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Photograph by Larry Thornton

Muleshoe police officers gather in front of the suspected drug house toward the end of the raid.

## DPS, Police Raid Residence

### One Suspect Arrested

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

A Muleshoe resident is out on bond following his arrest on felony drug charges Thursday, March 28.

According to Muleshoe Police Lt. Benny Parker, officers with the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Muleshoe Police Department served a search warrant at 1208 W. Ave. B. shortly after 6 a.m., Thursday, recovering an undisclosed amount of crystal methamphetamine, marijuana and cocaine. Subsequent to the

warrant's service, Antonio Rosa, 40, of 1208 W. Ave. B., was arrested and transported to the Bailey County jail, where he was booked on charges of possession of marijuana — a third degree felony because of the location within a "drug free zone," and a first degree felony of possession of a controlled substance.

According to Sheriff Richard Wills, Rosa's bond was set at \$35,000.

According to Parker, the raid and arrest stemmed from an ongoing DPS investigation.

## No Action Taken On Voucher Resolution

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

No action was taken by the Muleshoe Independent School District's board of trustees regarding a resolution opposing vouchers during Thursday's regular meeting.

Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets recommended passage

**"Let's fix the funding in public schools before we fix the funding in private schools..."**

of the resolution intended to urge state legislators not to support bills that would divert state money from public education to private education through the use of vouchers,

taxpayer savings grants or tax credits.

"Let's fix the funding in public schools before we fix the funding in private schools," the superintendent said. "We need to send

a message to the legislature telling them we want to fix public education first," he added.

But it wasn't long before it was apparent

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## Board Changes Health Benefits For Hospital District Employees

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

As have many private companies, the Muleshoe Area Hospital District approved changes to its employee health benefits during its Thursday, March 28, regular meeting.

Rhonda Thomack of the Sanford & Tatum Insurance Agency told the board that while they

**"That 25 cent raise we gave them still takes about four hours of it to pay the insurance increase..."**

"shopped the market this year," seeking price quotes from companies other than the district's current healthcare provider, FirstCare™, she said many declined to supply quotes because

they couldn't compete with FirstCare's price.

During Thursday's presentation, Thomack noted three options offered by FirstCare: one which kept last

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## Mule Baseball Splits The Week

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

Despite Felipe Espinoza going two-for-two at the plate against Littlefield Tuesday the Mules lost 10-4.

The Mules were back in action at noon on Good Friday and Felipe Guerrero stole home in the bottom of the fifth inning and stole the

game from the Olton Mustangs 6-3.

Espinoza doubled in the third inning and singled in the fifth to score Matt Flores twice against Littlefield. To set up the Mule runs Flores reached on an error on the third baseman in the third inning and went to second on a throwing error on the

pitcher.

In the fifth inning he dumped a Texas leaguer into left field for a single and went to second on a wild pitch.

Espinoza and Flores accounted for half of the Mule runs. Chris Lozano reached on an error by the short stop and stole second base.

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## Coming Through!

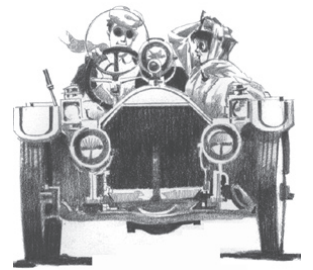
An occasional slobberknocker is expected when the Mules' football team takes the field during the fall months; however, Mule Matthew Barron supplied the baseball equivalent during the recent game against Olton, knocking the ball out of the Mustang's glove and making it to second base safe.

## Still Time To Plan Attendance At Annual Chamber Banquet

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Food and fun will be the order of the day as members of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture and local residents gather at the Bailey County Coliseum for the chamber's 63rd annual banquet.

The event, which will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 6, will include



a barbecue dinner catered by Muleshoe's Cafe 21, along with musical entertainment provided by Holly Ave., a musical group born out of Lubbock's Cactus Theater.

**"We're adding some fun stuff to liven things up..."**

Local talent from the Trinity Christian Church will be opening for Holly Ave.

There will also be a silent auction, a live auction and as a first this year, an on-premises scavenger hunt.

"We're adding some fun stuff to

liven things up," Gina Wilkerson, president of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture, said recently.

Everyone who participates in the scavenger hunt gets to put his or her name in a drawing for \$100 in

Mule Bucks, according to Wilkerson.

How the hunt will be managed, and the "secret rules" involved will be provided after the evening's guests arrive at the coliseum.

Last year, the chamber brought a bit of revelry to town with a 1950s-theme banquet.

This year, the trip moves even further back as the chamber celebrates the

community's 100th birthday.

According to "Tales and Trails of Bailey County," the county's only incorporated community was found on land recorded by EK Warren on Oct. 23, 1913, adjacent to the existing railroad line that ran through the area.

Since that time, Muleshoe has grown to be a thriving community. Continued on A4

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# OPINION

## Easter Means That Hope Is Always A Realistic Forecast

It's the evening of a beautiful Easter Sunday as I write. And I must admit being surprised.

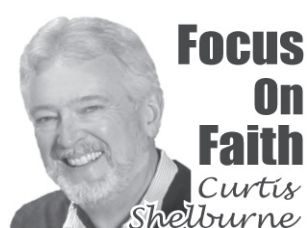
My surprise is nothing compared to the amazement of Mary Magdalene and those with her who very "early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark," went to the tomb, found the stone rolled away, and heard the angel's sensible question, "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" and then the universe-changing proclamation, "He is not here; he has risen!"

It was not angels that awakened me at 4:30 a.m. this Easter morning; it was the sound of a mighty wind. Not a Pentecost wind — just wind with brown grit in it.

On Easter Saturday, a gorgeous day, I'd been burning tumbleweeds (souvenirs from the last windy blast) in the fire pit in our back yard. I hear that people in New York City will pay good money for tumbleweeds. (Scary what happens to your mind when you stay in the big city too long.)

I burned about a million dollars' worth. As the sun went down, I dragged my chair nearer to the pit, drank coffee, and soaked in the warmth of nicely glowing embers and a beautiful day. My wife's making her annual springtime threat of loading our fireplace with candles. It will soon be purely decorative again. (Spring can be depressing.) I was enjoying the good fire.

But fire in the pit is good, and outside it, not



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so much. So at the right time I followed all of Smokey the Bear's wise advice and turned the fire pit into a swimming pool. I wet it down with more water than was reasonable. Stirred it. Wet it again. Shoveled around to douse any hot spots, and hosed it down some more.

At 4:30 a.m., not an hour I care to witness even on Easter, the sound of wind jarred me awake. An Easter eastern sunrise is one thing, but I had a paranoid vision of a fire-induced glow out in the west, say in the vicinity of my back yard.

I trudged out the back door, and, in the midst of cold wind and flying dirt, hosed down the pit one more time. Then, retreating inside, I pulled up the covers and faded away thinking depressing thoughts about a sunrise service speeding down the tracks and about to squash me with more cold wind and airborne real estate.

Fast forward. Yes, it was a little breezy and cool at the sunrise service, but not bad at all. And the rest of

Easter Sunday? Every hour seemed more beautiful.

This is where you should remind me that even if we'd had to endure a world-class dust storm on this Easter Sunday, God's power would be no less real and the Resurrection no less filled with hope. Our faith is centered not on the weather but on the Lord of the universe.

Easter means that even if trouble's winds are howling and Satan's throwing dirt at us, we can always have hope. And the same God who once commanded, "Peace! Be still!" seems to absolutely delight in surprising us yet again with his beauty and joy, right when we've given up on seeing them.

Nobody expected that stone to be rolled away either.

### Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

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### Project Graduation

Parents of the Muleshoe High School Class of 2013 need your help to make Project Graduation safe, fun and memorable for this year's graduates.

Donations are being sought to help with the expenses for the celebration following the MHS graduation on May 31.

Project Graduation is a parent-sponsored, non-alcohol and drug-free event. Donations need to be received by April 5. Send donations and questions to Pargie Lopez, Project Graduation 2013, c/o Muleshoe State Bank, PO Box 1010, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 806-272-4561.

### Muleshoe Art Show

The Muleshoe Art Association's annual art show is set for April 9-11, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., at Muleshoe State Bank.

Artists wishing to display their work, may do so on Monday, April 8, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The cost for entries is \$10 for non-members and \$5 for members, plus the \$20 annual membership dues.

Judging will begin on Tuesday, April 9, at 9 a.m. Critiques and awards will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Categories for the event will include: Oils, acrylics, watercolor, pastels, and miscellaneous.

Prizes for each category will be first place, \$50; second, \$30; and third, \$20. There will also be a \$100 prize for Best of Show, and a \$350 Purchase Award.

### MHS Spring Blood Drive

Muleshoe High School will be hosting Coffee Memorial Blood Center for a spring blood drive on Friday, April 12, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The bloodmobile will be located outside of the MHS office. Requirements will be a photo ID or Donor ID card.

You must be at least 17 years of age, but any child 16 years-of-age can donate as long as he or she presents a signed parental consent which can be picked up at the MHS office.

Contact Sharon Villa, MHS nurse, at (806)272-7309 if you would like to schedule an appointment.

### Team Swag Fund Raiser

Bailey County Relay for Life Team Swag will be hosting a baked potato and concert night fund raiser on April 17 in the First United Methodist Church's fellowship hall.

The meal begins at 6 p.m., followed by the concert at 7 p.m. The concert will feature local talent. Donations will be accepted.

### Library Events

The Muleshoe Area Public Library will be hosting "Bloom and Grow" on April 8, beginning at 10 a.m., in the library's meeting room.

On April 8 and 10, from 3:45 p.m. until 6 p.m., the library will be hosting Teen Movie Night, featuring the movie, "The Vow."

The movie night is restricted to teenagers and older.

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### Muleshoe OAP Cast Listed

The list of cast members for Muleshoe High School's award-winning OAP, "Players in the Game," wasn't available prior to the press deadline for last week's photo page in the *Muleshoe Journal*.

The members of the cast include:

Ryan Johnson, Kari Mendoza, Christian Mora, Bailey Cales, Dalia Melendez, Isaiah Guerrero, Colton Clarkson, Judd Baker, Blayne Shipman, Bryant Torres, Adrian Estrada, Cristian Zaragoza, Michelle Chavez and Rachell Whitworth.

