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Varsity Mule Caleb Conner makes contact with the horsehide during a recent ballgame. Turn to pages 6-7 for additional sports news. Photograph by Stacy Conner

Dialysis center finally receives Medicare approval

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

After a wait of more than a year, the idea of opening a dialysis center at Park View Nursing Care Center has finally borne fruit.

According to John Hedrick of Accesscare Dialysis, LLC, Medicare CMS has approved the Muleshoe Dialysis Center for Medicare and Medicaid patients. It had previously been approved for patients with private insurance.

"This will be one of the best things we've done for Park View," former Muleshoe Area Hospital District board president Ronnie Dent said at the Dec. 20, 2007 meeting at which the contract leasing empty space at Park View to Accesscare

was made.

The current MAHD board members have expressed similar opinions, but were joined with others in the community in their frustration over the certification delay.

"There was nothing we could have done to speed the process up," Hedrick said.

are owned and operated by Accesscare. These centers are at Muleshoe and Brownfield.

Hedrick said the delay in approving dialysis centers is partially based upon the centers being classified as Tier 3 facilities, "We had to push to get them elevated to Tier 2," he said.

And not all of

'This will be one of the best things we've done for Park View...'

He said the center in Muleshoe has been fully staffed since Nov. 20, 2008, but only treating one private-pay patient.

On Tuesday, Hedrick pointed out that of the three dialysis units that have been approved for Medicare patients in the last two years two of them

the pushing was by Accesscare or even MAHD. Hedrick said the offices of Sen. John Cornyn and Sen. Kay Bailey-Hutchinson were instrumental in the process, as well as officials with the State of Texas.

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School board splits over signs purchase, placement

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The social question of the 70s may have been "What's your sign," but at Monday's regular meeting of the Muleshoe Independent School District board of trustees the question varied from "Where's your sign?" to "Should there be a sign?"

At issue was where and how many electronic signs the school district needs to communicate

information to local parents, residents and travelers venturing through Muleshoe.

Previously, the school board voted to purchase a large electronic sign to be displayed on Hwy. 84, at the school district's bus barn. Since that time, the school officials and board members have been considering whether another location, closer to the center of town, might

be better.

With this in mind, MISD Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets announced

'My thing is there are different things going on at different campuses...'

that United Supermarkets had offered space for the sign to be located on its property along West American Blvd.

Fast forward this idea to Monday's board

meeting when MISD Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets recommended the purchase of two

additional signs to be installed at two of the district's campuses — Dillman and Watson Junior High, with the possible intent of two more signs being raised at DeShazo and Muleshoe High School when those two projects had been completed.

While it was noted that an electronic sign on Hwy. 84 (American Blvd.) could be used to promote the district and district-wide events, it was noted that individual signs at each of the campuses could

display event information specific to that campus.

According to Dr. Sheets, this was possible at a significant savings since the price quoted by one company — which installed the electronic sign at Sonic of Muleshoe, slightly more than \$18,600, was about

\$39,000 less than the other company's quote.

"I don't think the price will stay at \$18,000," Sheets, who said the bid received was good for a two-week period. "I just don't know how much more."

"I think the price is reasonable for what we're getting," board president Davis Tipps said initially, but after board member Bruce Barrett expressed disagreement with the idea, recommending and eventually moving that only one additional sign be purchased, Tipps

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New CEO at home on the plains

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

It was a chance to come home, according to Jason Anglin, the new administrator for the Muleshoe Area Medical Center, and chief executive officer of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District.

Having been raised on the plains of West Texas, at Memphis to be specific, and having



Jason Anglin

married a young lady from Plainview, the return to Texas from

the Plains of western Oklahoma apparently seemed best for the Anglin family.

A graduate of West Texas A&M with a degree in accounting and finance, followed by a masters in business administration, Anglin spent his first years in hospital administration as the chief financial officer at several Texas

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Police clear residential burglary cases

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

The Muleshoe Police Department hopes to have a series of burglaries wrapped up for presentation to the district attorney in the next few days.

According to Det. Cassis Crandell of

Muleshoe PD, charges are pending against Marcos Reyes, 34, of Muleshoe concerning his connection to a series of residential burglaries in Muleshoe that occurred since late November 2008.

Crandell also noted that the police department is

in the process of locating and collecting some of the stolen property that allegedly had been sold to local residents by Reyes.

Crandell urges anyone who has possession of property received from Reyes, whether as a gift,

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More recognition...

Cong. Randy Neugebauer presented Coach David Wood and the 2008 State Champions with a flag that had been flown over the nation's capitol during ceremonies at Muleshoe High School Monday.

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A meeting about veterans benefits and health care is set for April 25, from 9 until noon, at the VFW Post #8570, located at 203 E. Ash Ave. VA benefit counsellors will be on hand to assist with resolving problems. for additional information call Debbie Floyd at 272-3647.

Bailey County Relay for Life

The Bailey County Relay for Life has been scheduled for Friday, June 12, from 7 p.m. until 2 a.m., at the Muleshoe High School Benny Douglas Stadium. Last year, the Bailey County Relay raised \$32,000, a higher goal has been set for this year, according to county chairperson Jill Morris.

AA meeting

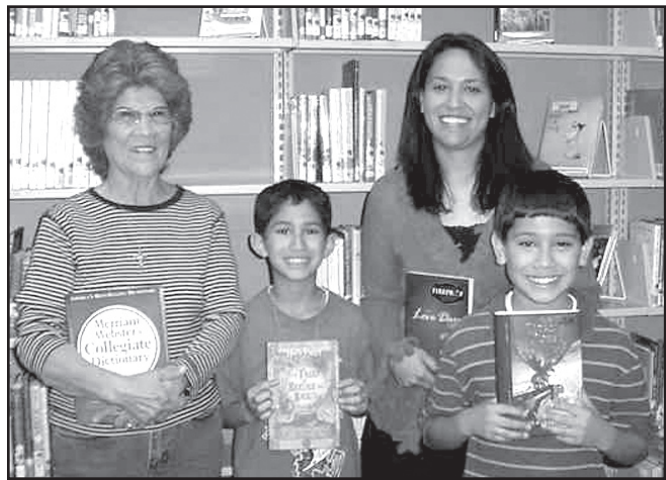
Those looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA and Al-Anon meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Friday at the First United Methodist Church, at 507 W. 2nd. Please use the west side entrance. For information about these meetings call 806-965-2870.

MHS Athletic Banquet

The Muleshoe Athletic Booster Club announces the Muleshoe High School Athletic Banquet will be held on Monday, May 4, at 6 p.m. at the Bailey County Coliseum. Tickets are \$10 and are available at Williams Athletics and Muleshoe City Hall.

Sudan blood drive

The Sudan High School Student Council is sponsoring a blood drive on Wednesday, April 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Sudan Elementary School PE room. To make an appointment you may go online at www.bloodhero.com. The sponsor code is "sudanisd." Walk-ins are welcome.



Library Family of the Year...

The 2009 Muleshoe Public Library's Library Family of the Year includes Lupe Castorena, Crystal Vasquez, and Austin and Alec Garza., pictured above. "Vasquez brings the boys to the library as often as she can, but usually Lupe is the one we get to see," said Librarian Dyan Dunnagan. "Austin loves to read and races to the shelves that have his favorite books. Alec isn't quite as excited, but we are going to work on that. We have enjoyed watching these boys come into the library, and we hope to see them even more this summer."

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Editorial

Is your campus important?

Is one of the Muleshoe Independent School District's campuses more important than another? Is it more important that the parents with children attending one campus be better informed than parents with children at another?

We don't think so, and while it may appear otherwise — at least on the surface — from Monday's split school board votes, we really don't think the school board members do either.

When the Muleshoe Community first came together to begin discussing the needs of the MISD campuses and the possibility of funding a major expansion project we recall how some among the community were initially reluctant, and expressed concerns that work would focus on the high school campus — usually considered a district's "flag ship," with many of the problems at the lower grades being ignored.

However, many of these concerns were quickly buried with the decision that concerns about Dillman Elementary should take top priority.

Muleshoe's school board responded as it should, addressing a great many of those problems, and probably even more important adopting the priorities set forth by the community action group that helped drive the support for the multi-million bond issue.

However, during Monday's school board meeting it was evident that the harmony and sense of direction that so often carried the board members through their agenda just wasn't there.

Oh, we're not accusing them of fighting. It wasn't a "donneybrook," but it was one of the few times in which the school board members haven't quickly come to a mutual agreement.

Differences of opinion are more common on some boards than others, and dissension doesn't necessarily mean one side is any more right or wrong than the other.

Since his arrival on the board, Mr. Bruce Barrett has become the voice of fiscal conservatism. We're not saying other board members are spendthrifts, it's just that Mr. Barrett is usually the first to ask if a purchase will bring the biggest bang for the buck.

This was the same regarding the electronic signs that received such attention Monday. Normally, we'd cheer Mr. Barrett's proposal of purchasing only one additional sign and waiting to see how it worked before moving on to an additional campus, but our greatest fear is that the decision will raise concerns of partiality among the parents of Muleshoe students, something we don't believe the school board members on either side of the split vote intended.

While it is our opinion a "whole hog or nothing" approach would have been better in this case, the majority of the school board didn't. But that doesn't mean each of the four campuses won't, and shouldn't, receive the same opportunities to get their messages out to the public... it just means it may take a little longer, and could cost a bit more in the long run.

