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MAHD Board Changes Emergency Room Policy

Board Attempts To Reduce Non-Emergent Patient Treatment

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Area Hospital District's board of directors approved changes to Muleshoe Area Medical Center's emergency room policy, during its Thursday, June 28, regular meeting, that will bring it more in-line

with current Medicare and insurance company payment restrictions.

Because of changes to Medicare and the payment practices of insurance companies, David Burke, MAHD CEO, said payment wouldn't be received for non-emergency treatment.

While a physician would still have to be called in to "triage" the emergency room patient, if it was a case requiring non-emergent treatment the person would be referred to a clinic.

Burke said MAMC has somehow developed a reputation that

encourages non-insured medical patients to seek after-hours care at the facility, and as a result patients from a widening area are apparently coming to Muleshoe because they can't receive treatment at their local hospital.

"We could ask them to pay," Burke said,

"and they'll sign the document and not pay us anyway," resulting in an additional dollar drain on the local hospital.

"We really want them to come to the clinic for non-emergencies," he added.

As part of the approved changes Thursday, a sign was to be posted in the emergency room that states, "You have the right to receive, within the capabilities of this hospital's staff and facilities"

- An appropriate medical screening examination

- Necessary stabilizing treatment (including treatment for an unborn child) if necessary

- An appropriate transfer to another facility even if you cannot pay or do not have medical insurance

or you are not entitled to Medicare or Medicaid.

This facility does not participate in the Medicaid program.

If, after your medical screening examination, the on-call physician determines that your visit is non-emergent (or 'not an emergency'), you will be referred to see your primary care physician at their respective clinic."

In other business, the hospital district board:

- Conducted a review of the monthly board packets for the district's newest board members, Allen Smyer and Landon Nichols, and discussed the district's current financial condition, during which Burke noted that the district's total assets were down, primarily because of what the federal government "is doing to us right now."

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School Board Approves Changes To Internet Use Policy

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Independent School District's board of trustees approved changes to the district's internet safety and acceptable use policy during Thursday's meeting.

Prior to the board's action, Eric Craig explained that the policy included new requirements—such as talking to the students about cyberbullying and internet safety.

He also noted that the policy that is being extended to all of the district's campuses, through Thursday's approved changes, has been in effect for the past year at Muleshoe High School.

Specifically, the change states:

Each school will designate a representative that will provide age appropriate training for students who use the district's internet access. The training provided will be designed to promote the Muleshoe ISD commitment to:

- The standards and acceptable use of internet services as set forth in the Internet Safety and Technology Responsible Use Policy.
- Student safety with

regard to safety on the internet, appropriate behavior while online, on social networking websites, and in chat rooms, and cyberbullying awareness and response.

- Compliance with E-rate requirements of the Children's Internet Protection Act.

In other business, the school board:

- Received a report regarding the district's appraisal from Business Manager Daniel Harper.

Usually, the appraisal presentation to the board is made by Kay Elliott of the Bailey County Appraisal District, however, she wasn't available to attend Thursday's meeting.

In his presentation, Harper noted that the certified values weren't available, and noted that the biggest difference was in industrial real property values.

According to Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets, the school district's property values were down approximately \$8 million.

"This doesn't affect the money received," Sheets said. "It doesn't affect it if it goes up, or if it goes down."

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Nature's Beauty

"And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these.

— Matthew 6:28-30, NIV

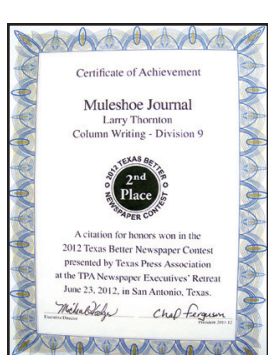
Colorful and tall flowering plants decorate the roadside on West Avenue D for the enjoyment of pedestrians and drivers.

Photographs by Larry Thornton

Journal Places In TPA Contest

The Muleshoe Journal captured three awards in this year's Texas Press Association's Better Newspaper Contest.

In the Column Writing category, Managing Editor Larry Thornton's humorous column about the "thought police" in the elementary cafeterias of the San Antonio School District, and his column



about being freed of the guilt associated with dieting failures received a second place award

in the TPA's weekly division.