The stage crew includes Samuel Auffert and Frank Recio, and the stage managers are Camilo Torres and Shawn Atwood.

The directors for the play were instructors John Gulley and Kerry Moore, Ph.D.

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## School Board... Continued From A1

the normally united school board was of different thoughts concerning this particular issue.

Board vice president Daniel Guzman said, "I'm for signing the document. I don't want public money going to private schools."

However, board secretary Carroll Precure expressed concerns about the resolution's use of the term "tax credits," adding that he would like to see additional information about the issue before the board reached its decision.

One of the key issues within the discussion was the degree of accountability private schools were required to accept along with the public dollars.

Sheets pointed out that private education institutions weren't faced with state or federal accountability

standards, and opposed passage of a voucher system if such accountability standards were attached.

"They want the money, but they don't want state accountability," Sheets said.

On a related issue of the school district's accountability — AEIS (Academic Excellence Indicator System), the state's accountability system, and AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress), which is referred to as the federal accountability system), Assistant Superintendent R.L. Richards noted that since it is the first year for the STAAR tests, there is no state accountability rating attached to the test results received by the school district.

However, Superintendent Sheets noted that, "The scores we received on the

AEIS tables for state accountability were very comparable or higher to those of area school districts.

Regarding the district's federal accountability, Watson Junior High, DeShazo Elementary, and Dillman Elementary met AYP as individual campuses.

However, Muleshoe High School did not meet the AYP requirement in math as a campus, and the district as a whole didn't meet the AYP requirements in reading and math.

Muleshoe High School and Watson Junior High failed to meet the AEIS and AYP requirements, requiring the school district to prepare an action plan aimed at resolving the problems noted in the report, while the district's elementary campuses met the state and federal

requirements.

School districts that didn't meet the AYP are required to prepare an action plan aimed at resolving the problems noted in the report.

For Muleshoe, according to Sheets, that will include the district overall and the high school. The junior high and both elementary campuses met the federal AYP requirements.

According to the superintendent, other school district in the area, including Farwell, Lazbuddie, Springlake, Bovina, Friona and Littlefield school districts also did not meet the AYP requirements.

"Some kids will struggle unnecessarily," the superintendent said concerning the state's current accountability tests which include such things as "distractors," that have no cultural

significance for students enrolled in economically challenged school districts.

"Our bright kids won't have any trouble with these tests, but we have some kids who will struggle with it," Sheets added.

"It seems like they're setting them up for failure," said Guzman.

According to the assistant superintendent, the tests as currently prepared "don't provide the level playing field needed."

"It's a lot to overcome," Sheets said. "It doesn't mean we can't overcome it, but it's a lot to overcome."

The school board members also discussed the district's curriculum-alignment program CSCOPE, and whether the school district should look into abandoning the system for something along the lines of the program developed by the Amarillo and Lubbock school districts.

Precure said he had strong concerns about the use of CSCOPE after listening to televised reports on it.

Precure referred to claims raised by opponents to

CSCOPE, however, the superintendent said many of the claims were taken out of context.

The superintendent explained that the concept behind the development of CSCOPE was to prevent the holes that sometimes occurred within a school district's curriculum as students moved from one grade level to another.

Sheets said prior to the development of CSCOPE, the school district's curriculum board would meet in an attempt to align the local curriculum, but the efforts were mostly unsatisfactory.

Precure suggested the school district revisit the issue, and seek comments from teachers who don't agree with its use.

Since the issue wasn't included on the school board's agenda for action Thursday, no action was taken.

Board president Thurmon Myers moved the discussion on to another agenda item by noting, "We can tear it (the decision to use CSCOPE) apart, but until we find something better... what else is out there?"

## MAHD Board... Continued From A1

year's deductible of \$2,000 with a \$22.09 per month increase for the individual employee; another which raised the deductible to \$2,500, and increased the employee's cost by \$6.53 per month; and a third which raised the deductible to \$3,000 and cut the employee cost by \$12.21.

When asked by board member Allen Smyer if the hospital could absorb the additional employee cost — which it has occasionally been able to do, Hospital District CEO David Burke said it wasn't possible at current revenue levels.

After discussing the available options, the hospital district's board approved the benefits plan that raised the deductible to \$2,500, and the employee cost by \$6.53.

"That 25 cent raise we gave them (the hospital district's employees) still takes about four hours of it to pay the insurance increase," Smyers added prior to the board's vote.

During Burke's administrative report, the CEO painted a gloomy picture due to the hospital's federal medical reimbursements.

"We're better off than we were last year, but we're still at a loss," Burke said.

Burke said February was a terrible month for the district as a whole, and noted that he didn't expect and federal reimbursement money to arrive before May.

Burke also said it might be necessary for the district's board to call a special meeting before August to consider the possibility of borrowing money as it has had to do in previous years.

And, he said the hospital district board may be faced with calling a tax rate election, adding that the issue may be included on the agenda for the

board's next regular meeting.

Current Texas State Law allows for a public entity to tax up to 75 cents per \$100 of valuation; however, since the formation of the hospital district, the tax rate has been capped at 40 cents.

To increase the rate, the hospital district's board of directors would have to call for a tax rate election. An attempt, about three years ago, to raise that rate failed.

In other business, the hospital district's board also approved a request by Burke for a third-party operations study to make sure the hospital is operating as efficiently as possible.

"I think it's very important that we do this," Burke said. "I think it's our best move." He estimate the cost of the study at \$15,000 to \$20,000.

"Do you plan on taking their advise, nor matter what it might be?" asked board member Scott Brown.

"We will have to follow it," Burke replied.

"But they don't live here," Smyers said, noting that what the consultants recommended might not agree with what was actually needed.

Smyer went on to say that Burke was already responsible to determine what the district needed to do,

and asked, "Shouldn't it have already been addressed?"

Burke said many such issues had been addressed, which was why the hospital district's auditors have said Muleshoe Area Medical Center is the most cost effective of the approximately 150 hospitals it audits.

However, Burke said it was possible something has been missed that could benefit the hospital and the district during the tough financial times it has been facing.

"It seems to be more of a revenue problem,

than an expense problem," Brown said at one point.

Burke noted that the hospital's efforts to raise revenue through a wound care unit, a sleep study unit and a behavioral health unit had all failed, and indicated the district needed to continue its efforts at increasing revenue.

"I don't think we can sit by and hope things will get better," he said.

Board president Zona Gatewood expressed agreement, prior to the board's 4-0 vote of approval.

### Obituaries and Death notices

Death notices will be published free of charge in the Muleshoe Journal. There is a fee of \$30 for the publication of "basic obituaries." "Non-basic obituaries" will be published at the rate of \$4.50 per column inch. In all cases, the obituary information should be submitted by the funeral home for verification purposed.

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# Senior Citizen News

By Susan Skipworth

The sunrises and sunsets have been beautiful the past few days, haven't they?

How blessed we are to live in this part of the country to be able to see the beauty of God's creation early in the morning and as our day ends.

Our deepest sympathy to Yolanda and Ben Rose, in the loss of Yolanda's mother.

Our mothers play such an important roll in our lives. Have you hugged yours today?

A few of our seniors are still "under the weather." We wish you a speedy recovery and

hope to see you again real soon!

The regular monthly board meeting will be Monday, April 8, at 12.30 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The Senior Companions will be here for lunch on Tuesday, April 9. We always enjoy having this great group here.

Bingo will Thursday at 1:30 p.m. We always have such a great time playing. Come on down and join us in a game or two.

**April 8-12 menus:**  
Monday, April 8 — Baked chicken with mushroom sauce, pinto beans, green beans,

tossed vegetable salad, and fruit.

Tuesday, April 9 — Beef fajitas, refried beans, Spanish rice, tossed vegetable salad, low calorie French dressing, and peach cobbler.

Wednesday, April 10 — Grilled steak, mashed sweet potatoes, green beans, tossed vegetable salad, low calorie French dressing, cornbread, and tropical fruit salad.

Thursday, April 11 — Taco salad, refried beans, Spanish rice, broccoli and cauliflower salad, corn tortilla, and apricot halves.

Friday, April 12 — Fish or chicken strips, beans, green peas, tossed vegetable salad, low calorie French dressing, whole wheat roll, and tropical fruit mix.

# Annual Muleshoe Chamber Banquet...

Continued from A1 community on the sandy plains of West Texas, with a bank opening in 1914, and the city becoming the Bailey County seat in 1919.

Also last year, "Elvis" arrived at the building on a motorcycle, and the screams of both the young and the "young at heart," and the music theme for this year comes from the same era.

And at last year's gathering, many of the chamber members and their guests attend wearing period 1950s costumes, but this year there will be a wider variety on display.

"Come dressed as your favorite character from the past 100 years for a chance to win a prize," Wilkerson urged last week. "Maybe a

cowboy, flapper, hippie, "Elvis," sock hopper or disco dancer."

"We hope everyone comes out, dresses in period costume, and is ready to have fun," Wilkerson added Monday.

Tickets for the event

are \$15 for adults, \$8 for children, and \$100 for a table of eight.

For more information, or to purchase tickets, call Becky Hoksbergen at 272-4248, or Gina Wilkerson at 240-2111. Or email chamber@fivearea.com.



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# MHS Choir Students Qualify For State UIL

Muleshoe High School Choir students traveled to Frenship High School on Feb. 2 for UIL solo and ensemble competition.

Three Madrigals comprised of 24 students qualified for State UIL competition in May.

In addition to these students, 21 students qualified for State UIL in the solo event.

Congratulations to all who participated. Qualifiers are listed below.

Earning a first division in UIL Solo Competition and advancing to State UIL:

Shyanne Carpenter, Colton Clarkson, Alexa Fuentes, Bailey Bales, Kari Mendoza, Marissa Hernandez, Isaiah Guerrero, Dalia Melendez, Kayla Preston, Ryan Johnson, Sheridan White, Cristian Zaragoza, Christain Reyna, Carlos Nunez, DonAnn Rempe, Alexia Acosta, Stephanie Infante, Stefani Lopez, Garrison Myers, Marquise Trevino, Blayne Shipman and Rosa Munoz.

