

# Ten apply for city police chief

By SAMUEL VILLAREAL  
Journal staff writer

The City of Muleshoe has received 10 applications for the job of city police chief.

Muleshoe City Manager James Fisher said he will postpone interviews until after the Christmas holidays. In the meantime, Fisher will send all applicants a 1-page questionnaire.

"Resumes are not accurate comparisons of applicants," Fisher said. "With the questionnaires I'll be able to compare apples to apples."

Fisher hopes to fill the position by early to mid February.

Muleshoe has been without a police chief since the resignation of Julian Dominguez last November. Jay Livingston has been the acting police chief since then.

Former City Manager Dave Marr was in the processes of hiring a replacement when he resigned Aug. 15.

City Council members decided that it would be best for Fisher to conduct his own search for a new police chief. Three current applicants, Livingston, Walter Yerger and Michael Mezger were on Marr's finalist list.

## Taking a closer look

The following is a list of the 10 applicants for the vacant Muleshoe Police Chief position.

■ **Jay Livingston** — Has held his current position as Acting Chief of Police for the Muleshoe Police Department.

■ **Mark Hensley** — Chief of Police of the Little River-Academy Police Department of Little River, TX. Hensley has both active and reserve military experience in the U.S. Army.

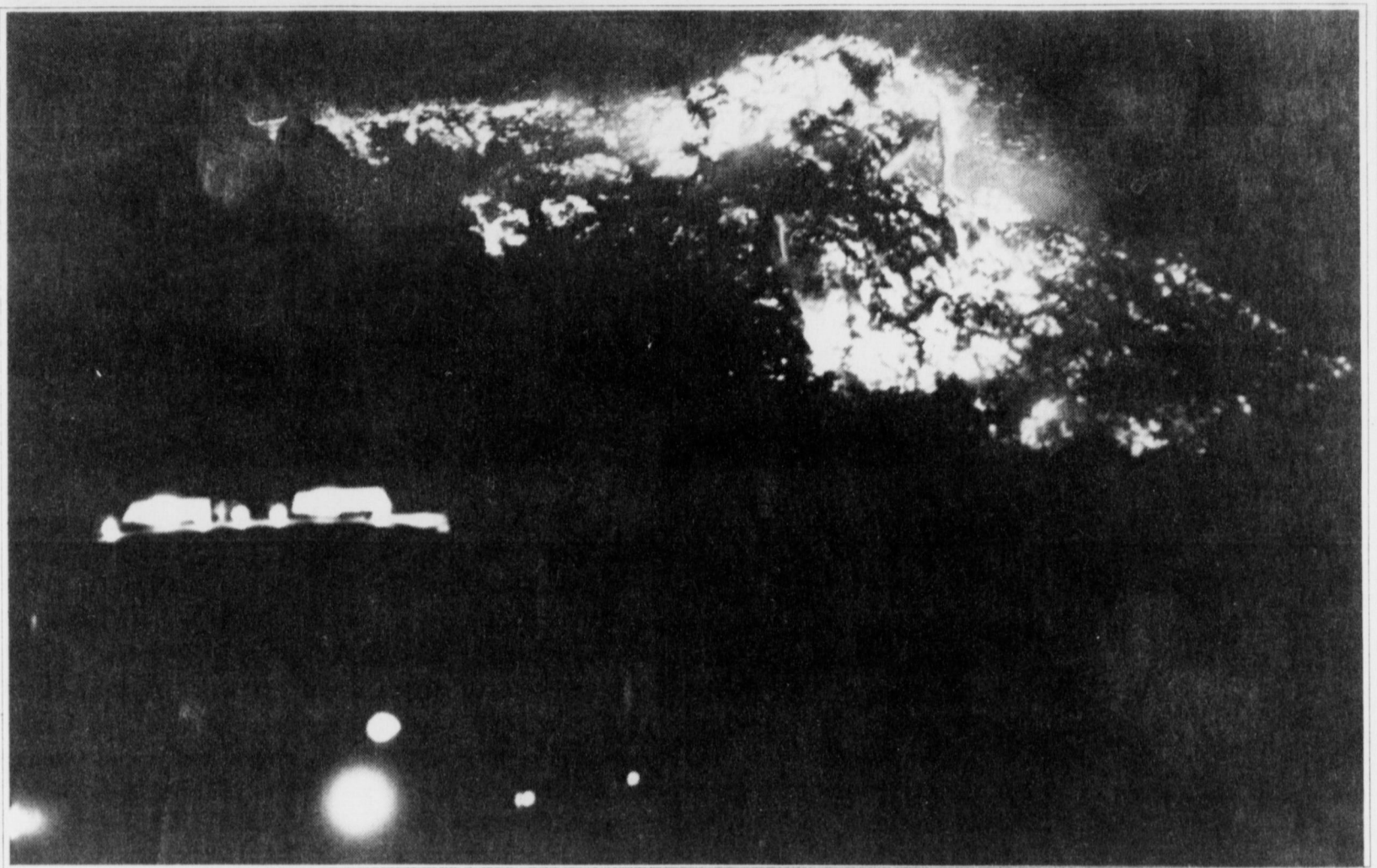
■ **Michael Shelton** — Patrolman for the Pampa Police Department. His nine years of police experience include an assignment as Assistant Chief of the Amarillo College Department of Safety and Security.

■ **Roy McGaa** — Chief of Police of the Farwell Police Department. McGaa has served two stints in the U.S. military, serving in the Marines from 1962 - 1966 and in the Army from 1974 - 1977.

■ **Walter Yerger, Jr.** — Currently serves as a reserved deputy of the Randall County Sheriff's Departments as well as an instructor in the Criminal Justice Program at Caprock High School in Amarillo. Yerger has worked as a police officer in the Amarillo area for more than 20 years.

■ **Stephen Starr** — A Captain in the Schertz (Texas) Police

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## Night blaze

The Muleshoe Fire Volunteer Dept. tends to a pile of burning cotton burrs Thursday night behind Clay's Corner Gin.

# Long day for local firefighters

By RICK WHITE  
Managing Editor

No rest for the weary.

Muleshoe Volunteer firefighters worked well into Thursday night battling three separate blazes during a 18-hour stretch that started with a huge grass fire in Lamb County that caused all of Muleshoe and two surrounding communities to lose electricity for a short time Thursday afternoon.

The Muleshoe Fire Dept. also battled blazes at two Parmer County cotton gins

until just before sunup.

Driven by westerly winds that were gusting up to 40 m.p.h. by mid afternoon, the fire reportedly burned thousands of acres of grassland and pasture from just east of the Southwestern Public Service Tolk Station to Highway 385 in Springlake more than 13 miles away.

"It was just like a wild prairie fire," said Muleshoe Fire Marshal Jimmy Mills. "At times, the flames shot 20 feet up into the air."

Muleshoe was one of nine departments

battling the blaze.

Local SPS manager Mike McDearmon believes the thick smoke was the cause of the 20-minute power outage in the early afternoon.

The fire burned some grass inside the Plant X facility and also destroyed about a dozen wooden utility poles nearby, McDearmon said.

"The smoke was so intense, it might have caused an arch which caused a safety

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# Nazareth hands Mules 1st loss

Muleshoe and the scoreboard stood still for a big part of the second half.

Confused and stifled by Nazareth's matchup zone, Muleshoe scored just six points during a 10-minute stretch of the second half and suffered its first loss of the season, 69-59, to the Swifts Tuesday at WJHS gym.

Nazareth picked up its defensive intensity in the second half while alternating between straight man and a matchup zone.

"They were doing some things that confused our kids," Muleshoe coach Ralph Mason said. "We looked like we were in a stupor."

Nazareth (4-1), the top-ranked team in Class 1A, reached the state semifinals last year and is loaded with experience with six seniors and four juniors. The Swifts were by far the most physical team the

Mules faced this season.

"That was a good team," Mason said. "I expect they'll be back at the state tournament again this year. It was a good learning experience"

Coming into the game, Muleshoe had averaged 96 points a game in its last three outings.

