

AROUND MULESHOE

Cranefest art contest rescheduled

The Cranefest sidewalk art contest originally scheduled for Saturday, November 2nd (and postponed due to inclement weather) has been rescheduled for Sat., Dec. 7th — the day of Muleshoe's Christmas parade. The art contest will be held on Main Street with registration at the old Joe's Boot Shop parking lot beginning immediately after the parade (approximately 11 a.m.). The contest will begin at 11:30 a.m. All participants will be given 45 minutes to complete their chalk drawings, which are required to be of birds or animals in a nature setting (in keeping with the original Cranefest theme). Chalk will be provided. Judging will be at 12:30 p.m. and awards will be presented at 1:00 p.m. First, second, third place winners will be chosen in each of four age groups: Pre-school through 2nd grade, 3rd through 5th grade, junior high, and high school. Winners will receive Mule-bucks, which can be spent just like cash at many of Muleshoe's local businesses.

As before, entry forms for the contest will be made available at all Muleshoe schools, or the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce office. Entry forms should be submitted to Donna Kirk in the County Treasurer's office at the Bailey County Courthouse by Wed., Dec. 4th, but entry forms will be accepted on the morning of the contest.

Courthouse to host Open House

The Bailey County Courthouse will host their First Annual Open House, Thursday, December 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Everyone is invited. Refreshments will be served.

Christmas Tour of Homes

Tickets are now on sale for the "Christmas Tour of Homes," an event benefiting Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center-Park View.

The tour, sponsored by Carolyn's Christmas Creations, is planned for Sunday, December 15 from 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at 224 W. 2nd Street in Muleshoe. All proceeds will benefit the nursing home.

The tour includes six homes: Polly Oliver, Hugo and Yolanda Vasquez, Kay Mardis, Mike and Jessie Hanna, Alton and Alma Burton and Kenneth and Darlene Henry.

The final stop on the tour will be at Park View, where Lasting Impressions, Decorators Floral & Gifts, and Carolyn's Christmas Creations will each have a sunroom decorated. Christmas card project members, volunteers and staff members are decorating other areas of the home. Refreshments will be served at Park View.

Help support Park View by picking up your tickets today. Call Carolyn Johnson at 272-5911 for more information.

Benefit concert

Everyone is invited to spend an evening of fun and fellowship as the birth of Jesus Christ is celebrated in song at the third annual "Christmas In The Country" benefit concert. The concert will be held at Trinity Christian Center Church, 1723 W. American Blvd., on Thursday, December 5 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Admission is free. A special offering will be received to benefit the local Meals On Wheels program. All donations will help make this season a little brighter for the elderly in our community. For information, call the church office at 272-3877.

Public calendar

The thanks and appreciation I feel for the surprise reception Sunday cannot be put into words. The kind and thoughtful things that you, our community, did, the refreshments, gifts, cards and your presence touched my heart deeply and shall long be remembered.

Thank you,
Joy Stancell

Nov. 29 —The Oklahoma Lane School and Community will hold a Reunion at the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church. All present and former Oklahoma Lane residents, teachers, students and parents are invited. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. A catered noon meal will be served. For reservations call Lois Billingsley at 806-825-3411 or Avis Carpenter at 806-825-2176.

Dec. 2 — Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a screening Clinic at Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 South First Street, Muleshoe. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call 806-356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

Dec. 6 — 6:30 p.m. Muleshoe Wrestling will host a spaghetti dinner fund-raiser at the First Assembly of God, 521 South First. Proceeds will be used to help buy uniforms for the children.

Dec. 14 —The Moonlight Extension Education Club and Texas Cooperative Extension announce their annual Arts and Crafts Bazaar. The Bazaar will be held at the

CONTEST

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Bryant forgot to fill in two of week twelve's games and still came in fourth place! If she done so, she would have had a chance to place in the money.

The most missed game of the contest was a tie. Twenty people missed both the Florida State versus North Carolina State upset and Washington's win over St. Louis.

The next most missed game was a four-way tie. Seventeen people missed the Louisiana showdown, Western Michigan's win over Central Michigan, Toledo's win over Northern Illinois, and Jacksonville's loss to 'Da Boys.'

Other games giving players problems were: the battle of the Bays, Michigan versus Ohio State, Minnesota's loss to Wisconsin, and Miami's win over San Diego in the professional ranks.

Some other contestants and how they fared were: Richard Orozco, 13th; Elisa Baca, 14th; Sue Bessire, 15th; Veronica Gonzales, 16th; Travis Bessire, 19th; Sherri Harrison, 21st (two weeks in a row); and Kim Black, 24th.

Bailey County Coliseum at 2200 West American Boulevard in Muleshoe, Texas. Admission is free. Applications for booth space are being accepted until December 1, 2002. To request an application contact Linda Huckaby at 272-3463 or the Extension Office at 272-4583.

