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## Increasing student performance considered

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

The potential of increasing student performance was addressed through two separate issues during Monday's regular meeting of the Muleshoe Independent School District's board of trustees.

The first issue involved the implementation of a "flex calendar," that could reward students for their performance on the state-mandated TAKS tests by letting secondary students who pass the test take off designated "flex days."

"I can't think of a better incentive, especially for secondary students, for passing the TAKS tests, than getting days

off from school," said Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets.

At the elementary level, where freeing the students from class can

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— Dr. Gene Sheets

create daycare problems for many parents, Assistant Superintendent Carl Krug said "enrichment" programs the children would enjoy, or even field trips, could be used to reward the students who couldn't

stay home, and allow teachers to focus more on the needs of students who are struggling with the TAKS requirements.

According to Krug other school districts have implemented flex calendar programs and have seen significant improvements in their benchmarks testing.

"Sounds like a great idea," board member Nick Bamert said prior to his motion to implement the program.

Another program that could significantly impact student performance is the board decision to pursue a technology grant that if received would place a laptop computer in the hands of all students, from sixth to 12th grade.



Photograph by Larry Thornton

Members of the Muleshoe ISD school board studies the plans for the expansion currently under way at the Muleshoe High School during Monday's tour.

According to the superintendent, it appears the grant would require a 20 percent match, including in-

kind services, such as equipment.

In the board's discussion it was suggested that the

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## Watson burglary is under investigation

The Muleshoe Police Department responded to the report of a burglary



New videos for the week include:

- MISD school board tour of DeShazo and MHS expansion.

at Watson Junior High Tuesday morning.

According to school officials, one or more individuals reportedly forced their way into the building and several of the classrooms and stole an undisclosed amount of property, including several laptop computers.

School officials said law enforcement officers

are reportedly already following up on leads in their investigation, aided in part by the security cameras, which were able to record the photograph of one or more suspects.

Individuals with information about the burglary are urged to contact the Muleshoe Police Department at 272-4569.

## MAHD board takes action on medical record changes

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Pay now... or pay more later.

It's a concept the local school district has to face on an almost yearly basis with the various state and federal mandates it receives, but Thursday, April 22, the federal mandate under discussion's was at a meeting of the Muleshoe Area Hospital District's board of directors.

"It's a massive undertaking," said Bobby Turner, the hospital district's computer and networking guru, concerning the mandated changes to medical records that are "coming down the pike."

Once in full implementation, an individual's medical history and records

should be available at any medical facility across the nation.

"It's terribly expensive and I wish we didn't have

such as Muleshoe Area Medical Center, will get a portion of its investment back through its annual Medicare cost report, but



Photograph by Larry Thornton

Bobby Turner discusses the electronic medical record changes to the MAHD board.

to do it," Turner said, estimating the cost to the district at \$700,000.

In his presentation about electronic medical records, Turner said a critical access hospital

that amount will depend on how soon the district initiates the required changes.

Delaying action could result in fines,

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Photograph by Stacy Conner

## Sweet taste of victory includes a little grit

It's hard to be graceful when you're having to eat dirt, but a victory on the diamond makes the sand go down a lot easier. Pictured above, Mule Jonathan Garcia takes a hard slide into home in the recent win over Tulia.

## Myatt chosen to lead Muleshoe High School

Following last week's announcement that Muleshoe High School Principal Alex Salazar has resigned to take on the position of superintendent of Hart Public Schools, Superintendent Dr. Gene Sheets announced Tuesday, April 27, that Steve Myatt, will be taking on the leadership of the district's "flagship" campus.

Sheets discussed the issue with the school board during a closed session at the end of Monday's regular meeting, after which the official announcement was made.

"Mr. Myatt applied for the high school principal position last week," Sheets said, and he is very excited about this new opportunity.

"He has done a very good job for us as principal of Watson Junior High, and he will be a great asset in helping us continue to improve at the high school.

Myatt will begin his duties at Muleshoe High School on June 1.

"I am very thankful that we have someone right here on our staff in Muleshoe with his quality and character

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### Project Graduation

Donations are still needed for Project Graduation 2010. Projects Graduation provides a non-alcohol and drug, safe and fun-filled party for Muleshoe's graduating seniors.

Individuals, organizations or businesses wishing to contribute to the effort should contact Senior Class sponsor Debbie Conner at Muleshoe High School.

### National Day of Prayer

A "National Day of Prayer" gathering, catered by River Smiths, with all proceeds to benefit the Bailey County Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry, has been set for Thursday, May 6, from noon until 1 p.m., at the Bailey County Coliseum.

### 'Bat Out Cancer' bake sale

The Relay for Life team "Bat out Cancer" will be holding a car wash and bake sale on Saturday, May 1, at Stripes™, on the west side of town also will be having a bake sale?

### Traveling bake sale

Project Graduation will be holding a "traveling bake sale" on Friday, May 7. Deserts and main courses will be available.

For additional information contact Senior Class sponsor Debbie Conner at Muleshoe High School.

### Olton annual ladies luncheon

The Olton Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture will be hosting its annual Spring Ladies Luncheon at the Wild Plum Inn, 708 Main Street, on April 29, from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Call 806-285-3019 or 806-285 2292 for additional information or to reserve one of the limited seats.

### Ranchers' workshop

The Texas Panhandle and Eastern New Mexico are holding a ranchers' workshop on Tuesday, May 4, at the Curry County Fairground's extension building, 1900 E. Brady, Clovis, N.M.

The event will run from 8:30 a.m., and will include lunch and tours of area facilities. For additional information, or to register for the event, contact the Bailey County Extension office at (806)272-4583 by Friday, April 30.

### Rabbit show set for May

The Llano Estacado Rabbit Breeders Association will be hosting a triple open/triple youth rabbit show and specialties on May 7-8, at the Bailey County Coliseum.

For additional information contact Gary Fields at 806-946-6138.

### Muffins for Mom

Sudan ISD is hosting "Muffins for Moms and Grandmothers on Thursday, May 6, from 7:30-8:15 a.m. until at the Sudan ISD cafeteria.

