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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

Squirrels go nuts for flags

An old mystery involving the disappearance of American flags from Oshkosh, Wis., veterans' graves has been solved.

The culprits? Squirrels, which have been storing the flags in a tree stump at Riverside Cemetery.

"They'll go through the cemetery and they'll get up on the headstones," said Carl Williams, 62, a retired cemetery worker who witnessed some of the recent thefts.

"Those squirrels will get to a higher piece of stone, jump over to another one, grab a flag, tear it off and go up a tree," he said.

Williams said the squirrels use the flags in making their nests.

When low on gas money . . .

Four people have been arrested in Sioux Falls, S.D., after trying to trade marijuana for gasoline, first asking about the number of officers in town, police said.

The four went into a store and asked the clerk if they could make the trade, officers said. The clerk notified police.

When officers arrived, they found a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia in the quartet's vehicle.

The four — from New York, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania — were arrested and held at the Minnehaha County Jail on drug possession and other charges.

When robbers leave a card

A 56-year-old man was arrested after police found his business card and a blank check on the floor of a Florida bank that had been robbed.

The clues led investigators to Alfred Fiser of Plantation, near Fort Lauderdale. The items fell from Fiser's pocket when he pulled out an envelope after the teller told him there was no envelope in which to put cash.

The robber had fled with an undetermined amount of cash. Fiser was arrested in Miami and charged with bank robbery and grand theft.



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On this date in history

July 15 — Chief Bowles of the Cherokees leads 700 to 800 warriors against Texas settlers in the Battle of the Neches; the chief was killed July 16 (1839).

Also, Joseph Edwin Lockridge, the first African-American to represent the Dallas area in the Texas House of Representatives (in 1967-68), is born near Waco (1932). He died in a 1968 plane crash.

LOCAL WEATHER

Some of the hottest, muggiest weather of the summer is forecast for the next few days. The temperature should climb from about 95 on Thursday to 98 Friday and 102 Saturday. After that, it should moderate to about 98 for a few days. Morning lows should be around 68, and most days should bring partly cloudy conditions.

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Coberley sworn in as sheriff

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Chance Coberley was sworn in Monday afternoon as the new Bailey County sheriff.

He succeeds Coy Plott, who resigned last week while under investigation by the Texas Rangers for possible misappropriation of funds.

Coberley has lived in Muleshoe for 14 months, since retiring after 27 years with the Amarillo Police Department. His wife, Cindy, a nurse practitioner, has been with

Muleshoe Area Medical Center for four years.

He was sworn in by County Judge Marilyn Cox.

During a meeting with the commissioners' court before being appointed, Coberley said his experience at Amarillo had been mostly investigative and his weak point would be administration and paperwork. But he added that he has an extensive support network in law enforcement and could call on any number of people for

advice if need be.

He said he also has experience as a patrol supervisor, nine years as a hostage negotiator, six years as a polygraph examiner, four and a half years as an internal affairs investigator, and for six months filled in as SWAT sergeant.

He said he had no one in mind at that point to serve as his chief deputy.

Commissioner Butch
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Journal photo: Beatrice Morn
 County Judge Marilyn Cox swears in Chance Coberley as the new sheriff of Bailey County.

Food-stamp use declines sharply, study indicates

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A new study released this week by the U.S. Department of Agriculture shows that participation in the federal food-stamp program has declined significantly since 1994.

Average monthly participation peaked at 27.5 million people in 1994 and fell to 18.2 million in 1999, according to the study.

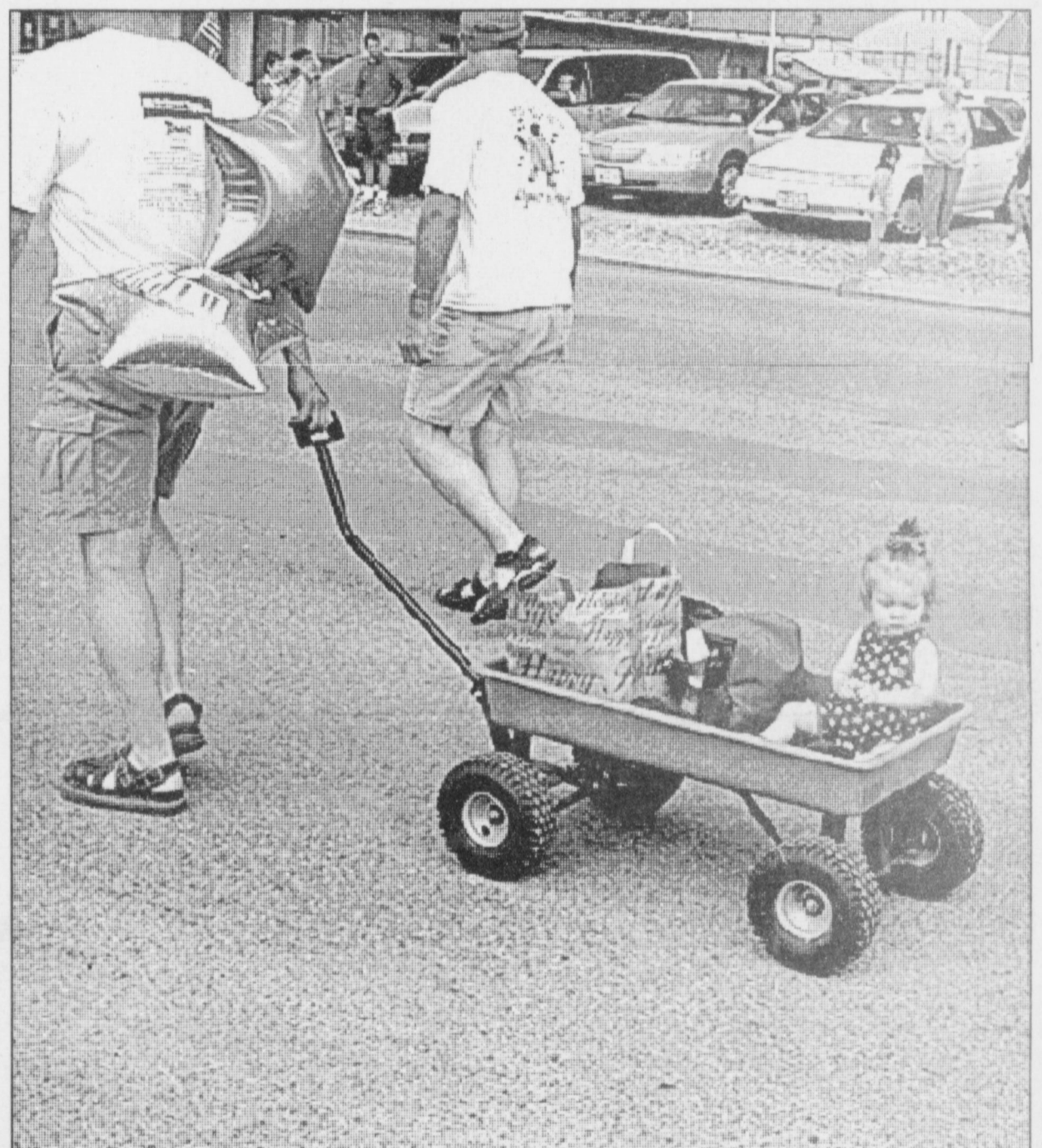
"Despite our strong economy, too many Americans today are still going hungry," Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman said in releasing the study.

"We believe there are people in need who are eligible for food stamps that are not taking advantage of this important nutritional assistance program," he added.

Food stamps are designed to help people with little or no income to buy food. The 1996 welfare reform legislation restricted the eligibility of legal immigrants and able-bodied adults without dependents. It also restructured the cash welfare system in ways that may reduce participation in food stamps.

Beyond the effects of a strong economy and welfare reform, a substantial part of the decline

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Young winners identified in bike decorating contest

J.R. Young of Muleshoe took first place in the Fourth of July bicycle decorating contest sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The contest drew 22 entries, according to an auxiliary spokesperson.

