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HPWD Board Approves Report Deadline Extension

Following a Feb. 19 public hearing, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District (HPWD) Board of Directors unanimously approved rule amendments allowing an extension of the reporting deadline for groundwater produced during calendar year 2012.

Problems with the district's meter reporting web site prompted the rule amendment which extends the production reporting deadline to June 1.

The first annual production reports for calendar year 2012 were

to be submitted to the district no later than March 1.

The amendment to District Rule 5.17 reads as follows: "Notwithstanding Subsection (d), the first annual production report required under this rule is for production during calendar year 2012 and must be submitted to the District no later than June 1.

All annual production reports thereafter shall continue to be due March 1 as required under Subsection (d).

This subsection does not impact the temporary moratorium

on fines established under Section VII of the District's Enforcement Policy and Civil Penalty Schedule.

This subsection shall automatically expire and be of no further force and effect on Jan. 1, 2014."

Two persons spoke in favor of the deadline extension at the public hearing, which was held immediately before the regular monthly Board of Directors meeting.

Lynn Tate of Amarillo, president of the HPWD board of directors, thanked everyone for their patience in working with the new

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Winter Storm Hits Hard

Monday's storm dumped approximately six inches of wet, heavy snow across Muleshoe and Bailey County, closing down roads and the majority of businesses. Even postal officials reported difficulties, if not

impossibilities, associated with residential deliveries. Pictured above, and below, front-end loaders were being used to clear roads and driveways on American Blvd. and Ave. B shortly before noon.

Photographs by Larry Thornton



Sudan Students to Compete In National Debate Tournament

By Cheri Sain
Sudan Correspondent

This past Saturday, Feb. 23, five members of the Sudan Resonance Speech Team competed in the National Forensic League Tall Cotton District Contest at West Texas A & M

University.

The district includes private schools and 1A through 5A schools in the region, which includes the major cities of Abilene, San Angelo, Big Spring, Midland, Odessa, Lubbock, Amarillo and their surrounding towns.

There are 105 NFL districts in the country. Some of these districts are an entire state.

This means that there are 300 plus entries in each of the 10 events at the National tournament.

This year the national tournament will be held in Birmingham, Ala., in June.

Sudan Speech Team will take two of the 20 spots representing

the Tall Cotton NFL District on to the National Tournament in June.

Advancing to nationals in Cross Examination Debate is the team of Brianna Azua and Doug Ames.

Advancing to nationals in Lincoln-Douglas Debate is Deric McCurry.

Also competing in the contest finishing in the top eight, but not advancing, was the Duo Interpretation team of Reece Harper and Wyatt Joyce.

This showing is not only the accomplishment of a gargantuan task, but it is a first for Sudan High School.

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'Where Does the White Go When the Snow Melts?'

Ah, we're snowed in today, and I love it!

I am a snow man, no doubt about it. Not the abominable kind, I hope. Just the very ordinary kind.

("Snow person" might have been clearer, but that would be dangerously close to the politically correct ravaging and neutering of the English language evidenced by such atrocities as "chairperson," a term that should be relegated to bad science fiction movies.)

I just love snow. Whoever said that "there is nothing in all of nature more beautiful than snow" was right. I never get enough of it.

Of course, we never get enough moisture of any kind these days, so I'm even more thankful for the frozen kind that will melt and seep right on in.

I grew up in Amarillo, where we had really fine and frequent snows. Minnesotans



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

wouldn't be particularly impressed, but by Texas standards, our Amarillo snows were noteworthy.

(As I write, my grandkids are snowed in there with 11 inches thus far and a possibility of 18! I wish I was snowed in with them!)

But the snow we got last night in the Greater Muleplex was significant, and pretty much all of our townfolk who can stay home are home today.

The kids and teachers were treated early on today to the special joy that comes when you see your school district's name scrolling along the television ticker tape-ribbon list of cancellations.

Seeing what you can do with snow is plenty educational (a

few years ago, I built a snow dragon!), and, as Mark Twain wisely said, "I never let my schooling interfere with my education."

Lubbock, to the east, got half as much snow as we have, and they've pretty much

shut down everything. That's smart.

When the good Lord dumps that much white stuff on us the best thing to do is give thanks, stay home, and enjoy it!