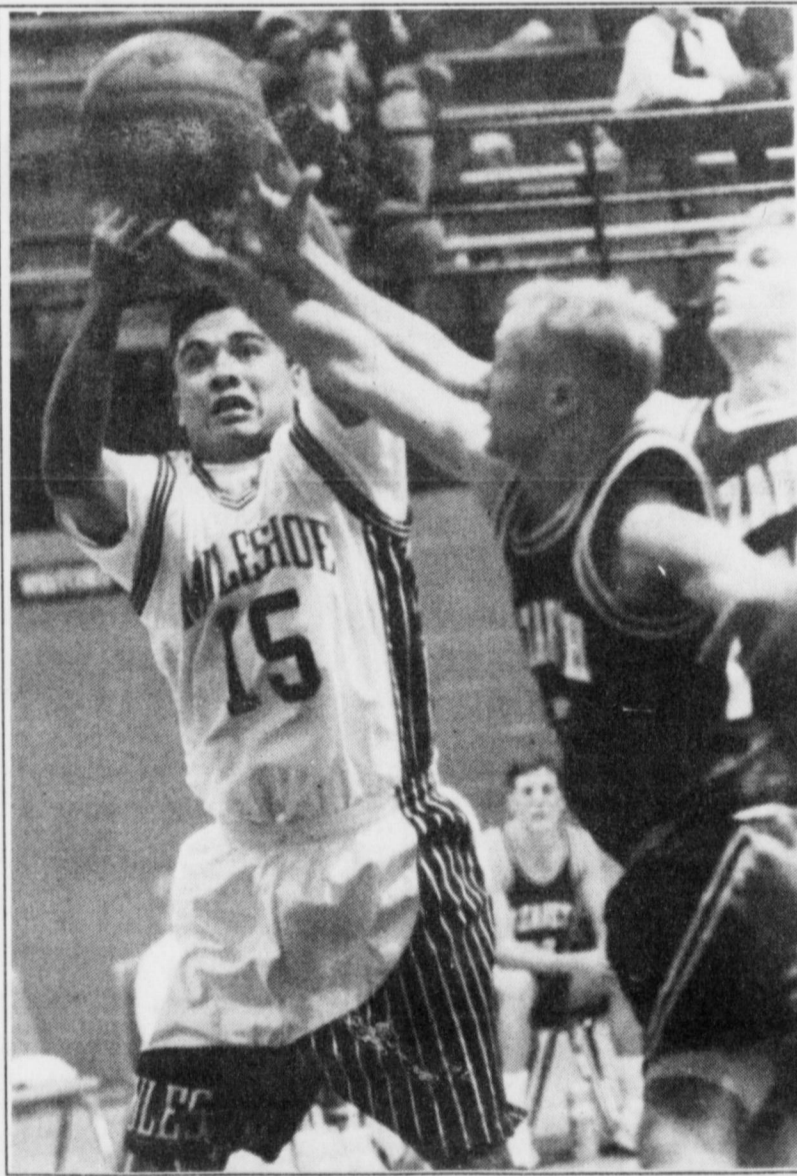
Muleshoe led most of the first half and still held a 46-42 lead with 4:41 left in the third quarter.

But Nazareth, the top-ranked team in Class 1A, outscored Muleshoe 11-2 the rest of the third quarter to take a 54-48 lead. Senior Sub Justin Bingham capped the run with a fastbreak hoop and a three-point play off a steal back-to-back.

"That kind of knocked the wind out of us

A 7-0 Swift run capped by a

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## Board battle

MHS senior Alfonso Mendoza battles two Nazareth players for a rebound Tuesday at WJHS gym. Nazareth handed Muleshoe its first loss of the season, 69-59.

# Lovington beats Mules at buzzer

DENVER CITY — Muleshoe coach Ralph Mason felt pretty good about his team's chances after Matt McClanahan's free throw put the Mules up by one with two seconds left in overtime.

But Richard Jones swished a shot from halfcourt as the buzzer sounded, lifting Lovington, N.M., to an 80-78 win over Muleshoe Thursday

City Tournament.

"I've been beaten before at the last second, but not by a shot from halfcourt," Mason said.

Muleshoe (5-2) played well despite losing its second-straight game Mason said.

Dustin Cleavinger's 8-foot baseline jumper with six seconds left in regulation sent the game into overtime.

with 23 points and 10 rebounds. Alfonso Mendoza and Layne Kemp added 11 points each and Douglass Field finished with 10.

Timmy McBride led Lovington (2-0) with 15 points. Louis Howard scored 8 of his 14 points in overtime.

Muleshoe played Seagraves Friday in the second round of the round-robin tournament and played twice Saturday

## BASKETBALL Denver City Tournament

Thursday  
First round  
Lovington 80, MHS 78 OT  
Denver City 73, Plains 63  
Plains 70, Seagraves 64  
Friday  
Muleshoe vs Seagraves  
Lovington vs Plains  
Denver City vs Seagraves

# Hospital gets favorable marks from community

By RICK WHITE  
Managing Editor

Nearly four out of five respondents were satisfied with the health services available in Bailey County according to a recent phone survey conducted by the Muleshoe Area Hospital District.

The random survey of 106 county residents conducted in November focused on the availability and use of hospital, physician, home health and outreach services within the county.

MAHD administrator Jim Bone said he was "pleasantly surprised" with the results of the survey which also revealed that 74 percent felt the health services they needed were

available in Bailey County and 73 percent used a local physician for primary care.

Muleshoe has three primary care physicians.

"It gave us a pretty good reflection of the attitude of the community toward the availability of health services and the kind of job being done," Bone said. "It also gives us an idea of things we might address."

Bone said the survey indicated that the hospital district needs to do a better job of advertising its services and should explore the possibility of providing additional outreach services, including

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# Five Area retiree plans include long-distance trips

After more than 40 years of the working world, Kathryn Taylor is ready to get out of town.

Taylor, retiring as assistant manager at Five Area Telephone at the end of the year, already has plans for her immediate future.

"I'm going on a cruise in January," she said. "I'm going through the Panama Canal. Then I'll fly back from Acapulco, after I spend a day or two there."

Aside from her impending cruise, Taylor has left the rest of her future pretty much open.

She has spent the last 41 years doing everything from management to accounting for Five Area Telephone as well as Lea

County Rural Telephone Co. in Lovington, N.M.

With her upcoming retirement, she might just have a lot more time on hands than usual.

"I'm not sure what I'll do, but I'll stay busy," she said. "I'll probably be doing a lot more traveling. I have three daughters and four grandchildren, and I'd love to see them more often."



Taylor

AROUND MULESHOE

**Youth Basketball to meet Dec. 11**

The Muleshoe Youth Basketball organization will meet Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 8:30 at the Muleshoe State Bank. Plans will be discussed for the upcoming year. Anyone who would like to give their input is invited. Questions about the meeting can be directed to Larry Froyes at 965-2383.

**MHS/WJHS music concert Dec. 12**

The Muleshoe High School and Watson Junior High School music departments will hold their Christmas Concert Dec. 12 in the MHS gymnasium. Admission is free. The WJHS choir will perform at 7 p.m. and will be followed by the MHS choir. The choirs will be followed by the junior high and high school bands at 8 p.m.

**Alzheimers caregivers meeting Dec. 12**

The Muleshoe Alzheimers Caregivers group will hold its regular meeting Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. in the United Methodist Church.

**Compassionate Friends meeting Dec. 12**

The Compassionate Friends support group will meet Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. in the Lazbuddie United Methodist Church.

The Compassionate Friends is a support group for parents who have lost children. The loss may be recent or years ago. The group helps parents identify with all the feelings of grief that are associated with losing a child.

For more information, please call Glenda Jennings at 965-2483.

**Fine Arts Boosters bake sale Dec. 13**

The Muleshoe Fine Arts Boosters will be holding a bake sale Dec. 13. Workers for the boosters will sell the baked goods door to door at local business.

All funds raised will be used toward Muleshoe High School and Watson Junior High band, speech, art, and choir programs to help fund trips and other activities.

Questions about the bake sale can be directed to Ronnie Bennett at 272-5314.

**SPC registering for spring semester**

LEVELLAND — South Plains College has announced registration dates for the spring semester.

Regular and evening registration on SPC's Levelland campus in Jan. 9. Registration on the SPC Lubbock campus is Jan. 8 for returning students and Jan. 9 for new students. Spring enrollment at SPC's Reese Air Force Base Center will be Feb. 17 - 18.

SPC's spring class schedules are now available, provid-



**All-Region band**

Four students in the Watson Jr. High School Band were named to the Texas Music Educator's Association All-Region band. Pictured are: (left) Chris Hall, first alt. trombone, Kristina Lozano, ninth-chair trumpet, Paul Rodriguez, seventh-chair trumpet, and Megan Tipps, sixth-chair French horn.

ing a complete listing of courses offered.. To obtain a class schedule or find out more information , contact the SPC Office of Admissions and Records in Levelland at 806-894-9611, ext. 2374 by Dec 13. Calls can also be made after Jan 2.

**Ag stewardship conference at WTAMU**

CANYON — Agriculture producers in the High Plains area will have an opportunity to attend an upcoming conference entitled "The Ag Producer's Role in Environmental Stewardship."

The conference will be held Dec. 13 from 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. in room 101 of the West Texas A&M Agriculture and Natural Science Building.

Interested individuals may register by calling (806) 839-1030 and pre-paying their registration fee of \$15 by Dec. 10. Registration can be paid at the door, but cannot be guaranteed a lunch. Registration will be 9-10 a.m. in the foyer of the Agricultural and Natural Science Building.

**Pictures with Santa Claus at LHS**

LAZBUDDIE — Children can have their pictures taken with Santa Claus from 7:45-8:30a.m. the next two Fridays (Dec. 13, 20) at Lazbuddie school cafeteria.

The cost of the color picture is \$4.

The event is sponsored by the Lazbuddie High School cheerleaders.

**Chief**

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Department. Starr also spent three years (1975 - 1978) in the U.S. Army.

■ **Leonard Cox** — Currently employed by the Levelland Police department, where he holds the rank of Sergeant. Cox has been a police officer since 1977.

■ **Michael Mezger** — Currently serves as School Liaison Officer/Juvenile Officer for the Canyon Police Department and Canyon Junior High/ High School. Mezger also served in the U.S. Marines from 1978 - 1983, where he was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal

from the Secretary of the Navy for his administrative accomplishments.

