

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Reyes, Romero plea guilty

By MARSHALL STINNETT  
Journal writer

Ismael Ramirez "Smiley" Reyes pled guilty under a plea bargain with the District Attorney's office for aggravated assault in District Court Tuesday.

Reyes was accused of severely beating Laura Orozco, his girlfriend, in a local motel where they were living together in February.

Under the plea agreement, Reyes was sentenced by Judge Gordon H. Green to three years in prison and fined \$2,500 plus \$248 in court costs.

Fernando Romero pled guilty to evading arrest with a vehicle in a plea agreement with the District Attorney's office.

Romero was fined \$1,000 plus \$248 in court costs and sentenced to 219 days in jail by Judge Gordon H. Green under the plea agreement. Romero also is being held for the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

In April, Romero was found not guilty of assault on City Police Officer Rodney Stevens.

### Hospital cancels election

By MARSHALL STINNETT  
Journal writer

The board of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District met in regular session last Thursday and declared Tim "Buck" Campbell and Arline Phelps elected to positions 2 and 4 respectively. Texas election laws allow a board to declare the candidates elected and to cancel the election if there is no opposition to the candidates.

No one filed against either Campbell or Phelps. Both are currently serving on the

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Drawing date: Saturday, April 19  
Winning numbers: 4-5-27-32-39-51  
Estimated jackpot: \$29 million  
Winners: 0  
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Estimated jackpot: \$35 million

### On this date in history

April 6 — Law passed by Mexican Congress prohibiting further colonization from the U.S. and any importation of blacks into Mexican territory (1830).

### LOCAL WEATHER

Expect Thursday to be partly cloudy and windy. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the mid 40s. More sun than clouds on Friday. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 40s. Saturday will be mostly sunny. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 40s. Mostly sunny on Sunday with a high of 83° and 33° for the low. Partly sunny on Monday, 82° for the high and 45° for the low. Mostly sunny on Tuesday and partly cloudy on Wednesday with highs averaging 78-80 and lows averaging 38-42.

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## Ramirez continues to be tough, aggressive

By MARSHALL STINNETT  
Journal writer

Danny Ramirez, a former Muleshoe outstanding football player, walked on the University of New Mexico Lobos football team last year and has earned a place with the Lobos according to the *Albuquerque Journal*.

According to an article by Greg Archuleta in the *Journal* on April 5, "The 5'8", 180-pound sophomore from Muleshoe first impressed the coaching staff during practice last fall."

Archuleta goes on to quote

Lobo running back coach Curtis Loper. "He did a phenomenal job on the scout team (in 2002)," Loper said. "Coach (Rocky) Long promoted him at the end of the season. He practiced with the (traveling) squad for the last three or four games, and that was basically to give DonTell (Moore) a break in practice."

"But Danny shined," Loper added. "He's tough. He's aggressive and he is a change of pace (from DonTell Moore)."

Muleshoe head football coach David Wood told the *Muleshoe*

*Journal*, "Ramirez is a very smart young man." Wood said Ramirez was highly recruited by several Division II NCAA schools like West Texas, Eastern New Mexico and Abilene Christian.

Wood said Ramirez chose UNM because of its school of architecture. Wood said Ramirez was not sure he could do the class work and play football, so he didn't go out until spring. Ramirez told the *Muleshoe* coaches he "missed it."

Ramirez was a running back

for Muleshoe. He scored 36 touch downs, including running back three punts for touch-downs. Ramirez totaled 3,007 all purpose yards and caught 15 passes.

Ramirez was second team All-State his senior year in 3-AA. He was the super running back on the *Amarillo Globe-News* Golden Spread Team and class 3-AA player of the year from the South Plains.

Ramirez is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ramirez of Muleshoe.

## Blackwater Valley joins in Stewardship Week

The Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) has announced they will join in the national observance of Soil and Water Stewardship Week, taking place April 27 through May 4, 2003, according to an announcement by Johnny Furgeson, chairman of the district.

In observance of Stewardship Week, Bailey County Judge Marilyn Cox signed a proclamation stating her "full appreciation of the value of our soil, water and wildlife resources." The proclamation also honors those who protect these resources.

The theme of this year's observance is

"Food for the Future." Assuring food for the future is the most basic issue any society faces, and one of the most complex. Food for the future will come from those people and nations fortunate enough to

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## JV Mules bring excitement to baseball

By DELTON WILHITE  
Journal sportswriter

The JV Mules seem to make it a practice to keep their games close and exciting. The Mules hung on to beat Dimmitt 13-12 and dropped a 2-1 squeaker to Brownfield in the first game of the Cub's JV Tournament.

Lubbock Cooper brought their powerhouse team to Muleshoe and the Mules forced them into an extra inning. Cooper owned a 4-1 advantage after four and a

half innings of play. The Mules chipped away at the lead with Pedro Bustillos taking one for the team in the bottom of the fifth.

Bustillos moved to second on a walk and advanced to third on an error on Rudy Gonzales' ground ball to second. Lorenzo Nuñez drove in Bustillos. The Mules held Cooper scoreless in the sixth and picked up three runs to take the lead.

Logan Caddell led off the inning for the Mules with a line

drive to center and Garrett Behrends drew a walk on four straight pitches. Cody Clark reached on an error on the shortstop to load the bases with only one out.

Bustillos doubled to center to score Caddell and Behrends and stole third on the first pitch to Gonzales. Bustillos scored on a sacrifice to give the Mules a 5-4 lead going into the seventh.

An error on a fly ball cost the Mules a run in the top of the sev-

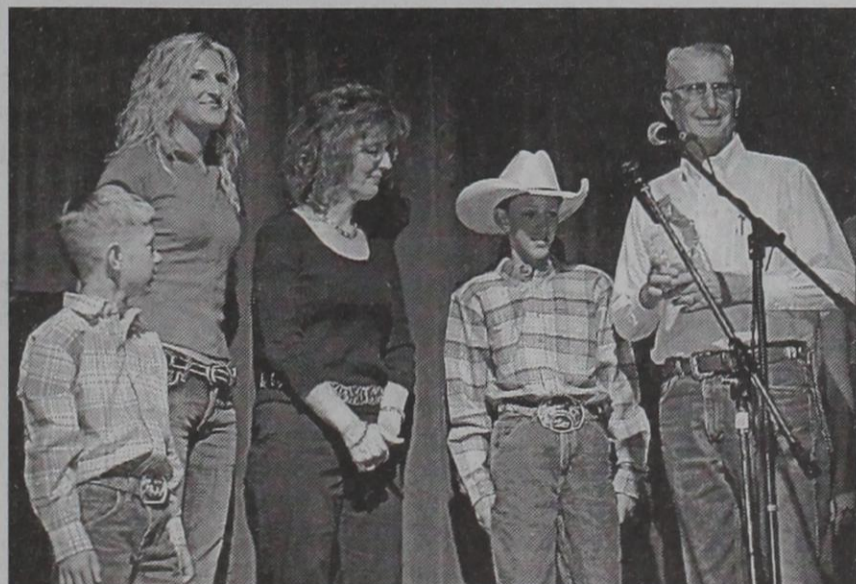
enth to knot the game at 5-5 and the Mules could not generate a run for the win.

Cooper tagged the Mules for 12 runs in the eighth to defeat them 17-5.

The Mules bounced back at Littlefield and dumped the Wildcats 6-4. With the score tied at 4-4, the Mules began the sixth inning with Federico Arzola drawing a walk. Corey Wallace

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## 2003 Chamber of Commerce Banquet



Journal photos: Beatrice Morin

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce Banquet held its 2003 annual banquet at Kerry Moore Auditorium at MHS April 12. Chamber honorees were (clockwise from top left) the Billy Gore family, named farm family of the year; Lynn Campbell, woman of the year, (at right) with Ann McElroy presenting award; Don McElroy (at left) with Tim "Buck" Campbell, man of the year, and Clayton Myers (far right) with some of his family members representing Muleshoe Livestock Auction, Inc., business of the year. Employee of the year Freddie Santos of Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. was not present.



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### Democrats host "Meet the Candidate"

Bailey County Democrats are hosting "Meet the Candidate Jerri Simmons-Amussen." Simmons-Amussen is running for the 19th District Congressional seat. She will be in Muleshoe at noon Friday, April 25 at Viola's Restaurant. Anyone interested in hearing her views is welcome.

### Mayor to host prayer luncheon

Muleshoe Mayor Victor Leal will be hosting a Mayor's Prayer Luncheon on Thursday, May 1 in recognition of National Day of Prayer. The event will take place from noon to 1 p.m. at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Keynote speaker for the event is Major Richard Hall, Wing Chaplain of the 27th Fighter Wing Combat Command at Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis. Hall is an ordained minister of the United Pentecostal Church and has served five USAF Commands, including deployment in support of Operations Desert Storm and Southern Watch.

Scheduled events include recognition of all military personnel, and prayers and readings by local pastors. The event is free, but a free-will donation will be taken to defray catering costs.

### Rotary Club to host street party

Muleshoe Rotary Club is hosting a street party on Saturday, May 3 in an effort to raise funds for "PolioPlus," a pet project of Rotary International.

The dance will take place from 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the east end of West Avenue I in Muleshoe. Rotarians are seeking donations of \$25 per person for the benefit. Hamburgers, soft drinks and homemade ice cream will be served. MHS choir members will entertain along with a disc jockey who will be providing the music for the event. Those contributing will be entered into a drawing to receive the door prize which is a portable VCR for an automobile.

Rotary International has been involved in the efforts to eradicate polio since 1985. Since that time, over \$500 million has been raised by Rotarians to stamp out the crippling disease. It is estimated that the world is 99 percent polio-free. Muleshoe Rotarians are going after that last one percent of the population.

For more information about the dance, contact any of

the following Rotary members: Wanda or Lary Hooten, Mike or Criss Cleavenger, Phil or Patti Kent, Janet Claborn, Jean Petty or Sandy Vandevender.

### Todd to hold revival in Lazbuddie

Evangelist Tim Todd will be conducting revival services at Lazbuddie United Methodist Church on Sunday, April 27 through Wednesday, April 30. Sunday's revival service will begin at 10:30 a.m. and each evening revival begins at 7:30 p.m. Ministry for the entire family will be provided at these services. Todd incorporates vetriquoism for the children, comics and "The Truth for Youth" bibles for teens, and a powerful, life-changing message for adults. According to his news release, Todd assisted in providing the New Testament as a textbook in Russian schools and delivered prayer petitions to Supreme Court Justices calling on them to reverse their decision on abortion. For more information on the revival, contact Pastor Randy Thomas at the church 965-2121.



Todd

### Public calendar

**April 25** — Bailey County Senior Citizens will meet at the Civic Center for a covered dish luncheon.

**May 3** — 10:00 a.m. at the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center, Main Street, Muleshoe. Senior Citizens will host a fun-times Three-in-One Tournament — Bridge, Dominoes and "42" fundraiser. All ages are invited. Cost to enter is \$5 per person and lunch is included.