Or, better, if you're blessed enough to be

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Photograph by Gabby Preez

He's Out!

A Seminole player appears to groan as he makes a painful slide into home plate and the awaiting baseball during a recent game. It's unknown whether contact with the ground or umpire's call was the most painful. For details of the varsity's game against the Idalou Wildcats turn to A3.

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OPINION

Watson JH To Hold 'Beautiful You'

Super news from MISD

By Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets

Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

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

Senior Center Pancakes

Make plans to join the members of the Oneita Wagnon Senior Center for its Pancake Breakfast scheduled for Saturday morning, March 2. The menu will include pancakes, sausage, bacon, coffee, orange juice, milk, and flavored or sugar-free syrup. Tickets are \$5 donation for adults and \$3 for 10 and under.

Fine Arts Night To Shine

Muleshoe High School's "Fine Arts Night To Shine" will be held on Monday, March 25, at 6 p.m., in the high school auditorium. Tickets are \$8 and will include a meal of brisket, beans, potatoes, rolls, dessert and tea, served from 6-6:30 p.m., in the cafeteria. The alternate choir, band and auction is scheduled for 6:30-8 p.m., followed by the MHS One Act Play.

Watson Junior High has scheduled its third annual "Beautiful You" event for Saturday, March 2. "Beautiful You" is an evening geared toward junior high girls and focuses on promoting positive self-esteem and true-beauty. The first year, we had about 60 girls in attendance. Last year, there were 120 girls in attendance!

The girls look forward to this even year after year, and we are blessed to be able to offer it to them. This year, we have some wonderful things planned, and we anticipate an even greater turnout. The girls are served dinner and dessert. Dinner is followed by an ice-breaker or skit by the staff. Then, there is a time of sharing. Speakers touch on the importance of positive self-image and what

makes a person truly beautiful. The girls will end the evening by creating something to take home with them as a reminder of their experience. The support from our faculty, staff and community the last two years has been overwhelming! This event would not be possible without your help and cooperation!

Fortunately, all of our craft supplies and most of the food expense have been taken care of already; but if you would like to help, we will gladly accept your donations. We are still gathering door-prizes and other items to distribute as give-aways. If you would like to contribute in that way, it would be appreciated. We appreciate each one of the leaders for their time in organizing this wonderful event. Please feel free to contact Cari Pate at cpate@muleshoeisd.net or any of the following ladies for more information or to make a donation: Sharon Villa, Amanda Clifton, Mayra Hernandez, Morgan Marricle, Angel Hunt, Ashley Turnbow and Karie Preston.

The first year of Beautiful You, one young lady shared what she learned from the evening. She wrote, "True beauty is on the

inside. Don't judge a book by its cover. And ladies, don't ever let anyone put you down. You are unique and amazing in every way possible. You are loved, and you are worthy! Don't be plastic, and just let your inner beauty shine bright!"

The Muleshoe Independent School District is concerned about giving a well-

rounded education. I am very proud that our faculty and staff care enough about our students to spend quality time with them, helping them realize that they are important and worthwhile. We also appreciate the support of our community as we help "Build the Future, One Young Lady at a Time!"

Editorial

Petulant Presidential Politics Are Unacceptable

Instead of acting as the leader of the free world, President Barack Obama's most recent actions regarding the impending government cuts has all of the markings of a petulant child. Rather than sitting down with Congressional leaders and trying to hammer out an agreement that will resolve the situation, our President

has resorted to end runs aimed at pressuring his political opponents through public opinion. It's as if he were a child seeking permission and support from his father after being told "no," by his mother. At the very least, it's a reminder of the negotiation tactics he employed during the early months of his first term, when

his definition of compromise was that all who opposed him should abandon their principles and give in to his wishes. President Obama's "my way or the highway" tactics were as acceptable during his first term of office as they are today. And his unwillingness to seek an actual solution is playing "Russian roulette" with our nation's economy.

Focus On Faith...

