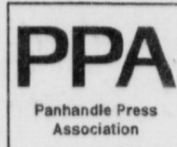




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Public meeting to gauge in new nursing home

Muleshoe residents will have the opportunity to voice their opinion on the future of local long-term health care.

Board members of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District will be holding a community meeting to receive input and suggestions from the public regarding the future of the local nursing home.

The meeting will be held at 8 p.m., Tuesday April 14, 1998

at the Bailey County Coliseum.

According to Jim Bone, the administrator of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District, this is an important issue needing to be addressed now because the nursing home is being utilized close to maximum capacity.

Bone said that studies have shown that the average age of the population is increasing, and health care providers can expect a bubble effect from the

baby boomer generation to increase the need for long-term care facilities in the near future.

Last fall, the hospital district formed a citizens' committee to evaluate the current circumstances and the future needs for expansion. The committee found a need for a bigger facility and recommended building a new \$3 million nursing home that

would include a separate Alzheimer's unit. The city has offered to donate land south of the new park as a building site.

At the community forum next Tuesday, the focus will turn to what the taxpayers want and expect for long term care choices.

The meeting will help the board gather information on the

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MHS senior Keisha Whitt chips toward the 17th green Monday during the District 1-3A golf tournament in Hereford. Story and full results on pages 4-5.

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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

Library awarded grant

SAN ANTONIO — At the annual conference of the Texas Library Association, the Muleshoe Public Library was awarded a grant to help purchase new materials.

First Lady of Texas Laura Bush formally announced last Friday that Muleshoe was among the winners of the Texas Book Festival grant.

The local library was one of 83 Texas public libraries which received a grant. The local library was awarded \$2,425 which will be used for reference materials.

According to the Muleshoe librarian Dyan Shipley, the grant will be used to purchase the World 1988 World Book encyclopedias, the World Book medical encyclopedia, the Encyclopedia of Diseases and SIRS, a CD-ROM program with full text magazine articles from 1983 to the present.

LOOKING AHEAD

Easter sunrise service

A community Easter sunrise service will be held at 7 a.m. Sunday near the tennis courts in the new city park.

Curtis Shelburne, pastor of the 16th & D Church of Christ. Jack Stone, pastor of the First Assembly of God, will lead the music.

The public is welcome.

Benefit gospel concert at coliseum

A benefit gospel concert featuring the Anchor Brothers, Jack Stone and others will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Admission is free. Goodwill donations will be accepted.

For more information call (806) 272-3877.

Pro wrestling event at junior high

A pro wrestling extravaganza will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday at Watson Junior High.

The benefit event is being held for Roman Reyna of Muleshoe, who recently had a leg amputated. Wrestling legend "Rapid" Ricky Romero is promoting the event.

Tickets are available at Mexicanita, 129 Main St., or at the door.

LOCAL WEATHER

	High	low	Pre.
Friday	63	39	—
Saturday	72	36	—
Sunday	80	39	—
Total to date	80	39	—
	Total to date 2.12 inches		

EXTENDED FORECAST

Sunny and clear Thursday and Friday with highs around 70, lows near 40. Warming up Saturday with highs near 80 and lows in the mid 50.

CORRECTION

The Journal incorrectly reported that Sam Burke would challenge incumbent Cliff Black for the District 1 position on the Muleshoe City Council in the May 2 election. Juan Chavez is the current District 1 Councilor. The Journal regrets the error.



Anguished cry

Gorzian (played by Geraldo Loya) falls to pieces when he learns he will burn at the stake Monday during a performance of Muleshoe High School's one-act play "Players in a Game." Adelta Vesseli (Cassidy Cleavinger) tries to console him.

A NIGHT to shine

Muleshoe Fine Arts Boosters hold annual event

By GEOFF FOLSOM
Special to the Journal

The Muleshoe Fine Arts Boosters held their fourth annual Fine Arts Night to Shine Monday at Muleshoe High School. The evening consisted of performances by school band, choir and theatre arts departments.

Fund-raising was the main objective of the evening.

"We're just making money for the art, speech, band and choir departments," fine arts boosters director Charlotte Holt said. "We help pay the bands' fees to go to contests. We buy the costumes for the one-act play, and we furnish art supplies for the high school and junior high school art departments."

The boosters raised money by charging an admission fee of \$3 for adults and \$1 for students. A silent auction was also held in

which bids were taken on items including a Micky Mouse phone, a cooler and gift certificates from local restaurants.

The night also served as a chance for the performing groups to prepare for upcoming University Interscholastic League contests.

The theater arts department headlined the night with a performance of the one-act play "Players in a Game." The play starred Scotty Mills as the Bishop of Prague, Steven Madrid as the scoundrel Richard the Healer, and Kenzie Brown as an aristocratic heroine.

The play told a tale of hearsay and gambling in 14th century Prague. The play utilized a creative set design that could serve as three separate settings or be combined into one large set.

Monday's performance was a dress rehearsal for the area UIL contest, which will take place Friday at Wayland Baptist University.

The evening began with a performance by the Watson Junior High School band, directed by Martha Anthis. The band performed Vinson's "Newcastle March," Newark's "Spring Song" and Sheldon's "Pevensey Castle."