Colton Weaver of Lazbuddie and Briana Long of Muleshoe took second and third, respectively, in the contest.

Helen Jennings of Littlefield was the winner in the auxiliary's 50/50 drawing.

Monday deadline looms for cotton certification

The final certification date for cotton growers across the area to certify their 2000 acreage in order to ensure that they will receive a ballot to vote on this fall's referenda, according to an announcement from Plains Cotton Growers in Lubbock.

"If a grower does not certify in a timely fashion, he can still vote but he will have to make special application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for a ballot," zone chairman Weldon Melton said.

Ballots should be mailed to growers in the Northern High Plains Zone in September, with a final return postmark date of Oct. 2.

In the Southern High Plains Zone, ballots are expected to go out in October, with a final return postmark date of Nov. 11.

Ballots will be mailed to an eligible voter list that will be based on acreage certified, so officials are encouraging farmers to go ahead and certify by the Monday deadline.

Different perspectives

People tend to be of two minds when it comes to riding in parades. Ashley Scott (above), daughter of Lee and Carolyn Scott of Lazbuddie, seems to be less than pleased about something during the July 4 parade in Muleshoe — maybe Dad's pace was too fast or too slow or her seat wasn't soft enough. On the other hand, 4-year-old Katlyn Hicks (at right) has a big time driving her Jeep in the parade. Katlyn also was playing chaperone for her younger sister, 17-month-old Gentry, whose blond head is barely visible beyond Katlyn. They are the children of Tiffany and Scott Hicks, also of Lazbuddie.



Courtesy photo: Nelda Merriott

Officially open

Pat Young, widow of Hugh Young, cuts the ribbon officially opening the Hugh Earl Young Visitor Center, new headquarters of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce, in festivities staged July 1. Holding the ribbon as Mayor Victor Leal (center) watches Young wield the scissors are (from left) the Youngs' son, Tadd; Pam McCaul of the chamber; and Joe Flores.

AROUND MULESHOE

Migrant student program under way

The Muleshoe Independent School District's Project SMART Summer Program is under way at DeShazo Elementary School. Migrant students in pre-kindergarten through the eighth grade are eligible to participate in the program's remaining sessions — July 17-20 and July 24-27.

The program meets from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each of the designated days. Featured are bilingual instruction, activities, snacks and bus transportation (in-town pickup points only). Necessary supplies will be provided.

More information is available by calling 272-7326 or 272-7325.

Emergency farm loans available

The Farm Service Agency will be taking applications until Jan. 24 for emergency loans available to Bailey County farmers who suffered losses caused by severe fire threats due to recent drought conditions.

Joyce M. Thompson, farm loan manager in the agency's Muleshoe office, said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business or \$500,000, whichever is less.

Farmers unable to obtain credit from private lenders will be charged 3.75 percent interest on the loans.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production and be eligible for an FSA emergency loan," Thompson said.

Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance Program will have to figure in their program proceeds in determining their loss.

Thompson said early application is important because delays could create backlogs in processing the applications and possibly run into the new farming season.

Mammograms to be available

Women's breast-cancer screenings will be available July 18 at South Plains Health Providers, 208 W. Second St. in Muleshoe.

The clinic will be conducted by the Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist St. Anthony's Health System.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each will receive a breast-health risk appraisal and individual instruction in breast self-examination.

The same services will be available July 19 at Parmer County Hospital in Friona.

All screenings are done by appointment only. More information and appointments are available by calling (800) 377-4673.

Library sets summer reading program

The Muleshoe Area Public Library's summer reading program for students who have finished kindergarten through the fifth grade will run through Aug. 2.

The theme for this year's program is "Invent the Future! Read!" To go along with that theme, the library has invited several area residents to talk to the children about their jobs.

The deadline for items to appear in *Around Muleshoe* is 5 p.m. Monday for Thursday's editions and 5 p.m. Thursday for Sunday's editions.

4-H Congress to provide experience at legislating

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
AUSTIN — Texas Gov. George Bush's stance on youth issues will get some fresh advice next week when more than 500 teen-agers converge on the state capital to consider laws that impact them.

The Texas 4-H Congress, scheduled for July 16-19, is a simulated legislative experience for 4-H members ages 15 through 18.

It has been held in Austin every other year for almost 20 years.

Teens attending this year's event will submit, debate and vote on bogus legislation about issues that concern the young 4-H members who assume the roles of senators, representatives, lobbyists and journalists.

"Special events, such as debates, make this opportunity enjoyable, educational and memorable for the participants," said Toby Lepley, Texas Agricultural Extension Service 4-H program specialist.

He said the legislation — focusing on issues that impact not only Texas youth but all citizens — is written and assigned to appropriate committees for debates in the House and Senate.

And the participants are serious. Some of the bills have

been discussed by the general population but have been brought forward for the first time by the teens.

Six committees have been created along the lines of education, environment, government/finance and appropriations, highways and transportation, judiciary, and public health and welfare.

Each committee may have 20 bills to consider, among them: class-size reduction, establishment of a Texas Parks Youth Corps, reduced auto insurance for first-year drivers, part-time minimum wages for teen-agers, required counseling for teen-age DWI, placement of metal detectors in all schools, use of videos and games that contain adult content, a requirement to pull over when talking on a cell phone and mandatory bicycle helmets.

If a bill is successfully negotiated by the teen-age committees, it will be delivered to Texas 4-H Gov. Tom Ben Williams of Ozona for either a signature or a veto.

The experience does not stop there: Lepley said bills signed into "law" will be provided to Bush's office for review.

More information is available at the Texas 4-H website, [texas4-h.tamu.edu/texcongress](http://www.ers.usda.gov/texas4-h.tamu.edu/texcongress).

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REFORM

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in food-stamp users is unexplained, according to the study.

The study found that about 35 percent of the caseload decline can be attributed to the strong economy. About 12 percent was associated with program reforms, including those mandated in 1996.

Authors of the study stated

that the effects of welfare reform on food-stamp participation is more mixed and difficult to interpret than the effects of economic conditions.

A copy of the study can be obtained by calling (800) 999-6779. The study also is on the Internet at www.ers.usda.gov/epubs/pdf/fanrr7/.

SHERIFF

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Vandiver asked Coberley, "If you're appointed, would you run in November?" (Plott's term was due to expire at the end of the year, and he was unopposed in the November general election.)

"If I like it," Coberley replied.

Commissioner Joey Kindle asked about Coberley's philosophy on overtime. The prospective sheriff replied that he understands the county's budget position, though if deputies need to work overtime he will authorize it.

"If they get called out in the middle of the night, they need to go," he said.

"Well, that's justifiable," Kindle said, and added that he understands there will be overtime as long as the department is short of deputies. But he also added that he does not think Bailey County needed to furnish investigators for surrounding counties, thus creating a shortage at home, when the department is so small even when fully staffed. Apparently such situations had caused overtime in the past.

Coberley said that with his wife's recent cancer diagnosis, he is using up her sick leave quickly and they had prayed that he would be able to find a job in Muleshoe. The next day, he said, he learned that the sheriff had resigned.

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Himalayan blue poppies might be worth trying

By RONN SMITH
Editor

There are all sorts of blue flowers, right? Well, when you stop and think about it, most of what we call "blue" flowers actually have a lot of lavender or purple in them — and many are the dark blue-violet that is certainly a nice color, but far from true blue.

The fact is, there aren't too many species with flowers that are truly blue.

The ultimate one — and the reason I decided to write this column — is the Himalayan blue poppy (the species most commonly available is *Meconopsis betonicifolia*).

Dan Hinkley of Heronswood Nursery has described these flowers as looking like "a flock of turquoise macaws sweeping into the garden," and that is as good a description as I've heard.

Although they aren't of the same genus as the other poppies we grow, these perennials generally resemble the Oriental poppies that have been popular for generations — the buds and flower shape are easily recognizable as poppy-like.

The petals, though, are an almost unreal blue.

But I may have misinformed readers about growing them in our area, as I may have been misinformed myself.

I had discouraged people from trying to grow them here (even though I hadn't tried it myself) because of the summer heat.