### New high school principal...

Continued from page 1 and leadership abilities who can lead our high school," the superintendent said.

Prior to serving as principal of the junior high for a year, following Salazar's move to the high school, Myatt served for two years a assistant principal at Watson Junior High.

### Hospital district board...

Continued on page 1 decreased Medicare reimbursements, or having to foot the entire bill for the required change.

With that in mind, the board approved a motion calling for bids on the needed software.

Prior to addressing the issues on Thursday's posted agenda, MAMC LVN Sophia Gonzales spoke in open forum, about the pay difference between the nursing staff at the hospital verses that at Park View Nursing Care Center. She noted that a nurse at the hospital receives about \$13 per hour while the same position at Park View receives \$21.

"We've dedicated a life to this hospital," she said, referring to the loyalty of the hospital's nursing staff, some of whom have served the community at MAMC for almost 20 years. Gonzales said she has worked for the hospital for the past eight years, and is in line to graduate as a registered nurse in about a month.

"It's very discouraging when you hear what they make compare to what we make," Gonzales added. "Something needs to be done to lift the spirits of the nurses at the hospital."

"I don't think it's because you're not appreciated," board member Bob Donaldson said.

Board president Bill Liles expressed a similar opinion, "We've said many times that we keep the hospital open on the backs of our employees."

"It's a good hospital," Liles said later, "and it is because of you."

Donaldson said in the past the hospital board didn't ask the questions it should have, and that the pay raises at the nursing home were given without board approval. "It's hard to take away a raise once they've been given," he said.

Donaldson also said the board wouldn't have even known about the prior raises if it wasn't for David Burke, the district's former chief financial officer and current CEO, who called the issue to the board members' attention.

"The inequality has existed since (before) I walked in the door," Burke said. "If the board was n the dark, they've been in the dark a long time."

Burke said that when he came to the hospital district he asked that wages be frozen, and the board approved his recommendation; however, unauthorized raises were still being given at the nursing home.

"We're going to fix it," Burke told Gonzales and the other nurses attending Thursday's meeting, "but I can't tell you we're going to fix it tomorrow."

Burke also pointed out that the nurses could go to work elsewhere and receive a significant increase in pay, but Gonzales suggested that was the hospital nursing staff's last option.

"I love this

community," she said.

In other business, the MAHD board:

- Discussed the issue of the continued operation of the Pathway Behavioral Health unit.

Burke said he'd met with Mary Thompson of Horizon Health, earlier Thursday, and learned that she had yet to address the issue of renegotiating the district's existing contract and the request that at least a portion of the district's outstanding debt with the management company be forgiven. The hospital currently owes Horizon about \$110,000 for its operation of the unit.

Burke said all she wanted to know was if and when the district going to pay its bill for managing the unit.

He said his reply was that the hospital district would meet its obligation when Horizon met its obligation by filling the beds with the geriatric mental health patients referred to in Horizon's initial proposal to the board.

At one point, Donaldson asked if the hospital should give Horizon 60 days to fill the unit's bed, and make the hospital some money, or shut the unit down.

"I think we ought to break the contract," Donaldson added later.

No action was taken concerning Pathway at Thursday's meeting, but Liles suggested that if the unit wasn't caring for an average of six patients per day within 60 days, "its time to pull the plug."

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## Muleshoe school board considers technology grant

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continuing growth in technology was already pushing the education system in such a direction.

"It may be worth trying it out on somebody else's nickel," Sheets said.

In other business, the school board:

- Conducted a budget workshop during which the state's financing of the school district through the "weighted average daily attendance" of students was discussed.

"It's all about getting kids here," said board member Bruce Barrett. "We need to make ourselves as attractive as possible."

While Barrett said he was hesitant to say "spend money to make money," but added there is a little bit of it in the district's approach to how it conducts its business.

Such programs as the district's facility expansion and renovations, it's sports and academic success, as well as things such as the technology grant the school board voted to pursue Monday, make it easier for the district



Photograph by Larry Thornton

Phil Kent of First Bank of Muleshoe presents Thurman Myers with a contract sponsoring the district's new football field scoreboard.

to attract students and quality instructors, and with increased enrollment comes additional state financial support.

- Approved a sponsorship agreement with First Bank of Muleshoe for a new scoreboard for the high school football field.

Phil Kent of First Bank, presented the agreement to the school board members Monday, which will provide for the purchase, installation and service of the scoreboard for a minimum of 10 years.

Kent also applauded the board for its recognition of both

athletic and academic excellence, following the school board's honoring of a large number of UIL academic achievers as well as athletes during Monday's meeting.

- Approved a new contract with Aramark for the district's food services.

"We appreciate our long-term relationship with the district," Rebel Blackwell of Aramark said, adding that the company was looking forward to continuing that relationship, especially at the high school.

- Discussed the work at the high school and DeShazo Elementary

campuses.

"We're making progress at both sites," the superintendent said, "but the high school is more visible because they're putting up walls."

The school board toured both facilities Monday, observing the large amount of progress that had occurred since the board's last tour.

At DeShazo, it was noted that problems with the renovation of the kitchen had delayed a portion of the work.

## Thoughts on a 25th anniversary

Twenty-five years. Easter Sunday was for my wife and me our 25th anniversary.

"Interesting," someone might say, "since three of your four sons are older than 25. Glad you got around to tying the knot."

Now did I say it was a wedding anniversary? No, I did not.

But, though I couldn't have known it fully at the time, Easter Sunday 1985, my first Sunday in the pulpit of the church I still serve, bore witness to a covenant much more akin to a marriage than to a business contract or a casual employment arrangement between preacher and church, each looking for a good deal.

I remember that some of my pastoral colleagues in the city from which I moved were worried about me. They didn't like the look of the marriage. I was headed to a smaller town and a small church. These were guys in



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"connectional systems" who, if they did a good job, could pretty much count on some "upward mobility." I tried in vain to explain that "First" churches in our little group were rare to non-existent. Any preacher in my anti-denomination wanting to climb a career "ladder" would be wise to jump the fence and seek ladders elsewhere. Our "group" of churches had plenty of problems of its own, but an overabundance of "ladders" was not one of them.

