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Richards Hopes To Be Helpful

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Sometimes, retirement isn't all it's cracked up to be... especially if you're feeling "older," but not "old."

Such has been the case with many New Mexico educators, and as is the case with the "new assistant superintendent" at the Muleshoe Independent School District.

After 22 years as the superintendent of the Texico School District, Texico, N.M., Dr. RL Richards jumped back

into the Lone Star State, where he began his career in education 31 years ago.

"I felt too young to quit," Richards said.

After graduating from Lubbock Christian University, with a bachelors degree in education and the intent of teaching mathematics and biology, Richards said he was encouraged to become an administrator, and received a

masters in education administration from Eastern New Mexico University, before eventually receiving his doctorate in the field from Texas Tech University.

A graduate of Roswell High School — prior to the days when the mere mention of the community would raise eyebrows and questions about students glowing with more than the enthusiasm

to learn, Richards is a second-generation superintendent, following in the footsteps of his father, who is a former New Mexico county superintendent.

Richard's brother, Lecil Richards, is currently the superintendent of House, N.M., Municipal Schools, also.

Prior to the move to Texico, Dr. Richards served as principal of Ralls High School, and superintendent at Grady, N.M., and was with Regional

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Assistant Superintendent RL Richards, PhD

I felt too young to quit...

Bailey County Adobe House Restoration Under Way

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

While the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation has succeeded in restoring several of the homes and buildings from the area, one of the older rural homes — one constructed two years before the Bailey County Courthouse, is

being restored in place. In 1923, an adobe house, along with a metal barn, was built south of Muleshoe on what was then a portion of the Davis Ranch. Half a century later, in 1977, Larry Simnacher and his bride. Eight years later, the Simnacher family moved away, but kept the place. Then, about a year ago, Simnacher was faced with a decision... to tear the old structures down, or to restore them.

"I've always had fond memories of the place," Simnacher said about the place that's being restored in memory of his wife, in a telephone interview Monday.

He said the first issue that had to be addressed was whether the house was even



Photographs by Larry Thornton

worth restoring.

"I wouldn't have thought adobe would have held up longer than a wooden structure," Simnacher said.

However, after construction experts examined the old house they determined the stucco-covered adobe needed to be re-sealed,

but was well worth restoring.

For the past year, Mike Turner formerly of Seminole, caretaker of

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The old metal barn stands ready for repair.

the house and barn CL Davis built, and some of the surrounding land was purchased by

Recent Sales Tax Allocations Push Lamb County Communities Ahead

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Lamb County communities nearly swept the awards in the area race for sales tax allocation dollars, according to information received from the Texas State Comptroller's.

When the numbers from the comptroller's office are compared to those from the same period last year, the City of Sudan comes out on top in the percentage of increase with a whopping 67.03 percent, representing an increase of \$2,018.31.

While second-place Littlefield, with a 30.78 percent increase, received \$19,709.90 in additional sales tax dollars, it was joined by the other Lab County Communities of Earth with a 27.03 percent increase — representing \$1,214.43, and Olton with a 25.16 percent increase, for \$1,844.82.

Of the top five positions charted

monthly by the *Muleshoe Journal*, only third-place Morton is not located in Lamb County, this month.

This month, Muleshoe, placing fifth with a \$4,422.51

percent decrease in the amount of sales tax revenue received was the only community to show a decrease.

In regards to the year-to-date totals, Earth receives the top

award for its percentage of increase, at 17.91 percent.

However, Littlefield, holding strong at second with a 16.35 percent increase in the amount of sales tax revenue it has received

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Sales Tax Results

City	Net Payment	Same period Prior year	Percent Change
Muleshoe	\$40,923.40	36,500.89	12.11%
Dimmitt	\$30,465.55	28,087.87	8.46%
Morton	\$11,159.12	8,766.80	27.28%
Littlefield	\$83,743.45	64,033.55	30.78%
Earth	\$5,706.08	4,491.85	27.03%
Olton	\$9,175.94	7,331.12	25.16%
Sudan	\$5,029.10	3,010.79	67.03%
Farwell	\$7,249.54	7,134.33	1.61%
Bovina	\$6,435.61	6,923.40	-7.04%
Friena	\$29,057.97	27,515.87	5.60%



Jamaica Festivities...

Area residents gathered Sunday for the annual Jamaica at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

Pictured above, a colorfully-clad young lady chases colorful ducks, while on the left, a youngster gets his first taste of a snow cone. More photographs on A12.



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Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

To post an announcement send an email to editor@muleshoejournal.com

St. Philip Neri Jamaica

St. Philip Neri Catholic Church of Pep is hosting its first annual summer Jamaica on Sunday, July 22, from 1-8 p.m., on the church grounds.

Live music is being provided, along with games, cold drinks, good food and much more will be available.

Baseball Send Off

The Muleshoe Major League All-Stars will be playing in the Southwest Regional Tournament at Lamesa July 19-23. Area residents who wish to demonstrate their support for the team are invited to attend the "send off" on Wednesday, July 18, at 6:30 p.m., at the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture office, Main and East American Blvd.

Editorial

You have to go a long way before you find a topic on which were in agreement with House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, but that is just the case when it comes to the recent announcement that this proud nation's Olympic representatives won't be representing this nation's textile manufacturers.

In case it slipped by you in the myriad of news items traveling across the nation this past week — which seems unusual considering the vim and vinegar with which the elite of Capitol Hill have voiced their opinions on the issues during the past week, the US Olympic Committee has insulted the nation it represents by purchasing the outfits to be worn by the US athletes during the upcoming opening ceremonies in London from China.

Exactly how this came about, we don't know. Granted, the US Olympic team, as the committee governing it points out, is privately funded, and it reportedly was to a large degree the corporate sponsors who were responsible for the "non-American" attire's selection.

But if there was anything worse than the "made elsewhere" labels that adorn the clothing, it's the total lack of remorse displayed by this nation's Olympic committee.

Still, it's not the first time such an issue has arisen. Several years ago, the U.S. military ditch it's tried and true side arms, the Colt 1911a1, for a foreign-made pistol — the Beretta 92, and while there were similar outcries made about that decision, the reaction from the Pentagon was nearly the same.

As to what should be done about the most recent issue, it's probably become a mute point. By the time this editorial hits the news stands, there will be only a few days left before our athletic representatives must make an appearance in London.

As embarrassing as the incident is, it would be even more for them to make their grand entrance attired as the Hans Christian Anderson character in the "Emperor's New Clothes." Neither do we see a repeat of the 1980 Summer Olympics boycott as a viable alternative.