Corrections

Crew members from the Junior High One Act photo were inadvertently omitted in last week's *Journal*. The students were D.J. Robertson, Irma Torres, and Tanner Bales. Not pictured was Kelsey Tipps. The *Journal* regrets the error.

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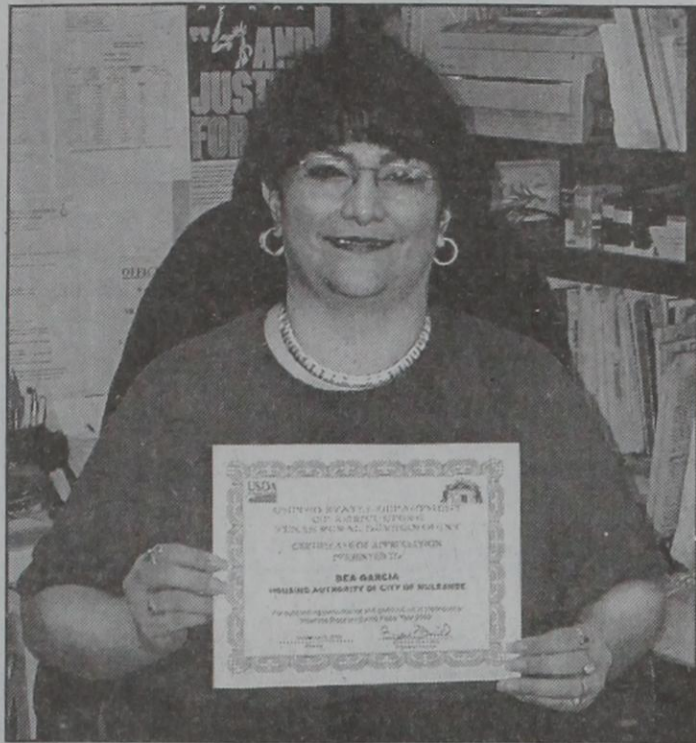
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Outstanding Performance

Beatrice Garcia, assistant manager of the Muleshoe Housing Authority recently received a certificate of appreciation from the United States Department of Agriculture Texas Rural Housing Development for her outstanding performance and participation in the Industry Interface Program during the Fiscal Year 2002. The program involves the sending of tenant certification and monthly reports on time and with no errors.



Courtesy photo

Muleshoe Girl Scout Junior Troop 612 recently sold nuts to earn money for uniforms. Pictured are (front row, from left) Stephanie Kirby (holding flag), Brooke Lennon, Lydia Annunziato and Yagaira Rodriguez. (Back row, from left) Amy Howard, Jennifer Payen and Jessica Reyes. Troop leaders are Nelda Merriott, Evelyn Kirby and Virginia Payen.

Program helps in exam preparation

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

The Center for Business and Industry at CCC has been approved for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funding for a four-week Healthcare Assistant program designed to prepare students to take and pass the Nursing Assistant Certification Examination.

The course will include 40 classroom hours and 35 lab and clinical hours. Those who successfully complete the program and qualify for certification as a Nursing Assistant can expect to earn starting pay of \$6.50 to \$7.20 an hour in the healthcare field. Cost of the program is \$325 and can

be 100 percent funded for all WIA eligible participants. Applicants should be 18 years and older with a high school diploma or GED. Registration deadline is December 9.

Healthcare Assistant Training Schedule

Training is scheduled as follows:

Classroom training: December 16-20, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Lab training: December 23, 26, and 27, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Clinical training: January 2 and 3, 6 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Practical Certification Testing: January 7 and 8, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information, please contact Kay Vineyard at the Workforce Training Center, (505) 769-3155, or Johnny Smith at the Center for Business and Industry, (505) 769-4760.

For more information regarding WIA funding eligibility, please contact the New Mexico Department of Labor One-Stop Care Center at (505) 762-4571.

ARTIST

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Records where she recorded a string of hit songs including "Baby, I'm Yours" "There's a Party Goin' On" and "He's so fine" for which she was nominated for her third Grammy.

During her career she performed on a number of popular television shows including: "Hee Haw", "Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade", "Orange Blossom Special" "Nashville Now" "The Tonight Show" "CMA Awards Show" and "American Bandstand" She entertained American troops in Vietnam with Bob Hope. She also appeared with such notables as Red Skeleton, The Beach Boys, Bob Newhart, Ronnie Milsap, Roger Miller and Roy Clark. She performed in major venues from Las Vegas to New York, played the great concert halls of Europe, not to overlook

theme parks, state fairs and rodeos too numerous to mention. One of her proudest moments was her performance at President George Bush's inaugural ball.

Although Jody made a profession of faith in Christ at the age of 12, she forgot her relationship with God during her years of performing. She realized that the bright lights were nothing more than a facade and the nights became more and more lonely. It was then that the strength of the Holy Spirit interceded and brought Jody to a rededication and full commitment to Jesus Christ.

Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church is located in Oklahoma Lane, just north of the intersection of Highways 145 and 1731. If you have questions please call (806)965-2121.

