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## Mules Outfly Eagles

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

It was obvious Friday night that the Mules and Lubbock Roosevelt Eagles were very familiar with the offensive styles that each utilizes.

They should as Mule coach David Wood and Eagle coach Greg Poynor worked together for six years in Muleshoe.

Poynor was the defensive coordinator for the Mules before taking the head coaching job at Lubbock Roosevelt.

"It is a chess match when we meet," said

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Wood. "They know what we like to do and we know the same about them. So we work all week to find ways to deceive one another and hope the other team will make a mistake. It is fun but very nerve wracking."

The first half proved to be exactly that. The teams pulled out all the stops and the Eagles

scored 23 seconds prior to the intermission to take a 16-14 lead over the Mules. But the Mules went 66 yards in three plays and scored on a 32-yard toss from Caleb Wood to Austin Ross.

The Mules led 21-16 at the half and went on to defeat the Eagles, 41-16.

"I am glad this one  
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Photograph by Larry Thornton

Mules Shawn Atwood and David Gonzales gently help an Eagle receiver to the ground during Friday's game at Roosevelt.

## County Court Approves Budget, Sets Tax Rate

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

The Bailey County Commissioners' Court formally adopted its budget for FY 2013, along with the accompanying tax rate during Monday's special session.

"I'm so ready to get this budget approved," County Judge Sherri Harrison said.

"I think I'm as excited about this one as I was my first budget," she added, noting that the upcoming year's budget was the first she'd ever been up at midnight entering numbers to complete the draft for Monday's approval.

In all, the approved budget totals \$2,735,614.30

**"I'm so ready to get this budget approved"**

in general revenue, based on Monday's approved total tax rate of .8365 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

The total tax rate includes a general fund rate of .6153, a farm to market rate of .1217, and a debt service tax rate of .0995.

Both the budget and tax rate passed with a unanimous vote.

Prior to Monday's vote, the judge talked about changes at Bailey County EMS, which included additions to the services' rate schedule, which had previously failed to include some often used items and medications.

With the EMS rate change, along with other departmental budget changes, Harrison said the ambulance service's numbers would be more in-line with the county's budget numbers.

Also speaking with the commissioners' court was Sheriff Richard Wills, who spoke about some changes within the county jail, including eliminating the position of assistant

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**Hold Him Steady**  
Sometimes, it seems as if getting the steer to the "fire" is the easy part of the job, even when the fire is just a bucket of chalk. Area cowhands from Texas and New Mexico gathered at Allen Scott's arena Saturday, Sept. 22, for the second annual Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture Ranch Rodeo. Pictured above, a team takes part in the branding event while others watch an opposing team member roping another steer to drag across the line. Photograph by Larry Thornton

## Sheriff Brings Good News About Prisoner Boarding

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

County Sheriff Richard Wills brought welcome news to Monday's commissioners' court, reporting that at least 25 prisoners from Curry County, New Mexico, were expected to arrive at the Bailey County Law Enforcement Center.

**"The way it is now... we can't take all 60 prisoners..."**

"It's a patch, but it's getting the jail filled for 90 days," Wills said. Monday evening, the

sheriff said the total prisoners received from Curry County was 33.

The decision by Curry County officials to house the prisoners at Muleshoe will increase county jail revenues by an estimated \$98,010.

According to Sheriff Wills, Curry County has to relocate about 60 prisoners for the three-month period, but the number the local jail can accept is reduced because the number of "in-county" prisoners has been up significantly.

"They way it is right now," Wills said, "we can't take all of the 60 prisoners."

The local jail population is about 18  
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## Second Annual 'Fun Run' Held

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

Muleshoe Independent School District Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets hosted his second annual "Beat Dr. Sheets Fun Run" on Saturday morning.

The competition was held in the New City Park on a two-mile course. The Mule and Lady Mule varsity, junior varsity and junior high cross-country



Approximately 50 high school and 60 junior high students along with community members participated and left the starting line when the gun sounded.

