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## County ammends personnel policy

by teresa stone Journal staff writer After three months of discussion, the Bailey County Commissioner's Court finally made changes to the personnel policy.
After heated discussions with the county's insurance representative, the courtreluctantly adopted changes clarifying ex actly what county employees can expect from their health plan.
This decision is hard be-
cause it's pulling at our heart
strings," County Judge Marilyn
Cox said. "We have to remember that this is a business decision. We need something in place in case something hap pens tomorrow. Ouremployees expect from whe" they can
Commissioners Butch
Vandiver, Precinct 1 , Joey
Kindle, Precinct 3, and Cox voted for the changes. Precinct Commissioner Benni Claunch voted the motion, stat ing that there were justtoo many unanswered questions. Precinc 4 Commissioner C.E. Gran abstained.
The most controversia change involved specifying exactly when benefits end after an employee is unable to return o work due to illness or dis ability.
"This decision is hard because it's pulling at our heart strings. We have to remember that this is a business decision. . . Our employees need to know what they can expect from us."

## Doggone cute



Kidd, a three-month-old Australian sheperd, checks out the scenery Monday from the back of a pickup parked near the Journal office.

## Page one

A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

## Damron defeats Claunch

Claunch Tuesday in the Demecratic Pit mary for the postion of Bailey County Comissioner Precinct 4.
Damron earned 125 votes to 80 for Claunch in the only contested local race in the March 10 Primary

Damron will run unoppossed in the No
Tornado spotted in Earth
According to Earth Chief of police Joh Cox, Saturday was just another day of traditional Texas weather: a tornado in the afternnon and a snow storm in the evening.

A tornado was spotted touching dow east of the Springlake-Earth school Saturday afternoon. The tornando whipped across an open field for about six minutes, according to eye witness reports.

The low-energy tornado, which was just powerful enough to stir up wet dirt, did not cause any damage, the police chief said.

| LOCAL WEATHER |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| High |  |  |  |
| Friday | 50 | 31 | - |
| Saturday | 62 | 31 | trace |
| Sunday | 41 | 21 | - |
| Total to date | 1.31 |  |  |
| inches |  |  |  |

## Extended forecast

Partly cloudy with a chance of rain on Saturday. Highs $50-55$, warming over the weekend to the 60s. Lows in the upper 20s Thurs day increasing to $35-40$ over the weekend.

## Field selected all-district first team

Lindsey Field was the only underclassman named to the 1997-98 AllDistrict 1 3A girls bas3A girls bas-
ketball first ketball first
team se$\begin{array}{ll}\text { team } & \text { se- } \\ \text { lected } & \text { by }\end{array}$ 1 e a g u
coaches.


Senior Amber Matthews of co-champion Dimmitt was able player

Co-champion Perryton and River Road had two players each on the first team

Lady Mule junior post Erin Wilhite was a second-team se-

Field, a 5-9 guard, averaged a team-high 12.4 points and 5.5 rebounds a game while helping the Lady Mules finish 17-12 overall and tied for third 17-12 overall and tied for third
in the district at 8-6. She also in the district at $8-6$. She also
led the team with 77 steals and led the team
100 assists.

She was joined on the first team by junior Shawna Kenworthy of Dimmitt, senior Jaclyn Nowlin and junior Leigh Ann Ogden of Perryton, senior Tammy Spencer of Friona and seniors Laurie and Mary Adams of River Road. Wilhite, a 5-10 post, averaged 10.9 points and 7.2 rebounds a game while shooting
51.3 percent from the field.

The second team also fea tured Jacy Buckley of Dimmitt
 Pope
Po Pope of
Friona, Alicia Friona, Alicia River Road, M a n d y

## Erin Wilhite

 Tulia, Cindy Hermosillo of Dalhart and Tobi Alexander of Perryton.Earning honorable mention for the Lady Mules were seniors Amy Locker and Mandy Myers.
Locker averaged 5.3 point and 3.6 rebounds a game while Myers averaged 4.5 points.

