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Effective tax rate goes up

At the Sept. 13, 2004 Muleshoe City Council meeting, council members voted to adopt the effective tax rate to fund the 2004 budget. The effective tax rate for 2004 is \$.6868 per \$100 of property evaluation; this is an increase from the previous tax rate of \$.6637. City Manager David Brunson took time to explain this change in the tax rate to the *Journal* last week.

"The effective tax rate is the rate applied to this year's taxable values that will generate the same amount of tax revenue as last year," said Brunson.

This calculation is done each year by the Bailey County Central Tax Appraisal District. In determining the effective tax rate, the Appraisal District compares the current year's property values with the previous year, deductions are made for reductions in property values as allowed by the Appraisal Review Board and for any lost property, the tax rate is then determined that will produce the same revenue as last year's tax rate. The worksheet provided by the State Comptroller's office to calcu-

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Local business sends Kube to fire training school



Leslie Radford

Participation recognition— J'Don Kube was honored with a certificate of participation by Farm Bureau representative Sam Billingsley on Monday at the Bailey County Farm Bureau office on American Blvd. in Muleshoe. Kube participated in the 75th Annual Municipal Fire Training School during the summer.

Auto Mechanics 101

MHS trains two for future in automotive technology

By Leslie Radford
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It all started, according to local business owner Lary Hooten, with an idea that Muleshoe's Economic Development Director Janet Claborn brought back after meeting with an economic task force in Lubbock—A pilot program for auto mechanics was being implemented by schools in the area; why not Muleshoe?

Claborn said the task force was trying to figure out a way to keep kids in the area after they graduate high school/college. A survey had been presented where there was a need for mechanics in the South Plains region. Byron Martin Center in Lubbock works with Lubbock ISD to provide technical training such as auto mechanics and Slaton just adopted the program last year themselves.

Claborn presented the idea to Superintendent Gene Sheets and owners of Muleshoe Motor Company. Together, they de-

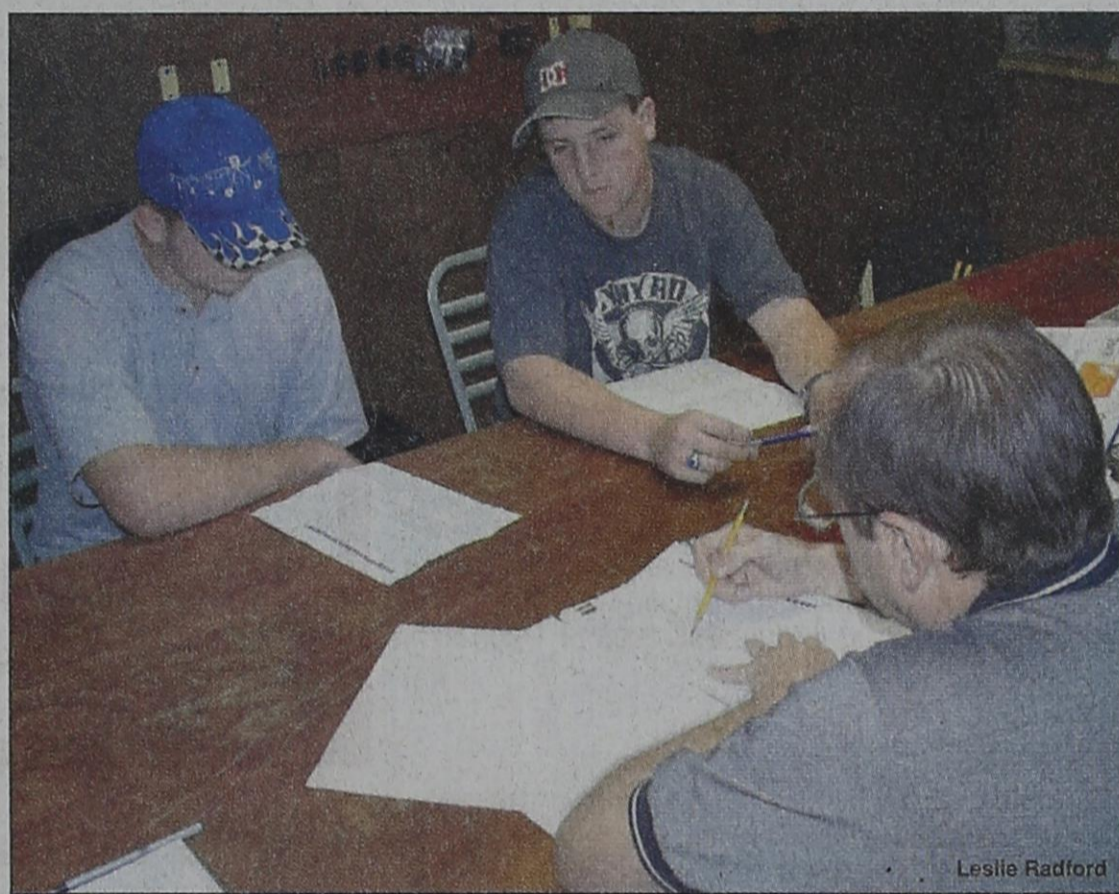
vised a specialized auto mechanics program after visiting Slaton's program last spring.

Virtually over the summer, Hooten with Mule-

shoe Motor worked with school officials to devise a program to suit the needs of Muleshoe High School students who are considering a career in automo-

tive technology. With access to Ford's satellite training center, MHS se-

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Leslie Radford

Inquiring minds want to know— MHS Seniors Jeremy Copley (left) and Kolby Lanham (far right) listen to supervisor Mike Hannah go over the new auto mechanics course agenda Monday morning at Muleshoe Motor Co. The class was just recently added to the curriculum for students wanting to pursue a career in auto mechanics. Both students plan to enter a career in the field of automotive technology after high school.

Local WorkSource office makes positive changes to better serve clients

By Leslie Radford
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The Bailey County office of WorkSource of the South Plains has a new location. They moved from American Blvd. to 203 Main St. in Muleshoe last Friday. Workforce Specialist Jeffrey Coffman said the

move was to better serve the public. Coffman said the reorganization of the office will make it more functional for employees as well as those taking advantage of their free services.

With satellite offices in Brownfield, Levelland, Littlefield, and others, Coffman said the Mule-

shoe site places more job orders than any of these locations, placing most people in the agricultural industry.

"Ninety-five percent of job orders are placed in this office," Coffman said.

He said WorkSource is trying to build a better relationship with the agricultural community. The past few weeks he had been visiting with feedyards and will spend the next week or so with dairies to offer employment services. Coffman he's trying to set up a system to where if an ag employer needs someone, they can call the office and have someone available to work immediately.

"What people don't know is that we can do the whole process of hiring and paper work for an employer," Coffman said. I-9 forms, applications, job descriptions and access to the facility for interviewing can be done through the WorkSource office—free of charge. "This helps the employer by not taking time out their work schedule to do this process and take the pressure off of them."

Recently, Texas im-

proved their data bank for finding employment in the state. "Work in Texas" is the new website for employers and employees to access free of charge. Net access is user friendly, according to Coffman who said the office offers Internet access for job hunters. "Not only can they look for jobs in the area," said Coffman, "but across the state as well as nationally."

The site can be accessed at www.workintexas.com.

Those seeking employment can also use the office's computers to write up resumes and workforce specialist like Coffman can work individually with clients on interview skills as well.

The WorkSource office also provides a GED lab ran by Sharon Grant and a program called CHOICES managed by Leonor Arrieta, career counselor. CHOICES, Coffman explains, is a "transition from welfare to the workforce."

Coffman said they help place migrants, veterans and others on a daily basis. He said even if people are looking for day labor,

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News Briefs

Former Muleshoeite missing

A former Eastern New Mexico University football player's mother, Vicky Lynn, 54, had the whole team looking for her after her disappearance over a week ago, but to no avail.

She told her husband David Lynn she was going on a walk as he prepared to leave for school.

The Lynns, formerly of Muleshoe, live in Alamogordo. Vicky's brother, Kevin Kaltwasser, lives in Farwell. According to the *Clovis News Journal* Sunday, "family members and law officers said Vicky Lynn has a history of depression for which she takes medication. She'd been off the medication for about three days when she disappeared."

A woman who works at a truck stop near her walking route and knows Vicky Lynn said she may have seen her at the truck stop on the day she disappeared. But Vicky's son, Josh said his mother walked almost daily.

Officials said Vicky Lynn had a cell phone

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Local Weather

Thu .. Scat. T-storms (40%) 70/49

Fri PC..... 70/47

Sat ... Iso. T-storms (30%) 68/45

Sun .. PC..... 67/45

Mon .. PC..... 66/46

Tue... PC..... 68/44

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Regional Round-up

MHS sr./soph. fund-raiser set

The Muleshoe High School senior and sophomore classes are conducting a Gourmet Frozen Cookie Dough and Pie fund-raiser. The cookie dough comes in nine different flavors including: chocolate chunk, oatmeal raisin, peanut butter, white chocolate macadamia, sugar, brownie peanut butter chip, coconut macaroon, M&M and apple berry. They come in three-pound tubs making appx. 100 cookies. Pies come in these flavors: pumpkin, country apple, strawberry rhubarb, peach, cherry, lemon meringue, pecan, French silk, and apple crumb. They are 10-inch pies. Contact any senior or sophomore to place an order or call the high school at 272-7303. The sale ends Oct. 14 and orders will be delivered about two weeks after the end of the sale.

Relay for Life Rally next Friday

The First Annual Bailey County Relay For Life Rally is Friday, Oct. 15 from noon - 1 p.m. at the Muleshoe hospital dining room. There will be a free lunch, special guests and door prizes. Alana Carr and Jason McCoy of the American Cancer society will provide information about the Relay For Life, how it works, who it benefits and will answer questions at this time. Cancer survivors will also share their stories.

Pep to hold Thanksgiving Festival

The Pep Community has made plans for their 59th Annual Thanksgiving Festival to be held on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25 at St. Philip Neri Parish Hall in Pep. There will be German sausage, turkey, dressing and the trimmings for \$8 and adult plate and children 10 and under for \$4. Plates will be served from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Takeout is available. There will also be a raffle drawing, the Country Store will be open selling fresh-baked goods, grab bags and more. The community is located in Hockley Co. on Highway 303. For more information, call Anna Belle Walker at (806) 933-4696, Teri Narramore (806) 227-2517 or Lonnie Geisler (806) 893-4204.