**May 5 and 20** — Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 South First Street, Muleshoe. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call 806-356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

**May 31** — Lady Mules Summer League will be having a 3 on 3 basketball tournament. For more information or to enter, call 272-5436 or 272-4553. Entry deadline is May 23rd.

## CONSERVATION

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have the soil and water for agricultural production, the ability to provide stewardship for the land, and the freedom to pursue their agriculture in peace.

The Blackwater Valley SWCD was organized in 1941 for the purpose of offering farmers, ranchers, and

the local community a voluntary conservation technical assistance program through which individuals could seek and request conservation assistance to meet the capabilities and needs of their land.

"Basically, it is the district's responsibility to provide technical assistance when requested relative to

proper soil use and treatment, erosion control practices, solve drainage problems and assist farmers and ranchers with crop, range pastureland and wildlife management along with using trees," said Furgeson.

Information and materials for the 2003 observance of Soil and Water Stewardship Week can be obtained in the

area from Blackwater Valley SWCD at 105 E. Ave. D, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

## BASEBALL

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singled to right field but Nuñez's come-backer forced Wallace at second and Nuñez reached on a fielder's choice.

Behrends' sacrifice fly to right scored Arzola and Nuñez came home on a botched pick-off play that ended all scoring.

The Mules fell to Slaton on the road but returned home to down the Bobcats of Dimmitt 9-6. Dimmitt jumped out to an early 3-0 lead but the Mules fought back with Gonzales drawing a walk and moving to second on Berhend's sacrifice.

Gonzales scored on J.C. Orozco's sacrifice to right field. It was three up and three down for the Bobcats in the second. The Mules took the lead with Arzola, Wallace and Bustillos all crossing the plate.

Dimmitt tied the game at 4-4 in the top of the third but the Mules manufactured a run to take the lead for good. With one out, Derek Purdy beat out an infield hit and moved to second on Arzola's tap to second base.

Purdy scored on Wallace's sacrifice grounder to first. Neither team could generate any more offense until the

Mules added an insurance run in the fifth. Wallace singled to right and moved to second on a wild pitch.

Clark sacrificed Wallace to third and Bustillos brought him home with a single to right. Dimmitt cut the margin to 6-5 in the top of the sixth. Behrends, Brad Henry and Arzola all crossed the plate to clinch the game for the Mules.

The Mules traveled to Brownfield on Monday and to Cooper on Friday, April 18. Their final game of the season will be Monday, April 21 against the Wildcats of Littlefield at home.

## JV Lady Mules take crown

By DELTON WILHITE  
Journal sportswriter

The JV Lady Mule track team raced away with the district 2-3A crown the second year in a row. Muleshoe finished with 187 points and Dimmitt was their nearest competitor with 142. Brownfield (109), Lubbock Cooper (54) and Slaton (20) completed the field.

Paje McRoberts and Sarah Dominguez placed second and fourth in the 3200-meter run with times of 16 minutes 00.48 seconds and 16:39.65 respectively. Samantha Ruthardt took the gold in the long jump with a distance of 14 feet eight and three-quarters inches.

Monica Posadas was sixth in the triple jump with a total

distance of 26' 7 1/2" and April Morgan was second in the shot put with a toss of 28' 3". A. Morgan took the gold in the discus with a throw of 74' 4".

The 400-meter relay team of Yudi Aguirre, Christy Morgan, Kyla Ellis and Ruthardt ran a gold medal time of 55.67. Sarah Sexton and Kristin Ambriz took the gold and silver medals in the 800-meter run with times of 2:52.00 and 2:59.30.

Janice Pacheco, Aguirre and Kayla Spradling ran first, fourth and sixth in the 200-meter dash with times of 30.54, 31.16 and 33.27 respectively. McRoberts took the gold in the 1600-meter run and Marisela Silva and

Ambriz placed fourth and fifth with times of 6:52.19, 7:01.74 and 7:06.46.

C. Morgan, Ruthardt and Posadas took the gold and silver medals and sixth in the 100-meter dash with times of 13.10, 13.45 and 14.31. Aguirre, Ellis, C. Morgan and Ruthardt took gold medals in the 800-meter relay with a time of 1:58.69.

Sexton, Jenna Rasco and Irene Torres took the silver and bronze medals and placed fourth in the 400-meter run with times of 1:11.28, 1:16.02 and 1:16.45. In the final event of the meet the 1600-meter relay team of Posadas, Ellis, Sexton and C. Morgan took the gold medal with a time of 4:51.20.

## HOSPITAL

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board.

The board heard from various groups about the progress of implementing the strategic plan for the hospital which was developed last summer.

The board reappointed Dr. Purdy to the medical staff and heard the quarterly investment report along with other financial reports. The board charged off \$39,770.65 in bad debts.

Jim Bone, the hospital administrator, told the board that the hospital had received a capital outlay grant to replace the current telemetry equipment. The \$49,000 grant comes from a cigarette settlement.

Bone also told the board a grant from the Texas Workforce Commission to do in-house training was looking promising.

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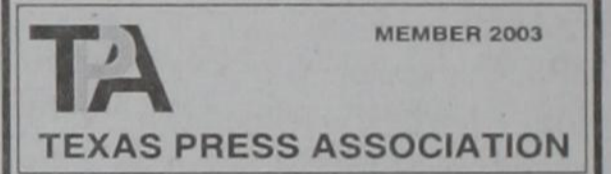
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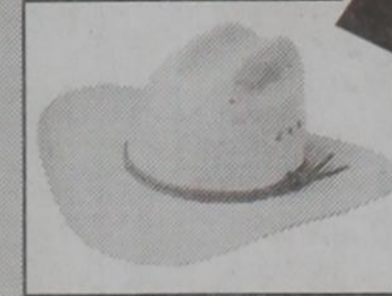
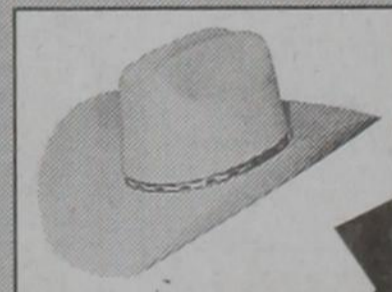
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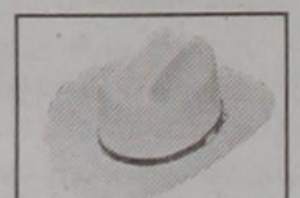
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### Exemplary service

Dawn Merriott, veterans counselor officer for Bailey County, recently received recognition for her achievements. Having served six months in the position, she had increased the amount of compensation and pension money sent to Bailey County veterans by \$45,621 during 2002. For her exemplary service in assisting veterans and their families, Merriott was presented an American flag that was flown over the nation's capital on March 3, 2003 on behalf of the president of the United States, Congressman Max Thornberry, the Bailey County Commissioners Court, Jim Van Marter of the Texas Veterans Commission and all the veterans and families of Bailey County. Pictured are (from left) Jim Van Marter, Dawn Merriott and Judge Marilyn Cox.

## Veneman announces details for crop disaster program

Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman today announced that more details on disaster program benefits, including the Crop Disaster Program (CDP), are now available for producers.

"We are working hard to provide as much information as possible to help eligible producers sign up for these programs," said Veneman.

USDA's Farm Service Agency received over 600 e-mails with questions, suggestions, comments and concerns about the disaster programs, especially the Crop Disaster Program. In response, a significant number of questions have been posted along with answers at [http://](http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov)

[disaster.fsa.usda.gov](http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov). As new questions are submitted, frequently asked questions will be updated on a regular basis.

FSA has also posted a two-page document that explains the basics of the CDP and how to calculate program benefits. Additionally, a spreadsheet can be downloaded that will calculate potential disaster benefits by entering a few pieces of data about crop losses. The spreadsheet will work for typical crop losses, but not under all circumstances.

For example, the current spreadsheet does not handle "prevented planted" or "unharvested" acres, losses for crops with fresh and processed mar-

kets, such as apples, or production that has been affected by quality.

The formulas in the spreadsheet and the answers to the questions are for illustrative purposes and will not be finalized until the regulations are published in the Federal register. The tools represent the best information available today so producers and lenders may begin to understand how the program will work.

Actual calculations will be performed by the FSA Service Center once sign-up begins on June 6. The USDA Service Centers can also provide additional information once sign-up begins.

## NURSING HOME NEWS

Thursday morning, Nancy Lemons brought ceramics for the residents to paint in craft class. Residents participating were Aline Locke, Delphine Gruda, Gladys Wilson, Ruby Riley, Diane Copley, Clydetta Mitchell, Alvin Isaacson, Grace Plyer, Gladys Wright and Mary Johnson.

Marquita Adamson hosted an egg-themed party Friday afternoon. Ms. Adamson talked about the food value of the egg, stating that the egg has every vitamin and mineral needed by people and only lacks vitamin C. She discussed the different ways eggs were used. She also prepared several egg dishes, including deviled eggs, breakfast casserole, custard pie, and angel food and strawberry cake that were served at the end of the program.

Chicken artifacts were displayed around the dining room as well as on the dining tables. Little yellow live baby chicks were also brought for the residents to see. A short story that produced a lot of reminiscing "It Must Be Spring, The Chicks Are Here" was read to the group.

Zona Gatewood came Thursday morning and directed a music and song praise service.

Pat Watson came Friday morning and directed a song, music and poetry session.

The residents worked steadfast and willingly at putting together plastic Easter eggs to be used for the children's Easter egg hunt Friday afternoon. The residents also made baskets filled with jelly beans and a yellow pup for favors after the chicken and egg themed party Friday.

The Church of God in Christ (Mennonites) youth group came to sing and visit with the residents Friday evening.

Saturday afternoon Marshall and Helen Cook directed the bingo bash.

The Muleshoe Church of Christ directed the Communion service Sunday morning.

Buster Kittrell, assisted by Harold Burge, taught the bible study Sunday morning.

The 16th and Ave. D Church of Christ came Sunday afternoon for a singing service. Gene Sheets read scriptures from the Psalms. Morris and Robbie Nowlin also sang with the group.

Jenny Kerr (our Dear Abby) came Monday morning to answer questions (that were prewritten and drawn) as well

as those asked by the residents in the moment. All agreed that Jenny was a lady of great wisdom.

Anne Locke played hymns and songs at the end of the program as the residents sang along.

The Rev. Gary Hubbard and Eva Nell Dale directed a memorial service for Eva Baker Thursday morning. Special guests for the memorial were the family of Mrs. Baker and Anne B. Lane.

Tuesday afternoon Beverly Wagnon, Dolores Garrett, Lanell Stancell, Mary Jo Burge, Linda Nowell, Pat Watson and Mrs. Wayne Clark shampooed and set the ladies hair.