Continued from A1 in the mountains when the white stuff is falling, strap on the sticks and head down the hill! We're way short of mountains here, but the snowdrifts covering the little hill upon which I live are doing a good imitation. Snow is good at that. It makes the ordinary wonder-full! Alas, I thought I'd prepared for today by lugging in some firewood, but, when I started lighting the fire, I soon was treated to billowing evidence that blowing snow has stuffed my chimney shut! I was tempted to try a couple of Tim Taylor-

like approaches to fixing that situation, but my wise wife intervened, so no fire yet. Once this column is written, I'll be starting to cook some stew which will be enjoyed, as the good Lord intended, with milk and cornbread. (Clam chowder, chicken and dumplings, tortilla soup, chicken pot pie, and a number of other things would also make nice main courses for a snow day like this. Someone asked on the Internet, "Where does the white go when the snow melts?" Hmm, I dunno. I just know that I thank the Lord for snow!

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SPORTS NEWS

Varsity Mules Fall In Early Season Game

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Mules opened their home baseball season against the Idalou Wildcats last Monday.

The Mules battled back in the bottom of the fifth inning for three runs to extend the game and avoid the 10-run rule.

The Mules could not take the game a full seven inning and fell to the Wildcats 15-4 after six innings.

"We are a very young team and need to play a lot of innings," said first-year Mule head

coach Wes Boatman. "I was proud of the boys for continuing to play and not giving up when they were down. That shows character and desire on their part."

Ray Mendoza started on the mound for the Mules and gave up three hits and walked one batter in the first inning.

Idalou turned those hits into runs and scored four runs before the seventh batter of the inning went down swinging.

Mendoza blanked the Wildcats in the second inning getting the first

batter on a called strike on the outside corner of the plate. The second batter flew out to left field.

Mendoza ran into trouble in the third inning when Idalou batted around and scored seven runs.

Nacho Elizalde relieved Mendoza and gave up a hit to the first batter he faced but got the final hitter to fly out to Mendoza in center field.

Elizalde blanked the Wildcats in the next two innings striking out three and only faced four batters in each

inning. The Mules' bats had been silent until the bottom of the fifth inning. Matt Barron led off the inning with a walk and Elizalde followed with a blast off the shortstop's glove.

Barron went to third on Elizalde's hit and scored the Mule's first run on a passed ball.

Braden Bessire laced a ground ball into left field for a single. Elizalde scored when a pick-off play gone bad at first base.

Chris Lozano drew a walk and Mendoza laid down a bunt and drew the throw to first to score Bessire from third.

Lozano was caught attempting to steal third base for the third out. But the Mules had put three runs on the board and extended the game for another inning.

The Mules trailed 11-3 after five innings.

Elizalde sent the first Wildcat he faced back to the dugout on strikes but gave up four consecutive hits.

Idalou scored four runs in the top of sixth inning and the Mules could only answer with one. Barron single to left field and Elizalde brought him home on a triple down the right-field line.

The Mules scored four runs on seven hits and stranded eight on the base paths. Idalou scored 15 runs on 15 hits and only left six men stranded.

The Mules are scheduled to host the Morton Indians on Tuesday and will play in the Littlefield Wildcat Tournament over the weekend.

The Mules will be road warriors during the first half of March and finally return home March 19 to open district against the Abernathy Antelopes.



Mules play at home against the Idalou Wildcats on Monday, Feb. 18.

Photographs by Gabby Perez



He's Safe!

Pictured on the left, an unidentified Muleshoe varsity player slides into third base during the recent game against the Seminole Indians, and appears to be tagged out. However, the next photograph, pictured below, suggests the loose ball may be the reason why the Muleshoe player was called safe.

It's hard to tell, but is that a smile on the Muleshoe player's face?

Photographs by Gabby Perez



Three On Three Tourney Set For March 9 In Muleshoe

The first annual Muleshoe Three-on-Three Basketball Tournament is set for Saturday, March 9, at Muleshoe High School's old gymnasium.

Teams require four players, and the registration deadline is Friday, March 7. First and second place winners will receive

t-shirts, and all of the tournament profits will be used to refurbish the basketball courts at the New City Park.

There will be a small concession available.

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

The Oneita Wagon Senior Center was closed Monday due to our wonderful snow we were blessed with. We give thanks to our Lord for giving us this moisture.

Pancakes! Remember Saturday, March 2, is our pancake breakfast day. Come treat your family to all you can eat. Pancakes, bacon, sausage, a variety of syrups, orange juice, milk, tea, or coffee.