Maybe in a sense they were right. Twenty-five years in a small church "marriage" may indeed spell death to a career. And in that may lie great blessing as both the church and the pastor learn some precious

truths and together grow in ways that matter.

Real ministry is more than marketing; the real thing centers on relationship. It starts, of course, with loving the Lord first of all and then building on that divine love in human relationship. Building anything worthwhile takes time.

Relationships can be messy, and the best and the worst in life in a local church centers on the fact that the church is as human as it is heavenly. On any given day or any given moment, it can and does veer wildly off in either direction. And pastors face choices. To be law people or grace people. To be organization people or relationship people. To be bean counters or to be shepherds. And they find out (and this is true in other professions, too, by the way) if their lives are about "calling" or about "career."

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# Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Wow! April is almost gone. Where is the time going. Maybe we will have some warm weather in May. I know my neighbors will be glad when May gets here and I start on my yard.

Tuesday, May 4, is Bunco playing day. Be sure and call a friend to come play. LeAnn Helton with Interim Home Health assists with the event. She does a great job and always has some good prizes. Come join in the fellowship. The games begin at 10 a.m.

Tuesday is also the day for the ladies to come and enjoy their bridge game. We are pleased at they come and enjoy the center.

## 'Bat Out Cancer' bake sale set

The Relay for Life team "Bat out Cancer" will be holding a car wash and bake sale on Saturday, May 1, at Stripes™, on the west side of town also will be having a bake sale?

Thursday, May 6, Hearing Technology of Lubbock will be at the center about 10 a.m.

If you need this service please make plans to be here or call the center and leave your name so the representative can contact you.

Thursday is the day for Bingo. If you need to just get out of the house and spend sometime with friends and having fun, come on down to the center for Bingo.

We asked that you bring a can of food for the Food Bank to play, but this is on a voluntary basis at your choice. Just come and enjoy and Thursday afternoon at the center

LeShea Mason with

Integra Care is our caller and she does a great job.

Congratulations to David and Clara Sudduth on their retirement. Our appreciation to you for the great service you gave to the center. We wish you good health and happy times ahead. Also a thank you to Norma and Judy for their help.

**Menu for May 3-7:**  
 Monday, May 3—King ranch chicken, beans, salad, chips, salsa and pudding.

Tuesday, May 4

— Liver and onions, scalloped potatoes, pea salad, wheat roll, jello and fruit.

Wednesday, May 5 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat roll and peach cobbler.

Thursday, May 6 — Ham with pineapple, black eye peas, sweet potatoes, salad, cornbread and cookies.

Friday, May 7 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad.

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Proverbs 3:9-10, NIV

## Traveling bake sale to be held

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For additional information contact Senior Class sponsor Debbie Conner at Muleshoe High School.

We would like to thank all of our friends for the kindness shown to our family during the illness and passing of our loved one Ruth Hunt. May God Bless all of you.

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# Obituaries

## Irene Garcia

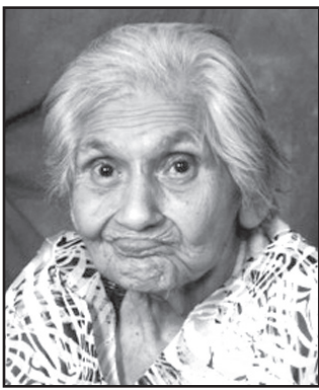
Church service for Irene Garcia, 79, of Muleshoe were held on April 24, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Father Leo Pahamtang officiating.

Rosary was said Thursday and Friday, April 22-23, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel.

Burial followed Saturday's services at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

Garcia died on Wednesday, April 1, 2010 in Muleshoe. She was born on Sept. 19, 1930, in Laredo, and married Arturo Garcia in Laredo in September 1958. He preceded her in death, as well as his parents, one sister and two brothers.

Garcia had lived in Muleshoe since 1980, having moved from Laredo. She was a



Irene Garcia

homemaker and a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Muleshoe.

Survivors include three sons — Arturo Garcia Jr., Pancho Garcia and Tony Garcia; five daughters — Norma Guerrero, Flora Ramos, Estella Pena, Hilda Navarro and Leticia Garcia; three sisters — Juanita Ortega, Vicenta Moreno and Martha Castillo; 25 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

## Hyrum Van Orcutt

Hyrum Van Orcutt, 82, of Muleshoe, formerly of Vega, died on Friday, April 23, 2010.

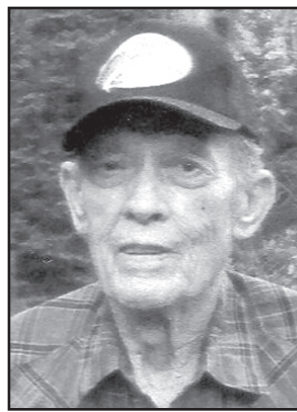
Services were held on Monday, April 26, at the First Baptist Church of Vega with the Rev. Steve Friskup officiating.

Burial followed at Memorial Park Cemetery in Vega.

Arrangements were made by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mr. Orcutt was born on Feb. 17, 1928, in Burbank, Okla., to Hyrum and Alice Orcutt. He married on April 28, 1958, in Newkirk, Okla., to Winifred Mae Hudson; and had a career as a rancher and a truck driver.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Winifred Orcutt; his parents; two brothers — Jim Orcutt, Ernie Orcutt and Red Orcutt; three sisters — Lela Harrison, Ruth Dickson and Alice Simpson; and a son — Christopher



Hyrum Van Orcutt

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Survivors include two sons and their wives — Sammy and Terri Orcutt of Amarillo, and Scotty and Elaine Orcutt of Muleshoe; two daughters and their husbands — Robin and Danny Dickerson and husband Danny of Muleshoe, and Kerry and Harold George of Vega; four granddaughters — Kimberly Harris, Samantha Crow, Ashley George and Diana Orcutt; and five grandsons — Steven Orcutt, Colby George, Matthew Dickerson, Trace George, and Leramie Orcutt; and a great-grandson — Kaden Orcutt.