Earning a 1st division in UIL Madrigal Competition and advancing to State UIL:

Shyanne Carpenter, Garrison Myers, Alexa Fuentes, Blayne Shipman, Kari Mendoza, Colton Clarkson,



Mandy Scolley, Bailey Bales, Isaiah Guerrero, Marissa Hernandez, Kayla Preston, Dalia Melendez, JJ Gandara, Jessica Kube, Adrian Estrada, Ryan Johnson, heridan White, Jose Martinez, Christain Reyna, Cristian Zaragoza, DonAnn Rempe, Carlos Nunez and Stephanie Infante.

In October 2012, MHS Choir students began the auditioning process for the TMEA All State Choir. Four of our students earned positions in the Region 16 Honor Choirs.

Congratulations to Ryan Johnson, Kari Mendoza, and Cristian Zaragoza on making the Region 16 Honor Mixed Choir and to Bailey Bales on making the Honor Treble Choir.

In addition to representing MHS in the Region 16 Choirs, Ryan, Kari and Cristian also advanced to the Pre-Area auditions in November and to the Area auditions in Abilene in January.

Students competing in this process are from all levels, from 1A to 5A schools.

Congratulations to these fine young singers

for your achievements of making the Area round.

We are proud of our Muleshoe High School Choir and our choir director, Mrs. Lorissa Mason, for their outstanding accomplishments.

They definitely gave "212° — The Extra Degree of Effort!"



All Regional Choir — Cristian Zaragoza, Ryan Johnson, Kari Mendoza and Bailey Bales



Solo and Ensemble, pictured above from left to right: Back row — Jose Rodriguez, Ryan Johnson, Isaiah Guerrero, Rosa Munoz, Colton Clarkson, Blayne Shipman, Marquise Trevino, Carlos Nunez, Sheridan White, DonAnn Rempe and Garrison Myers; middle row — Adrian Estrada, Alexia Acosta, Christain Reyna, Shelbi Harrison, Jaki Huerta, Jaida Gandarilla, JJ Gandara, Denisse Ramirez, Cristian Zaragoza, Jose Martinez, Stephanie Infante, Shyanne Carpenter and Marissa Hernandez; front row — Alexa Fuentes, Bailey Bales, Mandy Scolley, Dalia Melendez, Kari Mendoza, Jessica Kube, Ashton Hunt and Kayla Preston.



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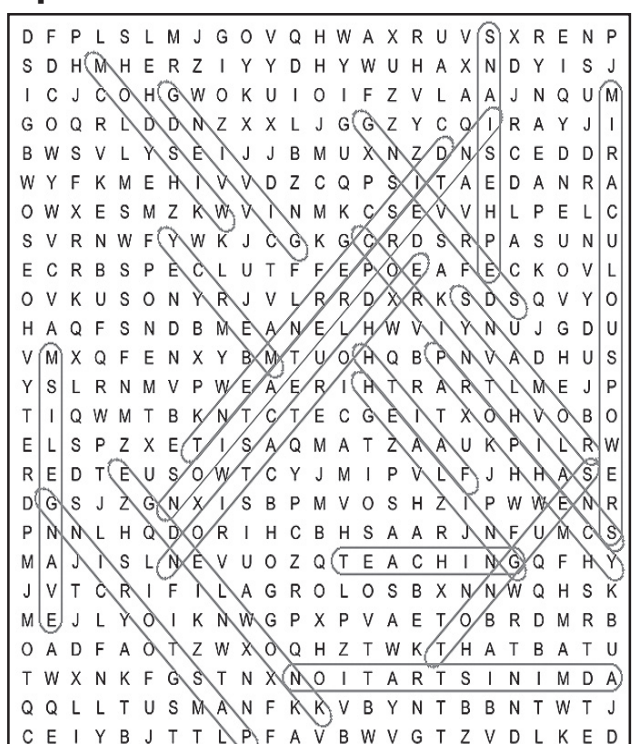
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## Death Notices

### Jess Taylor

Earth resident Jess M. Taylor, 92, died on Wednesday, March 27, 2013, in Earth. He was born on Aug. 4, 1920, in Brawley, Calif. Funeral services were held on Saturday, March 30, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel.

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# The Sudan Buzz

## Sudan Junior High Competes At Springlake-Earth

**By Cheri Sain**  
*Sudan Correspondent*

The Sudan Junior High track teams competed at their zone track meet at Springlake Earth on March 27.

The Sudan seventh grade Nettes placed first as a team while the seventh grade boys placed third.

The eighth grade Nettes placed third overall, and the eighth grade boys placed first.

The seventh grade results are as follows:

Beatriz Melendez placed first in the 100-meter dash followed by Rori Phillips who placed fourth. Adriana Rojas placed second in the 200-meter dash. Yasmine Rodriguez placed third and Lexi Bartley placed fourth in the 400-meter dash.

Sydney Brantley placed fourth in the 800-meter dash followed by Yasmine Rodriguez placed sixth. In the 1,600-meter run, Karen Guitron placed second and Julie Juarez placed fourth. Guitron also placed second in the 2,400-meter run and Juarez placed fifth. In the hurdles, Scout

Welps placed first in the 100-meter hurdles while Hannah Miller placed third. In the 300-meter hurdles, Miller placed first.

The Sudan 4x100 women's relay placed first. Team members are Miller, Melendez, Delanie Black, and Welps. The 4x200-meter relay, the Sudan JH Nettes placed fourth. Team members are Ashley Davila, Skylar Hollister, Juarez, and Rojas.

The 4x400-meter relay of Melendez, Bartley, Black, and Welps. They placed second in this relay.

In the field events, Bartley placed first in the high jump, Welps placed second, and Brantley placed sixth. In the Women's long jump, Bartley placed second and Melendez placed third.

In the triple jump, Miller placed first and Welps placed second. In the shot put, Kelsie Anders placed third and Ashley Davila placed fourth. In the discus throw, Davila placed fourth and Anders placed sixth.

For the boys, Austin Conley placed second in the 100-meter dash and third in the 200-meter dash. Michael Camarena placed sixth in the 400-meter dash.

In the 1600-meter run, Michael Morris placed third and Edgar Gonzales placed sixth. In the 2400-meter run, Morris placed fourth and Erbay Herrera placed sixth.

In the 300-meter hurdles, Enrique Cornejo placed second and Noah Baker placed fourth.

The boys' 4x100-meter relay team of Cornejo, Conley, Camarena, and Juan Munoz paced second.

In field events, Conley placed third in the high jump and fourth in the long jump. Also placing in the long jump was Cornejo placing sixth. In discus throw, Baker placed third.

Eighth grade results were as follows:

Daniela Tinajero won the 100-meter dash with Kimberlee Gonzales placing second. Natalie Camarena placed sixth in the 1600-meter run. The 4x100-meter

relay and 4x200-meter relay girls' teams placed second. Team members include Camarena, Isabel Chacon, Gonzales, and Tinajero.

In the field events, Daniela Tinajera placed second in the high jump and Gonzales placed fourth. Gonzales also placed fourth in the long jump.

Megan Capers placed second in the shot put, and Mykaela Alvarez placed fourth. Alvarez also placed first in the discus throw while Capers placed second.

In the boys' 100-meter dash, Santos Madrid placed second and David Maldonado placed sixth.

In the 200-meter dash, John Paradez placed first, Lane Logan placed second, and Hinijo Montemayor placed sixth. In the 400-meter dash, Madrid placed third and Andrew Harper placed sixth.

In the 800-meter run, Derek Tovar placed second. In the 1600-meter run, Vince Montes placed second, Trae Smith placed third, and Harper placed fourth. In the 2400-meter run,

Montes placed second, Smith placed third, and Anakin Cantu placed sixth.

In the 110-meter hurdles, Alexis Rodriguez placed second and Teaguen Nolte placed sixth. In the 300-meter hurdles, Daniel Tinajero placed fourth, Nolte placed fifth, and Marco Godinez placed sixth.

In the 4x100-meter relay, the eighth grade team placed first. Team members include Rodriguez, Paradez, Logan, and Tinajero. The 4x200-meter relay

placed second. Members include Tovar, Nolte, Logan, and Paradez.

In the 4x400-meter relay, the team placed second. Team members include Rodriguez Madrid, Tovar, and Tinajero.

In the field events, Nolte placed second in the high jump. Rodriguez placed second in the long jump followed by Tinajero who placed fourth and Madrid who placed fifth. In the triple jump, Paradez placed second. In the shot put, Preston Bradley placed fourth.

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## Students Compete, Place At Sundown

**By Cheri Sain**  
*Sudan Correspondent*

The Sudan High School UIL Team competed in the District 5-1A UIL Academic Meet at Sundown High School on March 26 and 28.

Several of the team members placed in their events, and many will go to regional competition at the end of April.

The Accounting team placed first overall with a winning margin of over 300 points.

Adam Harper won the event with more than half of the team's points with 338 points.

Jade Goen placed second with 195 points, and Patricia Azua tied for 4th with 133 points. Joe Luis Melendez scored 66 points.

The Computer Science team placed second overall with 477 points. Sundown finished first with 656 points.

Adam Harper once again is going to regionals placing second overall, Mackenzie Lance placed third, and Doug Ames placed fourth.

Jacob Markham is also a team member. The team will compete at regional competition. In Journalism, Jessica

Barrett placed fourth in news writing and sixth in feature writing.

In Informative Speaking, Deric McCurry placed second with Kendon Drennan placing fifth.

McCurry and Drennan also will compete in LD Debate at regional competition.

McCurry placed first overall and Drennan placed second. Carson Phillips placed fourth as a freshman.

Doug Ames also will be competing in Persuasive Speaking at regionals with his third place win.

Brianna Azua placed fifth overall.

The team of Ames and Azua also recently competed in CX Debate at the state level making it to the semifinal

round. Alex Hernandez will compete in Literary Criticism when she placed third overall.

Adam Harper placed third in Mathematics, and he placed third in Number Sense.

In Poetry, Wyatt Joyce placed second and will compete at regionals.

Freshman Marcos Gonzales placed fourth.