Shattered Dreams 2009 schedule is released

The events of Shattered Dreams 2009 are set to take place May 6-7 in Muleshoe, and will consist of two different main parts, a mock car crash and a mock memorial service, according to Muleshoe High School's trainer, Josh Woolbright.

The mock car accident — between the car under the control of an intoxicated driver and another car — will take place on the first day of the event, May 6, at 10:30 a.m., on the south side of Muleshoe High School, next to the municipal swimming pool.

Then the Shattered Dreams participants will go on a retreat to get a better understanding of how alcohol can impact a person's life.

The next day, May 7, a mock memorial service will be held at 8:30 a.m. in the Dr. Kerry Moore Auditorium at the high school.

As a part of this service, there will be speakers whose lives have been altered by alcohol-related crashes, and a video demonstrating all of the activities that occurred away from the crash scene of May 6.

The community is welcome to attend both

of these events as the district's students are educated on the dangers of driving under the influence of alcohol.

For additional information about these events, contact Josh Woolbright or Belinda Head at the high school, at 272-7303.

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Teachers at Dillman Elementary and DeShazo Elementary will be eligible for the Elementary award and Watson Junior High and Muleshoe High School teachers will be eligible for the Secondary Award.

To be selected, the nominee must be a full-time classroom teacher. Anyone in Muleshoe ISD - employee, student, parent, community member - may nominate a teacher for the award.

If you would like to nominate a teacher for one of these honors, please send a brief letter stating why he/she should be Teacher of the Year to the Superintendent's office at 514 W. Ave. G. no later than 4:00 p.m. Friday, April 24, 2009.

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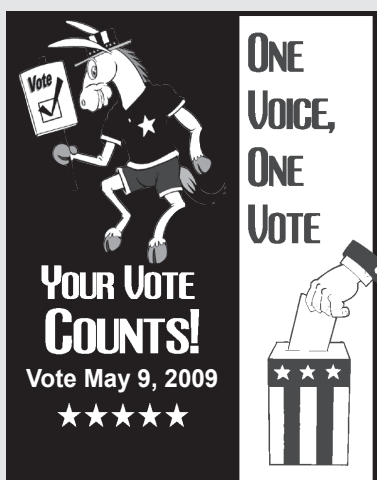
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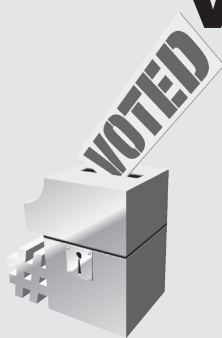
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By Laverne Winn
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 The birthday party for this month is no Thursday, April 23. We hope you come and have fun with us.
 Tuesday, April 28, will be our senior dance night. This is a chance for you seniors to have a nice night out in Muleshoe.
 Several friends from the surrounding area come to have a lot of fun and fellowship. The dance begins at 7 p.m.,

with a pot luck supper break at 8:30 p.m. and ends at 10 p.m. If you enjoy good music and fellowship, come to the center.
 Bunco is the first and third Tuesdays of each Month. Perhaps you would like to learn to play. Come and join in the fun.
 Bingo is every Thursday beginning at 1:30 p.m. LaShea Mason from NursCare is our fun caller. Prizes and refreshments are served.
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 Wednesday, April 29 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll and peach cobbler.
 Thursday, April 30 — Hamburger steak, gravy, grilled onions, peppers, scalloped potatoes, salad, wheat roll, fruit and cookies.
 Friday, May 1 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad.

Thanks for reading!

It's time for some time out of town!

By Curtis K. Shelburne

With any luck, within an hour after I get this column written and e-mailed to the newspapers, I'll be headed out of town for a few days. It's time, in more ways than one.
 It's the time of year again when my three brothers and I all try to pack up and head off for a few days at our maternal grandparents' old homeplace at Robert Lee.
 But it's time in other ways, too, I think. Case in point: last Sunday and the deep feeling of loss that seemed to permeate my life during worship.
 First of all, I lost my sermon. I don't mean that it slipped my mind; I mean that my mind slipped, and I lost it. My sermon, I mean.
 I usually sing with our praise team. Under my



Focus On Faith
 Curtis Shelburne

nearby Bible and my copy of the "order of worship" usually sits a folder and, nestled inside, lies my sermon.
 Not so Sunday. I looked down and the folder wasn't there. I figured it was in the fellowship hall and I'd set it down during Sunday School.
 Anyway, I slipped out and into my study. I figured that, rather than scurrying around through the sanctuary and fellowship hall and inevitably distracting folks, I'd just print off another copy.
 It should have been easy. But the desktop computer in my study

doesn't like the updated version of the word processing program on my laptop computer. Things were not going well.
 By the way, when I later confessed to the congregation that I'd temporarily lost my sermon, I don't think the loss struck them as particularly tragic.
 But on to another loss.
 I'm begging the computer to print, and at that moment, my wife rushes into the study to let me know it was time for communion--and the communion bread was lost. Or at least missing. Not in the tray.
 I knew where it was. It was in a sack near my desk. We'd made a new batch the day before. (We've given up on the stuff that tastes like the
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Obituaries

Johnnie Kimbrough

Graveside service for Johnnie Kimbrough, 98, of Muleshoe, were held on Wednesday, April 15, at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery with the Rev. Dr. Stacy Conner of Muleshoe officiating.

Kimbrough died on April 12, 2009, in Muleshoe. She was born on July 24, 1910, in Raines County, to Joe Signor and Cloe Horsley, and married Finis V. Kimbrough in Clovis, N.M. on Nov. 20, 1931. He preceded her in death May 5, 1994, as well as a son — Sig Kimbrough on Dec. 14, 1972; a daughter — Donna Nickels on Sept. 24, 2004; three sisters — Hallie Sybert, Rue Kimbrough and Artie Gaede; and two brothers — Chet and Dennis Horsley.

Kimbrough was a charter member of Main Street Baptist Church, which is now Richland Hills Baptist Church.



Johnnie Kimbrough

She was currently a member of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

She was a seamstress at St. Clair's Department Store, and volunteered for many years on the Hospital Auxiliary.

Survivors include a daughter — Wanda V. Houk of Lubbock; 11 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Park View Nursing Care Center, 1100 West Ave. J., Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

Don Sharp

Memorial services for Don Sharp, 63, of Muleshoe, were held on Wednesday, April 22, at Muleshoe Church of Christ with Gary Hooten officiating.

Sharp died on Saturday, April 18, 2009, in Lubbock.

He was born on June 26, 1945, to Milton and Willie Sharp in Plainview, and married Shirley Evans in Paducah, on Jan. 2, 1965. He was preceded in death by his father — Milton Sharp.

Sharp had lived in Muleshoe since 2002 having moved from San Angelo. He was a member of the Church of Christ and the Muleshoe Rotary Club.

Sharp was vice president and branch manager at Capital Farm Credit in Muleshoe, and was an adult 4-H leader for many years in Cottle County.

He was crew chief on



Don Sharp

a Huey helicopter during Vietnam, supporting the 192nd Airborne Division.

Survivors include his wife — Shirley; a son and his wife — Lane and Julie Sharp of Seymour; a daughter — Macy Sharp of Wolforth; his mother — Willie Sharp of Burlington, Colo.; a brother and his wife — Tim and Phillis Sharp also of Burlington, Colo.; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Sunset International Bible Institute, 3723 34th St., Lubbock, Texas 79410-2895.

Leon Stratton

Church services for Leon Stratton, 87, of Amarillo, formerly of Muleshoe, were held on Saturday, April 11, at Muleshoe Church of Christ with Curtis Smith officiating. Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Stratton died Tuesday, April 7, 2009, in Amarillo. He was born on April 20, 1921, to James Odus and Lilly Pearl Stratton in Loving.

Stratton was preceded in death by his parents and all of his siblings.

He married Oma Eason in Graham on April 5, 1941. She preceded him in death on April 4, 1990. He was also preceded in death by a great-grandson.

Stratton moved to Muleshoe from Littlefield in 1958. He owned and operated Stratton Drilling and Pipe Company in Muleshoe



Leon Stratton

until 1981.

Survivors include three daughters and their husbands — Donnita and Ronnie Barber of Monahans, Janet and Donald Peel of Powell, Wy., and Phyllis and Larry Pettit of Amarillo; 11 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the New Mexico Christian Children's Home, 1356 New Mexico 236, Portales, N.M. 88130-9411.

Veterans benefits, health care meeting set

A meeting about veterans benefits and health care is set for April 25, from 9 a.m. until noon, at the VFW Post #8570, located at 203 E. Ash Ave, Muleshoe.

VA benefit counsellors will be on hand to assist with resolving problems.

For additional information call Debbie Floyd at the Bailey County Office on Aging, at 272-3647.

Kenneth Wilcox

Church services for Kenneth Wilcox, 53, of Muleshoe were held on Tuesday, April 21, at the Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship Church with the Rev. Steve Friskup of Muleshoe officiating.

Burial followed in Bailey County Cemetery.

Wilcox died on Saturday, April 18, 2009, in Muleshoe. He was born on Jan. 12, 1956, to



Kenneth Wilcox

Wayne and Hetty Wilcox in Castro County, and married Gail Dunn in Big Spring on June 30, 1978.

Wilcox had lived in Muleshoe since 1986, having moved from Big Spring.

He was a member of the Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship Church and was a member of Muleshoe Roping Club.

