High School. The Muleshoe Independent School District Board of Trustees on Monday night approved the hiring of Mason following an executive session.

Mason will replace Leon Hagerman, who resigned in March as head boy's basketball coach.

Mason is currently head boy's basketball coach in Gilmer.

"I believe in discipline of the player's mind and body," Mason said when asked about his coaching philosophy. "Through hard work, team unity, and personal student goals, this can be accomplished."

"I believe a player should

have a goal to reach in sports as well as in life and that that my job is to make available every means possible to meet these goals."

Mason has 15 years of teaching and coaching experience. He began his career in Morton, where he coached for eight years.

He served as an assistant basketball coach on six play-

off teams that included three State Championships, one State Finalist and two State Semi-Finalists.

He served as an assistant coach in the Texas High School Coaches Association All-Star game.

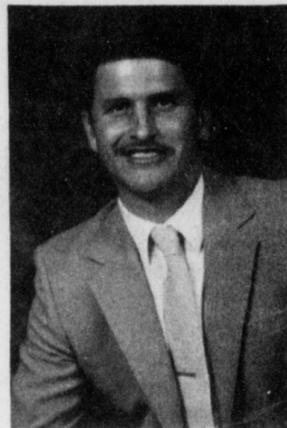
From Morton, Mason went to Gilmer High School, where he has coached for seven years. Five of those years, he has taken

his teams to the playoffs.

Two of his teams at Gilmer were Bi-district Champions, one was District Champion and two others were Runners-up for the Championship.

Muleshoe Schools Superintendent Bill Moore said, "I am very pleased to have Ralph Mason join the coaching and

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Ralph Mason

## Crosnoe appointed county attorney

Paul Crosnoe has been appointed acting county attorney for Bailey County.

The Bailey County Commissioners Court on Monday appointed Crosnoe acting county attorney following an executive session.

Crosnoe will serve as acting attorney for Luther Thompson, who resigned as county attorney. Thompson's resignation will become effective April 24.

Thompson has been attorney for Bailey County since Jan. 1, 1993.

The commission accepted Thompson's letter of resignation on Monday. In his letter, Thompson stated that he was resigning his position due to "family, personal and financial reasons." According to the letter, Thompson is in the process of moving.

In addition to Crosnoe, there were two other attorneys from Muleshoe who were considered for the appointment, Chris Clevinger and Linda Elder.

Crosnoe will serve as acting county attorney for Bailey County until the November election.

Crosnoe has been assistant district attorney for Farmer

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## Three new teachers are hired

The Muleshoe Independent School District Board of Trustees approved the hiring of three new faculty members following an executive session Monday night.

Todd Bandy has been hired as a history teacher and assistant coach at Muleshoe High School. Bandy replaces Jeff Cheney, who resigned in March.

Also hired Monday night were Robin Burks and JoAnn Herrington. Burks will be a math teacher at MHS and Herrington was hired as an el-

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## Mules pound Littlefield, Floydada in 2-3A action

Muleshoe, Tulia tied atop 2-3A

LITTLEFIELD — Muleshoe battered Littlefield pitchers for 13 runs in the second inning enroute to a run-rule-shortened 19-2 District 2-3A victory here Tuesday.

The victory left the Mules tied with Tulia atop the district standings, both at 2-0. In other district action Tuesday, Friona beat Dimmitt 9-4 and Tulia defeated Floydada 14-11. That left Friona and Dimmitt tied for second at 1-1.

Robert Toscano improved his season mark to 4-1 for the Mules, as he and Freddy Perez combined on a two-hitter.

John Embry had a pair of doubles for the Mules, while Josh McClanahan and



**OUT AT THIRD** — Muleshoe third baseman John Embry tags out a Floydada runner during the Mules' 28-18 District 2-3A win at Mule Field last Saturday. Muleshoe improved to 2-0 in the district Tuesday, beating Littlefield 19-2. MHS hosts Dimmitt Saturday.

Americo Aguirre both homered.

Muleshoe improved to 13-

5 overall, while Littlefield joined Floydada in the district cellar at 0-8 and 0-2.

The Mules had opened District 2-3A play at home

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## MISD to administer summer food program

By Helena Rodriguez

After considerable discussion Monday night, the Muleshoe Independent School District Board of Trustees gave Food Service Director Laine Meek the go ahead to proceed with plans for the Muleshoe Schools to administer a Summer School Food Service Program.

Under the program, free meals are served to local children for a 45-day period during the summer months. The program is sponsored by the Texas Department of Human Services. While the school's facilities will be used during the summer, the MISD will be reimbursed by Austin for the cost of preparing the meals.

Meek was instructed though, to keep the board updated so guidelines can be established for the program.

"I think this will be a good program because we may have many kids in the community who go hungry during the summer," said Bill Moore, superintendent for Muleshoe Schools. "This program may

also help us get kids to attend summer school who have a need for extending learning."

Under the program, any child age 1-18 who lives in the district will be served free of charge. MISD is not sure yet how many meals will be served a day, but lunch will most likely

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## Hundreds attend Country Jam

By Annette Bottelman

More than 500 fans gathered in the Bailey County Coliseum in Muleshoe on Friday evening for Country Jam '94.

The jam turned out to be a huge success, with spectators from all ages turning out to enjoy the country music.

Opening the show for the Smokin' Armadillos was the Ace of Hearts Band from Clovis, NM. Also featured was the Cox Brother's Band from Clovis and Portales, NM, along with Reese Air Force Base, and featuring a guest appearance from Muleshoe's own, Casey Hays.

When the Armadillos hit

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Josh Graham, member of the "Smokin' Armadillos"

## County seeks options, funds to comply with mandate

By Helena Rodriguez

The Bailey County Commissioners Court on Monday heard a presentation from Harts Forms of Austin on preparing records control schedules.

The State of Texas has issued a mandate, requiring that all counties have records control schedules up-to-date by 1995. Counties are required to keep documents which are not permanent for a certain number of years and then dispose of them when they are no longer needed on file.

Based on quotes given by Adele Rehder-Craboni of Hart Forms, it will cost the county between \$11,900 and \$14,600 if the county hires them. The county has received proposals

from three other companies interested in preparing records control schedules.

Marilyn Cox, Bailey County Judge, has said that while the state has issued this mandate, there are no funds in the current county budget to pay for the records control schedules.

Cox said part of the work could be paid for possibly out of the next budget, even if the work is done before then. And the remaining balance could be paid for out of the budget after that.

According to Rehder-Craboni, there are three requirements from the Local Government Records Act that

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## Around Muleshoe

### Lazbuddie schools to hold kindergarten registration

Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten registration will be held at Lazbuddie Elementary School on Friday, April 22 in the school library from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

To be eligible for pre-kindergarten, a child must be age four on or before Sept. 1, a child must qualify for free or reduced lunches and a child must lack English language skills.

To be eligible for kindergarten, a child must be five years of age on or before Sept. 1.

Parents must furnish a state birth certificate, immunization records and social security numbers for the child at the time of registration. Children will visit their classrooms, take a bus ride, tour the school and be given refreshments.

### Early voting to begin

Early voting by personal appearance will begin Monday, April 18 for people wanting to vote in the May 7 School Trustee and Hospital District elections in Muleshoe.

Early voting for the School Trustee election will be held at the School Administration Office during normal school hours. Early voting for the Hospital District Election also begins April 18 at the Administration Offices at each school.

May 3 is the last day to vote by personal appearance for both the school and hospital elections.

April 29 is the last day to receive applications for early voting ballots to be voted by mail.

## Commission

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all local governments are required to comply with.

The county must have a records management officer, develop a record management plan and develop a records control schedule and designate which records are to be permanent.

The company said they will charge the county a flat fee for the service, based on population.

Cox said that she plans to talk with officials at Parmer County to get an estimate on how much they paid. Harts Forms did some records control schedules for Parmer County recently.

Offices in Bailey County that have not filed Record Management Plans which were due on Jan. 1, 1991 with the Texas State Library, are the Justice of the Peace, Precinct #4, Constable 1, Constable 2 and Constable 3.

A records control schedule must be prepared and filed with the director and librarian at the Texas State Library. After a records control schedule is accepted for filing, the local government may then proceed to dispose of records according to the schedule without further reference from the state.