Everyone is invited. A donation of \$5 for adults, \$3.00 for children under 10 is the fee. We hope to see all of you. Serving time is 7-11 a.m.

February has been a busy month at the center. We hopefully will have our new

carpet in place and the center all decorated and beautiful again by next Monday. We invite all of you to come by, have coffee, and enjoy visiting with us.

If you should see Buddy, Gary, Bob, all the helpers here be sure to express your appreciation for a job well done. We are blessed to have such willing and talented helpers.

We will be participating in a ceremonial check presentation on Monday, March 4, at 9:30 a.m., from the America's Farmers Grow Communities, Monsanto fund.

This presentation will be to the senior center and Meals on Wheels, and has been

made possible by Jim Pat and Susie Claunch.

Our heartfelt appreciation goes to these two wonderful friends.

The presentation will take place at the Bailey County Courthouse.

Tuesday, March 5, will be Bunco day, beginning at 10 a.m. Call your friends and come join in the fun and games. Prizes are given.

Rick with Hearing Aid Technologies, Inc. for Lubbock, will be at the center on Thursday, March 7. He usually gets here about 10:30 or 11 a.m. Mark your calendars if you should need his assistance.

March 4-8 Menus:
Monday, March 4 — Sweet and sour pork, fried rice, mixed

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Tuesday, March 5 — Chicken salad with French bread, tomato, lettuce, pickle, macaroni salad, carrot sticks, and watermelon.

Wednesday, March 6 — Chicken-fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, and pumpkin squares.

Thursday, March 7 — Salisbury steak, diced potatoes, peas, fruit salad, and wheat roll.

Friday, March 8 — Fish or chicken strips, beans, green peas, tossed salad, low calorie French dressing, whole wheat roll, and tropical fruit mix.

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Obituaries

Maria Flores

Maria DeJesus Flores, 74, of Plainview, died on Feb. 20, 2013. Funeral services were held on Saturday, Feb. 23, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Muleshoe.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Kornerstone Funeral Directors of Plainview.

A rosary was held Friday, Feb. 22, at the funeral home.

Maria was born on Feb. 5, 1939, to Jose Angel and Flora Lopez in San Louis Potosi, Mexico. She enjoyed cooking, gardening and caring for her grandchildren.

Mrs. Flores was a Guadalupana and a member of Immaculate Catholic Church.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Secundino Mendoza, and second husband, Hector Flores.

She is survived by one daughter — Florinda Mendoza-Champion and husband Joe of Plainview; three sons — Martin Mendoza and wife Paula of Stafford, VA, Joe Mendoza and



wife Maggie of Hale Center, and Michael Mendoza and wife Christina of Plainview; two brothers—Hildrado Lopez and Angel Lopez both of Montemorelos, Mexico; three sisters — Maria Acuncion Lopez of Monterrey, Mexico, Erlinda Lopez of Montemorelos, Mexico, and Maria Louisa Lopez of Monterrey, Mexico; five stepchildren — Robert Flores of Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., Maria Lopez of San Antonio, Delores Perez of Allen, Martha Castorena of Copperas Cove, and Hector Flores, Jr. of Lubbock; 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Online condolences may be made at www.kornerstonefunerals.com.

Morton Meeting On Prairie Chicken Plan Reset To March

As an update to an earlier news announcement, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is postponing a meeting that had been set for tonight in Morton, Texas to Monday, March 4, because of snow and high winds.

The meeting purpose is to discuss the draft range wide conservation plan for the lesser prairie chicken.

The plan represents a multi-state effort to conserve the bird and its habitat, and to address its proposed listing as a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is expected to publish a final rule on the status of the chicken in September.

The rescheduled Morton meeting will be held at 6 p.m., Monday, March 4 in

the U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center at 200 West Taylor Avenue. A similar meeting in Austin involves a diverse set of invited stakeholders, though it is open to any interested parties.

The Austin meeting takes place at 2 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 28 at Texas Parks and Wildlife Department headquarters, 4200 Smith School Road.

At the meetings, Texas Parks and Wildlife biologists will discuss the plan and answer questions about how it might be implemented in the Southern High Plains region of the state.