Now it turns out that we might be able to grow these spectacular flowers here most years. If you had tried establishing them



two years ago (when I was advising people not to bother), that record-breaking summer would have taken care of them quickly, I'm sure.

But based on information from the American Horticulture Society's heat-tolerance map and a recent article in *Garden Gate* magazine, it appears that in normal years we could enjoy this majestic plant — though we're at the southern limit of its tolerance.

Our high altitude and generally dry air cause us to cool down considerably at night, and this allows some plants to recover from heat stress so they can thrive here when they wouldn't survive the same daytime heat farther east. Apparently blue poppies fall into this category.

One other thing about blue poppies: They have a reputation for dying after the first year or two for no apparent reason. This can usually be avoided by picking off the first year's buds (I know, I know — painful) to allow the plants to become better established before letting them bloom.

The most common species (and the one most easily grown) should be planted where it will get afternoon shade and given

quite a bit of moisture. The flower stalks should reach about 2 feet high here (the books may say 3 or 4 feet, but they aren't talking about the High Plains), and there is a white-flowered form if you want to include a few of those for contrast with the blue.

Other meconopsis you might encounter:

- *Meconopsis x sheldonii* — A 15-inch hybrid between the above species and the shorter *M. grandis*; culture and flower color similar to the one already described;

- *Meconopsis prattii* — One for drier, sunnier conditions than the other types. It's also more biennial than perennial (flowering after a couple of years and then dying) and it makes a stalk of flowers rather than the single-stemmed typical poppy flowers. The stalk has its advantages, though — the flowers continue for up to three months;

- *Meconopsis integrifolia* — If you see a picture of a meconopsis and the flowers are yellow rather than blue, please

don't write me an ugly letter: You'll probably be looking at this species. It's another shorty (a foot or slightly taller) and could be even trickier for us to grow because it needs "very damp," shady conditions;

- *Meconopsis paniculata* — Another variant species, with flower stalks up to 6 feet high and very unlike a poppy. Flowers can be the typical blue but also can be yellow or pink.

Now that I feel there is some chance of success with these truly spectacular flowers, I would like to hear from anyone who experiments with growing them in our area.

I don't know whether I'll try or not. Neighbor dogs have killed out my 3-year-old lady ferns and 2-year-old nodding ladies' tresses (a wild orchid), so I'm not too keen on putting in a lot of work on some new experiment.

Happy planting!
Questions and suggestions can be sent to Garden Writer, Route 2, Box 880, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

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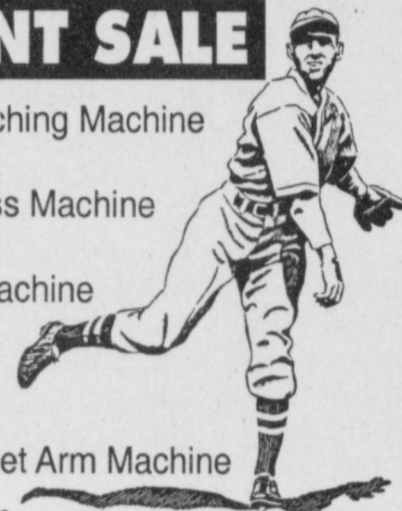
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Angler assistance needed in largemouth bass virus study

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
AUSTIN — State fisheries biologists are hoping to determine this summer the extent to which largemouth bass virus occurs in Texas reservoirs — and bass anglers can help.

The virus was responsible for kills on two popular trophy bass fisheries in Texas last year and was confirmed in three other Texas reservoirs. Similar die-offs in four other southern states also are being attributed to the virus.

Texas Parks and Wildlife is seeking help from local anglers including organized angler groups this summer to help collect bass specimens on 49 lakes covering 13 major river drainages.

Biologists need 60 bass from each study reservoir.

"Previous LMBV studies on Sam Rayburn and Toledo Bend reservoirs have shown that largemouth bass infected with the virus can be collected by angling," said Dave Terre, Parks and Wildlife's regional fisheries director.

"Bass anglers, especially bass clubs, have always asked us how they can help TPW. Helping us collect these bass would be a great way. We prefer that all bass samples be gathered over a short period of time such as one weekend and that the bass represent the various sizes of keeper bass that anglers usually catch. We want to emphasize that it is not necessary to sacrifice large, trophy-size bass for this study," Terre said.

All bass collected will be individually examined, measured, weighed, labeled, bagged and frozen whole as soon as possible.

Researchers also will collect information during the sam-

pling, such as water quality, weather conditions, vegetative cover and any known contaminants present.

The samples will be tested for the virus at the A.E. Wood State Fish Hatchery in San Marcos.

A similar study covering 11 popular bass fisheries in Mississippi found significant levels of the virus in only two reservoirs, less than 10 percent occurrence in two others, and no incidents of the virus in the remaining lakes or among other popular game fish.

"We're launching this study to see if this virus is present anywhere else in Texas," said Phil Durocher, Parks and Wildlife's director of inland fisheries.

"If an angler or club is asked for assistance by one of our local district fisheries staff, I'd urge them to seriously consider helping. Your assistance is vital to successful completion of this study that we hope will solve some of the mysteries of LMBV," Durocher said.

Biologists are uncertain about how long the virus has been in Texas waters, but the pattern of occurrence suggests that unusually hot summer temperatures were a catalyst in the die-offs.

According to lab analysis conducted this past summer, bass samples from lakes Conroe and Toledo Bend tested positive for the virus in addition to those from Lake Fork and Sam Rayburn.

The virus was first isolated in 1995 from Santee-Cooper Reservoir, a popular bass fishery in South Carolina, and has since been confirmed in 14 states.

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20 years of columns spark comments

This month Baxter marks 20 years writing this column. It began in July 1980 in the *Record Stockman* of Denver and was soon picked up by the *Live-stock Weekly* in San Angelo, Texas. It now runs nationwide and in Canada.

Q. So ... I understand as of July 2000, you have been writing this column for 20 years.

A. Do you have proof of this?

Q. Absolutely — they would never exaggerate. Not about Hereford cattle, mohair goats or the price they pay their columnists.

A. OK.

Q. How many papers and magazines carry your column?

A. 130 — from Harlingen to Calgary, from Visalia to Delmarva, Montgomery to Klamath Falls, even Muleshoe.

Q. Is it safe to assume you use a word processor?

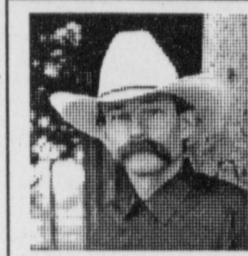
A. Nope, I don't trust 'em, they don't know how to spell Limousin.

Q. Do you make a living writing these columns?

A. Every little bit helps when you're self-unemployed. But mostly I speak at agricultural banquets and sell my books and tapes.

Q. You always seem to have such fresh, clever, topical ideas and express them so well. ... You must have a ghost writer.

A. Thanks. My wife does proof read them. The ideas come from the audiences where



BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

I speak, the mail I get and the people I know. If it wasn't for my traveling I wouldn't get all this inspiration. After all, all those wrecks couldn't happen to one guy.

Q. I've noticed that sometimes you get political. How do your readers like that?

A. I mostly limit my political observations to subjects that affect agriculture. I have learned when expressing political opinions, be it congressional; purebred or special-interest groups, you inevitably step on someone's toes. That's what I do.

