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Large crowd expected at MAHD meeting

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Thursday's regular meeting of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District is expected to be well attended as members of the community watch to see what happens regarding the first item on the posted agenda, a petition for the removal of a board member.

While state statutes provide for the removal of an elected official through an impeachment process, a little known and apparently never-before-used clause in the hospital district's by-laws — allows for two members to file a petition for the removal of a third member.

In this case, according to hospital sources, the removal petition is directed at board member, and former board president, Bill Liles who was escorted from the office of chief executive officer and hospital administrator by Muleshoe police officers on June 8.

Section seven of the

hospital district's by-laws read as follows:

Any director or officer may be removed from office in the following manner: Any board member may bring charges against any director or officer by filing in writing with the secretary of the District, together with a petition signed by any two members of the board requesting removal of the director or officer in question.

Such removal shall be voted on at the next regular or special meeting of the board and shall be effective if approved by a vote of the majority of the board members present at such meeting.

The director or officer against whom such charges have been filed shall be informed in writing of such charges five (5) days prior to the meeting and shall have the opportunity at such meeting to be heard in person or by counsel and to present witnesses and the person or persons bringing the charges against him shall have the same opportunity.

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Ready, set... ride

The 17th annual Tour de Muleshoe brought cyclists many surrounding cities and states, with numbers estimated as being close to last year's record-breaking ride.

Photographs by Larry Thornton



Wildfire dangers continue

Texas Forest Service, local officials urge caution

Since November 2010, almost 2,000 homes and buildings in Texas have been destroyed by wildfires, according to the Texas Forest Service, that includes 26 homes in Grimes County that were lost on Sunday, June 19.

With the continuing drought across West Texas and especially in the area surrounding Bailey County, local officials are doing what they can to limit the potential for wildfires

here also.

As was noted in last week's issue of the Journal, Bailey County is currently under a disaster declaration signed by Governor Rick Perry which forbids the sell, purchase, possession and use of all fireworks, and increasing the potential fines and jail time for violators to \$1,000 and six months in jail.

Because of the governor's declaration, which places Bailey County and Muleshoe under the state's emergency management plan, the city's annual firework's display has been canceled.

"Anyone caught violating the burn ban or the disaster declaration will be punished to the full extent of the law," Bailey County Attorney Jackie Claborn II said last week.

He noted there would be no warnings issued.

Also, because of fire-related incidents that have apparently occurred in the eastern portions of the state, area property owners should be aware that firefighters are authorized to enter private property by Texas statute § 88.104, which states:

Authority is hereby granted to every employee of the Texas Forest Service

and any outside labor or assistance the employee deems necessary to enter upon any privately-owned land in the performance of fire suppression duties which are by state law under the direction of the director.

These entries on privately-owned land may be made whenever it is necessary to investigate forest and grass fires and to ascertain whether they are burning uncontrolled, and whenever it is necessary to suppress forest and grass fires that are known to be burning uncontrolled.

Individuals who have already purchased fireworks are urged to store them until wet weather, or turn the fireworks over to the Muleshoe Fire Department for destruction.



Sales Tax Results			
City	Net Payment	Same period Prior year	Percent Change
Muleshoe	\$36,725.40	36,746.47	-0.05%
Dimmitt	\$27,866.70	23,618.15	17.98%
Morton	\$10,213.09	9,561.23	6.81%
Littlefield	\$84,921.39	54,520.94	55.75%
Olton	\$ 7,493.97	7,580.90	-1.14%
Sudan	\$ 4,200.39	3,667.29	14.53%
Earth	\$ 4,635.49	2,722.51	70.26%
Farwell	\$ 7,167.97	7,008.72	2.27%
Bovina	\$ 6,356.99	6,012.47	5.73%
Friena	\$28,982.56	24,316.71	19.18%

Local sales tax allocations take a drop

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Earth took the trophy in the monthly sales tax allocation according to figures received from the Texas State Comptroller's office with a 70.26 percent increase.

Although it's total increase was \$1,912.98 over the amount collected during the same period in 2010, the percentage of increase was significantly larger than Littlefield's 55.75 percent, an actual increase of \$30,400.45.

Friena captured third place with a 19.18 percent increase from last year's numbers.

At the bottom of the list, this month, was Olton with a 1.14 percent

drop in sales tax revenue collected representing a decrease of \$86.93.