Guy Kendall's daughter, Darla Hoye, and his wife, Elsie Kendall, came Sunday to have dinner with Guy. Elsie baked Guy his favorite cake. Guy and his family celebrated his birthday just one day early. Guy's birthday was Monday, April 14.

The Followers Sunday school class of the First Baptist Church gave a donation to Park View. The gift was delivered by Ruby Green Monday.

Marie Lane and Bill Lambert were visited by Mr. and Mrs. Woody Lambert and Judy Lambert Monday.

Lela Ann Smith visited Park View Sunday. Among those she visited were Gene Caldwell, Marie Lane, Hattie Heathington and Gladys Wilson.

Clydetta and George Mitchell were visited recently by Linda Boomer and Tristen, Marshall and Helen Cook, Marilyn Wilson and W.E. Myers.

Trenton Angeley, Marlene Martin and Darlene Henry visited Fannie Maye Black this week.

Verna Neer received visits, cards and gifts on her birthday, which was April 14.

Kathrine Rogers returned to Park View Tuesday after being in the local hospital.

At this writing, Bootie Tiller and Elsie Damron are in the local hospital. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

Ann Williams brought and delivered cookie dough for the residents to bake in cooking class Monday.

Diane Copley was visited by her mother, June, her husband, Don, as well as her daughters and grandchildren this week.

Ruby Riley's family came to visit her this week.

Jewel Peeler went out with Laverne James Thursday evening. Laverne and Jewel attended the TOPS anniversary celebration.

Vivian Morris' son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lewis, visited and stayed with Vivian every day last week.

Hubert Kidd visited Maud Young, Guy Kendall and Gene Caldwell recently.

Ronnie Dent, Buster Kittrell and Harold Burge visited Park View Monday.

Delphine Gruda's daughter, Sherry, and her little dog, Puddles, visit Delphine every day.

Antiques and Fine Things loaned Park View chicken and egg artifacts to be displayed at the chicken and egg themed party Friday.

Mrs. Templar was visited by her daughter, Mrs. Wayne Clark, Tuesday.

Tomas Garcia's daughter visits her daily.

Gene and Allene Harvey

from Clovis visited the residents and staff Tuesday morning.

Jan Pierce and Keeli Pierce visited Jim Kee Saturday, along with Callie Sterling and Nachito Perez.

The Rev. Glen Williams, Buster Kittrell and Loyce Killingsworth directed the devotional/singspiration time Wednesday morning.

Bertie Purcell and Pat Young visited Juanita Teague and Mollie Johnston Saturday. Pat gave Juanita and Mollie a haircut.

Juan Chavez saw to it that Park View received candies donated to fill the eggs for our Easter egg hunt Friday.

The Needmore Community Club gave a donation to Park View.

Brenda Black's classes from Watson Jr. High visited Park View Wednesday morning and hand delivered Easter cards that they had made for each resident.



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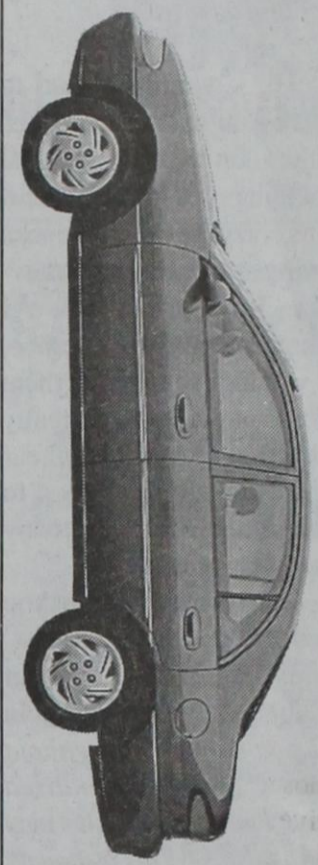
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# DOWN THE STREET

By LEAH BELL  
Journal writer

Down the street this week, I received a reply to an email that I sent to B.J. Gonzales several weeks ago. I wanted to share it with you.

B.J. is in the military and is currently serving his country in Iraq.

The email said:  
Leah,

Hi, I would be glad to give you some comments. I just don't know what kind of things you want to know. It's crazy out here. I've seen things you only see in movies. It's a cruel place. As for the people of Muleshoe, I would love to thank them for their support. It really makes a difference to hear their thoughts and good to know that I'm in so many people's prayers.

If anyone in Muleshoe would like to email me, they can at Cuban82nd@hotmail.com (I sent mine to him without the 'C' being capitalized and it got to him so this may be a mistake. This is directly copied from his email to me.)

As for my family, it's hard being away from home at a time like this— not seeing my nieces and nephew grow up and missing the holidays. It's hard, but someone has to do it.

Once again, I would like to thank the people from Muleshoe for their support and emails.

Tell my mom I'll be home safe and let Rick know I'll be home soon so he can get some sleep.

Also, let the Bales family know that I'm deeply sorry for their recent loss. Chad was a great person

and a great man. It's hard to lose someone like that.

Take Care,  
B.J. Gonzales

I also received a forwarded email message that sent chills down my spine when I read it. It's sad and, at the same time, very disturbing to me, but I felt as though I should share it with you.

It was forwarded to me from the mom of a military man. It was written two days into the war with Iraq:

**A LESSON TO MY SON**

By A PROUD AMERICAN - Irma S. Chambers

The other day, my nine year old son wanted to know why we were at war. My husband looked at our son and then looked at me.

My husband and I were in the Army during the Gulf War and we would be honored to serve and defend our country again today. I knew that my husband would give him a good explanation.

My husband thought for a few minutes and then told my son to go stand in our front living room window.

He told him, "Son, stand there and tell me what you see."

"I see trees and cars and our neighbor's houses," he replied.

"OK, now I want you to pretend that our house and our yard is the United States of America and you are President Bush."

Our son giggled and said, "OK."

"Now son, I want you to look out the window and pretend that every house and yard on this block is a different country," my husband said.

He continued, "Now I want you to stand there and look out the window and see that man come out of his house with his wife and he has her by the hair and is hitting her. You see her bleeding and crying. He hits her in the face. He throws her on the ground, then he starts to kick her to death. Their children run out and are afraid to stop him. They are crying. They are watching this but do nothing because they are kids and are afraid of their father. You see all of this, son. What do you do?"

Disturbed, my son said, "Dad?"

"What do you do, son?" my husband repeated.

"I call the police, Dad."

"OK. Pretend that the police are the United Nations and they take your call, listen to what you know and saw, but they refuse to help. What do you do then, son?"

"Dad, but the police are supposed to help!"

My son starts to whine.

My husband continues, "They don't want to, son, because they say that it is not their place or your place to get involved and that you should stay out of it."

"But Dad, he killed her!" my son exclaimed.

"I know he did, but the police told you to stay out of it. Now, I want you to look out that window and pretend you see our neighbor, who you're pretending is Saddam, turn around and do the same thing to his children."

"Daddy, he kills them?"

"Yes, son, he does. What do you do?"

"Well, if the police don't want to help, I will go and

ask my next door neighbor to help me stop him," our son said.

"Son, our next door neighbor sees what is happening and refuses to get involved as well. He refuses to open the door and help you stop him."

"But Dad, I need help!!! I can't stop him by myself," my son said.

"What do you do, son?" Our son started to cry.

My husband then said, "OK, no one wants to help you. The man across the street saw you ask for help and saw that no one would help you stop him. He stands taller and puffs out his chest. Can you guess what he does next, son?"

"What Daddy?"

"He walks across the street to the old lady's house, breaks down her door, drags her out, steals all her stuff, sets her house on fire and then he kills her. He turns around and sees you standing in the window and laughs at you. What do you do?"

"Daddy..."

"What do you do?"

Our son is crying and he looks down and whispers, "I close the blinds, Daddy."

My husband looks at our son with tears in his eyes and asks him, "Why?"

"Because, Daddy. The police are supposed to help people who need it and they won't help. You always say that neighbors are supposed to help neighbors, but they won't help either. They won't help me stop him. I'm afraid. I can't do it by

myself, Daddy. I can't look out my window and just watch him do all these terrible things and do nothing so I'm just going to close the blinds so I can't see what he's doing. And I'm going to pretend that it's not happening."

I (the writer) started to cry.

My husband looked at our nine year old son standing in the window, looking pitiful and ashamed at his answers to my husband's questions.

He said, "Son."

"Yes, Daddy."

"Open the blinds because that man, he's at your front door. What do you do?"

My son looked at his father with anger and defiance in his eyes. He balled up his tiny fists and looked his father square in the eyes and without hesitation said, "I defend my family, Dad!! I'm not gonna let him hurt Mommy or my sister, Dad!! I'm gonna fight him, Dad. I'm gonna fight him!!"

I saw a tear roll down my husband's cheek and he grabbed my son to his chest and hugged him tight and cried, "It's too late to fight him. He too strong and he's already at your front door, son. You should have stopped him before he killed his wife. You have to do what's right, even if you have to do it alone, before it's too late," my husband whispered.

That scenario I just gave you is why we are at war with Iraq. When good men stand by and let evil happen

is the greatest evil of all. Our President is doing what is right. We, as a free nation, must understand that this war is a war of humanity. We must remove this evil man from power so that we can continue to live in a free world where we are not afraid to look out our window — so that my nine year old son won't grow up in a world where he feels that if he just "closes" the blinds, the atrocities in the world won't affect him.

Hopefully, you will understand the lesson my husband tried to teach our son.

## BIRTH

### MACIAS

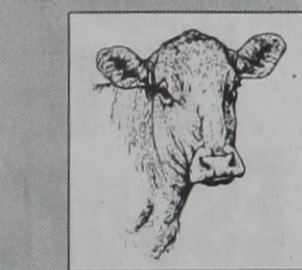
Marco and Christy Macias of Muleshoe are the proud parents of a son, Eli Marco Macias, born at 9:36 p.m. March 31, 2003 at Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

He weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

He has two sisters, Leslie and Megan Macias.

His grandparents are Prospero and Juana Macias of Seminole, and Alex and Maria Garcia of Muleshoe. His great-grandparents are Joe and Arminda Orozco.

Germania Local Chapter 271 is holding its annual meeting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 29, 2003 at 222 S. Main Street in Muleshoe. All members are invited to attend.



**Muleshoe Cattle Market**  
SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2003

## REPRESENTATIVE SALES

1,083 head of cattle, 175 hogs and 394 sheep and goats for a total of 1,652 animals were sold at the April 19th sale. Market steady on light stocker calves. Feeder cattle were steady to a dollar higher. Few bred cows and pairs offered. Packer cows steady from a week ago.

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 noon.