■ **Jim McDonald** — Currently employed as Sergeant in the Criminal Investigations Division of the Lubbock County Sheriff's Department. He is also a member of the Lubbock County Swat Team.

■ **Mark Marinelli** — Owner of Marinelli Group, Inc. Private Investigation Firm, which conducts criminal investigations for corporations, attorneys, as well as the U.S. Justice Department.



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**Lunch**

Monday—nachos, rice, pinto beans, tossed salad, milk. Tuesday—Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, fries, chocolate chip cookie, milk. Wednesday— creole spaghetti, crinkle carrots, mixed fruit, Italian bread, milk. Thursday—pizza, tater tots, mixed veggies, pineapple tidbits, milk. Friday—chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, milk.

**Jr. High and High School**

**Breakfast**

Monday— French toast, fruit or juice, milk Tuesday—biscuits w/

gravy, fruit or juice, milk. Wednesday—blueberry, fruit or juice, milk. Thursday—breakfast hotpocket, fruit or juice, milk. Friday—cinnamon roll, fruit or juice, milk.

**Lunch**

Monday—Mexican pile-on, rice, pinto beans, lettuce, tomatoes, milk. Tuesday—foot-long chili dog, veggie stix, whole kernal, chocolate chip cookie, milk. Wednesday— creole spaghetti, crinkle carrots, mixed fruit, Italian bread, milk. Thursday— foot-corn dog, veggie soup, cinnamon roll, pineapple, milk. Friday— chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, peach cobbler, hot roll, milk.

**THREWEAY**

**Breakfast**

Monday— pancake on a stick, juice, milk. Tuesday— eggs, biscuit, juice, milk. Wednesday— Cream of Wheat or Apple Cinnamon Cereal, juice, toast or graham crackers, milk

Thursday— Cinnamon roll, juice, milk Friday — two waffles, juice, milk

**Lunch**

Monday — fish, baked potato, slaw, corn bread, chocolate yogurt, milk. Tuesday—beef stew w/ cheese stick, raw veggies, crackers, combread, apples, milk. Wednesday— cheeseburger, crispy fries, orange, milk. Thursday—grilled chicken on wheat bun, lettuce, tomato, pickles, tator tots, milk, frozen milk shake. Friday — Pizza, salad, carrots, apple cobbler, milk.

**LAZBUDDIE**

**Lunch**

Monday— buffet, steak fingers, mashed potatoes, milk. Tuesday— buffet, lasagna, milk. Wednesday— buffet, JH & HS - Teryaki chicken; elementary- BBQ weiners, milk. Thursday— buffet, fajitas, refried beans, rice, milk Friday — chicken noodle soup, sandwich, milk

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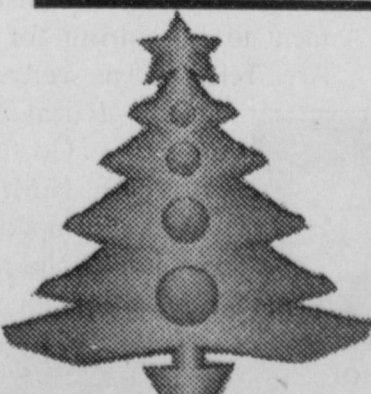
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### HOSPITAL SURVEY

The following are some of the key findings in a recent phone survey conducted by the Muleshoe Area Hospital District:

- 78 percent of the people surveyed had seen a doctor in the past two years.
- 76 percent have a regular physician
- 73 percent of those see a physician in Bailey County
- 41 percent have been hospitalized in the last two years
- Of those hospitalized, 46 percent were for an illness and 28 percent of surgery
- 74 percent said the health services they needed were in Bailey County
- 26 percent indicated they were

being treated for chronic illness and 29 percent said indicated a family member was being treated for a chronic illness.

- 62 percent have never been seen by a nurse practitioner or a physician assistant
- 34 percent were covered by insurance and 22 percent by Medicare
- Less than 5 percent were covered by a managed care programs like HMO or PPO
- 79 percent were satisfied with the health services available in Bailey County, although 58 percent indicated they would like more services available
- General primary care (21.8 percent) and cardiology (11.3 percent) were the services that needed



to be more available

- 72 percent would use additional services in Bailey County if available
- The five areas identified as most available in Bailey County were home health (14.2 percent), general primary care (11.3 percent), obstetrics (11.3 percent), physical therapy (10.4 percent) and emergency services (10.4 percent)

### Hospital

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alternatives to specialty services.

"We're getting to the point where we are doing a good job of providing the basics and beyond that what is realistically available," Bone said.

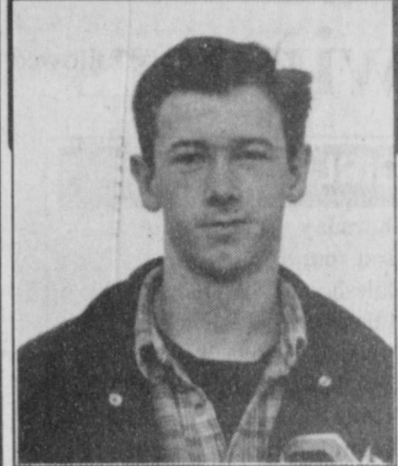
One surprising result of the survey was that 41 percent of those questioned had been hospitalized in the last two years.

A bi-annual community health care assessment is a required for hospitals to be involved in the Medicaid Disproportionate Share Program.

The federal and state program helps offset some of the money that the hospital is not able to recover from Medicaid patients.

The hospital received \$300,000 through the program last year.

## Western 66 Congratulates the Mule & Lady Mule of the Week!



LAYNE KEMP

Junior Layne Kemp is the son of Terry & Debbie Kemp. Kemp scored a season-high 11 points in a 80-78 loss to Lovington.



AMY LOCKER

Junior Amy Locker is the daughter of Fred & Ruth Locker. Locker scored 11 points against Dimmitt.

### Fire

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breaker to go out," McDearmon said. "Were not really sure right now."

SPS crews were out early Friday morning replacing the damage poles.

The fire jumped across county roads 303 and 1055 before being brought under control just west of Highway 385 in Springlake.

The fire was six miles wide by the time it reached Highway 385 just north of Springlake Potato.

Workers told Springlake Potato owner Bruce Barrett that they saw flaming tumbleweeds blow by at about 40 m.p.h.

The smoke was so thick Barrett said, he couldn't see Plant X less than four miles away.

Three firefighters were treated for smoke inhalation, including a female fighter from Olton who was transported to Plainview.

About 50 head of cattle and several deer were killed in the fire.

Muleshoe Fire vehicles were back at headquarters just long enough to fill with gas and water before they were called out for a fire at Clay's Corner Gin shortly after 7 p.m.

A huge pile of mostly cotton burrs behind the gin was nearly

completely engulfed within an hour and were smoldering Friday morning.

Gin manager Don McDonald estimated the pile, 50 feet high in some places, contained about 7,000 bales.

McDonald said he was going to dig a big ditch and bury the smoldering ambers.

Returning to the firehouse around 11 p.m., Muleshoe was called out again two hours later to a fire at the Pleasant Valley Gin were a 1,000 bales of mops, a cotton by-product used for things like mops, caught fire. They left the fire shortly before sunup.

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## Lady Mule 9th, JV 1st-round winners

The Lady Mule JV and freshman teams played in the semifinals of the Muleshoe JV Tournament Friday after posting first-round victories Thursday.

The Lady Mule freshmen held off the Olton JV 32-29 to advance to the semifinals, while the Lady Mule JV rolled over the Olton freshmen 49-12.

Play continued in both the winners' and consolation brackets Saturday.

### MHS JV 49, Olton 9th 12

Balanced scoring and solid defense boosted the Lady Mule JV past Olton's freshmen.

MHS held Olton to a field goal and two free throws in the first half while building a 27-4 halftime lead.

Melissa Williams paced the Lady Mules with 9 points, while Robin Copley had 8. Eleven of 12 Lady Mules scored in the contest.

Erica Perez, Brandi Snider and Alexis Barina each had 4 for Olton.

The Lady Mules were scheduled to play the Farwell JV Friday at 7 p.m. in the semifinals. Farwell defeated Springlake-Earth JV 38-31 in the first round.

**Olton 9th** 2 2 4 4 12  
**MHS JV** 11 16 9 13 49  
**OHS 9th (12)** — Melinda Fuentes 0, 0-0, 0; Emily Gipson 0, 0-0, 0; Erica Perez 2, 0-0, 4; Brandi Snider 2, 0-2, 4; Alexis Barina 1, 2-4, 4; Jessica

### GIRLS

#### Thursday

##### First round

Muleshoe JV 49, Olton 9th 12  
 Muleshoe 9th 32, Olton JV 29  
 Clovis 57, Friona 23  
 Farwell 38, Springlake-Earth 31

##### Friday

##### Championship semifinals

Muleshoe 9th vs Clovis

Muleshoe JV vs Farwell

##### Consolation semifinals

Olton 9th vs Springlake-Earth

Olton JV vs Friona

Miller 0, 0-0, 0. Totals — 5, 2-7, 12.