The City of Muleshoe almost broke even this month, with a drop of only .05 percent or \$21.07.

In the year-to-date figures, Muleshoe, with \$271,176.39, an increase of 3.22 percent, remains in second place behind Littlefield in the actual dollars received.

Littlefield's YTD total is \$430,431.12, an increase of 8.23 percent.

Earth is also on top, at 23.34 percent, in the percentage of increase in its YTD numbers.

This month's disbursement represents the sales tax collected

by merchants in April and reported to the state comptroller's office in May.

Earlier this month, Texas Comptroller Susan Combs reported that the state sales tax revenue in May was \$1.95 billion, up 9.9 percent compared to May 2010.

"Spending in sectors such as the oil and gas industry and manufacturing helped increase state sales tax revenue," said Combs. "Retail spending also grew. Texas has now had 14 straight months of sales tax revenue increases."

The comptroller's office sent cities, counties,

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Journal places in TPA contest

The Muleshoe Journal brought home two awards from the recent Texas Press Association's 2011 Better Newspaper Contest.

The editorials of managing editor Larry Thornton took second place in division nine of the

state-wide competition, with the judges touting the "clear and concise" writing, as well as his "conversational writing style."

The Journal also captured a third place award for its headlines.

"Cake ace tries cooking with gunpowder: Wish I could have met Duff!

Clever play on baking powder. Mules unable to break down Wall: Provides good mental image of physical challenge while expressing results of the game. Should students be on grass?: clever double meaning. Draws readers in," the judges said.



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Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

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Municipal blood drive

A blood drive with United Blood Services is set for Monday, June 27, from 10 a.m. until 3:45 p.m., at Muleshoe City Hall. Call 1800-333-6920 to schedule an appointment or log onto to www.bloodhero.com.

Upcoming chamber events

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture invites you to put on your boots and jeans and come celebrate Muleshoe's western heritage. among the events are:

- Annual chamber banquet on Friday, July 1, at 6:30 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum. Meal, music, awards, a silent auction and a dance make up this year's event.

- Chamber parade, also with a "western heritage" theme, on Saturday, July 2. The line up begins at 9 a.m. on the south end of Main Street, with the parade to begin at 10 a.m.

Vendors may set up before the parade on Main street and then move to the Dusty Rhodes arena for the rest of the day's events.

- "Outlaw Brisket Cookoff" to benefit the Bailey County Food Pantry. So get your brisket ready to cook, there is no entry fee. It will be a outlaw cook-off so you can cook it at home or at the arena. Participants will be allowed to set up covered cookers at the arena in the morning at the arena, or the brisket may be cooked at home and brought for the taste testing. The taste testing will begin at 5 p.m.

- Mule Days Ranch Rodeo will begin at 4 p.m. at the Dusty Rhodes Arena and the admission is free. The events for the ranch rodeo include trailer loading, doctoring, sorting, branding, wild cow milking, and bronc riding. There will be three mule events offered for those who bring mules.

For more information call the chamber office at 272-4248.

No issue or cause deserves the place of God in our lives

Tell me, if you please, does the name Wayne B. Wheeler ring any bells for you? It didn't for me, either, until I read Daniel Okrent's fascinating book *Last Call: The Rise and Fall of Prohibition*.

Wayne Wheeler died in 1927, less than a paltry 100 years ago. At that time, the editors of the Washington Post wrote: "No other private citizen of the United States has left such an impress upon national history."

Wheeler was the leading figure in the Anti-Saloon League (the ASL) and was the single most influential person behind the passage and 14-year reign of the 18th Amendment: Prohibition.

During most of that time he wielded such power that he could walk into almost any office in our nation's capitol — of congressman, senator, or, yes, president — and command an audience.

One of the surest ways for an elected official to lose his office was to adopt a position Wheeler and the ASL did not approve. Hence the verdict of the Washington Post. And yet...

Following Wheeler's death, the ASL began to fall on hard times, and, for a number of reasons, Prohibition itself was repealed. In his book, Okrent reports that from 1935 to 1975, Wheeler's name appears in the Post only 12 times, four of those in the obituaries



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

of others who had fought for the amendment and three times in reviews of books on Prohibition.

After 1975, Wheeler's name disappeared from that paper. As Prohibition was bounced out, so was even the memory of Wayne Wheeler. Even American history texts telling the story of Prohibition "leave out the name of its author."