Fourteen students raced around the course in front of Sheets and were awarded a certificate.

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## Serious Air Time

Sometimes it's not the "up" that matters... it's the down." Pictured on the left, members of the Muleshoe varsity cheerleading team prepare to catch a teammate who received some "serious air time" before Friday's game.

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# OPINION

## Around Muleshoe...



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### Sophomore Class Meal

The Muleshoe High School Sophomore Class will be hosting a "brisket sandwich dinner" fund raiser on Friday, Sept. 28, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the MHS cafeteria.

The meal will include chopped brisket sandwiches with all the trimmings, baked beans, chips, chocolate chip cake and iced tea.

Tickets are adults \$7, and are available at the door or from sophomore class students and sponsors.

Deliveries will be made from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Call 272-7409 to place an order.

### SPCAA Assistance Available

South Plains Community Action has funds available to assist eligible applicants with services such as education, rental and utilities.

The purpose of the program is to assist migrant or seasonal farm workers to gain or sustain employment.

For additional information, contact the SPCAA Neighborhood Center, 804 W. American blvd., Muleshoe, or call 272-7537.

### Library Teen Movie

The Muleshoe Area Public Library is hosting a teen movie night on Oct. 8 and 10, from 3:45 until 6 p.m. The movie, which is intended for teenagers and adults only, will be *Charlie St. Cloud*.

### Library Storytime

The Muleshoe Area Public Library is hosting story time for children age 2 to school age on Oct. 8, at 10 a.m. The event will have a Halloween theme.

### Adult Education Classes

Workforce Solutions will be hosting free adult education classes starting Sept. 25.

The classes, which will be on Tuesday and Thursday, from 6:30-9:30 p.m., will include the following topics: Literacy, GED preparation, adult basic education and English as a second language.

For additional information contact Yolanda Moore at 806-281-5753.

### Important Election Dates

- Oct. 9... Final day to register
- Oct. 22... Early voting begins, 8:30 a.m. - noon and 1 p.m. -5 p.m., Bailey County Clerk's office
- Oct. 25... County clerk's office open at noon for early voting.
- Oct. 30... Last day to receive request for ballot by mail
- Nov. 1... County clerk's office open until 6 p.m. for early voting
- Nov. 2... Early voting ends, 5 p.m.
- Nov. 6... General election, Bailey County Coliseum, 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

For additional election questions, contact the Bailey County Clerk's office, 300 S. First Street, Muleshoe, or call 272-3044.

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# No 'Hands Off' For Islamic Violence

## Editorial

While we join with others in expressing condolences to the families of those murdered by Muslims angered by a privately-made video depicting their prophet Mohammad "as a fool and a womanizer," we can't help but be a bit irritated by what appears to be the White House's reaction.

Yes, the administration has voiced support of free speech for the issue, but at the same time it has supported the "hands-off Islam" policy that has threatened the world as a whole for decades by requesting that online video companies block or remove the offending clip.

Has there been similar response to the heretical articles, books and related news reports alleging the

marriage and sexual activity of Jesus Christ? Of course not.

For decades, some members of the Islamic faith have attempted to hold other faiths hostage with threats and acts of violence that while reviled by the majority of world governments include efforts to placate members of the Islamic faith in a way considered intolerable for other proponents of terrorism.

Did the US government seek to placate members of the Symbionese Liberation Army after they murdered a California school superintendent and threatened additional violence?

Has the threats of violence by the world's

drug cartels resulted in a "hands-off" policy by federal, state and local law enforcement in the United States?

Of course not, in both cases, and with good reason... to respond in such a manner to criminal activity, whether based on theological and ideological differences, or merely greed, diminishes us as both a people and a nation.

When Islamic terrorists, including the nation of Iran, called for the blood of Salman Rushdie, after publication of his novel, *Satanic Verses*, should the British government—or that of his current residency, the United States, have offered him up? Obviously not,

but neither should it consider approaching his publisher suggesting that such literature not be printed, or that existing copies be pulled from the shelves.