Team results are the accounting placed first, the computer science team placed second, the cross examination debate team placed first, and the speech team placed first.

The One Act Play troupe advanced to the district contest.

At zone, Hailee Gonzales and Kendon Drennan made All

Star Cast with Wyatt Joyce and Reece Harper earning honorable mention All Star Cast.

At district, Drennan made All Star Cast, and Gonzales and Joyce made honorable mention All Star Cast.

The Sudan OAP did not advance out of district.

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## SPORTS NEWS

## Olton's Mustangs Fall To The Mules

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Guerrero and Nacho Elizalde brought him home with back-to-back sacrifices.

Matt Barron tripled to lead off the bottom of the sixth inning for the Mules and scored on a passed ball.

Littlefield scored 10 runs on eight hits to drop the Mules.

The Olton Mustangs scored their first inning run on a hit-and-run after Jace Riney scored from first after he singled for the first hit of the game.

The Mules answered by taking advantage on an error by the shortstop that allowed Matt Barron to reach first base.

A sacrifice bunt back to the pitcher by Lozano moved Barron to second and Barron stole third base.

An error on Guerrero's

ground ball to second base scored Barron.

Olton did not score again until the top of the fifth inning. The Mules added two runs in the bottom of the third inning that started with a lead off double down the third base line by Braden Bessire. He stole third base and went home when the pitcher threw the ball into left field.

Lozano walked and went to second when the pitcher threw a pickoff attempted in the dirt and past the first baseman.

A second pickoff attempt gone awry allowed Lozano to advance to third. Espinosa picked up the RBI with a sacrifice.

The Mules led 3-1 after three innings.

Olton scored twice in the top of the fifth inning after the Mules

had two Mustangs out. A hit batsman and a triple and a throwing error scored the runs. The game was tied at 3-3 after four and half innings.

Barron led off the bottom of the fifth inning by lofting a fly ball in to short right field for a single. He stole second base and went to third on a throwing error by the catcher and then stole home. Lozano drew a four-pitch walk and he went to second on a throwing error by the pitcher.

An error by the short stop allowed Guerrero to reach first base and Lozano to go home. Espinosa sacrificed Guerrero to second and he stole third base.

Lozano scored when the pitcher's pickoff throw to third went into left field.

The Mules had



Photograph by Gabby Perez

A Mule slides in safe at home plate during game against Olton.

## Mule Track Team Takes Fourth Place At Abernathy Relays

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Mule track team placed fourth in the A-Town Relays in Abernathy Friday with a total of 97 points.

Idalou won the meet with 156 points, New Deal was second with 126 and Friona placed third with 100.

Floydada finished sixth with 26 points and Post was seventh with 25.

But the Mules revamped the 4x200-meter relay team and Ray Martinez, Austin Ross, Caleb Wood and Junior Baca won the gold medal and set a new school record that held since 2006.

The previous record holding team members were B. Branscum, R. Gonzalez, E. Washington and B. Hamilton and they ran

## Muleshoe Tennis Teams Compete At Sundown, Floydada Tourneys

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Muleshoe tennis team played in the Sundown Roughneck Invitational Tuesday, March 19 and in the Floydada Whirlwind Tennis Tournament Tuesday March 26.

Nacho Elizalde won the Blue Division Boys Singles championship. He defeated Farwell 8-1 and defeated three more opponents by scores of 8-3, 8-4 and 8-3 for the championship. Matt Barron played the Red Division Boys Singles and took second place by defeating Farwell 6-3, 6-3; Littlefield 6-0, 6-1; Abernathy 6-2, 6-2 but lost to Idalou 1-8.

Boys Doubles team Caleb Wood and Chris cage defeated Farwell 6-1, 6-1 but lost to Lockney 6-4, 2-6 and lost the super tie breaker 7-11. Alex Mendoza and

a time of one minute 31.79 seconds.

Martinez, Ross, Wood and Baca set the new record at 1:36.67.

Luis Ruvalacaba got the Mules off to a good start by winning the silver medal in the first race of the day with a time of 10:52.93, the 3,200-meter run.

Eli Leal also won a silver medal in the high jump with a leap of five feet eight inches.

Alex Mendoza placed sixth in the discus with a throw of 109-09.

The 4x100-meter relay team of Braden Bessire, Ross, Wood and Martinez won the silver medal with a time of 44.28.

Tony Castillo placed fifth in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:18.66.

Jesus Manzanares finished fourth in the

Kevin Mendoza teamed up to consolation in boys doubles by first losing to Idalou 2-6, 6-8 but bounced back to defeat Denver City 9-7; SPCHEA 9-7 and Sundown 8-2.

Denisse Ramirez played in girls singles. She defeated Tulia 6-3 in the first set but lost the next 6-7 and the super tie breaker 10-1 and lost to SPCHEA 3-6, 0-6.

Jaida Gandarilla lost back-to-back sets 6-8 and 2-8.

The sister girls doubles team of Jo Moore and Cas Moore lost to Farwell 6-4; 6-7 and the super tie breaker 10-8.

They defeated Floydada 7-5, 6-1 before losing to Tulia 6-4, 5-7 and the super tie breaker 10-8. They then lost to Tulia 1-6, 1-6 for

400-meter dash with a time of 54.60.

Leal won the only individual gold medal for the Mules in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 41.92.

Ruvalacaba won his second silver medal of the day in the 1600-meter run with a time of 4:52.90.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Martinez, Ross, Manzanares and Baca ran a gold medal time of 3:26.12 in the final race of the day.

"The 4x400-meter relay team and Junior Baca competed in the Lubbock Invitational Meet on Saturday," said Mule track coach Kirk Byrd.

"Martinez, Ross, Manzanares and Baca ran a personal best time of 3:25.64 in the 4x400-meter relay and placed fourth. They were running against mostly 5A schools," he said.

"Baca placed third in the 800-meter run against the big schools with a time of 1:59.00. It was a great day to be a Mule."

The Mules will host the District 2-2A meet on Saturday, April 6.

retaken the lead for good and led by the final score 6-3.

Elizalde struck out the lead off Mustang looking in the top of the seventh inning. The second Mustang walked but Elizalde

picked him off first with a quick throw to Espinosa for the tag. The final Mustang went down swinging to end the game.

Elizalde struck out eight batters allowed four hits, one earned

run and one walk in his seven complete innings of pitching.

The Mules and all of Texas was open Tuesday for the STAAR testing, but they return to action on the road in Dimmitt Friday at 4:30 p.m.

## JV Track Mules Place Fifth

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The JV Mules placed fifth at the A-Town Relays in Abernathy on Thursday, March 28, with 79.66 points.

Post won the meet with 182 points, Idalou finished second with 141.33 and Abernathy was third at 105.

New Deal placed fourth with 90 points and Friona was sixth with 19.

The Mules got off to a good start in the first race of the day, the 3200-meter run.

Luis Herrera ran a gold medal time of 12 minutes and 13.82 seconds, Aaryn Ross placed fourth in the same race with a 12:33.15 and Eddie Elizalde finished fifth with a time of 12:40.34.

Kevin Pope and Tony Castillo tied for fourth place in the high jump with leaps of five feet two inches. Alex Mendoza placed sixth in the discus with a throw of 109-9.

The Mule 4x100-meter relay team finished fifth with a time of 47.57.

Danny Martinez with 44.85.

Herrera was back on the gold medal stand in the 1600-meter run with a time of 5:28.38.

Martinez won the silver medal in the same race with a 5:36.16 and Ross finished fourth with a time of 5:42.07.

The Mule 4x400-meter relay team finished fourth with a time of 3:53.22.

The Mules will host the District 2-2A Meet on Saturday, April 6.

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# SPORTS NEWS

## Eighth Grade Mules Take Top Trophy At A-Town Relays

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Mules won the A-Town Relays in Abernathy with 144 points.

Floydada placed second with 120 points, Post was third with 108 and Abernathy claimed fourth with 95.

Idalou was fifth with 87 points and Friona took sixth with 56.

Mario Flores won

the gold medal in the first race of the day, the 2400-meter run, with a time of eight minutes 49.00 seconds.

Mario DeHoyos placed sixth in the same race with a 9:58.00.

Javy Perez won the silver medal in the high jump with a leap of five feet two inches and Tre Villa placed fifth by clearing 5-00.00.

Beto Diaz claimed the

silver medal in the long jump with a leap of 16-11.75 and Villa won the bronze medal with a distance of 16-06.00.

Jason Florez hopped, skipped and jumped his way to the bronze medal in the triple jump with a distance of 32-08.00.

Tim Perez vaulted 7-06.00 for the silver medal in the pole vault and Jesse Leal cleared

7-00.00 for fourth place.

Blake Parker tossed the discus 103-02 for fourth place. The 4x100-meter relay team of Perez, Florez, Diaz and Villa zipped once around the track in a gold medal time of 48.84. Lane Coffman placed fifth in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:38.35.

Parker took the

bronze medal in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 20.34.

Diaz finished the 100-meter dash in the gold medal time of 11.88. Perez claimed the bronze medal in the 400-meter dash with a 1:00.53.

Florez finished fourth in the 300-meter hurdles with a 51.38.

Villa finished the 200-meter dash in a

silver medal time of 25.51 and Raul Trevino placed sixth with a time of 27.53. Flores ran a gold medal time of 5:18.85 in the 1600-meter run.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Perez, Diaz, Villa and Perez finished the meet with a gold medal time of 3:55.47.

The Mules final track meet of the season will be the Class 2-2A District Meet to be held on the Olton Mustangs' track on Friday, April 5.

## Muleshoe Tennis

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The girls doubles team of Kalie Lovell and Katelyn Gable lost to Anton 4-8 before defeating Denver City 8-6; Floydada 8-6 before being defeated by Farwell 3-8.

The mixed doubles team of Brandon Martinez and Zoe Apodaca lost to Tulia 1-8; defeated Littlefield 8-6 and lost to Lockney 6-8.

Aaryn Ross and

Kayla Preston lost to Idalou 6-4, 4-6 and the super tie breaker 10-6; fell to South Crest 6-4, 6-7 and the super tie breaker 8-10.

Barron defeated Idalou 8-6 in Floydada but lost to Tulia 6-0, 7-6 and the tie breaker 9-7.