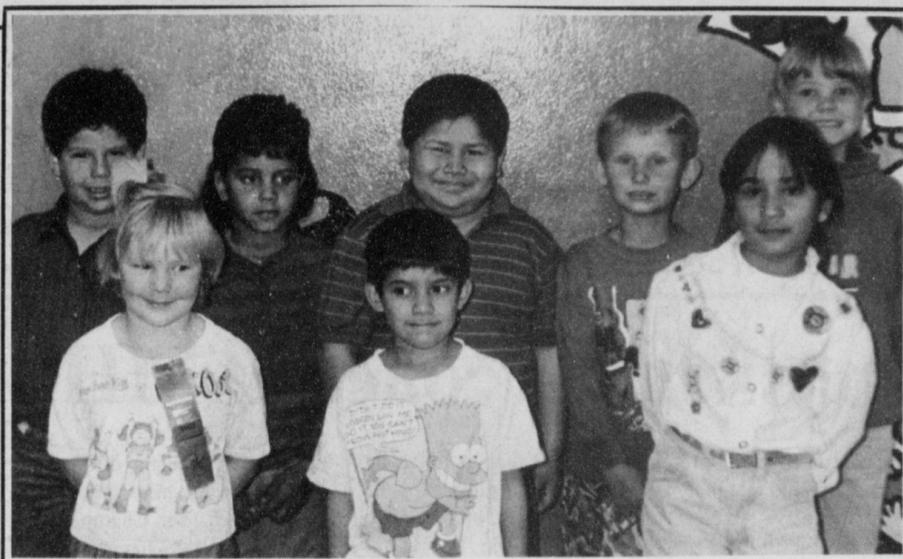
## Jam

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the stage, there was a roar of excitement that flowed over the crowd. Younger fans gathered around the stage for a closer feel of the vibrations.

The band played their hit song, "My Girlfriend Might" along with other songs written by band members and featured on their hit CD, "Out of the Burrow".

The feisty bunch of boys



**MARCH DILLMAN SUPERKIDS** - Super Kids named at Dillman Elementary School for March are (not in order) Charles Hammer, Peter Salinas, Lauren Gray, Arsenio Greter, Adrienne Coe, Jorge Mendoza, Daniela Florez and Mark Orozco.

According to Reher-Craboni, the mandate was designed to give local governments more control over records.

The commission did not take any action on hiring Hart Forms during the meeting Monday.

In other business Monday, the commission heard a report from Diana Townsend and Gail Davis of Mental Health Mental Resources Center.

Davis gave the commissioners an update on feedback they received after a public

hearing last week.

"The hearing was held to see what MHMR can do to better serve people in our patron area," Davis said.

According to Davis, MHMR served 2,000 people last year in their coverage area, which includes Bailey County.

Townsend said that a needs assessment was done for counties, based on poverty level, and Bailey County ranked 19.

Davis said that MHMR currently has three people working at the Muleshoe office. She

said they hope to get a person who can travel to see patients with mental illnesses so people here don't have to go out of town to get treatment they need.

On Monday, the commission also granted an easement to Bailey County Electric so they can place a buried line in Precinct #4. The line will be buried in a right of way belonging to county.

Commissioners also recommended Dan Henson to serve as coordinator of the Wes-Tex RC & D Council

## Food

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be served.

Meek said that two-thirds of the children in the school district currently qualify for free or reduced lunches at the schools.

"In the summer months, the Texas Health Services receive lots of emergency applications for food," Meek said. "This is one of the reasons why this summer food program was created, so we have a little bit of control."

It will be MISD's first time to sponsor such a program and the board of trustees do not know what kind of response they will get.

Board President Cindy Purdy asked about liabilities and the school. Laine said that he has not seen any guidelines concerning this yet.

The summer food program will start the same day as summer school. Board members discussed the possibility of serving children who attend summer school first, who could then help supervise some of the children eating.

Board Trustee Max King expressed some doubt, saying, "I don't think this is a good idea. We are talking about 150 to 300 free meals a day. That is a lot."

According to Adrian Meador, assistant superintendent of instruction, more than 100 students attended summer

school last year.

King said the schools should then expect more than 100 students to participate in the program.

Discussion was also raised about charging adults \$1 or \$2 who want to eat with their children. The board did not make a decision Monday night on whether or not to charge adults.

While the board did approve the administering of the summer good program Monday night, they said guidelines will need to be established concerning supervision of children and other things.

In other business Monday, the board voted to renew a three-year lease for a building used as an alternative learning center. The center, which was operated three years ago, has not been used the past two years. But Moore said the lease gives the school the option to use it again.

The board also approved the renewal of a three-year contract with Whittle Communication Educational Network. The network provides Channel 1, an educational channel, to schools. The board also approved campus and departmental budgets for 1994-95.

It was also announced that the MISD Board of Trustees will be nominated as outstanding school board of the year.

had the crowd eating out of their hands as they combined their own style of country with just a dash of upbeat rock, featuring instrumentals and songs written by the band members.

Plenty of smoke rose, as the show closed, and the crowd began to chant for the re-appearance of the band. The power of the crowd grew as

they demanded the song they'd all been waiting for.

The band appeared on stage once more in a cloud of smoke, and began to play their hit, "Red Rock".

Following the show, the Armadillos held an autograph session off stage.

Band members told the Journal staff that they were really glad to be here, and

would much rather perform in a small town like Muleshoe,

because of the hospitality and warmer welcome they received, than in most other places they'd been.

The Country Jam was sponsored by KKYC Radio in Clovis and Joe's Boot Shop, Muleshoe.

## Attorney

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County since January of 1993. He lives in Muleshoe and has an office in Muleshoe as well.

Crosnoe went to high school in New Deal. He was born in Lubbock. He received a bachelor's degree, as well as a law degree from Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Crosnoe is 33 and is not married. He said that he did some farming and sold real estate while in college.

As assistant attorney for Parmer County, Crosnoe said that he has handled all felony cases. Prior to being assistant district attorney for Parmer County, Crosnoe was an attorney for the Legal Aid Society in Lubbock, which was a non-profit agency.

Crosnoe said he is unsure at this point if he will seek election to this position in November.

## Correction

Wrong date

The American Association of Retired People (AARP) will not meet on Friday as printed in the Sunday, April 10 edition.

AARP met on the third Friday during the month of March. However, AARP normally meets on the fourth Friday of each month. AARP will meet again on Friday, April 22 at 11:30 a.m. at the Bailey County Coliseum.

The Muleshoe/Bailey County Journals regrets this error and hope it has not caused anyone an inconvenience.

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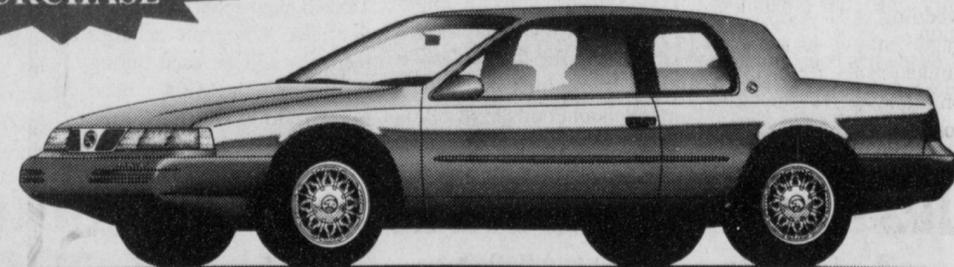
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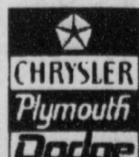
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## New employees introduced at Muleshoe Post Office

Teresa Dabrowski and Lance Wilson are two new employees at the United States Post Office in Muleshoe.

Teresa has lived in Earth most of her life. She is a 1978 graduate of Springlake-Earth High School and has worked as a city mail carrier and part time flex for the post office since August of 1993. Prior to this assignment, she worked as a casual for the Post Office six or seven years ago.

She is 34 years old and married to Edwin, who is assistant manager of Pay-n-Save Grocery at Earth.