About all that's left is for the Olympic mothers to start tie-dyeing t-shirts.

Experts Are Never In Short Supply

We don't hear much about surpluses these days. Shortages, yes. Surpluses, no.

But I suppose one thing will never be in short supply. We may even have a surplus of... experts.

Flip on any channel. Lift up any rock. Look around any corner. And you'll find yourself eyeball to eyeball with an expert.

Looks like a great job, if you can get it. Granted, folks who are the "genuine article" — really proficient and knowledgeable in their field — pay a high price to earn the term (and are usually slow to accept it).

But folks eager and willing to wear the "title" are easy to find. Whether you're coaching or teaching or preaching or retailing or farming or... well, just about anything else, experts abound.

Long on opinion. Short on training and experience. But ubiquitous and possessed of an astounding propensity for volume.

Sometimes I just think we have too many of them, and I know we do when I fall to the temptation to become one of them myself on pretty much any issue.

I do wonder about them.

If you've had your television on at all recently, you've seen scads of political ads. Have you noticed how many are negative?

The experts say those ads work. I know they work on me. They make me long for a "None of the Above" option at the voting booth.

My non-expert opinion is that any expert who tells a candidate to go negative ought to be fired and forced to find useful employment actually producing something of value.

Economic experts will also tell you, at least this week, I think, that inflation is under control. I wonder about that expert opinion. But maybe they're right. I do seem to be noticing a considerable amount of "deflation" recently.

(Andy Rooney used to do a fine job on this kind of stuff. Alas...)

Have you noticed? At first, I wondered why the toilet paper roll in our bathroom was scooting back and forth on its little TP roll holder. Because it has shrunk, that's why. The roll is narrower than it used to be.

Still in the bathroom, I opened the cabinet to get out a bar of soap. The package is the same, but the soap almost knocked the end out of its box before I opened it. It's bumping around in there, a lot smaller than it used to be.

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Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

And now, let's talk about really serious stuff. I popped a frozen corndog into the toaster oven the other day and suddenly realized that the poor dog has been bobbed! Who committed that atrocity?

Yeah, and we all know that we may indeed scream for ice cream, but while we're at it, we oughta scream a little at the makers who abandoned the good ol' half gallon for the metric system and a lot less.

They're selling air anyway, but now we get a lot less of it. (The folks who keep the full deal and make that an ad pitch not only make some of the best ice cream, they're smart.)

None of this shrinking stuff ever affects the size of the price, and I wonder: Do these companies have experts who tell them that most consumers are blind and dumb and just won't notice?

Thank the Lord indeed that one thing will never shrink, never be in short supply, and always be priceless but freely given. God's love.

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- Oneita Wagnon Senior Center, PO Box 292, Muleshoe, TX 79347.
- Hope Chest, PO Box 175, Muleshoe, TX 79347
- Muleshoe Hospital Auxiliary, c/o Muleshoe Area Medical Center.
- Bailey County Food Pantry, PO Box 175, Muleshoe, TX 79347.
- Meals on Wheels, 300 First St., Muleshoe, TX 79347
- Muleshoe Volunteer Fire Department, c/o Muleshoe City Hall, 215 S. First, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-4528.
- Lazbuddie EMS and Volunteer Fire Department, PO Box 125, Lazbuddie, TX 79053.
- Park View Nursing Care Center, 1100 W. Ave. J, Muleshoe, TX 79347.
- Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery, Inc., 104 E. Ave. C, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 272-5727.
- Muleshoe Area Educational Foundation, PO Box 62, Muleshoe, TX 79347.
- Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture, 115 E. American Blvd., Muleshoe 79347.
- Bailey County Child Welfare Board, PO Box 243, Muleshoe TX 79346, or call 272-3204.
- Muleshoe Boy Scouts, 609 W. Seventh, Muleshoe, TX 79347, or call 806-946-9908.
- Muleshoe Girl Scouts, 346 State Highway 214, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.
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Mike Turner points out something about the barn.

Work Continues On 'Lonesome Red'

Continued from A1 of the property, has been working with construction crews on the place, currently focusing on the house itself, but with an eye on restoring the old barn as well.

When asked about his name for the location, "Lonesome

Red," Simnacher said it arose from years earlier, when he purchased the house that stood off in the distance with its red roof.

"My goodness," he said, "the place looked lonesome."

While it's uncertain if that is what Simnacher will officially name the

place, he said it was how he always thought of it.

As for the degree of restoration to be done on the old barn, Simnacher said he hadn't been able to locate any old photographs of the structure, so

the decision had been made to follow the general color scheme of the house, including a bright red roof.

Thank you for reading!

Assistant Superintendent Richards...

Continued from A1 Education Cooperative #6 at Portales, N.M., for a time.

His wife of 29 years, Christi, a former elementary principal at Portales, is currently the reading specialist at REC 6.

While his wife's roots are from the Crosbyton area, Dr. Richards has relatives... if not

personal roots in the Eufaula, Okla., area, and has even taken part in the mentally-questionable outdoor sport of "noodling" or hand-fishing, where the fisherman reaches into dark underwater recesses with the hopes that it's a catfish's tonsils being tickled and not an angry beaver.

Of course, having achieved his current

level of education, local school board members would probably be glad to know the second-in-command of the MISD educational ship was smart enough to hold the equipment above water while a cousin searched the waters for dinner.

Concerning his decision to make the move to Muleshoe, Richards spoke of

local educational achievements.

"They seemed to have a great thing going on," he said, "and I hoped to help in some way."

Along with assuming the duties of the assistant superintendent, Richards will be taking on the added responsibilities of the school district's already highly successful federal program.

July Sales Tax Allocations

Continued from A1 — representing an increase of \$80,872.62 from the same period in 2011.

Muleshoe's YTD totals show an increase of 2.49 percent, or \$7,668.24 in actual dollars.

Bovina is also at the bottom in the area's YTD totals, with a 9.42 percent decrease in the amount it has received

this year.

The sales tax allocations received during July represent sales taxes collected by merchants in May and submitted to the state in June.

According to a news release received from the comptroller's office, state sales tax revenue in June was \$1.98 billion, up 15.2 percent

compared to June 2011.

"Sales tax revenue has increased for 27 consecutive months in Texas," State Comptroller Combs said in the release. "Strong business spending in industries such as manufacturing and oil and natural gas boosted the latest sales tax collections. Revenue from consumer

spending in the retail trade and restaurant sectors also did well."