The newspaper's other two awards were for fourth place in the categories of Headline Writing and Advertising.

This was the newspaper's fifth state award for advertising, and its third for headline writing.

The Muleshoe Journal

has received both first, second and fourth place awards for editorials in the state press association's annual contest, along with three for feature stories, and five others in various other categories, such as news writing and photography.

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Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

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Son-shine Celebration

The Church of God of the Firstborn, 401 W. Birch, Muleshoe will be holding a "Son-shine Celebration," on Sunday, July 7, beginning at 7 p.m., featuring the music of Nashville recording, country Christian singer and evangelist Pete Etterman, and several performing acts.

Following the entertainment there will be an evangelistic message. Also food and refreshments will be provided. The public is invited to attend.

Swimming In A Shark Tank Is Thought-provoking

Very, very little about "reality TV" is real.

Put a little lipstick on a pit bull and you'll have something a lot more "real" and a good deal nicer than, for example, supposedly "real housewives" who are mostly collagen, silicone, high maintenance attitude, and genuinely devoid of anything genuine.

But such mind-numbing voyeuristic freakshow TV replicates itself at an astounding rate. "Real Housewives of Paducah?"

I suppose the "Shark Tank" series on ABC is a kind of reality TV, so I feel a little embarrassed when I'm swimming by flipping channels and that show occasionally snags me. I've gotten hooked a few times.

On "Shark Tank" a panel of "sharks," successful (whatever that is) business folks who have achieved the kind of amazing success (whatever that is) that we all are supposed to desire, listen to pitches by fledgling entrepreneurs hoping to enlist some



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

serious denarii to take their businesses or business ideas onward and upward to serious success (whatever that is).

The "sharks" are brutal in their examination of the entrepreneurs and their products/ideas. But if the sharks are convinced that the pitch has merit, they'll offer bunches of money to the entrepreneurs (and often compete or join with each other in doing so) to get the business funded or seriously expand it.

In return, they get an agreed upon share in the company and a percentage of its income.

I'll admit, it's interesting to watch. The business ideas are interesting, as are the entrepreneurs themselves and the evaluation of the fledgling entrepreneurs "sharks." If I were starting a business, I

Thursday's slim majority decision by the US Supreme Court to uphold the abomination called Obamacare is particularly fitting with the nation entering into its celebration of Independence Day.

Among the events leading up to this nation's declaration of freedom from Great Britain and it's Tory-controlled Parliament was that nation's 1773 Tea Act, which unfairly taxed the American colonists.

In response, on Dec. 16 of that year, the Sons of Liberty boarded the ships carrying the East India Company's taxed tea and tossed the shipment into Boston Harbor.

hope I'd be open to frank counsel from someone who has successfully done so.

But swimming with sharks has some inherent dangers, and it brings up some questions.

I know our society always equates success with an impressive spreadsheet and "bigger and more." Is that all it takes to be a "success"? Is there ever a time to wisely say, "Enough"?

If you've got a really great idea and your product is already selling pretty well, do you really want to get in bed with a shark? (Mixed metaphor, I know.)

Can you ever really trust a shark? Is working with one much fun even if it produces more dollars? How much is happiness worth to you?

Even if the shark is pretty honest, have you ever known a big personality/big money shark who didn't always honestly think that any success in a joint venture was because of him and any setbacks

Editorial

The power to tax is the power to control, and because of the Tea Act and other British acts, such as the 1765 Stamp Act and Parliament's fundamental disregard for the rights of both individuals and the colonies, this nation's fore-fathers rose up against the tyranny from across the Atlantic.

As we said previously, how fitting that we can this year celebrate the tyranny imposed upon us 236 years ago with that imposed by the Tories of the Democratic Party two years ago, and supported this week by their counterparts on

the Supreme Court.

At what point will the individual and state mandates allowed by the liberal leaders of this nation stop? The argument that Obamacare falls within Congress' authority to regulate interstate trade can be extended in some degree to every single area of our lives... it's part of being in a national and global economy.

And the fact that the

majority of the majority of the high court chose to shroud the Act in the same smoke and mirrors used from the beginning by Pres. Barack Obama and his lackeys, is a clear demonstration of what we can expect with four more years of the current administration.

While we haven't been greatly supportive of some planks in the modern Tea Party's platform, we can readily see that more than bundles of tea leaves need to hit the brine.