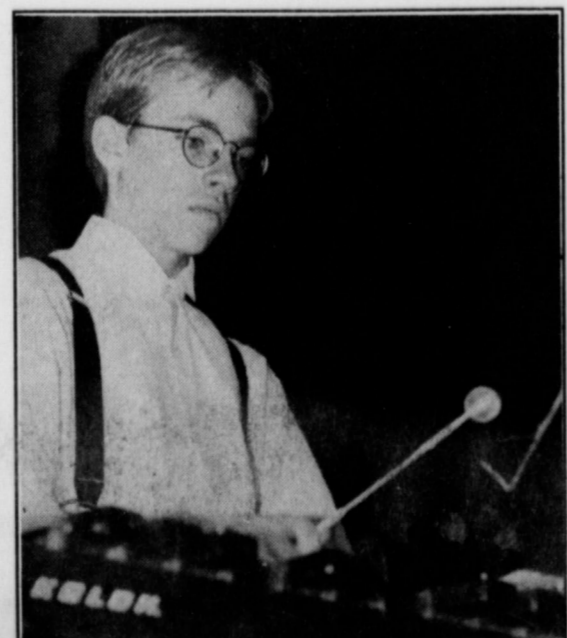
The band was preparing for its April 21 UIL competition.

The junior high band was followed by the Muleshoe High School "Mighty M" Band and director Anthony Gonzales. The 50-piece band played Elledge's "A Santa Cecilia," Root's "Polly Oliver" and Holsinger's "Havedance."

The high school band's UIL competition will be held April 15.

The Muleshoe High School Choir was the

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Freshman Casey Hall plays the xylophone Monday with the MHS Mighty 'M' band.

Health issues again highlight County meeting

By TERESA STONE
Journal staff writer

Bailey County Commissioners spent another meeting ironing out health benefit options for county employees.

At Monday's regular session, the commissioners focused on two health insurance issues: compliance with the Health Insurance Portability Act (HIPA) and changes to the county's current medical policy.

A representative from the county's health insurance administrator, Ted Parker & Associates, met with the commissioners to explain HIPA and the county's options.

HIPAA is a law designed to protect insurance rights for working American families who have pre-existing conditions or might suffer discrimination based on health related factors. The law is also intended to protect workers who change jobs.

Counties, cities, and school districts do not have to comply with the law.

The commissioner's decision against complying with HIPAA due to increased liability and possibly increased health care cost to the county.

If the county had decided to adopt HIPAA, a new employee who was covered on an insurance policy immediately prior to their employment with the county would automatically be covered under the county's insurance pre-30 days after employment, regardless of pre-existing conditions.

The act does not allow companies to ask for evidence of insurability of employees and their dependents.

By opting out, the county retains its current policy. If a person has been treated for an illness six months prior to their first claim on that specific illness, they will not be covered for 12 months. After the one year waiting period, all illnesses are covered by the county insurance.

Also the county maintains its right to ask late enrollees for proof of insurability.

The second insurance issue involved proposed changes to the county's health insurance plan. The county will be seeking bids for a new health care provider. The current policy expires June 1.

The current policy allows patients to see any physician, but the insurance provider does not pickup any cost until the employee reaches the full deductible limit.

The commissioners decided that county employees would benefit more from a co-pay system instead of a straight deductible type system. In order to do this, they decided to seek bids for a complete in-network policy which would include doctors and hospitals.

Under the proposal, the employee would pay the first \$20 and the county would pick up the remaining cost up to \$125. Any expense beyond that would go toward an employees' annual deductible.

Although the county would be picking up the tab for office visits, the county's insurance representative said that in the long run the in-network system would be cheaper for employees, the county and the insurance company.

AROUND MULESHOE

Community computer classes at MHS

Community members interested in learning how to use Microsoft Word 97 or the internet are invited to attend evening computer classes at Muleshoe High School. The cost is \$25 per course.

Microsoft Word 97 will meet from 7-9 p.m., Tuesday, April 14 and April 21. The internet course will meet from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, May 5 and May 12. For additional information call 272-7571. The courses will be taught by Chris Mardis, April Smith, and MHS technology assistants.

Volunteers needed for Meals on Wheels

Volunteers are needed to help deliver Meals on Wheels one hour per week. If you are interested in helping or need more information call 272-4858.

Soup & sandwich luncheon

The Soup and Sandwich Luncheon meeting for April will be held Thursday, April 9, from noon to 1 p.m., at the fellowship hall of the 16th and D Church of Christ, 1600 W. Ave D.

This month's program is a seasonal program featuring a special video presentation which weaves together the Bible's historical and cultural contexts as it examines Jesus' choices of time, place, and message on the first Holy Week.

Community members, business people, and anyone else interested, are invited to enjoy this Thursday's luncheon or any of the upcoming soup and sandwich programs. The meal is always offered on a free-will donation basis. A flyer listing the remaining programs for 1998 Soup & Sandwich series, held on the second Tuesday of each month, will be available at Thursday's luncheon and is available to anyone upon request (272-4619)

Major & Minor league baseball tryouts

Major League baseball tryouts have been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 13, 1998 at the Little League Park complex.

The tryouts are open to anyone ages 9-12 who was not on a major league team last year and who wishes to play in the major leagues this summer.

Minor league tryouts will begin at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, 1998. Tryouts are open to anyone ages 7-10.

This will be the last chance to sign-up for the major and minor leagues. Teams will be drafted immediately following the tryouts.

Senior league baseball sign ups

Boys ages 13-15 can register for senior league baseball from 6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, April 9 at Muleshoe State Bank. The cost is \$35. Anyone interested in coaching or helping out during the season is invited to come. For more information contact Bruce Barrett at 272-3815.