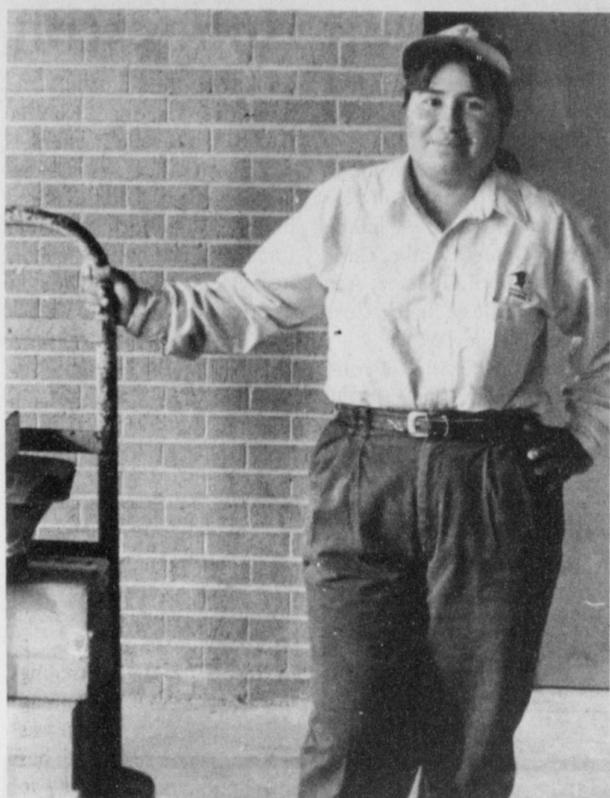
They have one child, Stephanie Irene, age four.

Lance has been a Muleshoe resident and worked as a city mail carrier at the U.S. Post Office since August 1993, moving here from Amarillo, where he was a city mail carrier for the Amarillo Post Office.

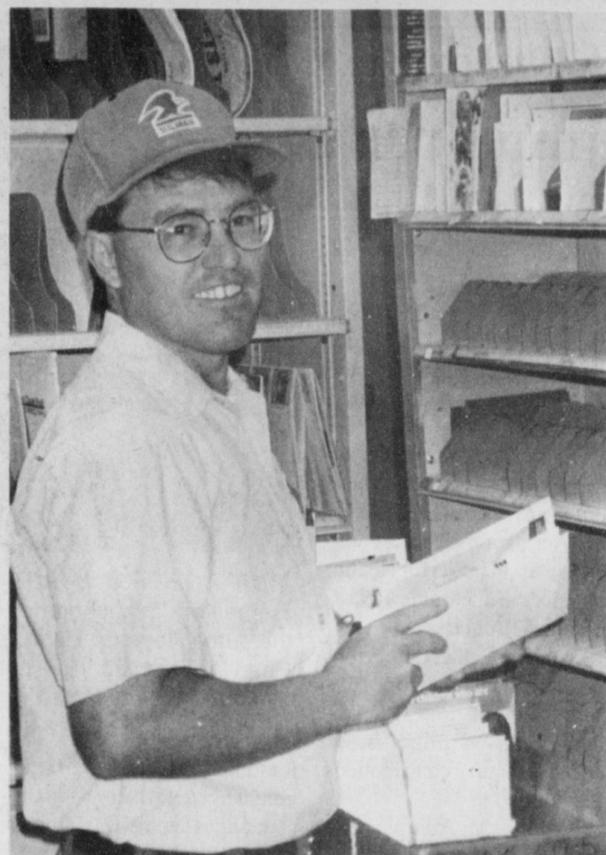
He is 30 years old and a 1982 graduate from Friona High School and also graduated from West Texas State University in 1988.

He is married to Sandy, and they have one son, Zaca, age 3.

Lance also teaches a youth Sunday School class at Trinity Baptist Church.



Teresa Dabrowski



Lance Wilson

## State law prohibits dumping of oil and filters in landfills

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission is taking the offensive to help people who change the oil in their own vehicles comply with a new state law that makes it illegal for anyone to dispose of used oil filters in Texas landfills.

The new law, which takes effect April 1, means that used oil filters can no longer be thrown in the trash anywhere in Texas. Instead they must be drained and taken to a business that accepts filters for recycling.

It is already against the law to dump used oil on the ground. Like filters, oil must be taken to a collection facility. The steel from filters can be recycled into new steel products.

It is estimated that about 30 million used oil filters go into Texas landfills annually and each filter contains about eight

ounces of oil. That's over 3 million gallons of oil each year dumped on Texas which threaten water supplies.

The TNRCC has been working with businesses and local governments to develop a system of collection points for used oil and oil filters across Texas. A TNRCC survey identified over 400 retail businesses and local government operations that will accept used oil filters and the number is growing steadily.

A majority of those businesses will accept filters without charge. Some, however, will charge a small fee ranging from 50 cents to about \$1.

Many auto supply stores, auto repair shops, retail stores with automotive repair services and other businesses will accept used oil filters.

The TNRCC also will be sponsoring collection days this

spring and summer in 38 rural communities across Texas for used oil and oil filters, tires, lead-acid batteries and empty pesticide containers.

The collection events will be advertised in advance. Also, a major public education campaign on oil filter recycling will be held in May in partnership with both public and private organizations. At that time additional collection locations will be announced.

Initially, there may still be some rural areas of Texas where citizens do not have a business or governmental entity that will accept oil filters. The TNRCC has provided grants to help many local governments establish oil collection programs and additional funding is available so those programs can also accept oil filters.

People who change their own

oil should drain filters before taking them to a collection center. One technique that can be used involves placing a funnel in the top of the receptacle for

your used oil and placing the filter in the funnel to drain.

Studies indicate that in about 24 hours, approximately 80

percent of the oil residue will drain out of a filter. Both the filter and the oil should be taken to a collection center.

For the locations of oil filter collection centers, call 1-800-64-TEXAS.

## Tops News

Tops Chapter No. 34 m35 at the Muleshoe Church of Christ April 7th at 6:30 p.m.

Leader Laverne James called the meeting to order. The Tops pledge was recited and the fellowship song was sung.

James led the group in a prayer.

Billy Jo Davis, weight recorder, called the roll with 14 members answering with the amount they had lost or gained. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Aurora Mata.

secretary, and were approved as read.

Marian Wilson was named best loser for the week. Runners up are Ruth Clements and Mollie Davis, first runners up and Alma Robertson, second runner up.

Monthly best losers are Alma Robertson, best loser, and Retha Knowles, first runner up and Ernestine Steinbock, second runner up.

The meeting was adjourned with the singing of the good night song.

### Copy deadline

The deadline for news items to be submitted to the Muleshoe and Bailey County Journals is at noon on the preceding Tuesday for the Thursday edition and at noon on the preceding Friday for the Sunday edition. (Copy deadlines for society news: wedding, anniversary, engagement and birthday announcements are at 5 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday for the Thursday and Sunday editions.)

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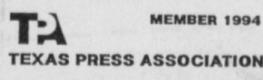
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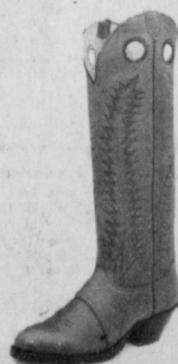


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## Students jump rope for Heart

Students in grades 2-5 at Lazbuddie Elementary School recently participated in the American Heart Association's Jump Rope for Heart.

Jump rope for heart is an aerobic exercise event to benefit the American Heart Association, sponsored by the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

Students collect contributions and then jump rope for a set amount of time. The students received prizes based on the amount of contributions they turned in.

Verena McAdams, 2nd grade teacher, coordinated the efforts at the school. Debbie Magby, Reta Mimms, Chandra Sanchez, Sheri



**JUMP ROPE FOR HEART**— Students from Lazbuddie Elementary School grades 2-5 recently participated in the Jump Rope for Heart, sponsored by the American Heart Association. The students collected more than \$1,000 in contributions.

Barnes, Ellen Gallman, Pat Randolph, and Tommy Martin volunteered to help with the counting as the students jumped rope during their physical education classes for the week.

The American Heart Association has an important mis-

sion to reduce disability and death from cardiovascular diseases and stroke.

The students at Lazbuddie Elementary in the grades participating raised more than \$1,000 in contributions for this cause.

## Lazbuddie Students of the Month proclaimed

Lazbuddie High School Students of the Month are Guy Nickels and Dawnda Magby.

Guy is the 15 year old son of Nickey and Debbie Nickels. His birthdate is May 26. Food (most of it) with a Dr. Pepper suit Guy as his ideal meal.

"What Might Have Been" is chosen as his top song. *Lightning Jack* ranks as best movie. *Home Improvement* rates as No. 1 choice for television entertainment. Athletics reigns as favored choice in school activities.

Playing football is his prime pastime pleasure. Red is Guy's top color preference. *Ace of Bass* is his preferred musical selection. *Where the Red Fern Grows* exemplifies Guy's taste in literature.

Dawnda is the 17 year old daughter of Skip and Debbie Magby. Her birthday is August 29. Mexican Food and Dr. Pepper typifies her favorite food and drink choices.