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Sheets explained that if the school district's tax rate didn't change, but less "local funding" was received due to changes in the property values, the state would make up most of the difference. On the other hand, if the property

values increased, the amount received by the state would decrease to keep the total funding at the same approximate level.

However, Harper clarified his statement by noting that it does have an affect on the IFA funds the school

district receives for payment of its existing construction bonds.

"A lot depends upon the district's 'tax effort' on the target revenue," he added.

Regarding the district's finances, Harper also said the district was a "few percents behind on tax collection, but not a whole lot."

• Observed Thurman Myers taking his oath of office for what he said was his "last time," from Muleshoe City Clerk LeAnn Gallman, who also acted as the election coordinator for the May election.

Both Myers and Sergio Leal were unopposed in the election, however, Leal wasn't able to attend Thursday's meeting and will have to be sworn into office at a later time.

• Following the ceremonies, Myers was re-elected as the board president, while Daniel Guzman and Carroll

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Business Of The Month Announced

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently honored K&K Pharmacy as the June Business of the Month.

Pictured below, from left to right are: Gaby Reyes, Rosie Sotelo, Kay Campbell, Kristine Isaacson, Gina Wilkerson and Lorena Carreaga.



Chamber Employee Of The Month Announced

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently honored Joe Vargas of Fry & Cox Hardware as the June Employee of the Month.

Pictured on the left, from left to right, are Ed Cox, Joe Vargas and chamber president Gina Wilkerson.

Use Sunscreen To Prevent Skin Cancer

Lesser Prairie Chicken Meeting

Bailey County Electric Coop Meeting Room

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July 19th @ 6:30 p.m.

The Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation Board will be hosting a public meeting to discuss issues related to the Lesser Prairie Chicken. The Texas Parks and Wildlife will present information about the potential endangered species listing and how it might affect Bailey County producers.



MAHD Board Takes Action...

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"Our cash is hurting because the (federal) government hasn't been paying us what they have in the past," he added.

Regarding some past payments due, Burke said he'd reached a verbal agreement with Medicare officials, who acknowledged making an error in the hospital's reimbursement, "and they will pay us some of the money they owe us."

"If someone asked me how we were doing in the hospital," Burke said, "we're very stable in the hospital, but we're still hurting."

Burke also referred to Thursday's decision regarding Obamacare by the US Supreme Court.

"We're going to receive Medicaid and Medicare," Burke said, "but there are going to be some cuts."

"Obama care shouldn't have passed, but it did," Burke said. "Will it hurt us? Yes. Can we hold our own? It's probably too early to say how it will affect the hospital."

"I think everything is okay, but it's not rosy," he added.

During the report about Park View Nursing Care Center, Burke said

the nursing home was going "through tough times, but was going to get through it."

While Burke noted the hospital district may once again have to supplement the nursing home's operation expenses, he added.

"Eventually, we're going to get through it. We're on our way to recovery," he said.

Shanna Laughton, Park View's interim administrator, noted that the nursing home recently had some large bills that had to be paid, and said that an unexpected problem with the facility's fire alarm had to be corrected, but added that it had received a good report from the state recently.

She also mentioned that 47 of the home's 49 beds were filled.

• Approved changes to the hospital district's by-laws.

Previously, board members Zona Gatewood and Herb Ramage had been appointed to review the MAHD by-laws and bring a report to the board concerning the possibilities of changes to the document. At Thursday's meeting, that report and recommendations was presented to the board.

"The by-laws are basically okay," Gatewood said to the other board members.

While the district was supposed to have been reviewing the by-laws on an annual basis, since it was formed in 1989, the last known review was in 1996, Gatewood said.

While the majority of changes focused on updating the wording of the by-laws, bringing it in line with the current board positions and the facility's operation, board member Allen Smyer suggested the portion of the by-laws dealing with a review of the district's chief executive officer should be more specific.

Although the by-laws stated the CEO's job performance would be evaluated in December and June, it has apparently been some time since it has been done.

At Thursday's meeting, the wording was changed to require an annual review of the CEO, to be conducted during the month prior to the last month of the hospital district's fiscal year.

• Approved the minutes from its May 24 meeting.

• Appointed radiologists Dr.