**MHS JV (49)** — Krystal Heathington 1, 0-0, 2; Amanda Messenger 0, 2-2, 2; Keisha Whit 3, 1-3, 7; Robin Copley 3, 2-4, 8; Melinda Schuster 1, 1-2, 3; Amy Hooten 1, 0-0, 2; Kellie Morris 2, 0-0, 4; Robin Cowart 0, 0-0, 0; Kendra Benham 2, 0-1, 4; Misti Angeley 1, 0-2, 2; Melissa Williams 3, 3-4, 9; Ellen Wood 2, 0-0, 4. Totals — 20, 9-15, 49.

### MHS 9th 32, Olton JV 29

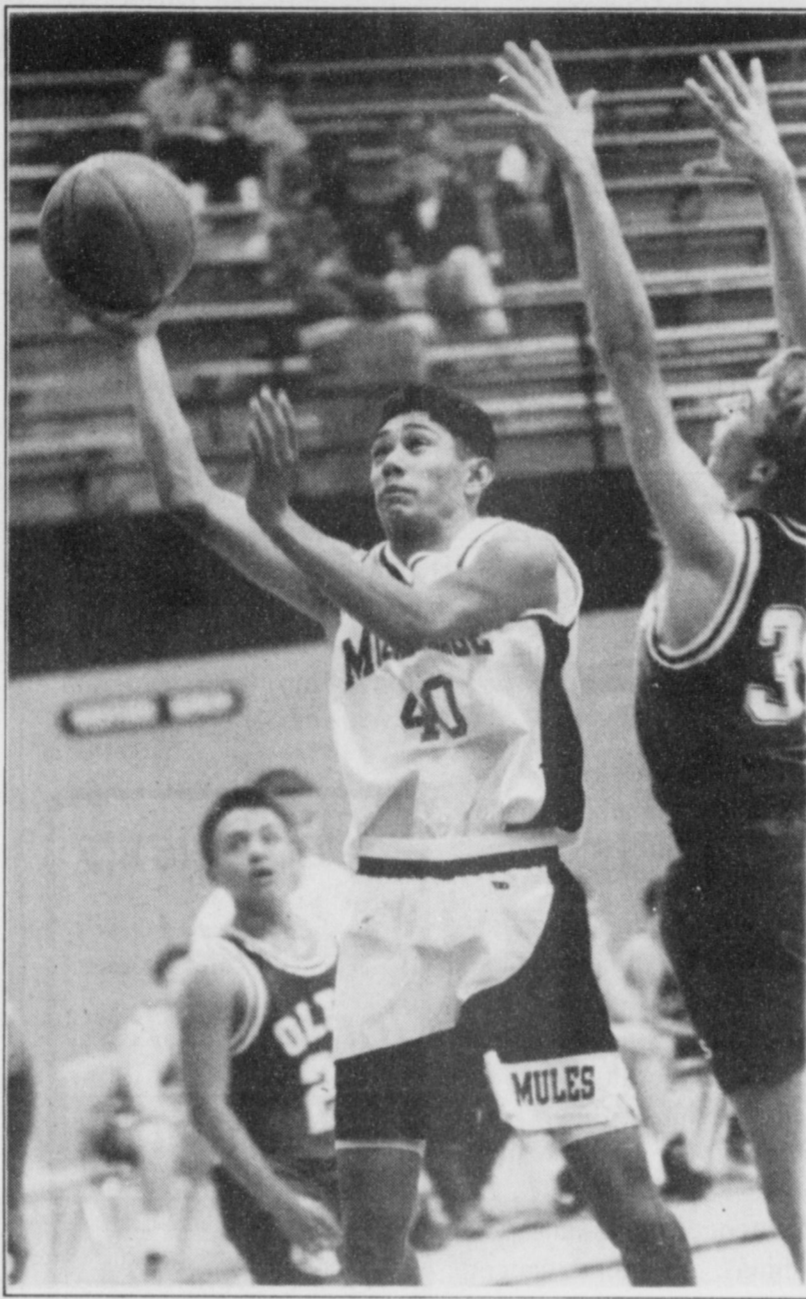
The Lady Mule freshmen built a 26-21 lead after three quarters, then held on for a first-round win over the Olton JV.

Bobbie Benham hit two of four free throws in the final period to help seal the win.

Lynsie Black led the Lady Mules with 13 points, while Stacy Locker had 9.

Diaz had 11 and Smith 10 to pace Olton.

The Lady Mules were scheduled to play the Clovis JV in the semifinals Friday at 7 p.m. Clovis beat Friona JV 57-23 in



### Slidin' by

MHS sophomore Manuel Campolla scores two of his 14 points Thursday in the first round of the Muleshoe JV Tournament. The Mules JV beat Olton 86-37.

the first round to advance. 29.

**OHS JV** 7 8 6 8

29

**MHS 9th** 8 11 7 6

32

**OHS JV (29)** — C. Smith 4, 2-3, 10; Carleigh Smith 0, 0-0, 0; S. Hall 2, 0-0, 4; J. Vest 1, 2-2, 4; S. Diaz 3, 5-8, 11. Totals — 10, 9-13,

**MHS 9th (32)** — Lynsie Black 6, 1-3, 13; Bobbie Benham 0, 3-6, 3; Lela Hancock 2, 0-0, 4; Stacy Locker 3 (1), 0-0, 9; Kayla Johnson 1, 1-2, 3; Barbaña Morales 0, 0-0, 0; Christi Adrian 0, 0-0, 0; Michelle Toscano 0, 0-0, 0; Brandi Whit 0, 0-0, 0. Totals — 12 (1), 5-11, 32.

## Mules breeze into tournament semis

The JV and freshman Mules both powered into the semifinals of the Muleshoe JV Tournament with first round victories Thursday.

The JV Mules hammered the Olton freshmen 86-37, while the freshman Mules topped the Olton JV, 62-45.

Both teams were scheduled to play semifinals contests Friday at 8:30 p.m. in separate gyms.

Play continued in the tournament through Saturday night.

### MHS JV 86, Olton 9th 37

Aaron Purdy scalded the nets for 25 points to lead the MHS JV past the Olton freshmen.

Manuel Campolla added 14, while Louis Hines had 13 and Larry Pineda 11. All seven MHS players scored.

The JV Mules were matched against the Farwell JV in Friday's semifinals. Farwell advanced with a 61-38 first-round win over Springlake-Earth.

**OHS 9th** 14 8 2 13 37

**MHS JV** 19 19 21 27 86

**OHS 9th (37)** — Salinas 0 (1), 0-0, 3; Pedroza 2, 0-1, 4; Bosquez 3, 0-0, 6; Martinez 0 (1), 0-0, 3; Smith 5, 0-2, 10; Villanueva 3, 1-2, 7; Horn 0, 2-2, 2; Oliver 1, 0-0, 2. Totals 14 (2), 3-7, 37

### MHS JV (86)

— Larry Pineda 4 (1), 0-2, 11; B.J. Gonzales 3, 0-0, 6; Louis Hines 5 (1), 0-0, 13; Luis Perez 4, 0-0, 8; Manuel Campolla 7, 0-0, 14; Aaron Purdy 11 (1), 0-2, 25; Matt Turney 4, 1-2, 9. Totals 38 (3), 1-6, 86.

### BOYS

#### Thursday

##### First round

Muleshoe JV 86, Olton 9th 37  
 Muleshoe 9th 62, Olton JV 45  
 River Road 78, Morton 36  
 Farwell 61, Springlake-Earth 38

##### Friday

##### Championship semifinals

MHS 9th vs River Road

Muleshoe JV vs Farwell

##### Consolation semifinals

Olton 9th vs Springlake-Earth

Olton JV vs Morton

### MHS 9th 62, Olton JV 45

The Mule freshmen rallied from a first-quarter deficit to down the Olton JV, 62-45.

Bret Clemmons had 15 to lead the Mules, who also got 9 points each from Mitch Mason and Jeff Bruns.

The Mule freshmen were scheduled to meet River Road JV Friday in the semifinals. River Road defeated Morton JV 78-36 in the first round.

**OHS JV** 11 9 12 13 45

**MHS 9th** 9 20 17 16 62

**OHS JV (45)** — DeLeon 2, 0-0, 4; Sandoval 4, 0-2, 8; Garcia 2 (1), 0-0, 7; Almanza 3, 0-2, 6; Arroyos 4 (1), 1-2, 12; Alvarado 2, 2-4, 6; Gutierrez 0, 0-1, 0; Suarez 1, 0-0, 2. Totals 18 (2), 3-11, 45.

**MHS 9th (62)** — Ryan Hodge 0 (1), 0-0, 3; Eric Posados 0 (1), 0-0, 3; James Barret 0 (2), 0-0, 6; Delwyn Latham 0, 0-0, 0; Clint Black 0, 0-0, 0; Ike Norman 0, 0-0, 0; Jesse Reyes 3, 0-0, 6; Jeff Bruns 2 (1), 2-2, 9; John McClanahan 2, 0-0, 4; B.J. Copeland 1, 0-2, 2; Kyle Hahn 2, 1-2, 5; Bret Clements 7, 1-2, 15; Mitch Mason 3 (1), 0-0, 9. Totals — 20 (6), 4-8, 62.

## Nazareth slips past Lady Mules, 37-27

Muleshoe junior Amy Locker summed up Tuesday's 37-27 loss to Nazareth best after watching a few minutes of the game tape the next morning.

"It felt like we were playing defense all night," she said.