Survivors include his wife — Gail; three daughters — Lisa Johnson of Austin, Kandy Alaman of Big Spring, and Cassie Been of Littlefield; his

father and step-mother — Wayne and Hettie Wilcox of Coahoma; his mother — Betty Wilcox of Amarillo; a sister — Bonita Chadwick of Fritch; two brothers — Marlin Wilcox of Perryton and Dennis

Wilcox of Earth, and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the American Cancer Society, 3411 73rd St., Lubbock, Texas 79423, or Interim Hospice, 5224 75th St. Lubbock, Texas 79424.

Sharp memorial fund

A memorial fund for the Don Sharp family has been established at Muleshoe State Bank.



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Sports

Rain, hail don't dampen Mule spirit at district meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Five inches of rain and enough hail that snow plows had to be brought out postponed the District 2-2A Track Meet in Tulia but it did not dampen the spirit of the Mules.

They scored 102 points and that was good enough to bring home a bronze medal for the meet.

Childress won the District Championship with 151 points and Floydada was second with 118. Friona finished with 94 points, Tulia 91 and Dimmitt 50.

The Mules qualified eight individuals in nine events that include both the 4x100 and 4x200 relays. Gold, silver and bronze medalist qualifies for the Regional Meet that will be held on the campus of Abilene Christian University May 1 and 2.

Sterling Leopard won his first of two gold medals in the first running event of the day.

He finished the



Photograph by Stacy Conner

Cooper Washington puts the shot for first place.

3200-meter run almost a minute ahead of his nearest competition with a time of 10 minutes 33.41 seconds.

Leopard had more time than usual to recover with the weather delay. Friday, he finished the 1600-meter run 11.15

seconds ahead of the competition with a gold medal time of 4:53.18.

Cooper Washington let a mighty shout and heaved the shot put 45 feet one and half inches. His gold medal toss was nine inches ahead of the district.

He earned a bronze medal in the discus with a throw of 125-5.5.

Caleb Conner placed fourth in the long jump with a leap of 18-7.5. He was a half inch short of qualifying for the Region I Meet but the third place winner dropped out and Conner will represent the All Mules and the district in the long jump.

Larry Richardson leaped 17-9 for sixth place in the long jump.

Wes Wood and Lane Wood were again at the head of the pack in the pole vault.

W. Wood cleared 14-6 for the gold medal and L. Wood reached 14-0 for the silver. The nearest competitor cleared 11-6.

Victor Vasquez finished sixth in the 100-meter dash with a time

of 11.50. The 4x100-meter relay team of Richardson, Conner, Vasquez and Washington finished in a bronze medal time of 45.12.

L. Wood was fourth in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 16.73.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Adrian Muniz, Richardson, Washington and W. Wood earned the silver medal with a 1:36.46.

Muniz took the bronze

medal in what many believe to be the toughest race in track, the 300-meter hurdles with a 42.73.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Richardson, Muniz, Nathaniel Chavez and Vasquez finished fifth with a 3:41.12.

The Mules will participate in a practice meet prior to making the trip to Abilene for the Region I Meet the first two days of May

All South Plains honorees listed

Four Muleshoe students were among the honorees on the All-South Plains Basketball Teams list this week.

Two Lady Mules and two Mules were honored.

Sarah Johnson, a 5-5 junior point guard, was named to the first team.

Her game averages were 17.2 points, 4.9 assists, 3.4 rebounds and

2.9 steals. Morgan Smith, a 5-8, senior guard was named to the second team.

Cooper Washington, a 6-5 sophomore forward, was picked for the prestigious team.

His game averages were 11.9 points and 10.1 rebounds.

Dillon Gallman, a 6-1 senior guard, was named to the second team.

Lady Mules have a bronze outing at district

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mule track team had a bronze medal outing in the District 2-2A Track Meet held on Tulia's track.

Seven Lady Mules qualified for the Region I Meet on the Abilene Christian University campus in 10 events. Gold, Silver and Bronze medalist qualifies for the regional meet and fourth place finishers are alternates.

Heavy rain and hail postponed the finals for 24 hours but the meet was finally completed on Friday.

Tulia won district with 149 points and Friona took silver with 127 points. Trailing the Lady Mules were Childress (111), Floydada (67) and Dimmitt (48).

Lupita Andrade won the gold medal in the first race of the day. She finished the 3200-meter run in a time of 12 minutes 54.27 seconds. Sarah Johnson was fifth in the same event with a

14:36.49.

Kathryn Owens took the Lady Mules first gold medal in field events with a toss of 33 feet 10 inches in the shot put.

Samantha Reyna was fifth with a heave of 26-6.25. Sandy Mojica picked up the bronze in the long jump with a leap of 14-4.50.

Owens earned her second medal of the meet in the discus with a bronze medal throw of 87-7.5.

Yvonne Gardea took the gold medal with a leap of 5-0 in the high jump. She followed the gold medal with a silver medal distance of 32-4.50 in the triple jump.

Mojica took sixth by covering 30-3.75.

Baylee Bessire earned the silver medal in the pole vault with a height of 7-6. Devnie Orozco finished sixth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 14.29.

Mojica and Bessire finished fifth and sixth in the 200-meter dash with times of 29.74 and

29.93 respectively.

Andrade won her second gold medal of the meet with a time of 2:34.50 in the 800-meter run. Belinda Pacheco finished fourth and Rashelle Hall ran sixth in the 800- with times of 2:45.36 and 2:56.09 respectively.

The 4x100-meter relay team of April Gardea, Bessire, Mojica and Y. Gardea took sixth with a 55.47.

The 4x200-meter relay team of A. Gardea, Melissa Casanova, Mojica, and Bessire were fifth with a time of 1:58.34.

Pacheco finished sixth in the 1600-meter run with a time of 6:44.35. The

LISD track results released

The Lazbuddie ISD track results are as follows:

Junior High Loop

Ian Thompson — first long jump, second high jump, first 400m run, second 800m run, first 200m dash; Jarred Timms — second 400m run; Josh McIntosh — third shot

4x400-meter relay team of Andrade, Casanova, A. Gardea and Y. Gardea earned the bronze medal with a 4:28.64.

Y. Gardea took the bronze in the 100-meter hurdles with a 17.72. She had a silver medal time of 50.89 in the 300-meter hurdles.

Lupita Andrade, Kathryn Owens, Yvonne Gardea, Baylee Bessire, Sandy Mojica, April Gardea and Melissa Casanova will be spending extra time on the track preparing for the Region I Meet May 1 and 2.

They will compete in a practice meet prior to the trip to Abilene.

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Photograph by Stacy Conner

Lupita Andrade wins 800 meters.

Tennis teams compete at district

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Muleshoe tennis teams competed in the District 2-2A Tennis Tournament in Plainview Thursday.

The Mules won the Boys District 2-2A Championship by taking both the Varsity Singles and Doubles Championships.

Tyson Turnbow won the Singles division by defeating Friona's Rolando Castanon 6-1,

6-1. The Mule doubles team of Lane Wood and Wes Wood breezed through the first set against Floydada's team of Liphon and Diaz 6-0. Wood and Wood had to dig deep to take the second set 7-5.

The Varsity Mixed Doubles team of Ryan Hall and Morgan Smith took third place. They defeated Tulia's team of Brock and Martinez 7-5 and 6-3.

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Mule baseball falls on hard times; extend losing streak

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Mule baseball has fallen on hard times and has extended their losing streak to four games. It all started in Tulia and has come full circle back to Tulia Saturday afternoon.

The Mules made the long trip to Childress and led 10-5 after three and a half innings Tuesday.

Seven Childress hits and seven Mule errors set the Mules up for a 14-11 defeat. Saturday the Mules were out hit 9-7 and out scored 10-1 when

the Tulia Hornets visited Muleshoe's Diamond in the Park.

Caleb Conner led off for the Mules with a full-count walk against Childress and stole second base. Marshall Head singled to center to score Conner. Victor Vasquez blasted a single into left field off the glove of the third baseman.

Dameon Snell drove the ball down the left field line for a double to bring Head across the plate and gave the Mules a 2-0 lead after the first half inning.

Jared Skipworth got the start in Childress and gave up no hits, one walk, struck out one in the bottom of the first inning. An error allowed two runs to cross and tie the score at 2-2.

The Mules could not convert a base hit by Juan Guerrero to a run in the top of the second. The Mules played error free ball in the bottom of the second and held Childress scoreless in the bottom half of the inning. The score remained tied at 2-2.

Head singled up

the middle to lead off the third inning and advanced to second when the catcher lost the handle on the ball attempting to transfer it from his glove. Vasquez banged a single to left field to score Head.

Snell drove a ball to left for a single and moved Vasquez to third. Snell took off for second on the pitch. The catcher made a throwing error and the ball rolled into center field allowing Vasquez and Snell both to score. The three runs gave the Mules a 5-2 lead.

Two errors and two passed balls allowed Childress to tie the game at 5-5 at the end of three innings. The Bobcats had scored five runs on just one hit.

Adrian Chacon lofted the ball just over the glove of the first baseman into right field for a lead-off single in the fourth. Conner bounced the ball over the left field fence for a ground rule double that moved Chacon to third.

Jonathan Garcia was hit by a pitch to load the bases for Head. Head sent a ground ball through

the infield for a single to score both Chacon and Conner. Vasquez smashed a double off the fence in left to score Head. Vasquez moved to third on a passed ball and scored on single to right by Snell. The five runs gave the Mules a 10-5 lead going into the bottom of the fourth.

A walk, a hit batsman and a double allowed two Bobcats to score. The score after four innings was 10-7.