**FOR INFORMATION ON SALES OR TO CONSIGN CATTLE, CALL (806) 272-4201**

Seller, City	#	Type	Wt.	CWT or PH
Alvaro Ordenez, Portales, NM	10	Hol. bulls	162 lbs.	at \$103.00
Saul Centero, Amherst	11	Hol. bulls	193 lbs.	at \$106.00
Flying N Ranch, Hereford	7	Blk. bulls	256 lbs.	at \$120.00
Debbie White, Summerfield	11	Hol. strs	709 lbs.	at \$62.25
Floyd Reeves, Friona		Gray str	385 lbs.	at \$107.50
Stroud Ranch, Midland	5	Mxd. strs	436 lbs.	at \$109.00
Stroud Ranch, Midland	7	Mxd. strs	512 lbs.	at \$96.00
Stroud Ranch, Midland	9	Mxd. strs	676 lbs.	at \$84.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	5	Red bulls	492 lbs.	at \$97.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	6	Blk. strs	759 lbs.	at \$77.25
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	3	Mxd. bulls	567 lbs.	at \$90.50
BT Livestock, Morton		Blk. bull	590 lbs.	at \$83.00
Monty Swanson, Anton	5	Blk. bulls	636 lbs.	at \$78.00
Robert McCurry, Springlake	2	RWF bulls	708 lbs.	at \$74.50
Kathy Henson, Brownfield	8	Char & blk. strs	973 lbs.	at \$69.00
JCL, Inc., Sudan	6	Blk. hfrs	225 lbs.	at \$270.00
John Hall, Seminole		Char. hfr	315 lbs.	at \$94.00
Stroud Ranch, Midland	6	Mxd. hfrs	408 lbs.	at \$88.50
Stroud Ranch, Midland	9	Mxd. hfrs	548 lbs.	at \$85.50
Stroud Ranch, Midland	14	Mxd. hfrs	631 lbs.	at \$83.00
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs	6	Blk. hfrs	475 lbs.	at \$88.00
Jinks Meyers, Muleshoe	3	Char. hfrs	538 lbs.	at \$85.50
Beauchamp Ag, Sudan	5	Blk. hfrs	580 lbs.	at \$87.75
Monty Swanson, Anton	4	Blk. hfrs	599 lbs.	at \$83.00
Robert McCurry, Springlake	3	Mxd. hfrs	670 lbs.	at \$73.50
Kathy Henson, Brownfield	7	Mxd. hfrs	734 lbs.	at \$73.00
Chappel Spade Ranch, Elida, NM	4	Brown cows P7		\$500.00
Jim Pat Claunch, Enochs		Blk. cow	1410 lbs.	at \$43.50
Lane Nelson, Littlefield		Blk. cow	1160 lbs.	at \$44.00
Donald Caddell, Levelland		Red cow	1390 lbs.	at \$42.75
Dimas Acosta, Muleshoe		Red cow	1275 lbs.	at \$43.00
Bill Bradley, Amherst	2	Hol. cows	1143 lbs.	at \$41.50
Bill Bradley, Amherst		Char. bull	1515 lbs.	at \$50.50

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P.S. If you are unable to attend (what awful luck!), your TAX DEDUCTIBLE donation would be greatly appreciated! Our address is Muleshoe Rotary Club, Box 584, Muleshoe, TX 79347.



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### Employees of the month

Gathered to honor Stacy Burris and Kay Moncrief of DeShazo Elementary as the Chamber's April employees of the month are (from left) Chamber manager, Jan Thompson; Heather Foley, chamber member; Burris, Moncrief and Chris Schraeder, chamber president.



Journal photo: Beatrice Morin

### Business of the month

Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce honored James Crane as the Chamber's April business of the month before realizing that the building had been sold to Tire Works of Hereford. Gathered are (from left) Jan Thompson, Mike Hahn, owner; Heather Foley, and Chris Schraeder.

## Cornyn accepting internships

WASHINGTON—U.S. Sen. John Cornyn is now accepting applications from Texas college students for his summer internship program in his Washington, D.C. office or one of his Texas offices.

"The internship program in my office is a great way for students to learn first-hand how the Senate and federal government work. I hope that this internship will provide them an experience

that will last a lifetime," Sen. Cornyn said.

Interns work closely with all aspects of the Senate of- fice. They also have the opportunity to attend seminars, lectures and congressional hearings.

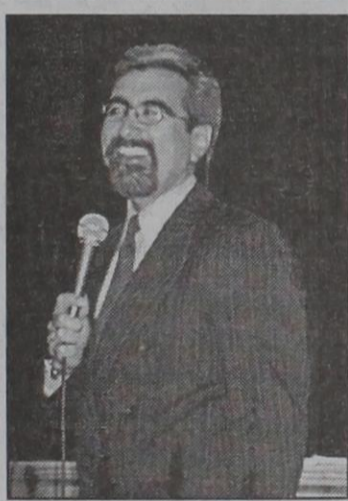
All undergraduate stu- dents who are Texas resi- dents are eligible for the in- ternship. Candidates must have graduated from high school, completed at least one semester of college

classes, and have at least one semester of course work remaining before they obtain their undergraduate de- gree.

Interested students should contact Spencer Chambers in Sen. Cornyn's Washing- ton office at 202-224-2934 to request an application or visit Sen. Cornyn's website at <http://cornyn.senate.gov/internships.html> for more information or to download an application.

### An honorable mentor

The Honorable Judge Sam Medina of the 237th Judicial Dis- trict of Texas was the guest speaker during the 30th Annual Title I and Migrant Spring Program held April 14 in the Kerry Moore Auditorium at Mule- shoe High School. Medina, a former mi- grant worker, spoke



Journal photo: Beatrice Morin

to parents about the role and responsibilities of parents and students as a family. His personal struggle to attain his education has led him to help others to achieve their education. He strongly be- lieves that mentorship has no color, race or eth- nic barrier and that anyone can be a mentor.

## Tenth Farm Credit District reports results

AUSTIN — The Tenth Farm District Credit Dis- trict, the largest rural lend- ing network servinf Ala- bama, Louisiana, Missis- sippi, New Mexico and Texas, today reported record loan volume and net income for the year ended Dec. 31, 2002. These strong financial results occurred in spite of a weak economy, tight agricultural export markets and adverse weather conditions in some parts of the district during

2002. The district comprises the Austin-based Farm Credit Bank of Texas and 22 fi- nancing cooperatives in the five-state region.

Gross loan volume to- taled \$6,796 billion at year- end 2002, representing an increase of 13.1 percent and 29.8 percent from Dec. 31, 2001 and 2000, respec- tively. This was the eighth consecutive year that dis- trict loan volume reached a new record level.

## Local grad stars in play

The Branding Iron The- atre (BIT) at West Texas A&M University will close out its 43rd season with the production of "A Different Moon" at 7:30 p.m. April 23-26.

Among the cast of the production is Louie Pacheco, sophomore the- atre major from Muleshoe. Pacheco plays Tyler Biars.

"A Different Moon," written by Ara Watson and directed by WTAMU Pro- fessor Royal Brantley, looks at the Biars family and their son, Tyler, as he prepares to leave and de- fend his country in Korea. Tyler appears as a charm- ing, all-American boy, but as his flaws are exposed as are the meaning of family and the ties that bind.

"This is a unique and in- viting play about a special family," Brantley said. "It's set in Arkansas in 1951, and is a combination comedy-drama that fo- cuses upon love, responsi- bility and the definition of life."

Tickets are priced at \$10 or \$7 for senior citizens and children 12 and under. For tickets, call the box office at 806-651-2798 Monday through Friday 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m.

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- ★ Worked on federal research for UTPB in energy and economic diversification
- ★ Fought the closure of Reese Air Force Base in Lubbock and later assisted its transition to economic development
- ★ Drafted legislation to establish Texas Tech as a homeland security research center
- ★ Fought for a better return on Texas' investment in the 1998 Highway Bill
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## HONORS

### PACHECO

The West Texas A&M University (WTAMU) speech team took the competition by storm and finished higher than any other Division II school at the 2003 American Forensics Association National Tournament April 4-8 at the University of Mississippi in Oxford. The WTAMU team took fifth place overall.

Among area participants were Louie Pacheco, sophomore speech communication major from Muleshoe. Pacheco was a quarter-finalist in dramatic interpretation.

The WTAMU speech team ended its forensic season as the only Division II school to place in the top 10 for the third consecutive year.

The team beat out such schools as Texas Tech, the University of Oklahoma, and Arizona State University.

### HAWKINS

The United States Achievement Academy (USAA) announced today that Jodi Hawkins of Muleshoe has been named a United States National Award Winner in the Honor

Roll division.

The Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Jodi, who attends Muleshoe High School, was nominated for this national award by Gayla Gear, a counselor at the school.

Hawkins will appear in

the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

The selection criteria are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and co-

operative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Jodi is the daughter of Keith and Brenda Hawkins from Muleshoe. Her grandparents are Eugene "Peanut" and Rita Hawkins of Muleshoe and the late Bob and Peggy Dodd, who were also of Muleshoe.



Journal photo: Vaneta Gregory

### WJHS choirs win Sweepstakes

The UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest was held on Wednesday, March 26 at Wayland Baptist University. The WJHS Advanced Mixed and Advanced Treble Choirs participated in that contest. Both choirs received the "Sweepstakes" award. A "Sweepstakes" is earned when a choir receives a Division I-Superior in both Concert and Sightreading. These are the first "Sweepstakes" awards for the choirs in school history. Pictured are the members of the WJHS Advanced Choir displaying the "Sweepstakes" awards earned at UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest.

## OBITUARIES

### LOIS J. RUDD

Services were held April 21, 2003 at the First Baptist Church in Springlake for Lois J. Rudd, 89, of Springlake. Her grandson, Brad Enloe, officiated. Burial was



Rudd

in the Springlake Cemetery. Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home of Earth handled arrangements.

Mrs. Rudd was born May 21, 1913 in Clay County, Texas. She died Thursday, April 17 in the Harmonie House at Amherst.

She married Ralph Rudd in Tucumcari, N.M. on November 28, 1932. He died May 9, 1998.

She was a longtime resident of Springlake and was a member of the XIT Study Club, Tops Club and the Earth Church of Christ. She drove a Springlake-Earth school bus for 28 years.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Billy D. and Jo Ann Rudd of Lubbock; a daughter and son-in-law, Henrian and Ledford Enloe of Amherst; four grandchildren, Rick Rudd, Pam Brown, Brad Enloe and Monica Price; and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, three brothers, three sister and a granddaughter.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Amherst Ambulance Service or the Earth Church of Christ.

### JOYCE MORRISON

Services were held Saturday, April 19, 2003 at the First Assembly of God Church in Muleshoe for Joyce Morrison, 63, of Muleshoe. The Revs. Jack Stone of Muleshoe, Charlie Bazan of Graham, Texas, and David McCune of

Rockwall officiated.