Nazareth (4-3) close out a low-scoring first half with three-straight 3-pointers, then scored the first four points of the third quarter to take a 21-11 lead.

Because of Nazareth's trademark patience on offense and tight man-to-man defense, its nearly impossible to overcome a 10-point deficit against the Lady Swifts.

The closest the Lady Mules (2-7) got the rest of the way was eight points.

Muleshoe coach Jim Gruhlkey was pleased with the defensive effort, but is still perplexed at his team's long scoring droughts.

"If we play that kind of defense all the time, it's going to pay off," Gruhlkey said. "They just keep moving the ball until you make a mistake. Most teams won't wait that long. But we've got to find ways to score a few points in those stretches to keep us in the game."

Nazareth sorely misses Class 1A player of the year Melinda Schmucker, now the starting point guard at Texas Tech, and three other seniors, according to Lady Swift coach

Johnny Hampton.

"It's not easy to replace 25-30 points a game and the leadership," Hampton said.

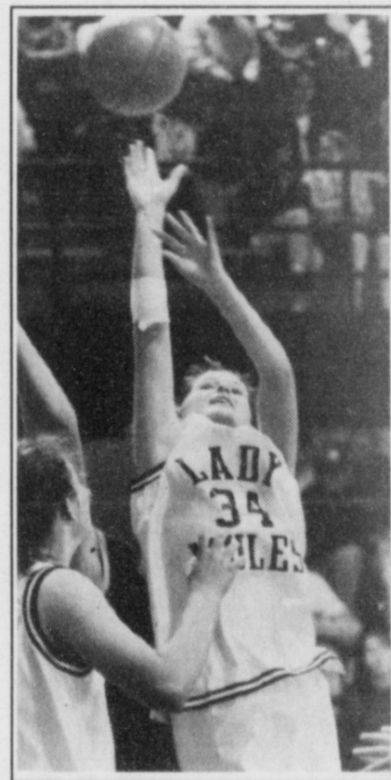
The Lady Swifts have already lost more games this year than they did last year when they went 37-2 and won their 12th state title.

"It's been a little slow," Hampton said. "I kind of figured we'd have to grow into a good team."

Amy Polmeier led a balanced Lady Swift attack with a pair of 3-pointers and 10 points.

Sophomore post Erin Wilhite led Muleshoe with 8

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### Reaching

MHS junior Amy Locker slips past a Nazareth defender Tuesday and squeezes off a shot. Naz won, 37-27.

## Lady Rebels race past MHS in Canyon Classic

CANYON — Tascosa jumped out to a 20-5 lead en route to a 50-36 win over Muleshoe Thursday in the first round of the Canyon Classic.

Muleshoe pulled within striking distance at halftime, 27-16, but Tascosa hit three-straight 3-pointers at the start of the third quarter to erase any hope of a Muleshoe comeback.

Muleshoe did get within 8 points twice in the fourth quarter.

Sophomore post Erin Wilhite had career-highs of

### Canyon Classic

#### at Canyon HS

##### Thursday

##### 1st round

Tascosa 50, Muleshoe 36  
 Nazareth 38, Clovis 35  
 Canyon 105, EP Riverside 10  
 Happy 63, Vernon 59 OT

##### Friday

##### Consolation semifinals

Muleshoe vs Clovis

EP Riverside vs Vernon

##### Championship semifinals

Tascosa vs Nazareth

Canyon vs Happy

23 points and 17 rebounds for Muleshoe (2-8).

Berkley Johnson led a balanced Lady Rebel attack with 11 points.

Muleshoe played Clovis Friday in the consolation semifinals.

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### AREA HOOPS

#### BOYS

##### Junior varsity

**Nazareth 51, MHS JV 37**  
**Nazareth 13 5 16 17 51**  
**MHS JV 8 11 7 11 37**  
**Nazareth (51)** — Ramakers 20-04, Schulte 3 1-2 7, Brockman 4 1-3 9, Wethington 02-2 2, Olivera 00-00, Hale 00-00, Etheridge 3 (1) 0-1 9, Merritt 4 (1) 3-4 14, Kern 0 1-3 1, McClain 2 0-0 4. Totals 18 (2) 7-13 51.

**MHS JV (37)** — Mason Sinclair 2 2-4 6, Larry Pineda 2 0-0 4, B.J. Gonzales 00-00, Louis Hines 2 (2) 0-0 10, Luis Perez 1 0-0 2, Manuel Campolla 52-5 12, Aaron Purdy 00-00, Matt Turney 1 1-2 3. Totals 13 (2) 5-11 37.

Records: MHS JV 2-3

##### Freshman

**MHS 74, Friona 49**  
**Friona 8 11 19 11 49**  
**MHS 12 19 16 27 74**  
**Friona (49)** — Tafoya 0 0-0 0, King 0 1-3 1, Ingram 0 2-4 2, Neill 1 3-5 5, Martin 4 1-5 9, Smith 0 2-4 2, Diaz 0 0-0 0, Bandy 3 (3) 0-0 15, Wiseman 3 7-10 13, Cruz 1 0-1 2. Totals 12 (3) 16-32 49.

**MHS (74)** — Ryan Hodge 1 3-5 5, Eric Posadas 2 (2) 0-0 10, James Barrett 0 (2) 1-2 7, Delwyn Latham 2 0-1 4, Clint Black 2 1-4 5, Ike Norman 0 (2) 0-1 6, Jesse Reyes 1 0-1 2, Jeff Bruns 2 3-4 7, John McClanahan 1 0-0 2, B.J. Copland 00-00, Kyle Hahn 0 0-0 0, Bret Clements 12 2-3 26. Total 23 (4) 01-21 74.

##### Junior High

**WJHS 8TH 40, Friona 18**  
**Friona 8 11 19 11 49**  
**WJHS 8th 12 19 16 27 74**  
**Friona (18)** — Bustos 7, Burleson

2, Ortiz 4, Santiago 2, Buske 3.

**WJHS 8th (40)** — Dan Williams 7, Lindy Pineda 2, Danny Rameriz 4, Chris Vela 2, Moises Garcia 4, Darrel Lewis 6, Jerrell Otwell 6, Jeff Shelburne 3, Facundo Olivas 2, Jonathon Pacheco 4.

**Dimmitt 48, WJHS 8TH 39**  
**WJHS 8th 11 3 9 16 39**  
**Dimmitt 18 8 14 8 48**  
**WJHS 8th (39)** — Dan Williams 3, Danny Ramirez 5, Chris Vela 4, Moises Garcia 2, Zack Barrett 5, Jerrell Otwell 1, Jeff Shelburne 8, Facundo Olivas 2, Jonathon Pacheco 9.

**Dimmitt (48)** — Proffit 11, Larra 9, Harkins 5, Hardwick 2, Sain 9, Velo 11, Stephens 1.

**Dimmitt "B" 33, WJHS 8th "B" 23**  
**WJHS B 0 3 2 18 23**  
**Dimmitt B 3 10 8 12 33**

**WJHS B (23)** — Ryan Saylqr 3, Jeff King 1, Chris Noriega 5, Brandon Broyles 2, Steven Woodard 6, Michael Collins 6.

**Dimmitt (48)** — Reyes 4, Griffith 3, Acevdo 3, Bidwell 4, Menchaca 8, Castillo 11.

**WJHS 7TH 61, Friona 8**  
**Friona 4 0 4 0 8**  
**WJHS 7th 9 20 14 18 61**  
**Friona (8)** — Fields 2, Dominguez 4, Williams 2.

**WJHS 7th (61)** — Roddy Spradling 2, Andy Dominguez 4, Michael Johnson 2, Kyle Atwood 5, Michael Norman 14, Stephan Shelburne 2, D.J. Dominguez 1, Bryan Smith 2, Lincoln Riley 11, Gerardo Reyes 6, Daniel Johnson 12.

**Dimmitt 44, WJHS 7th 40**

**WJHS 7th 5 14 11 12 42**  
**Dimmitt 13 7 13 9 44**

**WJHS 7th (40)** — Roddy Spradling 7, Michael Johnson 2, Kyle Atwood 2, Michael Norman 2, James Hancock 2, Stephan Shelburne 9, Lincoln Riley 10, Daniel Johnson 6.  
**Dimmitt (44)** — Jasselet 9, Wright 11, Newland 8, Lawrent 6, Olteverd 5, Sherman 5.

#### GIRLS

##### Junior varsity

**Nazareth 38, MHS JV 36 OT**  
**Nazareth 12 7 7 8 4 38**  
**MHS JV 5 11 5 13 2 36**  
**Nazareth (38)** — Etheridge 00-00, J. Schulte 2 (1) 0-0 7, Braddock 2 0-0 4, Birkenfield 2 (1) 0-0 7, maurer 00-00, Ball 00-00, Bgok 2 (1) 0-0 7, Kern 0 0-0 0, Schulte 2 1-3 5, Wilhelm 4 0-1 8. Totals 14 (3) 104 38.

**MHS JV (36)** — Krystal Heathington 0 1-2 1, Amanda Messenger 00-00, Keisha Whitt 0 (1) 7-10 10, Rhonda Copley 4 2-7 10, Melinda Schuster 0 0-0 0, Amy Hooten 00-00, Kellie Morris 0 (1) 0-2 3, Robin Cowart 0 0-0 0, Kendra Benham 1 2-2 4, Misti Angeley 00-00, Melissa Williams 1 4-8 6, Ellen Wood 1 1-2 3. Totals 8 (1) 17-33 36.