## Texas Ag Dept. seeks comment on proposed boll weevil zone

The Texas Department of Agriculture is a cepting public comment until April proposal to create a new, smaller boll weev eradication zone from the existing statutory Northern High Plains zone.
The proposed zone, the Northwest Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, would consis of about 450,000 acres of cotton in five counties: Bailey, Castro, Deaf Smith, Lamb and Parmer.

Those wishing to submit written comment can send them to Katie Dickie Stavinoha, spe cial assistant for Producer Relations, Texa Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847 Austin, Texas 78711
Written comment must be received by April
Comment on the proposed zone will also be accepted at a public hearing beginning at $1: 30$ p.m., Thursday, April 2, at the Earth City Hall, corner of First and Birch Street, in Earth. Under legislation passed last year, the Te Agriculture Commissioner was giy
thority to change zone boundaries
Commissioner Rick Perry is considering the smaller zone at the request of 82 cotto producers representing more than 30 gins in the five-county area.
Producers spearheading the request har asked that a more compact zone be cre
If the smaller zone is created, an advisory committee will be seated to gauge whether there is interest in pursuing a comprehensiy boll weevil eradication program within the new

## BASKETBALL

All- District 1-3A
GIRLS
Most Valuable Player - Amber Matthews, st Dimmitt.
FIRST TEAM
FIRST TEAM
Shawna Kenworthy,
Shawna Kenworthy, jr................................Dimmiu
Tammy Spencer, sr...
Lindsey Field, so.
Leigh Ann Ogden, jr
Laurie Adams, sr.
Mary Adams, sr. .
SECOND TEAM
Cindy Hermosillo,
Jacy Buckley, sr...
April Pope, jr. .
Erin Wilhite, jr.
Tobi Alexander, jr
Alicia Swaim, sr.
Muleshoe hono
Muleshoe hono
Mandy Myers, sr.

## Filing deadline for local elections week away

Only one week left to file for a posi- first city council meeting following the tion on the ballots for local governing election.
boards holding elections in May.
Interested candidates have until March 18 e file Board has three seats up forelection the local school boards, hospital district any of the seats.
board and city council
The Muleshoe city council will be holding elections for districts 1 and 2. District 1 is currently represented by Juan Chavez while Cliff Black represents District 2.

So far only one candidate, Sam Burke, has filed for the city council election. Burke is seeking election to represent District 1. Neither Chavez
nor Black have filed for reelection yet.
The new terms, which will be effec-
tive for three years, will start after the

Voters in the Muleshoe Independent School District will have to fill the two at-large seats on the Board of Trustee which are currently held by Max King and Ed Cox. Neither incumbent plans to run for reelection.
Four people have applied for a place on the school board ballot including David Tipps, Bruce Barrett, Thurman Myers and Jay Messenger
The Three Way school district is also
see DEADLINE on page 3

City Council vacancy draws three candidates
Three candidates have filed as of Monday afternoon for the vacant position on the Muleshoe City Council. The filing deadline is at noon Thursday.

The City Council will meet at $5: 30$ p.m. Thursday and vote on filling the unexpired term of Roger Williams, who resigned last month. Williams represented District 4
Candidates who have filed are Eugene "Peanut" Háwkins, 57, farmer and owner of the Bailey Gin Co., Lupe Olivarez, 51, owner of O\&C Erection Sprinkler Service and Sharon Grant, 55, an employee of the Muleshoe Independent School District.
If chosen, Grant would be the first woman to serve on the Muleshoe City Council.

Watson Junior high choir concert
The Watson Junior High choir invites everyone to an evening filled with partriotic songs performed by local sixth through eighth graders.
The concert is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 12 in the high school auditorium. Admission is free.
MHS parents raise money for prom
Parents of Muleshoe High juniors and seniors are sponsoring adrawing for a Spring make-over valued at $\$ 250$. The funds raised will be used to defray the cost of the banquet and prom.
Tickets for the drawing are on sell for $\$ 1$ and will be sold throughout March. The drawing will be held April 6, 1998 at the Fine Arts Night to Shine. Tickets are available from any junior or senior parent.
Open house at MHS computer labs
community members are invited to visit the computer labs at Muleshoe High School. Open House will be from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, 1998.