Mrs. Morrison was born February 12, 1940 in Plainview. She died April 17 in Muleshoe.

She married Herman Morrison in Plainview on November 14, 1958.

She was a member of the First Assembly of God Church in Muleshoe and she worked as a secretary for Morrison Oil Company in Muleshoe. She had lived in Muleshoe since 1975, moving from Plainview.

She is survived by her husband; a son, Brad Morrison of Graham; a daughter, Sharla Saylor of Muleshoe; a brother, Bob Dillard of Dallas; and four grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Family Life Building, First Assembly of God Church, 521 South First, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

### DANIEL G. LEYVA SR.

Services were held Monday, March 31, 2003 at the Iglesia Triunfante for Daniel Leyva Sr., 78, of Alamogordo, N.M., formally of Muleshoe.

Burial was in Monte Vista Cemetery in Alamogordo, N.M.

Mr. Leyva was born July 21, 1924 in Ojula Durango, Mexico. He died on March 26, 2003 at home.

He married Agustina Salazar on September 23, 1950 in Colonia Esperanza, Mexico.

He was a farmer in Muleshoe for years before moving to Alamogordo in 1984. He served as deacon at the Spanish Assemblies of God Church. His first love was his church and God, followed by his grandchildren, children and eating. During his final days, Mr. Leyva thought he was still in Muleshoe farming.

Mr. Leyva is preceded in death by his parents, Jose Leyva and Rosa De La

Rosa; a sister, Alta Gracia Leyva; his brother Joshua De La Rosa; two sons, Lupe and Raul Leyva; and a daughter, Virginia Leyva.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his brothers, Ezequiel and Samuel De La

Rosa of Chaparral, N.M.; two sisters, Esther De La Rosa of Juarez, Mexico and Maria

De Jesus Sigala of Muleshoe; two sons, Daniel Leyva Jr. of Tularosa, N.M. and Joel Leyva of Alamogordo, N.M.; five daughters, Sylvia Leyva and Elizabeth Corpus of Alamogordo, N.M., Rose Flores of Arlington, Hope Leyva of San Antonio and Jackqueline Leyva Madrid of Dallas; his grandchildren, Tina Corpus, Lorin Flores, Laura Flores, Dana Madrid, Bianca Leyva, Cassandra Leyva, Celeste Leyva, Alexis Voorbach, Larry Flores Jr., Lance Flores, Brandon Madrid, Amos Corpus, Jason Corpus, Matthew Voorbach, and Josiah Voorbach; and his great-grandchildren, Lazarus Avalos, Nevaeh Ontiveros and Matthew Penrod.

The family suggests me-

morials be made to a local Alzheimer's foundation.

### RODOLFO "RUDY" ELISONDO

Services were held April 22, 2003 at the First Baptist Church of Earth for Rodolfo "Rudy" Elisondo, 19, of Earth. Rev. Angie Castillo of Templo La Hermosa Church of Earth officiated. Burial was in the Earth Memorial Cemetery.

Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home of Earth handled arrangements.

Mr. Elisondo was born May 12, 1983 in Brenham, Texas. He died Sunday, April 20, 2003 in Lamb County, Texas.

He was a member of the Templo La Hermosa Church of Earth. He had attended Springlake-Earth schools and was a general farm laborer.

He is survived by his son, Rodolfo Elisondo, Jr., of Hart; his mother, Francisca Elisondo of Earth; his father, Rene Elisondo of Amarillo; his grandfather, Francisco Esclante of Amarillo; his grandmother, Carmen Escalante of Earth; two sisters, Patsy Ann Salinas of Beeville and Crystal Torres of Earth; and two brothers, Manuel Elisondo of Amarillo and Jose Cruz, Jr. of Earth.

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## When the Son Rises, It's Time To Praise Him!

I had no idea that the population of our little town included so many roosters. Or maybe there aren't that many. Maybe we have just one or two who've been granted the gift of uncommon volume and unflagging energy.

In any case, early last Sunday morning, Easter Sunday, as we stood outside near the tennis courts in the "new" City Park praising God in our annual Easter Community Sunrise Service, the human worshipers there assembled were not the only

ones lifting their voices. So

it's time to praise Him! Unfortunately, whenever praises resound, if you look around (and I hope you don't—I hope you're too busy praising Him yourself to notice), you'll almost always find one or two thin-lipped sadsacks with calcified hearts standing around stone-cold-silent and unmoved except to criticism of their fellows of the joyful spirit and the warm heart.

That was the case way back in 2 Samuel 6 when King David, the "man after God's own heart," a man whose heart often overflowed with joy and praise, led the holy Ark of the Covenant back home after its long absence. King David, filled with joy, was "leaping and dancing before the Lord," and his sullen wife, Michal, Saul's daughter, watched from a window and later derided him. To the day of her death, evidently, she remained sullen, joyless, and childless.

And then there was the time on that very first Palm Sunday when Jesus entered Jerusalem and was hailed as a conquering king. Some of the Pharisees, full of themselves and legalistic religion, derided those who praised the Lord. "Teacher," they coldly whined, "rebuke your disciples!"

You remember Jesus' famous reply, don't you?

"I tell you, if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

If you're a child of the King, don't forget to praise Him. It would be a real shame for roosters and rocks to have to do all the praising!

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

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*Curtis Shelburne*

ones lifting their voices. So were the local roosters!

I assume those good birds lift their voices every morning at about that time, though I'm not usually out and about to hear it. But they were certainly in fine form Sunday! And if some straight-laced, nay-saying, kill-joy of a rooster was standing lock-jawed by the fence, sullenly and silently deriding his loudly-crowing compadres for their voluminous joy, we certainly weren't aware of it. I doubt you could actually find a rooster of that depressive and depressing variety. Roosters know better! When the sun comes up, it's time to crow! And thank God for humans who know that when the Son rises,

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...THERE IS ALWAYS FOOD SET OUT FOR HIM AT THE HOME OF THIS KIND WOMAN....

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# Heathington given shower **L**ETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Krystal Heathington of Muleshoe was honored with a bridal shower April 13, 2003 in the home of Karen Harris. The honoree is the daughter of Don and Dani Heathington of Muleshoe, and the bride-elect of Cody Favor of Muleshoe, son of Lyndall and Ann Favor of Littlefield.

Special guests included the bride-elect's mother; her maternal grandmother, Bobbie Dunham; her paternal grandmother, Margaret Heathington; the prospective groom's mother; and his sister, Kelley; Krystal's sister, Myndi; her aunts, Rhonda Myers, Shelli Turnbow, and Denise & McKenna Dunham; her great-aunts, Billie Graves and JoEllen Nickels; and her great-great aunt, Bertha Gardenhire.

Hostesses were Karen Harris, Criss Cleavinger, Christie Whitt, Suzie



**Krystal Heathington**

Claunch, Debbie Conner, Lanelle Skaggs, Donna Mason, Ruth Locker, Sue Holt, Jamie Myers, Terri Hahn, Gwen Sinclair, Cindy Barrett, Donna Black, Lena Gartin, Connie James, Connie Keimore, Sally Messenger, Marilyn Riley, Brenda Black, Terry

Byers, Barbara Finney, Debbie Jo Kemp, Jan King, Gina Smith and Linda Wood.

The hostess' gift was furniture.

The wedding is scheduled for Saturday, June 7, 2003 at the First Baptist Church in Muleshoe.

Dear Editor,

The property owners of Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery talk about the way it looks. They have been talking to me (Cappy Gatewood) and asked what they can do.

I told them to have a town meeting and pick new board members, and that they should have white people, Spanish people and black people on the board to be all equal.

Whoever takes care of the cemetery should not be related to anyone on the board. The people are telling me that they want it to look the way it did when I took care of it.

Glen Stevens asked the caretaker to cut the bushes off his daughter's grave and it's never been done.

The caretaker needs to trim around the grave markers and put dirt on graves that have settled down. We need a man out there that can work five hours a day, five days a week, water every day, and mow the lawn every week.

They have a John Deere lawnmower out there and Kendall McDaniel said he would fix the mower. He said that if the cemetery furnishes the parts, he'll furnish the labor.

We'll let you know about a town meeting after the Easter holiday.

**CAPPY GATEWOOD**  
Muleshoe

Dear Editor

Thank you so much for your willingness to help me in my fund-raising efforts on behalf of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. My goal is to raise \$3600.

I was born and raised in Muleshoe and lived there the first 17 years of my life. I am a 1994 graduate of Muleshoe High School (valedictorian). I graduated with a BA in English from Texas A&M University in 1997 and I obtained a Master's degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Texas in 1999. I am the branch manager of

the Groves Branch Library in Lubbock. My parents are Mack and Rhonda Hodges, formerly of Muleshoe, and my grandparents are Joe and Claudine Embry of Muleshoe.

Should people wish to contribute, they can send donations directly to Lori Fritz at: 6414 B York Dr., Lubbock, TX 79414. Email address: [londane\\_1998@yahoo.com](mailto:londane_1998@yahoo.com). Or phone me at (806) 792-4736 for more information.

Checks should be made payable to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

**LORI HODGES FRITZ**  
Lubbock

## PUBLIC RECORD

### MULESHOE POLICE

**March 22**

Johnathon Zapata, 17, DWI, first offense.

**March 29**

Michael Scott Branscum, 38, theft by check.

**March 30**

Adolfo Venzor, 26, DWI, first offense.

**April 2**

Alex Ray Agundis, 17, minor in consumption.

Josue Sigala, 20, minor in consumption.

**April 7**

Brandon Lee Wickware, 21, possession of marijuana under two ounces.

**April 8**

Adrian Vasquez Salazar, 35, motion to revoke probation.

**April 10**

William Frank Dezarn, Jr., 19, possession of marijuana under two ounces.

Kevin Thomas Ridgway, 21, possession of marijuana under two ounces.

Juan Jace Robles, 22, fleeing a police officer.

Joseph Fahnttrapp III, 21, motion to revoke probation, tampering with evidence and possession of marijuana.

**April 11**

Jose E. Sierra, 29, assault, family violence.

**April 12**

Ricardo B. Posada, assault, family violence.

**April 13**

Juan Gabriel Gamboa, 19, possession of marijuana under two ounces.

Reynaldo Carranza Jr., 21, assault, family violence.

**April 18**

Alvarado Jesus Lozano, 29, DWI.

**April 19**

Miguel Cardenas, 27, immigration hold, public intoxication.

Calderon Jose Luis Cardenas, 33, DWI.

Luis Gilbert Perez, 24, public intoxication.

**April 20**

Macario Rodriguez Maldonado, 54, driving while license suspended (bonded out).

### SHERIFF'S OFFICE

**March 28**

Michael Robert Garcia, 20, unlawful carrying of a weapon.

**April 1**

Martin Omar Morales, 19, motion to revoke (bonded out).