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## Lee Onidas Kimbrough

Funeral services for Lee Onidas Kimbrough, 76, were held on Tuesday, April 27, at the Trinity Christian Center in Muleshoe.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Kimbrough died on Saturday, April 24, 2010, in Lubbock. He was born on Feb. 24, 1934.

He was preceded in death by his parents — Robert and Rue Kimbrough of Muleshoe.

Kimbrough lived most of his life in the Lazbuddie and Muleshoe area, and farmed in the Lazbuddie area for 25 years.

He was truly an exceptional farmer, and had his own custom farming business. He never had a plow he couldn't improve.

He loved to ride and customize motorcycles, winning numerous competitions throughout the years.

Kimbrough had a true competitive spirit. In his younger years he loved to bowl, and bowled five perfect 300 point games in his lifetime.

Golf was one of his true passions, and he



Lee Onidas Kimbrough

especially loved to play with his family.

In his later years he was a salesman at Gene Messer Ford, and worked there for 15 years up until the day he became ill.

Survivors include his wife — Rikki; a son and daughter-in-law — Kyle and Kim Kimbrough of Bertram; a daughter and son-in-law — Nancy and John Elliott of Lubbock; seven grandchildren, two great-grandsons, and a brother and his wife — Bob and Kay Kimbrough of San Antonio.

One of the things he and his family were proudest of is that he had conquered an addiction to alcohol 25 years ago, so in lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Texas Tech University Center for the Study of Addiction and Recovery, PO Box 41160, Lubbock, TX 79409-1162.

## Victoria Garcia

Chapel services for Victoria Longoria Garcia, 74, of Amherst, were held on Tuesday, April 27, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel of Muleshoe with Juan Soto Mendoza officiating.

Burial followed in Bailey County Cemetery.

Garcia died on Saturday, April 24, 2010, in Lubbock. She was born on March 23, 1936, in Gonzales to Jose and Petra Longoria.

She had lived in Muleshoe for 45 years, before moving to Amherst. She was a member of Inlesia Bautista Church in Muleshoe, and a homemaker.

Survivors include her children's father — Jessie Garcia of Amherst; two sons — Armando Garcia of Lamesa and Margarita Garcia of Dallas; three daughters — Janie Ellis and Rosalinda Garcia, both of Longview, and Patsy

Mendoza of Amherst; two sisters — Beneta Trevino of Houston, and Francis Flores of Corpus Christi; and a brother — Agustine Longoria of Killen, 20 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

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# Sports

## Mule baseball finds itself in 'must win' situation

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Mule baseball team found themselves in a must win situation just to tie the Childress Bobcats for third place with only one game to play.

The Mules had to defeat the Tulia Hornets plus they had to have Floydada beat Childress to create the tie.

The Mules took care of their part Saturday evening by swatting the Hornets 10-3. They were happy to hear that the Floydada Whirlwinds blew away the Bobcats 12-5.

But the story could still get better as Tulia still has to play Floydada. Their scheduled game was postponed until Friday because of rain and wet fields. The TAKS test also extended the delay.

Jared Skipworth may

have pitched the best game of his high school career. He gave up three runs on four hits, issued one free pass and stranded five Hornets on the bases. He struck out six batters in a row in the second and third innings and added six more Ks during the game for a total of 12.

Tulia's first hit came after two outs in the first inning. A long fly to left field was tracked down and caught by Ryan DeLeon for the final out of the top half of the first inning.

Caleb Conner led off for the Mules in the bottom of the first and drew a walk. He stole second base and Saul Elizalde sacrificed him to third with a tap to the first baseman. Conner scored on a wild pitch.

Damien Snell sent a swinging bunt between third and the pitcher's

mound. The Hornet pitcher chased down the ball and fire toward first base. The throw was wide of the base and pulled the first baseman off the bag and allowed Snell to reach on an error.

DJ Atwood smashed a triple over the head of the center fielder to score Snell from first and the Mules second run. Juan Guerrero tapped the ball back to the pitcher and Snell had to hold at third.

Adrian Chacon was hit by a pitch and trotted down to first. First base coach Wes Boatman instructed Chacon to attempt a late steal on the first pitch to DeLeon. Chacon hesitated before taking off to second and the catcher made the throw to the shortstop covering second.

Snell took off for home and scored before the Hornets could run down

and tag out Chacon. The Mules had scored three runs on one hit, one error and one free pass to lead the Hornets 3-0.

Skipworth threw three straight balls to the first Hornet of the second inning before putting a pitch down the center for a strike. The batter swung and missed the next two pitches for the start of six straight swinging strike outs in the second and third innings.

DeLeon blasted a ground ball just out of the reach of the first baseman for a single and stole second. Joey Ramirez was hit by a pitch and the Mules had base runners at first and second with one out.

Conner singled to right field to score DeLeon from second and sent Ramirez to third. Elizalde sent a ground ball single between short and third to score Ramirez and

Conner. Elizalde went to second on the throw home. He went to third on a wild pitch and scored on a second wild pitch that bounced away from the catcher.

Four Mules had scored in the second inning on three hits, one error and two free passes to extend their lead to 7-0. The Mules went in order in the bottom of the third inning.

Tulia scored on a solo shot home run in the top of the fourth after Elizalde had chased down a fly ball to deep center field. A hit batsman scored on a Mule error and sacrifice fly to right field that DeLeon chase down near the third base foul line. Skipworth ended the inning with a called strike three.

The Mules got back one of the runs in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Conner sent a ground ball into right field for a single. He waited for the second pitch to Elizalde to steal second base.

Conner went to third on a fly ball single to left by Elizalde. Conner scored when Elizalde attempted to stretch his single into a double but was caught stealing. The Mules led 8-2 after four innings.

Tulia scored one run on two base hits and a fielder's choice in the top of the fifth inning. That was the last time a Hornet would cross the plate. The Mules did not score and went in order in the bottom of

the fifth inning to lead the Hornets 8-3.

The Hornets led off the top of the sixth inning with a base hit but the base runner was thrown out attempting to steal second base. Snell called for the pitch to be up in the zone expecting a steal and fired a strike to second base. Conner made the catch and put his glove with the ball in it on the ground in front of second base. The runner slide into the tag for the first out.