Driver's License Office closed

The Driver's License Office will be closed Oct. 11 for Columbus Day. It will open Tuesday with regular hours.

F.A. Boosters to meet

The Fine Arts Booster meeting is scheduled for Oct. 12 at the Muleshoe High School Band Hall at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Breast cancer screening clinic available

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening clinic at Muleshoe Are Medical Center Nov. 1 and 23 by appointment only. Financial assistance is available for those who qualify. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

Annual Christmas Bazaar slated

The Moonlight Extension Education Club announces its 26th Annual Christmas Bazaar Dec. 4 at the Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum in Muleshoe. Applications for booth space are being accepted until Nov. 31. To request an application contact: Linda (806) 272-3463 or Gail (806) 272-3024.

Gun and Collectibles Show in Clovis

The Clovis Lions Club will hold their Second Annual Gun and Collectibles Show Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 9 and 10 at the Clovis National Guard Armory, 601 S. Norris St. Saturday's show is from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Admission is \$4 and ages 12 and under get in free with adult. For more information call Stacy Hodges at (505) 439-9738 or Merle Terry at (505) 769-8977.

Muleshoe vs. Levelland tickets on sale Oct. 5

MISD has advance ticket sales for the Levelland vs. Muleshoe game on Oct. 8. Prices for tickets sold before the game as well as at the gate are: Adults \$3, students \$2. These are available at MHS or the Administration office as of Oct. 5.

AARP Safety Driving Program available

There is an AARP Safety Driving Program on Oct. 6 and 7 from 8 a.m. - noon at the Five-Area Telephone meeting room. This is an eight-hour driving program for ages 50 and over to renew driving skills and take advantage of a vehicle insurance discount. The cost is \$10. For more information or to preregister, call Charlene Treider at 272-5738.

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Library News

Librarian Dyan Dunagan would like to invite everyone to visit the Muleshoe Area Public Library. We have many things to offer our community.

Storytime for children ages 2 to 11 is every Tuesday from 4 - 5 p.m. Some of the programs coming up in October are:

Oct. 12 - Snuggle Up Stories; We will talk about some very special people today—our grandparents.

Oct. 19 - Hats Off to Good Stories; We will talk about hats, clothing and dressing order.

Oct. 26 - Halloween; Be sure and wear your costumes.

We are using a new way of purchasing large print books this year. We are on a standing monthly order list and we will be receiving new large print westerns, Christian books and best sellers. I'm hoping this will work out much better than me trying to pick out individual books from a long list.

The library does provide six computers for public use. These computers have Microsoft Office software on them and they also have the Internet. There is not fee to use the computers.

Dyan's picks of the month: **Picture books - A Hat for Ivan** by Max Lucado - I recommend any of the children's books by Max Lucado. They leave children feeling very loved and special;

Junior chapter books - The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo. This is an incredible story about a mouse, a rat, and a princess. Each are trying to make the world right for them because it darkens their lives. This is a delightful fiction book that will warm hearts. Also, **Midnight for Charlie Bone** by Jenny Nimmo for grades 4-6. These days stories about schools for budding magicians are inevitably compared to the Harry Potter books. Indeed, British author Nimmo's creation, Bloor's Academy "for gifted children," bears some resemblance to Hogwart's School, but the story itself is quite different;

Youth fiction - Cheaper by the Dozen by Frank B. Gilbreth. What do you get when you put twelve lively kids together with a father—a famous efficiency expert—who believes families can run like factories, and a mother who is his partner in everything except discipline? You get a hilarious tale of growing up that has made generations of kids and adults alike laugh along with the Gilbreth's in **Cheaper by the Dozen**;

Adult fiction - My Sister's Keeper by Jodi Picoult. The difficult choices a family must make when a child is diagnosed with a serious disease are explored with pathos and understanding in this 11th novel by Picoult. Picoult ably explores a complex subject with bravado and

**NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)**

To the Registered Voters of the County of Bailey, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Condado de Bailey, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on November 2, 2004, for voting in a general election to elect presidential electors, Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, and state, district, county, and precinct officers;

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m., el 2 de Noviembre de 2004, para votar en la Elección General para elegir electores presidenciales, Miembros del Congreso, Miembros de la Legislatura, y oficiales del estado, distrito, condado y del precinto.)

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Precinct #4—Voting Box #5—Enochs Baptist Church
Voting Box #6—Muleshoe City Hall

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: the Office of the County Clerk in Bailey County Courthouse, 300 S. 1st, Muleshoe, Texas between the hours of 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. beginning on October 18, 2004 and ending on October 29, 2004.

La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en: la oficina de la secretaria del Condado, 300 S. 1st, en Muleshoe, Texas entre las 8:30 de la mañana y las 12:00 de la tarde y la 1:00 de la tarde hasta 5:00 de la tarde comenzando 18 de Octubre 2004 y terminando el 29 de Octubre, 2004.

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- Oct. 7- Muffins with Mom at Dillman, 7:30 a.m.
- Oct. 11- Columbus Day; school holiday
- Oct. 12- DeShazo picture day; vision/hearing screening at DeShazo
- Oct. 14- DeShazo progress reports
- Oct. 15- Dillman career day activities
- Oct. 16- UIL Marching Contest at Lowery Field in Lubbock
- Oct. 18- District forum meets, & p.m.; MHS picture retakes; MHS choir concert, 6:30 p.m.
- Oct. 19- TAKS retest for English at MHS; Dillman and WJHS progress reports
- Oct. 20- TAKS retest for math at MHS
- Oct. 21- TAKS social studies retest at MHS; Reading benchmark for third, fourth and fifth grades
- Oct. 22- TAKS science retest at MHS; Pep rally 11:45 a.m.
- Oct. 23- PTA Fall Festival at Civic Center
- Oct. 25- School board meets, 7 p.m.; Muleville meeting, 3:30 p.m.; Practical Parenting Workshop in H.S. cafeteria
- Oct. 26- Dillman Accelerated Reading night, 6-7 p.m.
- Oct. 28- MHS picture retakes

School Notes

Local graduates from Baylor over summer

Baylor University conferred degrees on more than 460 graduates during summer commencement exercises on Saturday, Aug. 14, in the Ferrell Center on the Baylor campus.

Christopher Shane Gatewood was one of more than 351 undergraduates and 114 graduate, seminary and doctoral students.

Sheets completes Navy pilot training

Brandon Sheets, son of Gene and Melody Sheets, recently completed his Navy pilot training in Pensacola, Fla. Ensign Sheets received his Navy pilot "Wings" in a ceremony on Aug. 27 in Pensacola.

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Sports

Mules throw a shoe

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Somewhere in the tall grass of Wildcat Stadium one should be able to find a mule shoe. The Mule's offense seemed out of sink all night. The River Road Wildcats did not fair any better on offense but out scored the Mules 13-6.

"What happened tonight could be the best thing for this team," said Mule coach David Wood. "I do not know if this

team needed to be 6-0 going into district. I am glad it happened now rather than next week against Levelland. We can use this as a wake up call and get refocused for the district run."

In the first five games of the season, the Mules had averaged 343.4 yards of offense. River Road held the Mules to only 182 yards with Brant Hamilton picking up 82 yards on 16 tries and the Mule's only TD.

Andrew Quillin, a reserve running back, led the Wildcats with 81 yards on three carries and a TD. The Mules held River Road to 211 yards of total offense.

Quillin had a 63-yard run to the Mule 10-yard line as the third period drew to a close. Three plays later Quillin went the final five yards tie the game at 6-6. He then booted the extra point to put the Wildcats on top to stay.

Late in the final period, the Mules began a drive on their own 19 and moved to the 29. Hamilton could not find



Norm Brantley

Rock in a hard place — Mules quarterback Brant Hamilton falls prey to the Wildcat defense at last Friday's game against River Road. The final score was 13-6, Wildcats. This is the Mule's first loss of the season. They'll go on to play their first district game tomorrow against Levelland at 7:30 p.m.

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Players of the Week Muleshoe Booster Club Muleshoe vs. Lockney



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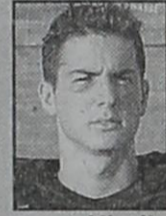
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JV Mules cage Wildcats, 34-12

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Joe Claybrook returned the opening kickoff from the Mule 26 to the 41. Claybrook's return set the tone of the game for the Mules as they out-scored the Wildcats of River Road, 34-12.

Claybrook ended the game by intercepting a Wildcat pass with 11 seconds left in the game.

On the Mules first play of the night, Eddie Alvarado was stripped of the ball after a 24-yard gain. Pedro Bustillos picked up the loose ball and scrambled to River Road's 14. Alvarado reached the two on a blast up the middle and Eric Washington dove over from the two with 8:57 left in the first period.

The Wildcats had to punt on the final play of the opening frame. It just took the Mules nine plays to march 76 yards for their

second TD of the night. Alvarado and Garrett Riley went off tackle for double-digit gains during the drive.

Riley connected with Timothy Conner twice during the drive. The first pass being an 11-yard toss near the Mule sideline and the second was a 10-yard throw to the corner of the end zone. Alvarado followed his blockers into the end zone for the two-point conversion to put the Mules up 14-0.

Alvarado boomed the ensuing kick off to the Wildcat's 10. River Road returned the ball to their 20 before the return man was turned upside down and lost the ball. John Regalado recovered for the Mules.

The JV Mules scored on their first play after the recovery. Riley delivered a strike over the middle to Alvarado in the end zone. Alvarado tacked on the extra point to put the Mules up 21-0.

River Road scored their first TD with just 26 seconds left in the half to trail 21-6 at the intermission.

Cody Clark pressured the Wildcat quarterback into throwing an incomplete pass. Junior Martinez and Cade Smith beat the

running back to the hole for no gain to stall the Wildcats first drive of the second half.

The Mules started their first drive of the second

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Go Mules! Fight Mules! Win Mules! Go Mules! Fight Mules! Win Mules!

WJHS Lady Mules bring home gold at invitational CC meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Muleshoe Watson Junior High Lady Mules took the gold in the Friona Tribal Invitational Cross-Country Meet on Oct. 2.

Sarah Johnson paced the Lady Mules with a second place finish in a time of 14:47 over the two-mile course.

Ashley Cisneros finished third with a time of 15:09, Lupita Andrade ran sixth with a 15:20 and Amy Withrow was 12th with a 15:51. Morgan Smith finished 21st with a 16:34, Gizell Vasquez was 27th in a time of 17:06 and Gabby

Agundis finished 40th with a 17:38.