**April 3**

James Andre Williams, 30, hindering security creditor and terroristic threat.

Everett Eugene McBane, 46, assault (bonded out).

### STATE

**March 29**

Irma Jimenez Rodriguez, 37, DWI, second offense.

**April 8**

Andrew James Pratt, 22, possession of drug paraphernalia.

**April 16**

Everett Eugene McBane, 46, hindering secured creditor.

**April 19**

Jamie Sifuentes, 33, immigration hold, public intoxication.

## DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Benedicto Torrez, Jr. entered into a plea bargain with the District Attorney's office for subsequent driving while intoxicated.

Tuesday, Torrez was sentenced to three years in prison and fined \$1500 plus \$248 in court costs by District Judge Gordon H. Green. Torrez's driver's license was suspended for 18 months. He was also ordered to obtain substance abuse counseling at his own expense.

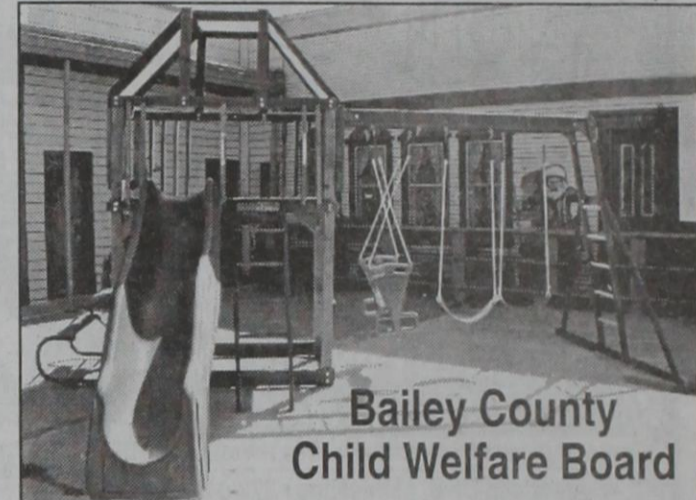
## Local insurance agent donates money to MHS Project Graduation

Farmers Insurance has donated \$200 to Muleshoe High School for "Project Graduation 2003" according to local representative, Laurie Winchell.

"Farmers wants to help insure a safe graduation for our local high school seniors," she said. "I encourage other businesses in Muleshoe to donate to this

worthy project. The kids have a lot of fun and stay safe in the process," she added.

Project Graduation is a drug and alcohol-free alternative to post graduation parties for seniors. Muleshoe High School Commencement and post graduation festivities are scheduled for late May 2003.



## Bailey County Child Welfare Board PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT RAFFLE

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- 00 Pontiac Grand AM \$165<sup>2</sup> month Stock #7282
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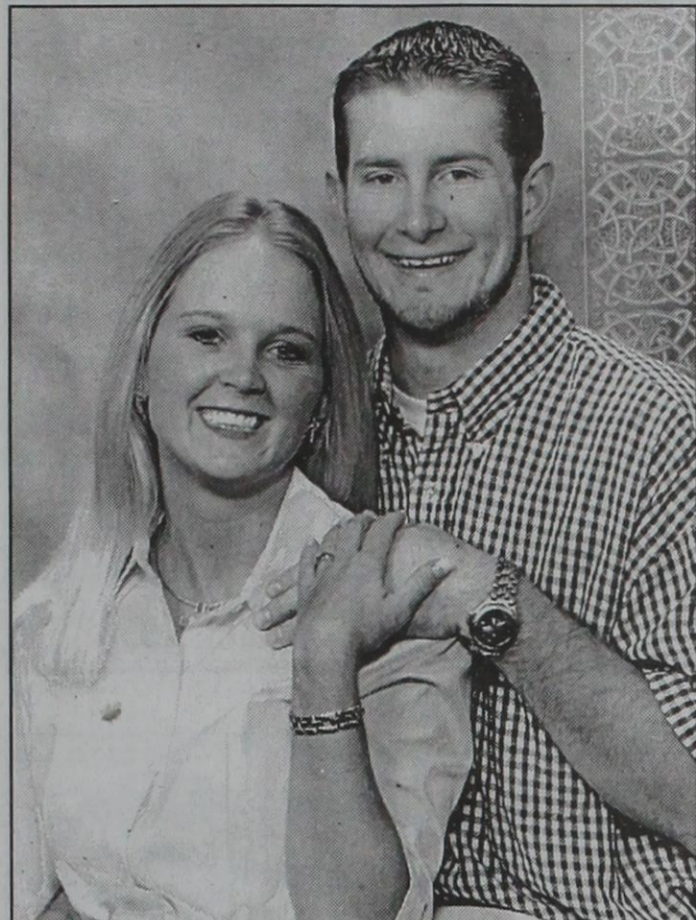
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## ENGAGEMENTS



### BRASUEL-WHEELER

Mike and Mary Kay Brasuel of Midland announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Melissa Brasuel, to Jeffrey Wheeler, son of Carl and Jackie Wheeler of Muleshoe. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Gerald and Pat Brasuel of Robert Lee, Texas and Janet Baker, also of Robert Lee. She is a 1998 graduate of Hermleigh High School in Hermleigh, Texas. She is currently studying kinesiology at Angelo State University and is employed at Brentwood County Club in San Angelo. The groom is the grandson of R.G. Davies of Bovina, the late Mildred Davies of Clovis, and the late Eugene and Evelyn Wheeler of Bangs, Texas. He is a 1997 Muleshoe High School graduate and a 2001 graduate of Angelo State with an animal science degree. He plans to attend Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine. He is employed by Dr. Scott Blanton, DVM, in San Angelo. The wedding is scheduled for June 28, 2003 at Southland Baptist Church in San Angelo. A reception will be held at the Brentwood Country Club.

## Workforce to benefit from training grant

The South Plains workforce area will benefit from a \$36,730 job training grant from the Texas Workforce Commission's (TWC) Skills Development Fund.

FirstCare Call Center has partnered with South Plains College (SPC) to provide training. Workers will fill 24 new jobs, such as customer service representatives, supervisors, secretaries, network administrators and more. They will receive an hourly average wage of \$17.77 upon completion of training.

"Skills Development Fund grants are a win-win situation for both employers and workers," said state Sen. Robert Duncan. "Employers get customized training for their workforce and workers get the skills they need to keep pace in today's rapidly changing workplace. It is particularly noteworthy that this grant will create 24 new jobs with an hourly wage of \$17.77. Congratulations to

South Plains College and FirstCare Call Center for bringing this grant to our area."

TWC chair, Diane Rath said, "The Skills Development Fund is one of the best programs in the state to provide employers with the skilled workforce they need."

Rath continued, "This grant will also directly benefit the workers who receive training, giving them the skills they need to remain competitive in the workplace."

In fiscal year 2002, thirty-three Skills Development Fund grants created or upgraded 11,004 jobs (4,563 and 6, 441 respectively). The jobs paid an average hourly wage of \$14.43. The grants totaled \$11,748,729 and helped 12 consortia of 160 Texas employers. The Legislature has appropriated \$25 million to the Skills Development Fund for the 2002-03 biennium.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reports the following patient load.

April 10 - Chase V. Chisman, Nadine Mims, John Nance, Katherine Rogers, Janice L. Snell, Esmeralda Vargas and Juanita Vargas.

April 11 - Antonia Alfaro, Ray Anthony, James D. Burris, Audry L. Magby, John Nance, Benny P. Peña, Katherine Rogers, Janice L. Snell and Merriman W. Vise.

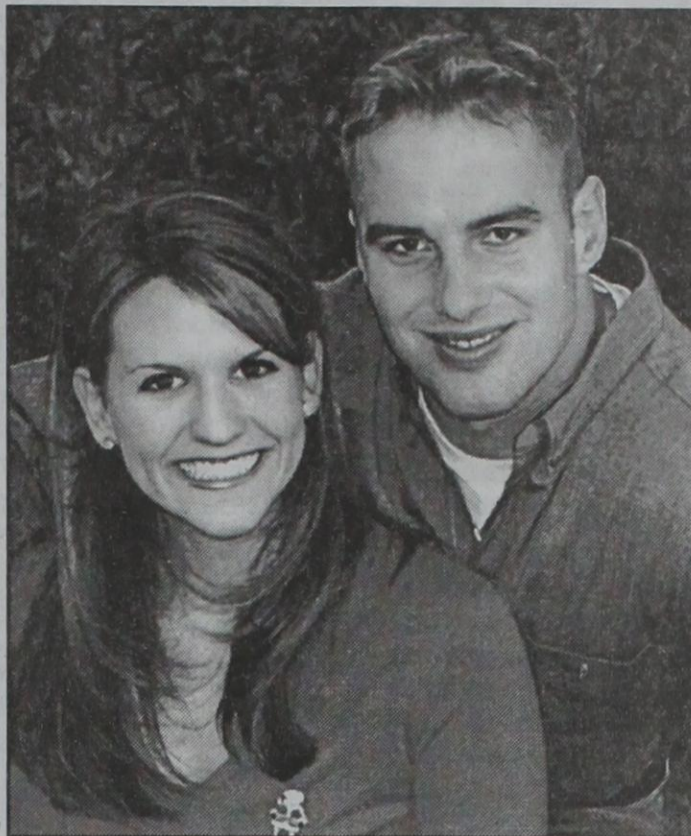
April 12 - Antonia Alfaro, Jennifer Cantu, Charlie E. Lowe, Mary Robertson, Katherine Rogers, Blanca Salas and Merriman W. Vise.

April 13 - Jennifer Cantu, Charlie E. Lowe, Mary Robertson, Katherine Rogers, Blanca Salas and Merriman W. Vise.

April 14 - Mary Robertson, Katherine Rogers and Merriman W. Vise.

April 15 - Cleve L. Bland, James L. Byers, Elsie Damron, Agnes Kirkpatrick, Katherine Rogers, Mildred L. Tiller, Marieta Wilkinson and Ryan C. Wolfe

April 16 - Cleve L. Bland, Lulu J. Crown, Elsie Damron, Agnes Kirkpatrick, Patricia Owen, Mildred L. Tiller, Dana Torres and Ryan C. Wolfe.



### TOTTA-ELLIS

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Totta of Overland Park, Kansas, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Ivy Virginia-Margaret, of Fort Worth to Quinten Lane Ellis, also of Fort Worth. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Trey Ellis of Friona. The couple is planning a June 14 wedding at Church of the Ascension in Overland Park. The bride is a 1998 graduate of St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Overland Park. She received her bachelor's degree from Texas Christian University in May 2002 and is currently teaching second grade for Everman ISD. Ellis is a 1998 graduate of Friona High School and a December 2002 graduate of Texas Christian University. He is currently attending graduate school at TCU.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ellis and Bette Cowan and the late Harold Cowan, all of Muleshoe, are grandparents of the groom.