He also lost to Wellington 0-6, 4-6 and Canadian 2-6, 4-6. Elizalde defeated Tulia 8-3 but lost to Canadian 0-6, 2-6.

Wood and Cage defeated Floydada 6-4,

6-2; but lost to Tulia 4-6, 6-4 and the tie breaker 8-10 and lost to Wellington 2-6, 0-6.

Mendoza and Mendoza defeated Childress 8-2 before losing to Tulia 0-6, 4-6.

Ramirez lost to Floydada in girls singles 4-8 but defeated Olton 8-3, 8-2 and 8-3 for consolation. Gandarilla lost her first match 4-8 but defeated Farwell 8-2 and had losses of 5-8 and 5-8.

Moore and Moore

defeated Plainview 8-6 but lost to Olton 1-6 and 1-6.

Braden Bessire and Apodaca lost to Floydada 4-6, 1-6 before defeating Floydada 8-6 and lost to Ross and Preston for consolation. Ross and Preston lost to Olton 8-9 and 4-7 in the tie breaker.

They defeated Floydada 8-4 and won consolation by defeating Bessire and Apodaca.

Ruby Regalado and Dezy Gutierrez lost to

Floydada 4-8 and Olton 2-8. Imelda Salcido and Lisett Mojica lost to Wellington 1-8 and Olton 2-8.

Jake Huerta lost to Wellington 0-8, 5-8. Jordan Russell lost to Childress 1-8, 3-8. Britton Beall lost to Tulia 2-8 and Idalou 0-8.

Jaxiel Lopez and Josh Lopez won the championship in JV boys doubles by defeating Floydada 8-3, Floydada 8-4 and Muleshoe 8-2.

Issac Acosta and Cristian Lopez placed second in the JV boys doubles by defeating Floydada 8-1, Muleshoe 8-4 before losing to Lopez and Lopez.

Antonio Vasquez and Brando Martinez took third place by defeating Floydada 8-4 and Muleshoe 4-8 before losing to Floydada 9-7.

Jose Martinez and Noah Del Toro lost to Floydada 5-8 and defeated a second Floydada team 8-3 and Floydada 5-8.

The District 2-2A tennis tournament will be held in Plainview April 4 and April 10.

## Eighth Grade Ladies Take Silver At Abernathy

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Lady Mules won the team silver medal in the A-Town Relays in Abernathy Tuesday afternoon, March 26, with a total of 137.5 points.

Abernathy won the meet with 188.5 points, Friona placed third at 100 and Idalou took fourth with 97.

Post was fifth with 47 points and Floydada was sixth at 40.

Ahtziri Elizalde won the gold medal in the

first race of the day, the 2,400-meter run, with a time of nine minutes 57.00 minutes.

Brylee Beall and Jacqueline Rayas finished fourth and fifth in the same race with times of 11:17.00 and 11:38.00 respectively.

Kyan Garner won the silver medal in the high jump with a leap of four feet two inches.

Marilyn Melendez placed fourth in the high jump with a leap of 4-02 also, and Brittney Mendoza was sixth with a height of 4-00.

Reagan Reynolds scored a point with a sixth place distance of 12-08 in the long jump.

Elizalde picked up her second gold medal of the day in the pole vault with a vault of 7-00.

Beall and Emily Precure both cleared 5-06 for fifth and sixth place respectively.

Daisy Montejano took fifth in the shot put with a heave of 24-04.25.

The Lady Mule 4x100-meter relay team of Mendoza, Reynolds, Garner and Leticia Loya won the silver medal with a time of 59.48.

Elizalde was on the gold medal stand for the third time after the 800-meter run with a time of 2:47.51.

Precure earned the bronze medal in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 18.49 and Sadie Sudduth finished fifth with a 19.18.

Mireya Ruvalcaba

won the gold medal in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.76.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Gloria Gonzalez, Reynolds, Crystal Flores and Leticia Loya place fourth with a time of 2:10.02.

Ruvalcaba won the silver medal in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:13.72.

Precure won the bronze medal in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 58.11.

Mendoza also won a bronze medal in the 200-meter dash with a 30.65.

Beall placed fourth in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 6:53.28.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Ruvalcaba, Mendoza, Reynolds and Elizalde ran a silver medal time of 4:48.38.

The Lady Mules will run in their final meet of the season. The District 2-2A Meet will be held Friday in Olton.

## Seventh Grade Ladies Take Bronze At Abernathy Relays

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The seventh grade Lady Mules won the bronze team medal in the A-Town Relays in Abernathy on Tuesday, March 26.

Idalou won the meet with 206 points, Post placed second at 119 and Abernathy was fourth with 96.

Friona was fifth with 57 and Floydada finished sixth with nine points.

Cassidy Cage earned the bronze medal in the first race of the day, the 2400-meter run with a time of 11 minutes and 24 seconds.

Laura Chavez was a step behind in fourth place with an 11:26.00.

Conley Niblett won the Lady Mules first gold medal of the day in the high jump with a leap of four foot four inches.

Liliana Barrera earned the bronze medal in the long jump with a leap of 12-11.00, Alexis Campos placed fifth in the triple jump with a jump of 25-10.00.

Brianna Barron vaulted her way to a gold medal in the pole vault by clearing

6-00.00.

The 4x100-meter relay team of Barron, Rossy Diaz, Melody Moran, and Barrera claimed the bronze medal with a time of 1:00.00.

Yvonne Diaz lapped the track twice in the 800-meter run in a gold medal time of 3:01.06.

Barrera placed fourth in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 20.60.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Barron, Niblett, Campos and Brianna Velasquez earned the bronze medal with a time of 2:10.18.

Diaz won the silver medal in the 400-meter dash with a 1:16.06 and Haley Hunt placed sixth with a time of 1:19.88.

Velazquez placed fourth in the 300-meter hurdles with a 1:01.34.

Joniah Mendoza finished fourth in the 1600-meter run with a time of 7:04.51 and Chavez was steps behind in fifth place with a 7:07.60.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Diaz, Cage, Niblett and Barron finished fifth with a time of 5:13.25.

The Lady Mules will compete in the District 2-2A Meet in Olton on Friday, April 5.

## Sudan Powerlifters Compete At Abilene Meet

By Cheri Sain  
Sudan Correspondent

Sudan students Adam Martin and Matthew Olivarez competed in the boys state powerlifting meet this past Saturday in Abilene.

Adam finished seventh with a total of 1,040 pounds in the 132 weight class.

Matthew finished ninth with a total of 1,600 pounds in the super heavyweight class.

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- NICE 4.8 acre homesites, deed restricted!! \$17,500!!
- West of Sudan 3-2-2 Brick Home on 5.57 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, approx. 2788' lv. area, fenced yd., 40' x 80' quonset barn!! MUCH MORE!! \$135K!!
- NICE 3-2-2 Home on 11 acres at edge of town, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, freshly painted interior, thermal windows & doors, plus 1 bdrm house, workshop, storage, greenhouse, plus 3 garages, barns & outbuildings!! \$455,000!! \$135,000!!
- FM 1760 @ edge of town, nice 3-2-2 carport home on 3 acres, cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx. 2253' lv area, fenced, horse barn w/corrals, hay & tack room!! \$105K!!!!
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Photograph by Gabby Perez

A Lady Mule clears the bar during the Mule Relays.

## Lady Mules Take Four Gold Medals

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules won four gold medals, four silver medals and five bronze medals in the A-Town Relays in Abernathy Thursday.

Adrienne Precure led the Lady Mules with two gold medals, two silver medals and one bronze.

Miranda Acevedo got the Lady Mules off to a fast start in the open race of the day, the 3,200-meter run, with a gold medal time of 14 minutes and 2.43 seconds.

Jasmine Garza was close behind in the 3,200 with a bronze medal time of 14:07.93 and Brooklyn Beall took

fourth with a 14:45.43. Precure's first medal of the day was bronze in the high jump with a leap of four feet 10 inches. Cass Moore cleared 4-06 for fifth place.

C. Moore placed sixth in the long jump with a distance of 14-01.00.

Precure won her first silver medal with a vault of 8-06.00.

The Lady Mule 4x100-meter relay team placed fifth with a time of 53.77.

Noemi Herrera claimed the bronze medal in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:37.93 and Blanca Ramirez placed sixth with a 2:41.82.

Precure ran a silver

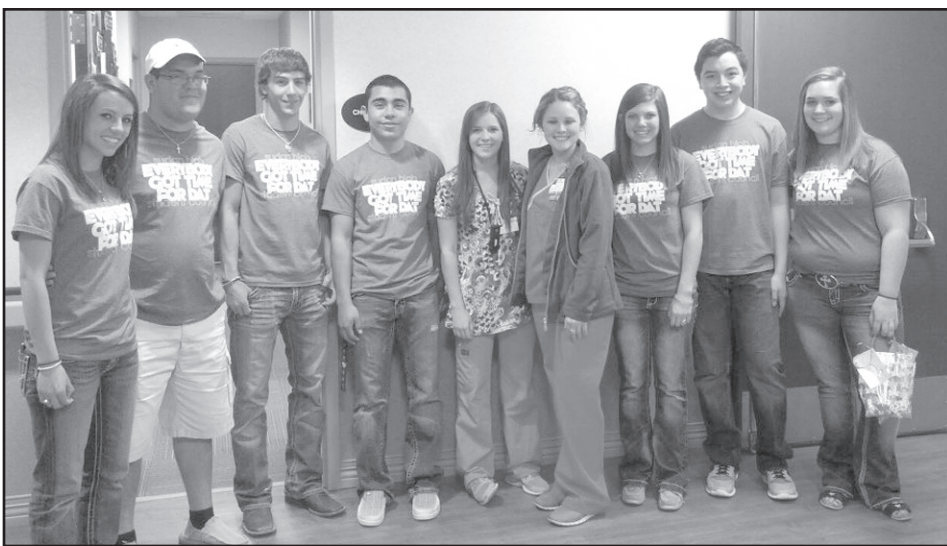
medal time of 17.19 in the 100-meter hurdles and Daniela Diaz placed fifth with a 17.84.