Running as individuals, Breann Baca finished 20th with a 16:31, Jessica Howard placed 68th with a 19:36 and Mackenzie

Elledge was 92nd in a time of 22:11.

No team places were available in the Boys Division at press time, but Ray Ramirez covered the three-mile course in 13:43 to take

fourth place. John Michael Salinas ran fifth with a 13:59.

Kyler Steinbock finished tenth with a 15:24, Jeff Embry took 13th with a 15:27 and William

Hanks time of 15:34 was good for 14th.

Individuals running for the Mules was Eddie Herrera with a 16:42 to take 20th, Jose Sital ran 21st with a 17:03 and

Jose Cuevas took 25th with a 23:00.

The Muleshoe Junior High teams will compete in the district meet at Mae Simmon's Park in Lubbock Oct. 25.

Muleshoe High School ladies run third at Friona

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Muleshoe High School's Lady Mules placed third at the Friona Tribal Invitational Cross-Country Meet last Saturday with 132 points. The Lady Mules finished behind Canyon and Hereford.

Chelsi Hawkins led the Lady Mules around the two-

mile course and finished in 15th place with a time of 14:40. Ashley Grumbles was close behind in 20th with a 14:56.

Kelsey Tipps ran a 15:31, Sara Sexton finished in 15:41, Samantha Toscano had a 15:44 and

Abby Lawrence recorded a time of 18:18.

"We are very young this season and the girls are still trying to learn to relax as they run," said Lady Mule cross-country coach Cary Sudduth. "We do not have anyone finishing in the top

five spots but they all run fairly close together and that fifth place finisher is very critical."

"They are getting better each week and gaining confidence. We will be a contender for district. We will go to Lubbock on Sat-

urday for a fun run since we did not get to run in Mae Simmons park to get ready for the district meet Oct. 25."

Oct. 16, the Lady Mules are scheduled to run in Canyon for their final preparation for district.

F. Gonzales wins fourth football contest

Thirty contestants placed their bets in this week's football contest.

Week four saw Felipe Gonzales as top dog. He'll get 10 points toward the grand prize. Marilyn Engelking narrowly missed the top spot, but her second place finish in this week will earn her nine points.

Finishing out week four's

top ten were: Harold Pollard (8 pts.), Carl Jacobs (8 pts.), Debbie Weir (6 pts.), Richard Orozco (5 pts.), James Buie (4 pts.), Larry E. Taylor, Jr. (3 pts.), Bob Graves (2 pts.) and Vicki Gonzales (1 pt.).

Veronica Gonzales holds the number one position in cumulative points with 20 on her record. She's still in first

place.

Coming in at number two is Carl Jacobs with 18; number three is a familiar face to the game, Felipe Gonzales with a total of 16 points; currently fourth place is a tie between Larry Taylor and James Buie, 14 pts.; closely followed by Raymond Villalobos with 13 points; 12 points and place

number six is Shonda L. Black; seventh place, Richard Orozco with 11 pts.; figure eight goes to Bob Graves; Love potion number nine is a three-way tie between Phillip Gonzales, Marilyn Engelking and Gabriel Acevedo with nine pts. each; the ten spot belongs to another three-way tie between Israel Mata, Brandon Acevedo and Harold Pollard with eight points each.

The unnecessary tie breaker game this week between Lazbuddie and Kress was a total of 66 points.

Consensus says Northeastern at William and Mary was a hard game to judge. Runner-up was the Roswell at Lovington game—who keeps up New Mexico's scores anyway?

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half on their own 25. Riley connected with Bustillos with a screen pass for 14 yards. Washington went up the middle on a quick hitter for 30 yards. He carried a host of defenders the final five yards of the run.

Riley capped the drive with a toss to Conner on the Mule sideline. Conner raced 25 yards to pay dirt for his second TD. Alvarado's kick gave the Mules a 28-6 lead with 38 seconds left in the third quarter.

The Wildcats had a first down on the Mule five-yard line as the final period got started. Bustillos made a stop that cost River Road two yards and Riley broke up a pass on the goal line.

Brett Bamert made a sure tackle that prevented a TD before Martinez and Martin Rodriguez chased down the quarterback for a seven-loss.

Riley found Chris Ambriz open on a curl pattern for a nine-yard toss from the Mule end zone. Alvarado had a 19-yard pickup before Riley hit Conner on a slant over the middle.

Conner made the grab at the Wildcat 40 and out raced the defense for his third tally. The Mules led 34-6 with 5:36 left in the game. River Road scored the final points of the night with 21 ticks left on the clock.

The Mules open district by hosting the Levelland Lobos Thursday night at 7 p.m.

the handle on a deep snap and Nathan Barclay picked up the loose ball and scampered into the end zone for River Road.

The Mules had taken advantage of an early count to draw the Wildcat deep snapper skipped the ball out of reach of the River Road punter. He recovered the ball a

yards on a stretch play to the Wildcat five. From the shotgun Hamilton scored with a dive into the end zone. The two-point try failed and the Mules led 6-0 with 3:59 left in the opening period.

The Mules travel to Levelland to open district with the Lobos Friday night at 7:30 p.m.

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Brady Black gained 12

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Noon meals are provided five days a week from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Center is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The

menu for the remainder of the week is as follows: Oct. 14- Spaghetti and meat sauce, Italian vegetables, salad, garlic bread and gelatin; Oct. 15- Roast pork, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, tossed salad with dressing, wheat roll and carrot cake.

The staff at the Center

now consists of co-directors, a cook and an aide. Program director is Nelda Merriott and Laverne Winn is the bookkeeper/director. Wyvonne Snider is the cook and her aide is Chris Tyler. Anita Mitchell is the caregiver for the plants. Volunteers are welcomed to help in various areas.

The new restrooms are a nice addition to the Center. Randy Johnson brought by pumpkins which gives the Center a festive fall air.

The "Maple Leaf" quilt is up and quilting has begun. The Center has needles and thimbles for individual use.

Camden Johnson, computer instructor, begins classes this Tuesday, Oct. 12 at 2 p.m. Classes are 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Hostesses for the October Tuesday games are Wannie Frazier and Nelda Merriott.

Nursing Home News

Thursday afternoon, Peggy Burnett, daughter of Wilma Hughes, and Volunteers Plus hosted the September Birthday party. Zona Gatewood and Debra Nobel provided entertainment. Peggy, Zona and Debra helped with serving birthday cake, punch, cookies and fruit to all the residents attending and those in their rooms. Those honored were Wilma Hughes and Jim Kee.

Zona Gatewood directed a music and hymn session Thursday morning. Brenda Guzman's Family and Community Service students also participated in the activity.

Ann Williams donated a big bag of all sorts of snacks foods Thursday.

Sunday morning, the Muleshoe Church of Christ directed the communion service.

Buster Kittrell and Harold Burge taught the Bible class on Sunday morning.

The Cowboy Church directed the church services Sunday afternoon.

Johnnie Kimbrough has been visited by many of her family members and a host of friends this week.

Fannie May Black was visited by Kenneth and Darlene Henry Monday afternoon.

Dephine Gruda called

"bingo" at the bingo bash Monday afternoon.

Tuesday morning, Bro. Gary and Judy Hubbard directed a memorial service for Vere Fox. Jane Reeder, Jean Allison, Jene McVicker, Joy Whitt and Mary Crane attended the service as well as the residents.

Beverly Wagnon, Pat Clark, Pat Watson, Josie Ovalle, Mary Jo Burge and Dolores Garrett, volunteered their time and talents to giving the ladies fresh hair-dos on Tuesday afternoon "beauty shop day."

Buster Kittrell, Harold Burge and Loyce Killingsworth served coffee and doughnuts to the residents at coffee time Wednesday morning.

Gary Skaggs, Loyce Killingsworth and Buster Kittrell directed the devotional/singspiration time Wednesday morning.

Peggy Dent, Marilyn Wilson and Billie Powell visited the residents at Park View this week.

Happy October birthdays to: Ardith Long, 10/13; Edmund Bermea, 10/14; Alvin Isaacscon, 10/14; Cynthia Crawford, 10/14; Hattie Heathington, 10/16; Lara Dale, 10/20; and Alliene Lasiter, 10/29.

The Park View Fair Days are well under way. The following have items on display: Ruby Riley, Grace Plyer, Joy Radford, Diane Copley, Alliene Lasiter, Wilma Hughes, Nancy Patterson, Delphine Gruda, Mollie Johnston, H. Aubrey, Janie Morrison, Joy Stancell, Cari Kidd and James Wedel. Western Drug and Something Special and Carolyn's Christmas Creations both donated nice prizes to be given at the event.

In "Home Cook'n" Class Wednesday afternoon, residents made two large fresh apple cobblers.

Willard Carter visited Park View recently.

Grace Plyer was visited by her son and his wife and Buster and Wanda Kittrell recently.

Morris Nowlin's daughter Darene, took Mr. Nowlin to Clovis on a shopping spree Wednesday afternoon.

Glenda Jennings, assisted by her grandson Beau Brockman, directed the sing-along Wednesday afternoon. Kathy Melton, the social worker for the home, added her alto voice to the choir.

Mary Johnson was visited this week by Anita Johnson and Frankie Carpenter and grandchildren.