A hit batsman put a Hornet on first before Skipworth sent the next two batters to the dugout on swinging strike outs.

Ramirez walked with one out in the bottom of the sixth and stole second base. He just advanced to third with out a throw. Conner walked and advanced to second with out a throw.

Elizalde forced the short stop deep into the hole for a ground ball and was thrown out at first. Ramirez scored on the sacrifice and Conner came home on a wild pitch for the Mules final two runs.

If Tulia were to defeat the Floydada Whirlwinds Friday the Mules would play Childress at a time and place to be announced.

But if Tulia is defeated by Floydada then the three-way tie for third would have to be played between the Mules, Tulia and Childress at places and times to be announced.

## Varsity golf team is still learning

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Mule golf team is young and still learning. Sometimes those lessons are hard to take but tend to be remembered.

It is much like the "School of Hard Knocks." The tuition is high but the lessons are well learned.

The Mules finished in sixteenth place as a team at the Region I golf tournament with a team total of 760 strokes.

"The first day was a tough one for us but they settled in, got more comfortable and did a lot better as the tournament went along," said Mule golf coach



Pictured above, left to right: Back row — Beau Avila, Jonathan Perez, Tyson Turnbow and Cooper Washington; front row, with trophy, — Colten Harris.

Carey Sudduth. The boys had a good two days and learned a lot from this tournament. The lessons they learned will pay off

in the future."

Colton Harris' game improved from a 98 on the first day to a 92 on the second for a two-day

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# Sports

## Lady Cats defeat Lady Mules after long delay

By Delton Wilhite  
Sportswriter

The Lady Mules had a long time to think about how to play their final regular season softball game. They had to defeat the Childress Lady Cats to make the state playoffs.

The game was originally scheduled for Tuesday but was change by agreement until Thursday. Mother Nature intervened with down pours of rain in Childress on Wednesday and Thursday.

The game was rescheduled for Friday afternoon to give Childress the opportunity to dry the field enough to play the game.

The Lady Mules were on fire in the first two innings and scored seven runs on four hits, one Lady Cat error and three free passes.

The Lady Mule bats went silent after that and Childress used big third and fourth inning

to defeat the Lady Mules 19-8.

Jandy Gomez was hit by a pitch with one out in the top of the first inning. Val Olivas brought her home with a stand up double to right center. Tori Alvarado was hit by a pitch to put Lady Mules at first and second.

Brenda Rodriquez ground ball was too hot to be handled by the third baseman. Olivas scampered home and Alvarado went to third. Rodriquez scooted to second on the throw to home.

BreAnn Baca's pop fly drove the second baseman back on the grass to make the catch. Linda Sanchez was the courtesy runner for Alvarado and flew home after the catch to give the Lady Mules a 3-0 lead.

Dom Mata gave up a walk and hit two batsmen in the bottom of the first. Two hits by the by the Lady Cats turned into four runs and they led 4-3 after one inning.

The Lady Mules came back strong in the top of the second. Mata drove a fly ball single down the left field line with one out.

Erica Rodriquez fly ball single to right dropped in front of the charging right fielder to put runners and first and second. They both advanced on a passed ball.

Gomez walked to load the bases with one out. Olivas almost missed the ball and pushed a dribbler in front of the plate.

The catcher pounced on the ball and made the tag on Mata for the second out.

Alvarado and B. Rodriquez both walked and forced home E. Rodriquez and Gomez. Olivas scored on a passed ball and Alvarado went to third.

She scored on a wild pitch to give the Lady Mules four runs in the inning and a 7-4 lead after one and a half

innings.

Mata settled in and the first Lady Cat lined out to Sarah Johnson at second base. The second batter drew a walk but Mata got the next batter to pop out to Alvarado in foul territory.

Johnson charged a slow roller to second and made the under-hand toss to B. Rodriquez at first for the third out. The Lady Mules clung to a 7-4 lead after two innings.

The Lady Mules did not score in the third or fourth inning. They had three base hits in the fourth inning but did not score a run as two were called out for leaving the base before the pitch.

The running errors may have cost the Lady Mules opportunities to pad their lead.

Childress exploded for six runs in the bottom of the third inning on four hits and three free passes. They followed that with nine runs in the fourth inning on three hits, two Lady Mule errors and five free passes.

"We will miss their

four seniors, BreAnn Baca at third base, Sarah Johnson at second base, Brenda Rodriquez on first base and Ali Eagle a utility player," said Lady Mule Softball coach Jason Cole.

"We had the best defense in the. We

were competitive all season long and played Littlefield, Abernathy and Childress tough every time. We need to improve our hitting, add some pitching and we should be back in the playoffs," concluded Coach Cole.

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### Muleshoe golf team... Continued from page 6

total. Cooper Washington improved his score from 115 the first day to 104 the second for a final score of 219.

Tyson Turnbow finished fourth in the tournament as a medalist. He was just one shot away from making a return trip to the Texas State Tournament in Austin. He struggled to post a 76 the first day and was six strokes behind the leader.

Turnbow came back the second day with the tournament low score of 67 but could not make up enough ground to make one of the top

three medalist in order to qualify for Austin.

Turnbow finished with a two-day total of 143 strokes.

"Tyson played very well from tee to green on the first day," continued Coach Sudduth. "He just could not get a putt to go in the hole, but that's golf. The second day was very exciting."

"He had dug a pretty big hole and it was going to take something special to get back in the tournament. Tyson eagled the ninth hole to make the turn at four under par for the day and back even for the

tournament," he added.

"We thought this would put him back in contention. He gave himself several chances to make birdie on the back nine but was only able to get to one under par. His five under par 67 was the best round of the tournament and the low score by three shots," said the coach.

"Unfortunately he was too far behind too many good players and came up a shot short of qualifying for state. I am very proud of all the kids. They competed and gave the best they had," concluded Sudduth.