Precure was back on the gold medal stand after running a 48.40 in the 300-meter hurdles. Zoe Apodaca finished sixth in the same race with a 56.01.

Ramirez, Herrera and Keidi lapped the track four times in the 1,600-meter run for the gold, silver and bronze medals with times of 6:00.96, 6:02.61 and 6:02.81 respectively.

Team totals were not available for the A-Town Meet at press time.

The Lady Mules will host the District 2-2A Meet on Saturday, April 6.



Keela Chester, Andrew Ramon, Jake Chester, Cesar Medrano, the floor staff at Covenant, Caitlyn Netherland, Joe Luis Melendez, and Kylee Coleman

## SHS Students Deliver 'Easter Goodies'

By Cheri Sain  
Sudan Correspondent

Two of Sudan High School's organization decided to share with children in the Lubbock and Portales area some Easter goodies and baskets and delivered the baskets the week before Easter.

The Sudan High School Student Council visited Covenant Children's Hospital in Lubbock. Those students in attendance were Cesar Medrano, Madi Edwards, Keela

Chester, Jake Chester, Andrew Ramon, Caitlyn Netherland, Kylee Coleman, and Joe Luis Melendez.

The Students United to Deliver Service (SUDS) used funds from the Youth in Service Division of Lubbock's United Way to make Easter baskets for the Children's Home in Lubbock and the Baptist Children's Home in Portales.

Forty-eight baskets were delivered to the children in Lubbock,

and ten baskets were taken to Portales.

Students helping with this project were Megan Capers, Raemi Goen, Kimberlee Gonzales, Alex Rodriguez, Jesus Lozoya, Bailey Beauchamp, and many other students who helped with the process.

Advisors for the Student Council include Tara Humphreys and Missy Klafka. SUDS advisors are Neal Kleman and Cheri Sain.

## Park View Easter Egg Hunt



Photographs by Larry Thornton

## More Classifieds

Continued from A9

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## Employee Of The Month Announced

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently honored Robie Espenson of Bailey County EMS as the March Employee of the Month. Pictured above are Robie Espenson receiving her certificate from chamber president Gina Wilkerson, Darrell Schmidt, Kevin Baize, Steve Henthorn, Debbie Smith and Jamie Saylor.



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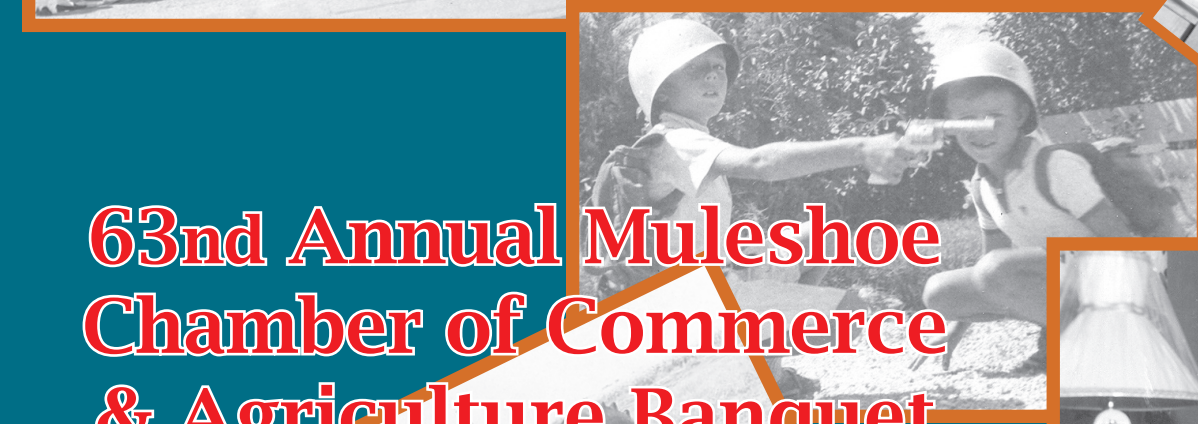
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## 63rd Annual Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture Banquet



**Saturday, April 6**  
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### Gina Wilkerson Chamber President



Gina is employed at Williams General Store and Gina was born and raised in Muleshoe. "I would like to see the community and businesses be involved. I hope by being on the chamber, that I can help bring some of those good times back."

### A letter from the president...

I am married to Ronnie Wilkerson and I have children Kolby and Brittini and their son, Kallan and daughter Birklee Wilkerson.

I was born and raised in Muleshoe. My parents are Phyllis and the late Ken Angeley. I have two brothers Ronnie and Shelly Angeley and kids, and Michael and Tami Angeley and kids.

This is my second year as president of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and my third year as a chamber board member. Last year was such a great success! We had a great turn out for the 50's theme chamber banquet and awesome participation for the July 4th parade. The whole town really came together in these events. This year, I hope to keep the momentum going with the chamber events and keep growing with our community.

Muleshoe has always been home to me and as chamber president I hope and will do anything I can for the business and community.

I want to thank all of the businesses and community for all y'all have done. We are here for you. Thank you.

*Gina Wilkerson*

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### Josh Mullins Chamber Board Member

My name is Josh Mullins. I have lived in Muleshoe for little over a year, and I have enjoyed my time here.

I work for United Supermarkets and am proud to be a part of and so involved in our community.

As the acting treasurer for the chamber, I am looking forward to another great year and another great opportunity to give what I can to Muleshoe.



# Staying Active = Staying Healthy!

### Chris Weaver

Chamber Board Member

Chris Weaver is the employed by Muleshoe Vet Supply. He is the warehouse manager and has been there for 11 years.

Chris has lived in the Lazbuddie community for 28 years.

This is his third year to serve on the chamber board.



This "Salute to Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture" was produced by the staff of the *Muleshoe Journal*, 201 W. Ave. C, Muleshoe, TX 79347

**The Muleshoe Journal proudly supports the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture and all its members.**



*Thanks to your commitment, Muleshoe is thriving!*

### Todd Shipman Chamber Board Member



I am the owner and manager of Shipman's Body Shop, Inc., Shipman's Wrecker Service, and Shipman's Autoplex.

This is my second year on the chamber of commerce. I grew up here and have lived back in the area for 3 years.

I am married to Brenna Shipman and have four boys — Blayne, Braden, Tate, and Taylor.

It is my goal to see local businesses grow and to keep Muleshoe and the surrounding area going forward.

## Use Sunscreen To Prevent Skin Cancer

### Debbie Smith Chamber Board Member



I am a Farmer's daughter with a love for the farming community, and the farm family lifestyle. I have lived and worked most of my life around the Muleshoe area.

I work at Bailey County Electric Cooperative in Muleshoe. I have a son, Sterling Smith, who has blessed me with a beautiful daughter-in-law Trish and two beautiful granddaughters — Lily Ava and Elizabeth Snow. As a young girl, I remember holding my grandpa's hand with a crowd of people watching when Pete was unveiled for the first time.

Being a part of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture has been great. I look forward, to being a part of Chamber, and working for my community.

### Muleshoe Chamber Banquet 2012



Photographs by Larry Thornton

The following stories were published on the front page of the Feb. 13, 1925, issue of the Muleshoe Journal.

# Chamber of Commerce Was Organized On Tuesday Night

Tuesday night (Feb. 10, 1925) a meeting was called for the purpose of organizing a chamber of commerce for Muleshoe.

Taylor White was elected president; R.B. Boyle, vice president; J.D. Thomas, secretary-treasurer; and the board of directors are Levi Pressley, L.S. Barron and M.P. Smith.

A committee was appointed to draft the constitution and by-laws for the organization. Taylor White, J.D. Thomas and L.S. Barron were appointed.

Another committee was appointed for the membership drive which is going on, namely: Ray Griffith, E.J. Vance and Dr. Matthews. The membership fee was placed at \$1 for three months. See on of the men and join, help put Muleshoe on the map of progress.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday night, Feb. 17, at the courthouse. Every man in the territory is welcome.

The chamber of commerce is the voice of the city. It reflects the ideals of the community. It expresses

the aspirations of the people. It gives directions to the aims of the citizenship. It combines the efforts of those who think in terms of helpfulness. It speaks in defense of the good name of the city. It is the spotlight that reveals activities that are worthy. It pleads in behalf of the voiceless. It is the magnet that draws the outside world to your midst. It is the clearinghouse of civic pride. It is the composite picture of a city as its citizenship would have it.

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### Bailey County And Muleshoe Coming To Front; Much Building

C.V. Wainescott, who moved here from Fredrick, Okla., is building in the Springlake community.

J.H. Pickard and O.V. Osborn of Oklahoma, have purchased land and will improve it.

J.E. Bryant and J.H. Paul of Amarillo, were here last week. Bryant owns some fine land here and J.H. Paul is the son of J.C. Paul, an extensive land owner in the county.

The Whaley Lumber Company has just finished another big lumber shed.

H.T. Jones is improving a big farm in the Springlake district.

A.L. Nix of Springlake is improving a farm.

A.P. Bohner, north of town, is improving a new farm.

M.E. Jefferies is completing a house in the Progress district.

R.E. and C.W. Good of Mangum, Okla., are improving a farm near here.

J.A. Johnson of Ashtola was here last week and purchased 240 acres. He will build a complete set of improvements.

T.D. Tipton is improving his 80 acres near town.

E.M. Nixon of Fairlawn is building a home.

R.C. Reedy of near Fairlawn is building a new farm house.

A.V. McCarty will build a new home right away, we have been informed.

A.V. McCarty Jr. has just completed his new home and move in last week.

### Activity In Muleshoe School Continues

Mrs. Walker gave her musical recital in the school auditorium Friday night, Feb. 6, 1925.

The Baptist ladies gave a box and pie supper following the recital. Votes were sold for the most popular girl and the homeliest man. Miss Ruth Harden and Mr. R.L. Brown were the winners of the contest. The proceeds amounted to over \$80.

Another school truck has been added to the Muleshoe consolidated school district. It is driven by Rev. G.O. Dean.

The following have been absent from school this week on account of illness. Dollie Lawrence, Agness Abney, Winnie Crosswhite, Scott Robins, Hazel Debord, Ruth Harden, Clovis Dehond, Flavis Robinson, Houston Taylor.