##### Freshman

**Friona 2 12 5 16 33**  
**Friona 12 8 11 14 45**  
**Friona (33)** — Lewellen 10-02, Hand 5 2-3 12, Hanes 20-0 4, Feil 3 0-0 6, Trejo 4 1-2 9. Totals 15 3-5 33.

**MHS (45)** — Stacy Locker 2 (1) 0-0 7, Lysie Black 6 0-5 12, Bobbie Benham 1 2-3 4, Lela Hancock 1 0-1 2, Kayla Johnson 1 0-2 2, Christi Adrian 00-00, Barbara Morales 20-

0 4, Michelle Toscano 3 4-6 10, Brandi Whitt 20-04. Totals 18 (1) 6-17 45.

**MHS 37, Dimmitt 36**

**MHS 11 4 11 11 37**  
**Dimmitt 12 6 8 10 36**  
**MHS (37)** — Lysie Black 3 1-7 9, Bobbie Benham 2 6-10 1=10, Lela Hancock 1 2-6 4, Stacy Locker 1 (1) 2-6 6, Kayla Johnson 1 0-4 2, Barbra Morales 1 2-6 4, Christi Adrian 0 0-0 0, Michelle Toscano 1 2-3 4, Brandi Whitt 00-00. Totals 10 14-42 37.

**Dimmitt (36)** — Flores 1 0-2 2, Fuentes 60-1 12, Merritt 20-1 4, Pena 20-0 4, Dominguez 2 0-1 4, Traylor 20-0 4, Teter 1 0-2 2, Rodriguez 00-2 0, Saez 2 0-0 4. Totals 18 0-9 16.

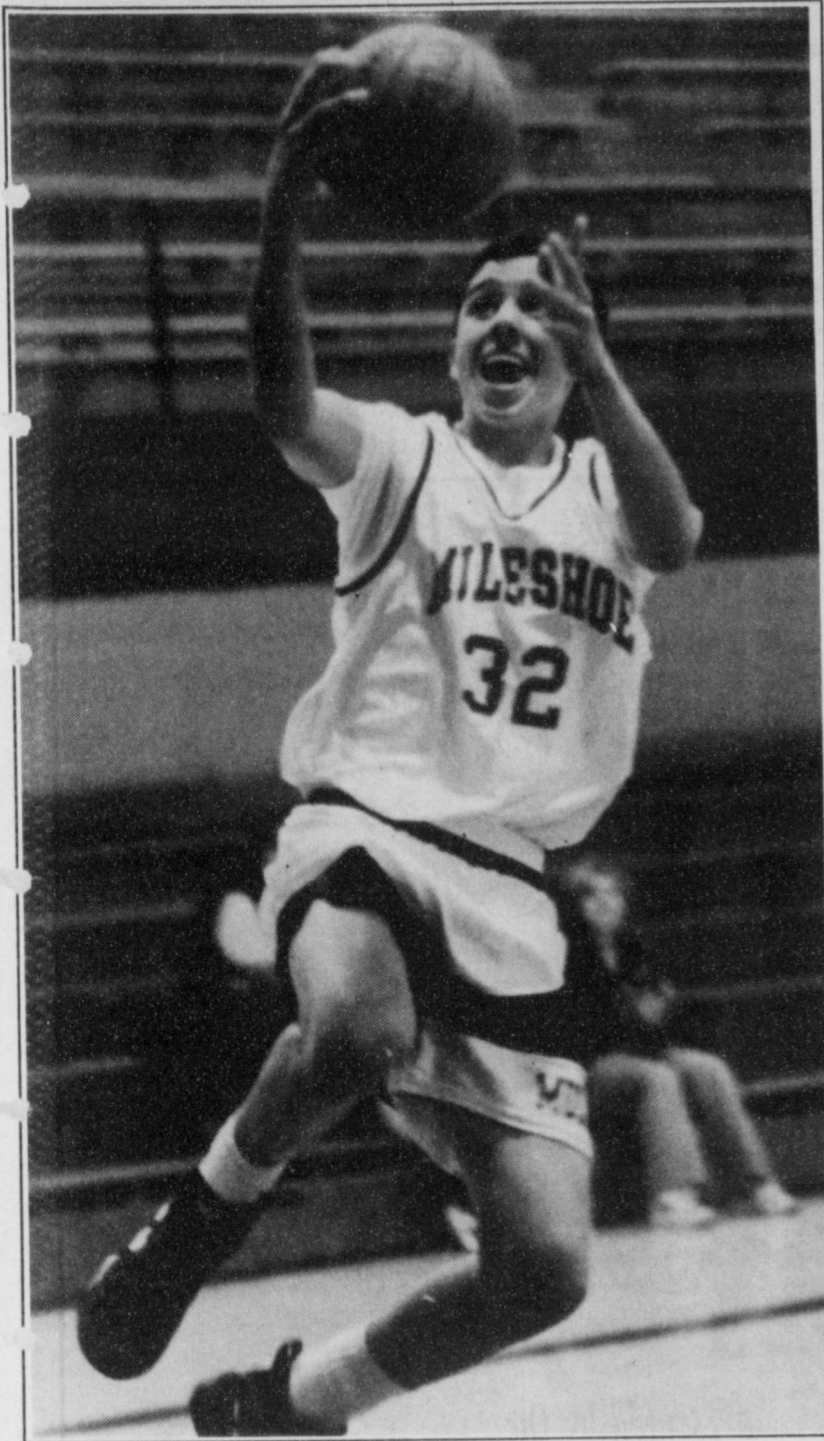
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**WJHS 8TH 34, Friona 33**  
**WJHS 8th 7 4 9 14 34**  
**Friona 8 4 15 6 33**

**WJHS 8th (34)** — Shari Alanis 11, Chyla Torres 8, Myndi Heathington 6, Tommie Henandez 3, Megan Tipps 2, Melissa Flores 2, Michelle Parker 1, Rhea Gonzales 1.  
**WJHS 7TH 34, Friona 11**  
**WJHS 7th 8 1 12 13 34**  
**Friona 3 0 6 2 11**

**WJHS 7th (34)** — Britni Gartin 9, Jessica Carpenter 9, Candace Hutto 5, Rendi Hodge 3, Megan Barrett 3, Kayla Glover 2, Amanda Bell 2, Laura Wood 2.

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#### All alone

Luis Perez glides in for a layup Thursday during the Muleshoe JV's 87-36 win over the Olton freshman in the first round of the Muleshoe JV Tournament.

### Mules

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Nazareth a 63-52 lead and put the game.

Nathan Hoelting led Nazareth with 20 points and Coby Schacher and Brian Braddock each added 10.

Dustin Cleavinger led Muleshoe (4-1) with 14 points and 6 rebounds. Matt Mason added 10 points and 3 assists.

MHS jumped out to an 11-4 lead midway through the first quarter when Corey Williams hit a 3-pointer and Cleavinger scored inside on a feed from

Matt McClanahan.

The Mules had some early success with its fullcourt pressure. Although it didn't result in many turnovers, the pressure did force the pace.

Nazareth climbed back into the game in the second quarter before Muleshoe took a 37-36 halftime lead on Chris Shelburne's offensive rebound bucket at the buzzer.

**Nazareth 69, MHS 59**  
**Nazareth 15 19 20 15 69**  
**MHS 18 19 11 11 59**

**Nazareth (69)** — Darren Huckert 0 (1) 1-2 4, Brian Braddock 0 (1) 7-10 10, Justin Bigham 3 1-1 7, Jerod Birkenfield 00-00, Nathan Hoelting 5 (2) 4-5 20, Barry Hoelting 00-00, Billy Cannon 4 0-0 8, Marcus Brockman 1 (2) 0-0 8, Coby Schacker 4 2-6 10, Nick Gerber 1 0-0 2. Totals 18 (6) 15-24 69.

**MHS (59)** — Carlton Lewis 20-1 4, Chris Shelburne 3 0-0 6, Matt Mason 2 (2) 2-2 10, Cyrus Norman 0 0-0 0, Alfonso Mendoza 1 (1) 0-0 5, Corey Williams 2 (1) 0-0 7, Douglass Field 0 0-0 0, Matt McClanahan 3 2-2 8, Layne Kemp 1 (1) 0-0 5, Dustin Cleavinger 5 (1) 1-3 14. Totals 18 (6) 5-10 59.

Records: Nazareth 4-1. MHS 4-1.

### Naz

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points and 4 rebounds.  
**Nazareth 37, MHS 27**  
**Nazareth 4 13 14 6 37**  
**MHS 6 5 8 8 27**

**Nazareth (37)** — Cassie Birkenfield 0 (1) 0-0 3, Celina Braddock 00-00, Tanya Wethington 0 0-0 0, K'lynn Gerber 2 (1) 0-0 7, Misti Ball 40-08, Tiffany Schmucker 00-00, Amy Pohlmeier 2 (2) 0-0 10, Jill Ramackers 2 0-0 4, Jayne Schmucker 1 (1) 0-0 5. Totals 11 (5) 0-0 37.