While the current administration has been "glowing" in the political limelight from its stand against Islamic terrorism as a result of its success in eliminating Osama bin Laden, it has jumped over backwards in its efforts to not offend members of the Islamic faith—even when those individuals continue to violate the rights of others, especially those of the Christian and Jewish faiths.

No matter how one tries to justify it, giving in to terrorism in this manner only postpones the problem, and strengthens the resolve of its proponents.

# Muleshoe Students' Mother Speaks Out

## Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:  
This is a follow up letter as to what was said at the (Sept. 17 school) board meeting.

I am the mother of the students who were sent to Plainview over the incident that happened at MHS on Monday, Sept. 10.

My son was sitting at the lunch table when another student went up behind him and started hitting him for no reason. So what my son did was get up got him in a headlock so he would stop hitting him.

The school did not call me to let me know what was going on. My son was the one that called me after Mr. Myatt told him that he was not notifying his mother. After maybe 15 minutes after they had him in the office the secretary called me and told me that I had to go get my kid.

She did not know why or what was going on. My boys were suspended for three days, and got a ticket which I'm fine with.

What I do not approve of is the fact that Mr. Myatt wants to send him to Plainview for the remainder of the school year. He hasn't been in trouble before other than his grades were low at one point of the school year.

He was suspended last school year for (using improper language) after a football player threw a ball in his face while he was sitting down doing some work. My son was suspended, but they took no action against this football player.

My concern is that at Plainview they do not earn credits the way they do in school. We have spoken to Mr. Myatt on several occasions and have gotten no where.

It is our school because as Muleshoe residents we pay taxes. I find it unfair to all the students not only

mine to whom he has denied them the right to continue their education just because they have had one visit to his office or had some problems before.

Just because these kids are not honor roll students or athletes does not make them bad kids. I just want my kids to have the education to which they are entitled.

Right now we are beginning the "process" we have to follow to have our case heard.

There are a lot of other students and parents here in Muleshoe that have had the same problems with this man. He has told my kids before "there are

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# AGRICULTURAL NEWS

## USDA MILC Program Sign-up Ends Sunday, Sept. 30

Bailey County USDA Farm Service Agency Executive Director Kim Hanlin, reminds dairy producers that the deadline to sign-up for Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) benefits is Sept. 30. Legislation has not been enacted to extend the MILC program past Sept. 30 through the Food, Conservation and

Energy Act of 2008. MILC compensates dairy producers when domestic milk prices fall below a specified level. "It is important that dairy producers provide final production evidence and any supporting documentation for eligible months that MILC was in effect by Nov. 1, 2012," said

Hanlin. Changes to the dairy operation start-month must be designated on FSA's form, "CCC-580M - Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) Modification." For more information about the MILC program, please contact the Bailey County FSA office at 806 272 4538 or visit the web at www.fsa.usda.gov/tx.

## Feedlot Cattle Numbers Are Down

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.62 million head on Sept. 1, down nine percent from a year ago.

up seven percent from last month. On Sept. 1, there were 2.27 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 87 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down eight percent from last year and down one percent from the Aug. 1 total. August placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 444,000 head, up four percent from the July total. Marketings were up nine percent from last month to 456,000 head. Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head

or more totaled 10.6 million head on Sept. 1. This inventory was down one percent from last year. Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.00 million head, 11 percent below August 2011. August placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 482,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 385,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 475,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 660,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.96 million head, five percent below 2011.

According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was down one percent from the Aug. 1 level.