Angelo State awards scholarships

SAN ANGELO — Three high school seniors from Muleshoe have been awarded Carr Academic Scholarships at Angelo State University.

Brianne Locker, Shelbi Robinson, and Chanda Weatherbie from Muleshoe High School were awarded scholarships based on their performance on the SAT of 1149 or a combined score of 25 on the ACT.

Flores named student ambassador

CLARENDON — Lusilla Flores of Muleshoe has been chosen to serve as student ambassador for Clarendon College. Flores will assist the college in important and official duties including easing new students' transition from high school to college and to assist in the recruiting of future students for Clarendon College.

Bhakta named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Kamal Bhakta of Muleshoe has been named an All-American Scholar.

Bhakta, a senior at Muleshoe High School, was selected based on recommendations from teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors. He is the son of Dino and Manjula Bhakta.

Students named technology scholars

Two local students were honored by the Tandy Technology Scholars program. The program recognizes graduating high school seniors who have excelled in mathematics, science and computer science.

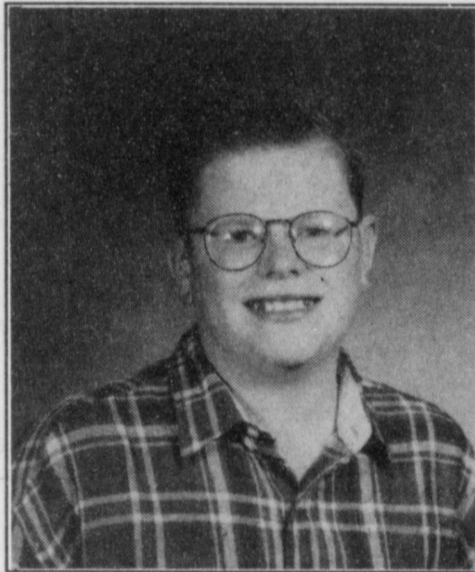
Matthew Mason, of Muleshoe High School, and Cameron Turner, of Lazbuddie High School, were nominated. Besides being active and competitive in math, science and computer science, the students also had to be in the top two percent of their class.

Lewis named to Junior Honor Society

Dusty Lewis, grandson of George and Lois Washington of Muleshoe, was named to the National Junior Honor Society of Secondary Schools.

Lewis, the son of Mike and Lana Lewis of Lubbock, is an eighth grade student at Ed Irons Junior High School in Lubbock.

He was selected to be a member based on scholarship, leadership, service, character, and citizenship.



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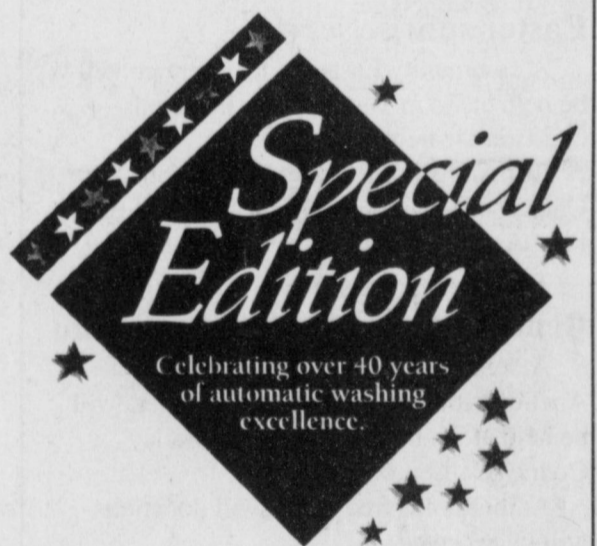
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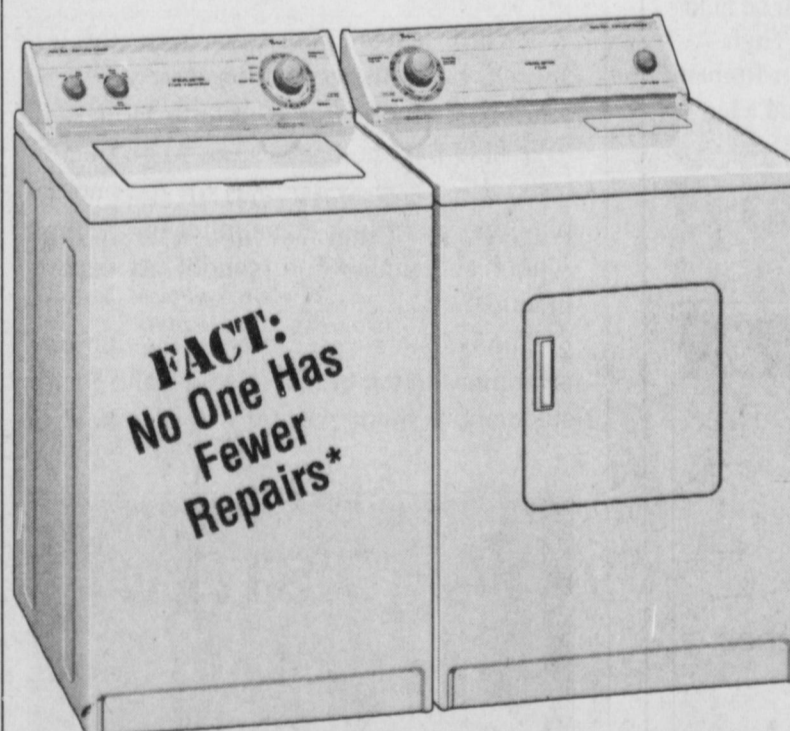
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Those Texas cattlefeeders were sure hard headed. Their legal advisors probably said things like, "No, let's put a lien on Mother Teresa's estate or sue Prince William and Prince Harry for unroyal behavior. We'd have a better chance than we would suing Oprah Winfrey."