**MHS (27)** — Lindsey Field 10-0 2, Julie Slayden 1 0-0 2, Amy Locker 1 2-2 4, Carolyn Schuster 10-0 2, Kristen Nichols 2 0-0 4, Heather Hooten 02-2 2, Brandi Harrison 1 1-2 3, Erin Wilhite 3 2-4 8. Totals 10 7-10 27.

Records — Nazareth 4-3, MHS 2-7.

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 Curtis Shelburne is minister of the 16th & D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.



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Mr. and Mrs. Glen Morris announce the engagement of their daughter, Lacy Morris to Casey Bratcher.

Lacy is the granddaughter of Matt and Jannie Moseley and of Glenda Morris and the great-granddaughter of Kathryn Hancock, all of Muleshoe, and the great-granddaughter of Novella Sneed of Hale Center.

Casey is the son of Teresa Bratcher of Austin and David Bratcher of Lubbock.

They will exchange wedding vows Dec. 21 at the New Testament in Merkel, Texas. A reception will follow. All family and friends are invited.

### HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

The Muleshoe Area Medical Center has reported the following admissions.

Nov. 28 — Laura Perez, Michelle Martinez, Ramona Berlanga, Leon Lewis, John Williams, Julian Lenau, Ava Woodson

Nov. 29 — Virgil Tutsch, Laura Perez, Michelle Martinez, Ramona Berlanga, Mitchell Clarence, Leon Lewis, Julian Lenau, Yolanda Martinez, Jose Martinez

Nov. 30 — Annie Shafer, Michelle Martinez, Anna Delpama, Ramona Berlanga, Leon Lewis, Nannie Blackman, Rosa Sneed

Dec. 1 — Aubrey Ruthardt, Anna Delpama, Leon Lewis, Nannie Blackman, Rosa Sneed

Dec. 2 — Emily Barroza, Aubrey Ruthardt, John Littlefield, Virginia Wyers, Baulista Demira, Missy Schulz, Leon Lewis, Katherine Rogers, Altha Turner, Martha Young, Ruby Steinbock, Nannie Blackman, Rosa Sneed

Dec. 3 — John Littlefield, Andrea Escobedo, baby boy, Baulista Delmira, Diana Sanchez, Katherine Rogers, Ozell Cherry, Altha Turner, Martha Young, Ruby Steinbock, Nannie Blackman, Rosa Sneed

### OBITUARIES

#### Leon Lewis

Funeral services for Leon Lewis, 83, of Muleshoe were scheduled Thursday at Trinity Baptist Church with Rev. Robert Brown, Pastor, and Curtis Shelburne, Minister of 16th & D Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial will follow in the Muleshoe Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mr. Lewis died Dec. 3 at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center after a illness. He was born on Dec. 10, 1912 in Duncan, Okla.

He married Muriel Wright on March 16, 1935 in Frederick, Okla.

Mr. Lewis had been a resident of Muleshoe since 1945 moving here from Frederick. He had served as a past president of Muleshoe AARP, and served on the Muleshoe ISD Board. He was a life time member of Muleshoe Heritage Foundation. He was a Texas Baptist Men's Assembly, was a Honorary chapter Farmer Muleshoe FFA, & Trinity Baptist Church. He had a daughter, Lanita who preceded him in death in 1955, one son, Morris who also preceded him in death in 1967.

Survivors include his wife Muriel Lewis of Muleshoe, two sons, Ronald Lewis of Guthrie, Texas, Kirk Lewis of Muleshoe, three daughters, Rita Brunton of Amarillo, Patricia Wilson, of Muleshoe, Ellen Lewis of Levelland, 14 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren.

The family suggest memorials to the Trinity Baptist Church in Muleshoe.

#### Ruby Steinbock

LAZBUDDIE — Funeral services for Ruby Steinbock, 85, of Lazbuddie were held Friday, Dec. 6 at the First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie with Pastor Jim Watson and Nathan Crawford Minister of Lazbuddie Church of Christ officiating.

Burial will follow in the Lazbuddie Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Steinbock died Dec. 4, at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center. She was born Oct. 6, 1911 in Dale, Okla.

She married Reinhold "Rhiney" Steinbock on Dec. 14, 1929 in Clovis, N.M. He past away June 2, 1985.

Mrs. Steinbock moved with her family to the Lazbuddie area in the early 1920's. She

was a Home Maker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie.

Pallbearers were Pablo Mata, Raymond McGehee, Ted Treider, Richard Engelking, Joe Jones and Wayne Clark.

Survivors include two daughters, Anita (Neats) Fos-

ter of Lazbuddie, Trixie Wright of Houston, one sister, Hazel Milne of Memphis, Tenn., seven grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie, or New Mexico Christian, HC 69 Box 48, Portales, NM 88130.



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As well as being an excellent quilter, Virginia loved to play bridge, cook and entertain her friends and family. She loves her nieces and nephews.

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Nov. 23 — Robert Duncan Green, 42, charged with disorderly conduct.

Nov. 24 — Roberto Ramirez, 18, charged with possession and use of inhalants.

Nov. 26 — Lonnie Gene Stroud, 44, charged with issuance of a bad check.

Nov. 28 — Librada Aguirre Herrera, 24, charged with disorderly conduct.

Nov. 28 — Norma Alvarado, 27, charged with disorderly conduct.

Dec. 1 — Frank Delgado, 21, driving with a suspended license.

Dec. 2 — Lino Rivera Flores, 25, charged with evading arrest. Bailey County Sheriff's Dept.

Nov. 20 — Jerry Marshall, 23, charted with possession of a controlled substance.

Nov. 22 — Tiffany Blasingame, 18, charged with shoplifting.

Nov. 22 — Raymond Bachicha, 29, charged with theft of services.

Nov. 22 — Deanna Lynne Ellis, 22, arrested on a DPS warrant.  
Nov. 23 — Clifford R. Allmon,

Jr., 21, arrested on a DPS warrant.

Nov. 25 — Abel Mojica, 32, charged with driving while intoxicated.

Nov. 26 — Frank Salinas, Jr., 29, held for sentencing on earlier charge of driving with a suspended license.

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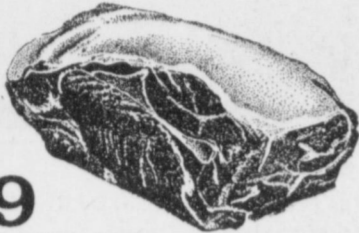
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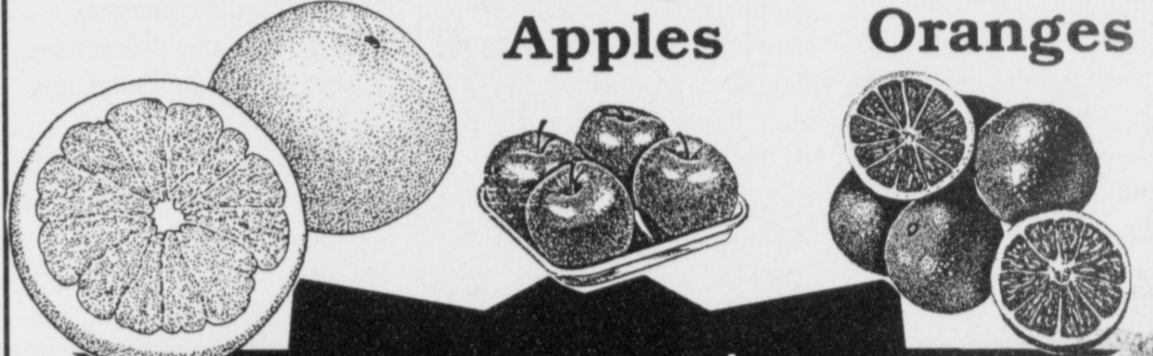
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Volunteers have always been, and always will be an essential part of the Healthcare Center. We can only give praises and appreciation to all of our dedicated and loving volunteers who help make the lives of our residents more enjoyable. I was touched when a volunteer asked if she would be needed to entertain on Christmas Day - Wednesday being her day to come. She is willing to leave her family for a while on Christmas Day and come minister to the residents. We are blessed beyond words, our hearts ever-flowing.

The Calvary Baptist Church

came Sunday afternoon for Church Services.

The month of December has started out with a bang. Events scheduled for the month are: Party Dec. 10 at 2:30 p.m., hosted by the Muleshoe Church of Christ, Friday Dec. 13 at 6:30 p.m. Christmas Program by the Farwell Mennonite Church, Monday Dec. 16, Muleshoe High School Choir, Dec. 18, Lazbuddie 4th and 5th grade Christmas Program, Friday Dec. 20, 4:30 p.m. Residents Christmas Party. Saturday Dec. 21 Lashell Parkard from Colo. Christmas Carols, Activity Dept. open house Friday Dec 13, 1-3 p.m. The monthly Birthday party Thursday Dec. 19 at 3:00p.m.

Happy December birthdays

to Rosie Toscano Dec. 17 and M. DeHoyas Dec. 24.

At this writing Rosie Sneed, Ruby Steinbock, Nannie Blackman, Kathrine Rogers, and Leon Lewis are in the local hospital. Please remember them in your prayers.

Tuesday afternoon Lanell Stancell, Mary Jo Burge, Pat Watson shampooed and set the ladies hair and gave nail care.