A short organizational meeting to discuss future community classes will begin at 7:30 p.m.
Lazbuddie Christian ladies fellowship
Christian women are invited toanew Lazbuddie Christian ladies fellowship group now forming. The group will meet the third Saturday of each month. The first gathering will be 9:30-noon, Saturday, March 21, 1998 at the First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie. Refreshments will be served. Everyone, regardless of denomination, is invited to come celebrate God with fellow Christian women. Square and round dance festival

The Lubbock Area Square and Round Dance Federation is hosting their 39th annual Spring Festival. The event will be held at the Dance Center, 2305 120th Street, Friday, March 27 and Saturday, March 28
The theme of this year's dance is "Fiesta Del Llano" the square dance caller will be John Gorski of Lawton, Okla. and the round dance cuer will be Jerry and Bea Leavelle of Lubbock.

There is no admission for spectators and everyone is invited to atend. All evening dances begin at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. For more information contact festival chairpersons Monty and Thelma Fowler at 806 234-2571.

## Texas Academy of Leadership

BEAUMONT - Texas Academy of Leadership in the Humanities is accepting applications for its 1998-1999 school year. High school freshman and sophomores who are interested in attending the Academy, based at Lamar University in Beaumont, should contact Michael Verde, student services coordinator, at 209-839-2995.

The Texas Academy of Leadership in the Humanities is a twoyear residential honors program for intellectually gifted and ethically grounded young people who seek an enriched curriculum steeped in the classical disciplines of the humanities. Students complete their last two years of high school credits and their first two years of college requirements concurrently
Acceptance is based on a highly competitive process. Students must have successfully completed the 10th grade, be nominated by a teacher, school administrator, parent or community leader, submit written recommendations from two teachers, have composite score on the SAT of at least 1000 , with a verbal score of at least 550, and more.
The phone company offers scholarships Any graduating senior who intends to further their education and whose parents or guardian are members of Five Area Tele phone or customers of West Plains Telecommunications and reside within our service area are eligible to apply for a scholarship. The following schools qualify for a scholarship: Three Way Lazbuddie, Mọrton, Whiteface, Farwell, Muleshoe, Sudan, Little field, Springlake/Earth, and Olton. The prefix where you reside must be: $525,925,927,933,946,965,227,257,272,285$, and 986 Applications are available at each school superintendents office. We ask that they be returned to our office at Five Area Telephone no later than April 15, 1998
The scholarship winners will be selected at the board meeting held the last Monday of April.

## El Nino should weaken by summer

(Thefollowing is an ElNino Lubbock reported about
update from the newlsetter of the National Weather Service in Lubbock'.)

This winter has been highly variable in terms of precipitation on the South Plains. November was about average with December coming in way above average in most locations.
three times the normal precipitation for December. January was dry, while February, as of the 24 th, is the eighth wettest on record in Lubbock where records goback to 1911.
Lubbock has received about 30 percent greater than the nor30 percent greater than the nor-
mal precipitation (about $51 / 4$

In a typical El Nino year the South Plains statistically sees two times the normal rain fall for the period November through March. Snow has bee at a premium however The forecast is for El Nin o weaken by summer, but will have an effect on sprin weather patterns


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Science standouts
DeShazo fifth-graders Niclas Green (left) and Robby Bomer, shown with his awardwinning project, were winners Friday at the South Plains Science \& Engineering Fair.