But our Texas cattlefeeders charged on. They drug their lawyers kicking and screaming into uncharted territory, testing the Vegetable Defamation laws and beyond.

These were stubborn men, unintimidated by the woman recently voted the second most admired woman in the U.S.... second only to Hillary Clinton.

My impression of Oprah, never having seen her show but having read about her number of times in the press, is that she is an ambitious, decent

woman who grew up the hard way and succeeded.

She is now a celebrity the magnitude of Michael Jordan, Johnny Carson, Muhammad Ali and Arnold Schwarzenegger.

It is a rarefied atmosphere she shares with a select few. Power and money.

And what did they do to deserve their status? Discover atomic power? Invent heart bypass surgery? Devote their lives to serving the homeless, helpless and needy? Lead our country against an evil tyrant? Or even build a better ball point pen? No. She is an entertainer, eminently qualified to... entertain.

What will be her legacy? How will she be remembered? Who was she? Well, she had a popular television show.

People who entertain, in-

cluding even lowly column writers like me, are often surprised that readers believe what we say. That they put stock in our opinions. When, in fact, we often know very little about the subjects we expound upon. Yet because we have some notoriety, it gives our words credibility.

I am often reminded of that ad for some kinds of medicine that features an actor saying, "I'm not a doctor, but I play one on TV..."

The public blurs being famous with being knowledgeable or being wise. And the celebrity, too, can fall into that trap, "I am famous, therefore my opinions have more value than the average



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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

person."

What happened to Oprah in her effort to 'put on a good show' (which is her job, remember) is that she forgot some people take her opinion seriously. She hurt people. Apparently with higher ratings and no regret.

For the trail against her cattlemen adversaries, she has assumed the position of many, be they tabloid journalists, neighborhood gossips or amoral politicians, who justify the harm they do by shorting to the world, "I'M NOT RESPONSIBLE!" I'm not responsible.

No, Oprah, I guess you're not, and that puts you in some pretty sorry company.

MEETING

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direction the public wants to proceed, either towards renovation and expansion of the current facility, or ultimately building a new long term care facility which would include an Alzheimers' unit.

Also to be discussed will be the way the public wants to fund any proposed changes.

Currently the district has an agreement with an outside agency to research and develop funding options through grants.

Bone said he hopes community members realize that long-term care is a viable service the district is providing. He added that the hospital district has always been, and will always, be, committed to patients and families requiring the services.

BOOSTERS

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night's final musical act. The David Downum directed group prepared for Wednesday's UIL contest by singing Rice's "Simple Gifts," "Parker and Shaw's "Tis finish'd" and Croker's "Gloria Festiva."

Holt said the event is critical to keep Muleshoe's arts programs first rate.

Pain may be eliminated for millions

(SPECIAL) -- A drug that is exciting researchers in the treatment of pain has been formulated into a new product known as "Arthur Itis," and is being called a "Medical Miracle" by some, in the treatment of debilitating conditions such as arthritis, bursitis, rheumatism, painful muscle aches, joint aches, simple backache, bruises, and more. Although the mechanism of action is unclear, experiments indicate that Arthur Itis, relieves pain by first selectively attracting, and then destroying the messenger chemical which carries pain sensations to the brain, thus eliminating pain in the affected area. Arthur Itis, is available immediately without a prescription in an odorless, greaseless, non-staining cream or new roll-on lotion form. Arthur Itis, is guaranteed to work or your money back.

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Promise Keepers host Men's Wake Up! rally

The directors of two Texas-based Christian ministries, George Fitzgerald of Wake-Up! Ministry and Don Anderson of Don Anderson Ministries, will speak at the area's '98 Men's Wake-Up Rally, scheduled for Friday evening, May 8, in the Amarillo Civic Center Coliseum.

This is the fifth annual area-wide Wake-Up Rally to be sponsored by the Amarillo Regional Promise Keepers Task Force.

The event gathers men from different denominational, ethnic and cultural backgrounds for a time for Christian fellowship, worship, renewal and recommitment.

The rally returns to its Fri-

day evening format this year, according to Canada, so that "more men can attend. We've found that more men can carve time out of a Friday evening than a Saturday afternoon."

According to Canada, the event has typically drawn men from all over the Texas Panhandle and even Oklahoma and New Mexico.

"The rally has always been a great uplift for the men of our area," said Canada. "With as many as 7,000 men in one place, all singing God's praises and worshipping together, it's an awesome event."

The rally will begin with praise and worship from 6:30 to 7 p.m. on May 8. It will continue with the two speakers

from 7 to 10 p.m.

Fitzgerald's Wake-Up! Ministry is centered in Bedford. He and his wife Ruth minister to men and women through retreats, conferences and marriage seminars.

Anderson performs a discipleship ministry out of offices based in Tyler. An author, Bible study leader and Christian conference moderator, Anderson just celebrated 25 years as director of Don Anderson Ministries.

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Do you need to reapply annually?