Saturday afternoon Melvin and Wanda Griffin played Bingo with the residents.

Irene Splawn's children visited her during the Thanksgiving Holidays.

Naomi Black spent the Thanksgiving holidays in the hoe of her children.

Leesa and Jolene came Tuesday afternoon to do vol-

unteer work. Jolene has adopted Zoada Gibbs for her grandmother.

Janice and Mindy Johnson gave animated Santa playing the piano for Christmas. He is proudly displayed in the living room.

Buster and Wanda Kittrell, Scott Pace and Bobbie Johnson directed, Gospel music, singing time. Harold and Mary Jo Burge and Jim Claunch also assisted Wednesday morning.

Nettie Quesenberry's son and daughter-in-law are visiting.

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Leon Lewis.

Kristie Price gave the Healthcare Center a beautiful poinsettia bush.



### Honored for service

Glenda Jennings was given a pin by the director of nursing of the Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center in recognition of her 20 years of volunteer service. Jennings leads song services for residents of the nursing home. Jennings is pictured with her daughter and piano accompanist Jonessa Brockman.

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### MUSIC TO STILL THE SAVAGE BREAST!

THE FIRST MENTION OF DAVID IN THE BIBLE IS TO BE FOUND IN I SAMUEL 16. KING SAUL, HARD AT WAR WITH THE PHILISTINES, HAS BEGUN TO SHOW THE FIRST SIGNS OF HIS MENTAL ILLNESS, DEEP MELANCHOLIA, IF NOT OUT-AND-OUT SCHIZOPHRENIA! IN THOSE TIMES, IT WAS FELT THAT MUSIC HAD A SOOTHING EFFECT ON THIS ALIMENT, WHICH INDEED IT HAD, AND SAUL'S ADVISERS SENT FOR YOUNG DAVID, WHO WAS KNOWN TO BE AN EXPERT PLAYER. THEREAFTER, WHEN SAUL WENT INTO DEPRESSED FITS, DAVID WOULD PLAY AND SAUL WOULD BE SOOTHED AND REFRESHED, AND SOON CAME TO LOVE DAVID AS HIS OWN SON. HOWEVER...

...DURING THE NEXT SIX YEARS, AS THE LAD GREW FROM YOUTH TO YOUNG MANHOOD, SAUL'S ATTITUDE BEGAN TO CHANGE--FOR DAVID SHOWED A FINE APPETITE AS A WARRIOR AND LEADER, GAINING GREAT POPULARITY WITH THE PEOPLE. SAUL, IN HIS DEPRESSED MENTAL STATE, BEGAN TO SEE DAVID AS A THREAT TO HIS OWN RULE, LET ALONE THE FUTURE RULE OF JONATHAN, HIS SON, WHOM HE TRIED TO ENTICE INTO KILLING DAVID--WHICH JONATHAN WOULDN'T DO BECAUSE HE WAS A CLOSE AND SINCERE FRIEND. BUT, UNDERNEATH THIS GROWING OBSESSION TO SEE DAVID DEAD, LOVE FOR HIM STILL REMAINED WHICH BECAME QUITE EVIDENT, IN THIS WRITER'S OPINION, WHEN, THE LAST TIME DAVID PLAYED FOR HIM, SAUL TOOK UP HIS JAVELIN (I SAMUEL 19) AND HALF-HEARTEDLY ATTEMPTED TO PIN DAVID TO THE WALL. THE TRIBE OF BENJAMIN, OF WHICH SAUL WAS A MEMBER, WAS RENOWNED AS THE GREATEST OF LEFT-HANDED MARKSMEN (JUDGES 20-16) WITH GLING, SPEAR, OR ANY OTHER WEAPON OF WAR AND FOR A WARRIOR OF SAUL'S GREAT CALIBER TO MISS HIS MARK IN THE CLOSE CONFINES OF A ROOM, OTHER THAN ON PURPOSE, WAS IMPOSSIBLE! BUT IT DID SERVE AS A SIGN TO THE ESCAPING DAVID THAT FROM HENCE HIS LIFE WAS ENDANGERED, EVEN THOUGH THE KING DID NOT, PERSONALLY, INTEND TO HAVE DAVID'S BLOOD ON HIS OWN ROYAL HANDS!



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Published in the Bailey County Journal on Dec. 1, Dec. 8, Dec. 15, Dec. 22.

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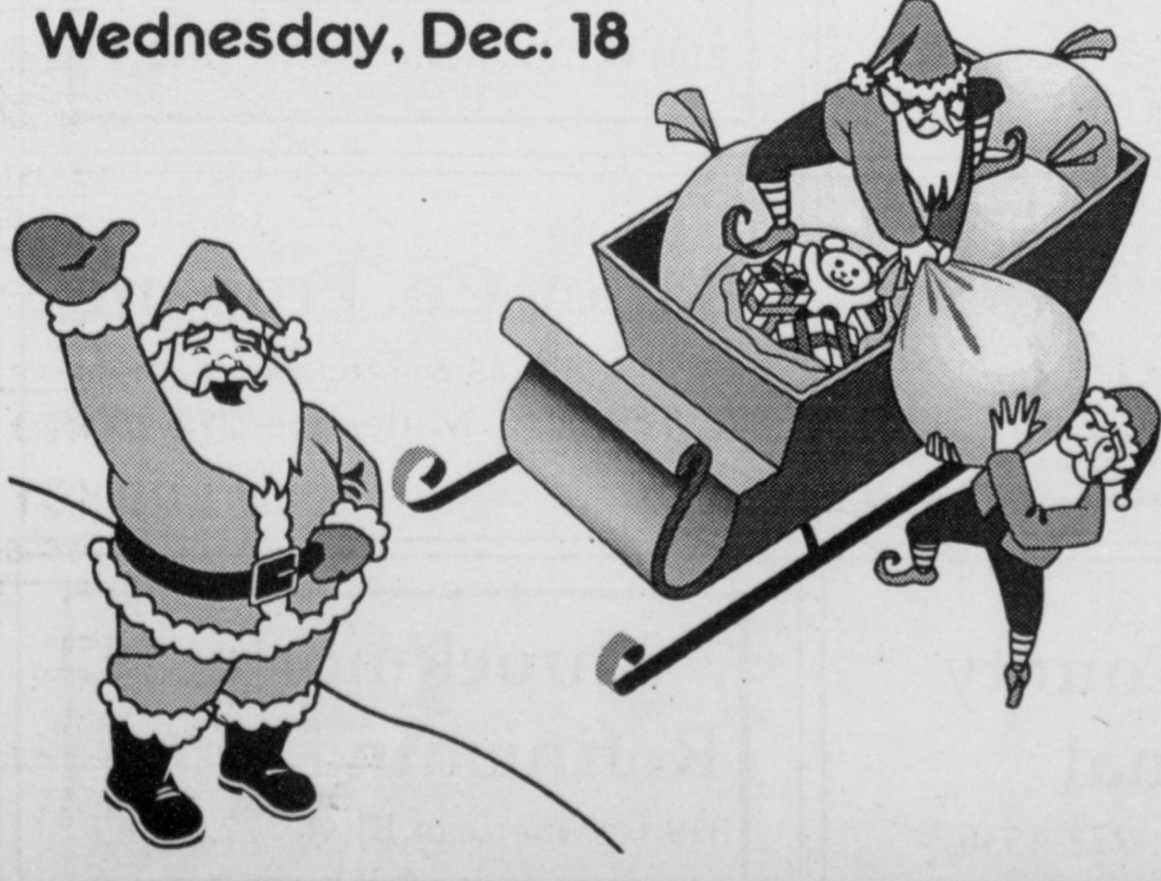
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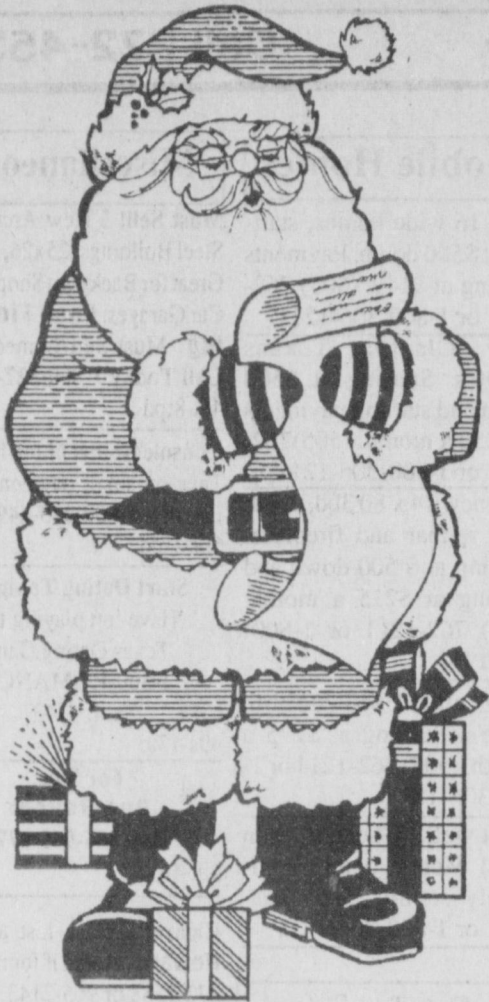
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