The comptroller's office will send July local sales tax allocations totaling \$534.6 million to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts. July sales tax allocations are up 12.7 percent compared to July 2011.

Xcel Warns Customers About Billing Scam

Xcel Energy is warning customers of an apparent national scam targeting utility customers that involves attempts to obtain Social Security numbers and bank routing numbers.

The scam claims that the federal government is providing credits or applying payments to utility bills.

Customers are being told they can make a utility payment by using a bank routing number that is supplied

by the scam artists.

After the scammers obtain the victims' personal information, customers are given a phony bank routing number to pay their bills.

The scam is being spread via telephone, Twitter and texting. Customers in some states also have reported receiving fliers with similar information.

Customers should only use authorized methods and legitimate

banking information to pay their bills.

Credit card numbers and any personal information should not be provided to suspicious callers.

Affected customers should call Xcel Energy customer service at 1-800-895-4999 and report the incident to their local police departments.

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Sen. Seliger To Host Town Hall Meetings

State Sen. Kel Seliger is kicking off his annual tour of Senate Dist. 31 this week, conducting county town hall meetings across the Panhandle, South Plains and the Permian Basin in preparation for the 83rd Texas Legislature that convenes in January, but has yet to confirm a meeting date for Bailey County.

"I look forward to these town hall meetings every year because they give me an opportunity to discuss the issues that are important to my bosses - the citizens of District 31," said Seliger.

Over the next several months, Sen. Seliger will be making stops in each county in District 31 to communicate with constituents about the critical issues facing their communities in the next legislative session.

Upcoming area stops on Sen. Seliger's town hall meeting schedule include:

Friday, July 20
Potter County, 9-10 a.m., Amarillo City Hall, Commissioner's

Chamber.

Randall County, 10:45 - 11:45 a.m. Canyon City Hall. Tuesday, July 31, 2012

Winkler County, 3-4 p.m., Winkler County Courthouse, Kermit.

Thursday, Aug. 2
Deaf Smith County, 9-10 a.m., Hereford City Hall.

Parmer County, 10:45-11:45 a.m., The Old Depot, City Park, 700 Main Street, Friona.

Castro County, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Dimmitt City Council Room
Monday, Aug. 20

Ector County, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Cooper Auditorium, UTPB Science and Technology Building, Odessa.

Tuesday, Aug. 21
Andrews County, 2-3 p.m., Glorieta Room 101, Andrews Business and Technology Center, Andrews.

Wednesday, Aug. 22
Oldham County, 9-10 a.m., Oldham County Courthouse, Vega.

Hartley County, 11 a.m.-12 noon, Hartley County Courthouse, Channing.

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The **Muleshoe Major League All-Stars** competed in the state baseball tournament in Brownfield July 6-13. The team came in 3rd place and will now advance to the Southwest Regional Tournament in Lamesa starting July 19-23.

The All-Stars would like to **THANK** the Muleshoe Community for the donations received this past weekend during our fundraiser.

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By Brittany Gibbs

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The center is very appreciative of the \$300 in Mule Bucks that was presented to us by the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture.

We would like to remind everyone that the birthday party for July is this Thursday,

Thank you for reading the Journal!

July 19. If you are celebrating a birthday this month then come in and let us help you celebrate it, too!

We will have great music and a wonderful cake provided by Accolade Home care.

We would like to let everyone know that our good friend Audrey McCool is trying to work with SPAG, so we can get some of our old menus back.

We would also like to say that there are a few that are the same as what we were serving... just under a different name, so don't be shy. Come in and

enjoy lunch with us.

SPAG has set up its health fair to be held on Aug. 15, and Integra Care will be hosting a Bunko and Bingo day on Aug 21.

Both days will be held right here in the center, so mark your calendars and come have fun.

I will be traveling to SPAG on July 26 for the annual D&D meeting.

We would like to send Joe and Laverne off with well wishes and safe travel as they get ready to head off on a much deserved vacation.

And, we send our prayers out to all of our seniors who are feeling

under the weather. We hope to see you soon!

July 23-27 menu:

Monday, July 23 — Polish sausage, red cabbage with sweet and sour sauce, German potato salad, black forest parfait, and a wheat roll.

Tuesday, July 24 — King Ranch chicken, vegetable entrée, pinto beans, sugar cookie, and a pineapple ring.

Wednesday, July 25 — Smothered steak, mashed potatoes, mixed greens, peach short cake and a wheat roll.

Thursday, July 26 — Barbecue chicken, smothered potatoes, carrot salad, sliced

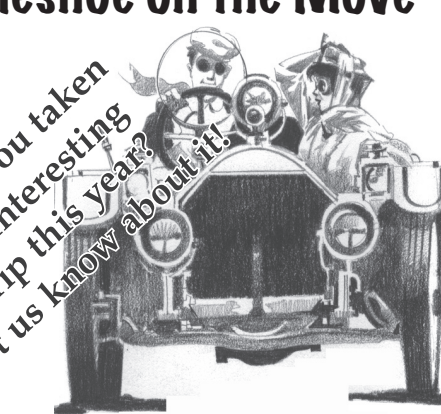
apples, and a wheat roll.

Friday, July 27 — Pollock wedge with lemon, lima beans, and two percent milk coleslaw with raisins,

lemon cookie, and cornbread.

All menus are served with tea, water, coffee and two percent milk to drink.

Muleshoe on the Move



Have you taken an interesting trip this year? Let us know about it!

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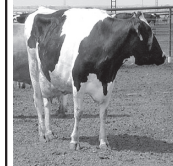
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Death Notices

Jackanette Smallwood

Farwell resident Jackanette Smallwood, 70, died on Monday, July 9, 2012. She was born on Dec. 13, 1941, to Jack and Hazel Doyal in Roswell, N.M. Funeral services were held on Friday, July 13, followed by burial at Sunset Terrace Cemetery of Farwell.

Therman Coleman Jr

Levelland resident, and former Muleshoe resident Therman Coleman Jr. died on July 12, 2012, in Lubbock. He was born on July 23, 1965, to Therman Sr. and Hattie Ruth Coleman in Lubbock. Funeral services are set for Friday, July 20, at 2 p.m. at Fifth Street Baptist Church of Levelland.

Something worth saying...
By Glen Williams

Thou Shalt Not Kill

"Thou shalt not kill!" This commandment has reference to another human being. It has no reference to the fowls of the air, fishes of the seas, animals of the jungles, or those trained to serve the people of the world. Life for us humans would be very dim and lacking if they did not exist. "We the people" are blessed with an intelligence above and more productive than any of those animals.