Chacon walked to lead off the fifth inning. Conner doubled to right to move Chacon to third. Chacon scored on a wild pitch for the Mules final run of the game.

Two hits and two errors allowed three Bobcats to score in the bottom of the fifth inning. Childress took the lead for good in the bottom of the sixth inning on three hits, two walks and an error that sent four runs across for a 14-11 Bobcat lead.

Skipworth gave up a home run blast the first batter he faced Saturday against Tulia. A swinging bunt was beaten out by the second Hornet. A wild pitch and a passed

ball allowed the second run to cross.

The Mules went in order to the big left handed Tulia pitcher.

Garcia camped under the fly ball to right for the first Tulia out of the second inning. Skipworth scurried off the mound to field a high bouncer and tossed it to Snell for the second out. Snell snagged a ground ball to first and stepped on the bag for the third Hornet out.

Gunner Kerby drew a second out walk. He went to second on a single to right by Juan Guerrero. Chacon singled to right to score Kerby for the Mules only run of the game.

Tulia scored in four of the next five innings. They made 10 runs on nine hits and the Mules committed four errors while stranding 10 Hornets on the bases.

The Mules have two games remaining with little chance of reaching the playoffs. Dimmitt visited the Mules on Tuesday. The Mules will complete their regular season on the road in Friona.

Lady Mules put down the Bobbies

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules gave April Gardea plenty of run support Tuesday in Dimmitt as they disposed of the Bobbies 22-6. They did the same on Saturday as the Lady Mules calmed the Lady Winds of Floydada with a final score of 25-7.

The back-to-back wins vaulted the Lady Mules into a tie for first place in District 2-2A race and a spot in the Texas State Playoffs. The district championship will be settled Tuesday when the

Lady Cats of Childress visit the Lady Mules in the final regular season game for both teams.

The Lady Mules batted around in the top of the first inning to score eight runs. They only gave up a single run to the Bobbies in the bottom of the inning. The Lady Mules added three more runs in the top of the second on five hits.

The Bobbies went in order in the bottom of the second. Val Olivas blasted an inside the park home run to left field. Four more runs

crossed the plate to give the Lady Mules a 16-1 lead after two and a half innings.

The Bobbies had their most productive inning in the bottom of the third as they scored five runs. Only eight Bobbies went to the plate in the final two innings and they could score no more runs.

The Lady Mules scored three runs in each of the last two innings. Ali Eagle and Gabby Perez scored five runs each. BreAnn Baca scored

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Lazbuddie track... Continued from page 6

Rainey — fifth 100m hurdles, third 1600m Relay, fourth 400m relay; Keena Diaz- 6th 2400m run, fifth 800m relay; Katlyn Hicks — sixth 100m, third 1600m relay, fourth 400m relay; Whitney Hargrove- fifth 800m relay.

Haley Beasley — second 2400m, fifth 800m relay, 6th 1600m run; Shea Scott — third 1600m relay; Denise Sanchez — third discus; Karina Galaviz — fourth 400m

relay; Allison Weaver- sixth 100m hurdles, third 1600m relay, fifth 800m relay.

Junior High Hart

Ian Thompson — first high jump; Boys 400m relay — fourth Josh McIntosh, Jarred Timms, Alfrado Chivara, Alex Lopez; Shea Scott — second discus.

High School Loop

Todd Nichols — fifth shot put; James Baca — third discus; Colton Weaver — sixth shot put;

Darin Ivy — first pole vault, first high jump; Rodrigo Mata- sixth long jump.

Boys 400m relay — fourth Jacob Schracher, Chase Timms, Riley Smith, Darrin Ivy.

Boys 800m relay — second Jacob Schracher, Chase Timms, Riley Smith, Darrin Ivy; Kinzi Schacher — fourth 100m hurdles.

High School Hart Kyler Stienbock — second 110m hurdles, first 300m hurdles.

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Charles Baca — seventh 1600m run; Boys 400m relay — third Jacob Schracher, Riley Smith, Daniel Galindo, Darrin Ivy; Kyler Stienbock- first 300m hurdles; Justin Schacher — sixth 800m; Tasha Barnes — third long jump; Paola Estrada — fourth discus, seventh shot put; Jordan Hernandez- fifth shot put; Kinzi Schacher- first 100m hurdles.

Tennis... Continued from page 6

Turnbow had to travel a rough road to his Singles Championship. He had broken both a leg and an arm back in December during warm-up drills before a basketball game.

He was released from doctor's care in March and began rehabilitation with Muleshoe Athletic Trainer Josh Woolbright.

His recovery is amazing as he has won both the Tennis Singles Championship as well as being the Low Individual in District 2-2A golf.

Sergio Montejano took third in the JV Boys Singles. The doubles team of Matthew Ambriz and Mateo Castillo placed second in the JV Boys Doubles.

The Mules will be competing in the Region 1 Tennis Tournament in Odessa April 21-22.

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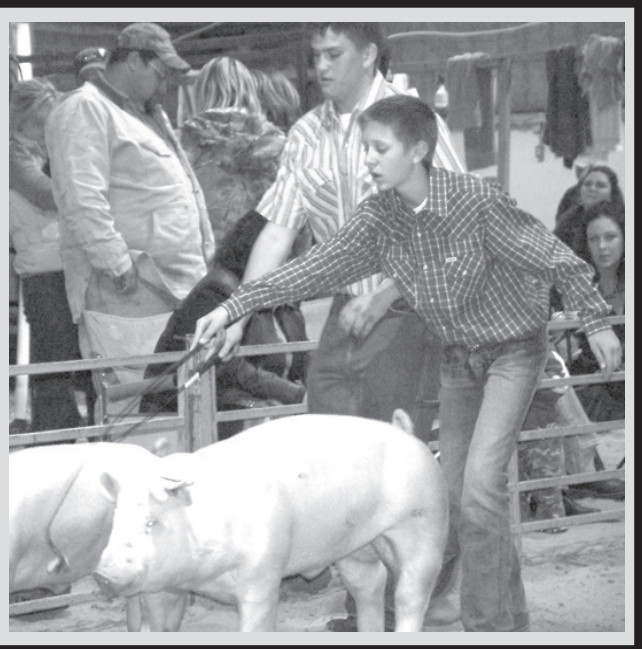
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When you go outside in the early spring, you'll notice many changes in your yard or neighborhood.

Read the clues below to fill in the crossword puzzle:

1. crocuses, daffodils
2. to break out of an egg
3. lawn "weed" with a bright yellow flower
4. _____ grow longer (waking hours)
5. color of grass and leaves
6. tree frog with a high chirping call
7. shrub with soft, gray "flowers" (2 words)
8. melts into water
9. when you feel heat you feel _____
10. beginning stage of leaf
11. home that birds build
12. clay or dirt mixed with water
13. grow shorter (sleeping hours)
14. falling drops of water

What do you know about breaking words into syllables? The word "spring" has only one syllable. You can say it without any breaks. Now, say the word "secret." It has two syllables: se • cret. Can you hear them? I really like even bigger words like the word "alphabet." It has 3 syllables: al • pha • bet.

Can you find and circle 5 words that have 3 or more syllables?

What do I know? I'm just a froglet!

Spring has sprung! Spring into action everyone: skateboard, play ball, hopscotch, garden, fly kites, ride bikes, mini-golf and bring a friend too!

I like to climb too!

He's a big frog in a small pond!

Word Box
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I love the spring when I can do my thing!

Spring Things!

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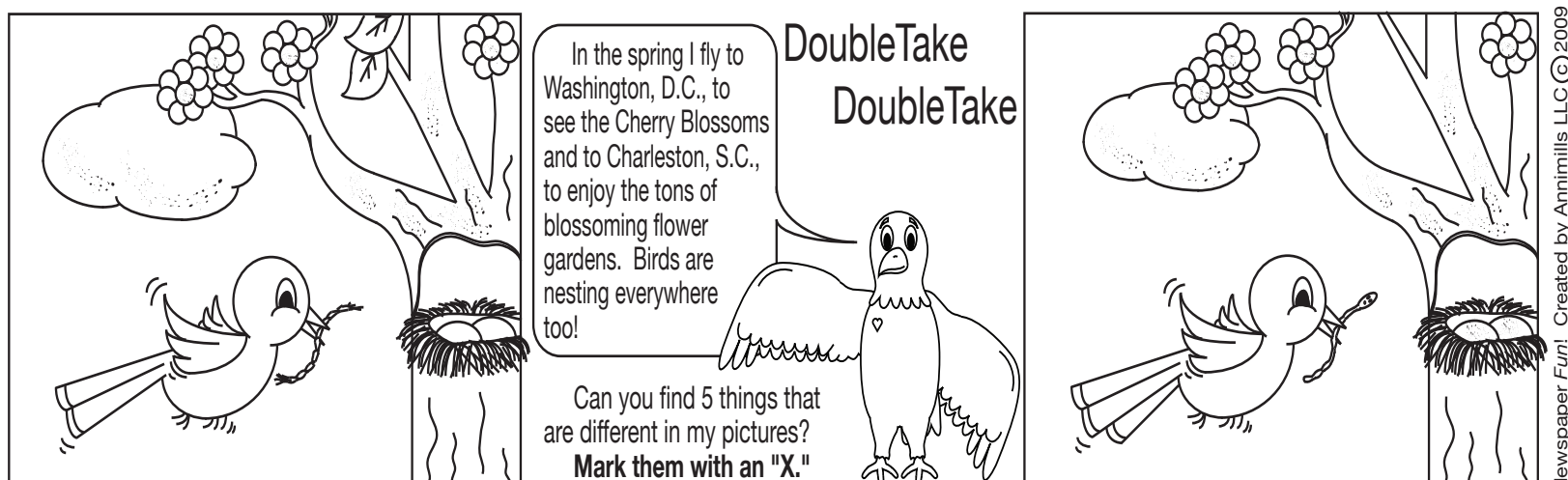
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DoubleTake DoubleTake

In the spring I fly to Washington, D.C., to see the Cherry Blossoms and to Charleston, S.C., to enjoy the tons of blossoming flower gardens. Birds are nesting everywhere too!