Compensation deadline set

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
Bailey County is still taking applications for the Livestock Compensation Program and the deadline to sign-up for the program is December 13, 2002. Please call to make an appointment if you are eligible for benefits under this program. Eligible livestock includes beef cattle, dairy cattle, buffalo and beefalo, when maintained on the same basis as beef cattle. Also eligible for benefits are sheep and goats.

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LADY MULES

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Rasco and Friskup posting five and four points respectively during the second period. In the final two periods the Lady Mules posted 32 points to Friona's 16.

Benham put up 22 points for the Lady Mules and Friskup had 12. Obenhaus and Rasco added nine points each and Locker had eight. Flores made six,

Carpenter three; Wood and Barton made two each for the Lady Mules.

The Lady Mules traveled to Denver City on Monday before the Thanksgiving break and host the Hale Center Owls December 3. The Lady Mules will play in the Nazareth Tournament December 5-7.

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Business of the Month

Muleshoe's Chamber of Commerce business of the month for November is Sheree's Attic. Pictured are (from left) Mark Washington, Jan Thompson, Lindsey Altman (employee), and Sam Whalin.



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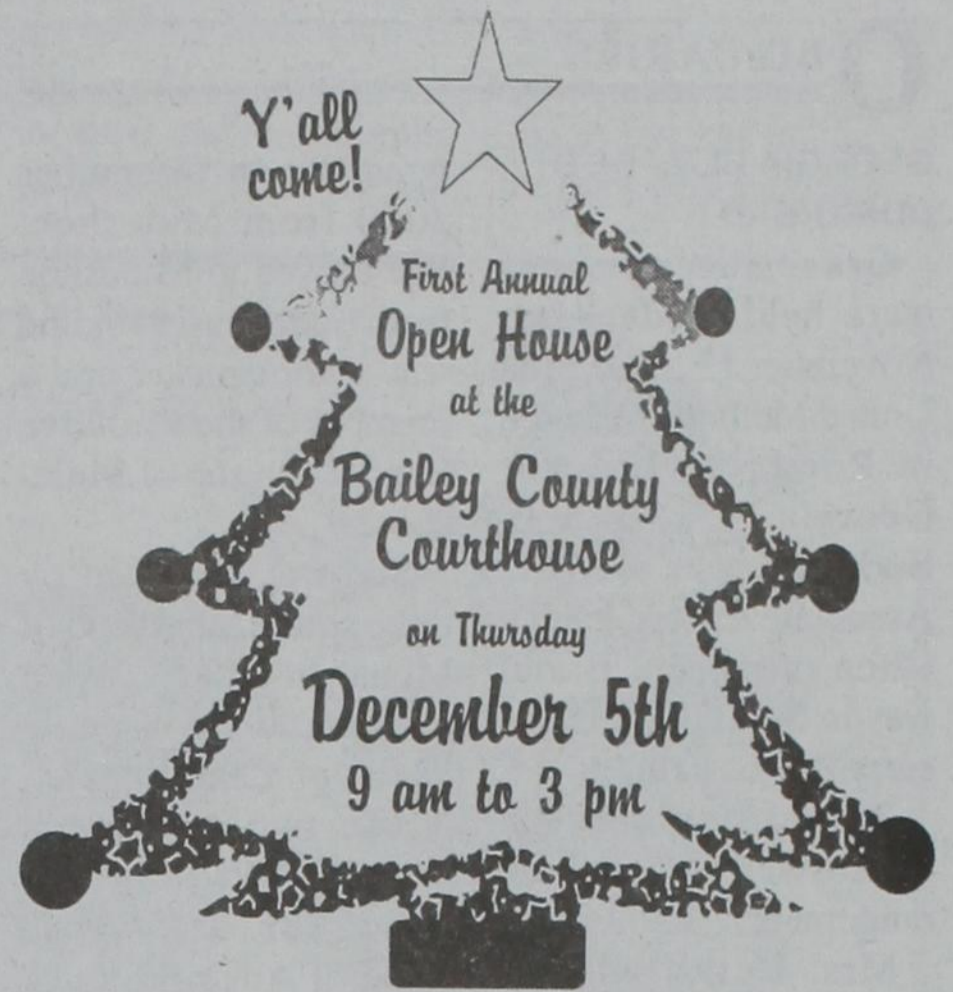
Employee of the Month

Muleshoe's Chamber of Commerce employee of the month for November is Freddy Santos. He works at Higginbotham-Bartlett. Pictured are (from left) Mark Washington (last year's president), Sam Whalin (vice-president), Freddy Santos and Jan Thompson (Chamber manager).

Toys for Tots event begins

The second annual Toys For Tots promotion has been launched by the regional telecommunications company, Plateau. The opportunity for customers to donate a toy to needy children at Christmas has prompted this successful event again this year. Along with the promotion, customers are eligible for reduced mobile phone products and service when they donate a toy at any of the local retail locations of Plateau.

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