Michael Daniel and Dr. Richard Rosebrock to the hospital's medical staff.

• Approved the annual departmental policy manual with minor changes.

• Went into executive session for approximately 52 minutes, before returning to open session and tabling action on the personnel issue discussed until the full board had an opportunity to meet.

Board member Scott Brown wasn't in attendance at Thursday's meeting.

• Noted that a new company had purchased the dialysis unit housed at Park View.

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

We hope everyone had a Happy Fourth of July!

Monday, July 9, the board of directors will hold their monthly meeting.

The meeting will be here at the center and will begin at 12:30 p.m.

The meeting is open to anyone who would like to come and give some good positive ideas to better the center.

Several of our senior citizens are on vacation. We wish them a great, safe trip.

Bring pictures and good stories about your trip back to us.

Our good wishes go

to Mildred Redwine.

I hated to miss the party but understand it was a huge success. Best wishes for continued good health and happiness.

July 9-13 Menu:

Monday, July 9— Baked chicken breast, baked potato with sour cream, peas, pineapple tidbits, chocolate pudding, low fat milk.

Tuesday, July 10 — Salmon patty, baby lima beans, coleslaw, tropical fruit, two percent milk, and tea with lemon.

Wednesday, July 11 — Chicken-fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, pumpkin square and low fat milk.

Thursday, July 12 — Barbecue beef sandwich, tator tots, carrots and zucchini, ambrosia, low fat milk.

Friday - July 13 - Breaded fish on bun, lettuce, tomato, pickle, tartar sauce, potato wedge, cole slaw with dressing and peach chantilly.

Thank you for reading the Muleshoe Journal!

MISD School Board Action...

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Precure were re-elected to their positions as vice president and secretary, respectively.

- Approved the minutes from the May 21 and June 11 meetings as distributed.
- Conducted a public hearing on the district's 2012-13 budget, without anyone appearing to discuss the issue. Following the public hearing, the school board adopted what Harper described as a balanced budget of \$14,580,721.

"Our principals have done a good job of consolidating some positions," the superintendent said, adding that everyone

had worked hard at putting together a balanced budget."

"I think we should be proud that we're going to be able to give raises," Myers said, something according to Sheets that not all school districts have been able to do.

- Approved the final budget amendment for the 2011-12 school year, which according to Harper didn't change the fund balance.
- Approved changes to the school district's meal prices.

Harper explained that the federal government wants its non-supplimented meals to eventually be raised to the amount the federal government

is paying for its free meals.

"We don't have a choice," Harper said, "we have to raise it five or 10 percent each year until it reaches their level."

- Approved TASB as the school district's general insurance provider, including coverage of the district's bus fleet and property, for the 2012-13 school year.

"TASB committed to not raising the premium because of the financial restricts faced by the school district," Harper said.

When asked by board member Jay Cage about TASB's price in

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Obituaries

Francisco Ramirez

Funeral services for Francisco Ramirez, 38, of Muleshoe, will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, July 5, at the Calvary Baptist Church in Portales, with the Rev. Jesus Espinosa officiating.



Burial will follow in the Portales Cemetery with Cesario Ramirez, Gerardo Ramirez, Pilar Rivera, James Wall, Jorge Esparza and Martha Ruiz serving as pallbearers.

Francisco Montes Ramirez, known to most everyone as "Junior," was born on Aug. 28, 1973, in Amherst, to the home of Porfiria and Francisco Ramirez, and died on Friday, June 29, 2012, in Lubbock.

Junior grew up in the Rogers community, and graduated from Dora High School in 1991. He had worked in the dairy industry for a number of years, and first worked for Ross Burnbough. Later he was employed at the D&J Dairy and also at the W Diamond Dairy. For the past nine years he worked at the 3H Dairy in Progress as a herdsman.

On August 18, 2007, in Clovis, N.M., he was married to his wife, Maria. He was a member of the Iglesia Bautista Bethel church in Portales. Junior loved having friends and family to his home

and doing cookouts and spending time together.