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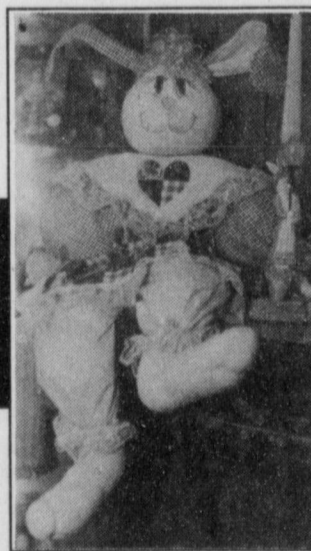


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Big inning fuels Mules' 15-5 win

MHS wins fourth straight

DALHART — Muleshoe didn't wait until its last at bat this time.

The Mules exploded for 11 runs in the first inning and Layne Kemp pitched a complete-game, seven-hitter and struck out 13 Saturday as Muleshoe battered Dalhart 15-5 in a District 1-3A game.

Matt McClanahan went 3 for 4 with three doubles and Larry Pineda added three hits and scored three times as Muleshoe won its fourth-straight game.

"We came out hitting the ball," Muleshoe coach Brad Hill said. "They really didn't make any errors, we just hit the ball."

Muleshoe needed two runs in the seventh inning to edge Tulia 6-5 Tuesday and has won three games in its last at bat this season.

"It's nice not waiting until the last inning," Hill said.

The Mules (9-5 overall, 3-1 in district) are in a three-way

DISTRICT 1-3A

Boys

	Dist	All
River Road	4-0	10-5
Muleshoe	3-1	9-5
Perryton	3-1	7-6
Sanford-Fritch	3-1	6-5
Friona	1-3	6-7
Dimmitt	1-3	5-7
Dalhart	1-3	2-5
Tulia	0-4	2-6

Saturday's results

Muleshoe 15, Dalhart 5
River Road 15, Dimmitt 8
Perryton 13, Tulia 1 (5)
Sanford-Fritch 11, Friona 1 (5)

Tuesday's games

Dimmitt at Muleshoe, River Road at Dalhart, Tulia at Friona, Perryton at Sanford-Fritch

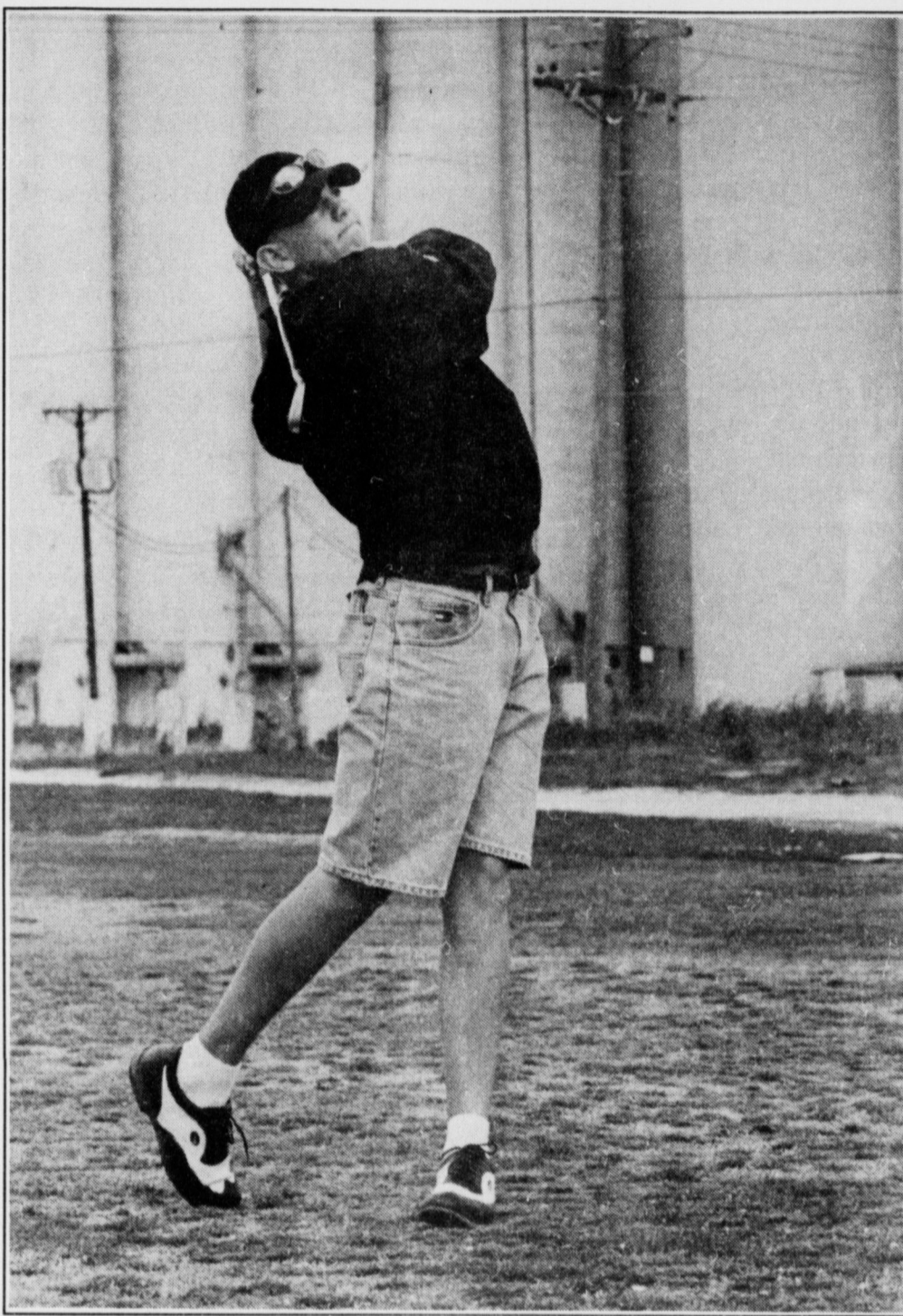
tie for second, one game back of River Road, which is 4-0.