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The holiday of Cinco De Mayo, the 5th of May, commemorates the victory of the Mexicans over the French army at the Battle of Puebla in 1862. It is primarily a regional holiday celebrated in the Mexican state capital city of Puebla and throughout the state of Puebla, with some recognition in other parts of Mexico, and especially in U.S. cities with a significant Mexican population. It is not, as many people think, Mexico's Independence Day, which is actually September 16. Commercial interests in the United States and Mexico have also been successful in promoting the holiday, with products and services focused on Mexican food, beverages and festivities, with music playing a more visible role as well. Several cities throughout the U.S. hold parades and concerts during the week prior to May 5th, so that Cinco de Mayo has become a bigger holiday north of the border than to the south, and adopted into the holiday calendar of more and more people every year.

[Sources: Encyclopedia Encarta, Encyclopedia Britanica, Prescott's Mexico:1900, HistoryChannel.com, other sources.]

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# Bridal Shower



Kyla Wooton

## Wooton honored at shower

Kyla Wooton was honored with a bridal shower on Subday, April 25, in the home of Lenda Trussell.

The parents of the prospective bride are Smiley and Shannon Wooton of Roswell, N.M.

The parents of the prospective groom are Gary and Holly Hooten of Muleshoe.

Hostesses for the event included Rayneil Bamert, Nancy Barrier, Tracy Been, Janice Bradshaw, Dianne Brown, Sandi Chitwood, Charlotte Field, JoElla Flowers, Jan King, Jan Lawrence, Kay Leopard, Jan Morris, Rhonda Myers, Marilyn Nickels, Diane Saylor, Melody Sheets, Lela Ann Smith, Liz Tipps, Lenda Trussell, Doris Vandiver, Lyn Vandiver and Jody Wood.

The hostess gifts were Emeril™ cookware and money.

Special guests included Shannon Wooton of Roswell; Hollye Hooten of Muleshoe; Kelsey Wooton of Roswell; Amy, Abbye and Anson Turner, all of Lubbock; Waynette Wooton of Roswell;

## Focus on faith...

**Continued from page 3**  
Pastor and author Eugene Peterson warns that in our market-driven consumer society, the last thing the church needs is a pastor who does what spouses who never grow up do: change partners whenever their present spouse becomes ungratifying.

"The vocation of pastor has to do with living out the implications of the word of God in community, not sailing off into the exotic seas of religion in search of fame or fortune."

If through laughter and tears we're embracing calling, he's right, and I still love my long-suffering "spouse." If it's just a career, boy, do I need a ladder!



Wendy Howard

## Howard feted at shower

Wendy Howard, the prospective bride of Zac Schilling, was feted with a bridal shower in the home of Judy Brockman on Sunday, April 25.

Special guests for the occasion included Debby Howard, Ingrid McNamara, Martha Schilling, Ashley Howard and Tara Kendrick.

The hostess gift for the couple was a Dyson vacuum cleaner presented by Judy Brockman, Ricca

Meeks, Tracy Been, Jana Barrett, Denise Christian, Tami Schilling, Mary Jo Schacher, Lydia White, Karen Schilling, Vernie Schacher, Sheryl Christian, Schree Mayfield, Kathy Curtis, KarenStevenson, Marilyn Smith, Tracie Claybrook, Mary Mesman, Joann McDonald, Terri Hahn, and April Gober.

The wedding is planned for June 7, 2010, in Puerta Vallarta, Mexico.



Kimberly Marsh Woolbright

## Woolbright shower held

Josh and Kimberley Woolbright were honored with a shower on April 25 at the 16th & D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.

The bride's parents are Kathi Marsh of Kingwood and Roy and Aimee Marsh of Houston.

The groom's parents are Cecilia and Manuel Gomez of Arlington, and John Woolbright of Dallas

Hostesses for the event

included Belinda Head, Debbie Conner, Donna Jay, Donna Mason, Dusty Gorman, Erin Boatmun, Jennifer Mason, Jody Wood, Juana Shelburne, Leah Cole, Maggie Byrd, Melody Sheets, Nelda Wilhite and Nicole Fletcher.

The hostess gift was a digital camera.

Special guests included Kathi Marsh, Cecilia Gomez, Claudette Keck and Ashley Nixon.

**Rabbit show set for May**  
The Llano Estacado Rabbit Breeders Association will be hosting a triple open/triple youth rabbit show and specialties on May 7-8, at the Bailey County Coliseum.  
For additional information contact Gary Fields at 806-946-6138.

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**MULESHOE CATTLE MARKET**  
The Muleshoe Cattle Market is brought to you each week by Muleshoe Livestock Auction, located east of Muleshoe on U.S. 84. Muleshoe Livestock conducts sales every Saturday, beginning with hogs, sheep and goats at 10 a.m. and cattle following at approximately noon.

**REPRESENTATIVE SALES - SAT., APRIL 24, 2010**

1136 head of cattle, 185 hogs and 645 sheep and goats for a total of 1966 livestock. Market 1-3 lower on stocker calves 3-600 lbs. Not enough feeder cattle to test market. Pairs higher with good demand. Packer Cows & Bulls steady.