He is survived by his wife — Maria, of their home in Muleshoe; three sons — Jaime, Giovanni and Junior; a daughter — Anna; his parents — Porfira and Francisco Ramirez of Portales; two brothers and a sister-in-law — Cesario and Michelle Ramirez of Portales and Gerardo Ramirez of Midland; two sisters and brothers-in-law — Lety and James Wall of Dora and Paula Baker and Pilar Rivera of Portales; three nieces — Megan Baker, Marissa Ramirez, and Jazmyn Ramirez; six nephews — Cruz and Justin Baker, Isaac Ramirez, Matthew Ramirez, Leandro Ramirez and Santos Ramirez; and a great-niece — Miliana Esparza.

Arrangements are under the direction of Wheeler Mortuary of Portales, condolences may be made at www.wheelermortuary.net.

Baby Showers



Delgado Feted With Shower

Maria Delgado was honored with a baby shower in the home of Shelly Turnbow recently.

Hostesses for the event included Shelly Turnbow, Irene Mason, Estela Duarte, Maria Garcia, Laura Mora, Rachel Alvarado, Goya Franco, Christie Whitt, Brittany Alvarado, Mindy Garcia, Anna Mendoza and Leslie Gonzalez.

The hostess gift presented to Delgado was a baby swing and baby monitor.

Special guest in attendance included Angel Garcia, Felicia Garcia, Patricia Delgado, Olga Delgado and Nancy Delgado.

We wish to express our heart-felt appreciation to the Lazbuddie EMS and Muleshoe medical team for their prompt, competent, and compassionate service, and to Dr. Bruce Purdy and Dr. Tyson Purdy for their professional care and kindness through the loss of our dear Adora.

Our deep thanks go out to the community for it's out-pouring of love, kindness and prayers. Your support through these last few months, the lovely flowers, the gifts of food, so lovingly prepared, gave us strength during our time of need. We treasure each kindness.

Thanks also to the Lazbuddie United Methodist Church and Rev. Ken Peterson for constant support and the beautiful, sweet service. Thank you!

With our warmest regards,
Adora Scott's Family — Juanita, Carolyn, Terry, Karen, Lee and their families

Bridal Shower



Martinez Honored

Alyssa Martinez, the prospective bride of Joshua Stanford, was honored with a bridal shower on Sunday, June 9, at Trinity Christian Center Church.

The bride is the daughter of Fabian and Yolanda Martinez of Muleshoe. The groom is the son of Reydon and Sharla Stanford of Muleshoe.

Hostesses for the event included Debbie Kemp, Adena Johnson, Carol Reddings, Debbie Mullins, Melody Sheets, Diane Saylor, Dianne Brown, Louvenia Garlington, Kathy Embry, Glenna Yell, Sherri Shipman, Betty Hutton, Donita Behrends, Danna Perez, Leslie Dale, Linda Lee, Rena Newton, Christine Gonzales, Pamela Counterman, Jackie Whatley, Gail Bruns, Elisa Baca, Debbie Howard, and LeShea Mason.

The hostesses gave the bride a comforter set from Bed Bath and Beyond™, and cookware. Special guests attending included Yolanda and Nadia Martinez, Delfina Torres, Sharla Stanford, Sharon Digby, Avelina Madrid and Gladys Harper.

Engagement



Dustin Jones and Rochelle Smith

Smith, Jones Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Smith of Lazbuddie announce the engagement of their daughter, Rochelle Smith, to Dustin Jones of Corsicana.

The prospective bride is a 2008 graduate of Lazbuddie High School. She is currently attending Navarro College, majoring in business, and plans to open a photography business.

She is currently employed at Corsicana Bedding.

The prospective groom is the son of Joe Jones of McQueeney and Jane Jones of Corsicana. He is a 2007 graduate of Blooming Grove High School, and 2011 graduate of Texas Tech University.

He is employed by Oil City Iron Works as a project engineer.

A wedding has been planned for Sept. 15, 2012, in Muleshoe, after which the couple will reside in Corsicana.

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We would like to say a big Thank You to all our family, friends, community, and all our surrounding churches. For all your prayers and calls during our son/grandson Josephs stay at the hospital in Dallas. We truly appreciate all the support. He still has a long journey ahead.