Comments about the draft plan may be submitted via email to Jan Caufield of the Ecological Management and Research Institute at janc@gci.net.

The deadline to submit comments is March 8.

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The extension office is located at 118 West Ave. C, in Muleshoe.

The training will begin at 8:15 a.m. and testing should conclude by 2 p.m. An abbreviated lunch break (on your own) will be taken between the training and testing sessions

according to Monti Vandiver, AgriLife Extension Integrated Pest Management agent for Bailey and Parmer Counties.

Texas A&M Extension will provide the training and Texas Department of Agriculture will administer the test.

Registration is \$50 at the door and includes a private applicator manual and a current TDA Laws & Regulations manual. Attendees are encouraged to bring a calculator for use during testing.

A private pesticide applicator license is required if someone uses or supervises the use of restricted-use or state-limited-use pesticides or regulated herbicides to produce an agricultural crop on personally owned property, rented property, property owned by his or her employer, property under his or her general control, or the property of another person if applied without compensation, other than the trading

of personal services between producers of agricultural commodities.

Individuals who want a Texas private applicator license must attend a private applicator training program offered by AgriLife Extension, pass the Texas Department of Agriculture private applicator exam, and purchase a license.

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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.62 million head on Feb. 1, down 10 percent from a year ago.

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

Producers placed 390,000 head in commercial feedlots during January, down two percent from a year ago and down six percent from

December. Texas commercial feeders marketed 465,000 head during January, up 12 percent from 2012 and up 22 percent from December.

On Feb. 1, there were 2.27 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 87 percent of the state's total.

The number on feed across the area was down seven percent from last year and down three percent from the Jan. 1 total.

January placements

in the Northern High Plains totaled 347,000 head, down four percent from the December total.

Marketings were up 20 percent from last month to 406,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 11.1 million head on Feb. 1.

This inventory was down six percent from February 1, 2012.

Placements in feedlots during January totaled 1.88 million head, two

percent above January 2012.

January placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 445,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 395,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 535,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 501,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.92 million head, six percent above 2012.

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Texas milk production totaled 818 million pounds during January 2013, down 1.1 percent from last year's production of 827 million pounds.

December 2012 production totaled 803 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during January averaged 435,000 head, unchanged from last year but up 2,000 head from the December 2012 number.

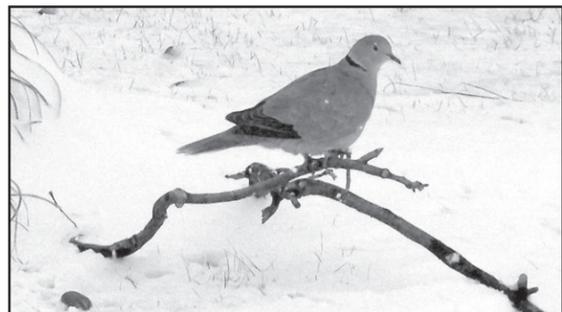
Production per cow averaged 1,880 pounds during January, 20 pounds lower than last year but 25 pounds higher than December 2012.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 15.9 billion pounds during January 2013, up 0.6 percent from production in these same states during January 2012.

December revised production, at 15.7 billion pounds, was up 1.7 percent from December 2011.

Production per cow during January averaged 1,871 pounds, 11 pounds above a year ago.

The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.50 million head, 2,000 head lower than last year but 6,000 head higher than December 2012.



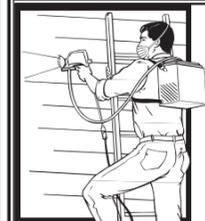
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Whether you are a homeowner, business owner, disabled veteran or a taxpayer, it's important you know your rights concerning the property tax laws. You can contact the appraisal district about any property tax issues with full confidence that we will provide you the most complete, accurate and up-to-date available information to assist you.