"I Swear" becomes the choice for top song. *In the Line of Fire* ranks as best movie. *Melrose Place* presides as top pick for television enjoyment. Computer technology shows her proficiency in school academics. Horseback riding is a particular pastime activity.

Blue is her preferred color selection. *Cranberries* rates as special musical group. *Winesburg Ohio* is at the top of her literary preferences.

Lazbuddie Junior High Students of the Month are Chris Smith and Staci Foster.

Chris is the 14 year old son of Tim and Debbie Smith. His date of birth is October 26. Chicken Fried Steak and Mountain Dew is his favorite meal. "All For Love" by Sting, Bryan Adams and Rod Stewart is his number one song.

*The Program* typifies his prime movie choice. *Melrose Place* ranks as top tv viewing. Athletics presides as his special school activity. Playing basketball is also what he chooses as a pastime.

Burnt orange ranks as top



**LAZBUDDIE STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**— Lazbuddie Junior High and High School students of the month for the month of March are (back) Chris Smith and Guy Nickels and (front) Staci Foster and Dawnda Magby.

color choice. Queen reigns as top musical group. *Hatchet* ranks as favored book selection.

Staci Foster is the 14 year old daughter of Lyndon and Stephanie Foster. Her birthdate is July 26. Steak and Grape Juice are her preferred food selections.

*Hocus Pocus* ranks as her

top movie choice. *Beverly Hills 90210* emphasizes her television preference. Math is her top academic subject. Reading is how she spends her free time.

Purple is her favored color. *Ace of Bass* reflects her top musical group. *Wait Til Helen Comes* rates as her top literary selection.



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Second Grade: Shonnah Black, Cobey Branscum, Nicole Lewandowski, Robby Martin, Shawndee Nichols, Bethenie Sanchez, Kolby Wilkerson.

Third Grade: Lucas DeLeon, Andy Martin, Brady Mimms, Tobin Redwine.

Fourth Grade: Savannah Black, Kayla Copp, Colt Richardson.

Fifth Grade: Kati Mimms  
"A-B" Honor Roll  
First Grade: Chance Barrett, Danny Bonilla, Chris DeLeon, April Godinez, Ana Hernandez, Susie Juarez, Cory Puckett, Wesley Welch.

Second Grade: Violet Aguilar, Julian Chavez, Kelli Harris, Miriam Hernandez, Josh Hill, Amanda Martinez,

Raul Mata, Sterling Via.

Third Grade: Lucinda Guzman, Michelle Puckett.

Fourth Grade: Jodi Coker, Kelsey Jones, Hayla Kimbrough, Damon Mouser, Candice Randolph, Shannon Redwine, Jay Seaton, Thruston Thorn.

Fifth Grade: Kendra Gallman, Maria Godinez, Cole St. Clair, Tray Thorn, Laura Via.

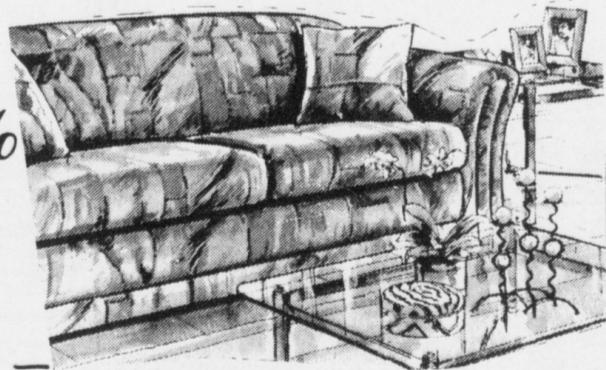
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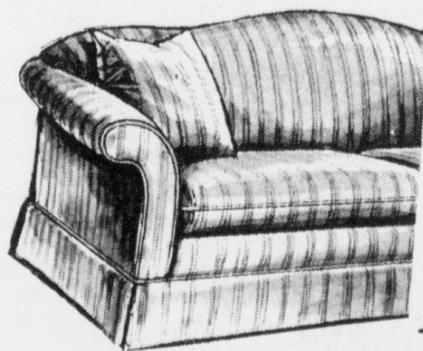
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J.E. McVicker and the former Jennie Curry were married April 9, 1944 in Plainview. They lived in Mulshoe since 1954, when McVicker came here to be manager of Peerless Pump Co. He retired in 1987.

Mr. and Mrs. McVicker will be honored with a dinner party in the home of their daughter and son-in-law of Amarillo in May when the entire family gathers to cel-

brate their parents and grandparents golden wedding anniversary.

The McVickers have four children, Jan McVicker King of Amarillo; Susan McVicker of Austin; John David McVicker of Lubbock; and Dan Curry McVicker of Plano.

They have five grandchildren, Sherri King Arrott of San Angelo; Shaely R. King, Austin; Curry King, Completing her junior year at the University of Alabama; John Michael and Jake Bryant of Lubbock and one great-grandchild, Cal Edward Arrott of San Angelo.

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Miller is a 1991 graduate of Midland Senior High School, Midland, Texas.

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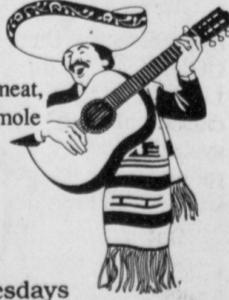
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## Boozer to headline Hereford Community Concerts

Season tickets for the Hereford Community Concerts will go on sale this week Elaine Damron, ticket chairman in Muleshoe, states that there are four good concerts scheduled for the 1994-95 season.

Season tickets are good for concerts in Hereford, as well as concerts in Plainview, Midland, Dumas, Borger, and Perryton.

Dates for the concert will be published at a later date.

American mezzo soprano

Brenda Boozer will be featured at the concerts.

She is known as one of the most well-rounded and versatile singing actresses on the opratic stage.

She has performed in the world's most prestigious opera houses, including the Metropolitan, Covent Garden, Paris, Florence, Lyric Opera of Chicago, Santiago, Hoston Grand Opera, Frankfurt, San Francisco, Amsterdam and Santa Fe.

She has sung with such renowned conductors as Carlo Maria, Giulini, James Levine, Seiji Ozawa and Erich Leinsdorf. For the past seasons, Boozer has sung hundreds of concerts through the United States as a member of Community Concerts.

Upcoming engagements include staged performances of El Amor Brujo with the San Antonio and Colorado Springs Symphonies as well as a series

of recitals with the prestigious Community Concerts Series.

Born in Atlanta, Boozer received degrees from Florida State University and the Juilliard School, as well as private studies with the legendary Martha Graham.

For many years, a popular guest on television, she has appeared often on the Tonight Show, the Mike Douglas show and ABC's Wide World of Entertainment.



Brenda Boozer

## Cancer pain: Relief in sight for patients/family

Much-needed relief for cancer patients and their families has finally come through the release of the new Agency for Health Care Policy and Research Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Management of Cancer Pain in early March.

These guidelines reflect a growing national consensus that cancer pain can oftentimes be avoided, and that a patient's quality of life does not have to be severely diminished as a result of this disease.

This announcement was welcomed by Texas physicians, who have been in the forefront of the battle against cancer pain. Directed by a team of leading cancer pain experts, the Texas Cancer Council (TCC) published a set of

guidelines on cancer pain management in 1989, documenting how pain can be effectively managed in cancer patients. The recently released national guidelines further validate the conclusions reached by the Texas physicians.

The work already done in Texas and now joined by the federal government should bring an end to the undertreatment of cancer pain.

A free booklet for patients, "Questions and Answers about Pain Control," can be obtained by calling the American Cancer Society toll-free at 1-800-ACS-2345. A copy of the new federal guidelines can be obtained by calling the Cancer Information Service at 1-800-4-CANCER.

## Nursing Home news

By Joy Stancell

We had a very blessed Easter at the Healthcare Center. The season was filled with fun, surprise and love. Everyone who did so much to add to our joy was very much appreciated.

Thursday afternoon Vickie Vallarreal brought her day care children and other little friends to hunt Easter eggs and goodies. Ashley and kelsey Beggs and Katlin also hunted. Children who found a special egg took a real live chick home with them. (sorry moms).