The purposes for which we were placed on the earth is much higher and more noble than any other. Therefore, we are commanded to "not kill," to not kill each other.

But we the people have fallen into a condition of living, on both an individual and collective basis that tends to believe what we ought to be. In other words, we are sinners, otherwise there would be no questions about our disposition to kill other humans.

But that being true, God made certain exceptions, which should they occur we can legally and properly kill another human. And here are a few of those exceptions:

- "He that smiteth his father, or his mother shall be surely put to death."
- "He that smiteth a man so that he die, shall surely be put to death."
- "He that curseth his father or his mother shall surely be put to death."
- "He that stealeth a man, and selleth him,

Births

Lopez Birth

Stephen Andrew and Ashley Star Lopez of Muleshoe announce the birth of their daughter, Abcdee Starlena Lopez, on July 3, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., at Lamb Healthcare Center of Littlefield.

Abcdee weighed seven pounds, four ounces at birth, and was 19-1/2 inches in length.

Her grandparents are Ramiro and Elissa Martinez, Roberto Lopez III, and Elizabeth Torres Pagan.

Learning The Rest Of God's Story

Lamplight By Larry Thornton

insight that could help him prepare for future cases.

So the attorney asked the railroad employee is there was anything that he, the widow's attorney, could have asked or done that might have resulted in a different verdict.

"Well," the elderly man said, "I don't know if I should say... I would have mentioned it during the trial, but I was told to answer the questions and not volunteer anything. But if it were me, I would have asked if my lantern was lit."

As hard as they tried, the Israelites weren't able to live successfully under the law. But that was only part of God's plan of salvation. The purpose of the law was to help us to understand that we needed something

more. That something more was the Son of God.

The young attorney only knew part of the story during the trial. But when the Son of God, Jesus Christ, walked the dusty roads of Judea and Galilee, he revealed many things about his Father, his own authority, the sins of man and man's hope for salvation. Up until that point, man — like the young attorney, only had part of the story.

Although the Israelites had known the Father since the days of Abraham and Moses, they lacked the understanding that came from God's Son.

John 1:17-18, NIV, says, "For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made

him known."

And in Luke 10:22, NIV, it says, "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the Father is except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him."

The Book of Isaiah foretold of the Messiah's coming, but until Christ revealed God's plan of salvation, mankind remained bound to the law.

In John 14:6, NIV, Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." Unlike the young attorney, God has given us all the information we need concerning our salvation prior to the day of judgement.

If you're concerned about your future, may I suggest that you read the Bible, and make an informed decision that will make an eternal impact on your life.

Corrections

In last week's article listing the winners of the chamber parade awards the *Muleshoe Journal* inadvertently identified the best bicycle as Lila Ayvella.

This award went to Lolita Ayala.

The *Journal* regrets and apologizes for any problems this error might have caused.

Muleshoe All-Stars Heading To Lamesa Baseball Tourney

The Muleshoe All-stars are headed to the Southwest Regional Tournament in Lamesa for the first time in the team's history.

After competing in the district tournament June 21-24, the team advances to the next level, which includes the possibility of playing against both Texas and Arkansas teams.

At the Sudan tourney, the All-stars defeated Olton, 6-4, in the first game, before losing to area rival Littlefield, 15-0.

However, the team returned to defeat Olton 7-5 in the loser's bracket before returning against Littlefield in the championship series for a second, 10-0, loss and second place in the tournament.

Advancing to the state tournament in

Brownfield July 6-12, the All-stars defeated Plainview, 6-5, in the first game, followed by a 7-6 win over Sundown to remain in the winner's bracket.

The All-stars then played the eventual champion Brownfield and lost 19-6, resulting in another rematch with Littlefield, and a 7-2 loss.

"With our third place finish here at the state tournament we qualified for the Southwest Regional Tournament in Lamesa on July 19-23," said Ricky Rodriguez, the team manager said.

Tourney pool play starts on Friday, July 20. "We will be playing two games. One against Monticello, Ark., at 2 p.m., and one against Bryant Ark. at 8 p.m.

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Obituaries and Death Notices

Death notices will be published free of charge in the Muleshoe Journal.

Obituaries will be published at the rate of \$4.50 per column inch.

In all cases, the death notice and obituary information should be submitted by the funeral home for verification purposes.

The guidelines that will be used to determine if, and how much the publication will cost is as follows:

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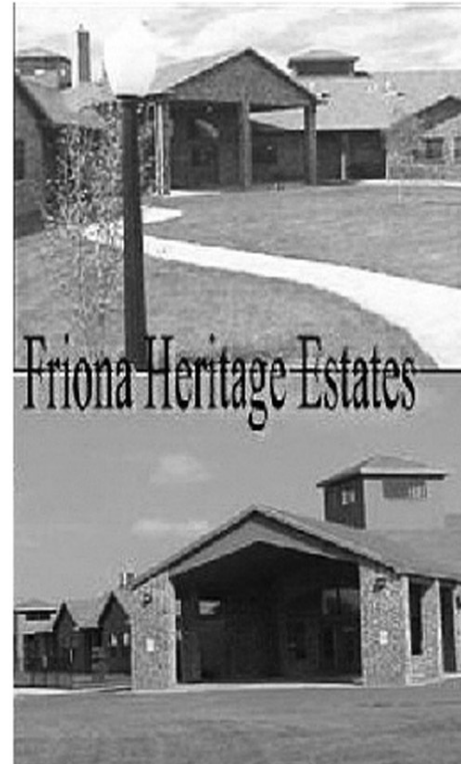
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If publication will be after said services, the time will not be included.

Obituaries...

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The Sudan Buzz

Coach Logan Honored As 'Coach Of The Year'

Lisa Logan, 2012 head girls basketball coach at Sudan High School and former head coach at Hale Center High School, received the 2012 1A-2A-3A Coach of the Year Award Thursday, July 12, at the Texas Girls Coaches Association dinner in Arlington.

The honor is the highest the association awards coaches. Logan and her husband, Lee, and children, Lacey, 20, Danielle, 18, and Lane, 14, were in Arlington attending the annual TGCA basketball clinic to watch Danielle play in the TGCA All Star game.

The Coach of the Year Award capped off an amazing basketball season for both Logans and the Sudan Nettes.

Coach Logan led the team to the state UIL basketball playoffs in Austin in March where the Nettes won the state championship and she was recognized as the only person in UIL history to win the state championship as a player (Sudan champs in 1983), as an assistant coach of the Nettes in 2009 and as head coach in 2012.