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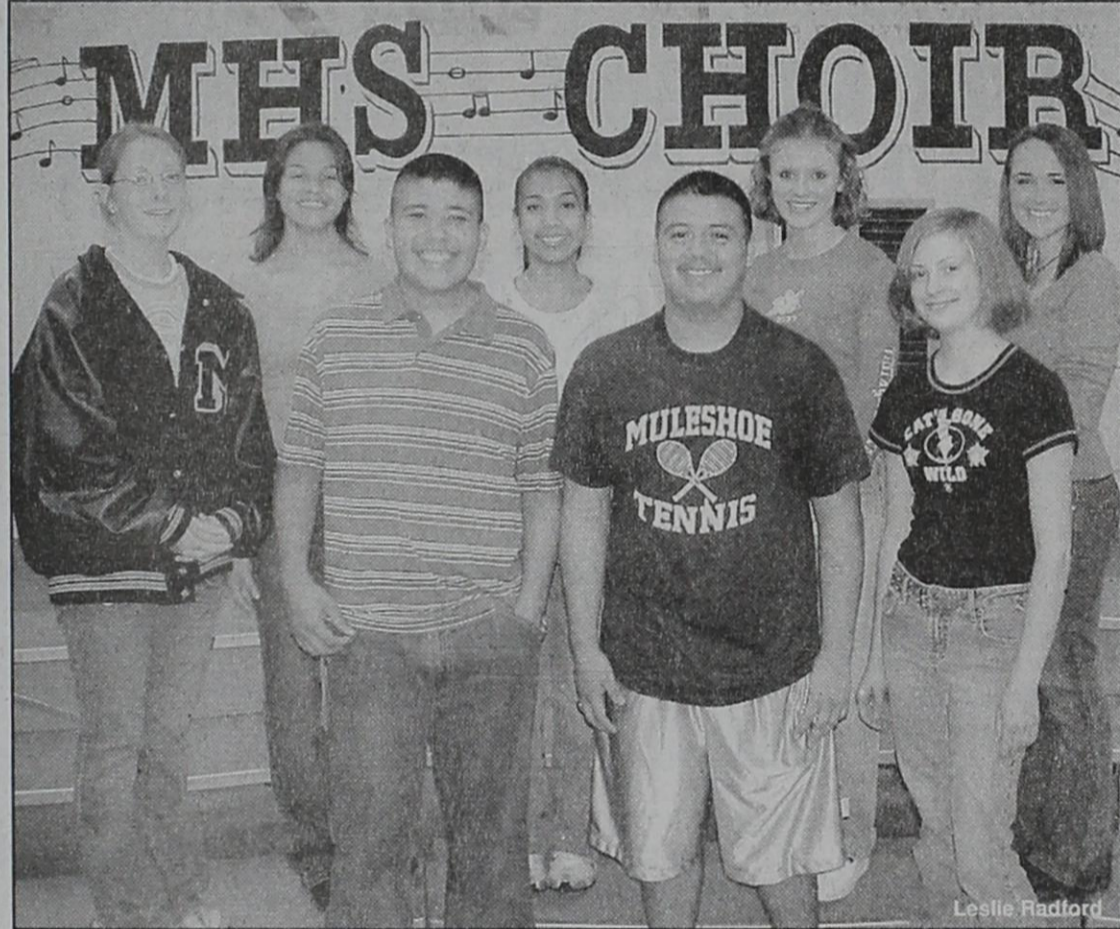
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Hitting the high notes — These eight Muleshoe High School choir students participated in an All Region event on Sept. 25 in Levelland. Ismael Mendoza (front row, from left), Andrew Padilla and Elizabeth Symm, along with Jamie Hall (back row, from left) Janice Pacheco, Monica Posadas, Erin Gallman and Kallie Hancock will advance to All-Regional Choir pre-area level in mid-November at Lubbock High School. About 22 MHS choir students competed against schools such as the Lubbock ISD, Snyder, Levelland and others in the area (appx. 335 kids). Choir Director Lorissa Moffett said this is the largest number of MHS kids she's sent to All-Region.

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JR Rodriguez, Sudan	3	Blk. hfrs	493 lbs.	at \$115.00
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Jennyslipper News

The Jennyslippers met for their regular bimonthly Tuesday noon meeting at the Girl Scout Hut on Sept. 14. Fifteen members and five guests were present.

After opening the meeting in prayer, President Brenda Tapley introduced Brenda Guzman, the Family and Consumer Science teacher from Muleshoe High School, and two of her students, Shalisa Ladd and Minerva Martinez. The girls represented the 40-member Family and Community Class who have chosen the project of giving a face lift to the Mule-Putt Golf Course which is operated by the Jennyslippers. The proposed a safari theme for the golf course and presented a visual

project board with pictures of the present theme. Renovations will begin immediately.

Treasurer's report was read and the Garden Spot of the month was awarded.

Joyline Costen displayed the Texas Windmill quilt won at the Senior Center. Ruby Green reported a new quilt, "Maple Leaf," will be ready for quilting on Sept. 29 at the Senior Center.

Lunch was prepared by Ruby Green. She caters the meal on the second and fourth Tuesdays at noon at the Girl Scout Hut. Visitors are always welcomed.

Membership applications can be obtained at a meeting or by contacting Brenda Tapley at 272-4819.



Safari girls — Family and Consumer Science teacher of MHS Brenda Guzman (right), and students Shalisa Ladd and Minerva Martinez (left) show the Jennyslippers some renovations they along with classmates will be doing for a safari theme at the Mule-Putt Golf Course.

Hospital Report

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reports the following patients:

Sept. 15 — Jessica Aguirre, Cyria Aguirre, Mary Bara, Mary Fox, Paul Gunnells, Lillie Hughes, Ruth Hunt, Jasper Massey, Nancy Phelps, Clarissa Rejino, Dalia Rodriguez, Laila Scarbrough and A.V. Wood.

Sept. 16 — Jessica Aguirre, Cyria Aguirre, Mary Bara, Mary Fox, Lillie Hughes, Howard Manasco, Nancy Phelps, Clarissa Rejino and Barnabus Smallwood.

Sept. 17 — Not available

Sept. 18 — Not available

Sept. 19 — Not available

Sept. 20 — Gregoria Arredondo, Baby Avila, Rosalba Avila, Mary Fox, Paul Gunnells, Lillie Hughes, Ruth Hunt, Kirk Lewis, Nancy Phelps, Albert Wentz and Mary Wilson.

Sept. 21 — Baby Avila, Rosalba Avila, Paul Gunnells, Lillie Hughes, Ruth Hunt, Kirk Lewis, Nancy Phelps, Albert Wentz and Mary Wilson.

Sept. 22 — Mariella Ceballos, Paul Gunnells, Lillie Hughes, Ruth Hunt, Karolene Inman, Kirk Lewis, Nancy Phelps, Teresa Silva, Albert

Wentz and Mary Wilson.

Sept. 23 — Mariella Ceballos, Raymond Foster, Paul Gunnells, Marisela Hernandez, Lavonne Hinkson, Ruth Hunt, Karolene Inman, Kirk Lewis, Nancy Phelps, Teresa Silva, Albert Wentz and Mary Wilson.

Sept. 24 — Lucia Aguirre, Cindy Davidson, Raymond Foster, Paul Gunnells, Marisela Hernandez, Lavonne Hinkson, Ruth Hunt, Karolene Inman, Kirk Lewis, Nancy Phelps, Carlos Rodriguez, Tony Spears and Mary Wilson.

Sept. 25 — Not available

Sept. 26 — Not available

Sept. 27 — Lucia Aguirre, Baby Chavira, Erika Chavira, Ruth Hunt, Kirk Lewis, Nancy Phelps, Carlos Rodriguez, Robert Smith and Mary Wilson.

Sept. 28 — Lucia Aguirre, Ernesto Bustillos, Baby Chavira, Erika Chavira, Ruth Hunt, Joe Jennings, Kirk Lewis, Nancy Phelps, Larry Richardson, Carlos Rodriguez, Lena Wall and Mary Wilson.

Sept. 29 — Lucia Aguirre, Christian Chavira, Erika Chavira, Ruby Elder, Isela Flores, Ruth Hunt, Joe Jennings, Nancy Phelps and Tyler Roland.

Auto, from front page

niors Jeremy Copley and Kolby Lanham are able to receive credit for class while learning and training for their dreams in the automotive technology industry.

The auto mechanics class at MHS was gotten rid of years ago due to the ever-changing technology and the school district's inability to fund such a program, according to school authorities. The technical training program MHS just adopted eliminates dramatic costs of keeping up with industry while allowing students to have the opportunity to participate in an auto mechanics program by working with local businesses.

"This is the first stepping stone to our future," said Lanham. "This is a great opportunity."

And MHS Principal David Jenkins agrees. "This program offers student technical training for their careers," he said.

Over the last year, students interested in auto mechanics were sent to Clovis Community College. Jenkins said that this cost the school over \$20,000 a year to operate the program. With the new and improved program, the school will spend around \$5,000 while providing easy access for the students and building relationships with local businesses.

Muleshoe Motor's service manager Mike Hannah will supervise the two boys as they work through the first-year program. Hannah said he was excited to work with Lanham and Copley and couldn't believe that he'd ever be teaching high school students about his chosen career. "These

guys are hard workers," said Hannah. The two have only experienced the class for a week now and have already completed and passed five courses in three days.

"It was tough," said Copley, "but we learned a lot we didn't know, too."

Both Lanham and Copley have a brief knowledge of auto mechanics, but will learn more detailed mechanical operations through the high school program working with Ford's AYES system, an interactive satellite course.

Muleshoe Motor provides a "sponsorship" for the students to access the information needed to complete the course. Hooten said students participating in the program are able to eventually receive their certification through Ford. Plus, they will get to observe "first-hand the mechanics (at

Muleshoe Motor) working on what they just learned."

Hooten joked about the students not working on his customers cars, but hoped he would be able to provide some older vehicles to tinker with, giving them with hands-on learning experience.

Jenkins said there is a strict screening process to make sure the course is right for individual students. "They have to be dependable," said Jenkins. "This is just like a job." He said character, the ability to represent the school in a positive manner as well as a strong academic history are also vital to being accepted into the course.

He said this program differs from the work program because of that screening process and by giving the students technical training that they are not being paid. He said

the work program is not limited to certain students wanting to pursue a specific career. Special approval from the state was also required to offer the students academic credits for the class.

Claborn said she was "excited to have this program here in Muleshoe" as it "offers another option to students."

"There are so many positives to having this program," Claborn said, as she hopes the students will consider staying in the area after graduation to help develop the community.

Both Lanham and Copley plan to go to college and pursue a career probably with Ford.

"I think Ford's a great car; I want to make them better," said Lanham.

The community encourages both boys to come back to Muleshoe to set up shop.

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Fall Home Improvement Section

Design trends: Family surrounds selves in work they do

Contributed
For the Journal

"For over thirty years, I've enjoyed the privilege of working for the people in Muleshoe and the surrounding area and have a great appreciation for their patronage," said James Hartline of Hartline Construction.

Hartline, a 32-year veteran of the construction business along with his wife, Donna, live in Littlefield where they raised their three children. Hartline, however, has always called Muleshoe home.

"I grew up in Muleshoe, and still spend most of my time there either visiting family or working on the various construction projects we have going," Hartline said. His parents are Jim and Shirley Hartline, along with two brothers, Mark and Bruce, live in Muleshoe.

Hartline thanks his parents for his strong work ethic and ability to work well with people. He went to work with his father at an early age as a butcher at Jim's Grocery Store.