Friday afternoon Vivian White coordinated an Easter hat and dress Parade. Ladies and girls participating were Vivian White, Evelyn Peat, Ece

Benedict, Louise Agee, Barbara Marlow, Virginia Myer, Clara Lou Jones, Anita Harper, Mary Sims, Fran O'Grady, Elizabeth Watson, Lois Killingsworth, Ashley and Kelsey Beggs, Pearlie Briscoe, Jordan Carpenter and John Graves.

Thursday morning Rev. David McIntire assisted by Clara Lou Jones and Debra Noble, conducted an Easter Communion Service.

Hattie Hutchinson, Doris Lackey, Jean O'Brian, Melba McCamish, Elsie Kendall, John Graves, Billie Downing, Maxine Donaldson, Fern Warren, Sherry Wisiam, all made and donated refreshments for our Easter party along

with Volunteers Plus.

We wish to invite you to come and see our newly remodeled Beauty Shop. Barbara Hall and Linda Elliott and the Volunteers Plus did a good job of overseeing it.

Sunday afternoon, the Calvary Baptist Church shared their Easter day with the residents.

Saturday afternoon Bennie and Jean O'Brian, Melvin and Wanda Griffin hosted a Bingo party full of Easter prizes.

Wednesday morning Buster and Wanda Griffin hosted Coffee Time. Lona Embry, assisted by Wanda Griffin, made and served grilled party sandwiches before a gospel sing-a-long, lead

by Buster Kittrell with Clara Coffman.

Nell Magby attended the Easter party with Sylvia Vandiver Friday afternoon.

Eula Dale attended the Easter Party with Clara Weaver. She also had oter guests one being her little great granddaughter.

Nancy Kidd and Mrs. Adamson's F.H.S. class brought Easter favors. They were wonderful.

The Needmore Community Club sent a beautiful Easter Lily to the Healthcare Center.

If you have jewelry that you would like to donate we could use it for Bingo prizes, especially necklaces.

## SPC to present gospel hour

South Plains College will present the Second Annual Gospel Hour Sunday (April 17).

The concert of contemporary and southern gospel bluegrass and a capello music begins at 8 p.m. in the Tom T. Hall Production Studio, located in SPC's Creative Arts Building. Admission is free.

SPC featured ensembles will be Angel Band, under direction of Bonnie Dickinson; Voices by the Banks, directed by Cary Banks; The Better Land Band, directed by Rusty Hudelson, and SPC Bluegrass, directed by Alan Munde.

They will perform a variety of gospel tunes.

The first annual Gospel Hour drew more than 400 people to last year's concert.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THREE WAY I.S.D. MAPLE, TEXAS.

An election is to be held on May 7, 1994 for the purpose of: electing three (3) members to the Board of Trustees for the terms of Robert R. Kindle, Jr.; Terry Pollard; and James Kindle. These are at-large postitions for a three year term.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Three Way School Business Office - Maple, Texas, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 18, 1994 and ending on May 3, 1994.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Jean Parker  
P.O. Box 60  
Maple, Texas 79344

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 29, 1994.

Don W. Parker  
Superintendent

## Mules

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last Tuesday, scoring four touchdowns and four extra points over six innings to run-rule Floydada, 28-18.

After falling behind 7-2 in the first inning, the Mules pounded out 26 runs over the next five to improve to 12-5 on the season.

Trailing 10-6 after two, the Mules got 13 runs in the third for a 19-13 advantage.

Going into the sixth with a 24-15 lead, the Mules gave up three runs. But Muleshoe scored four in the bottom of the sixth to gain the 10-run advantage and end the game an inning early.

Jimmy Gauna, who relieved starter John Embry in the fourth, got the win. The pair gave up a total of 9 walks and hit three Floydada batters.

Offensively, the Mules pounded five Floydada pitchers for 14 hits to go with 16 walks and four hit batters. Robert Toscano led the onslaught with two triples and six runs batted in during a 2 for 3 day at the plate.

"Out pitching must be more effective for us to have a shot to win the district," said MHS head coach Ted Leps. "Walks just killed us. We got to throw the ball, not guide it."

In other action Saturday on the first day of district play, Dimmitt beat Littlefield 4-0, while Tulia stopped Friona, 8-1.

The Mules will be back in action Saturday (April 16) when they host Dimmitt in a District 2-3A contest. Originally sheduled for 1 p.m., MHS officials hope to move the starting time to 6 p.m. so MHS athletes who participate and baseball and track may run in the district track meet Saturday morning and play in the baseball game Saturday evening.

District 2-3A standings		
Muleshoe	13-5	2-0
Tulia	10-9	2-0
Friona	13-4	1-1
Dimmitt	9-9	1-1
Floydada	6-12	0-2
Littlefield	0-8	0-2

Results		
Saturday, April 9		
Muleshoe 28,	Floydada 18;	Dimmitt 4, Littlefield 0;
Tulia 8,	Friona 1.	
Tuesday, April 12		
Muleshoe 19,	Littlefield 2;	Friona 9, Dimmitt 4; Tulia 14,
Floydada 11.		
Schedule		
Saturday, April 16 —		
Dimmitt at Muleshoe.		
Tuesday, April 19 —		
Tulia at Muleshoe.		

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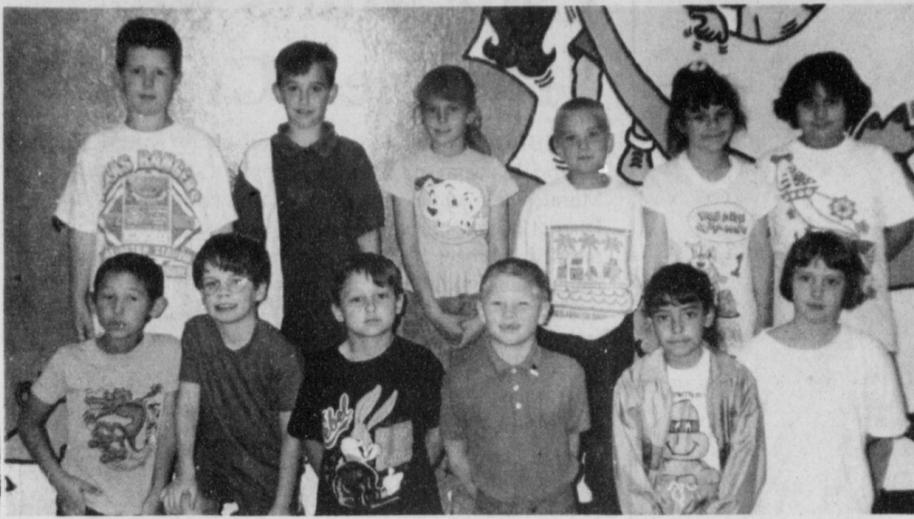
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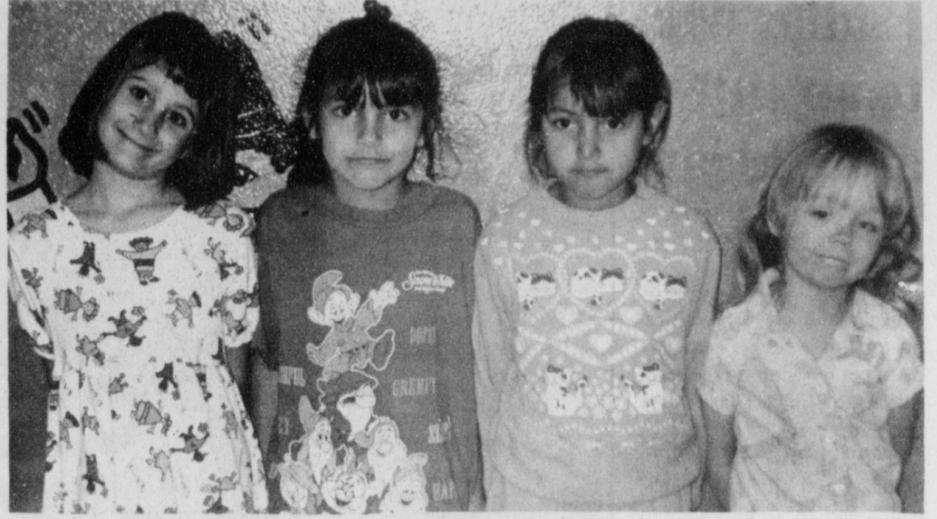
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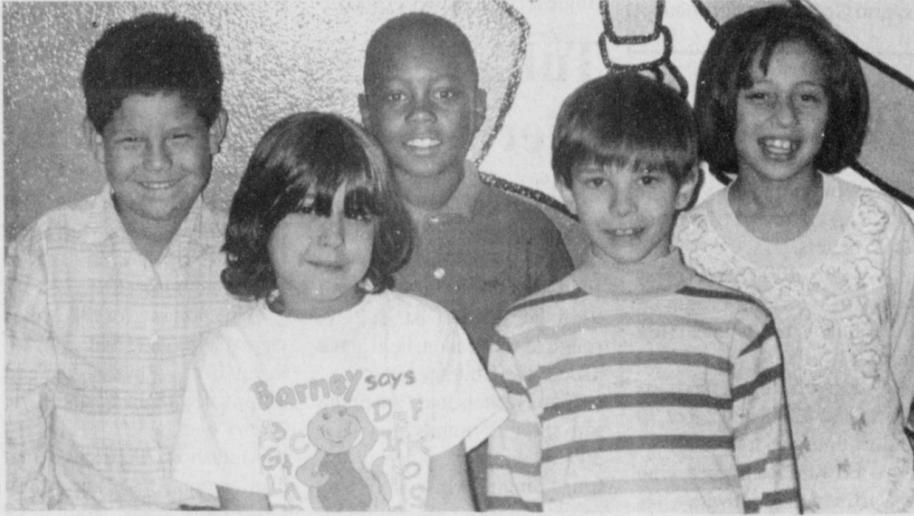
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**SECOND GRADE MATH-A-THON PARTICIPANTS** — Second grade students participating in the St. Jude Math-A-Thon were (left to right) front row: Alex Zubia, Andy Sain, Nathan Anthony, Corey Sexton, Vanessa Bustillos, and Michelle Scott. Back row, Tyrel Gear, Tanner Hagerman, Keri Jo Copley, Matthew Strickland, Brittney Tunhell, Amanda Gonzales and Hailey Hamilton, (not pictured).