In the eight decades since Wheeler's death, Okrent writes that his "legacy" has been present in the tactics of almost every single-issue political movement that has arisen in our nation, but almost no one remembers his name.

The nation still has the hangover from Prohibition, including among much else, the national income tax, organized crime, and, on a less pernicious note, NASCAR. But the name of Prohibition's "author" has almost completely vanished. I find that remarkable, and cautionary, on a number of levels.

Fame really is fleeting. If you have a choice, far better to be famous with your family and a few true friends than with the masses.

Power not only corrupts, it blinds. I don't know that Wheeler was corrupt, though his cause led to a national orgy of hypocrisy and corruption, but his life

was, it seems to me, a very sad one. Zealots are by definition given to "unbalanced" lives. They are good people to avoid and almost always do less lasting good than "ordinary" people whose influence for genuine good is less loud but far more real.

No matter how important our "cause," it's a tragic mistake to

forget to go home and have a life.

No issue — no matter how worthy or unworthy — deserves the place of God in our lives, but most issues will clamor for it.

And regardless of what the verdict of history is on our lives, only one Judge's opinion counts. The others will soon fade away.

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Local youth take part in leadership lab

Bailey County 4-H members attended a 4-H Junior Leader Lab held May 31-June 2 held at South Plains College.

The 15 local students were able to choose different activities including outdoor grilling, taught by Curtis Preston; gardening and horticulture, fashion story board, taught by Kathy Carr; jewelry making, and several other sessions.

These area youth, along with 115 other Dist. 24-H members, were led by older 4-H students in many leadership activities, nightly dances.

Upcoming events for the local 4-H members include a wind/water tour on June 23, and foods tour on July 14.

These tours are both in Lubbock and the local members will be joined by other Dist. 2 members.

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MAHD meeting... Continued from page 1

If the removal of the director is approved such action shall vacate any other offices held by the removed director of this District. Any vacancy of the board thusly created shall immediately be filled by a vote of the majority of the board members present and voting at such meeting.

thus created shall be filled by the board members. When contacted about the agenda item, MAHD CEO David Burke said the removal petition was a board issue in which he wasn't involved. Neither did he comment on the incident in his office involving Liles.

meeting, the members received a report regarding the district's bylaws; however, no action was taken regarding suggested changes to the bylaws, and removal of section seven wasn't included among the suggested changes.

for Thursday's meeting concerns the appointment of an individual to fill the vacated position in the event the removal petition is approved. However, a new wrinkle appeared Tuesday afternoon when contact was made with MAHD board president

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FSA announces accepted CRP contracts

The USDA Farm Service Agency in Bailey County has announced that contracts for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) for FY 2012 have been awarded.

During the 41st general CRP signup conducted in the spring, more than 38,000 CRP offers were received on approximately 3.8 million acres nationwide. USDA accepted enrollment of 2.8 million acres bringing the total program enrollment to 29.9 million acres including 597,082 acres in Texas.

"These newly accepted CRP contracts perpetuate

the past quarter century of program success by providing a low risk opportunity to implement a variety of conservation practices on environmentally sensitive land right here in Name County," said CED Last Name. "CRP practices improve water and air quality, increase wildlife habitat and prevent soil erosion," Kim Hanlin, executive director of the USDA in Bailey County said.

How successful is CRP? According to CED Last Name, since its inception 25 years ago, CRP acres have resulted in an eight billion ton reduction in

soil erosion, restoration of two million acres of wetlands and adjacent buffers, vegetative protection of more than 200,000 stream bank buffers and significant increases in upland wildlife numbers which translates to recreational dollars for many rural economies.

Landowners enrolled in CRP receive annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish long-term, resource conserving covers on eligible farmland. Accepted

contracts are effective October 1, 2011.

All CRP offers were evaluated and ranked using an Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) that indicates the environmental benefits of enrolling land in CRP. There are five environmental factors that make up the EBI: wildlife, water, soil, air, enduring benefits and cost.

For more information about the Conservation Reserve Program, please contact the Bailey County FSA office.

Sales tax allocation...

Continued from page 1 transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$468.7 million in local sales tax allocations, up 7.2 percent compared to last June.

Combs will deliver June sales tax allocations of \$311.8 million to Texas cities, up 6.6 percent compared to June 2010. So far this calendar year, city sales tax allocations are up 6.3 percent compared to the same

time period last year.