Can you find 5 things that are different in my pictures? Mark them with an "X."



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4-H News



4-H'ers compete at the fashion show

Several Bailey County 4-H members participated in the District 4-H Fashion Show in Brownfield on April 9. Among the area students participating in the event were: Amelia Symm, Junior Construction Casual, first place; Megan Pierson, Junior Embellished, first place; Bailey Bales, Intermediate Buying Specialty, second place. Also participating were Georgia Taylor, Junior Construction; Dressy and Junior Construction specialty Keiaura Nelson. McKenna Dunham and Ethen Taylor were unable to attend the district contest.

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The Sudan Buzz

Sudan One-act Play advances to regional

Sudan High School's one-act play "Moon over Buffalo," will compete in the regional competition at South Plains College on Saturday, April 25.

Sudan's performance is set for 3:30 p.m.

Several members of the one-act play have received honors including: Josh Barrett as Best Actor, Whitney Robertson for All-Star Cast, Megan McAlister for All-Star Cast, Luke Weyrauch and Logan Lance, both of whom received an Honorable Mentions for All-Star Cast.

Other SISD students have also been honored for UIL competition. The students, their event, and placings are as follows:

Accounting — Skylar Sowder first, Karen Trevino third, Desiree Trevino sixth, Team first place.
Calculator — Mitch Edwards first, Brock Steinbock second, Angelica Salamanca third, Joaquin Azua fourth, Team first place.

Computer Science — Whitney Robertson first, Chris Garza second, Jarrod Sawyer third, James Markham fourth, Team first Place Computer Apps: Whitney Robertson fifth Current Issues: James Markham second, Rebecca

Martinez fifth, Team second place.

C-X Debate — Whitney Robertson and Rhett Sain third, James Markham and Katherine Gutierrez fourth.

Editorial — Lindsey Cates first, Feature: CeCe Williams second.

News — Whitney Robertson second, Casey Walden fifth.

Headline — Whitney Robertson third, CeCe Williams fourth.

Journalism — first Place Team Informative: Rhett Sain second.

LD Debate — Amber Conley second.

Number Sense — Joaquin Azua sixth.

Persuasive — Luke Weyrauch fourth.

Poetry — Rhett Sain first, Desiree Trevino second.

Ready Writing — Chelsea Locke fourth, Lenisha Rosemond sixth.

Science — Brock Steinbock fifth.

Social Studies — Skylar Sowder second.

Spelling — Rebecca Martinez second, Team second place.

Speech Team — Team second place.

VASE Medalist — Art Contest, Amanda Neal won the state visual arts scholastic event.



Cong. Randy Neugebauer Sudan's state champion ladies basketball team with a flag that had been flown over the nation's capitol during ceremonies at Sudan High School Monday.

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The varsity Lady Mules golf team

Muleshoe golf teams place second

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

Childress Bobcats won the District 2-2A Golf Championship with a total of 724 strokes.

The Mules came in second with 842 strokes, Dimmitt was third with an 881, Friona took fourth with 890 and Tulia came in fifth with 906.

Floydada did not have a complete team competing.

Tyson Turnbow led the district as well as the Mules as the Low Individual with a two-round total of 150.

He shot a first round total of 77 and finished

up on his home course in Muleshoe with a 73.

Cooper Washington shot a 106 and a 116 for a total of 222. Jonathan Perez had a 107 and a 124 for a total of 231.

Jackson Myers was consistent through the two rounds with a 119 and a 120 for a 239.

Mateo Castillo had a rocky start with a 133 but improved in the second round with a 122 for a total of 255.

The Lady Mules finished the District 2-2A race in fourth place with a total of 962.

Friona won the district with an 851, Childress

was second at 861 and Tulia finished third with 942.

Sarah Johnson earned a medalist berth in the Region I Tournament in Midland with a two round total of 202.

She shot a first round total of 100 and a second round of 102.

Chelsea Moore finished with a 122 and a 128 for a 250 total. Janae Pyle was locked in and shot 126s both days for a total of 252.

Morgan Smith had a 133 and a 125 to finish with a 258.

The Mules and Johnson competed in the Region I Golf Tournament in Midland Monday and Tuesday.

Nursing home volunteer training begins Saturday

South Plains Association of Governments' Area Agency on Aging will hold an orientation on Saturday, April 25, for nursing home volunteer advocates.

The special session will be from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. at 1323 58th St. in Lubbock.

Extensive training will be offered in Lubbock, and upon request, some trainings can be scheduled in area communities.

Training emphasis is on defending nursing facility residents' rights; advocates will learn the importance for quality of care and life through a program called the Ombudsman.

All volunteers will receive liability insurance coverage; also, mileage reimbursement is available for anyone traveling from out of town for trainings.

Call Paul Moore at the Area Agency on Aging at 687-0940 or 1-888-418-6564 to pre-register or to receive more information.

Softball

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four runs, Olivas three, Gardea and Ashlie Johnson two each and Brenda Rodriguez one.

The Lady Mules went to Floydada Saturday to meet the Lady Winds.

Gardea took the count full and walked to lead off in the top of the first. Erika Rodriguez singled to center before Olivas brought them both home with a triple to left. Eagle singled to score Olivas but was forced out at second on a fielder's choice.

Perez reached on the fielder's choice. Baca singled to left and B. Rodriguez singled to center. Lupita Andrade walked on for pitches and Gardea started it all over again with a single to left.

E. Rodriguez singled and Olivas followed with a double. Eagle doubled before Perez drove a home run over the fence to clear the bases. The

Lady Mules had scored 12 runs to put a lot of pressure on the Lady Winds.

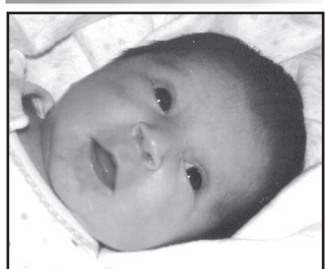
The first Lady Wind popped out to Perez at first and the next two grounded out to Gardea in the pitching circle to go in order. The Lady Mules led 12-0 after one inning.

The Lady Mules continued to shut out the Lady Winds in the second inning and they finally pushed across a run in the top of the third. The bottom of the fourth was the most productive for Floydada as they scored six runs on six hits.

The Lady Mules had scored six runs in the top of the fourth inning and added eight in the top of the fifth. Floydada could not score to extend the game.

The 7-2 Lady Cats of Childress visited the 7-2 Lady Mules Tuesday to determine the District 2-2A Champions Tuesday. Both teams will enter the post season with times, dates and opponents to be determined.

Births



Emma Adacee Ellis

Emma Ellis

John and Bonnie Ellis of Muleshoe announce the birth of their daughter — Emma Adacee Ellis, on March 2, 2009, at 12:38 p.m. at Lubbock.

Emma weighed three pounds, nine ounces at birth and was 16 inches in length.

She has two siblings — Adam Zamora, 19, and Hannah Ellis, 7.

Her grandparents are Victor and Palestina Contreras of Muleshoe, and John Ellis, Sr., and Josie Ellis, also of Muleshoe.

Engagement

Redwine, Herzog announce engagement

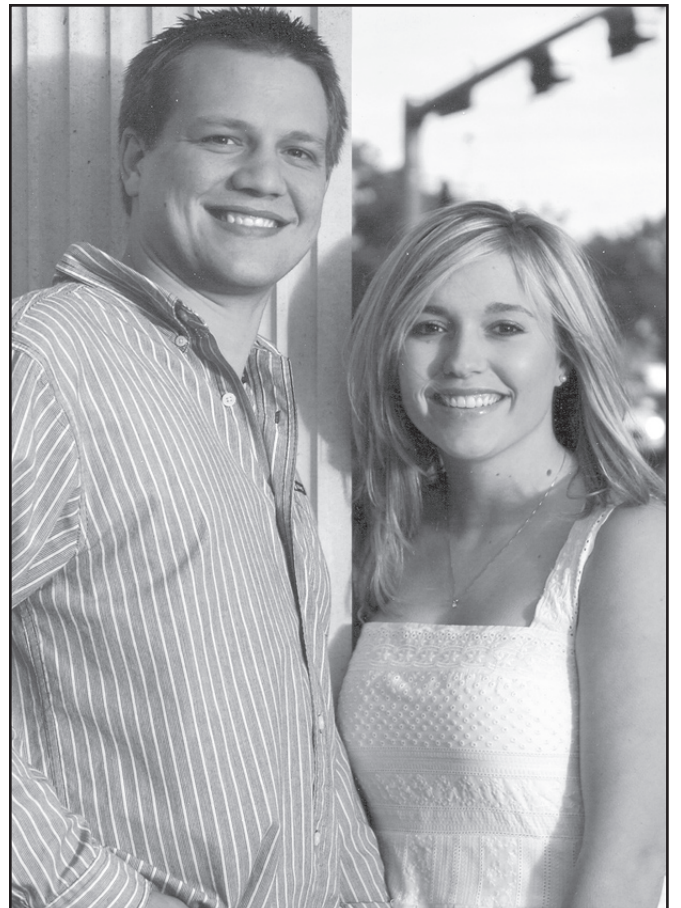
Tobin Dean Redwine and Shanna Renee Herzog, both of Lubbock, announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Alvin High School, a 2008 graduate of Texas A & M University with a bachelor's degree in political science and is currently enrolled in Texas Tech School of Law.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Herzog of Alvin and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Herzog and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hayden of the Houston area.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Lazbuddie High School, a 2008 graduate of Texas A & M University with a bachelor's degree in agricultural leadership and development and is currently enrolled and employed at Texas Tech University as a teaching assistant in the Agricultural Communications Department.