In addition, Logan played on the Texas Tech University Lady Raiders varsity team for four years. She also was head coach at

Sweetwater High School before moving with her family to Sudan as assistant coach.

"Lee and I had started our family and our parents and grandparents were wanting their grandchildren close, so we decided to move back to Sudan," Logan explains the move from head coach to assistant at Sudan.

In addition to the TGCA Coach of the Year award, Logan received the TGCA Assistant Coach of the Year Award in 2005.

Along with the TGCA honor, Logan was named 2012 1A Coach of the Year by the Texas Basketball Coaches Association. That recognition was announced at the TBCA All Star game in San Antonio in May.

Throughout the years, Logan has coached at numerous summer basketball camps at Wayland Baptist University and Texas Tech University.

The Logan girls, Lacey, who is a junior playing on a full scholarship at West Texas A&M University, and Danielle, an incoming freshman on a full scholarship at WTA&M, have racked up numerous awards during their basketball careers.

Danielle was named



Coach Lisa Logan

MVP of the UIL state championship game where Sudan beat Snook and Martins Mill for the title. As a Sudan High School senior, she averaged 25.5 points a game, the highest average in any classification 1A -5A in the South Plains.

In naming her All South Plains 1A MVP, the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* noted that she also averaged 4.7 rebounds, 3.3 assists, and 3.3 steals a game. Her mother was selected All South Plains 1A Coach of the Year.

Danielle was named to TABC All State as well as to the All Star Team which played in May in San Antonio and to the TGCA All State and All Star teams. At the TGCA game Thursday at Arlington, she played

on the north team which won the game 82-42.

She racked up 18 points on the way to being named 1A-2A-3A MVP.

Although sports were an important focus of her high school years, Danielle received numerous honors and awards. During her senior year was elected Homecoming Queen, Most Outstanding Girl, Miss Sudan High School and was president of her class.

She is the granddaughter of Nicki Bruce Logan of Plainview, Jerry Logan of Hale Center and Mary Wood of Sudan.

Although Lisa Logan has resigned as head coach in order to be able to attend her daughters' college games at WT as well as Lane's junior high football and basketball games, she will continue to teach at Sudan and work with Sudan players at the junior high level, where in the past she has coached those teams to numerous district



Danielle Logan

honors.

"I always planned to retire from coaching when Danielle graduated and it worked out perfectly," Logan explains. "For 25 years, we've taught and coached and in the process, I missed some of my own children's games. I wasn't able to go to some of Lacey's out-of-town college

games the last two years because they conflicted with our high school games."

"I don't want to miss any more time with our girls. Coaching has been rewarding and I've had the privilege of coaching some outstanding young women, but now it's time to concentrate on my family," she added.



Sudan Students Among Hoop 10 Champions

The Hoop 10 Basketball Girls won a National Championship in San Antonio at the AT&T Center. The WNBA Stars won all four games in the gold bracket this past weekend.

Members from Sudan that played in the tournament included Delanie Black and Scout Phelps. Former head coach Jason Cooper and his daughter Jenna Cooper played on the team with Black and Phelps.

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AGRICULTURAL NEWS

AgriLife Extension To Hold Regional Alfalfa Workshop In Castro County

South Plains alfalfa producers can update their production skills at a regional alfalfa production workshop set for 8:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m., on Wednesday, July 25, at the Texas AgriLife Extension Service office for Castro County, 205 North Broadway, Dimmitt. Dr. Calvin Trostle, AgriLife Extension agronomist at Lubbock, is the main speaker. Trostle will discuss the suitability of Roundup Ready alfalfa to the area and irrigation management topics. "With the advent of glyphosate-resistant

pigweed species in the South Plains, alfalfa growers are not immune to developing resistant pigweed," Trostle said. "So sole reliance on glyphosate for weed control is inadvisable for alfalfa producers just as it would be for a cotton grower." "Another issue looming on the horizon is limited irrigation water in the future," he said. "Most of the South Plains is in the initial phases of pumping limitations, which will decline to fixed levels in 2017. This will likely shrink the size of some

alfalfa fields. "I plan to speak on irrigation management strategies, especially the fitting of irrigation capacity to land area. Alfalfa planted this fall will see decreasing limits of allowable irrigation water before the end of the stands' useful life, so planning now for limited water in the future is a very important consideration." Other workshop topics include fall planting, variety selection and insect control. The program will conclude with a visit to

a local alfalfa field. Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be available for those with a valid pesticide applicator's license. Individual registration is \$10. An alfalfa crop production handbook will be available for an additional \$20. For further information contact the AgriLife Extension office in Castro County office at 806-647-4115, or Trostle at 806-746-6101, or ctrostle@ag.tamu.edu

Streamlined Disaster Designation Process With Greater CRP Flexibility Announced

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack has announced a package of program improvements that will deliver faster and more flexible assistance to farmers and ranchers devastated by natural disasters. Vilsack announced three significant improvements to decades-old USDA programs and processes related to Secretarial disaster designations: a final rule that simplifies the process for Secretarial disaster designations and will result in a 40 percent reduction in processing time for most counties affected by disasters; a reduced interest rate for emergency loans that effectively lowers the current rate from 3.75 percent to 2.25 percent; and a payment reduction on Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) lands qualified for emergency haying and grazing in 2012, from 25 to 10 percent.

qualified farm operators in the designated areas eligible for low interest emergency loans. The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to designate disaster counties to make disaster assistance programs available to farmers and ranchers. Previous to these changes, the process had been in place for more than two decades and regulations had not been substantively revised since 1988. The final rule for Secretarial disaster designations is amended as follows: Nearly automatically qualifies a disaster county once it is categorized by the U.S. Drought Monitor as a severe drought for eight consecutive weeks during the growing season. Effective July 12, 1,016 primary counties in 26 states will be designated as natural disaster areas, making all qualified farm operators in the designated areas eligible for low interest emergency loans from USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA), provided eligibility requirements are met. Streamlines the USDA Secretarial designation process, which is expected to provide better

service to farmers and ranchers by reducing by approximately 40 percent the amount of time required for designating a disaster area. Removes the requirement that a request for a disaster designation be initiated by a state governor or Indian tribal council, increasing the likelihood that counties will be covered. Indian tribal councils and governors may still submit a request for a designation, but it will not be required in order to initiate a disaster declaration. The same criteria currently being used for triggering a disaster designation will apply: a county must either show a 30 percent production loss of at least one crop countywide, or a decision must be made by surveying producers to determine that other lending institutions are not able to provide emergency financing. During times of need, USDA has historically responded to disasters across the country by providing direct support, disaster assistance, technical assistance, and access to credit. USDA's low-interest emergency loans have helped producers recover from