Texas counties will receive sales tax payments of \$30.3 million, up 13.6 percent compared to last June. So far this year, sales tax allocations to counties are up 12.8 percent compared to 2010.

In addition, \$21 million goes out to 179 special purpose taxing districts around the state, up 13.1 percent compared to last June.

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Lariat Church of Christ to hold VBS

Lariat Church of Christ, located 12 miles west of Muleshoe, will be holding Vacation Bible School, entitled *God's Creation VBS: Digging for Answers*, Saturday, June 25, from 9:15 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., at the Old City Park on the east side of town.

The school is for students in Kindergarten through junior high. Lunch and transportatio will be provided.

Pick-up will take place at 8:30 a.m. Call by Friday, June 24, to receive a ride to the event.

Contact Elaine at 806-946-6873. Pick-up from Farwell will be at the City Park. Contact Patti at 575-309-9403.

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TEXAS' LARGEST RURAL LENDER

Senior Citizen News

By Katrina Scott

June has just flown by and July is peeking around the corner. Fires continue to burn, destroying homes, crops and land. Please keep those affected by this in your prayers as well as the much needed rain.

Thursday, June 23. We will have Bingo starting at 1:30 p.m. Call your friends and enjoy a game. Refreshments and prizes are provided. Karen Jones from Integra Care will be hosting the game.

Tuesday, June 28, Benny Cousatte with Rightway Medical Supply, Inc. will be here from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m., providing foot care for diabetics. Come by and take advantage of this service.

Tuesday, June 28, call your friends, bring your favorite covered dish and come to the Oneita Wagon Senior Center and dance. The dance is

from 7-10 p.m. Come and enjoy a night out and good music.

Thursday, June 30, Audrey McCool with the Texas Tech Cancer Team will be here from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Thursday, June 30, at 1:30 p.m., the center will have Bingo so come for lunch and stay for Bingo, prizes and refreshments.

Saturday, July 2, the senior center will be open from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. There will be a brisket lunch. Prices for the lunch is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children ages 10 and under.

We will also have our drawing for the television at 1 p.m., so buy your tickets for a chance to win. Tickets are \$10 or three for \$25.

Menu for June 27- July 1:

- Monday, June 27 — King Ranch chicken, pinto beans, salad, salsa, chips

and pudding.

- Tuesday, June 28 — Meat loaf with sauce, scalloped potatoes, corn and bean salad, rolls, fruit and cottage cheese.

- Wednesday, June 29 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat rolls and apple cobbler.

- Thursday, June 30, Beef stroganoff with noodles, lima beans, salad, rolls and Jello™ with fruit.

- Friday, July 1 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, pinto beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad.



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POD training scheduled for June 28

Roy Ramos of the Texas Department of State Health Services will be conducting POD training and tabletop exercise for Bailey County on June 28, from 6-7:45 p.m., at the Muleshoe High School library.

Anyone who has not registered as a POD volunteer, but is interested in participating, can also join at the scheduled training.

"We are almost done with this health initiative for Bailey County, but your participation is very important," Ramos said.

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For more information, or to volunteer contact Ray Ramos at 806-783-6453.

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BAILEY COUNTY DEVOTIONAL PAGE

Bridal Shower



Calley honored with shower

Aryn Calley of Muleshoe was honored with a bridal shower on Sunday, May 22, in the home of Sherry Kennedy.

Hostesses for the event included Rhonda Kline, Lisa Whalin, Keila Morris, Sheryl Altman, Rayniel Bamert, Karie Preston, Robin Friskup, Lavon Hunt, Bernita Sheets, Jo Ellen Cowart, Le Ann Gallman, Brenda

Black, Rhonda Myers, Kaylynn Brantley, Liz Tipps, Sherri Kennedy, Jan Lawrence and Sheri Hawkins.

Among the gift she received was a grill and cover.

Special guests attending included Teena Cally, Amanda Bayer, Carren Black, Debbie Crabtree, Gladys Black, Edi Graywunder and Vicki Black.

Baby Showers



Rhoads feted with shower

Jay and Kendra Rhoads of Ropesville were honored with a baby shower on Saturday, May 28, in the home of Celie Parham.