## Lacy Vardeman

### New Chamber Member

I am an "Ag Baby." I grew up in a ranching family that has ranched for 6+ generations and I married Dean Vardeman whose family has farmed for countless generations.

We have three children who also share our agricultural passions, Ty Vance, 16, Molly Elizabeth, 13, and Abby Elise, 10.

We love farming and ranching and we love being part of the Bailey County community!

I have enjoyed serving on the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation Board and having the opportunity to soak up the rich history here. I am excited to be on the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture where I can indulge in all my community passions!



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## Jaimie Saylor

### New Chamber Board Member

My name is Jaimie Saylor and I am brand new to Muleshoe! I was raised outside of Denver, Colo., and it was there that I met my husband, Jordan, while we were both attending Western State University in Gunnison.

We moved to Lubbock in 2009 and I graduated from Lubbock Christian University in 2011.

Upon graduation, we moved to Muleshoe, Jordan's home town, and that is how I came to be a part of Great Plains Ag Insurance and the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce.

My hobbies are flying with Jordan who recently got his pilot's license, snow skiing and college football. My immediate family now resides in Decatur, Ala., and we have become huge Alabama fans. Please, stop by Great Plains and introduce yourself.



## 2012 Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture Award Winners

At the 62th annual Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture Banquet awards presentation, on Saturday, March 31, the recipients were:

- Joe Sowder, Man of the Year
- Laverne Winn, Woman of the Year
- West Texas Gas, Business of the Year
- Sarah Santos, Employee of the Year
- Tim, Tammy, Tyler and Bobby Black, Farm Family of the Year

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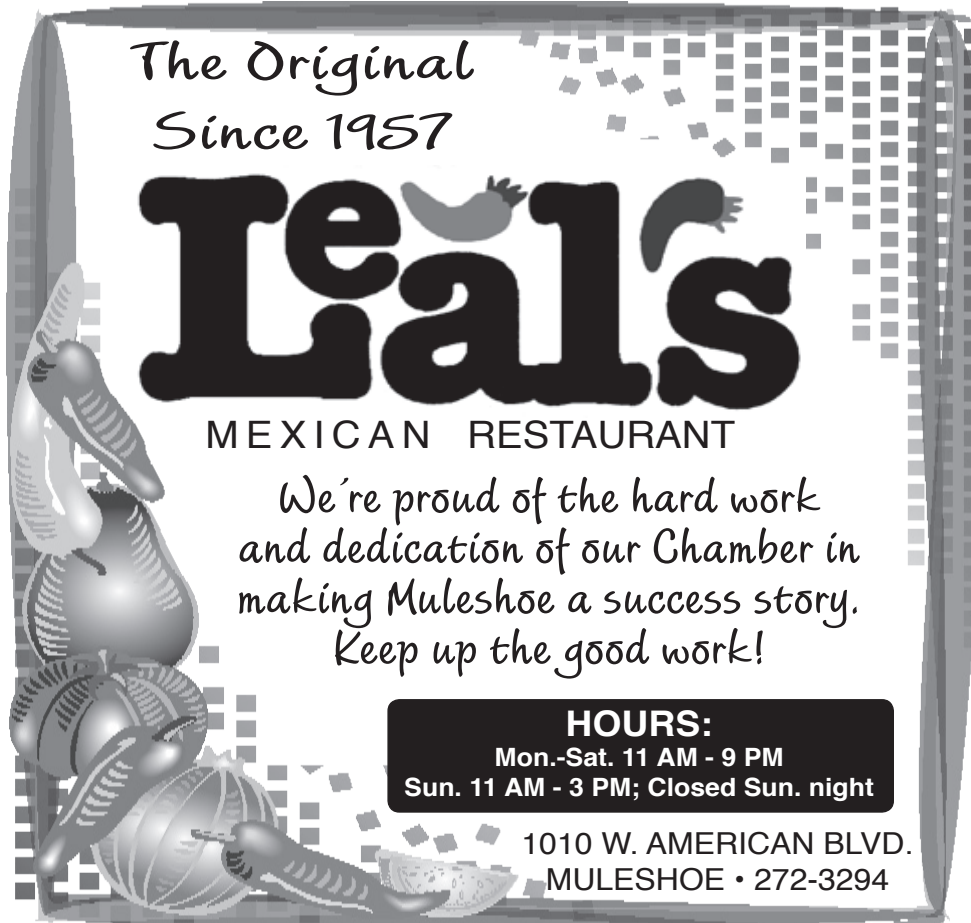
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## Rosa Davis

### New Chamber Board Member

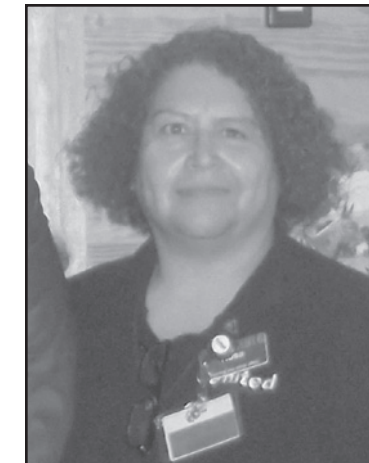
I have lived in Muleshoe most of my life. I attended school here and I work at United Supermarket, I have been there seven years. I used to work at the Lazbuddie ISD, was there for 16 years. While there I did the basketball concession stand for many years and helped with Robotics.

I attend Cowboy Church and love helping out at Roping Camp. I'm very active with Relay for Life, U-Crew, and Lubbock Marine Parents. I used to do Dairy Fest in Clovis and many years ago I was a Brownie leader.

I have two wonderful sons. My oldest is Jeffrey, he and his wife Mirian live in Lubbock with my two grandsons, Graceson and Kaeson and another one coming in August. I don't know what it is yet.

My youngest son, Jason, is a Marine and is stationed in 29 Palms Calif.. He recently was promoted to 1st Sargent Davis. "Very Proud." He is deployed to Japan right now.

My sons and daughter-in-law and grandbabies are my life and now I am happy to be part of the Muleshoe Chamber.



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# Carlos Contreras, Sr.

NEW Chamber Member



Carlos is employed at Savage Energy Services Tolk Station. He has been there for 31 years.

He also has two sons, Carlos Jr, and Cory Josh Contreras.

This is my first year on the Chamber of Commerce, and I am so excited to be involved for the community and bringing some of those good times back to Muleshoe, TX.

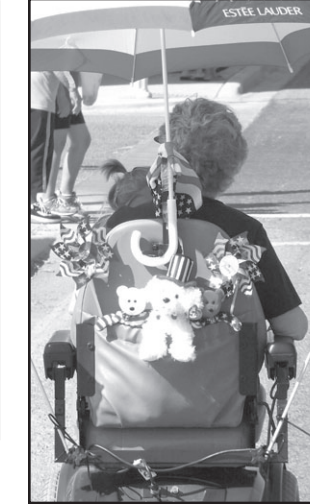
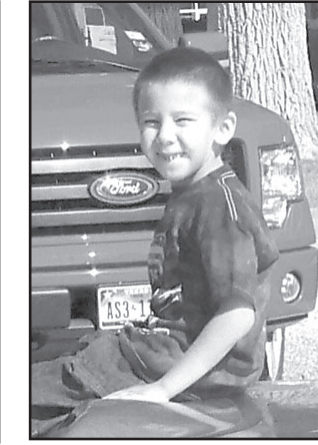


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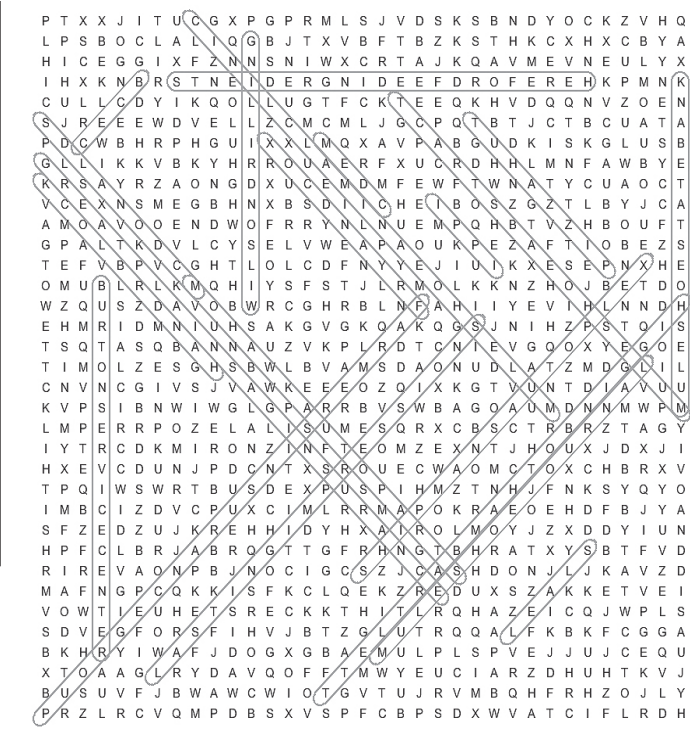


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## 2012 Chamber Independence Day Parade



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# Becky Hoksbergen

Executive Assistant



Becky has been assistant to the executive committee since 2010.

She is married to Allen who is hoof trimmer for local dairies. Becky has four daughters, Billie, Heather, Heidi and Hillary of Iowa. Before moving to Muleshoe three years ago Becky lived in Portales, N.M., for nine years.

Becky and her husband Allen have started a vineyard. Two years ago, they planted 2,000 plants and currently have 8,000 more coming in.

"I am from an agricultural background being raised on a farm in Iowa," said Hoksbergen. "I felt working for the chamber would be good place to learn about the agriculture and businesses in the Muleshoe area."