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Sudan Pride 14U Softball Team

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Sudan Pride Takes Third In Tough Softball Tourney

By Cheri Sain
Sudan Correspondent

Sudan Pride 14U Softball Team played in Dumas this past weekend at the West Texas Babe Ruth State Softball Tournament. The team placed third in the tournament. The girls were in a bracket with not only 14 and under teams, but 16 and under teams as well. This was because there were not enough 16U teams to make a bracket for them. It was definitely challenging. The team played a couple of practice games before bracket

play began. Their first game was against Borger 16 and under. They lost their first practice game. The girls' next opponent was a very good Dumas 14 and under team. They played them a close game but lost. Since the bracket was made of both age groups, it was a triple elimination instead of double elimination. This meant that they played Littlefield for an elimination game. The Sudan Pride team beat Littlefield. When the girls played Littlefield, the game

did not start until 12:20 a.m.! The game ended at nearly 2:30 a.m. Even though Littlefield and Sudan had a highly competitive season, Littlefield came to the Dumas game and supported the Sudan girls in the stands. "We appreciated that so much!" said Missy Fisher, a mother of one of the Sudan players. After a short night, the girls faced Hereford 16 and under at 12 noon. After a 10-0 start, the girls had a rally in the fourth inning to go ahead of Hereford 13 to 10. The rally happened with two outs! They

won against a much older team. The final score was 25-19. The win put them in yet another game with the Dumas 14U team. The heat and long games finally wore the Pride out, and they lost but put up a good fight in the 95+ degree weather. The team placed third overall in the 14U division. The Sudan Pride played in a league consisting of teams from Littlefield, Anton, and Olton in the 14 and under division. They did not lose a regular season game.

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NRCS To Hold Meeting On Lesser Prairie Chicken

The lesser prairie chicken is now a candidate species under the endangered species act. According to wildlife experts, if populations of the species continue to decline, the next step would be a proposal for listing and then eventually a full listing as either threatened or endangered causing landowners and/or operators to face land use restrictions. USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) District Conservationist Kayla Creek would like to inform Bailey County producers of an opportunity that may benefit the lesser prairie chicken and farming and ranching operations through a program called Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (CCA).

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) and the US Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) developed the CCA to work with

private landowners and managers in the geographic range of the lesser prairie chicken. This voluntary program was designed to help reverse the current declining trend in lesser prairie chicken numbers by promoting habitat conservation and restoration through various management practices. The Blackwater Valley Soil & Water Conservation District will host a meeting on July 19 at 6:30 p.m. This meeting will have TPWD to talk about CCA and the lesser prairie chicken. It will be held at the Bailey County Electric Cooperative meeting room, 610 E. American Blvd. in Muleshoe. For more information regarding the lesser prairie chicken CCA contact Kayla Creek at the USDA Service Center office in Muleshoe at 806-272-4538 ext. 3, or TPWD Biologist Todd Montandon, 806-655-720



Vanderlei, Gregory Place Second At State 4-H Meet

Sudan's Case Vanderlei along with Alyssa Gregory and Heather Lowe of Littlefield competed in an educational presentation in the computer technology category at the 4-H State Competition. Their presentation was titled, Dairy Industry Technology. They placed second at state for their efforts.

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Published in the Muleshoe Journal June 21, 2012.

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Sudan - 306 Worth, Nice and Clean 2/1 Starter Home. 740 sf. Carpet New, New Floors, New Paint. Move in ready. \$27,500
Sudan - 539 fm 298. Beautiful 4/3/2. 2959 sf. Two Story Home just outside of town. Built in 2007 this is a must see home. By appointment only. \$350,000.00

COMMERCIAL
Littlefield - 701 West 3rd. Laguna Market: 40x40 metal building, combination Deli and convenience store. Money Maker, Large Lot close to school. Frisbee course brings in a lot of customers. \$130,000

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HIGH SCHOOL AREA

- VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx. 2336' lv. area, auto. spklr, fenced yd, MORE!! \$125K!!
- NICE 3-2-2 Home, corner lot, built-ins, Cent. A&H, workshop/storage plus storage building!! 1974' lv. area!! \$96K!! PRICE REDUCED \$79,500
- Remodeled 3-2-1 Det. Garage Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, hwdwood & tile floors, 4 fans, fenced yd., approx. 1520' lv. area!! \$80K!! Price Reduced \$74K
- 3-2-1 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, 5 fans, approx. 1318' lv. area, fenced yd.!!! \$59K!!!!
- 3-1.5-1 carport Home, Cent. A&H, stove thermal windows, "AS IS", MAKE OFFER!! \$47K!!!