Producers placed 495 thousand head in commercial feedlots during August, down 20 percent from a year ago but up four percent from last month. Texas commercial feeders marketed 510 thousand head during August, down six percent from 2011 but

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## Private Pesticide Applicator License Training Has Been Set For Oct. 11

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Potter County is offering Private Pesticide Applicator License Training on Oct. 11. The training will be at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West, Amarillo. The training session begins at 8 a.m. The three-and-a-half hour training will give participants the needed

information to take the private applicator license test which will be administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Cost of the training is \$60 and all materials will be provided. Anyone in the Texas Panhandle may and are encouraged to participate if they need a private pesticide applicator license, said Brandon Boughen, AgriLife Extension

agriculture and natural resources agent for Potter County. The private pesticide applicator license is for agricultural producers and land owners who apply restricted use pesticides to their own property. Boughen said. Those planning to attend should RSVP by Oct. 5 to reserve a seat. For more information, contact Boughen at 806-373-0713.

## Texas Milk Production Is Down Slightly

Texas milk production totaled 766 million pounds during August, down 1.9 percent from last year's production of 781 million pounds. July 2012 production totaled 779 million pounds. The number of milk cows during August averaged 440,000 head, up 5,000 head from last year but unchanged from the July 2012 number.

Production per cow averaged 1,740 pounds during August, 55 pounds lower than last year and 30 pounds lower than July 2012. Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 15.3 billion pounds during August 2012, down 0.2 percent from production in these same states during August of last year. July revised

production, at 15.5 billion pounds, was up 0.7 percent from July 2011. Production per cow during August averaged 1,803 pounds, 10 pounds below a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.50 million head, 32 thousand higher than last year but 4,000 lower than July 2012.

## Capital Farm Credit Stockholders Receive \$55 Million in Cash



Muleshoe, Texas — Capital Farm Credit Board of Directors recently approved a \$55 million cash distribution by retiring a portion of previously-allocated equities.

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# The Sudan Buzzy

## Yummy... But Messy!

Sudan High School students recently had the opportunity to display their table manners during a pep rally. Pictured on the right, Ivan Trillo, AJ Barron, Luis Azua and Stephen Schovajsa dive into cream pies to find gummi fish.

Once found, they passed those fish to the girls, Adriana Porras, Madi Edwards, Denise Salazar and Jaydyn Valdez, to finish the relay race.



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**Sudan Football... Hornets vs. Plains on Page B2**

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## SHS Seniors Attend College Day Fair

The Sudan seniors recently attended the College Day Fair sponsored by South Plains College.

Several post-secondary schools were in attendance to speak to the seniors of the area about their future plans.

Students had the opportunity to visit with college recruiters about various fields.

Some of the schools in attendance were Texas

Tech, South Plains, LCU, ENMU, WTAMU, Angelo State, the Art Institute, WyoTech, and many others.

The students also had a chance to discuss financial aid and scholarship opportunities at the various schools and fill out information cards.

"It was a great opportunity for these seniors to have a chance to speak with a representative from the

schools we have been researching," teacher Cheri Sain said. "Many of the students came away with valuable information to begin the process of narrowing down their choices."

For many of the students it is a wake up call that graduation is around the corner.

"I can't believe that I am actually here talking to colleges," student Adriana Porras said. "It is a wake up call that I

am graduating in less than a year and need to make decisions for my life."

There are more opportunities for the seniors to help make decisions about their future.

Sudan seniors will visit a few college campuses, will speak to college recruiters in class, and attend the Career Day at the Lubbock Civic Center.

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## Debate Team Places At Wayland Meet

By Cheri Sain  
 Sudan Correspondent

The Sudan High School Speech Team had a successful tournament at the Wayland Baptist University Speech Tournament this past Saturday.

Several Sudan students walked away with a trophy, and many of those students were first time competitors.

CX Debate competitors walked away with three trophies.

Alex Hernandez and Doug Ames won the tournament.

Marcos Gonzales and Harris Chester took a fourth place trophy home as well as Joe Luis



Melendez and Briffen Ames who won the fifth place trophy.

Deric McCurry, who qualified last year for State LD Debate, placed second overall.

It was his highest finish ever at a TFA tournament, and it was a split ballot loss in the finals.

The Duet Acting team of Wyatt Joyce and

Reece Harper placed first.

It was the first Sudan duet team to ever win first on every ballot for the entire day.