## DeShazo Students show off skills at South Plains Fair

LUBBOCK - Two DeShazo Elemen- ultimate goal would be to use ocean water as tary School science students earned toph ors Friday at the 42 nd annual South Plain Regional Science and Engineering Fair held at Texas Tech University Center.
In the fifth-grade physical sciences division, Robby Bomer was named grand over all champion for his project called "Ocean Energy" and Niclas Green earned first place for his project called "Acid Rain.
Bomer, son of Bob and Lana Bomer wanted to prove it was possible to convert enough thermal energy to electric energy to run a small electrical motor. He said the
the energy supply.
It took him about five weeks to do the project.
Green, son of Tommy and Felicia Green, tested the effects of acid rain on plants. He used distilled water and sulfuric oxide to imitate the acid rain.
He then used well water on two plants and the "acid rain" on two plants and cataloged the results.

A total of seven DeShazo fifth-graders attended the fair and more than 400 from around the South Plains.

## Board approves high school changes

Muleshoe High School stu- day
dents will be seeing a few uling next year.
The Muleshoe Independent School District Board of Trustees approved changes recommended by high school officials during Monday's regularly scheduled bi-monthly meeting.

One of the major changes for next year will be eliminating the overlap between honors and advance placement courses. If an advancement placement course is offered for a subject, an honors course will not be available.
The board also approved
sequence for high school sci- verses every other day. ence courses. The outline is In other business, the board designed to give students di- appointed Sally Bustillos as an rection in choosing science assistant election judge for the courses. May 2, 1998 trustee election. According to the adopted Also during the meeting, the plan, students will take aphysi- trustees took time to recognize cal science course, then biol- and honor the DECA students ogy or chemistry. If a student which participated in a state wants to continue the study of meet last month. Three stuscience, they can then enroll in dents, Becky Flores, Katie research classes during their Woodworth, and Bobby Ellis junior or senior year. were recognized by the board Other changes adopted in- for winning first place in the clude modifications to the civicconsciousnesscontestand block schedule. With input advancing to the national level. from staff, students, parents, Thenext school board meet and a campus forum, decisions ing is scheduled for noon, Tueswere made on which classes day, March 31


COUNTY

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county's insurance for an additional 90 days.

After the 90 -day grace period expires, an employee can continue on the health care plan for a certain time by paying for their own premiums.

Although the changes will help clarify matters in the future, the decision was difficult for the court because of the county's current situation with county's current

Two county
Two county workers have both been out on leave for almost six months due to illness and injury. Under the new policy, both workers will eventually lose their health insurance coverage. The employees have exhausted their sick leave, vacation and comp time, and no longer receive a pay check from the county. However, the county has continued to pay the premiu
for their health insurance. If the county is forced to can-
cel their insurance, worker's cel their insurance, worker's
compensation will continue bencompensation will continue ben-
efits for one employee since he efits for one employee s
was injured on the job.
However, the other employee, who is out of work due to illness, will have to personally pay the $\$ 250$ monthly premiu
tinue.
Knowing the financial hardship the employee would face without insurance was a major concern of the commissioners. "It's hard knowing this will
affect two people we like, re- the insurance may be beneficia spect and we'd love to have to the disabled workers. In order working for us again," said Cox. to receive any benefits from soBut the commissioners cial security or disability agreed that the county couldn't programs, the workers can not afford to pay for anyone's insur- be receiving benefits from an ance indefinitely, a time limit employer
had to be set.
Exactly how the changes will affect these two employes is undetermined.
Over the last three months, Cox has contacted the county's insurance company many times, trying to get answers. On those occasions as well as during court Monday, the company's representative was unable to answer the commissioner's questions on the options for the court as well In the long run, cancelling

## DEADLINE

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holding an election for the seats currently filled by Marvin McCaul and Murray Davis. Both incumbents have filed for reelection and are unoppossed so far
Trustees in Muleshoe and Three Way school district serve three-year terms.