losses due to drought, flooding and other natural disasters for decades. While the current emergency loan interest rate was set in 1993 at 3.75 percent, commercial farm loan and other FSA farm loan interest rates have since been reduced without a corresponding reduction in the emergency loan rate. By reducing the interest rates to 2.25 percent, emergency loans immediately come into line with other rates in the marketplace and provide a much-needed resource for producers hoping to recover from production and physical losses associated with natural disasters. As part of ongoing efforts to provide greater flexibility in service to American agriculture, USDA also announced that the annual rental payment by producers on CRP acres used for emergency haying or grazing will be reduced to 10 percent in 2012, instead of 25 percent, in response to the seriousness of the drought gripping large portions of the United States. USDA encourages all farmers and ranchers to contact their crop insurance companies

"Agriculture remains a bright spot in our nation's economy and it is increasingly important that USDA has the tools to act quickly and deliver assistance to farmers and ranchers when they need it most," said Vilsack. "By amending the Secretarial disaster designation, we're creating a more efficient and effective process. And by delivering lower interest rates on emergency loans and providing greater flexibility for haying and grazing on CRP lands, we're keeping more farmers in business and supporting our rural American communities through difficult times," he said. "With these improvements, we're also telling American producers that USDA stands with you and your communities when severe weather and natural disasters threaten to disrupt your livelihood." A natural disaster designation makes all

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Publication of announcements in the Journal

The Muleshoe Journal invites your news of weddings, engagements, showers, anniversaries and births. In order to be fair to everyone, we must limit the amount of space for certain events. For weddings, 25 column inches, which includes a photo if desired, is the limit. If the photo and announcement runs longer, we reserve the right to eliminate parts of the story. However, if a longer write-up is desired, it may be placed in purchased space. For anniversaries, the space will be free for anniversaries of 50 years or 75, specifically, and will be limited to a single photograph. A fee will be charged for other anniversaries. Birth announcements with one-column photos are run free of charge with names of the immediate family, including grandparents. Great-grandparents, etc., will not be included.

The permission of both parents is required for a birth announcement to be published. Small stories describing showers are run free of charge after the fact and may include the names of the principals, the hostess gift, the names of special or out-of-town guests. It is the responsibility of the party providing the information to provide all of the information. News releases in which names were left out by the party providing the information will not be published free of charge. A deadline of three months after an event will be the rule for free publication. Information must be received by Monday noon. Publication cannot be guaranteed in the week it is provided. Drop by the Journal office, or go to www.muleshoejournal.com, for a form. The information may be e-mailed to editor@muleshoejournal.com.

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Texas is a destination for everything from barbecue to cutting-edge science and technology, and that is a reflection of the people — richly diverse in so many ways, but sharing an inimitable and unique Texas spirit.

But this is not an easy time in Texas, which, though not as bad as many other states, still has a sluggish economy with high unemployment.

I went to Washington to ensure that the American Dream would stay alive for every Texan. But we find ourselves in a new era, where the promise that hard work and dedication will translate into success is in jeopardy.

The economy is sluggish, recovery is stagnant and unemployment numbers won't budge — they haven't been below eight percent in three years.

And now the Administration is proposing a tax increase that would slam small businesses when they can least afford it — and when we need them the most.

Small businesses drive our economy, providing some 55 percent of private sector jobs. In the midst of the most uncertain economic environment in recent memory,

punishing them with higher taxes is incomprehensible.

Even talk about raising taxes paralyzes business, as the uncertainty about economic burdens stops owners from hiring and reinvesting capital to grow their businesses.

Our economy can't sustain that kind of deprivation of revenue, and the 23 million underemployed and unemployed Americans can't afford a longer hiring freeze.

The people I met with — families, small-business owners, veterans — are the people I think of as I try to secure tax fairness.

On my tour, I met with members of the community in a number of small businesses: in Marble Falls at the Blue Bonnet Café, in Fredricksburg at the Clear River Soda Fountain and in Uvalde at the famous Vasquez Restaurant, where I had a wonderful afternoon with my hosts, Enrique Vasquez and Donald McLaughlin of DKM Enterprises, a local steel salvage and distribution company.

Vasquez Restaurant is the perfect example of a great American small business. It was founded in 1935 by Enrique's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Vasquez.

Enrique took over and has kept it a Uvalde institution. Sergeant Major Enrique Vasquez served in the US Army and fought in the Korean Conflict — pictures of his time in Korea and Japan adorn one of the restaurant walls.

He is one of Uvalde's most recognizable

locals and can be found in his restaurant every day working the lunch shift.

The tax increases proposed by the Administration will hit businesses like Vasquez Restaurant. Why? Because 75 percent of small businesses pay taxes at an individual rate, as they are organized as "flow-through" businesses, such as partnerships, S Corporations, LLCs and sole proprietorships.

The Joint Committee on Taxation estimates that 53 percent of all flow-through business income will be subject to the top two individual income tax rate increases scheduled to take effect in 2013.

This increase is an unfair burden on hard-working Americans.

Sergeant Major Vasquez's parents started a business, worked hard and made it a success.

Sergeant Major Vasquez served his country, took over his parents' business and made it an even bigger success that provides jobs to locals and is a fixture in the community.

It survived the Great Depression and 11 recessions and is working its way through a 12th.

These tax hikes punish businesses like Vasquez Restaurant in already tough times, starve the American economy of revenue and deprive job-seekers of opportunities. I hope that the Administration will heed calls from both parties to re-think this tax on our job-creators.

House Ag Committee Passes Farm Bill

Last Thursday morning, the House Agriculture Committee voted to pass the Federal Agriculture Reform and Risk Management (FARRM) Act with a strong bipartisan vote of 35 to 11.

I'm pleased to share that three of my amendments were included in the final bill.

These amendments will reduce fraud in the food stamp program, give cattle and pork producers more certainty on Country of Origin Labeling (COOL), and ensure Texas farmers can participate in water research without losing eligibility for farm programs.

To learn more about these amendments, visit my website.

The bill also includes my group crop insurance policy: the Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO), which allows producers to buy additional coverage on their crops so they don't suffer from large deductibles in the event of a loss.