Q. Do you get lots of mail from readers?

A. Yes, especially now that everybody with time on their hands has e-mail. We get hundreds a week.

Q. Is it hard to keep writing?

A. No. It is satisfying and flattering to know that people like and enjoy reading your stuff.

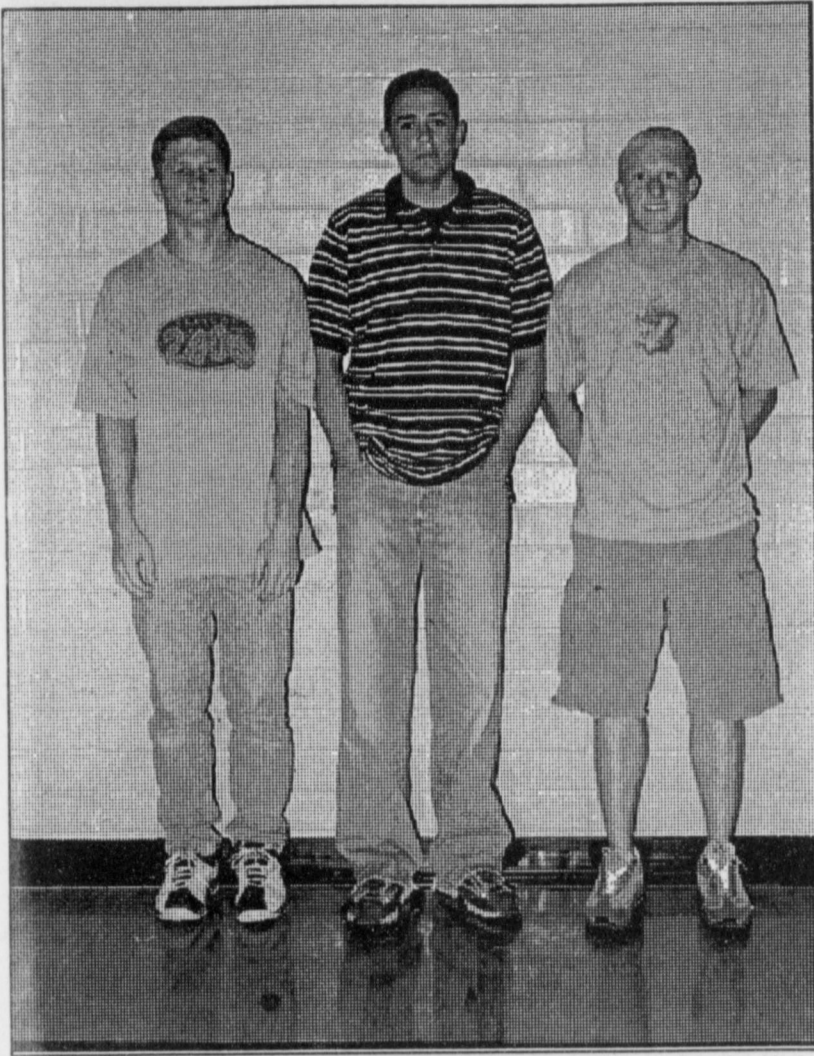
Q. How do you know anybody reads your column?

A. Sometimes I do a test. Like for my 20th anniversary I will send absolutely free one of my latest softcover poetry books to

the first 500 people who write us at P.O. Box 2190, Benson, Ariz. 85602, with the password.

Q. What is the password?

A. The name of this paper.



Journal photo: Beatrice Morin

Boys' basketball stars

Among the standouts on Muleshoe High School's boys' basketball last season were (from left) Mitch Mason (honored for most assists, highest free-throw percentage and top defensive player), Bret Clements (rebounding and top offensive player) and James Barrett (sportsmanship). The three were recognized at the all-sports banquet held at the end of the school year.

BIRTH

HOLT

Mike and Roxanne Holt of Amarillo are the parents of a son, Carson Reves Holt, born at 2:05 p.m. July 2 at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces

and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents include Sue and Ronnie Holt of Muleshoe and Linda and Jerry Reves of Decatur, Texas.

Great-grandmother is Ruth Holt of Idalou.

OBITUARIES

ANDRADE

Services were held Saturday for Angel Andrade, 44, of Sudan, who worked as a farm laborer in the Bula area. The Rev. Joe Augustine was the celebrant. Burial was in Sudan Cemetery.

Ellis Funeral Home of Sudan handled arrangements.

Mr. Andrade was born Oct. 18, 1955, in Villa Ahumada, Chihuahua. He died July 5 at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

He married Estella Montes on Dec. 8, 1982, in Muleshoe. They had lived in Sudan since 1997, when they moved there from Wildorado, Texas.

He is survived by his wife; a son, Joel, at home; a daughter, Ruby, also at home; two sisters, Lucia Carlos of Roswell, N.M., and Manuela Menchaca of Porvenir, Chihuahua; and a brother, Librado Andrade of Friona.

KING

Services were held Tuesday at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Morton for Larry D. King, 39, of Morton. Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. King was born May 3, 1961, in Morton. He died July 6 in Lubbock.

He had lived in Morton since 1977, when he moved back there from Lubbock. He had worked as a mechanic for a compress company.

He is survived by his wife, Ruthie; two stepchildren, Jonathan Sanchez and Christopher Quezada, both of Morton; two sisters, Linda Hawthorne and Penny Hopkins, both of Lubbock; and five brothers, James Fitts and Dan Curtis Fitts, both of Morton, Joe Fitts of Abilene, Willie Hopkins of Beaumont and Joseph Hopkins of Denver.

McCLANAHAN

Services were held Thursday

at the First Christian Church of Plainview for Wayne McClanahan, 69, of Plainview. The Rev. Dean McNamara officiated. Burial was in Plainview Memorial Park.

Lemmons Funeral Home of Plainview handled arrangements.

Mr. McNamara was born Jan. 8, 1931, in Bangs, Texas. He died July 11 at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

He grew up in Bangs and graduated from Bangs High

School. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

He married Rosalie Criswell on Feb. 19, 1955, in Portales. After their marriage, they moved to Plainview, where he managed the White's Auto Store for 30 years.

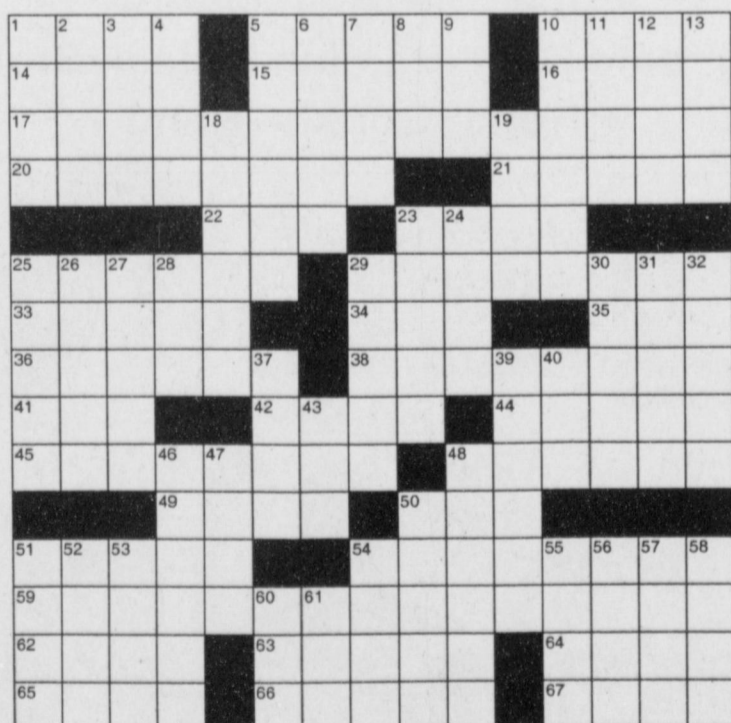
He was a member of the First Christian Church of Plainview and served as a deacon.

He is survived by his wife; a daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Mark Allen of Muleshoe;

two sons and a daughter-in-law, Randal McClanahan of Plainview and Dr. Mark and Robin McClanahan of Lubbock; a brother, Albert Roy McClanahan of Bowie, Texas; three sisters, Judy Swagerty of Brownwood, Laverne Robinson of Arlington and Lois Connally of Plainview; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society or a favorite charity.