- This includes information about the following programs.
- **Property Tax Exemptions for Disabled Veterans** – The law provides partial exemptions for any property owned by veterans who are disabled, spouses and survivors of deceased disabled veterans and spouses and survivors of military personnel who died on active duty. The amount of exemption is determined according to percentage of service-connected disability. The law also provides a 100% exemption for 100% disabled veterans and their surviving spouses, beginning in 2009.
 - **Property Tax Exemptions** – Non-profit organizations that meet statutory requirements may seek property tax exemptions and must apply to their county appraisal district by a specific date.
 - **Rendering Taxable Property** – If a business owns tangible personal property that is used to produce income, the business must file a rendition with the appraisal district by a specified date. Personal property includes inventory and equipment used by a business. Owners do not have to render exempt property such a church property or an agriculture producer's equipment used for farming.
 - **Appraisal Notices** – If a taxpayer's property value increased in the last year, the Texas taxpayer will receive a notice of appraised value from the appraisal district. The city, county school district and other local taxing units will use the appraisal district's value to set property taxes for the coming year.
 - **Property Taxpayer Remedies** – This Comptroller publication explains in detail how to protest a property appraisal, what issues the county appraisal review board (ARB) can consider and what to expect during a protest hearing. The publication also discusses the option of taking a taxpayer's case to district court or entering into binding arbitration if the taxpayer is dissatisfied with the outcome of the ARB hearing.
 - **Homestead Exemptions** – A homestead is generally defined as the home and land used as the owner's principal residence on Jan. 1 of the tax year. A homestead exemption reduces the appraised value of the home and as a result, lowers property taxes. Applications are submitted to the appraisal district.
 - **Productivity Appraisal** – Property owners who use land for agricultural purposes can be granted property tax relief on their land. They may apply to the appraisal district for an agricultural appraisal which may result in a lower appraisal of the land based on how much the taxpayer produces, versus what the land would sell for in the open market.
 - **Residence Homestead Tax Deferral** – Texas homeowners may postpone paying the currently delinquent property taxes due on the appreciation value of their homes by filing a tax deferral affidavit at the appraisal district. This tax relief allows homeowners to pay the property taxes on 105 percent of the preceding year's appraised value of their homestead, plus the taxes on any new improvements to the homestead. The remaining taxes are postponed, but not cancelled, with interest accruing at 8 percent per year.
 - **Property Tax Deferral for Persons Age 65 or Older and Disabled Homeowners** – Texans who are 65 years of age or older, or who are disabled as defined by law, may postpone paying current and delinquent property taxes on their homes by signing a tax deferral affidavit. Once the affidavit is on file, taxes are deferred, but not cancelled, as long as the owner continues to own and live in the home. Interest continues to accrue on unpaid taxes. You may obtain a deferral affidavit at the appraisal district.
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 - **Protesting Property Appraisal Values** – Property owners who disagree with the appraisal district's appraisal of their property for local taxes or for any other action that adversely affects them may protest their property value to the appraisal district's appraisal review board.

For more information about these programs, contact the Bailey Central Appraisal District at 302 Main Street, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. Telephone: 806-272-5501. Website: www.bailey-cad.org



The Sudan Buzz

Greenhaw Signs With Texas Tech

By Cheri Sain
Sudan Correspondent
Dayton Greenhaw, a senior at Sudan High School, signed his letter of intent to participate in track and field at Texas Tech University next fall.

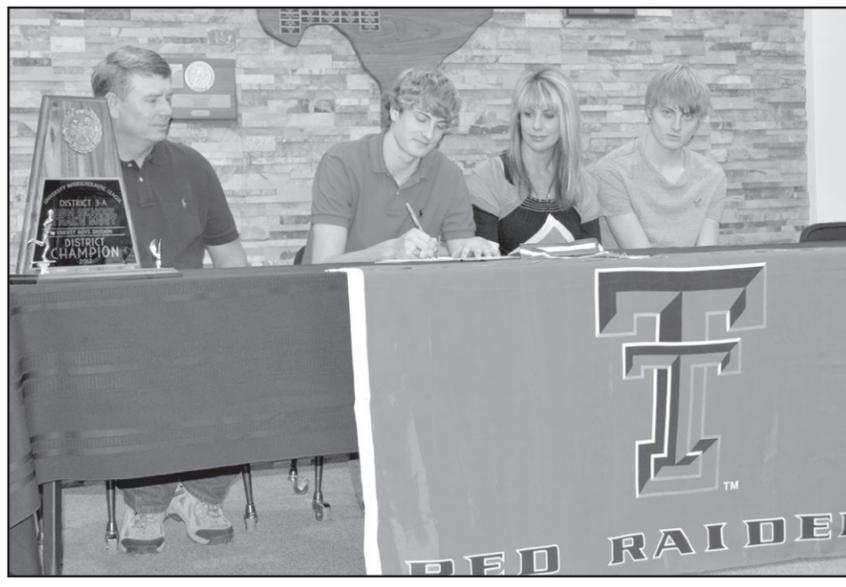
Dayton has had a stellar athletic career at Sudan. During his freshman year, he was a member of the playoff-bound varsity football and track teams.