Overall, this bill will reduce our spending, improve program efficiency, and create a strong safety net for America's agricultural producers.

As originally introduced, the FARRM Act saves \$35 billion over ten years, and repeals or consolidates more than 100 programs



to improve efficiency at the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Farmers and ranchers need long-term policies in place by this fall so they can make informed planting decisions. Now that we've passed the farm bill out of committee, I am doing everything I can to enable this bill to pass the House Floor.

Preventing Closures of West Texas Border Patrol Stations

I joined my Texas colleagues Mac Thornberry (TX-13) and Mike Conaway (TX-11) last week in sending a letter to U.S. Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher to express our concern with the Border Patrol's announcement to close nine interior Border Patrol stations, including those in Amarillo, Lubbock, San Angelo and Abilene.

Each agent at these four stations apprehended an average of 142 illegal aliens this year.

Amarillo and Lubbock made 638 apprehensions this year alone, and the San Angelo and Abilene stations play a vital role in patrolling the Del Rio Sector.

Border security is of the utmost importance to our country. But if interior stations are arresting hundreds of illegal immigrants in our country, the Department of Homeland Security must demonstrate that sending additional resources to the border will be a more efficient use of resources than maintaining a presence further north.

I'd like to see numbers that reassure me that this strategy change won't ultimately result in fewer arrests.



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Resistant Palmer Amaranth Suspected In Bailey County

By Ron Smith
Southwest Farm Press

Weed specialists have been warning for years that it isn't a matter of "if" but a matter of "when" glyphosate-resistant weeds show up in West Texas cotton fields.

When is here. Monti Vandiver, an integrated pest management specialist in Muleshoe, says a test performed on a Bailey County farm indicates that glyphosate-resistant Palmer amaranth is present. He said herbicide failures in the past often could be attributed to extreme environmental conditions, application errors or mechanical failures.

"I took the application factors out of the equation," Vandiver said, "and I was still unable to control the weeds with Roundup PowerMAX."

One of his producers asked Vandiver to take a look at Palmer amaranth escapes in a field where the weed had not been a bad problem before.

"Field conditions were good for spraying,"

Vandiver said. "I saw a lot of dead weeds, but I also saw a lot of live weeds, some live ones beside the dead plants. I tried to duplicate the usual rates."

He applied Roundup PowerMAX at 22, 44, 66, and 88 ounces per acre. "I also used a 2 percent Roundup formulation and sprayed to runoff. I evaluated control on a weekly basis."

He expected after 14 days to see all the Palmer amaranth plants dead.

"I didn't. I was not able to control the weeds. I killed some, but I didn't kill many."

He said the PowerMAX rates would equate to as much as one gallon per acre. "The spray to wet could be two gallons per acre."

A bio-assay, he said, would be necessary to make certain the escaped weeds were resistant. "But it looks highly likely. We were not able to control them."

He said escapes have shown up before. "But most of the cases go back to environmental factors, application error

or a nozzle malfunction. This is the first case I know of in this area that application was not the issue. A product failure to control weeds was."

The producer was very proactive in his efforts to manage the escapes, Vandiver said. "After the test, he brought in hoeing crews to clean out the weeds and remove them from the field to minimize potential for seed production."

No one is certain how the infestation developed so quickly. "He (the producer) said he did not have problems with Palmer amaranth in this field last year. He did not spread manure or bring in hay."

A neighbor, however, may have brought in hay from Missouri. That could be the source, Vandiver said, but no one is certain.

"It was a pretty rapid build-up," Vandiver said. Resistance typically starts with just a few plants and spreads from there. This infestation appears to have developed from

one year to the next. Last year's drought, which hampered herbicide activity, also could have contributed to escapes, he said.

He urges farmers to be alert. "We will get aggressive with it," he said. "We're talking to chemical company

representatives about lay-by materials. We may need to go back to products with multiple modes of action or back to how we did things in the '80s — yellows, pre-emergence materials and cultivation."

That's not an ideal option for the many

farmers who have turned to herbicide-tolerant varieties and reduced tillage to reduce labor and to decrease erosion and moisture loss.

"We encourage farmers to use every tool in the tool box," he said.



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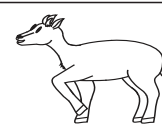


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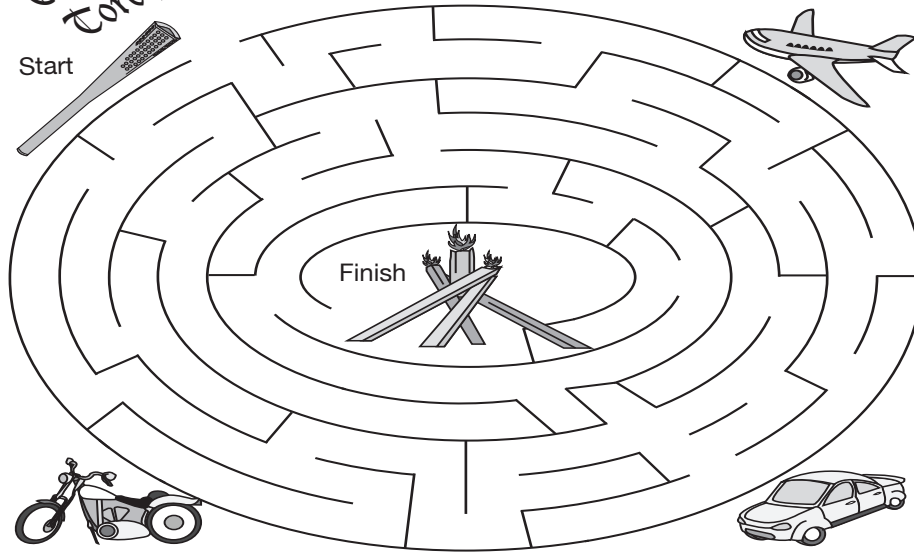