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Clues ACROSS

1. Statute law
5. Rub off
10. Female parent
14. Razor or jackknife
15. Sea wreckage
16. Asian nation
17. Weather report
20. Needles
21. Matters
22. ___ student, learns healing
23. ___ Alto, California city
25. Performs a dance
29. System
33. Bitter chemical
34. Bank feature
35. A Dalton (physics)
36. Limits
38. Cyclic
41. Mineral
42. Region
44. Attack (obsolete)
45. Curriculum

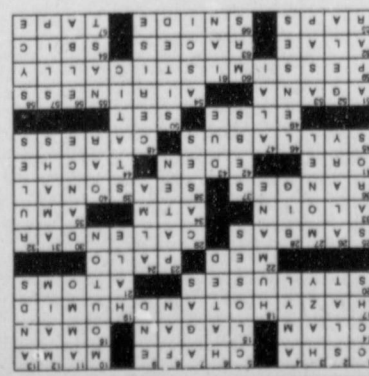
48. Feeling
49. Otherwise
50. Plump for
51. Capital of Guam
54. Weightlessness
59. In a gloomy manner
62. Wings
63. Contests
64. Invests in little enterprises
65. Pats
66. Nasty manner
67. Measuring instrument

Clues DOWN

1. Adolph Simon ____, New York Times
2. Strip
3. Cloudy
4. From pentane (chemistry)
5. Endings
6. Disliked
7. Turkish leader title
8. Sift
9. Mental object

10. Sheepskin
11. Weapons system
12. Injure
13. & &
18. Kind
19. Robust
23. Plate for Eucharist
24. ___ mater, one's school
25. Gulf of ____, in the Aegean
26. Wing-shaped
27. An alloy of nickel and copper
28. Braggart
29. Puzzles
30. Move
31. Domestic helpers
32. Measuring rods
37. Compass point one point south of southeast
39. Motionless
40. Paddle
43. Fixed charge
46. Optical devices
47. Jai ____, sport
48. Purplish red
50. Exhibited
51. South American armadillo
52. Sicilian city
53. As fast as can be done, abbr.
54. Anagram of iacs
55. Thomas ____, American cartoonist
56. Italian island
57. Berth
58. Indian groom
60. Wife
61. 007's creator

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THE LOST GODS OF EASTER ISLAND

In *The Lost Gods of Easter Island*, Sir David Attenborough changes his role from wildlife explorer and observer to historical detective on the trail of an extraordinary artifact.

When Attenborough saw a remarkable wood carving at auction 15 years ago, the object had such presence and power that he bought it. He knew that the "grotesque head, attached to a body grossly elongated and as thin as a stick," was more important than the auctioneers believed it was. When the auctioneers told him only that the sculpture had come from a junk-shop dealer in Pennsylvania, questions began to haunt him: What is it? What does it represent? Who made it, where, and when?

Trying to find the answers led him into an investigation that would span the globe, from Russia to Australia, from England back to the Pacific and to Easter Island. "It was there in 1774 that Captain Cook's ship set anchor," says Attenborough. "On meeting the islanders, Cook and his men were presented with various gifts — one of which may have been the wooden figure." *The Lost Gods of Easter Island* traces the origin of the carving, and in so doing tells the story of a forgotten civilization and a people who inhabited one of the most remote places on Earth.

The Lost Gods of Easter Island with David Attenborough airs Tuesday, July 18th at 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 22nd at 11:00 p.m.

BUENA VISTA SOCIAL CLUB

Buena Vista Social Club, the Academy Award-nominated documentary, blends the sultry allure of traditional Cuban music with impressionistic glimpses of contemporary Havana. The two-hour PBS *Showcase Special* is an outgrowth of guitarist Ry Cooder's Grammy-winning CD that spotlights several of Cuba's legendary performers.

Buena Vista Social Club is an engaging portrait of talented Cuban musicians — many in their 80s and 90s — nearly forgotten in their own country. Cooder assembled the group during a 1995 trip to Havana on a quest to record an album of the country's traditional music, including Cuban boleros and *sones*, dating as far back as the 1920s. He named the album, which has sold more than a million copies worldwide and won the 1998 Grammy for Best Tropical Latin Album, *Buena Vista Social Club* after a popular gathering-place for musicians in pre-Castro Cuba.

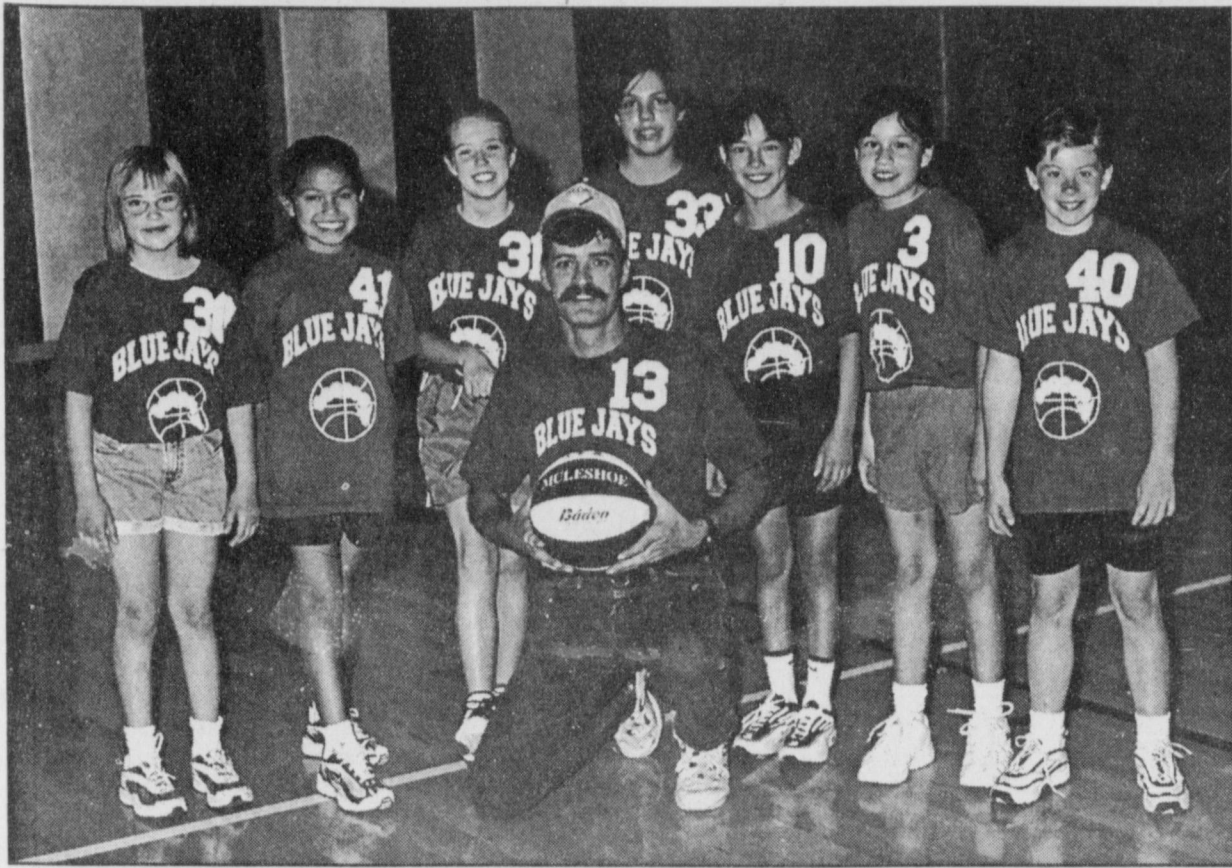
Buena Vista Social Club will be broadcast Wednesday, July 19th at 8:00 p.m.

THE DESERT SPEAKS

This Emmy award-winning nature/science series showcases the plants, animals, geology, geography, people, and cultures of the Sonoran Desert region. Individual episodes focus on mesquite, "the tree of life;" the roadrunner and the coyote; rocks; insects and spiders; Saguaro, king of the cactus; and more.

The Desert Speaks will air Sundays, 7:30 a.m. (begin's 22nd).