## Ahoy!

Sudan elementary students recently celebrated "Talk Like A Pirate Day" by dressing as pirates, talking like a pirate, and learning about the history of pirates.

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### Fall is Coming!

Fall is coming! Leaves are starting to drop from the trees. Some birds are flocking together and flying south for the winter. Animals are gathering seeds and nuts to store for the winter. Children are playing soccer and football. Some people are piling logs for fires that will take off the chill in their homes in the evenings. Families are starting to cook more hot meals, and baking in the oven begins again! Yum!

- Some things fall "down" during the autumn season and some things go "up":
- #### Falling Down . . .
1. get out sweaters when these fall
  2. the scurrying \_\_\_\_\_ tumbled down into their burrows
  3. roasted over a fire and eaten
  4. clusters of \_\_\_\_\_ hang down heavily on their vines
  5. crisp and fresh! pies! sauce!
  6. fields of \_\_\_\_\_
  7. rake them up!
  8. umbrellas, raincoats needed
  9. coats the grass and windowpanes
  10. fall from mighty oak trees

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- #### Going Up . . .
1. stacking \_\_\_\_\_ in piles for heating
  2. picking \_\_\_\_\_ to dry for fall bouquets
  3. flocking together to fly south
  4. kicked up over the goal post
  5. piled into silo for winter feeding of animals
  6. harvest \_\_\_\_\_ rising into the sky at night
  7. \_\_\_\_\_ of baking pies, hot cider
  8. milkweed pods open and their \_\_\_\_\_ float away
  9. \_\_\_\_\_ from fires warming houses
  10. squirrels pick up \_\_\_\_\_ to store

If I have to come down in the fall, I want to have a soft landing. Help me fall into the pile of leaves!

### A Soft Landing!

### Orange Clouds Moving South?!

These orange and black flying insects group together to move south for the winter.

By the thousands they land in trees, clinging to branches to rest!

**Monarch**

### Falling all Around!

Grab your colored pencils and fill this in to see what is falling: B = Brown, Y = Yellow, T = Tan, R = Red, O = Orange

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### Sheets' Fun Run...

Continued from A1 Moore, Noah del Toro, Eli Leal, Aaryn Ross and Carolina Franco were the high school students who crossed the line in front of Sheets.

The seven junior high runners who finished in front of Sheets were Z Elizalde, Mario Flores, Evan Paez, Timothy Perez, Javy Perez, Moses Martinez and Evilyn.

"We had a great time Saturday morning," said Dr. Sheets. "In my mind, I won this year because I was close enough to those that were ahead of me that I could hear the cheering when they crossed the finish line."

The Muleshoe High School cross-country teams will compete in the Lubbock Invitational Meet Saturday. They will run on the Mae Simmons Park two-mile and three-mile courses.

### Library Teen Movie Set

The Muleshoe Area Public Library is hosting a teen movie night on Oct. 8 and 10, from 3:45 until 6 p.m. The movie, which is intended for teenagers and adults only, will be *Charlie St. Cloud*.

### Library Storytime Set

The Muleshoe Area Public Library is hosting story time for children age 2 to school age on Oct. 8, at 10 a.m. The event will have a Halloween theme.



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# SPORTS NEWS

## Eagles' Feathers Ruffled During Second Half

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 is over," said Wood after the game. "It was a typical Muleshoe-Roosevelt game. It was very physical and we were about to go into the half behind. But we had three great plays to go down and score as time ran out."  
 "That drive gave us the momentum we

The Mules reached the Eagle two in five plays and scored on a two-yard pass from Wood to Martinez. Elizalde extended the Mule lead to 28-16.

David Gonzales and Shawn Atwood recorded sacks to stop the ensuing Eagle drive.

Martinez returned

scrimmage and then scooted 49 yards for the Mules final score.

The Mules rolled up 442 total yards with 336 being on the ground and 136 through the air. Wood completed 12 of 23 passes for 136 yards and three touchdowns and rushed 17 times for 152 yards and one score.