During Dayton's sophomore year, he earned second team all district in football as a receiver. He also was named the newcomer of the year in basketball.

Dayton won the district track and area track meet in the high jump, finished second at regional's, and fourth at state.

Dayton won the state championship in high jump his junior year and also placed fourth in the triple jump at state.

He qualified for the regional track meet in five events: triple jump,



Sudan HS student Dayton Greenhaw signs his letter of intent.

high jump, 200 meter, sprint relay, and mile relay.

He was also named to the first team selection in basketball.

In football, he was named as a first team receiver and defensive back, was named All South Plains as a receiver, and named to the South Plains Super Team in football.

Dayton's senior year is not over, and he has already gained more awards.

Dayton was a state quarterfinalist in football after the team earned district, bi-district, area, and regional championships.

He was named all district first team as receiver and defensive back. Dayton will also complete in five events this year in track and field.

Dayton has also been an active member in the tennis and golf teams throughout his high

school years. Also, he is a member of FCCLA and FCA.

"This is a life moment where the pride of your parents, coaches, teachers, school administrators, classmates, and teammates are at their highest," Athletic Director Coach Gordon Martin said.

"From all of these people, we say congratulations. Go Hornets and Wreck 'Em Tech!" he added.

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Sudan Debate Students... Continued From A1

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"The sheer talent, intelligence, decorum, and work ethic exhibited by these students is amazing," Speech Coach Jonathan Robertson said.

"While I have had many excellent debaters over the years, these debaters compete at a level that is in the stratosphere," he said.

Robertson also commented on their level of expertise.

"It is not only thrilling to see young students develop their skills to such a high level, but it is moving to arrive at tournaments and see the respect that other



Doug Ames, Deric McCurry and Brianna Azua

competitors have for these students and their skills," Robertson said.

"They navigate philosophy and political theory at a level that would make the average college graduate student dizzy," said Robertson.

"I am so proud of them, and I wish them the best at Texas Forensic League state, UIL state, and NFL nationals," he added.

Ames and McCurry also competed in Extemporaneous

Speaking. Their Extemporaneous coach is Tina Altum.

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- 3-1.5-1 carport Home, Cent. A&H, stove thermal windows, "AS IS", MAKE OFFER!! **\$47K!!!**
- 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage Home on corner lot, wall furnace heat, win. refrig. air, stove, refrigerator, ceiling fans w/lights, large wkshop in garage, fenced yd., stor. bldg., includes 1 bdrm. rental unit!! **\$83,450!!!**

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- 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!!**
- BEAUTIFUL 3-2-2 Brick Home, (2007), approx. 1575' lv. area, built-ins, ceiling fans, auto spkrl., fenced yd.!! **\$135,000!! PRICE REDUCED!!**
- 2-1 Home, wall furnace heat, window evap. air!! **\$30,000!!!**
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- 3 Bdrm, 2 bath, 2 carport, Cent A&H, Dishwasher, WB Stove, approx. 2156' lv. area, **\$60K!!**

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, 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!!!**
- 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. 1881' 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!! \$135,000!!**
- FM 1760 @ edge of town, nice 3-2-2 carport home on 3 acres, cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, approx. 2253' lv area, fenced, horse barn w/corrals, hay & tack room!! **\$105K!!!!**
- VERY NICE 4-3 doublewide (2006) on 7.38 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fenced yd., 25' x 40' metal bldg., septic system, domestic well, on pavement close to town!! **PRICE REDUCED!! MAKE OFFER!**
- FM 303- 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Det. Garage, 2 acre tract, Par. Cent. A&H, Dw, disposal, thermal windows, storm doors, fans, stor. bldg.!! **\$80!! \$74,000!!**

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!!! Price Reduced \$80,000!!**
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