Hartline began working for his wife's family business, Lowery & Sons Painting, in 1973. He started his own business, Hartline Construction, in 1984.

"I was never really concerned with having a large business," Hartline said. "I just wanted to do good work, make an honest living and spend time with my family. We started out doing small paint jobs and remodel projects and over the years we grew into a full service construction company. Now we do projects of all sizes including room additions and building custom homes."

James and his wife Donna Hartline have recently completed remodeling their own home and use it as a showplace for custom design trends. Trends such as heavy textures, faux finishes, granite, natural stone and custom cabinets with hand-carved trim.

"Design trends are constantly changing, so we try to stay up to date with the latest materials and techniques so that we're able to offer our customers whatever they want," Hartline said.

Donna designs and lays out each project, taking care of the drafting work for the company. Toby, their son, began working for his father at age 14, finishing high school early. Their oldest child, Shawna, 30, lives in Lubbock and occasionally helps decorate various projects. His youngest daughter Steffani, 23, also lives in Lubbock.

"The product we produce is more than just the actual work. We try to design indoor and outdoor living spaces the customer will enjoy for years to come, after the project is finished," Hartline said. Using the best materials and local tradesmen available, with honesty and good business ethics, has no doubt been "the right ingredients for a successful construction company," according to Hartline.

"I try to do the kind of work for people I would want in my own home and treat them the way I would like to be treated. In a nutshell, that's it."

It runs in the family

Contributed story
For the Journal

Toby Hartline, 27, of Hartline Heating & Air Conditioning is now the authorized Carrier equipment dealer & service provider for the Muleshoe area. "From an early age I enjoyed working with my hands and was always drawn to service or construction work," said the young entrepreneur.

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The goal of Hartline Heating & Air Conditioning is to provide clean, comfortable indoor environments. In addition to heating and air conditioning services, Hartline specialize in

indoor air quality, including services such as air duct cleaning, air purification, custom filters, air quality testing, odor control, video inspection and diagnostics.

Today's tightly constructed homes can cause "sick building syndrome" if not properly ventilated and if humidity is not managed properly.

"We take a whole house approach to every service call so that we properly diagnose any problems and address the total comfort and air quality of the home," Hartline said.

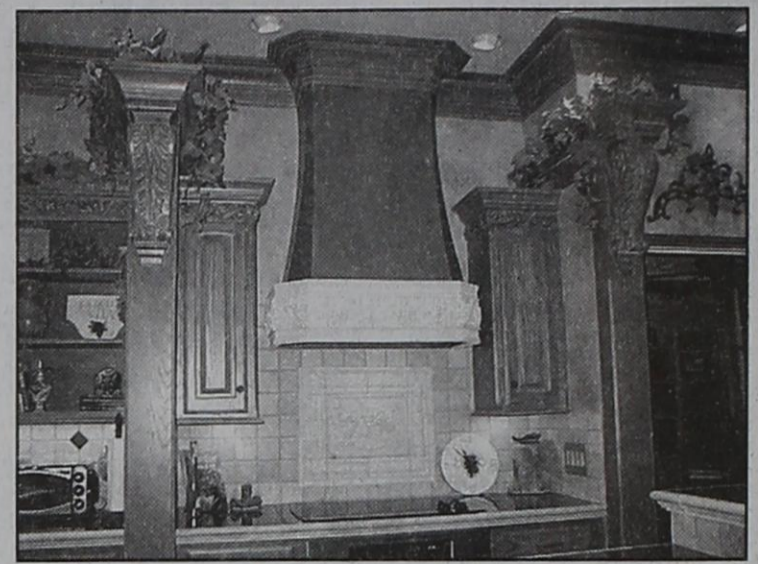
"The key to taking care of all our customers and producing the amount of work we do is having the right personnel. I heavily depend on my right hand man, Ben Peebles, who oversees all of our duct cleaning jobs and filter service" said Hartline.

Hartline continues to update himself and his crew on the latest advancements in heating and air conditioning at Carrier's technician training programs every two months.

"We've put together a winning team and are excited to offer the best heating and cooling equipment — Carrier — in Muleshoe" he said.

"This truly is a family business," said Toby. "We have been working for the same people for four generations. My great grandfather began Lowery & Sons Painting in the 1950's in this area and lived in Muleshoe for many years. Our repeat customer base is fantastic, and one of the original members of Lowery & Sons Painting is still on board with Hartline Construction, Rex Lowery."

In addition to custom homes, remodeling and outdoor living areas, Hartline Construction became licensed in landscape sprinkler system work. Toby is a licensed heating and air conditioning contractor and is the authorized Carrier dealer for the Muleshoe area—completing the total package Hartline Construction has to offer.



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Fall Home Improvement Feature

Home Sweet Home

Remodeling well worth the wait, work for one couple

By Leah Bell
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Twenty years to the month after Della Johnson first moved into her rustic home, she moved in a second time after a two-year remodeling project taken on by herself, husband, Kelvin, and family friend, Sabrina Turney.

"The Homestead," as the couple has named the place, is located just east of Memorial Park Cemetery.

"John (Snell) and I lived here, but never got any work done on the place," said Della. "When we divorced, I moved into town and John stayed here. When he moved to Weatherford, we rented out the place but no one ever took the time to fix it up."

Della and John bought the house in March 1984 from the Evans family and Della told the *Journal* it needed repair even back then.

When she and Kelvin married, they decided to remodel the home with the help and encouragement of Della's son, Terry Snell.

"He gave us the idea and I just decided we could do

it," Della said. "I'd only done crafts before we started working on the house. Kelvin had some woodworking experience but either of us really knew what we were getting ourselves into."

Except for the heating and air conditioning unit and laying carpet, the Johnsons did most of the work themselves, accepting help from Sabrina and a couple of uncles along the way.

The remodel took exactly two years to finish. They worked anywhere from two-to-four hours most evenings and on Saturdays, sometimes for 12 hours at a time. There was no heat in the winter and no air conditioning in the summer.

"When we got married, I wanted to live in the country and Kelvin and his son, Daniel, wanted a place to keep livestock, so this was just a natural choice for us."

Della bought "The Homestead" from her ex-husband which includes about five acres of land and several outbuildings.

Kelvin took care of most of the building with some help from his wife and Sabrina. The girls, along with building, laid tile and decorated the house.

"I decorate with things I like," said Della. Each room of the home has an interesting, unique theme. The current livingroom which was once a three car garage and workshop, has a western theme. The kitchen: country animals, including lighted cabinets and display shelves. There's an antiques room, office, two bedrooms and two baths, one of which sports a large, luxurious walk-in shower. Outside the residence, columns are framed by treated wood, creating a "southern living" type of feel.

"Sometimes I just sit here and think to myself, 'Did we really do this?'" Kelvin said. "I learned to do things I never thought I'd learn to do and Della learned to use every tool we own."

Della feels the same way. "If we hadn't constantly worked on this place, I don't know if we would have finished the job or not. It was so hard, but it was a labor of love." Della cites memories of her children as one of the main reasons she worked so hard to finish the project.

"Everywhere I look reminds me of the kids," she said. "The best reaction

I've gotten is from my son, Virgil (Snell). He was just floored when he walked in the livingroom. The daughter of the previous owners, Dorothy (formerly Evans), stopped by on a 'whim' and she cried the minute she walked in the door."

That's the reward for two years of hard work, according to the Johnsons. Both Della and Kelvin are most proud of the livingroom. "It's the most transformed," Kelvin said.

"Almost all of the materials used to remodel the home were purchased locally, from Higginbothams and Fry & Cox," Della said. "Other items not available locally were shipped in — like the cedar posts, split to make uniquely western-looking door frames."

The kitchen cabinets are another truly different and one-of-a-kind feature of the home. They're made of floor boards, each cut by hand and placed together.

"None of them are straight," Della said, "but I love them like they are. I want my home to be comfortable and inviting."

The hardest project turned out to be the 24-foot header in the livingroom — now one of the most attractive features of the home, faux-finished and decorated with family mementos and photos.

"We don't even have to worry about going anywhere," Kelvin said. "We just sit here and enjoy in the home we created with our own hands."



The Johnson's newly remodeled livingroom

'Three's company' takes on new meaning for local business owners

By Leah Bell
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Three's company or so Terral and Amy King believe. They're owners of three different Muleshoe businesses, two of which were bought exactly three years ago from Gordon Wilson and the third added last year.

The future couldn't look brighter for the young couple and their businesses, The Connection Warehouse, The Rental Place and Williams Office Supply.

"Business is good. RadioShack is constantly trying to keep up with ever-changing technology and that can be stressful for authorized dealers like ourselves," Terral said. "But it's a fun kind of stressful."

Currently, he's excited about new cellular telephone technology scheduled to hit his shelves sometime in November.

"I've figured out how last year's biggest gadget

works, now it's time to figure out something new," he said with a glimmer in his eyes. Last year's hot item was a Personal Digital Assistant (PDA).

The store has been remodeled and updated recently and new products and appliance lines have been added to an already great selection of merchandise.

Located inside The Connection Warehouse-RadioShack is their second business, Williams Office Supply, run by his wife, Amy. She took over the thriving office supply business from Roger and Dawn Williams who expanded their clothing and work boot lines. Amy had worked in the office supply business three years before taking on the roll of store owner.

Since they purchased the office supply business, the Kings have expanded their lines of computer items and various other hi-tech office accessories and have also added a new venture recently — guitars and guitar

related products. Just down the street is their third business, The

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Fall Home Improvement Local company believes in "One Mission, Under God"

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Honoring God isn't just something the guys at BB&L Construction Enterprises strive to do daily, it's the company's motto: "One Mission, Under God."

Company co-owners Chad Beall and Ray Lueras start every work day with a devotional and prayer — just their way of giving thanks to God for the blessings they enjoy in their own lives and the lives of those working with them.

"God has blessed each of us in our personal lives and at work," Lueras said. "We're protected all day long by His spirit and we just want to glorify God for all he does for us daily."

Beall agrees. "We all have a mission from God and we're called to follow that mission faithfully. I believe BB&L is our mission from God. If we faithfully take His directions then we're bound for success."

Beall and Lueras also believe the success of their company is due to community-wide support.

"Everyone has been behind us every step of the way," Beall said. "Our gratitude to the community is just tremendous. We couldn't have come this far without the moral support of our friends and colleagues."

BB&L Construction En-

terprises had its humble beginnings in 1996 when Beall had visions of someday growing to become the most widely known construction business in West Texas.