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## Mule batsmen start with strong showing

BROWNFIELD - The weather was the only thing that stopped Muleshoe during the Brownfield Invitational base-<br>ball tournament.<br>Muleshoe (2-0) won two tournament games and was leading Brownfield $6-4$ in Saturday'schampionshipgame when it was halted by lightning and rain in the fourth inning. The game has not been re<br>scheduled.<br>"I guess we won the cham- pionship," Muleshoe coach<br>Brad Hill said with a shrug of<br>his shoulders. "We just have<br>too many games coming up to<br>The Mules strung together<br>a pair of walks and four singles<br>while jumping out to a $6-0$ in<br>Browifield.<br>Muleshoe starter Rodney<br>bottom half of the inning in settled down and allowed just two singles over the next two innings<br>"Hitting and defense were my biggest concerns," Hill said. "But we did both pretty well. I was pleased with the way we see MULES on page 5

played."


## BASEBALL

Brownfield Invite
March 5-8
Thirst round
First round
Muleshoe 11. LCHS 7
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Litlefield 5, Lamesa 4
Friona 7, Rooseve
Frid
Friday
Consolation semifina
Lamesa 7, Post 4
LCHS 6 , Rosevelt 6
(LCHS advances on tie-breaker)
Championshin Muleshoo Brownfield 4 , Littlefield. Saturday Seventh place
Roosevelt 11, Post 5
Consolation final
Thitlefied place
Littlefield 12 , Friona 6
Championship
Muleshoo 6 , Browntield 4
(Game ahated by weather after 3
$1 / 2$ innings)
Muleshoe center fielder T.J. Hutto slides safely into third base Monday during a junior


Whitt cards hole-in-one
$\qquad$ fists hole in one f Fiday at the
 Calvin Embry and Joe
Sowder. Muleshoe golfers fourth at Friona Invitational

The third-year Mule coach said the tournament gave him chance to look at players in different positions and get oth-

## on the mound

FRIONA - Damon Dav- Club. Plains was third at 345, Ryan Hodge added an 84 enport led the Muleshoe boys followed by Muleshoe at 352. for the Mules and Kole Magby $\begin{array}{lrl}\text { to a fourth-place finish Friday } & \text { Patrick Johnson of Tulia } & \text { finished at 90. } \\ \text { at the Friona Invitational golf } & \text { fired a } 74 \text { to win the individual } & \text { FRIONA INVITATIONAL }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}\text { at the Friona Invitational golf } & \text { fired a } 74 \text { to win the individual } & \text { FRIONA INVITATIONAL } \\ \text { tournament. } & \text { title by a stroke over Gabe } & \text { Friday at Friona Cóuntry Club }\end{array}$ Floydada won the team title Goodwin of Friona and Matt Team totals-1. Floydada 328, by fivestrokesoverhostFriona Evans of Amarillo Highland with a 328 in the 18 -hole tour- Park. Davenport finished sixth nament held at Friona Country with an 81 .


Winning form
Muleshoe senior Ricko Aguirre throws the shot during the Muleshoe Relays earlier this year. Aguirre won the shot and discus events Saturday at the Hornet Relays held at Amarillo Highland Park High School.

## Mules second at Highland Park

$\qquad$ he MHS . Fere Ging third 100 meters). Joey Mata (discus) and meters), Joey Mata (discus) In the girls meet, Benham In the girls meet, Benham
captured an unusual double by captured an unusual double by
winning the shot put with a winning the shot put with a
personal-best throw of $36-33 /$ personal-best throw of $36-33 /$
4 and the 200 meters in 28.98 4 and the 200 meters in 28.98
seconds. Stacy Locker added a win in the 800 meters in a time of 2:28.98 and was second in the 1600 meters and sophomore Bobbie Benham won the 400 see TRACK on page 5