Regalado carried eight times for 111 yards for one TD and caught one pass for seven yards and a touchdown.

Baca rushed 11 times for 71 yards and one touchdown.

Ross made three receptions for 65 yards and one TD.

Matt Barron made two receptions for 33 yards and Martinez caught one pass for a single yard and a touchdown.

Friday night is Homecoming for Muleshoe. The Mules will host the Alpine Bucks.



Photograph by Larry Thornton

Mule placekicker Nacho Elizalde knocks another extra point through the goal posts during Friday's game at Roosevelt.

**"Our kids had to adjust on the run and we got a lot out of this game"**

needed to come out and take over the game in the second half. Roosevelt did some good things and made it tough on us. Our kids had to adjust on the run and we got a lot out of this game," Coach Wood said.

The Mules halted the Eagles after one first down and forced them to punt.

The Mules found a way to march 77 yards on five plays with Caleb Wood flipping over the top for the first score with 7:18 remaining in the first period.

The balance of the half was not that easy for the Mules. The Mules again stopped the Eagle drive after one first down.

The Eagle punt was a line-drive kick that Ross fielded at the Mule nine. He gave ground attempting to get around a defender but was grabbed and slung around.

The ball came loose and rolled into the end zone and Chris Young of the Eagles pounced on it for a touchdown.

The Eagles intercepted Wood's pass on the final play of the first period.

The Mule bend-but-don't-break defense refused to allow the Eagles past the Mule three-yard line so the Eagles booted a field goal to go up 10-7.

Junior Baca returned the kickoff up the middle of the field and with a burst of speed reached the Mule 46.

Joel Regalado had runs of 12, seven and 10 yards on the 54-yard drive before catching a seven-yard scoring toss from Wood.

Regalado made the catch at the Eagle five and had one man to beat.

A quick move froze the defender and allowed Regalado to reach pay dirt.

The Mules led 14-10 after Nacho Elizalde booted the point after.

The Eagles consumed six minutes and five seconds on their final scoring drive of the night. Derek Coppedge made a 17-yard connection with Karl Nunes on a toss over the middle for a TD with 23 seconds left in the half. That put the Eagles in front of the Mules 14-10.

Ray Martinez returned the opening kick of the second half to the Eagle 45.

the Roosevelt punt to the Eagle 43.

Wood hit Ross on a slant over the middle and he made two defenders miss and gained 23 yards.

Baca blasted up the middle for eight yards and carried up the middle a second and appeared to be stopped after a short gain.

He kept his legs churning and broke the tackle and shot into the end zone for a touchdown with 4:11 left in the third quarter. The Mules led 35-16.

Saul Sanchez took over the helm for the Mules late in the fourth period. He only quarterbacked one play and handed off to Regalado up the middle.

Regalado broke a couple of arm tackle attempts at the line of



Mule Junior Baca heads for the goal line during Friday's game against the Roosevelt Eagles.

Photograph by Larry Thornton

## JV Mules Defeat Eagles

By Delton Wilhite  
 Sports writer

The JV Mules all but pitched a shutout against the Lubbock Roosevelt Eagles Thursday evening. The Mules rolled over the Eagles 34-7.

Aaron Ross sacked the Eagle quarterback on third down to force a punt on Roosevelt's first drive. The punt rolled dead on the Eagle 44.

Keagan Gonzales kept for 18 yards on first down and then carried for six yards to the Eagle 20.

Braden Bessire burst up the middle on a 20-yard scoring run. Gonzales added the two point conversion to put the Mules on top 8-0

with 8:49 remaining in the first period.

The Eagles could not move the ball and were forced to punt again and the Mules took over on the Mule 46. The Mules moved the ball on the ground to the Eagle 20. Bessire broke a couple of tackles on his way for 14 yards.