Kemp (6-2) held the Golden Wolves scoreless over the last four innings in his best outing of the year.

"He had a little trouble getting loose," Hill said. "But he threw real well the last three to four innings. He's getting there."

Hill said the senior right-hander had trouble keeping the

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High finish

Muleshoe sophomore Ryan Hodge follows his tee shot on the nine hole Monday during the District 1-3A golf tournament in Hereford.

Several MHS golfers in hunt after 1st round

HEREFORD — Keisha Whitt had hoped to challenge tournament favorite Sarah Valdez of River Road for the district title.

Instead, the Muleshoe High School senior trails Valdez by eight shots and is battling just to advance to regionals after the first round of the District 1-3A golf tournament held Monday at John Pittman Municipal Golf Course.

1-3A golf

Whitt is fourth after a first-round 86, one shot back of Vandy Dodson of Perryton and Goldie Harrilson of Friona. Muleshoe junior Nikki Sutton is another shot back at 87.

Valdez fired a round of 78 on the 5,669-yard, hilly par 71 layout on an overcast and windy day. Her round included a triple bogey 7 on the final hole.

Whitt said she played poorly during a three-hole stretch on the front nine where she shot a nine-over 44 and had trouble with her short game most of the day.

"I just had a bad day," Whitt said. "I'm disappointed right now but I've got 198 more holes to play and maybe I can do better."

Perryton holds a one-stroke lead over Friona in the team title chase at 373. River Road is third at 378 and Muleshoe is fourth and 19 strokes back at 392.

The final round of the 36-hole district tournament will be held next Monday in Dumas.

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SCOREBOARD

TRACK

XIT Relays

April 4 at Dalhart
BOYS

Team totals — 1. Raton, N.M. 163, 2. (tie) Muleshoe, Dalhart 155, 4. Vega 16, Texline 8.

Field events

Shot put — 1. Aguirre, Muleshoe, 50-9 3/4; 2. Trice, Raton, 43-10 1/2; 3. Cleavinger, Muleshoe, 41-9.

Discus — 1. Aguirre, Muleshoe, 162-5; 2. Lamb, Vega, 119-7; 3. Weaver, Dalhart, 117-8; 5. Mata, Muleshoe.

High jump — 1. Roye, Dalhart, 6-4; 2. Cleavinger, Muleshoe, 6-2; 3. (tie) Glover, Muleshoe, 5-6, Byers, Muleshoe, 5-6.

Long jump — 1. Khoeler, Dalhart, 19-6; 2. Collis, Texline, 18-11; 3. Byers, Muleshoe, 18-7 1/2; 5. Campolla, Muleshoe, 17-10.

Triple jump — 1. Byers, Muleshoe, 40-1/4; Khoeler, Dalhart, 38-7 3/4; 4. Campolla, Muleshoe, 37-9 1/4.

Pole vault — 1. Bezner, Dalhart, 12-0; 2. Broyles, Muleshoe, 11-6; 3. Wright, Raton, 11-6.

Running events

3200 — 1. E. Hernandez, Dalhart, 10:38.41; 2. J. Valdez, Raton, 12:03.25; 3. A. Padilla, Raton, 12:27.56.

400 relay — 1. Dalhart 44.69, 2. Raton 46.25, 3. Muleshoe 46.66.

800 — 1. Elizarraraz, Muleshoe, 2:20.21; 2. Jiron, Raton, 2:26.50; 3. Wilkins, Raton, 2:36.66.

110 hurdles — 1. Roye, Dalhart, 15:64; 2. Michaels, Raton, 17:47; 3. Schner, Raton, 18:65; 5. Lewis, Muleshoe, 23:24.

100 — 1. Khoeler, Dalhart, 11:44; 2. Naccarato, Raton, 11:88; 3. Swecker, Dalhart, 11:80; 6. Campolla, Muleshoe, 12:21.

400 — 1. Walker, Raton, 51:79; 2. Salazar, Raton, 54:0; 3. Artho, Dalhart, 56:35; 5. Lewis, Muleshoe, 1:01:17; 6. Broyles, 1:01:66.

300 hurdles — 1. Michaels, Raton, 43:28; 2. Swecker, Dalhart, 43:56; 3. Byers, Muleshoe, 44:34; 5. Black, Muleshoe, 59:15.

200 — 1. Roye, Dalhart, 23:81; 2. Vela, Muleshoe, 24:22; 3. Naccarato, Raton, 24:30; 5. Campolla, Muleshoe.

1600 — 1. Hernandez, Dalhart, 4:46:99; 2. Elizarraraz, Muleshoe, 5:23:97; 3. Stevenson, Dalhart, 5:27:60.

1600 relay — 1. Raton 3:46:96, 2. Muleshoe 3:54:16, 3. Dalhart 3:58:0.