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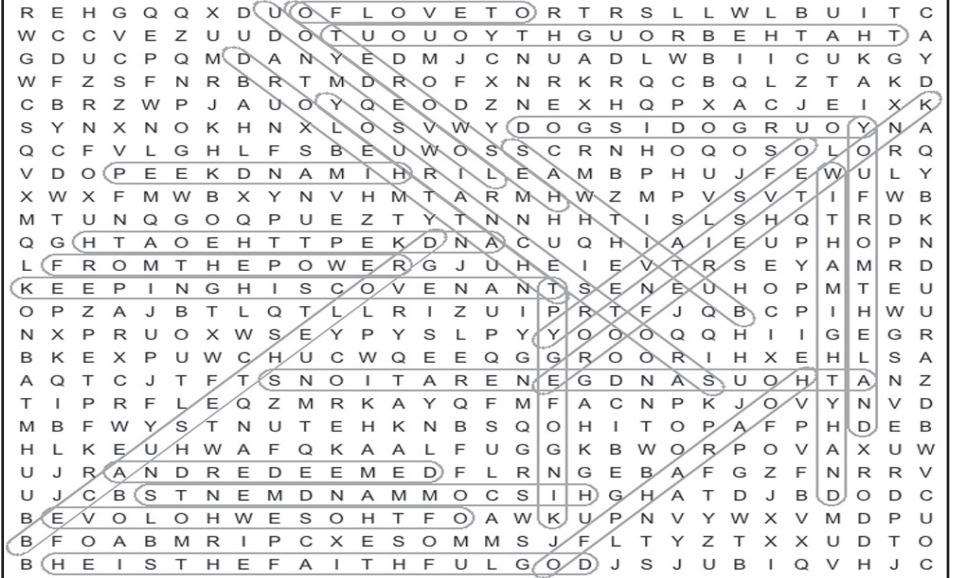
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The city manager is David Brunson, not David Burke.

The Journal regrets and apologizes for any problems this error might have caused.

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All-stars...

Continued from A5

The All-stars will also have two games on Saturday, July 21. They begin the days play at noon against Littlefield, followed by a 6 p.m. game against another team from Arkansas.

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- Nicely Remodeled 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP w/wood pellet insert, corner lot, fenced yd., auto. spkrl., + lot w/stor. bldg.!! 2159' lv. area!! \$165K!! REDUCED!
- VERY NICE 3-2.5-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx. 2749' lv.area, lots of storage, nice courtyard & landscaping, workshop/storage/fenced yd., Much More!! Reduced-\$170K!
- VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home on corner lot, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, remodeled bathrooms, nice carpet & tile, sunroom, fenced yd., auto. spkrl., approx. 2216' liv area!! \$125K!!
- NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP fans, auto. sprinkler, cov. patio!! Approx. 1781' lv. area!! \$82,500!! \$74,500!!
- BEAUTIFUL 3-2-2 Brick Home, (2007), approx. 1575' lv. area, built-ins, ceiling fans, auto sprkr., fenced yd.!! \$142,000!!
- VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, approx. 1818' lv. area, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, wood laminate & tile flooring, freshly painted interior & exterior, 4 fans, covered patio, fenced yd., large stor. Bldg.!! \$145K!!

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- 3 Bdrm, 2 bath, 2 carport, Cent A&H, Dishwasher, WB Stove, approx. 2156' lv. area, \$60K!!
- 3-1-1 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, remodeled, thermal windows, central air, auto. spkrl. + 2 carport!! \$75K!!

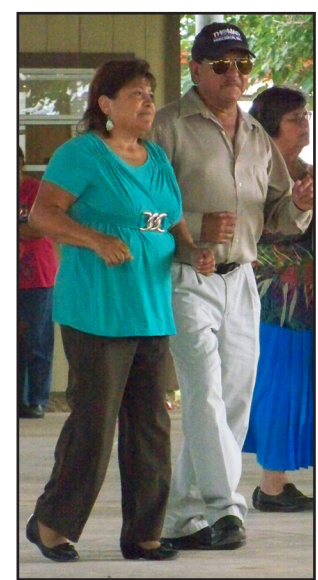
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- VERY NICE CUSTOM BUILT 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 car garage home, at edge of town on 80 acres!! Geothermal heat & air, built-ins, FP, ash cabinets, approx. 2544' main lv. area plus 625' finished basement w/safe & storage, spkrl system, beautiful trees and landscaping. circle spkrl. 5 wire barbwire fence, 36' x 48' metal insulated bldg w/2 12' doors!! MUCH MORE!!
- 3-1 1/2-1 Home on 8 acres, approx. 1664' lv. area, Cent. A&H, built-ins, sunroom, storm shelter, stor. room, 2 CP, RV port, 1440' metal bldg!! MORE!! \$110K!!!
- VERY NICE 4-2-2 BRICK HOME, Cent. A&H, Built-ins, FP, approx. 2777' lv. area, finished yard, shop, barn, 153 acres, fenced for stock!! MUCH MORE!! \$250K!!!
- NICE 4.8 acre homesites, deed restricted!! \$17,500!!
- 3-2-2 HOME ON 2 AC. (2860 FM 303)- APPROX. 2146' lv. area, DW, ceiling fans, thermal windows, lg. conc. patio, workshop/storage!! \$89,000!! \$80 K!!
- West of Sudan 3-2-2 Brick Home on 5.57 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, approx. 2688' 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!! \$155,000!!
- 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!!!!
- LARIAT AREA - 3-1 Home, Cent. heat, 5 acres, 1989' lv. area (2 story), 2880' quonset barn, out bldgs., Reduced \$39K!! POSSIBLE OWNER FINANCE!!
- FIXER UPPER - 3-2-2 Home on 8.92 acres, Metal roof & siding, 2 large metal bldgs., 2 smaller bldgs., 2 tractors & equipment!! \$80,000!!!

LAND & COMMERCIAL

- Building w/approx. 3300' plus 1040' upstairs, Cent. A&H, 2 restrooms, MORE! \$39,500!! MAKE OFFER!!
- Approx. 1080' metal bldg. w/off. & 3 bay garage/workshop area plus chain link fenced area!! \$39,500!!
- GREAT BUSINESS LOCATION - 13000' Bldg., 7000' paved parking, corner lot, Hwy. 84 & Main. A&H, \$100,000!!!
- 101.8 acres, edge of town, pasture & farm land, 1 irrig. well! \$122,244!!
- FOR LEASE - 2100' office space + 20,500' warehouse area!!
- 308 W. 2nd - 2856' bldg. - former Odd Fellows Lodge, PRICED TO SELL!! \$31,500

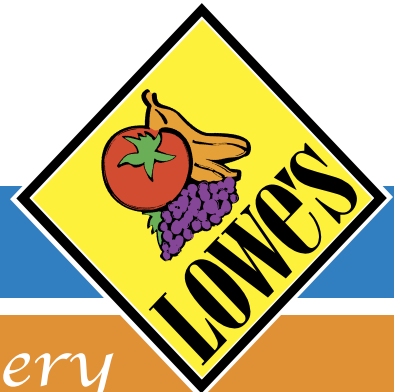
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