**DILLMAN STUDENTS OF THE WEEK** — Kindergarten students of the week for the week of March 7-11 are Lidia Villezcas, Speech; Cami Jo Vandiver, Music; Susan Patty, P.E.; Christina Orozco, Library; and Erica Villa, Computer, (not pictured).



**DILLMAN STUDENTS OF THE WEEK** — First grade students of the week for the week of February 28- March 4 are George Mendoza, Speech; Joshua, Music; Brant Wedel, P.E.; Yudi Aguirre, Library; and Crystal Reyes, Computer.

## Environmental stewardship award announced

Perception is reality, the saying goes. And the bottom line for cattlemen, operating in a climate of increasing scrutiny over business that use natural resources, is public perception.

"Cattle feeders throughout the TCFA three-state region of Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico have long known that environmental stewardship is not only the right thing to do, but that it makes good business sense, too," says Les McNeill, president of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association (TCFA).

The award will recognize

cattle feeders whose natural resource stewardship practices contribute to the environment and enhance productivity and profitability of their operation, McNeill says.

The award is competitive and cattle feeders will be judged on their stewardship and educational efforts. The TCFA Environmental Stewardship Award is patterned closely after a similar award given by the National

Cattlemen's Association to allow the TCFA winner to go on to national competition.

"The TCFA Environmental Stewardship Award winner will be selected by a committee made up of representatives from state and federal government agencies, environmental organizations and past national stewardship award winners," McNeill says. The TCFA winner will be chosen later this spring.

## Teachers

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Elementary teacher at Dillman Elementary School.

Bandy will teach history and be a coach. He has a degree from West Texas State University and has three years of teaching experience.

Bandy taught history and coached at Pleasant Grove since 1991, when he began his teaching career. He has a bachelor's degree from Lubbock Christian College. He is married and has two children.

Burks will be a math teacher at MHS. She has a bachelor of science degree from Texas

Tech University and she has one year of teaching experience.

Herington will teach at Dillman Elementary School. She has a degree from Texas Tech University and has eight years of teaching experience.

Herington has taught school before at Muleshoe Schools for two years.

Also on Monday night, the board accepted resignations from Pat Seymour, a teacher at De Shazo Elementary School and Belinda Steinbock, a teacher at Muleshoe Junior High School.

## Coach

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teaching staff at Muleshoe High School. He comes highly recommended and should be an outstanding addition to our staff. We look forward to he and his family becoming a part of our community."

Mason has a composite science teaching certificate. He and his wife Donna have three children. Their two sons are in grades 9th and 7th, and their daughter is in 3rd grade.

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# Ladies win team title at Wildcat Classic

LITTLEFIELD — The Muleshoe Lady Mules warmed up for this week's District 2-3A meet by winning the team title at the Wildcat Classic here last Saturday.

The Lady Mules scored 170 points, nosing out Shallowater, which had 165. Third went to Littlefield with 144. Rounding out the field were Abernathy with 49, Morton with 46 and Floydada with 33.

The Lady Mules had three individual first places and won two relays on the day.

Shane Schuster was a double winner for the Lady Mules, winning both the 3200 and 1600 meter races. She had a 6:03.60 in the 1600 and a 13:18.05 time in the 3200.

LaTonya Payne added a first place in the shot put with a 34-11 effort.

In the 400-meter relay, Muleshoe's foursome of Megan Harlan, JoBeth Gilleland, Carolyn Schuster and Rebecca Sanchez was first in a time of 52.53.

In the 800 relay, Harlan, Allyson Field, Carolyn Schuster and Samantha Caswell were first in a time of 1:54.77.

Also scoring for the Lady Mules were:

— JoBeth Gilleland, who was second in the 100-meter hurdles in 17.32; fourth in the 300-meter hurdles in 53.67 and fifth in the long jump with an effort of 14-3 3/4.

— Sanchez, who was second in the 100 meters with a 13.28 time and second in the 200 meters with a 28.59 effort.

— Jodi Foster, who was second in the discus with a 90-6 best and fourth in the shot put.

— Priscilla Aguirre, who was second in the 1600 meters with a time of 6:19.97.

— Field, who was third in the triple jump with a 31-7 leap and 5th in the high jump at 4-8.

— Cari Favor, who was third in the 400 meters with a 66.81 time.

— Brooke Barrett, who was third in the shot with a 30-1 1/2 best.

— The 1600-meter relay

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**HOLMAN S SIGNS WITH NMJC** — Kristin Holmans, a senior at Muleshoe High School, has signed up with New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs, N.M., where she will play for the women's basketball team on a full scholarship, which includes tuition. Pictured are (Left) Brent Palmer, a representative from NMJC, Holman's parents LaDonna and Tony Holmans, Jacinda Langen, assistant basketball coach at MHS, and Coach Jim Gruhlkey of MHS.

# "Dirty Dozen" takes second place

LITTLEFIELD — With just 12 healthy athletes to compete at last Saturday's Wildcat Classic here, the Muleshoe Mules track team made the most of it.

The Mules' "Dirty Dozen" scored 111 points to place second in the team standings behind Shallowater with 121. Littlefield was third with 109, followed by Floydada with 73, Abernathy with 67 and Morton with 51.

The Mules had just one first place finish — by Chad Freeman in the triple jump with a personal best of 42-6. He added a second place in the long jump at 20-2 1/2 and was fifth in the 200 meters with a 24.67 time.

Another season best came in the 1600 meter relay, where a team put together for the first time all year ran two seconds faster than MHS had all season. The foursome of Jesus Flores, Orlando Arrendondo, Greg Cortez and Freddy Perez ran a 3:38.15 for second place.

Cortez also had a personal best in the 400 meters. After

running a 53.11 in the preliminaries, he covered the distance in 52.9 in the finals to place second.

Other top finishes by the Mules were:

— Solome Cisneros, who was second in the 1600 meters in 5:07.99 and third in the 3200 in 11:46.14.

— Perez, who was second in the 100 meters in 11.13 and third in the long jump with a 19-7 1/4 best.

— Chad Johnson, who was third in the shot put with a 42-6 toss and sixth in the discus.

— Riley Byers, who was third in the 110-meter high hurdles in 18.49 and sixth in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles in 47.86.

— Jesus Flores, who was third in the 800 meters in 2:12.72.

— Charles Acosta, who was fourth in the 3200 with an 11:18.64 effort and fifth in the 1600 meters.

— The 400-meter relay team of Cortez, Freeman, Flores and Perez, who ran fifth in 45.37.

— Russell Reyes, who was 5th in the 3200 in 12:322.79 and sixth in the 1600 meters.

— Edward Rodriguez, who was fifth in the shot with a 41-5 best.