**FOR INFO. ON SALES OR TO CONSIGN CATTLE - 272-4201**

| Seller, City                      | #  | Type           | Wt        | CWT or PH  |
|-----------------------------------|----|----------------|-----------|------------|
| ISABELL ORTEGA, ANTON.....        | 1  | BLK BULL.....  | 275       | \$148.00   |
| ROLANDO ESTRADA, MULESHOE.....    | 2  | BLK STRS.....  | 320       | \$145.00   |
| MARCOS LOPEZ, SUDAN.....          | 1  | BWF STR.....   | 400       | \$137.00   |
| DAN DAY, JR., MEADOW.....         | 11 | BLK STRS.....  | 405       | \$140.00   |
| C.T. MEEKS, FARWELL.....          | 2  | BLK STRS.....  | 408       | \$136.00   |
| BRENDA JESKO, MULESHOE.....       | 2  | BLK BULLS..... | 478       | \$127.00   |
| BRENDA JESKO, MULESHOE.....       | 3  | BLK BULLS..... | 612       | \$112.00   |
| ERIC SILHAN, MORTON.....          | 1  | BLK BULL.....  | 500       | \$126.00   |
| RAMON MENDOZA, MULESHOE.....      | 5  | MXD STRS.....  | 547       | \$122.00   |
| RAMON MENDOZA, MULESHOE.....      | 5  | MXD STRS.....  | 607       | \$120.00   |
| LAZY D CATTLE, PORTALES.....      | 3  | CHAR STRS..... | 628       | \$116.00   |
| H&H CATTLE, LITTLEFIELD.....      | 1  | BWF HFR.....   | 185       | \$280.00PH |
| DAN DAY, JR., MEADOW.....         | 6  | MXD HRS.....   | 287       | \$137.00   |
| DAN DAY, JR., MEADOW.....         | 13 | BLK HRS.....   | 389       | \$119.00   |
| BRIAN CLEAVINGER, ANTON.....      | 4  | RED HRS.....   | 379       | \$127.00   |
| KENNETH BLOUNT, SEMINOLE.....     | 7  | MXD HRS.....   | 423       | \$123.00   |
| CONRAD DELAGARZA, IDALOU.....     | 2  | BLK HRS.....   | 457       | \$115.00   |
| RAMON MENDOZA, MULESHOE.....      | 2  | MXD HRS.....   | 515       | \$110.50   |
| LAZY D CATTLE, PORTALES.....      | 3  | CHAR STRS..... | 595       | \$108.50   |
| SOLDIRA MAUD, SPIR.....           | 4  | BLK HRS.....   | 696       | \$101.00   |
| JIM PAT CLAUNCH, MULESHOE.....    | 7  | BLK.....       | PAIR..... | \$1060.00  |
| JIM PAT CLAUNCH, MULESHOE.....    | 2  | BLK COWS.....  | 178       | \$910.00   |
| JIM PAT CLAUNCH, MULESHOE.....    | 1  | BLK COW.....   | 1630      | \$69.75    |
| WALKING J FARMS, MULESHOE.....    | 1  | RED COW.....   | 1525      | \$71.50    |
| HARTZOG CATTLE, FARWELL.....      | 3  | BLK COWS.....  | 1368      | \$69.75    |
| NORMAN RAMSEY, MULESHOE.....      | 1  | HOL COW.....   | 1300      | \$69.50    |
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| ALAN PATRONELLA, LITTLEFIELD..... | 1  | BWF COW.....   | 1475      | \$68.50    |
| EARL KELLAR, EARTH.....           | 1  | BLK COW.....   | 1200      | \$63.00    |
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| BILL BENHAM, MULESHOE.....        | 1  | CHAR BULL..... | 1920      | \$81.50    |
| TYE DAY, MEADOW.....              | 1  | BLK BULL.....  | 1450      | \$75.00    |

**Births**  
**Eddie Alvarado, Jr.**  
Grace Trevino and Eddie Alvarado announce the birth of their son, Eddie Alvarado, Jr., on April 21, 2010, at 4:02 p.m., at Lamb Healthcare Center of Littlefield.  
Eddie Junior weighed seven pounds, eight ounces at birth, and was 19 inches in length.  
His grandparents are Pablo and Judy Trevino, and Manuel and Norma Alvarado.

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## LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
**Bailey County TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**  
Bailey County will hold a public hearing at 5:05 p.m. on May 3rd at the County Courthouse in regard to the submission of an application to the Office of a **Disaster Relief Fund** application of the Texas Department of Rural Affairs for a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) grant.

The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, to obtain citizen comments on the development of Disaster Relief application to address damages caused by the winter storms, and inform the citizens of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities, and the use of past TxCDBG funds. The County encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TxCDBG application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Sherri Harrison, County Judge at 300 South 1st Street. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact the Courthouse to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the Courthouse at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 32643  
State Office  
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Constr./Maint. Division  
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135 Slaton  
Lubbock, Texas 79408 - 0771  
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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Phillip Eugene Garrett, Deceased, were issued on March 11, 2010, in Cause No. 2515, pending in the County Court of Bailey County, Texas, to: **DOLORESCLAIRE GARRETT**. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o **JEFF A C T K I N S O N**  
Attorney at Law  
P.O. Box 286  
Farwell, Texas 79325  
Dated the 11th day of March, 2010.

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**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS**

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read. **CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE/ BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)**

Dist/Div: Lubbock Contract 6209-25-001 for SEAL COAT AND FOG SEAL in CROSBY County, etc will be opened on May 19, 2010 at 11:20 am at the District Office for an estimate of \$290,511.44.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid

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- NICE 3-2-2 Home, corner lot, built-ins, Cent. A&H, workshop/storage plus storage building!! 1974' lvg. area!! \$96K!!

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- NICE 2-1-3 Carport Home, carpet, tile, fans, fenced yd., storage bldg. MORE!! \$45K!! REDUCED TO \$35K!!
- 2 NICELY REMODELED DUPLEX UNITS & 1 NEW Duplex unit!! PRICED TO SELL!!
- NICELY REMODELED 3-2-2 Brick, new Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, 3125' lvg. area, spklr. sys., fenced yard, MORE!! REDUCED \$195K!! MAKE OFFER!!
- NICE 3-2-1 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, office, auto. spklr., fenced yd., garage/workshop/storage bldg. in back yd.!! \$117,000 PRICE REDUCED \$110,000.00!!
- 4 bedroom, 5.5 bath, 2 car garage, geothermal (cent. A&H), built-ins, FP, approx. 5100'. loads of storage, workshop/storage, RV port, auto. spklr., REDUCED TO \$185K!!
- 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath, 2 car garage, Cent. A&H, built-ins, basement, fenced yard!! \$79,900!! PRICE REDUCED \$74,900!! MAKE OFFER!!
- VERY NICE 3-1 3/4-2 Brick home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, fireplace, thermal windows & doors, metal trim, workshop/storage, fenced yd., MUCH MORE!! \$139,500!!
- VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fans, basement, cov. patio, 26' x 30' metal insulated bldg. w/A&H, fenced yd.!! \$169K!! MAKE OFFER!!
- VERY NICE 3-2-2 brick home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, corner lot, MUST SEE!!! \$130K!!
- 3-2-1 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, covered patio, fenced yd., stor. bldg.!! \$76K!!
- VERY NICE 3-3-2+2 carport Brick Home, Cent. A&H,

built-ins, FP, nice tile, carpet & wood laminate, approx. 2574' lvg area+ 120' finished basement, fenced yd., auto spklr.!! \$157K!!