JV totals — 1. Dalhart 240, 2. Muleshoe 184, 3. Clayton, N.M. 54; 4. Vega 20.

Muleshoe JV point scorers

3200 — 3. Noriega, 13:14.0. **1600** — 2. Padilla, 5:33.12; 5. Noriega. **800** — 2. Padilla; 5. Purdy. **100** — 4. Reyes. **200** — 5. Nunez, 26.65. **400** — 3. Williams, 1:01.35; 4. Martinez, 1:01.43; 6. Shelburne, 1:06.75. **110 hurdles** — 2. Green, 18.95; 5. Hutto, 19.47. **300 hurdles** — 1. Ramirez, 44.71; 3. Green, 49.62; 4. Woodard, 50.41. **400 relay** — 2. (Nunez, King, Reyes, Ramirez). **1600 relay** — 3. (King, Reyes, Ramirez, Nunez). **Shot** — 1. Lewis, 40-2 1/2; 2. Pyle, 38-10. **Discus** — 1. Pyle; 5. Lewis. **Long jump** — 4. Ramirez, 5. Reyes. **Triple jump** — 2. Woodard, 3. Reyes, 4. Williams. **High jump** — 2. Woodard, 5-4; 4. Ramirez, 5-2. **Pole vault** — 1. King, 10-6; 2. Purdy, 10-6.

GIRLS

Team totals — 1. River Road 170, 2. Dalhart 154, 3. Vega 102, 4. Muleshoe 84, 5. Clayton, N.M. 40, 6. Boys Ranch 32, 7. Raton 22.

Field events

Shot put — 1. Wortman, Raton, 34-6 1/2; 3. Swain, River Road, 33-7 1/2; 3. Lenz, Dalhart 33-4.

Discus — 1. Beezley, River Road, 101-11; 2. Wortman, Raton, 98-6; 3. White, Dalhart, 92-7; 5. Hernandez, Muleshoe, 85-11.

High jump — 1. Schrader, River Road, 4-10; 2. (tie) Larkin, River Road, 4-8, Field, Muleshoe, 4-8; 6. Heathington, Muleshoe, 4-6.

Long jump — 1. Bell, River Road, 14-10; 3. Schrader, River Road, 14-7; 3. Artho, Vega, 13-9; 5. Heathington, Muleshoe, 13-4.

Triple jump — 1. Bell, River Road, 32-3; 2. Schrader, River Road, 31-3; 3. K. Benham, Muleshoe, 30-10 1/2; 4. B. Benham, Muleshoe, 29-23/4; 5. Locker, Muleshoe, 29-1 1/2.

Running events

3200 — 1. E. Gonzales, Dimmitt, 13:36.88; 2. M. Robinson, Vega, 13:48.0; 3. Foster, Boys Ranch, 15:06.50.

400 relay — 1. River Road 52.73, 2. Dalhart 54.59, 3. Clayton 55.50.

800 — 1. Locker, Muleshoe, 2:25.49; 2. Larkin, River Road, 2:36.0; 3. Womblo, Dalhart, 2:36.60.

100 hurdles — 1. Washington, Dalhart, 17.95; 2. Heathington, Muleshoe, 19.13; 3. Schrader, River Road, 19.78.

100 — 1. Bell, River Road, 12.97; 2.

Jobe, Boys Ranch, 13.03; 3. Findley, River Road, 13.35; 5. K. Benham, Muleshoe, 13.27.

800 relay — 1. Dalhart 1:54.28; 2. Clayton 1:59.75; 3. River Road 2:01.04.

400 — 1. B. Benham, Muleshoe, 66.58; 2. Black, Dalhart, 68.19; Larkin, River Road, 68.21; 5. Toscano, Muleshoe, 71.9.

300 hurdles — 1. Barnes, Dalhart, 50.41; 2. Washington, Dalhart, 52.07; 3. Swaim, River Road, 54.22.

200 — 1. Findley, River Road, 27.54; 2. Slatton, Dalhart, 27.88; 3. Jobe, Boys Ranch, 28.28.

1600 — 1. Locker, Muleshoe, 5:46.48; 2. Womblo, Dalhart, 6:03.18; 3. Zamora, Boys Ranch, 6:12.38.

1600 relay — 1. Dalhart 4:21.44, 2. Vega 4:38.38, 3. Clayton 4:48.28.

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Theola married William Daniel Hulcy. Mr. Hulcy passed away on January 5, 1965. He was a farmer. The Hulcy's farmed in Estancia, NM and Amherst, TX.

Mrs. Hulcy was a housewife for most of her married life. However, when her husband expired, she started working outside the home at "everything hard to do." She worked several years at a Dallas dry cleaners. She moved to Earth in 1978.

Mr. and Mrs. Hulcy had two children: William Hershell of Earth, and Virginia Pearl of Wills Point, TX. Theola has six grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren, and four great, great grandchildren.

Mrs. Hulcy enjoys crocheting, knitting and working in her flower garden. She used to quilt, but has given up the hobby due to illness. She is a member of the Church of Christ.

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OBITUARIES

WILMA JEAN FULTON

MORTON — Wilma Jean Fulton, 72, of Morton died Friday, April 3, 1998 at Cochran Memorial Hospital in Morton.

Memorial services were held April 6, 1998 at First Baptist Church, Morton with pastor Danny Jackson and Rev. Gordon Renshaw of First Missionary Baptist Church, Morton officiating.