## COUNTY COURT NEWS

Ruben "Bo" Gloria, Jr., pled guilty to driving while intoxicated. As he requested, he was sentenced to 90 days to serve, no probation and fined \$650 plus \$211 in court costs.

Narcisco Gauna, III, pled guilty to driving while intoxicated. He was fined \$650 plus \$211 in court costs and sentenced to 90 days probated for one year.

Navor Andres Salas pled guilty to driving while intoxicated and was fined \$650.

Navor Andres Salas pled guilty to an assault on a family member. He was fined \$1,200 plus \$236 in court costs and sentenced to 120 days probated for two years. He was ordered to an anger management program.

Steven Sandoval was charged with driving while intoxicated, second offense. His case was placed on the May 29 docket.

John Wesley Street was charged with driving while intoxicated. The State passed.

James Andre Williams, charged with hindering a security creditor, was assigned an attorney. His case is set for the May 29 docket call.

James Andre Williams, charged with terroristic threat, requested an attorney. Case is set for the May 29 docket call.

Gregory Alan Mayo is appealing a speeding ticket to district court.

Floyd Shane Burris is being charged with motion to revoke probation. An attorney status hearing is set for May 5.

Ricky Lee Vaughn, charged with a motion to revoke probation, received a negative termination.

Thomas Calvin Watkins, charged with a motion to revoke probation, has a hearing set for May.

Ronald Pelton failed to appear on a charge of driving while intoxicated. A bond was given until April 29 to produce Pelton.

# HOROSCOPES

APRIL 23-29

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### TAURUS - April 21/May 21

Keep your opinions to yourself when talking with others early in the week, Taurus. That special someone needs your help with a family situation on Friday. Do what you can.

### GEMINI - May 22/June 21

An acquaintance asks a favor of you this week, Gemini. Don't agree to help until you have all of the facts. It will take some effort, but you can get this person to open up to you.

### CANCER - June 22/July 22

Don't take your bad day at work out on that special someone. Remember, your personal life is much more important than your job. A loved one needs your help with a family matter. Do what you can for him or her.

### LEO - July 23/August 23

Don't accept second best when it comes to your personal life, Leo. Don't sell yourself short. A loved one needs a shoulder to cry on late in the week. Be there for him or her.

### VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

An acquaintance asks to borrow something very important. While you would like to help him or her out, instead, offer him or her an alternative solution to the problem.

### LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

You have to make an important financial decision this week, Libra. Don't make a hasty choice. Look at all of the pros and cons, and ask loved ones for advice.

### SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Don't let a minor setback keep you from going after something that you want, Scorpio. You easily can overcome this obstacle if you stay focused. A loved one asks you an important question late in the week.

### SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

You really put your foot in your mouth when out with a friend early in the week. While he or she will be a bit upset, he or she will understand. Leo plays a key role.

### CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Don't shy away from a great opportunity to get ahead at work this week. Take charge of a minor problem that arises, and show the higher-ups just how capable you are.

### AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

When you get in over your head this week, Aquarius, don't be afraid to ask loved ones for help. They are always there for you. Be on the lookout for a mysterious Gemini.

### PISCES - Feb 19/March 20

It seems as if everyone wants something from you this week. While you would like to help all of them, you know that you can't. A loved one has good news. Celebrate with him or her.

### ARIES - March 21/April 20

Don't beat around the bush when a someone asks you a question. It's the only way to clear the air between you two. This discussion actually will strengthen your relationship.

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### SPC recognizes MHS students

Ten students at Muleshoe High School were among about 300 area students honored during a Celebration of Educational Excellence hosted April 2 by South Plains College. SPC partnered with the Texas Education Agency, State Board of Education and 23 other colleges and universities to recognize outstanding academic achievement by about 14,000 of the state's high school students. Pictured (from left, front row) are: Eva Pylant, Erica Whalin, Jami Wedel, Mindy Locker and Jodi Hawkins; (from left, top row) Cydni Vandiver, Timothy Villa, Summer Daniel, Gradee Adrian and Bailey Barrier.



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### SPC recognizes Lazbuddie students

Ten students at Lazbuddie High School were among about 300 area students honored during a Celebration of Educational Excellence hosted April 2 by South Plains College. SPC partnered with the Texas Education Agency, State Board of Education and 23 other colleges and universities to recognize outstanding academic achievement by about 14,000 of the state's high school students. Pictured (from left, front row) are: Shawndee Nichols, Bethenie Sanchez, Rob Martin, Tobin Redwine and Andy Martin, (from left, top row) Kolby Wilkerson, Cody Miewes, Dustin Bartlett, Brady Mims and Stephen Thomas.

## SPCAA to hold banquet in honor of employees and board members

South Plains Community Action Association (SPCAA) will honor employees and board members for their years of service at a banquet on Friday, April 25, 2003 at South Plains College in Levelland.

Over fifty employees with five to twenty-five years of service will receive

recognition for their contribution to the community action program in the immediate 15 counties of the South Plains.

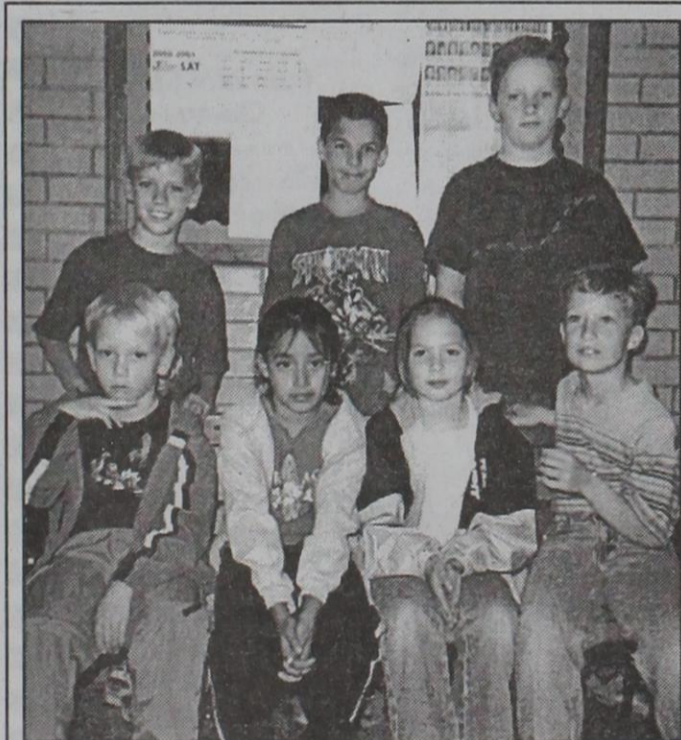
Retiring board members to be recognized include C.E. Grant and Lucy Mardis of Muleshoe.

Derrick Span, national president of the Community Action Partnership,

will be the keynote speaker. Span has extensive experience working with a network of 1,000 community action partnerships across the nation as well as numerous other community-based organizations. As national president, Span travels extensively throughout the country. He is recognized for his ability to energize community partnerships and networks. One of his goals is to unite resources toward the goal of eradication of poverty.

The banquet is a celebration of achievement and contributions by individuals who live the mission of community action programs - helping people, changing lives. T.J. Patterson, an accomplished, recognized leader in this area will serve as master of ceremonies for the event.

A special presentation in honor of the late Howard Maddera will be presented to an individual who has demonstrated exemplary effort and contributions to the South Plains. Maddera was the director of SPCAA from 1965 to 1992. His leadership spearheaded the development of numerous programs and community efforts that have helped individuals, families and communities have a better quality of life.



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### Lazbuddie students of the month

The students of the month for March have been named at Lazbuddie Elementary School. These students have displayed outstanding qualities of character, citizenship, and leadership. Pictured are (back row, from left) third-grader Jarrod Jesko, son of Terry and Janene Jesko; fourth-grader Tanner Beasley, son of Allen and Stacey Beasley; fifth-grader Dylan Haney, son of Greg and Netta Haney; (front row, from left) pre-kindergartener Dylan Miller, son of Kurt and Valinda Miller; kindergartener Anais Andrade, daughter of Luz Maria Andrade; first-grader Madison Jesko, daughter of Dustan and Stephanie Jesko; and second-grader Ross Steinbock, son of Terry and Judy Steinbock.

## LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

The Muleshoe Country Club Ladies Association met Wednesday, April 16 for their monthly luncheon.

Pat Kirk decorated the tables in an Easter theme. The cook, Irma Smith, prepared the meal. President Kirk presided over the business meeting.

Laverne Winn called the roll and read the minutes from the last meeting. Judy Wilbanks gave the treasurer's report. Ladies having April birthdays were Pamela Miller and Evelyn Riley.

The annual Jennyslippers tournament will be August 9 this year. A new handicap has been set up at the country club and everyone should register their score cards each time they play 18 holes.

Linda Elder reported that six ladies went to Dimmit this month for the Hi-Plains Playday. Muleshoe got five points—Winn won two points, Elinor Yerby won one point, Elder won one point and Sheryl Engelking won one point. The association is pleased that they did so well. The next Hi-Plains meeting will be in Hereford on May 14.

All new business was discussed by the ladies. Deborah Noble won an award for most bogeys on one Wednesday playday. She also won the door prize.

After the meeting, teams played a scramble. Finishing in a tie were two teams consisting of Helen Templeton, Neats Foster, Yerby, Kirk, Claudine Elliott, and Winn.

The next luncheon date is May 21. This will be the annual Memorial Tournament. Lunch will be served and the ladies will tee off at 1:00 p.m. The winners of low net and low gross will be honored.

Those attending the meeting were: Noble, Templeton, Yerby, Elliott, Winn, Kirk, Elder, Wilbanks, Foster, Miller, Ann McElroy, Joan Lewis, Jeanetta Precure and Dorothy St. Clair.