Special guests included Coby Rhoads of the home, Ellen Gallman, Darla Rhoads, Joanna Martinez and children, Desirae and Emma Gallman, Debbie Gallman, LeAnn Gallman, and Kimberly Nickels and children.

Hostesses included Janice Bradshaw, Vickie Burch, Sharon Cox, Louise Engelking, Paulette Foster, Stephanie Foster, Sandy Gregory, Glenda Jennings, Jonessa Jennings, Marlene McDonald, Marca Morris, Vicki Morris, Celie Parham, Chandra Sanchez, and LaDonna Scott.

Death Notices

Bobby Green

Earth resident Bobby D. Green, 75, died on Tuesday, June 21, 2011, in Muleshoe. He was born on March 20, 1936, to Dewey and Odell Green in Lamb County. Funeral services are set for Thursday, June 23, at 2:30 p.m., at the First Baptist Church of Earth.

Allow us to express our deepest appreciation for the prayers, cards and acts of kindness during our recent bereavement.

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Whitehead honored

Heather Dawn Whitehead, the daughter of Robert and Becky Whitehead, was honored with a bridal shower on Saturday, June 11 in parlor of the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe.

She is the prospective bride of Bradley Don Henry, the son of David and Belinda Head

Hostesses for the event included Sally Messenger, Claire Brown, Gina Mardis, Nancy Benham, Debbie Conner, Nancy Barrier, LeAnn Gallman, Lana Bomer, Pam Atwood, Susan Wedel, Jody Wood, Brenda Lackey, Vicky Burch, Carol Cox, Sandy Chitwood, Rowena Meyers, Rachel Lopez, Terry Marricle, Linda Lee, Tanya Crawford, Dana Rempe and JoEllen Cowart.

Gift from hostesses were money for travel expenses for the couple.

Special guests included Josie Whitehead, Kerma McGuire, Jo Anne Head and Pat Nickels.

Library News

By Dyan Dunagan

A total of 125 children have signed up for the Summer Reading Program at the Muleshoe Area Public Library.

1,000 books have already been read so far. 27 children have read 25 books each and received Muleshoe Area Public Library backpacks

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Lady Mules Basketball Camp

Lady Mules Coach Val Acree held a basketball camp May 31 - June 3, with a morning and afternoon session. The participants included, from left to right:

- Morning group, pictured above — Grace Leal, Tatum Hasley, Aracely Mendoza, Lizzie Puckett, Haley Gafford, Jessie Cole, and Maddison Price.
- Afternoon group, pictured below — Back row... Marilyn Melendez, Reagan Reynolds, Hallie Myatt, Sasha Esparza and Kayla Preston; middle row... Adriana Loya, McKenzie Esparza, Leti Loya, Desiree Gutierrez and Katy Richardson; kneeling... Cassie Thornton, Brooklyn Beall, Sadie Sudduth, Haley Chitwood and Kyan Garner; and sitting... Emily Precure, Sydnie Sudduth, Valerie Ambriz, Brianna Barron and Cassidy Cage.



Bridal Shower

Thorn honored with bridal shower

A bridal shower was held honoring Triston Thorn, the prospective bride of Jarod Rolan on Saturday, May 21, in the home of Janice Bradshaw.

Special guests included Janette Thorn, Lenna Rolan of Portales, N.M., Zelma Thorn of Friona, Mary Reed of Happy, Judy Sikes of Portales, N.M., and Mona Couch.

The hostess gift was a navy blue Kitchen Aid™ mixer. Hostesses for the



occasion included Janice Bradshaw, Claire Brown, Ellen Gallman, Debbie Magby, LaDonna Scott, Jana St Clair and Mandy Seaton.

Texas milk production up from last year

Texas milk production totaled 839 million pounds during May, up nine percent from last year's production of 771 million pounds.	April 2011 production totaled 816 million pounds.	head from last year and up 4,000 head from the April 2011 number.
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SESSION 1:

**Date: Thursday, June 23 Time: 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM
 Location: Immaculate Conception Church**

SESSION 2:

**Date: Saturday, June 25 Time: 8:30 AM - 12:00 Noon
 Location: Bailey County Electric Co-op**

SESSIONS 3 & 4:

**Date: Wednesday, June 29 Time: 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM;
 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

Location: Bailey County Electric Co-op - Daytime Session; First Baptist Church - Evening Session

SESSION 5:

**Date: Thursday, June 30 Time: 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM
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Mother, son selected as 'Heros of Hope'

Rhonda Myers, and her son Garrison, have been chosen by the High Plains Relay for Life to be the 2012 Heroes of Hope for this area.