He is the son of Bobby Redwine of Lazbuddie



Tobin Dean Redwine and Shanna Renee Herzog

and Debra Redwine of Muleshoe, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Redwine of Lazbuddie and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Garner of Farwell.

The wedding ceremony has been set for Aug. 1, 2009, at 7p.m. at Heather's Glenn in Conroe with a reception to follow.

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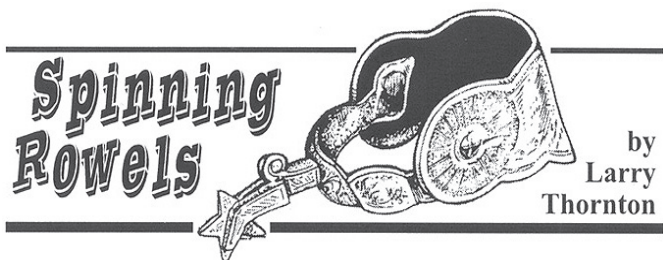
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Elementary neighbors should expect noisy kids

It's like trying to carry water in a sieve, or catching a puff of smoke with a butterfly net. Some things are doable, and some things just aren't.

The author W.E.B. Griffin once wrote in his "Brotherhood of War" series that a military leader shouldn't issue a command he knows the person receiving the order just can't obey.

The context of the remark had to do with a character in the novel being ordered not to have contact with his closest friend... something he wasn't capable of doing. Such must have been



the case at Olympia Elementary of San Antonio when it recently found itself on the receiving end of a police citation for the noise its children made on the playground.

According to the news story in the San Antonio News Express, this apparently wasn't the first time the resident had complained about noise

from the elementary school, resulting in loudspeakers being removed, the installation of a fence and the replacement of "noisy" basketball backboards.

Some things are just a given... when it rains, the ground is going to get wet... when it snows, there's a good chance it's going to be cold outside... and when

kids are playing on a schoolyard, they aren't going to be using their "indoor voices."

It's not even a case of keeping the kids, and the noise, inside. Anybody who has stood outside a gymnasium during an exciting basketball game can testify that it takes more than bricks and mortar to accomplish the task.

Several years ago, I road my horse into town one evening and penned him up over night. No problem... at first. But it didn't take long the next morning, when the kids began to arrive at the

elementary school next doors, for the horse to decide he wanted to be elsewhere... and soon was.

Obviously, it wasn't the kids' fault, or the horse's... it was mine, and neither is it the fault of children who after being asked to concentrate on school work and subdue their exuberance let it go during recess.

Over the years, I've heard about some of the antics pulled by federal judges who

have continued on the bench after exhibiting symptoms of... well, let's just say they're experiencing a second childhood, and leave it at that.

But in the case of the charge against San Antonio's Olympia Elementary, it probably wouldn't hurt if the judge who renders the decision remembers how it was when 15 minutes on a "jungle gym" was the most important part of the day.

Ladies Golf Assn. News

The Muleshoe Ladies Association met on Wednesday, April 15, with club president Pat Kirk calling the meeting to order with a prayer of gratitude led by Deborah Noble.

There was one April birthday — Pamela Miller.

Sheila Stevenson called roll and read the minutes from March's meeting. There were 19 present.

Kirk, Donna Glover, and Melody Hettinga will be in charge of the meal in May.

Marlene Martin gave the treasurer's report.

As for old business the motion passed to stain the cement in the hallway instead of replacing carpet with rubber tile.

Then making a runner out of carpet to go thru the hallway from the swimming pool to the proshop.

Sheryl Engleking



Deborah Nobles, Trena Matthews, and Helen Templeton. Not pictured — Sheryl Engleking.

gave the High Plains Tournament report. Engleking represented the club in Tulia.

The next High Plains Tournament will be on May 13, at Muleshoe.

The club will be serving breakfast and a meal after the tournament. A non-member can play in this tournament but would not be eligible for prizes or points.

Helen Templeton

reminded the ladies that the Memorial Tournament would be held the following Wednesday, May 20.

To be eligible you must be a member of the Muleshoe Ladies Golf Association and have a handicap.

Templeton awarded the following card and golf players:

• March 18 cards — First pat hand, Jeanetta

Precure.

• March 25 cards — Best total score, Jerie Flowers, Martin, and Templeton.

Golf — Best on 4 pars, Kay Field and Kirk.

• April 1 cards — Most times caught, Anita Black, Flowers, Analita Haley, and Trena Matthews.

April 8 cards — highest score, Anita Black and Flowers

Golf — least putts, Kirk and Templeton.

April 15 — Luncheon Scramble Team winners were, Noble, Matthews, Templeton, and Engleking (not pictured).

The door prize name was drawn by Templeton and won by Terri Precure. The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 20.

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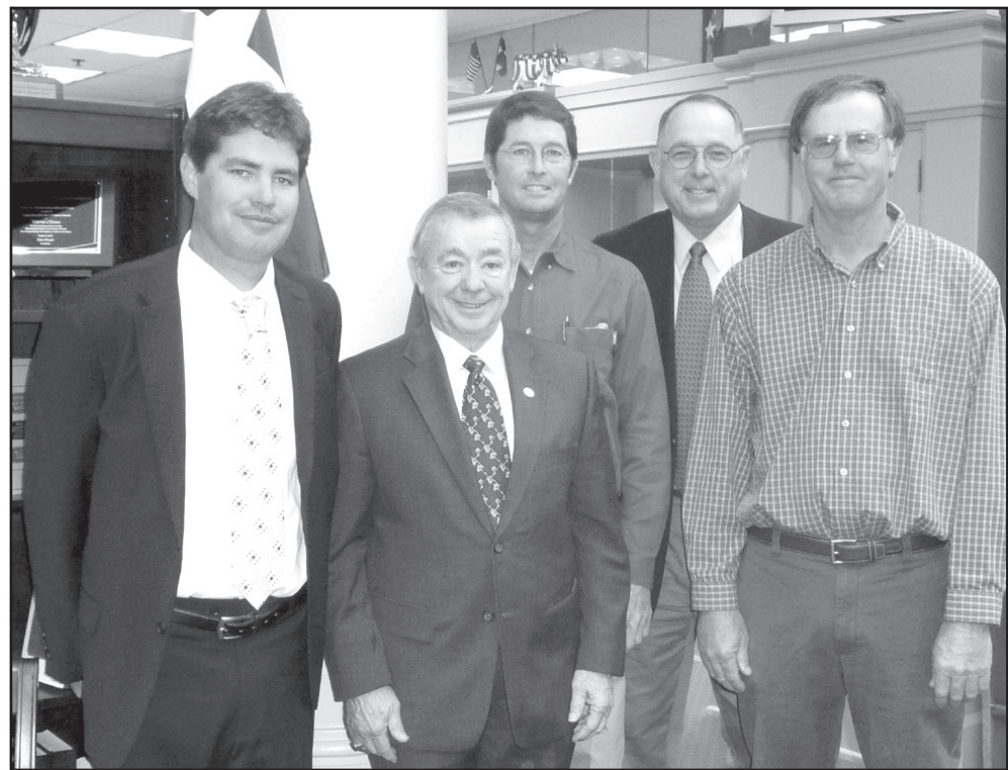
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Dairymen visit Texas capitol

Texas Association of Dairymen members from across the state recently visited Texas legislators at the capitol in Austin to share information about how the dairy industry contributes to the state's economy and safeguards the environment. Visiting with State Rep. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, were (left to right): Joe Osterkamp of Muleshoe, Chisum, Mark Long of Amherst, Larry Hancock of Muleshoe and Richard DeVuyst of Pampa.

Focus on faith

Continued from page 4

box it comes in. We make our own.) I'd set it by my desk, making the mental note that I will never allow myself to make again: "Don't forget to get this to the communion table."

Anyway, the lost was found. We celebrated communion. And I celebrated when, on my way to beg for the copy, I found my original sermon lying on top of the keyboard upstairs.

Things worked out well. Until I confessed, the congregation never knew they should have been praying for my sermon to remain lost. And it didn't. And both they and I avoided any kind of crisis of faith.

But so far today I've lost a commentary, a set of keys, and a pair of shoes, which are now on my feet so I'll know where to find them unless . . .

Time for some time away, I think. I'll wander back before Sunday. By then maybe I'll have lost a little stress. And I hope to have with me a new sermon that I'll try hard not to lose.

MHS Athletic Banquet set

The Muleshoe Athletic Booster Club announces the Muleshoe High School Athletic Banquet will be held on Monday, May 4, at 6 p.m. at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Tickets are \$10 and are available at Williams Athletics and Muleshoe City Hall.

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School board sign... Continued from page 1

apparently reconsidered the idea and joined Barrett and board member Michael Riley in one of the school board's rare 3-2 split votes.