He started working out of the back of his pickup truck and from his kitchen table at home. He remained a one-man operation for many years with a handful of helpers from time to

time. The business remained small, but steadily growing until 2002 when Beall met Lueras. They partnered in 2003 and haven't looked back.

Today, BB&L employs 10-12 workers, each having special construction abilities, including concrete, framers, fabricators, landscapers, finish carpenters, metal fabricators, welders, carpenters, machine operators and skilled builders.

Lueras and Beall spend lots of time donating their expertise to churches and other worthy causes. They'll be helping construct the new home of Muleshoe's Boy Scouts soon.

"We give back to the community because we've received so much from it," Beall said. "And we believe in supporting Muleshoe merchants by purchasing everything we can from right here at home."



BB&L's Crew—(back, l-r) Alejandro Reyes, Moi Garcia, Zak Kinnie and Ray Lueras; (front) Jose Perez, Chad Beall, Juan Hernandez and David Dominguez.

Fry & Cox provides Muleshoe with home remodeling needs

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Steeped in history, Fry & Cox has been serving the Muleshoe community and providing the best service possible for over 83 years.

Currently owned and operated by Ed and Carol Cox, Fry & Cox-True Value has seen its share of changes over the years.

In 1921, a 20x30-ft. Box Wood building was built by T.B. Fry. At that time, the business was known as Blackwater Valley Blacksmith Shop.

Fry was a stepfather to Jim and Jack Cox.

From their youngest days, Fry taught them the business and let them work at the shop during their school days.

In 1931, Jack Cox was taken on as a partner with Fry and that same year, a machine shop was added to the growing business.

Jim Cox bought into the business in 1935.

In 1939, the shop became a Minneapolis Moline

King, from pg. 11

Rental Store. Renamed The Furniture Market for a short while, Terral has decided to return to The Rental Place to settle any confusion the name change caused.

"People thought we had quit renting furniture," he said. "They didn't accept the name change as readily as I had hoped, so we're changing the name back to The Rental Place." Folks looking to buy furniture aren't out of luck though. King rents and sells furniture, appliances and electronics from his rental store

dealer, which later became White Farm Equipment.

Throughout the years, the business continued to expand and in order to meet the growing needs of its customers, Fry & Cox purchased land and constructed a new building and the present site.

Original construction size of the new building was 50x100 ft. in 1940.

Mr. Fry passed away in 1941, remaining active until his death. The Cox brothers took over full management and operated as partners until Jack's death in 1963.

A short time later, the business was incorporated and was operating as it does today as Fry & Cox, Inc.

In 1963, Massey

Ferguson, a major line of farm equipment, was added to the store's inventory.

Ed and Carol Cox moved back to Muleshoe and took over active management of the business in 1972.

Fry & Cox, Inc. went into contract with True Value in 1976 which added more hardware to their inventory and in 1977, an addition was built on to the building erected in 1941.

This was the fifth addition to the site, making 14,000 sq. ft. of space for offices and hardware and 12,950 sq. ft. of space for the service area.

In 1991, the farm equipment portion of the business was sold, allowing for increased attention to hardware and lumber.

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Fall Home Improvement

Local electrician can service needs of homes, businesses and farms

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Precure Electric isn't the oldest "kid" on the block, but over the 12 years Carroll Precure and his wife, Terri, have been in business, it has grown with leaps and bounds.

Opening in February 1992, Precure Electric had humble beginnings, serving primarily to service center pivot systems. Then Precure expanded into commercial and industrial electrical work and is doing "more and more" residential work as time goes on.

"I was in the electrical business four or five years before going into business," said C. Precure. "I had a basic mechanical knowledge from being on the farm." The rest of his expertise has been learned in the field and from studying

trade books, articles and other sources.

Precure's main business is irrigation and electrical service. In 1995 he became the authorized dealer for T-L Irrigation Systems. Precure also services the only hydraulically controlled center pivot systems.

His wife and office manager, Terri, keeps the storefront stocked with a complete line of electrical parts for residential, commercial and industrial applications and parts for all brands of center pivots.

He employs two full-time servicemen in addition to himself, Andy Ybarra and Randy Nichols. Mulshoe High School DECA student Dal Grumbles also works part-time for Precure.

Carroll was born and raised in Mulshoe and he and Terri have four children, Andrew, Patrick, Adrienne and Emily.



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Furniture a must when remodeling

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Is there a better way to improve the look of a home than new furniture? That's a question owner Carolyn Johnson of Carolyn's Christmas Creations can answer quickly. "No."

Carolyn's carries all types of furniture for every room of the home.

"We have antiques, good reproduction pieces and new and used furniture," said Johnson.

Furniture at Carolyn's is priced to fit every budget and every personal style, from western to Victorian.

The 12,000 plus foot store is gearing up for Christmas and has stocked the store with several truckloads of furniture from estate sales, auctions, retailers in Dallas and out-of-the-way locations in Mexico.

"The furniture from Old Mexico is handmade and exquisite," commented Johnson.

Carolyn reminds her customers that her prices stay low because she works hard to find bargains and passes those bargains on to her customers.

An easy layaway payment plan is available and Carolyn's offers free delivery of furniture to any location within a 50-60 mile radius.

"We've even made special arrangements to deliver as far as Dallas," said Johnson.

Crossing state lines for home makeover help

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"Simply the best since 1953," is more than a motto to J.A. McDaniel, co-owner of McDaniels in Clovis, N.M.

McDaniel shares ownership of three businesses — McDaniel's Furniture, McDaniel's Floor Covering and McDaniel's Appliance — with his sons, Mike and Pat.

He started out in 1953 providing flooring covering from the 300 block of First Street in Clovis, but business grew so rapidly that by 1954, he had built a new location at 1012 Main, part of McDaniel's Furniture's current location.

He then acquired Snyder Furniture, located at 509 Main Street, and began selling furniture, doing so one year before relocating to the 1012 Main where a second story had been built to suit his growing needs.

Not one to sit on his heels, McDaniel then purchased the building at 1013 Mitchell Street which currently houses the floor covering business.

Finally, to accommodate the appliance department, the pre-existing building at 1013 Main was purchased, making the total area encompassed by McDaniel's "almost a city block" according to appliance store manager, Gordon Smith.

"I welcome anyone to compare our prices with anyone," said McDaniel. "We buy like the big boys," referring to McDaniel's membership in the Brand Direct Buying Group (Southwest di-

vision), which pools smaller businesses together when purchasing to give them a "volume discount," making it possible to compete with the "big box" stores like Lowe's.

"I encourage everyone to check the Internet for prices, models and specifications because they'll see how competitive we are," said Smith. "We've got comparable prices on almost every item in stock."

One employee said this about the McDaniel family, "The McDaniels are a wonderful, caring family to work for."

McDaniel's Floor Covering carries a large selection of all major brands of ceramic and vinyl tile, laminate floor coverings, carpets (residential and commercial), window treatments, area rugs, sheet vinyl, floor care supplies, ORECK vacuums and supplies and flooring sundries.

McDaniel's Furniture, managed by Vern Varga who has been with the store for 25 years, handles Broyhill, Hickory Hill, Lane, Mayo, Pulaski, Stanley, Riverside and Best Chairs among other brands.

"I just want to welcome everyone to the best store in town with the best selection available," said Varga.

McDaniel's Appliance carries all major brands of appliances, featuring Whirlpool and Frigidaire. They service what they sell and sell everything from the smallest appliance to the largest. McDaniel's Appliance has just become an Electrolux retail dealer.

And as "Mc" says, "McDaniel's appreciates and cares for our customers!"

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Tricks of the trade

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Hugo Vasquez left a job in the feedlot business to start his own construction company, Hugo Vasquez Construction, in 1994. He's never looked back.

Vasquez comes by his design and building talent naturally according to his wife, Yolanda, who performs company bookkeeping duties. "He uses customer ideas as a sound board for new ideas." By listening to his clients, he learns something new from every job, according to his wife.

Vasquez employs 10 tradesmen varying with the number of construction jobs scheduled. Vasquez Construction specializes in remodeling existing residential and commercial structures.

Also owned by Vasquez is Vasquez Lumber & Hardware, housed at 506 W. American Blvd. in Mulshoe. In addition to a complete line of hardware, the store has a rental program for various construction equipment.

Hugo and Yolanda have two children, Victor and Samantha.

"We appreciate the tremendous community support and thank people for doing business locally," said Y. Vasquez.

When Is a House a Home, and Where Is Home Really?

Lately I've been thinking more than usual about the venerable "father of the faithful," old Abraham. More than ever, the great patriarch has my respect. God didn't Abraham to take a trip (God didn't specify exactly where), to make his home in a country that would one day be his (God didn't specify exactly when), and to make his house temporarily (God didn't specify exactly how temporarily) a tent.

And Abraham did it. By faith. The writer of Hebrews says he did it by "keeping his eye on an unseen city with real, eternal

foundations—the City designed and built by God" (11:10). I've known for a long time that as for faith, I'm not even worthy to hold one of Abraham's rusty tent pegs. And I know that now more than ever. May I hasten to say that I am extremely thankful for the opportunity to have the experience we're presently having.

Well, strike that.

I'm extremely thankful for the opportunity to one day before too long (I say by Thanksgiving, my wife says by Christmas, and a good friend prognosticates that it'll be Easter) to have the opportunity to live in a home that is largely remodeled and includes a couch upon which its occupants might occasionally, at least in theory, sit.

We can't do that right now. Sit on a couch, I mean.

We're under construction and

have been since July. I didn't think I sat on my couch all that much, but it was nice to know that I could if I wanted to. Now the couch is in storage and the house is, well, morphing into something good, but something I've never seen there before. The destruction phase is far behind us. Walls have been torn down, carpet ripped out (pretty easy since it was decaying), wires have been run and plumbing plumbed, and the construction phase is well underway.

It needed to happen. A quick look at the old wires and the exposed framing, and you don't have to be a carpenter to see that the house needed some help. And while it's getting that help, the bedroom is our living room, the utility room is the kitchen, the toaster oven is on the washer, snack stuff is on the dryer, the refrigerator is in the living room, the kitchen boasts no food but lots of precatalyzed lacquer, the TV in what was the living room has a 1/2-inch screen and won't get the History Channel, and the closest thing to a couch is a foldout lawn chair.

Abraham lived in tents in a strange land because he was looking forward to the City with real foundations. Our foundation and framing are better now, but my fingers are swollen, hammer-bruised, and dyed with light golden oak cabinet stain. I'm a bit disoriented. Even the dog looks confused.