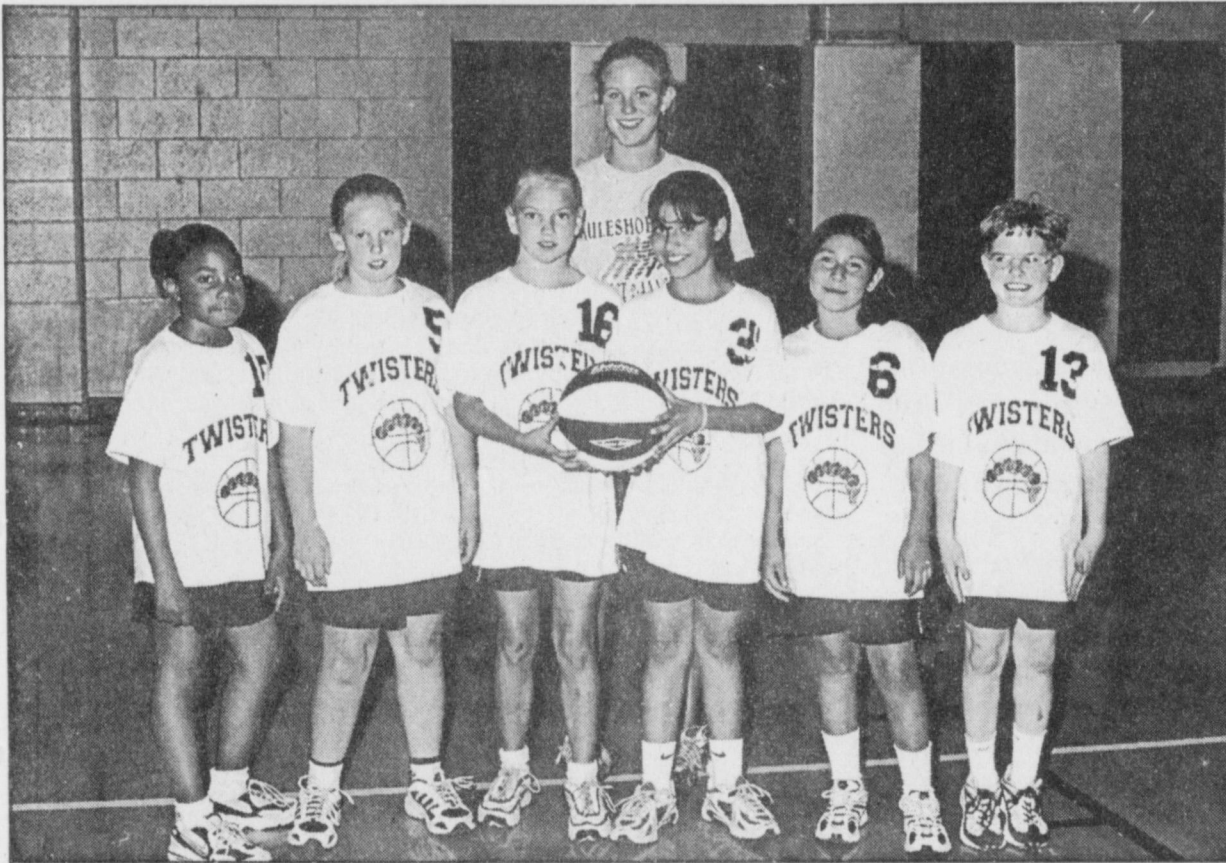
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Blue Jay team members

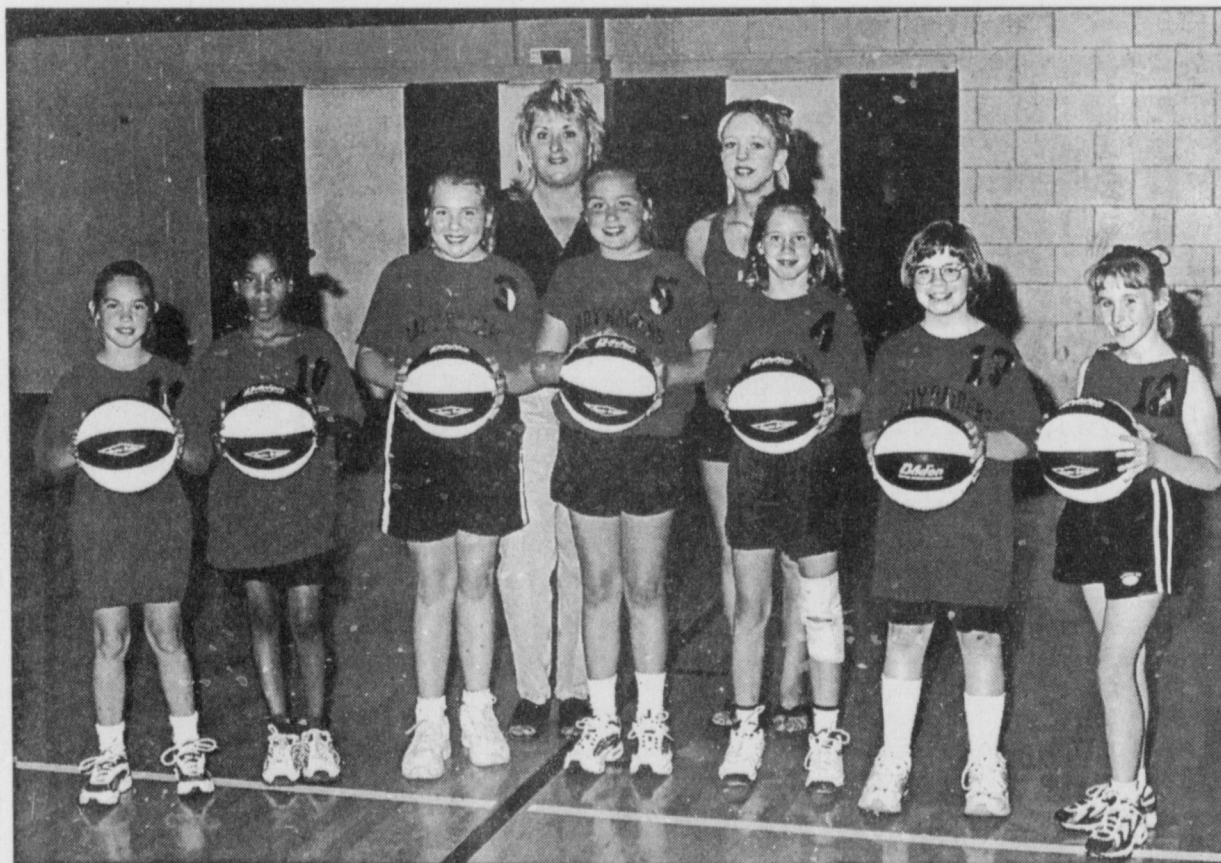
Members of the Blue Jays youth basketball team are (from left) Jamie Whalin, Gizel Vásquez, Ashley Scolley, Chloe Hernández, Dez'Rae Contreras, Leticia Castorena and Jaci Anstead; kneeling in front is coach Tony Scolley.



Courtesy photo: Lonnie Adrian

Twisters team members

Members of the Twisters youth basketball team are (from left) Mariah Hall, Heather Barker, Caitlin Wills, Monica Sánchez, Whitney Villalobos and Morgan Smith. Standing behind is assistant coach Myndi Heathington; not pictured is coach Gina Smith.



Courtesy photo: Lonnie Adrian

Lady Raiders team members

Members of the Lady Raiders youth basketball team are (from left) Taylor Bell, Ashley Lewis, Courtney Mardis, Janae Pyle, Kelsey Tipps, Mica Pugh and Holly Hunt. Standing behind are coach Tracey Pearson and assistant coach Rebecca Robertson.

Singing cowboy appears in Amarillo this month

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Singing cowboy Michael Martin Murphey is performing at the Big Texan's Cowboy Palace in Amarillo on Friday evenings during July.

Seating and meal service begins at 7:30 p.m. and Murphey's performances begin at 8:30 p.m.

Murphey performed at the Palace last summer to help premier the 450-seat facility.

Although a native of Texas, he now lives in northern New Mexico. He will perform his biggest hit, "Wildfire," and tributes to cowboys past and present.

His performances at the Palace

will be preceded by a buffet-style meal featuring 12-ounce grilled steaks, baked potato, salad bar, dessert and a beverage. The cost for the meal and show combined is \$30 per ticket. One child will be admitted free to the performance with a paying adult.