Liles re-elected to District 17 position

Alice Liles, a teacher at Muleshoe High School, has won refoction as District 17 director or the Texas Classroom Teach ers Association.
Her new term in office begins on June
Liles has served on the TCTA board since 1994. She was reelected to a one-year term on the TCTA Board of Directors on Feb. 20, at the TCTA annual convention in Fort Worth. convention in Fort Worth. TCTA is a professional edu-
cation association representing
more than
40,000 members across the state. Liles was re-elected by convention Alice Liles delegates from district 17, the area she represents on the TCTA board. District 17 covers 20 counties in the Texas Panhandle, including Bailey, Lamb, Hale, Floyd, Motley, Cottle, Hale, Floyd, Motley, Cottle,
Cochran, Hockley, Lubbock,

Crosby, Dickens, King, Yoakum, Terry, Lynn, Garza, Kent, Gaines, Dawson and
Borden. Borden.
As a TCTA board member, Liles represents her district, and helps set policy for the statewide association.
Liles is a long-time TCTA member and also active in the Muleshoe Classroom Teachers Association.
Association.
TCTA is a nonprofit, nonunion association founded in

TRACK
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meters in 67.14
Hornet Relays
March 7 at Highland Park HS
BOYS
Team totals - 1 . Sanford-Fritch 154, 2. Muleshoe 94, 3. Panhandle
76, 4. White Deer 66, 46, 6. Higland Park 42, 7. Bovina 30, 8. Clarendon 17, 9. Channing 14. Muleshoe point scorers : shot 1. Ricko Aguirre, 49-0; discus Aguirre, 148-6; 3. Joey Mata, 12210; high jump -2 . Dustin Cleavinger, 5 -10; pole vault Rhett Green, 9-6; 400 relay

Muleshoe $47.11 ; \mathbf{1 0 0}-3$. Greg Pena, jump - 2 . Lindsey Field, 4-10; $\mathbf{8 0 0}$ $\begin{array}{rll}1.99 ; 200-2 \text {. Gilbert Vela, 23.90 } & -1 \text {. Stacy Locker, 2:28.98; 100 - } \\ \text { JV standings }-1 . \text { Clarendon 176, } & \text { 3. K. Benham, 14.23; 400-1. }\end{array}$ $\begin{aligned} \text { JV standings-1. Clarendon 176, } & \text { 3. K. Benham, 14.23; 400-1. } \\ \text { 2. River Road 140,3. Muleshoe 74;4. } & \text { Bobbie Benham, } 67.14 ; 200-1 . \text { K. }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { 2. River Road } 140,3 \text {. Muleshoe 74,4. } & \text { Bobbie Benham, 67.14; 200-1. K. } \\ \text { Sanford-Fritch 65, 5. Panhandle 60, } & \text { Bernham, 28.98; 1600-2. Locker, }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Sanford-Fritch 65, 5. Panhandle 60, } & \text { Benham, } \\ \text { 6. (tie). White Deer 19, Highland } & 6: 05.40 \text {. }\end{array}$

## GIRLS

Team totals - 1. Sanford-Fritch 69, 4. River Road 140, 3. Muleshoe 69, 4. Claude 61, 5. Highland Park 9, 6. Panhandle 48, 7. Bovina 23, 8, San Channing 4 .
10.
Muleshoe point scorers : shot Kendra Benham, $36-3$ 3/4; High

## MULES

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Friday in the semifinals behind the six-hit pitching of sophomore Kyle Hahn and three hits each from Layne Kemp and Aaron Purdy.
Leading 4-1, Muleshoe broke the game open with four runs in the third. Purdy's double
was the big blow in the inning. The game was halted by a time limit with the Mules batting in the bottom of the fifth inning.
Muleshoe opened the threeday tournament Thursday with an 11-7 victory against Lubbock Christian High School.

## Jump!

DeShazo Elementery School fourth-grader Zannia Avilla skips rope Monday during P.E. class. Her class is also taking part in a program called "Walk Across Texas" in which Jill McCaul's students will try to walk (or run) the 900 miles it takes to cross Texas.