Board members Daniel Guzman and Carroll Precure voted against Barrett's motion, and members Thurman

Myers and Nick Bamert weren't present at Monday's meeting.

"I'll compromise on one," Barrett said prior to his motion. "Let's learn it... what we can put on it."

"My thing is there are different things going on at different campuses,"

Guzman said.

"What about the parents at DeDhazo..." he said, "some parent's won't know what's going on."

While Riley said placing an electronic sign at Dillman now didn't preclude putting up another sign at another

campus later.

Additional discussion concerned the placement of an electronic on United's property.

Precure moved that the sign be placed at Dillman, with the other sign included in the previous motion apparently being located at one of the other campuses. It was Precure's stated feeling that the electronic sign on West American Blvd. wouldn't be effective.

"I'd hate to pass on any of these," Sheets said. "It's a good deal... great public relations... and great communications with the parents."

"I'm just taking baby steps," Barrett said, noting that he wasn't against the purchase of additional signs if the first two worked out.

In other business, the school board:

- Recognized the achievements of several high school students, as well as Dr. Sheets, who recently was awarded his doctorate in education and will be walking across the dais at Texas Tech on May 8.

- Approved the purchase of scoreboards for the new high school gymnasium.

- Listened to financial reports from business manager Trae McNeill, and held a budget workshop.

- Extended the district's food services contract with Aramark for another year at about a one percent price increase.

- Approved changes in the employee leave and absence policy.

Hospital administrator

Continued from page 1 hospitals, beginning with the hospital at Tulia in 1994.

All in all, Anglin says he served as CFO for about 10 years, learning about the finances of the hospital business, but eventually moved into the administrator's chair.

His work has carried him from Canyon to Guymon, Guthrie, Atoka and Sayre, all in Okla., the last four at which he built up a serious reputation for turning financially troubled hospitals around, a point no doubt which the MAHD board sat up and took notice.

Of the five troubled hospitals Anglin has taken on, only Canyon's was unsuccessful. Although he was only at Canyon for eight months, Anglin said the hospital was "too far gone" financially to recover, and the

hospital's governing body decided to close it down.

Anglin's most recent triumph was in Sayre, Okla., where the hospital board was faced with the decision of either a major renovation or the construction of a new facility.

Earlier this year, the groundbreaking for Sayre's new hospital was held.

"It took a lot of planning," Anglin said about the 18-month construction project.

Concerning Muleshoe's hospital district, Anglin said, "We have a lot of potential here."

However, he added that additional information was still needed before he could give an opinion about what changes needed to be made, or what new services needed to be added.

Anglin and his wife, Karen, have two children, Blake, 7, and Emma, 5.

Burglaries... Continued from page 1

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She explained that knowingly receiving stolen property is a crime separate from the theft of the property.

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Dialysis...

Continued on page 12 "They need to know how lucky they are," Hedrick said about the Muleshoe dialysis patients and the joint effort to push the Medicare and Medicaid approval through.

An added benefit for Muleshoe area Medicare patients, especially for the residents at Park View, is that treatment is available just a few feet down the hall. No longer will they have to deal with the stress of traveling to a center in Lubbock.

"One of the biggest compliments," Hedrick said, "was that we received the news on Wednesday at 4 p.m., and by the next morning there were already seven voice messages telling us they were requesting to be transferred to the center in Muleshoe."

Dialysis patients interested in transferring to Park View should contact administrator Chris Cotton, at 806-272-7578, to discuss the process.

Bailey County 'Relay for Life' to be held

The Bailey County Relay for Life has been scheduled for Friday, June 12, from 7 p.m. until 2 a.m., at the Muleshoe High School Benny Douglas Stadium.

Last year, the Bailey County Relay raised \$32,000, a higher goal has been set for this year, according to county chairperson Jill Morris.

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criminal activities may call the same number.

In other local action, and contrary to rumors recently circulating around Muleshoe, the local police department did not arrest a man armed with a knife at a local elementary school.

According to Muleshoe Police Chief Brian Frieda, a call was received on the afternoon of Thursday, April 16, about a long-haired, bearded male carrying a knife in the vicinity of Ave. J and Ninth Street.

Because of the proximity to local schools, when the individual wasn't immediately

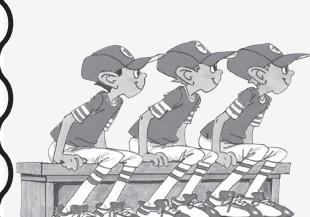
located, Frieda said school officials were contacted, and the campuses were placed under their lowest level of lock down, and students were warned to be wary when leaving the campus.

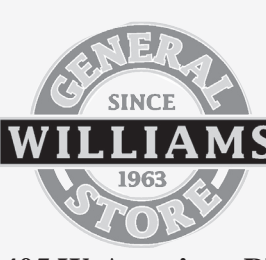
Frieda said in such situations the police department will always error on the side of caution for the protection of the students and the community.

Frieda also said police officers later located the individual at his residence, spoke to him, and determined that no additional action was necessary.


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JV Mules track team finishes in fourth at district

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The JV Mules finished in fourth place in the District 2-2A Track Meet held in Tulia Thursday and Friday.

The Mules accumulated 108 points. Tulia won the meet with 178 points and were followed by Childress 161, Friona 111, Muleshoe 108, Dimmitt 37 and Floydada 11.

Adailido Godinez and Carlos Bustillos finished in fifth and sixth places in the first race of the day.

They completed the 3200-meter run in 13 minutes and 54.43

second and 14:35.86 respectively.

Clay Pena grabbed the bronze medal in the shot put with a heave of 34 feet nine and three quarter inches.

He also earned the bronze medal in the discus with a throw of 89-6.75.

Isaac Baca and Josh Stanford took fourth and fifth places in the triple jump with distances of 35-2 and 34-5 respectively.

Saul Elizalde earned the Mules only gold medal in the field events by clearing 10-0 in the pole vault.

Justin Griswold also cleared 10-0 but because of previous misses received the bronze medal.

Alfredo Sanchez placed sixth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.80.

Baca flew around the curve in the 200-meter dash for the Mules only gold medal in the running events with a time of 24.57.

The 4x100-meter relay team of Alan Diaz, Baca, Sanchez and Carlos Sosa took the bronze medal with a 47.96.

Diaz picked up a silver medal in the 400-dash

with a time of 55.39. Eddie Herrera placed sixth in the same event with a 1:03.64. The 4x200-meter relay team of Sosa, Elizalde, Baca and Herrera had a bronze medal time of 1:41.65.

Jonathan Garcia, Matthew Ambriz and Stanford took bronze, fourth and fifth in the 800-meter run with times of 2:23.94, 2:24.02 and 2:28.26 respectively.

Sosa and Elizalde finished in fifth and sixth places in the 300-meter hurdles with times of 49.08 and 52.62 respectively.

Ambriz earned a

bronze medal in the 1600-meter run with a 5:40.67.

Stanford placed fifth in the 1600- with a 5:51.53. The 4x400-meter relay team of Diaz, Garcia,

Elizalde and Sanchez were fifth with a time of 4:04.73.

The Mules will start off season training as the school year begins to wind down.

Individual results from eighth grade meet released

The eighth grade Mules competed in the District 2-2A Track Meet in Dimmitt Saturday. Team placing were not available but individual times and distances were provided.

Isiah Guerrero placed fifth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.05 seconds. Rey Martinez was also fifth in the 200-meter dash with a 26.71.

Jr. Baca ran away with

the 400-meter dash with a gold medal time of 56.46. Chris Cage earned sixth place in the 2400-meter run with a time of 9:46.60. Garrison Myers had a silver medal time in the 110-meter hurdles of 19.14 and Ryan Johnson placed sixth with a 20.42.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Guerrero, Martinez, Baca and Jon Paul Rosas finished in fourth place with a 48.74.

Shawn Atwood, Miguel Quintanilla, Guerrero and Luis Ruvalacaba placed fifth in the 4x200-meter relay with a time of 1:50.50.

Martinez, Quintanilla, Rosas and Baca took fifth in the 4x400-meter relay with a 4:09.17. Myers grabbed the gold medal in the high jump with a leap of five feet 2.25 inches. Shawn Atwood placed sixth in the high jump by

clearing 4-10.25.

Quintanilla earned the silver medal in pole vault by reaching a height of 7-6.25. Martinez placed sixth in the long jump with a leap of 16-10.25. Baca had a silver medal distance in the triple jump of 34-02.5 and Martinez earned the bronze medal with a 33-11.50.

Marquise Trevino over powered the competition in the shot put with a gold medal toss of 39-08.00.

His throw was over four feet longer than the nearest competitor. Johnson earned the bronze medal with a throw of 35-03.5.

Trevino placed sixth in the discus with a throw of 92-10.00.

The Mules will now transition to weight lifting and agility drills to get ready for the transition to high school sports next year.

Eighth grade ladies experience tough meet

By Delton Wilhite
Sportswriter

The eighth grade Lady Mules had a tough District 2-2A Track Meet in Dimmitt Saturday.

They finished in sixth place with 76 points. Childress won the meet with 129 points, Tulia had 123, Dimmitt 106, Floydada 97 and Friona 88.

Brittany Soliz placed fifth in the first race of the day. She finished the 2400-meter run in 11 minutes 05.54 seconds.

Sheridan White was just out of the medals in the shot put with a fourth place heave of 29

feet even.

Morgan Burris placed fifth in the discus with a throw of 64-10.