RICHLAND HILLS • PARKRIDGE • HIGHLAND

- 2 Nicely Remodeled Duplex Units & 1 NEW Duplex Unit!! Price Reduced!! \$350K!!!!
- NICELY REMODELED 3-2.5-2 Brick, new Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 3125' lv. area, spklr. sys., fenced yard, MORE!! REDUCED \$495K!! \$175K MAKE OFFER!!
- Nicely Remodeled 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP w/wood pellet insert, corner lot, fenced yd., auto. spklr., + 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. spklr., approx. 2216' lv area!!! \$125K!!
- NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fans, auto. sprinkler, cov. patio!! Approx. 1781' lv. area!! \$62,500!! \$74,500!!
- BEAUTIFUL 3-2-2 Brick Home, (2007), approx. 1575' lv. area, built-ins, ceiling fans, auto sprkr., fenced yd.!! \$142,000!!
- REMODELED 4 Bdrm., 2 Bath, 2 car detached CP, Cent. A&H, built-ins, approx. 3024' lv. area, fans, cov. patio, fenced yd., nicely landscaped!! Much more!! \$96,900!!!

LENAU • COUNTRY CLUB

- 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, metal fence, auto. spklr., 2 carport!! \$75K!!!!

RURAL

- 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, spklr system, beautiful trees and landscaping, circle spklr, 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. 2775' lv. area, central air, 4 yd 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!! \$99,000!! \$80 K!!
- West of Sudan 3-2-2 Brick Home on 5.57 acres, Cent. A&H, builtins, 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!!

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!!



Wayne Pierson, accompanied by wife Jo, displays his award.

Pierson Receives Spirit of Caring Award

Wayne Pierson of the financial services firm Edward Jones in Muleshoe recently won the firm's exclusive Spirit of Caring Award designed to recognize those financial advisors who exemplify the values, culture and spirit of giving back.

Jim Weddle, the firm's managing partner, calls Pierson a leader in the firm and an example of what a dedicated Edward Jones financial advisor can achieve.

"Wayne has demonstrated unyielding dedication to giving back to his clients, community, other financial advisors, branch teams and their regional network," Weddle said.

Pierson said he is honored to receive the award.

"Edward Jones is a partnership. That structure is not just financial, it's a philosophy," Pierson said. "We work together, help each other and all share in the rewards of working with long-term individual investors. That brings out the best in everyone."

School Board Actions...

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comparison to other insurance carriers, it was explained that TASB was extremely competitive with its rates, and also that the school district had a long working relationship with the company.

- Approved an additional counselor position at the high school, due in large part to the student's testing requirements.

Everybody has to make adjustments because of the new testing requirements, Sheets said.

"This will really help," he added.

- Approved the school district's "Pay for Performance" policy, and approved raises for both certified and non-certified staff.

TPA Awards

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recognition of our efforts from our peers in the newspaper industry," Thornton said.

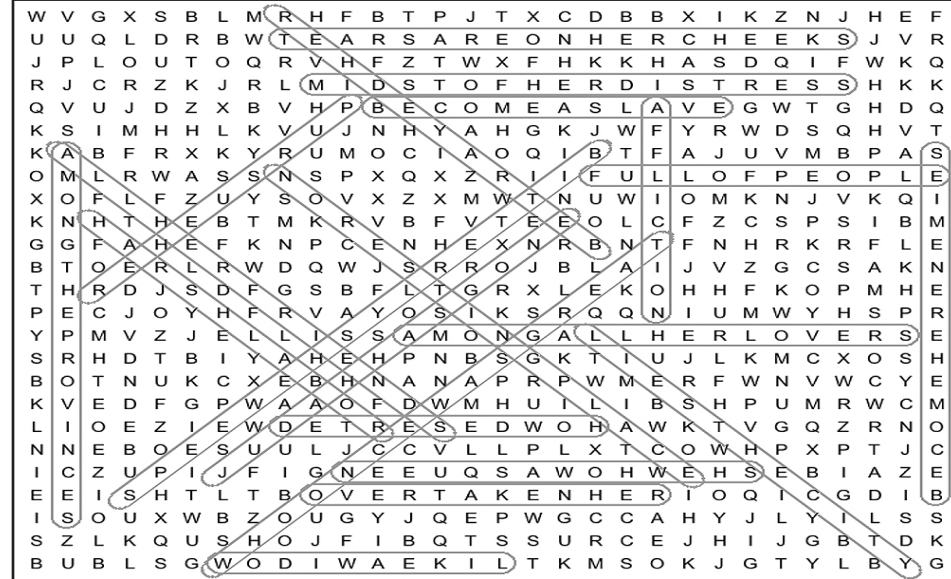
This year's TPA contest entries were judged by the Tennessee Press Association.