As Heroes of Hope, Rhonda and Garrison, will share their inspiring stories, they will encourage others to tell their stories and to support the American Cancer Society in its mission to eliminate cancer and ultimately give people more of their most precious resource: Time. More time with their families and friends, more memories, more celebrations and more birthdays.

This is the Myers' Profile of Courage from the High Plains Relay for Life:

In 2007, Rhonda was diagnosed with breast cancer and underwent



Rhonda and Garrison Myers

a double mastectomy and chemotherapy. Immediately following her first chemotherapy treatment, she and her family decided to attend the Relay For Life of Bailey County.

"She was too sick to stay till the end, but we participated in every event for her that night — and we have continued to every year after,"

explained Garrison. "The first year at Relay, I was trying to survive, and the second year I was a survivor and an overcomer," said Rhonda. "Thanks to my family's support, our faith and the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life — we are making a difference on cancer."

"Even as a teenager, you can make a

difference," said Garrison. "Cancer has effected so many people, and Relay gives our town a chance to come together and celebrate."

Today, Rhonda continues to experience first hand the benefits of the funds raised through Relay For Life.

"Society volunteers and staff worked with elected officials to pass legislation ensuring that insurance would cover my reconstructive surgery," said Rhonda. "I am cancer free, partially thanks to Tamoxifen. I have celebrated four birthdays since my diagnosis, and I'm a survivor."

In 1974, Society funded researcher, V. Craig Jordan, PhD, demonstrated that Tamoxifen can prevent breast cancer in rats.

By 1978, the FDA approved Tamoxifen for treating estrogen receptor-positive breast cancer — which allowed Bernard Fisher, MD, Richard Love, MD, and V. Craig Jordan, PhD to develop and carry out the first trial of Tamoxifen — to prevent recurrence in breast cancer survivors.

To this day, Rhonda and Garrison continue supporting the Relay For Life of Bailey County. Rhonda is serving as the event chair, and Garrison is a team captain.

When given the opportunity, both of them share their story for the importance of cancer research at area church events, civic organizations and Society events.

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Preparing for bagworms in Bailey County

By Monti Vandiver
Extension Agent-IPM

It is time to keep a watchful eye out for bagworms. The small, silk weaving that resembles a Christmas tree ornament on your favorite tree or shrub is the protective home of these insects.

Bagworms attack trees and shrubs including: evergreens such as arborvitae, cedars, cypress, junipers, pines and spruce; as well as many broadleaved plants.

Although bagworms are not abundant every year, once a plant is infested the insect becomes a persistent problem unless controlled.

A female bagworm still hanging on a tree from last year may contain between 500 to 1,000 eggs. In general, newly hatched caterpillars emerge from the bottom of the bags from late May through early June.

Each caterpillar creates a small silk bag, or case, covered with material from the host plant fed upon. Caterpillars remain in the bag for the remainder of their life.

Young caterpillars are 1/8 to 1/4 inches in length and initially feed on surface tissue which may cause leaves/needle to appear white before turning brown. Young caterpillars typically initiate feeding at the top of trees and shrubs.

Newly hatched caterpillars (larval stage) are very difficult to detect because they tend to blend in with plant foliage. In the spring, caterpillars climb to the tops of trees and "hang-out" on one to three foot strands of silk.

These strands are eventually caught on wind currents and detach, becoming streamers that allow the caterpillars to remain aloft for hundreds of feet to several miles, depending on wind speed and the occurrence of up-drafts.

The older or more mature caterpillars are 3/4 to 1.0 inch long and consume entire needles or leaves, primarily on branches at the top of the tree or shrub. As the caterpillars mature, and the nutrient quality of the host plant declines, they migrate downward, feeding on lower leaves.

Entire branches of conifers may die if stripped of foliage by the caterpillars. A severe bagworm infestation can completely defoliate a tree or shrub, which may result in death of branches or the entire plant.

This is especially the case with evergreens, which don't normally produce a flush of new growth; deciduous trees and shrubs will usually produce new growth and are thus able to survive an infestation of bagworms.

Bagworm caterpillars,

in general, feed for approximately three months.

Birds, insect parasites and insect predators are natural enemies of bagworms. Bird predation and insect parasitism can help keep bagworm outbreaks brief.