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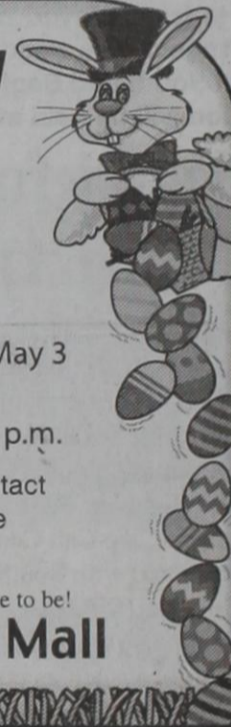
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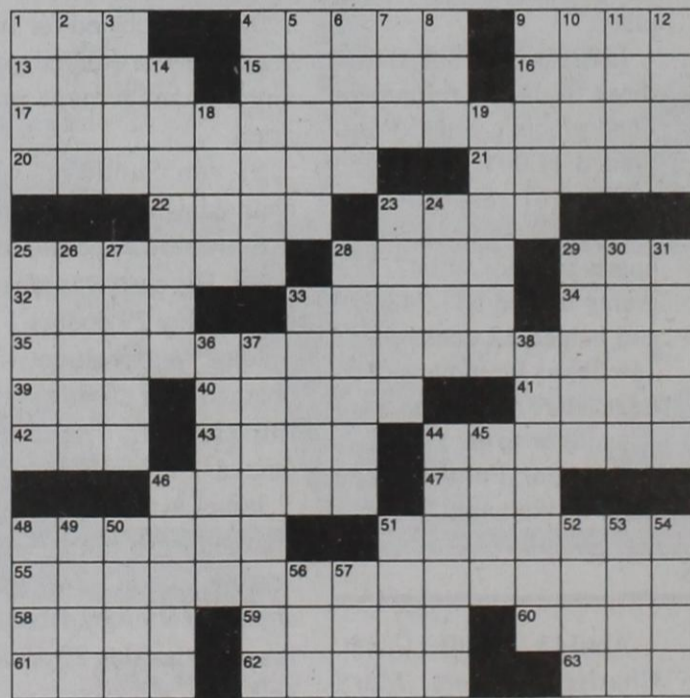
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9. Os
10. Counteractive
11. Organic compound
12. Lagerfeld (clothing designer)
14. Young
18. Water
19. Haunt
23. Pus-like
24. Asian country
25. In following order
26. Rope
27. Selected
28. Having great intelligence
29. Grape
30. Plant organs
31. Scoundrel
33. Meaning
- 36: Blackboard or rubber
37. Make full
38. Den, for example
44. Flowering tree
45. Winged
46. Get together with
48. Spoken in Sulu archipelago
49. European river
50. Asian country
51. Lofty
52. Gum
53. Plant genus
54. Egyptian Sun god
56. Base
57. Expresses distaste, disapproval

### Clues ACROSS

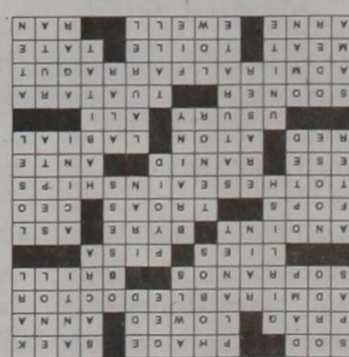
1. Soil
4. Virus
9. Tai
13. National capital, var.
15. Expressed audibly
16. Monetary unit
17. Roger Bacon, with The
20. High pitches
21. Lefteye flounder
22. Falsifications
23. Tower city
25. Bless
28. Cowbarn (British)
29. Signing
32. Dandies
33. Region near Troy
34. Corporate executive
35. "They that go down \_\_\_\_\_," Psalm 107
39. East southeast
40. Toadfrog
41. Stakes

42. Chromatic color
43. Egyptian sun god
44. Speech sound
46. Interest
47. Caliph
48. Earlier
51. Diapsid reptile
55. "Damn the torpedoes"
58. Nounishment
59. Linen
60. Gallery
61. Thomas \_\_\_\_\_, British composer, 1700
62. Confederate general
63. Caught

### Clues down

1. Holiday resorts
2. Church booklet
3. Make softer
4. Heavenly body
5. Rovers
6. Rumpfed laws

### Crossword Answers



# Mule trio to compete in Odessa regional meet

By DELTON WILHITE  
Journal sportswriter

The Mules finished fourth with 84 points in the District 2-3A track meet in Littlefield April 10. Littlefield won the meet with 160 points and was followed by Lubbock Cooper (159), Brownfield (90), Dimmitt (74) and Slaton (36). Three Mules qualified in five

events for the Region 1 meet to be held in Odessa April 25 and 26. A.J. Flores qualified with a first place finish in the triple jump and second in the long jump. Layne Sheets won the pole vault and Brady Black ran second in the 110-high hurdles and 300-meter hurdles.

Roby Bomer placed fourth in the high jump by clearing

five feet ten inches. A. Flores and Juan Reyes took second and fourth in the long jump with distances of 21' 3/4" and 20' 2 1/4".

Rey Martinez finished fourth in the shot put with a toss of 47' 2". A. Flores and Rudy Gonzales finished first and fifth in the triple jump with leaps of 39' 9" and 37' 7" re-

spectively. Layne Sheets took the pole vault by clearing 10'.

Chris Pena ran fifth in the 3200-meter run with a time of 12 minutes 10.0 seconds. The 400-meter relay team of Juan Reyes, Gonzales, Daniel Campolla and Jarad Flores finished fifth with a time of 45.94.

Black took second in the 110-meter high hurdles and

300-meter hurdles with times of 15.35 and 42.25. Gonzales, Anthony Merino, Campolla and A. Flores took third in the 800-meter relay with a 1:35.76.

In the final event of the meet, the 1600-meter relay team of Merino, Black, Reyes and A. Flores finished fourth with a 3:37.81.

## LAZBUDDIE NEWS AND NOTIONS

Happy 'day after Easter' (at this writing). Most of my news this week will be about families and their Easter dinner guests.

I'm not in the mood to do too much "ad-libbing" this day. I guess my brother will be glad of that after my quote about him in the last column. I have been receiving some kickback on the common sense quote, but he knows I love him in spite of all his faults. Ha!

I'll tell this story on myself. If you readers remember in the last column, I was talking about my old self and wrinkled hands, and in the original write up for the Journal, I had, "I'm also old and decrepit!" Well, when I looked up the word decrepit in the dictionary, I was amazed there was such a word for I really thought it was just a "hill-billy" slang remark. I always remember my grandparents and others saying, "Just look over at old aunt so-and-so, for she's just 'old and decrepit.'" Now, for the reason that it wasn't in my last column, I was looking for decrepit to be spelled an entirely different way. We always said it like it would be spelled 'decrepid!'

When I took my column to the Journal office for printing, Leah said, "Why is this para-

graph marked 'Do not print?'

I said, "Because by the time I looked up decrepit in the dictionary, and some other spelling problems I had, time ran out on my printing deadline!"

I'm sure you're tired of this nonsense and agree that I am old and whatever that other word is for I'm forgetful, too! Ha!

In the "Oops! I goofed!" department, I forgot to put in my last column about what a good time we had at our son and daughter-in-law's home, Dave and Sheryl Engelking. They had a cookout and a wonderful meal Sheryl prepared in celebration of Holly Engelking's twenty-second birthday. (And she's the baby of our four grandkids!) A happy time was had by all, including Holly's sister, Heather, and boyfriend, Chris Kelley, from Olton, and honoree Holly and her boyfriend, Jason Rasco, both from Lubbock. Jason is a former Muleshoe boy and MHS graduate. Heather is also from Lubbock and there's exciting news about her new job as manager of a new Body Works place that isn't open for business, yet. So keep tuned for further announcements on this new venture.

Again, I goofed last week in my column. In the article about Jarah Redwine, who is in

Okinawa at the Cadena Air Base, putting her master's degree in engineering to good use. I meant to include her proud grandparents, Mildred and A.E. Redwine and Jeter and Lillis Garner. Being a proud grandparent myself, I deserve twelve lashes with a wet noodle for that mistake.

Now, I hope to have sense enough to write the Easter news I promised a few paragraphs ago!

Of those I was able to catch at home for their news, I believe Don and Jo Ann McGuire had the most family present for a delicious meal, to which everyone brought food. (That's always nice!) Those family members in attendance were: Marty and Donna and their daughter, Megan; Rhea and James Lamb and their three children; and Shea and Clay Wilhoit. Also, Don and Jo Ann's daughter, Dianne, and her husband, John Saylor and their children, Blair and Ryan. Other family members attending were Ray Haseloff and wife, Marcia, and their son, Tyler; and Ray's sister, Amy, and her husband, Bryan Roach, and their three children.

Jo Ann mentioned they have seven great-grandkids and two

more on the way.

Just up the highway from the McGuires lives Don and Marlene McDonald. They also had a delicious meal. (I know for I have bummed a meal or two from Marlene on a few minutes notice and that's what I'd call a good friend. Ha!)

Their family in attendance was daughter, Dana, and her husband, Keith Rempe, and their daughters, Jennifer and DonAnn, along with Keith's mother, Jo Rempe. Also present was Don and Marlene's other daughter, Connie, and her husband Jet Thoman, and their children, Russell, Ross, Robin and Rebecca. Lastly, Marlene's mother, Annie Cargile Elder, who is one of my favorite sweet ladies, was there. She is over ninety years young, but has always looked much younger with her beautiful face and complexion.

We then travel to Lazbuddie North Main drag, where Greg and Sandy Gregory reside. Their Easter celebration included their son, Todd, and his wife, Roxanne Gregory, whose children are Mackensie, Jordan and Mitchell of Klondike. Also, their daughter, Kim, and her husband, Kody Carson, and their children, Kaymi, Kina and Kylan of Olton.

On the south corner of the Main drag in Lazbuddie is Royce and Connie Barnes' home and beautiful landscaped yard and trinkets. They enjoyed having their son, Doug, and his wife, Amy, and their children, Chandler, Kenlea and Karson Barnes, home for Easter.

During their egg hunt, Zeke the dog (a rottweiler) kept getting to the eggs first and licking them real well.

Our granddaughter, Dawn Weir, from San Angelo was home visiting her mom and dad, Doyle and Debbie Weir. Dawn doesn't get home very often as she works in a lab where they test water samples of towns over a large area. She is also a student at Angelo State University, getting her master's degree in bio-chemistry.



Journal Photo: Vaneta Gregory

## Treble Choir wins Sweepstakes

The UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest was held on Tuesday, April 1 at Texas Tech University. The MHS A Capella Mixed and A Capella Treble choirs participated in that contest. The Mixed choir received Division II-Excellent ratings in both Concert and Sightreading. The Treble Choir received the "Sweepstakes" award. A "Sweepstakes" is earned when a choir receives a Division I-Superior in both Concert and Sightreading. This is the first "Sweepstakes" for the choir in school history. Pictured are members of the Sweepstakes-winning choir.

By Marilyn Engelking

She and her mom and dad enjoyed Easter dinner with her other grandparents, Billy and Lorene Weir of Muleshoe. Also present at the dinner was Billy's other son and his family, Byron, Lynn, Eric, Wesley and Brennen, all of Lubbock.



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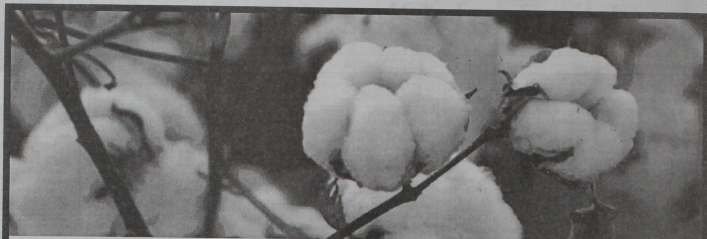
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