Pierson was one of only 178 financial advisors out of the firm's more than 12,000 to receive the award.

Edward Jones provides financial services for individual investors in the United States and, through its affiliate, in Canada.

Every aspect of the firm's business, from the types of investment options offered to the location of branch offices, is designed to cater to individual investors in the communities in which they live and work.

Lamentations 1:1-3



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MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED - Discarded Wine Bottles. Will buy and pickup. Call 806-946-7134.

HOUSE FOR SALE BY OWNER

Home for sale at 618 E. Austin, approx. 1500 sq. ft., 3 bdrm, 2 bath, large 2 car garage, central air and heat, corner

REAL ESTATE

House for Sale or Lease 3-4 bdrm 2 bath brick home with metal trim and fireplace on large lot. In Muleshoe Call 806-566-9652.

Farmland For Sale - approximately 185 acres in Bailey County. Valley pivot, 2 irrigation

lot, \$79,000. Call 806-272-3425 or 806-777-5460.

wells, 1 domestic/cattle well, 60 acres alfalfa/60 acres oats. Good cotton ground. \$1300/acre. Call 575-693-8206.

Great house Great Price-Over 1700 sq ft, 3 bdrms-huge master, 2.5 baths, 2 liv. Areas, fp, huge master, hardwood floors, nice shop and backyard, sprinkler system front/back, corner lot. For more info call 806.535.6926.

HOUSE FOR LEASE- 513 W. AVE E, TWO BED ROOMS & ONE BATH. \$475.00 PER MONTH, \$475.00 DEPOSIT. CALL 956-821-3082 OR 956-624-6805

HOUSE FOR SALE BY OWNER:

- * 121 W 7th
- * 4 Bedrooms * 4 Bathrooms
- * Large Den Kitchen
- * Open Floor Plan
- * Large lot with trees in fenced backyard
- * 3800 sq. ft. * \$145 K

Call 806-315-0664 for an appointment

House for Sale - 3/2/2 - 1801 W Ave G Muleshoe 2405 sq ft, extra 500 sq ft finished basement, **Must See!** \$159K -Contact- Todd Newberry 806-543-7586

12th Annual Christian Roping Camp

July 13-14-15, 2012

GOOD TIMES ARENA

MULESHOE, TEXAS

(Located 3 miles north on Hwy. 214)

Roping Contest Sunday Afternoon!!

CHURCH SERVICES

- Great music and anointed preaching each evening at 7:30 pm in the tabernacle
- Ministry and testimonies throughout each day!

- All ages are encouraged to participate, no matter your riding or roping ability.
- Beginners are welcome, even if you don't have a horse.
- Stalls are available, and camping is allowed.

*Beginners are welcome, small children **must** be accompanied by parents or guardian at ALL times!*

Dummy Roping & Goat Roping. (If you rope on a horse and have a horse you'll be in the arena.)

No CHARGE FOR CAMP!

- Registration will begin Friday Morning at 7AM, July 13th, 2012.
- Camp will begin each morning at 8:00 a.m. and concludes each night after the evening service.
- Breakfast, lunch and supper will be served daily. Evening meals at 6:00 pm.

<p style="text-align: center;">ROPING CONTESTS, Sunday</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Afternoon: Dummy Roping - Steer Stopping - Team Roping</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Must attend all 3 days to rope in contest!</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Red Bluff buckles for the Champions presented Sunday Night.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* T-Shirts and Caps for all Campers!!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">3 BIG Days of team roping & Christian fellowship!</p>
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Everyone is invited no matter your age or ability!

We are expecting 3 life changing days! Come and be a part of the 12th Annual Camp!

For More Information Contact:

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