The Mules fumbled but Jose Martinez recovered for the Mules at the Mule 17. Gonzales connected with Blaine Hurtado at the four and he hustled in for the score. Gonzales added the two-point conversion to give the Mules a 16-10 lead with 2:41 left in the first period.

The Eagles

intercepted a Mule pass and returned to the Mule 37. Nate Rosas and Nathan Rejino teamed up to stretch the Eagle option pitch wide and set Roosevelt six yards. Christian Paez sacked the Eagle quarterback for an eight yard loss. Hurtado made the tackle on fourth down at the Mule 15 and the Mules took over on downs.

The Mules fumbled and the ball was finally recovered by the Eagles on the Mule four. Eshoya Lopez made back-to-back-to-back stops and give the Mules back the ball on downs at the Mule 19.

Gonzales tossed to JJ Gandara. A defender

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# Sudan Varsity Hornets Sting Cowboys

**By Cheri Sain**  
*Sudan Correspondent*

The Sudan Hornets moved up in the latest state rankings from 14th to ninth after a huge victory over the Plains Cowboys Friday.

The Sudan Hornets are now 4-0 after defeating Cowboys with a score of 54-7.

The Hornets scored three unanswered touchdowns in the first quarter.

Jake Chester gave Dayton Fisher his first touchdown of the game on a 31-yard pass with eight minutes left in the quarter.

Cesar Medrano's PAT was good.

Plains had trouble moving the ball the first quarter, so Sudan would

get the ball back. In only two plays, Sudan would find the end zone again.

This time BJ Johnson would run 24 yards for his first touchdown of the season.

The PAT kick was good bringing the Hornets 14 points on the board.

Sudan would score one more time just before the quarter ended when Chester would find Fisher in the corner on a nine-yard throw.

The PAT was blocked by Plains giving the Hornets the lead going in to the second quarter with a score of 20-0.

It took Plains nine plays to score on the Hornets in the second

quarter, but it only took the Hornets one play to answer right back with a 64 yard touchdown run by Jake Chester giving Sudan the lead at 26-7. The PAT was no good.

Chester found Fisher one more time before the half ended.

On an impressive 93 yard 11-play drive, Fisher caught and ran 46 yards for a Hornets touchdown.

The PAT by Medrano was good giving Sudan the lead going in to the locker room of 33-7.

Chester would continue where he left off to begin the second half of play with a touchdown after just two plays from the kickoff.

It took the Hornets 34 seconds to score on another Chester run. The PAT was good.

With five minutes left in the quarter, Plains Cowboy Zack Wilkins would fumble the ball, and Chester scored another touchdown. The PAT was good giving Sudan the lead at 47-7.

The Hornets would score one more time in the game with Osmar Diaz running 41 yards for a touchdown, and Medrano's PAT was

good. The Hornets left Plains with a huge victory and good numbers for the night.

"The team played well, and we are starting to get healthy again," Coach Gordon Martin said.

Sudan had 414 yards of total offense versus Plains' offense at 222 yards.

Leading rushers for the Hornets were Diaz with 150 yards in nine carries and Jake Chester with 119 yards in seven

carries. Sudan would have 309 net yards of rushing. Chester would also have 105 yards of passing and completing six of nine passes with no interceptions.

Dayton Fisher led all receivers with 89 yards.

The Hornets will travel to New Deal on New Deal's Homecoming night.

"Thanks for your support of these boys," Martin said. "Please keep it coming."

## Mule Freshmen Fall To Idalou

**By Delton Wilhite**  
*Sportswriter*

The freshmen Idalou Wildcats cashed in on a pair of freshmen Mule errors to take a 20-0 lead by the intermission.

The Mules came back strong in the second half to hold the Wildcats scoreless for all but 30 seconds of the second half.

The Wildcats defeated the Mules 28-21.

The Wildcats kicked off to start the second half and Josh Lopez returned to the Mule 14.