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1955 — Man of the Year, R.A. "Brad" Bradley.  
 1956 — Man of the Year, Jerry Kirk.  
 1957 — Man of the Year, Gil Lamb.  
 1958 — Man of the Year, W.T. Bovell.  
 1959 — Man of the Year, C.O. Jones.  
 1960 — Man of the Year, Alex Williams; Women of the Year, Lula Gorell.  
 1961 — Man of the Year, All Volunteer Fireman; Women of the Year, All Volunteer Fireman's Wives.  
 1962-1966 — Unavailable  
 1967 — Farm family of the Year, Burley Lee Roberts.  
 1968-1972 — Unavailable  
 1973 — Man of the Year, unavailable; Women of the Year, unavailable; Farm Family of the Year, Ted Simpson family.  
 1974 — Man of the Year, unavailable; Women of the Year, unavailable; Farm Family of the Year, Ernest Ramm family.  
 1975 — Man of the Year, Bill Russell; Women of the Year, unavailable; Farm Family of the Year, Jerry Don Glover family.  
 1976 — Man of the Year, H.D. Hunter; Women of the Year, unavailable; Farm Family of the Year, George Wheeler family.  
 1977 — Man of the Year, Randy Gant; Women of the Year, unavailable; Farm Family of the Year, James Brown family.  
 1978 — Man of the Year, unavailable; Women of the Year, Wilma Waddle; Farm Family of

the Year, Royce Turner family.  
 1979 — Man of the Year, Terry Bouchelle; Women of the Year, unavailable; Farm Family of the Year, Gene Smith family.  
 1980 — Man of the Year, Neal Dillman; Women of the Year, unavailable; Farm Family of the Year, Jake Saylor family.  
 1981 — Man of the Year, unavailable; Women of the Year, Elizabeth Watson; Farm Family of the Year, Gene Paul Jarman family.  
 1982 — Man of the Year, Bob Sanders; Women of the Year, Jenne McVicker; Farm Family of the Year, Bobby Redwine family.  
 1983 — Man of the Year, Howard Watson; Women of the Year, Magann Rennels; Farm Family of the Year, Buck Campbell family;  
 1984 — Man of the Year, Jeff Smith; Women of the Year, Nelda Merriott; Farm Family of the Year, Lewis Wayne Schafer family.  
 1985 — Man of the Year, Bob Finney; Women of the Year, Janie Moraw; Farm Family of the Year, Harrol Redwine family.  
 1986 — Man of the Year, Gordon Wilson; Women of the Year, Julie Cage; Farm Family of the Year, Gary Hooten family.  
 1987 — Man of the Year, Wayne Wauson; Women of the Year, Cleta Williams; Farm Family of the Year, Sam Harlan family.  
 1988 — Man of the Year, Bruce Purdy; Women of the Year, Billie Downing; Farm Family of the Year, Carl Bamert family; Couple of the Year, Hubert and Nancy Kidd; Employee of the Year, Joy

Stancell; Conservation Farmer of the Year, Ernes Ramm.  
 1989 — Man of the Year, Bob Stovall; Women of the Year, Vivian White; Farm Family of the Year, Terry Hutton family; Employee of the Year, Starla Ellis; Conservation Farmer of the Year, Billy Tiller.  
 1990 — Man of the Year, Harvey Bass; Women of the Year, Jean Allison; Farm Family of the Year, Alfred Hicks family; Employee of the Year, Dianne Wilson Brown; Conservation Farmer of the Year, Wilbur Kalbas.  
 1991 — Man of the Year, Hubert Kidd; Women of the Year, Cindy Purdy; Employee of the Year, unavailable; Business of the

Year, Perry's; Farm Family of the Year, Larry Hancock family.  
 1992 — Man of the Year, Robert Hooten; Women of the Year, Magann Rennels; Employee of the Year, Billie Downing; Business of the Year, Joe's Boot Shop; Farm Family of the Year, David McGuire family; Conservation Farmer of the Year, Rex Black.  
 1993 — Man of the Year, Robert Montgomery; Women of the Year, Inez Bobo; Employee of the Year, Delores Salcedo; Business of the Year, Five Area Telephone Cooperative; Farm Family of the Year, Sam Harlan family; Conservation Farmer of the Year, Terry Pollard.

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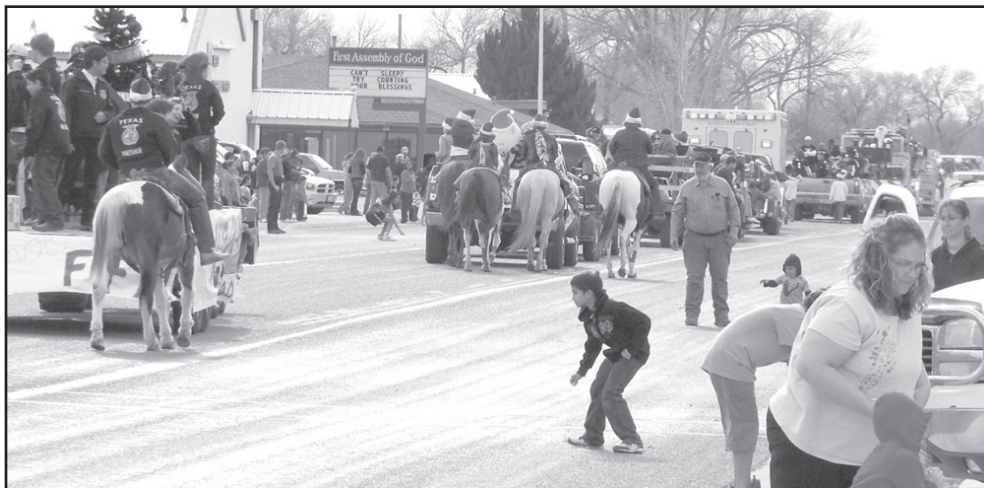
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# 2012 Chamber Christmas Parade



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## Brandon Thomason

### Chamber Board Member

Brandon has been the Ag teacher at the Muleshoe Independent School for years.

He was born and raised in Muleshoe, and is married to Jana. They have two daughters — Mackenzie and Braylee.

This is Brandon's third year to serve on the chamber board.

"I am always busy very busy but I wanted to be more involved in the community," Brandon said. "I have good memories of all the fun with the turtle races and events from past years. I hope to be a help to the chamber and the community."



## Terry Brewster

### Vice President

Terry Brewster is married to Marion, and they have two sons — Nick and Robert.

They have lived in Muleshoe for 22 years.

"We live in a great community where people can come together and make great things happen."

"I hope that by being on the chamber I can be a part of helping new businesses open and keeping the ones that have made our community strong."

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1994 — Man of the Year, R.A. Bradley; Women of the Year, Laverne Jones; Employee of the Year, Joe Flores; Business of the Year, Leal's Restaurant; Farm Family of the Year, Travis Bessire family.  
1995 — Man of the Year, Max King; Women of the Year, Joy Stancell; Employee of the Year, Jan Smith; Business of the Year, Fry & Cox True Value; Farm Family of the Year, Darrel Mason family.  
1996 — Man of the Year, George Washington; Women of the Year, Rowena Myers; Employee of the Year, Angelica Toscano; Business of the Year, Western 66; Farm Family of the Year, Marshall

Pool family.  
1997 — Man of the year, Terry Hutto; Women of the Year, Nelda Merriott; Employee of the Year, Delores Garrett; Business of the Year, Dale Oil Co.; Farm Family of the Year, Don Bryant family.  
1998 — Man of the year, Gary Gilleland; Women of the Year, Berta Combs; Employee of the Year, Mary Janis Brantley; Business of the Year, Art Loft; Farm Family of the Year, Rusty Whitt family  
1999 — Man of the year, Ciff Black; Women of the Year, Kay Graves; Employee of the Year, Carl Kidd; Business of the Year, Wes-Tex Feedyard, Inc.; Farm Family of the Year, Gary Glover family.

2000 — Man of the year, Ronnie Holt; Women of the Year, Gail Hargrove; Employee of the Year, Tonya Pool; Business of the Year, United Supermarkets; Farm Family of the Year, Tony Barrier family.  
2001 — Man of the year, Dr. Bruce Purdy; Women of the Year, Ruby Green; Employee of the Year, David Wood; Business of the Year, Sanitary Barber Shop; Farm Family of the Year, Bobby Free family.  
2002 — Man of the year, Todd Ellis; Women of the Year, Wanda Hooten; Employee of the Year, Kay Caraway; Business of the Year, Channel 6; Farm Family of the Year, Betty Kirby family.  
2003 — Man of the year, Tim "Buck" Campbell; Women of the Year, Lynn Campbell; Employee of the Year, Freddie Santos; Business of the Year, Muleshoe Livestock Auction; Farm Family of the Year, James Gore family.  
2004 — Man of the year, David Tipps; Women of the Year, Kay Mardis; Employee of the Year, James "Granny" Elder; Business of the Year, Burton Service Center; Farm Family of the Year, James L. Wedel family.  
2005 — Man of the year, Kenneth Henry; Women of the Year, Dawn Williams; Employee of the Year, unavailable; Business of the Year, Wilson Drilling Co.; Farm Family of the Year, Don Bryant family.  
2006 — Man of the year, Steve Friskup; Women of the Year, Carolyn Johnson; Employee of the Year, Bennie Parker; Business of the Year, Scott's Car Wash; Farm Family of the Year, Chris Bass

family.  
2007 — Man of the Year, Jearl James; Women of the Year, unavailable; Employee of the Year, Mandi Seaton; Business of the Year, Sain Irrigation; Farm Family of the Year, Bruce Barrett family.  
2008 — Man of the year, Todd Newberry; Women of the Year, Pat Angeley; Employee of the Year, Ginger Richie; Business of the Year, Leo's Blacksmith & Machine Shop/Muleshoe Metal Art; Farm Family of the Year, Brian Boehning family; Business of the Year, Bailey County Electric Cooperative.  
2009 — Frank Wuerflein, Man of the Year, Jean Allison, Woman of the Year, BCEC, Business of the Year, David Wood, Employee of the Year, Jim Pat and Susie Claunch, Farm Family of the Year.  
2010 — Wayne Pierson, Man of the Year; Janet Claborn, Woman of the Year; Brenda Logsdon, Employee of the Year; Channel 6, Business of the Year; Kelly Kettner family, Farm Family of the Year.  
2011 — Kenneth Henry, Man of the Year; Donna Jay, Woman of the Year; The Studio, Business of the Year; Lisa Whalin, Employee of the Year; Obie and Michelle Standard, Farm Family of the Year; and the James Gore family, Farm Family of the Year.  
The 2012 chamber award winners are on page 4.

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