The Mules will be back in action this weekend, when they co-host the District 2-3A meet at Benny Douglas Stadium.

Action begins Friday with selected field events and running preliminaries at 3:30 p.m. Field events will be completed Saturday morning at 9 a.m., followed by finals in the running events at 2 p.m.



## THE MAO YEARS 1949-1976

In October 1949, Mao Zedong stood above a huge crowd at the Gates of Heavenly Peace in Beijing and declared the establishment of the People's Republic of China. From that day until his death in 1976, Mao dominated the lives of one-quarter of the world's people.

The Mao Years 1949-1976, a two-hour documentary, examines China under Mao Zedong, a time when the Chinese built the foundations that enabled them to become one of the world's economic powerhouses. It was also a period marked by brutal campaigns and purges that culminated in perhaps Mao's most colossal and tragic mistake, the Cultural Revolution.

The Mao Years begins in a country devastated by years of Japanese occupation and civil war. For many in 1949, the new Communist government was a welcome change, bringing economic and social reforms that offered land

and new opportunities. But the Communists also initiated frightening campaigns during which thousands of people were jailed or executed.

The Mao Years also documents two of Mao's pivotal programs: the Great Leap Forward of 1958 — a plan Mao claimed would make China the industrial equal of western nations in just 15 years but instead led to a catastrophic famine in which at least 30 million people died — and the Cultural Revolution, 10 years of epic upheaval that rent the fabric of Chinese society. In 1966, Mao urged China's youth to attack all authorities and replace them with true revolutionaries. The young people responded en masse, and formed Red Guard groups, rallying and marching across the country to destroy the "four olds" — old customs, ideas, culture, and habits.

The Mao Years airs Wednesday, April 13th at 8:00 p.m. It repeats Saturday, April 16th at 10:00 p.m.

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# Lady Mules win "Doubles Crown"

LUBBOCK — Muleshoe's Sharon Johnson and Melissa Morales teamed to win the District 2-3A doubles crown at the district meet held at the Municipal Tennis Center here April 4-5.

Johnson and Morales defeated Amy Wooten and Carrie Bradley of Dimmitt for the district title, rallying for a 6-7 (7-9), 6-2, 6-3 victory.

The championship qualifies Johnson and Morales to compete in the Region 1-3A Tournament

Also qualifying for the regional tournament was Charles Villarreal of Muleshoe, who placed second in the boys' singles. He dropped a 0-6, 3-6

decision to Arturo Vega of Dimmitt in the district championship match.

Muleshoe also has alternate regional qualifiers in the girls' singles and the boys' doubles. In the girls' singles, Stephanie Quintana finished third behind Julie Goddard of Friona and Amber Langford of Dimmitt. Goddard defeated Langford 6-4, 6-0 to win the district singles crown.

In boys' doubles, Muleshoe's Colby Latham and Isaac Miramontes were third behind a pair of Dimmitt teams. Ty Annen and Brad Beck were first, beating teammates Jimmy Bryan and Robert Moss 6-7, 6-4, 7-5 in the finals.

# Tulia takes golf lead over Mules in second

TULIA — The Tulia Hornets put some distance between themselves and the rest of the field here last Saturday (April 9) in the second District 2-3A round of the season, held at the Tule Lake Country Club.

The Hornets had five of the top six individuals and shot 309 to win first place in the tournament. Muleshoe was second with 334, followed Friona A with 338 and Floydada with 370.

Tulia's Chris Mahaney had a 75 for first in the individual standings, while teammate Lane Dyer was one shot back

in second. Chris Combest, also of Tulia, was third with a 77, followed by Darren Box of Muleshoe with a 78.

Also playing for the Mules were Cyle Marr with an 84, Brian Box with an 85, Todd Shipman with an 87 and Kyle Embry had an 89.

Muleshoe will host the final district round this Friday (April 15) with a 9 a.m. start time. Tulia goes into the tourney with a 54-shot lead over Muleshoe for first in the district race. Friona is in third, 20 shots be-

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from Precinct No. 3  
Road and Bridge funds.  
The Commissioners  
Court reserves the right  
to reject any or all bids  
and to waive formalities.  
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## HENRY REALTY

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West part of town, 3 bedroom, 1 bath, dining  
room, stucco, 2 car garage, storm doors and windows.  
Large lot. See to appreciate.

Near High School-3 Bedroom, 3 Bath, BV Central Heat,  
Ducted in Evaporative Air Cond., Carpet throughout,  
Large Den with rock fireplace, Top grade wood paneling  
throughout. Storm Windows and Doors. Insulation in  
ceiling. Large utility room and spacious storage area.  
Kitchen built-ins.

Country Club Addition, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, enclosed  
carport, new protective siding. Carpet throughout, wood  
fence, storm doors and some storm windows. Ceiling  
fans, new front porch and new back patio. Ample  
storage, storm cellar. Excellent condition.

Lenau Addition-4 bedroom, 2 bath, carport, central heat  
and air, carpet, dining area, built-in dishwasher and  
stove. Covered patio, wood fence, storm doors and  
windows, drapes, curtains. One ceiling fan. Ample  
storage and she for travel trailer.

Edge of town 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large den with  
fireplace, large utility room, heat pump, carpet, kitchen,  
built-ins. Call for appointment.

RURAL-3 bedroom, 1 bath, 2 car garage, masonite  
siding, carpet throughout, central heat, evap. air cond.  
on roof ducted to all rooms. Built-in dishwasher. New  
roof. Additional acres available, owner financing to  
qualified buyer.

Reduced Price - Owner ready to sell. 2 bedroom, 1 bath,  
1 car garage, carpet, wood fence, storm cellar.

Near High School-2 Bedroom, 1 bath, wood fence,  
carpet, storm doors, wood fence. Local financing could  
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COMMERCIAL PROPERTY  
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frontage. A great investment opportunity.  
West American Boulevard 150' frontage. Priced to sell.

## Pilot project helps ease prison overcrowding

While state officials cry  
expanding Texas' overcrowded  
prisons, a unique pilot project  
spearheaded by Lubbock  
County and South Plains Col-  
lege in Lubbock, a local com-  
munity college, is providing  
solutions to help restore men  
to productive lives.

The Lubbock County Com-  
munity Correctional Facility  
opened a year ago last March  
as a unique pilot project that  
provides academic and voca-  
tional training in addition to  
rehabilitation and treatment.

No other state facility is  
geared to provide this kind of  
help for prisoners, and offi-

cial as far away as Arkansas  
are keeping an eye on the de-  
velopment of this unusual  
project, according to Steve  
Rampy, chief adult corrections  
officer for the facility.

The 94 residents at the facil-  
ity are enrolled in courses pro-  
vided by SPCLubbock through  
a contract with Lubbock  
County.

The residents, who are serv-  
ing time for non-violent crimes,  
take classes in reading, math-  
ematics, spelling, GED prepa-  
ration and job skills. And they  
can get college credit in auto-  
motive technology and refrig-  
eration and air conditioning.

The facility, located a mile-  
and-a-half southeast of the  
Lubbock International Airport,  
is beginning to taste the first  
fruits of success.

A number of residents have  
begun their transition back into  
the community through a moni-  
tored-work program in which  
they work during the day and  
then return to the facility at  
night.

"About 30 of the residents  
have full-time jobs. Some are  
directly-related to the training  
they are receiving," said Sue  
Roe, vocational educational  
coordinator.

## Ladies

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team of Favor, Brandi  
Harrison, Caswell and  
Gilleland with a time of  
4:36.00.

— Leticia Villalobos, who  
was fourth in the 3200 in  
16:17.28.

— Ransley Welch, who was  
fourth in the 1600 meters in  
6:40.82 and fifth in the 800  
meters in 2:45.74.

— Harrison, who was fourth  
in the long jump with a best of  
14-6, sixth in the 800 meters in  
2:51.73 and sixth in the triple  
jump at 29-11.

— Stephanie Quintana, who

was fifth in the discus at 85-10.

The Lady Mules will be  
back in action Friday and Sat-  
urday, when they co-host the  
District 2-3A meet at Benny  
Douglas Stadium. Action be-  
gins Friday at 3:30 p.m. with  
selected field events and the  
preliminaries in the running  
events. The meet resumes Sat-  
urday at 9 a.m. with the rest of  
the field events. Finals in the  
running events will begin at 2

## Golf

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hind the Mules. The top two  
teams after the three district  
rounds qualify for the regional  
tournament April 25-26.