However, natural enemies often can't prevent the bagworms from damaging plants.

Insecticide applications are most effective on young caterpillars. Older caterpillars in the bags may be 3/4 inch long and are more difficult to control. A number of insecticides are labeled for control of bagworms; use spray equipment that gives complete coverage of all foliage.

It may be necessary to hire a professional pest control operator if you do not have adequate equipment. A properly timed insecticide application will maximize suppression of bagworms but a second application may be necessary a week or two later to adequately suppress a heavy infestation.

For more information about bagworms and their management contact Texas AgriLife Extension Service or visit <http://bailey-tx.tamu.edu/> and click on bagworm.

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MAHD is looking for 25 local citizens to loan the district \$25,000 each to complete the funding for construction and furnishings. The loans will be for 15 years and will pay 6% interest. Even though the loans will not be collateralized, the notes will be guaranteed by the hospital district.

Any citizen who would like to support the Hospital District in this endeavor may contact the Muleshoe Area Hospital District Board of Directors, c/o Administration, 708 South 1st Street, Muleshoe, Texas, 79347 or at 806-272-4524 x104 for additional details and a copy of the proposed contract. Deadline for receipt of funds is June 30, 2011

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Hot Expressions

Match each expression below to its meaning:

- be in hot water
- full of hot air
- hot under the collar
- not so hot
- red-hot
- strike while the iron is hot

- brags or doesn't make a lot of sense
- just okay, not very good
- very exciting or successful at the time
- to be in trouble, someone is angry with you
- do something before you lose the chance
- has a quick temper, very angry

I really like the summertime, but sometimes it is too hot and humid for me! On some days I just feel like I'm melting away. Before I do, fill in my puzzle:

sweet

1. _____ popsicle juice streaking down your arm

2. _____ turtles and snakes on rocks and logs

3. _____ for growing flowers, apples, pumpkins

4. _____ reading clubs and programs at libraries

5. _____ built at the beach

6. _____ and splashing in the lakes

7. _____, spinning and swinging on playground equipment

8. _____ crickets (rubbing their front wings together)

9. _____ hideaways under drooping tree branches

10. _____ and tart pink lemonade

11. _____ suddenly springing up

12. _____ stars and constellations in the night sky

1 sandcastles

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The Sudan Buzz

Local roper wins team roping championship

A local roper was a big winner during the recent United States Team Roping Championships (USTRC) West Texas Championships held in San Angelo June 9-12.

Kory Koontz of Sudan was the winner in the Open division defeating 32 other teams with partner Speed Williams of De Leon.

The duo roped five steers in 36.67 seconds to split a \$2,946 paycheck from the \$6,412 total purse. The win qualified both ropers for the Cinch USTRC National Finals of Team Roping to be held in October on Oklahoma City.

The West Texas Championships is one among more than 300 USTRC sanctioned and affiliated events to take place throughout the United States, including Hawaii, in 2011.

A total of 1,185 teams from seven states

competed in the event with in excess of \$135,500 in cash paid to more than 430 ropers.

Ropers saw winners take home eight Martin trophy saddles and 23 Gist Silversmiths trophy buckles, in addition to more than \$160,000 in Flex Earnings to qualify them for the prized Regional and National Final Shoot Out position.

Sanctioned events,

like the West Texas Championships, give team ropers an opportunity to qualify for the premier team roping events in the nation - the USTRC Regional Finals Series and the Cinch USTRC National Finals of Team Roping.

Offering an estimated combined total of \$2 million in cash and prizes, Regional Finals events are a stepping-

stone leading to the USTRC Cinch National Finals of Team Roping in Oklahoma City, Okla., Oct. 22-30.

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Chad Nickels, who said he had been in contact with a representative of the Texas State Attorney and Dist. Attorney Kathryn Gurley, both of whom have informed him that section seven of the district's by-laws can't be used to remove an elected board member from office.

It wasn't clear if the statutes governing the removal of an MAHD board member fall under Title 3 of the state's local government code, which requires a petition for removal to be filed in Bailey County District Court, and may be filed by any six-month resident of the county stating "the

grounds alleged for the removal of the officer." After such a petition is filed, state statutes indicate the person has to apply to the district judge for a citation to be served on the elected official, and requiring the official to appear and answer the allegations listed in the petition.

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