Burial followed in Morton Memorial cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Fulton was born March 5, 1926 in O'Donnell, Texas. She married Odell Fulton May 8, 1949 in Woodson, Texas. He died May 27, 1980.

Fulton was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Morton. She had lived in Morton since 1950 when she moved from Brownfield.

Survivors include her three sisters, Doris Franks of Morton, Nedra Hodnett of Arthur City, and Lynda Warren of Comanche, Texas.

ESSA HOLLINGSWORTH

SPRINGLAKE — Essa Hollingsworth, 88, of Springlake died Friday, April 3, 1998 at West Gate Nursing Home in Hereford.

Memorial services were held April 5, 1998 at Earth Church of Christ with Rev. Danny Sneed of Lubbock officiating. Burial services were held at Springlake Cemetery under the direction of Parson-Ellis Funeral Home.

Hollingsworth was born June 4, 1909 in Cumby, Texas. She married Arlon Blackie Hollingsworth Nov. 6, 1927 in Olton. He died Jan. 6, 1982.

Hollingsworth had lived in Springlake since 1925, moving from Hopkins County, Texas. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her son, Alton Hollingsworth of Hereford; sister, Betty Simmons of Lubbock; three grandchildren, four great grandchildren.

The family requests that

memorials be made to New Mexico Christian Home, HC 69 Box 48, Portales, NM 88130 or to the Children's Home of Lubbock, 404 Idalou Road, Lubbock, TX 79403.

ALICE V. WILLIAMS,

Alice V. "Shorty" Williams, 85, of Earth died Friday, April 3, 1998 at Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

Memorial services were held April 5, 1998 at the First Baptist Church in Earth with Rev. Bobby Broyles officiating. Burial followed in Earth Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home.

Williams was born Feb. 2, 1913 in Fredrick, Okla. She married John E. Williams July 25, 1933 in Clovis. He died July 1, 1996.

Williams had lived in Earth since 1931, moving from Burkburnett, Texas. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Earth.

Survivors include his daughters, Janell Verner of Muleshoe, Betty A. DuVall of Ropesville, Texas; five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren.

BILL BLACK

PLAINVIEW — Bill Black, 58, of Plainview died Friday, April 3, 1998 at Methodist Hospital in Plainview.

Memorial services were held April 6, 1998 at First United Methodist Church with Rev. R.L. Kirk, associate pastor of St. Stephens United Methodist Church of Amarillo officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Cemetery under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home.

Black was born Sept. 10, 1939 in Clovis. He grew up in Muleshoe where he graduated from Muleshoe High Schools. Black was also a graduate of Texas Tech University.

In 1963 Black went to work for Production Credit Association in Floydada. He transferred to Tulia in 1965 as a manager. In 1972 he transferred to the central office in Plainview. He was appointed President in 1979 and served in that position until his retirement in 1992.

Black was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Plainview. He was also a past member of the Plainview Rodeo Association.

Survivors include his daugh-

ters, Terry Fortenberry of Hereford, Cindy Ashmore of Hale Center; brothers, Lyndal, Ronnie, Gaylon, Dean, Rex and Kim Black, all of Muleshoe, and Ricky Black of Lazbuddie; sisters, Katherine McCain of Odessa, Maxie Rogers of Muleshoe, Shirley Waggoner of Muleshoe, Karon Murray of Lubbock, Rita Morris of Leander; four grandchildren, Amber and Ashley Fortenberry of Hereford, Jordon and Morgan Ashmore of Hale Center.

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Pamela is engaged to marry Patrick Counterman of Muleshoe on April 10, 1998.

Patrick is the son of Clarence and Jean Woodson.

Special guests attending the shower included Mr. and Mrs. Charles Everett, bride's grandparents, Jean Woodson, groom's mother, Lorena Counterman, bride's maid of honor.

Hostesses were Paula Benton, Dianne Brown, Tanya



Pamela Mickey

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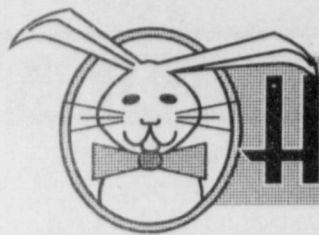
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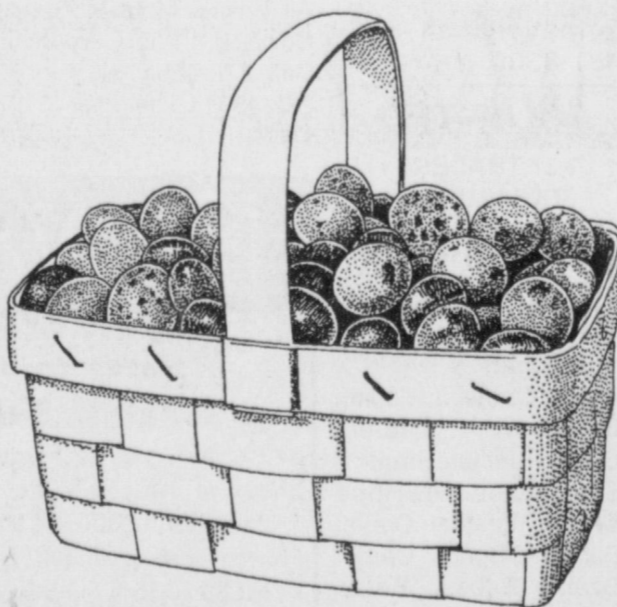
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