Hmm. The house my family and I have been squatting in for almost 20 years now isn't even mine, though I've rebuilt most of it. But to us, it's been home.

Yes, it has. But, then again, not really. The very finest house you ever saw is just a tent compared to the real Home that God has waiting for his children.



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

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



Oklahoma or bust — Edgar Bridgeman, an employee of Lowe's Marketplace for a number of years, was honored with a going away party on Thursday, Sept. 30. He and his wife are moving to Oklahoma to be near their children. The cake was made by Ruby Ward with frosting words saying "Look out Oklahoma— here comes Edgar!" Bridgeman (center) is seen here with coworkers.

WorkSource, from front pg.

market information, etc., can be provided to employers through the WorkSource office, too. Unemployment benefits and wage claims are also handled through this office.

The Muleshoe office has been in operation for approximately 30-35 years, according to Coffman, who has spent the last seven years managing this location. He has been in Muleshoe for eight years and is also the Calvary Baptist preacher.

Bailey County currently has an unemployment rate

of 5.2 percent, one of the lowest in the area, according to statistics. Coffman said the national average is 5.6 percent.

Coffman said working with employers and providing access of the WorkSource office to the community is key to improving that rate.

The new location on Main Street is open. For more information on services, contact Jeff Coffman at 272-7540.

More information on Worksource can be found at www.worksourceonline.net.

Missing woman, from front pg.

with her, but phone records show no activity since she disappeared. Authorities are also monitoring her bank accounts and credit cards, but no activity has occurred since she's been gone.

She was last seen Sept. 24. Vicky Lynn was

top with shorts when she disappeared. She also had a blue visor, was wearing glasses and may have been carrying a water bottle, officials said.

If anyone has information leading to Vicky Lynn's disappearance or has had contact with her, they should notify authorities.

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Births

DAVIDSON

Stephen and Cindy Davidson of Muleshoe announce the birth of their daughter, Chloe Fayth, born Sept. 24, 2004 in Muleshoe Area Medical Center at 4:56 p.m. She weighed 6 lbs. and was 18 1/2 in. long.

She has two brothers, Christopher and Dallas, and a sister, Skylar Davidson, all of the home.

Grandparents are Bill and Linda Davidson and Devona Crocker, all of San Angelo.

Great-grandparents are Julia Miller of Tyler, Connie Davidson of San Angelo, Genova Baker of San Angelo and Ella Mae Crocker of Troup.

Weddings

LEAL — GUTIERREZ

Natalie Dion Leal and Dominic Nathan Gutierrez were wed July 23, 2004 in Ochos Rios, Jamaica.

Leal is the daughter of Hector Jesus Leal, Jr. of Lubbock and the late Lori Kay Hartline Leal. She is the granddaughter of Jim and Shirley Hartline and Jesse and Irma Leal, all of Muleshoe.

Gutierrez is the son of Juan Vega of Clovis, and Darlene Gutierrez of Texico. He is the grandson of Lydia Gutierrez of Texico and the late Alex Gutierrez, and Juan and Eulalia Vega of Clovis.

The couple will reside in Farwell.



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Muleshoe 4-H Celebrates 4-H ONLINE! During National 4-H Week

4-Hers across the nation are marking National 4-H Week, Oct. 3-9, 2004, with celebrations of 4-H's ever-increasing presence on the Internet including the much anticipated launch of the redesigned 4-HUSA.org, 4-H's first national website for, by and about youth.

4-H Online! is the theme of National 4-H Week. Ninety-three percent of young people ages 10-18 are actively online and want to find the information they need from online sources, according to the Pew Internet Project (2003). Recognizing this trend, 4-H is at the forefront of youth development organizations using the Internet as national, state and county 4-H programs and 4-H clubs are actively developing new and more innovative online presences with the support of the National 4-H Youth Technology Team, state and county 4-H youth technology teams and the 4-HUSA Web Crew.

The latest of these web sites is the redesigned 4-HUSA.org by the 4-HUSA Web Crew, a group of 14 teens from across the United States who created a site that focuses on youth ages 13-16 and demonstrates the size, diversity and value of the 4-H adventure. The site features the most complete list of 4-H web sites available organized by state and many interactive elements including a national calendar of events and featured news headlines. Coming soon are games, message boards, web logs and myname@4-Husa.org email aliases.

Many other state and county 4-H programs also have created initiatives to reach young people who might not have easy access to the Internet. For example, Washington 4-H's 4-H-T4 Mobile Technology Van equipped with satellite capability and wireless laptops travels the state as a teaching tool for youth who are exploring the Internet and the world around them. Also, young people who participate in the Nebraska 4-H Cyber Fair are adept at mentoring others who want to learn how to use the Internet. Finally 4-H Tech Wizards in Washington County, OR. follow a four-year curriculum that teaches them how to use computers, create digital video productions and operate global positioning systems.

4-H is a community of young people across America learning leadership, citizenship and life skills. Visit www.4husa.org for more information about the 4-H adventure or for a link to any 4-H website. Access the Muleshoe 4-H website at <http://bailey-tx.tamu.edu>. Also, contact the Bailey County Extension Office at 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583 for more information.

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Business of the Month for August — Smith Medical Clinic was selected as the Chamber of Commerce's August Business of the Month. Chamber representative Carolyn Johnson (left) stands next to employees Sandy Sirkel, Lia Smith, Goya Franco, Dr. Thomas Smith, Chamber Manager Jan Thompson, employee Letty Guerra and Chamber representative Mark Beard.



Ribbon cutting — Complete Feed and Seed, owned by C.K. "Kid" Castleberry (second from left), Todd Bessire (center) and Duane Castleberry (second on right), was honored with a ribbon cutting last week as Chamber representatives Mark Beard (left) and Jan Thompson (right) present a certificate of membership to the trio. The new store is located adjacent to KC Muffler just off the Friona Hwy.

Adult immunizations important

By Andrew B. Crocker
Gerontology Health Specialist

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services along with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have some tips for adult immunizations.

Pneumonia and influenza together represent the fifth leading cause of death in older adults. These two conditions may be prevented by receiving an influenza vaccination and pneumococcal vaccination. The pneumococcal vaccination requires a one time injection.

The influenza vaccine requires an injection once per year due to the changing nature of the influenza virus. Medicare Part "B" provides for a person to receive these two vaccinations: once for pneumococcal and annually for influenza.

Fifty or fewer cases of tetanus occur each year, but result in five deaths annually in the U.S. Most of these deaths occur in adults over the age of 60. In addition, nearly one out of every 10 people who get diphtheria will die from it. For these reasons, the CDC recommends that adults receive a Tetanus/Diphtheria booster once every 10 years.

Another common vaccination is for measles, mumps and rubella (MMR). MMR is normally administered once and offers protection for life.

Unimmunized persons of any age can get measles, mumps or rubella, but those born after 1956 that do not have proof of immunity are particularly at risk and should be immunized.

It is estimated that each year in the U.S. about 50,000 adults die from vaccine-preventable diseases or their complications. Talk with a health provider about updating individual immuni-

zation records.

For more information visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Immunization Program at <http://www.cdc.gov/nip/default.htm> or contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, (806) 272-4583.

Club News

Texas Ext. Education Assoc. meets

The Texas Extension Education Association, Inc. of Bailey County will meet on Monday, Oct. 11, at 2 p.m. in the Oneita Wagnon Senior Citizens Center. Carolyn Johnson of Carolyn's Christmas will present a program on tea cups.

The mission of the Texas Extension Education Association, Inc. is to work with Texas Cooperative Extension to strengthen and enrich families through educational programs, leadership development and community service. TEEA does not discriminate by sex, race, color, disability, age, religion, or national origin.

For more information contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences at 272-4583 or Linda Huckaby, Club Chairman, at 272-3463.

Muleshoe retired teachers meet

Muleshoe Retired Teachers met Friday, Sept. 17, in the meeting room of the 16th and D Church of Christ. This was the first meeting of the 2004 -2005 school year.

Richard Roberts, District 17 president, was the speaker at the noon meeting.

New officers for the year are Joyeline Costen, president; Georgia Pena, vice president; Alline Bryant, second vice president; Jean Allison, secretary; Mary Nell Bleeker, treasurer; and Pauletta Crawford, reporter.

Other members and guest in attendance were: Wilma Smith, Rose Sain, W. B. Slayden, J.K. and Margaret Adams, Mary Crane, Bob Graves, Ronnie Jones, Beth Skipworth, Eloise Wilson, Mrytle Puckett, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Roberts from Brownfield and Jack Rennels from Channel 6.

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His last days were filled, with very little pain,
He knew that, not much time remained.
We were so blessed, with the time that we had,
For all the good-byes, and times to be sad.
On the night Jesus came, to take our dad home,
The angels were there, he'd seen them roam.
Our Heavenly Father came, in the middle of the night,
Took dad on home, as he slept so tight.
We're so thankful, and blessed by you,
Who cared and loved us, each day through.
If there's ever a day, that we can repay,
Those awesome prayers, that came our way,
Don't hesitate, to let us know,
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Ribbon cutting — Poppy's Copies was honored with a ribbon cutting ceremony last week as Chamber reps Jan Thompson (left) and Carolyn Johnson (right) present a certificate to owner Poppy Beard and her husband Mark. Poppy's Copies is located at 121 Main St.



Ribbon cutting — Country Daisy Design is the latest member to join the Chamber of Commerce. Owner Kelly Heinrich is seen here with Chamber representatives Carolyn Johnson (left), Jan Thompson and Mark Beard.



Ribbon cutting—Members of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce welcome aboard Oasis Ice Cream Shop (specializing in Mexican ice cream) located on east American Blvd. Chamber Office Manager Jan Thompson (right) is seen here with friends of the owners Susie Rodriguez, Paula Lopez, Manager Sylvia Lira, owner Maria Vargas, Chamber reps Terral King and Stacy Thompson.



August Employee of the Month — Jenny Shaw (second from left) was presented with the Employee of the Month for August. She works at the Thompson Insurance on American Blvd. in Muleshoe. She is pictured here (from left) with Chamber member Terral King, Chamber Manager Jan Thompson and her employer, Stacy Thompson.



Ribbon cutting—The Donut Hole on American Blvd. in Muleshoe was recently honored with a ribbon cutting ceremony for joining the Chamber of Commerce. Pictured here are (from left) employees Vienna Barron, Mary Davis, Chamber reps Mark Beard and Carolyn Johnson, owners Lavon and Curtis Hunt, employees Lisa Johnson, Elynn Litwiller and Chamber Manager Jan Thompson.