In the district medalist race,  
Mahaney leads with a 148 af-  
ter 36 holes, while Dyer is at  
154. Rounding out the top five  
are Chris Holt of Tulia at 162,  
Combest of Tulia at 163 and  
Chris Renner of Friona at 267.

Mulshoe's Brian Box is at  
169, while Shipman is at 173,  
Marr at 173 and Darren Box at  
173.

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antenna, digital dash, and much more, NO OLD  
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JUST LISTED-VERY NICE 3-2-1 Home,  
Cent. A&H, built-ins, nice carpets,  
ceiling fans, nice pool & deck, st. b-  
ldg., fenced yd., MORE!!! \$30's HS-7

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area, Heat pump, built-ins, Ceiling fans, nice  
carpets, fenced yd. MORE!! \$70K HS-6

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nice carpet, cov. patio, fenced yd. MORE!!!!\$30's  
HS-2

3-1-1 Brick Home, 2 1/2 bath, air.  
FmH In Contract...\$20's!!!!HS-1

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heat pump, built-ins, fenced yd.,  
storage bldg. \$23,000!! HS-3

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ins, FP, fenced yard, & MORE!!! \$50's HS-8

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doors. MUCH MORE. \$20's!! HS-4

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air, built-in stove, storage bldg.!! \$13,000 Cash  
"AS IS"!!!! HS-5

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FP, 1800+ lv. area, fenced yd.\$30K!!!!!! HS-9

**HIGHLAND AREA**  
FmHA Financing To Qualified Buyer- NICE  
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storage bldg., fenced yd. \$30's!!!!HL-3

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windows & doors, extra insulation, nice carpet,  
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new carpet, fenced yd., storage bldg.,  
MORE!!!!&20's!!!!L-4

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Lindsey circle!!!!

## Legal Matters

Protecting the rights of citizens from fraud, neglect, and mistreatment is a major responsibility of the Office of the Attorney General. Not long ago, my staff uncovered a pattern of patient abuse throughout the psychiatric hospital industry in our state.

While the vast majority of mental health care providers are reputable — no one should be afraid to seek needed treatment — consumers should be informed of their rights.

Triggered by a single consumer complaint, our investigation uncovered widespread abuses and culminated in successful litigation against four major national psychiatric hospital chains.

More importantly, it resulted in the passage of a comprehensive mental health care reform package by the Texas Legislature. The new laws provide needed legal protection to patients in psychiatric care, and serve as a model for the rest of the country.

Initially, we focused on consumer complaints about a

practice called "bounty hunting," in which psychiatric hospitals illegally pay counselors and others, such as ministers, teachers and probation officers, to refer patients for admission.

We learned that some hospitals paid counselors who were also employed by schools and treatment centers for crime victims. In some cases, counselors would read police reports to identify crime victims who might be referred for admission.

The hospital chains also provided incentives to hospital employees who met or exceeded a set number, or quota, of patients that they admitted. But those are just the bare facts. Case histories illustrate why my office took action and why necessary reforms were put into place by the Legislature.

In one case, a young man suffering from a drug and alcohol problem voluntarily checked into a psychiatric facility for a 10 day treatment program.

After about four days, he decided to forego further treatment. However, an orderly told him that the hospital would have him legally committed for 30 days if he tried to check out.

In another case, a school counselor recommended that a student be admitted to a psychiatric hospital for in-patient treatment. When the parents indicated that they desired an alternative method of counseling, the counselor threatened to report the parents to the authorities. As it turned out, the counselor was an employee of the psychiatric hospital who received a "bounty" for referring the child.

These stories sound unbelievable, but they actually occurred here in Texas less than three years ago. Shockingly, they were not isolated incidents.

We were particularly concerned because many of the hospitals bills were being claimed against the Crime Victims Compensation Fund, which my office administers.

In some cases, a patient's

life-time benefits were exhausted by a psychiatric detained treatment beyond necessity to justify larger claims.

Other patients were released before they recovered, simply because the money had been exhausted. In any reputable mental health care facility, the length of a person's stay is entirely determined by that person's mental health needs.

We prosecuted a number of the worst offenders, enforcing comprehensive settlements. Millions of dollars in claims against the Crime Victims Compensation Fund were dropped as a direct result.

In addition, the Texas Legislature has enacted a series of reforms to address the mar-

keting practices employed by psychiatric hospitals and provide needed legal protection to the citizens of our state.

Under the new law, a psychiatric facility must provide you with a copy of the "Patient's Bill of Rights" during the admissions process. A copy of this important document is available to anyone from the Texas Department of Health (512/458-7111.)

Before admitting yourself to a facility, you have the right to know how much the treatment will cost. The hospital must tell you the daily rates and additional costs. And it cannot misrepresent how much of your bill will be covered by insurance.

As a patient, you must have free access to a telephone. And if you entered the facility voluntarily, you are free to leave, except under extreme circumstances. Finally, be cautious of anyone who approaches you regarding psychiatric treatment. And always seek a second opinion from a qualified mental health professional.

Although the new law makes it illegal for individuals to profit by referring psychiatric patients, some unscrupulous organizations continue to run bounty hunting scams.

For more information regarding psychiatric hospitals, or other consumer issues, please call our Consumer Protection Office at 512-463-2070.

## Public Record

### Obituaries

#### Lawrence C. Blalack

Services for Lawrence C. Blalack, 81, of Muleshoe were held Wednesday, at 11 a.m. at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, Muleshoe.

Gary Montgomery officiated the service. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery, under direction of Ellis Funeral Home, Muleshoe.

Blalack died April 10, 1994 at Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

He was born November 30, 1912 in Crandell.

He married Leona Fay McKillip-Mason. She died January 27, 1975.

Blalack had been a long-time Muleshoe resident and had lived at Earth from 1973-1988. He was a farmer.

He was preceded in death by a son, Jimmy Blalack and a

brother, Marshall Blalack.

Blalack is survived by two sons, Donald Blalack of Wichita, Kan. and Calvin

Mason of Friona; three daughters, Marquette Brown of Haughton, La., Nona Fay

Bates of Clarksville, Ark. and Lona May Jusk of Lake Oswego, Ore.; two sisters, Edna Lee Bowyer of Riverside, Calif. and Nora McComack of Irving; 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

### Births

#### Cal Edward Arrott

Mr. and Mrs. Kern Arrott of San Angelo are the proud parents of a son, Cal Edward, born Easter Sunday, April 3, in Shannon Hospital, San Angelo.

The baby weighed 8 pounds and 15 1/2 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Jan and Charles King of Amarillo, formerly of Muleshoe, and Mr. and Mrs. Mit Arrott of San Angelo.

Great grandparents in this area are Mr. and Mrs. J.E. McVicker and Elizabeth King, all of Muleshoe.



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## Work program aims to help collect Child Support

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales' Child Support Program is recruiting businesses to help increase the number of children receiving child support by participating in the Employer New Hire Reporting Program enacted by the Texas Legislature last session. The Employer New Hire Reporting Program is a voluntary project that allows employers to assist with locating non-custodial parents who owe child support by reporting new employees to the Office of the Attorney General. Nearly 100 businesses are already participating.

"Many of the parents we are trying to reach have been deliberately avoiding their responsibility to their children by frequently changing jobs," Morales said. "The program helps to locate parents so their court-ordered child support can be collected directly from their employers. By providing us basic information in a method

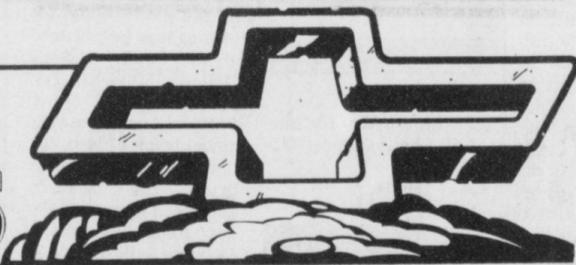
convenient to them, businesses can help us go a long way toward increasing child support collections."

"Taxpayers paid more than \$538 million in 1993 in welfare to single-parent families in Texas who did not receive child support," Morales said. "We can reduce this figure if we locate more non-custodial parents who owe child support and get them paying on a regular basis."

"Every month thousands of Texas children fail to receive the financial support they are entitled to by law. This program provides a way that businesses can make a difference in these children's lives by providing information that helps us hold their parents accountable."

To sign up for the Employer New Hire Reporting Program and for more program information, please contact Program Coordinator Bill Irby at 512/482-9136.

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