Ten percent of food sales for the July 14 and 28 shows will go to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch.

Advance tickets are required. The Big Texan ticket office is open from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays and 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturdays and can be reached by calling (806) 372-5000, 6000 or 7000.

Health Department offers pointers

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

With the forecast predicting some of the hottest weather of the year in the Muleshoe area, the weeks ahead can pose serious health problems.

The Texas Department of Health's Bureau of Vital Statistics recorded 98 heat-related deaths in 1998, the most recent year for which a total is available.

Most often, the elderly, the very young, people with other illnesses or those without access to air conditioning are the victims of intense, prolonged heat.

The body normally cools itself by sweating, but the combination of high temperatures and high humidity can cause this natural cooling system to work overtime.

Dehydration and heat illness can result if a person does not replace fluids and salts lost during perspiration. When humidity is high, sweat does not evaporate efficiently, preventing the body from releasing heat quickly. This heating to dangerous levels may result in a heat illness.

Symptoms of a heat illness include heavy sweating, muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness, nausea, weak but rapid pulse and headaches. People with these symptoms should find shade and ventilation and drink water.

If fluids are not replaced quickly, heat stroke can follow, causing extremely high body temperature, red and dry skin, rapid pulse, confusion, brain damage, unconsciousness and even death.

For severe symptoms, get the victim into shade, call for emergency medical services and start cooling the person immediately with cool water or by fanning.

Staying in an air-conditioned area, either at home or in a public place such as a mall, library or recreation center, is the most efficient way to combat heat.

If air conditioning is not available, pull the shades over the windows and use cross-ventilation and fans or aim them through a window to blow the hot air out. A cool shower or bath also is an effective way to cool off. Limit cooking to keep temperatures lower in the home.

Children especially can quickly become dehydrated. They need to drink fluids, especially water, and wear light loose clothes.

Avoid drinks that are heavily sweetened or contain caffeine. Check on children often, especially if they are playing outside in high temperatures.

Other heat precautions include:

- Never leave anyone in a closed, parked vehicle during hot weather;

- Drink plenty of fluids but avoid drinks with alcohol, caffeine or a lot of sugar. Start drinking fluids before going out into the heat;

- Plan strenuous outdoor activ-

ity for early morning or in the evening when the temperature goes down;

- Take frequent breaks when working outside;

- Wear sun block, hats and light, loose-fitting clothes;

- Stay indoors and in air conditioning as much as possible;

- Eat more frequently but be sure meals are well balanced and light; and

- Avoid dressing infants in heavy clothing or wrapping them in warm blankets.

More information is available by contacting Emily Palmer at (512) 458-7400.

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Higginbotham-Angeley

Dink Higginbotham of Lubbock announces the approaching marriage of her daughter, Kimberly Suzanne, to Brandon Gage Angeley, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. "Tub" Angeley of Muleshoe. The bride-elect is also the daughter of the late Wendall C. Higginbotham. The wedding is scheduled for Aug. 26 at the First Christian Church of Lubbock. The bride-elect is employed by the 82nd Street Barber Shop, and the prospective bridegroom is employed by DCS Cable.

Texan develops second orchid for commercial greenhouses

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
WESLACO, Texas — Recording artists often say the toughest part of having a No. 1 hit song is coming up with a second one.

Dr. Yin-Tung Wang isn't a musician, but his moth orchid research produced a top hit among nursery growers and retailers nationwide, and now he thinks he has a good follow-up.

The horticulturalist at the Texas A&M Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Weslaco recently planted 1,000 dendrobium orchids for research purposes and is convinced these showy plants will be another excellent cash crop for Texas and especially Lower Rio Grande Valley nurseries.

Wang's research on the proper growing techniques for these plants should be completed by Christmas, at which time nurseries can begin growing and selling their own.

"At a time when the amount of agricultural irrigation water is becoming critical, this plant is very tolerant of our dry conditions and needs to be watered only once a week," Wang said.

"There's no reason growers

here can't produce this plant alongside the moth orchid to generate even more sales," he added.

Dendrobium orchids are already very popular among consumers across the country, ranking second in sales behind the moth orchid — a native of Taiwan that Wang turned into a household name in this country by developing nursery growing techniques for Rio Grande Valley producers.

About a million moth orchids are shipped annually from commercial nurseries in the Harlingen area, creating jobs and generating income for the local economy.

How much can growers and retailers expect to receive for their efforts?

Wang said each square foot of bench space at a nursery accommodates eight plants that can generate \$60 at the wholesale level and between \$120 and \$160 at the retail level.

He said those are not bad returns for the minimum use of space, time, water and effort.

One thing contributing to the popularity of both moth and dendrobium orchids is the fact that the flowers last two to three months.

Texas falls short in federal research money

Texas is the second most populous state in the Union, yet Texas universities rank sixth in the amount of federal research funding they receive. This is not acceptable, as far as I'm concerned, and one of my most important goals is to change that.

I want to make Texas the country's premier technology center and expand the medical research that is conducted at our great colleges and universities, which already do world-class, Nobel-Prize-winning work.

I recently convened a Higher Education Summit in Washington to promote the growth of our technology, health and agriculture sectors, and we agreed to work toward getting Texas onto the list of top three recipients of federal research funding by the year 2005.

There's no reason we can't achieve such a goal, and I have a plan to do it. I have asked our top-tier universities to identify and develop their areas of excellence. Then, when a federal research project is launched,

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KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

there will be a Texas school with a reputation for excellence in that area of inquiry.

We have all kinds of good examples of how this should work. Texas Tech is building its own niches of excellence in specialized areas of agriculture, health care and weather prediction. Thanks to technology and research at Texas Tech, your weather report on the local evening news tonight, in this first year of the new century, will present more scientific knowledge than the sum total of what the experts knew about climatology in 1900.

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expertise in agriculture research and maintains the nation's premier center for training emergency response personnel.

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at Dallas leads research efforts into Gulf War Illness, and the University of Houston has a top-flight physics department.

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Aries - March 21/April 20
While your main focus is yourself this week, don't ignore the needs of a loved one. He or she is in a difficult situation, and you can help — if you want to. Don't let this person down. That special someone takes you out for a night on the town late in the week. Enjoy yourself!

Taurus - April 21/May 21
Don't let your pride get in the way when you realize that you make a mistake this week, Taurus. Instead of arguing how you didn't create the problem, just accept responsibility, and try to resolve the situation. Those involved will be impressed with your efforts. Leo plays an important role on Wednesday.

Gemini - May 22/June 21
You have a specific goal that you want to reach this week, Gemini. Don't let those around you try to stop you from achieving it. They don't know what is important to you, and they certainly can't keep you from working diligently. So, stay focused, and you're sure to make great strides. Another Gemini is involved.

Cancer - June 22/July 22
Your good mood of the last few days dwindles early in the week when a close friend tells you some bad news. Don't get too upset. The situation isn't as bad as it initially seems. You can overcome these minor obstacles if you work hard. So, get moving. Turn to that special someone for motivation if you need it.

Leo - July 23/August 23
Don't let your arrogance get the best of you when you meet with a business associate, Leo. This person knows how diligently you work. However, he or she also knows that you don't do it alone. Give credit to those who deserve it, and you'll make a lot of progress yourself.

Virgo - Aug 24/Sept 22
A loved one gets you thinking about an old flame. While you wonder what this person is doing now, don't try to contact him or her. There is a reason why you two are no longer a couple. Don't forget about that. Instead, focus your attention on those close to you. They always will be there for you.

Libra - Sept 23/Oct 23
An acquaintance tries to pull the wool over your eyes early in the week, Libra. Try not to let that happen, because it will make you look foolish. Don't believe everything this person tells you. If you think about it, you'll realize that it can't be as easy as he or she says.

Scorpio - Oct 24/Nov 22
Stand your ground when that special someone makes outrageous demands on you this week, Scorpio. This person isn't seeing the entire picture. Try to make him or her understand the whole scenario. Then, he or she won't be so domineering. It will take a good bit of effort, but you certainly are up to the challenge.