Ribbon cutting — Mortgage Associates of West Texas held a ribbon cutting for their new business in Muleshoe. Chamber member Carolyn Johnson (from left) was there to help hold the ribbon for owners Laurie and her husband, Darin, and their daughter, Ashly Winchell. Jan Thompson and Mark Beard were also there to congratulate the couple on their new business.

Engagement

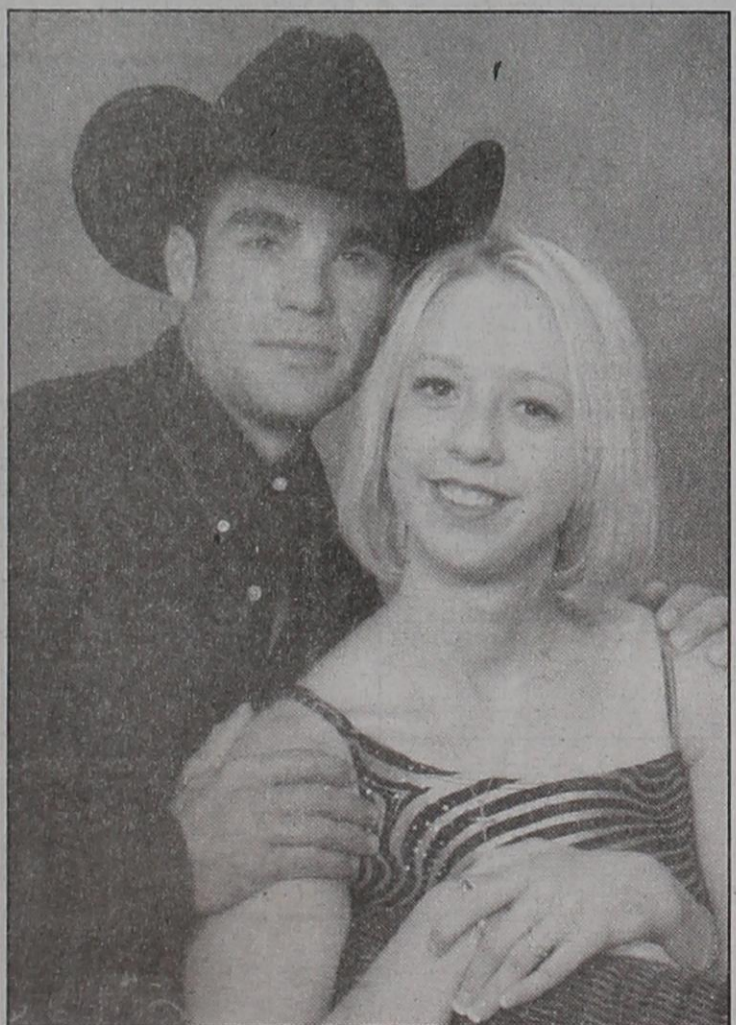
ROBERTSON—CASWELL

Darwir and Mary Ellen Robertson of Muleshoe announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Renae Robertson, to Jake Caswell, son of Pete and Belinda Caswell of Muleshoe.

The bride-to-be is a 2000 Muleshoe High School graduate, attended Eastern New Mexico University and is currently attending South Plains College in Levelland. She is an EMT volunteer for Bailey County EMS.

The prospective groom is a 1997 Muleshoe High School graduate. He is currently working for his family ranch in Muleshoe.

The wedding is Dec. 11, 2004, at First Baptist Church of Muleshoe at 6:30 p.m. A reception will follow the wedding at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.



ROBERTSON—CASWELL

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clarity, and comes up with a heart-wrenching, unexpected plot twist at the book's conclusion. This book took me by surprise, it's not a "feel good" book by any means, but it was very interesting.

Also, *The Debt* by Angela Hunt. Hunt's absorbing look at an insular Christian world—and the well-meaning but flawed people who populate it will resonate with many evangelical women who have spun cocoons of virtuous activity around themselves, rather than listening to the voice of God. This is book is by a Christian author and it did not end the way I thought it would! I loved the book and highly recommend it. Be prepared to cry.

Adult nonfiction - *If the Prodigal was a Daughter* by Janice Chaffee. If the Prodigal were a Daughter is just one of 4 parables that Janice Chaffee paraphrases. Written in today's language with women characters, this book is interesting and thought-provoking. It made me stop and think and left me with new insights into Jesus' stories and how they apply right now.

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Panhandle and Sanford-Fritch didn't play last week, so naturally that one's a no-go for points.

People who need to pray harder are: Angela Arreola, 6 pts.; Jimmie Crawford, 4; Retha Tigie, 2; Alene Bryant, 6; Debbie Weir, 6; Sherri Harrison, 7; Scott Brown, 7; Mandy Garner, 4; Raul Lozano, 3.

People who need to pray harder: Ed Dabrowski, J.C. Orozco and Vickie Gonzales who only had three points between them.

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 3BR/2BA, Stucco home in Sudan. Approximately 1500 ft. with covered carport and storage shed. Large Lot with established trees. Located only two blocks from Sudan ISD Campus at 406 Furneaux Street, Sudan. Priced Reduced
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Leslie Radford

There's just so many — Park View LVN Liz Worm sorts through scrubs at last Friday's scrub show at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center. Vendors participate in this event every year to provide an opportunity to nurses and others who wear scrubs in their professions to have the convenience of shopping locally. The scrub show acts as a fund-raising event for the Hospital Auxiliary.

Police Report

Muleshoe Police Department reports the following incidents:

Sept. 20 — Someone reported that someone entered his vehicle while it was parked in front of his residence at 1520 W Ave. D and removed approximately \$145.

Sept 19 - An officer initiated a traffic stop and arrested a man for operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated.

A 19-year-old female was assaulted at a place of business in the 1400 block of West American Boulevard.

Sept. 17 - A subject came to the Muleshoe Police Department and

turned himself in reference an outstanding warrant for Evading Arrest.

Sept. 15 - An officer received a call from Bailey County Sheriff Richard Wills in reference to sexual assault on a child at 814 E. Birch St.

Someone reported that someone had broken the drivers side window of his van, unlocked the door and removed three bank bags from inside the van at 1915 W. Ave. E.

Someone reported that someone had kicked in his back door of his residence at 823 S. 1st St. and attempted to remove a 56" big screen television from the livingroom.

Sept. 14 - A subject called MPD to report a handgun missing from a vehicle at 1816 W. Ave. E.

Someone reported that someone removed a barbecue grill from her backyard at 302 W. 6th St.

Sept. 13 - A vehicle was stopped for a traffic violation in the 200 block of N. 1st St. The driver was arrested for driving while intoxicated with a child passenger under 15 years of age. The front seat passenger was arrested for public intoxication.

An officer arrested an individual with two outstanding arrest warrants at 708 S. 1st St.

Ag Briefs

Local elected delegate for Angus Assoc.

David G. Lust of Muleshoe has been elected an alternate delegate to the 121st Annual Meeting of the American Angus Association, Nov. 15 in Louisville, Kentucky, reports John Crouch, executive vice president of the American Angus Association.

Lust, a member of the American Angus Association with headquarters in St. Joseph, Missouri, is one of 343 Angus breeders who have been elected by fellow members to serve as an alternate state representative to the annual meeting. Representing 47 states, the District of Columbia and Canada, the state delegates will participate in the business meeting and elect new officers and five directors to the American Angus Association board.

The annual meeting is held in conjunction with the annual banquet and the Super Point Roll of Victory Angus show, Nov. 13 - 16 during the North American International Livestock Exposition. The American Angus Association has more than 35,000 active members and is the largest beef breed organization in the world.

Plains Cotton Advisory Group to meet

The "Plains Cotton Advisory Group" will meet the following date in the Plains Cotton Growers conference room at 4517 W. Loop 289, Lubbock: Oct. 15, Oct. 29, Nov. 11, and Nov. 17. Meeting are from 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

AFD seed reschedules Field Day

AFD Seed of Littlefield, will hold a Field Day on Oct. 13 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. A catered lunch begins at noon and tickets for door prizes will be handed out at the luncheon. Door prizes will be drawn at 1 p.m. and include the grand prize of a Browning 12-gauge Shotgun, along with five 20-in. color TV's, four microwaves, and many other prizes.

There will be discussion on AFD SEED varieties and future RoundUp Ready Flex lines.

Directions to the Field Day: From Lubbock go south on Hwy. 87 to FM 1585 then east 1.5 miles to CR 2500 or (MLK Blvd.) and go south one mile. For more information, e-mail information@afdseed.com or call (806) 385-6010 or 1-800-292-7333.

MISD receives TEA ratings

Muleshoe ISD received their T.E.A. ratings Oct. 1. The district was rated "academically acceptable." Two years ago, the district was rated "recognized".

No ratings were given in 2003, the year the TAAS test was replaced with the more difficult state-mandated TAKS test. Each year, students must increase their number of correct answers to pass. The new rating is the first rating based on the more-rigorous TAKS test. The former "TAAS" test was a test over minimum skills, and the new "TAKS" test is a much harder test over higher order thinking skills.

Schools are rated "exemplary," "recognized," "academically acceptable," or "academically unacceptable." Nineteen schools were exemplary, 374 were recognized, 715 were acceptable and 26 were unacceptable.

"I think we're doing even better than we've done in the past several years," said Gene Sheets, MISD Superintendent, "but this test used a different measure. It would be like eighth graders having to take an eighth math test one year, and the next year's eighth graders having to take geometry tests and comparing the two scores. He said the lower rating

does not mean that MISD is providing a lower quality education." Rather, "we must do better on a harder test," he said. "I think our teachers and students did an excellent job and worked very hard this past year."

The TAKS test is the first test issued under a system with higher bars set for schools and districts. "We're disappointed we are not rated 'recognized' as we have been the last four years. However, this year's rating should not be compared to the past ratings, which were calculated under the old accountability system." According to Sheets,

the new system counts more tests in more subjects on a higher levels than the old rating did. The standards that schools must meet are much tougher under the new system.

"I am proud of the quality of education that is offered in Muleshoe," he said. "The level of excellence that our teachers provide has not changed. Our teachers have never worked harder. We are looking at areas in which we are weak academically, and we are trying to improve in those areas. I am confident our scores will improve as we adjust to the new accountability system."

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