Daniel Campos made back-to-back tosses to Antonio Vasquez and Brandon Chavez. Jose Mendoza burst up the middle for 15 yards to

mid field. Campos connected with Kevin Mendoza for 22 yards. Vasquez made a double move and raced down the Mule sideline for a reception and a 28-yard touchdown pass and run. Felipe Guerrero tacked on the point after.

The Mules trailed 20-7 with 8:00 left in

the third quarter. The Mule defense forced Idalou to punt. Mendoza and James Lutz teamed up to stop the quarterback for a yard loss. The Wildcat punt rolled dead on the Mule 35.

Mendoza caught a pass over the middle for 16 yards. Lopez found

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## MHS Homecoming Candidates

Mulshoe High School's homecoming candidates for 2012, pictured above, include Samantha Ramires, the daughter of Gina Ramirez; Tessa Garner, the daughter of Rammi and Mandy Garner; Daniela Mendoza, the daughter of Antonio Mendoza and Sonia Alarcon; and Saeah Whitworth, the daughter of Seth and Gaylene Whitworth.

# Castorena Takes Weekly Prize In Football Contest

It was an exciting weekend for football, as I am sure most of you would agree.

The Mules had a great game on Friday and really showed their stuff, a lot of OT games in the NFL and my boys who play flag and tackle football on Saturday's also had great games.

We had a whopping nine contestants choose five out of the five games correctly: Johnny Gonzales, Patti Waggoner, William Orozco, Devnie Orozco, Silvia Castorena, Felipe Gonzales, Carlos Bustillos, Della Gonzales and Juan Sustaita.

The tiebreaker score was used to determine the winner, Mulshoe 41 vs. Levelland 16 total score 57.

Congrats to Silvia



## FOOTBALL CONTEST 2012

**By Rhea Gonzales**

Castorena as she wins this week with a score of 55. Silvia, you may come and pick up your \$25 on or after Wednesday, Sept. 26.

In the previous Sept. 14 game, I made an error in the Lazbuddie vs. Silvertown game (Should have been Southland), therefore, everyone was given a point for this game. Sorry for the confusion.

Here are the current top contenders:

Leading with 15 total correct picks — Johnny Gonzales and Woody Villa; 14 total correct — Tre Villa, Joe Cortez, William Orozco, Felipe

Gonzales, John Paul Garza, Carlos Bustillos, Scott Brown, Debbie Weir and Sherri Harrison; 13 total correct — Terry Field, Jayden Herrera, Devnie Orozco, Sally Bustillos, Fernando Toscano, Anna Lopez, Vicki Gonzales and Claire Brown.

You don't have to be a football expert to play this game, the odds of guessing correct on each of the games are 50/50, so we encourage you, your family and friends to participate each week for the \$25 weekly prize. It is free to play and free to enter.

Your score for the

week will be the amount of games you guessed correctly.

The person who has the most correct guesses at the end of the contest will win \$200.

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There are lots of ways to enter the football contest. You can come by the office and drop off your entry (201 W. ave. C), our hours of business are Monday - Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday, 8 a.m. until 12 noon.

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## JV Mules...

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and Gandara made the grab simultaneously but Gandara ripped the ball away before hitting the turf for a 25-yard gain.

Gonzales made runs of 25 and 22 yards for a touchdown and a 22-0 Mule lead.

A squib kick was not handled by the Eagles and Rosas blocked the nearest Eagle to the ball away and Wesley Clarkson covered the ball for the Mules at the Roosevelt 34.

Four plays later Gonzales tossed to Hurtado in the end zone to give the Mules a 28-0 lead at the intermission.

Roosevelt made a first down. Eshoya sacked the quarterback for a five-yard loss. Paez and Gerald Torres made stops to hold the Eagles short of a first and the Mules took over on downs.

Bessire gained a first down with a 21 yard run. A bad snap forced Gonzales to scramble and he was hit as he threw the ball. Rosas made the catch in the end zone for the Mule's final score.

The Eagles scored on a 34-yard pass on the final play of the third quarter.

The Mules will travel to Tulia Thursday to play the Hornets.

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