Sagittarius - Nov 23/Dec 21
When it comes to confronting a close friend about a personal matter, don't be nervous. You have to get to the bottom of the situation, and the only way to do that is to talk with him or her. This person is willing to tell you everything — all you have to do is ask. Capricorn plays a key role.

Capricorn - Dec 22/Jan 20
While you want to make progress in your professional life, don't get so ambitious that you alienate your co-workers. You know that they help you when you need it. So, don't forget about them now. Work with them, not against them, to get ahead. Gemini plays an important role.

Aquarius - Jan 21/Feb 18
Don't bite off more than you can chew this week. There is a lot to be done, and you can't do it all yourself. The sooner you realize this, the happier you'll be. Being too ambitious only will create a lot of problems for you. Turn to loved ones for advice if you need it. They have your best interest at heart.

Pisces - Feb 19/March 20
While you would like to help a loved one in trouble, don't. Getting involved in this mess only will create a lot of problems for you, and you don't need that right now. You're already trying to juggle too many things. This person will understand.

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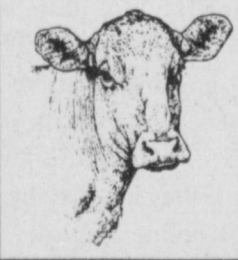
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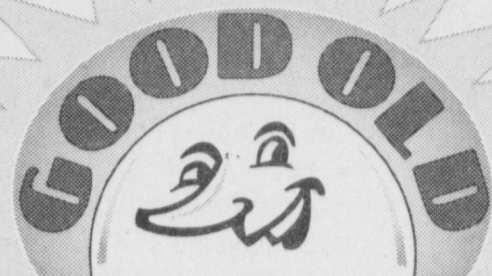


The Muleshoe Cattle Market is brought to you each week by Muleshoe Livestock Auction, located east of Muleshoe on U.S. 84. Muleshoe Livestock conducts sales every Saturday, beginning with hogs, sheep and goats at 10 a.m. and cattle following at approximately 12 noon.

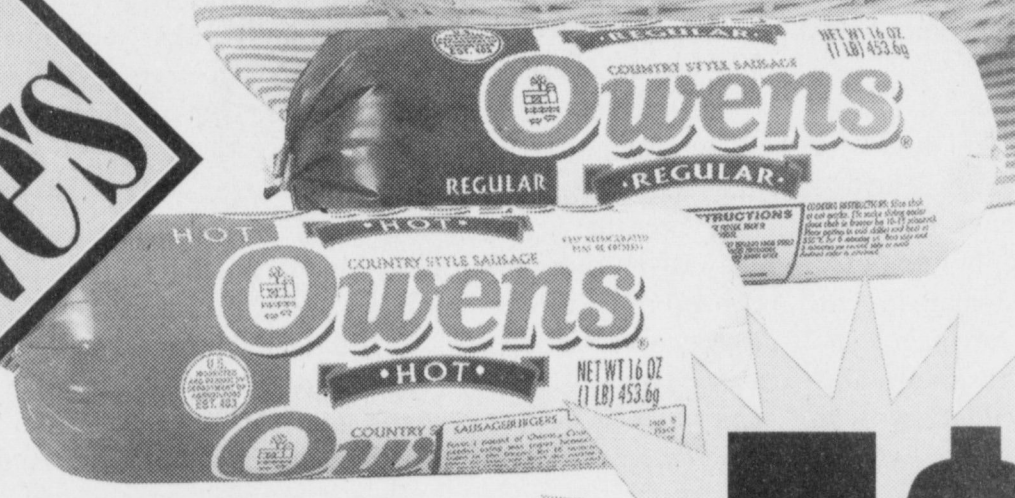
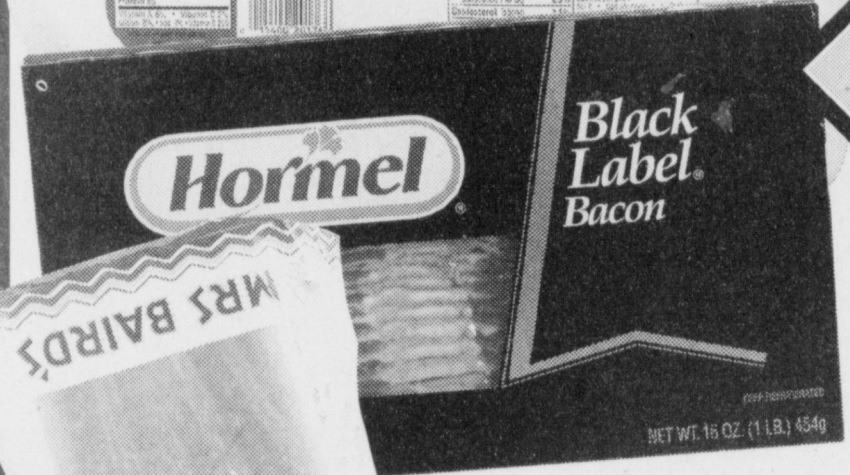
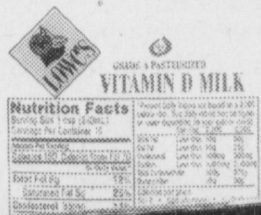
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Kelly Harrison, Muleshoe	23 Mxd. Hfrs	605 lbs.	at \$85.50
Kelly Harrison, Muleshoe	18 Mxd. Hfrs	698 lbs.	at \$83.25
Demp Foster, Lazbuddie	4 BWF Pairs	\$1025.00
Demp Foster, Lazbuddie	4 Red Pairs	\$1000.00
Demp Foster, Lazbuddie	5 Red Pairs	\$880.00
W.H. Cotton Farms, Anton	6 Mxd. Pairs	\$780.00
Jose Salas, Bula	Red Pair	\$780.00
John Hill, Abernathy	Brang. Cow P7	\$700.00
Demp Foster, Lazbuddie	2 Brin. WF Cows P8	\$660.00
Demp Foster, Lazbuddie	Red Cow P8	\$640.00
Alkali Cattle, Portales, NM	Blk. Cow	1025 lbs.	at \$46.50
Ledford Enloe, Amherst	YWF Cow	1255 lbs.	at \$46.00
Wendell Reagan, House, NM	RMF Cow	995 lbs.	at \$50.00
Raymond Mendoza, Muleshoe	RMF Cow	1110 lbs.	at \$49.00
Schaap Dairy, Portales, NM	Hol. Cow	1920 lbs.	at \$45.50
D&J Dairy, Rogers, NM	Hol. Cow	1355 lbs.	at \$46.00
Boehning Dairy, Earth	Hol. Cow	1765 lbs.	at \$45.00
Mike Watts, Anton	Blk. Bull	1275 lbs.	at \$59.00
Alan Belcher, Pep, NM	Brin. Bull	1260 lbs.	at \$55.75

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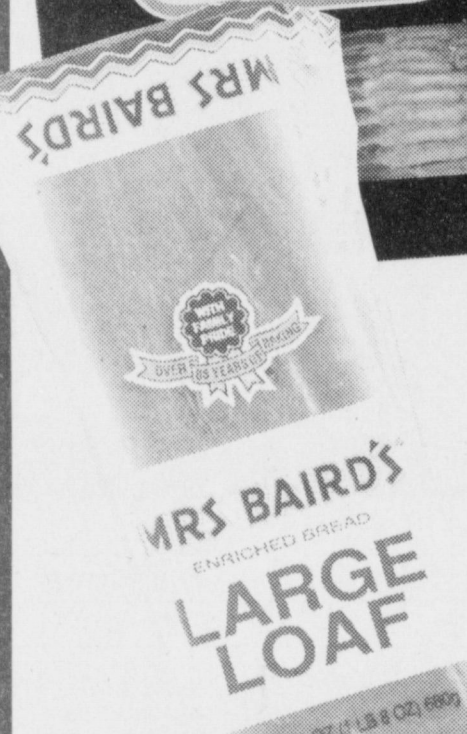
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