**RURAL**

- VERY NICE CUSTOM BUILT 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 car garage home, at edge of town on 80 acres!! Geothermal heat & air, built-ins, fp, ash cabinets, approx. 2544' main lvg. area plus 625' finished basement w/safe & storage, spklr system, beautiful trees and landscaping, circle spklr, 5 wire barwire fence, 36' x 48' metal insulated bldg w/2 12' doors!! MUCH MORE!!
- VERY NICE 4-3 doublewide (2006) on 7.38 acres, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fenced yd., 25' x 40' Metal Bldg, septic system, domestic well, on pavement close to town!! \$452K \$130K!! MAKE OFFER
- Nice 3-2 Home at edge of town on .8 acre tract, Cent. A&H, built-in fireplace, 21' x 21' guest cottage, horse barn & corral!! PRICE REDUCED! \$82,500
- NICE 4.8 acre homesites, close to town, deed restricted!! \$17,500!!
- 3-1 3/4-2 Home on 80 acres, Geothermal Heat & Air, 2-10 hp. sub. w/ 3.5 ton air conditioning across east side. Good productive soil!! \$130K!!
- 3-3-2 Brick home on 5.57 acres on FM 298 W. of Sudan, approx. 2668 living area, Cent. A&H, built-ins, 2 wells, 40' x 80' barn, MUCH MORE!! \$135K!!

**COMMERCIAL**

- NICE commercial bldg. w/approx. 3300' plus 1040' upstairs, Cent. A&H, 2 restrooms, MORE!! \$39,500!! MAKE OFFER!!
- NICE OFFICE/SHOP/WAREHOUSE on .7 acre on N. Hwy. 214, Cent. A&H, insulated shop & warehouse, has 1-3/4 bath & 1-1/2 bath!! MUCH MORE!! PRICED TO SELL!! \$85K!!
- 1900' Off. Bldg., 106' x 140' lot on Hwy. 70 and 84!! \$79.5K!! PRICE REDUCED \$62K!!
- VERY NICE CHURCH BLDG. WITH PARSONAGE - Possible Owner Finance!! Price Reduced!!
- GOOD INCOME PROPERTY-LONG TERM LEASE-Parking area, 8,075' office bldg. w/ approx. 20,000' paved parking area!! PRICE REDUCED \$350K.
- 4.2 acre tract at edge of town, 40' x 60' metal insulated bldg., 2 other sheet iron bldgs., chainlink fenced area, numerous uses!! \$59K!! MAKE OFFER!!
- Approx. 1080' metal building including an office and 3 bay garage/workshop area plus chain link fenced area!! \$39,500!!



Photographs by Larry Thornton



**Two vehicles... one rolled**

Law enforcement officers and emergency medical personnel responded to the scene of a two-vehicle accident east of Muleshoe on Hwy. 84, Tuesday afternoon. Information concerning the identity of the persons involved, or the seriousness of their injuries weren't available.

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# The Sudan Buzz

## Board president speaks on bond issue

By Norma Burnett

Sudan Area Senior Citizens met Monday, April 26, at in the Sudan Senior Center.

In the absence of Wayne Swart, president, the vice president, Harold Beierman opened the meeting with Jan Fisher leading the group in prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Joyce Brady read minutes of previous meeting and Shirley Fisher treasury gave the treasure report.

It was reported that the bake sale that was to be held on Friday May 7 has been cancelled.

The meeting was then turned over to Pam Maxwell, Sudan school board president, and Scott Harold, elementary principal.

Maxwell explained to the group all about the up and coming Sudan ISD bond election.

She said that after much thought and consideration by the school board it was

decided that the bond proposition, if passed by the voters will be for \$3 million, with an intended five-year payoff.

The District intends to use approximately half, \$1.5 million to construct a middle school science lab and construct or renovate a fieldhouse and weight room.

The remaining money she explained, is expected to fund other capital expenditures including, but not limited to, school buses, cafeteria and kitchen equipment, technology acquisitions, and the repair and maintenance of building and grounds.

The bond election will be on the May 8 ballot for the school board election.

Maxwell also named those who will be on

the ballot: They are Greg Lance, incumbent, Tim Rich, Travis Nolte and Richard Salazar.

In closing Maxwell thanked everyone for being behind her for the past 15 years as she has decided not to run for re-election this year.

Beierman then introduced Kermit Whitten who is running for alderman for the Sudan City Council, in the May 8 election.

Others running for the positions of alderman are; Sam Miller, Patty Hill, Dennis Gore, incumbent, and Kathy Gatewood.

The meeting was adjourned with sandwiches, chips and desserts being served to those present.

Next meeting will be May 24.

### Buzz-A-Licious Recipes

**Red Beans And Rice**

- 1 lb. pinto beans
  - 2 onions, chopped
  - 1 bell pepper, chopped
  - 1 clove garlic, mashed
  - 1 lb. smoked sausage, cut into pieces
  - 2 Cups cooked rice
- Soak beans overnight. Drain and rinse beans and combine onions, peppers and garlic. Put in heavy sauce pan and cover with water. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat, cover and simmer for one hour.
- Add sausage and cook for 1-1/2 hours or until beans are tender and a thick gravy is formed. Stir in salt, pepper and Tabasco™ to taste.
- Add cooked rice last 30 minutes.
- Makes 10 servings.

### Book signing set for April 29

Dr. Robert Salem, one of Sudan's very own, will be signing his new book entitled, *Sandstorms & Surgery*, on Thursday, April 29 from 11 a.m. until 2p.m. at First United

Bank of Sudan. Refreshments will be served and there will be drawings for prizes every 30 minutes. The public is invited to attend.

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