Jessica Kube earned a silver medal in the triple jump with distance of 29-04.5.

Mandy Scolley won the Lady Mules only gold medal in the high jump with a leap of 4-06.25.

Linda Sanchez earned a silver medal in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.88. Scolley finished the 100- in 14.49 for fifth place.

The 4x100-meter relay team of Stephanie Martinez, Sanchez, Scolley and Kube took

the bronze medal with a time of 56.42.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Adriana Guerra, Gisela Perez, and Daniella Mendoza had a silver medal time of 2:06.27.

Soliz placed fifth in the 1600-meter run with a time of 7:18.64.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Scolley, Sanchez, Martinez and Perez took the bronze medal in the final race of the day with a time of 4:58.81.

The Lady Mules will start off-season work outs preparing to cross the street to high school in the fall.

Seventh-grade ladies win district track title

The seventh grade Lady Mules were leading Tulia by just two points with the 1600-meter run and 4x400-meter relay remaining to be run.

Tulia had defeated the Lady Mules in basketball and they were determined not to allow the same thing to happen in track.

Carolina Franco and Miranda Garza refused to allow the Tulia runners to pass them down the home stretch in the 1600-meter run.

They grabbed both the gold and silver medals

with times of six minutes 28.14 second and 6:29.86 respectively.

Tulia finished in third and fourth places.

The District 2-2A Championship rested on the shoulders of Brittany Prater, McKenna Dunham, Adrienne Precure and Franco in the 4x100-meter relay.

They did not disappoint their team as they sprinted around the track for the gold medal and finished nine seconds ahead of Childress with a time of 5:01.11.

The Lady Mules won the District Championship with 192 total points to hold off Tulia with 182.

Childress placed third with 93 points, Friona had 73, Dimmitt 55 and Floydada finished with 28.

"The girls ran hard for me all season," said seventh-grade Lady Mule track coach Tommie Stiles.

"I am very proud of them and the way they handled the pressure in the final two races. The

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Education

A note from the superintendent

By Dr. Gene Sheets,
MISD Superintendent

In the very near future, we will have a new way to communicate news and events to parents and the public.

Monday night, the school board voted to place an electronic sign on the north side of the United Supermarket parking lot.

We will use the electronic sign to communicate news, schedule changes, events, successes at school, etc.

We recently received permission from United Supermarket to place our school sign at this location.

We also received approval from the Texas Highway Department to place the sign there.

The school board also voted to purchase another electronic sign. It will be placed in front of Dillman Elementary.

Seventh-grade Lady Mules...

Continued from page 13 girls were determined to win District and not allow Tulia to beat them again in the final competition of the year."

Franco, Garza and Kristen Gonzales earned bronze, fourth and sixth places in the 2400-meter run with times of 9:56.79, 10:20.00 and 11:40.12 respectively. Prater won the Lady Mules first gold medal of the day in the triple jump with a winning distance of 28-02.00. Alexis Cortez finished in fourth place in the triple jump with a distance of 24-10.00.

Precure and Dunham dominated in the high jump pit by taking both the gold and silver medals with leaps of 4-02.25 and 4-02.00. Kalie Lovell took sixth place with a leap of 3-08.00. Prater and Jasmine Lucero earned fourth and fifth places in the long jump with leaps of 13-08.00 and 12-07.25 respectively.

Precure seems to have an affinity for high places as she won the gold medal in pole vault by clearing 6-00.25. Gable earned the silver medal in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.55. Lucero claimed the bronze medal in the 200-meter dash with a 31.96.

The 4x100-meter relay team of Prater, Precure, Dunham and Gable had a silver medal time of 57.96. Prater and Precure claimed the gold and bronze medals in the 100-meter hurdles with times of 20.20 and 20.84.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Gable, Garza, Lovell and Cortez took fourth place with a 2:12.36. Dunham ran a gold medal time of 1:10.50 in the 400-meter dash. Esmeralda Flores earned the bronze medal in the 400- with a time of 1:15.27.

Cortez took the bronze medal in the 300-meter hurdles with a 1:04.99. Lucero claimed the gold medal in the 800-meter run by only 0.21 seconds with a winning time of 2:55.50. Desiree Reyna earned the bronze medal in the 800- with a 3:01.17.

"We will take a couple of days and enjoy our District Championship," continued Stiles. "Then we will start off-season drills and begin to get them ready for their eighth-grade year."

There was also some discussion about purchasing a sign for the Watson Junior High.

However, it was decided that we need some time to determine just exactly where we wanted a junior high sign to be placed.

We may want to place it in front of the campus, or we may want to place it between the high school and junior high (on the east side of the junior high).

However, after some time to evaluate how much traffic actually will go in front of the campuses, we may decide that the sign downtown by United Supermarket is sufficient to communicate events to the public and there may not be a need for a

sign at the junior high or high school.

With construction still going on at the high school, and site work still needing to be done at the junior high, the board just wanted a little more time to make that decision.

We will re-visit the decision in the future, after we have had a chance to evaluate the situation further.

This will be a very positive communication tool for us.

We appreciate Chad Lovell and United Supermarket for their willingness to support the school in such a significant way.

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Seventh-grade Mule track team has a year of firsts

It has been a year of firsts for the seventh-grade Mules and they competed in their first District 2-2A Track Meet Saturday in Dimmitt. Team placing was not available for the meet.

Zach Mumae ran away with the gold medal in the 200-meter dash with a time of 26.77 seconds. Ignacio Elizalde took fourth place in the 1600-meter run with a time of 6:32.60. Elizalde earned a bronze medal in the 2400-meter run with a time of 9:50.14.

Eli Leal seemed to fly over the hurdles in the 300-meter hurdles for the silver medal. He had a time of 53.21. The 4x100 meter relay team of Leal, Matthew Barron, Mumae and Visente Solano had a bronze medal time of 54.74.

Cesar Magallenes, JP

Regaldo, Nacho Elizalde and Trevor McCall placed sixth in the 4x200 meter relay with a 2:14.99. Barron, Mumae, Leal and Visente earned fourth place in the 4x400-meter relay with a 4:50.38.

Leal cleared four feet eight and a quarter inch to claim the gold medal in the high jump. Barron sailed over 7-00.00 for the gold medal in the pole vault.

Elizalde cleared 6-6.00 for the bronze medal in the pole vault.

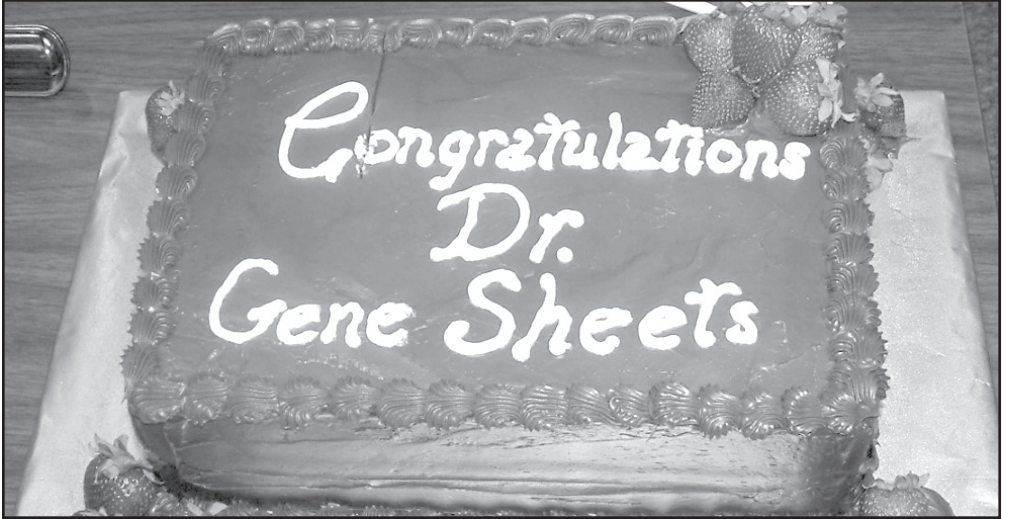
Mumae zipped down the runway and leaped 15-10.25 for the silver medal in the long jump. He repeated the feat in the triple jump with a silver medal distance of 31-06.50.

The Mules will begin off-season drills to start preparing for their 8th grade seasons.



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Wayne Pierson
President

Signature of the Board of Directors
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Published in the Muleshoe Journal April 23, 2009.

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- CLAY'S CORNER - VERY NICE 3-2 3/4-2 Home on 5 acres, approx. 2500' lvg. area, remodeled, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, whirlpool tub, fenced yard, 600' workshop/storage!! \$185K !!!

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Muleshoe church begins building project

Calvary Baptist of Muleshoe is realizing its dream of a new building.

After purchasing the land next to to church, plans for a larger church began.

Jeff Coffman, pastor at Calvary Baptist, contacted Baptist Bible Fellowship International, a group of construction missionaries and volunteers who save churches thousands of dollars in construction.

costs. The work that BBFI does will save the Church about \$40,000, Coffman said.

"This has been a community deal also, so many people from the community have volunteered time, as well as money to the project," he added.

Jack Reed of BBFI along with four couples have come to Muleshoe to help get the Church

built. "Many of these couple are retired couple who do this as missionary work across America," Reed said.

"We have been able to save several million dollars in labor, contractor services, and materials. It is an awesome ministry. We come to a town not knowing anyone and leave having made great new friends," Reed added.

Thanks for reading!

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 John 14:19

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Missing Former Classmates
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