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Lazbuddie students of the month Back row: Chelsee Nichols, Ana Hernandez, Samantha Sterling, Kyra Kimbrough. Front row: Stefanie Welker, An drea Solano, Riley Smith

Lazbuddie elementary students honored $\begin{aligned} & \text { Students of the month for } \\ & \text { March have been named at and Sherri Nichols. Third } \\ & \text { grade - Kyra Kimbrough, }\end{aligned}$ Mazbuddie Elementary School. These students have displayed outstanding qualities of character, citizenship and leadership. They have proven to be an asset to their class and to their school.
Pre-kindergarten - Andrea Solano, daughter of Maria and Osvaldo Solano. Kindergarten - Riley Smith, son of Randy and Terri Smith. First grade - Stefanie Welker daughter of Ralph and Nancy Welker. Second grade-

Landowners offered help to restore native habitat

The Wildlife Habitat Incen- help complete a project.
tives Program (WHIP) is the
newest USDA program for wildlife and it is for people who want to restore degraded native wildlife habitat on private lands.
"WHIP is a voluntary program which provides both technical and cost-sharing to restore degraded native habitat on private land," explained James Lutz, District Conservationist with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation
Service (NRCS).
Participants who own or and implement a wildlife habitat development plan which contains wildlife habitat practices to be installed on the land. In addition, if the landowner agrees, wildlife agencies like the Texas Department of Wildlife Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or other private organizations like Ducks Unlimited may also provide expertise or additional funding to

The wildlife habitat development plan is prepared in consultation with the Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation District.
The plan describes the goals of the landowner for improving the habitat. It includes a list of practices and schedule for installing them, and details the steps necessary to restore and maintain the habitat for the life of the agreement.
"USDA and the participant enter into a cost-share agreement to restore degraded tive habitat," said Lutz. The agreement usually lasts 5 to 10 years from the date the contract is signed.
The landowner agrees to maintain the cost-share practices and allow USDA access to monitor the effectiveness of The NRCS agrees to provide technical assistance and pay upto 7 percent of the cost
of installing the wild life habi-

Blood tests may predict heart attacks A new blood test that measures "sticky" molecules to predict a heart "stick" tothe arteries, whichmay lead to coronary artery disease and hear attacks.
The goal of the test is to help doctors better determine who is at risk
for heart disease before a heart attack or stroke occurs.
The test was studiedon more than 15,000 men and women infour U.S multi-ethnic communities who were checkedfor coronary artery disease a leading cause of heart attacks. Study participants who developed heart disease or carotid artery disease had higher levels of the "sticky" molecules.
Docotrs have traditionally focused on risk factors such as age, sex weight, cholesterol and hypertension. But researchers hope docotrs will want to learn more effective ways to identify and treat high-risk patients.

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at practices. Land is not eligible for WHIP if it is currently enrolled in the Water Bank Pro gram, Conservation Reserve Program or the Wetland Re serve Program.
The sign-up for WHIP is in progress at the Natural Re ources Conservation Service office in Muleshoe, 105E. Ave , or call (806) 272-5124. All programs and services of the USDA are available on the non discriminatory basis.
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LUBBOCK－Orbin ＂Dugan＂Nowell， 97 of 1 ub ock，died Friday，March 6 1998 at St．Mary＇s Hospital in Lubbock
Memorial servic heldMonday at Shepherd King Lutheran Church in Lubbock with Rev．Mel Swoyer offici ating．
Burial followed in Lazbud－ die Cemetery under the direc tion of Sanders Funeral Home

## death by one daughter

Lowering cholesterol can prevent first heart attack

Cholesterol－lowering drugs may help people prevent a first－ time heart attack．
Cholesterol experts at The DeBakey Heart Center at Bay or College of Medicine and The Methodist Hospital in Houston say cholesterol－low ing drugs may be beneficial in people who have never been diagnosed with heart disease
＂Our studies have shownthat people who markedly reduc people who markedre heir risk of herolle heir＂＂of heart ack by one hird，＂said Dr．Peter Jones，a ociate professor of medicine a Baylor and Methodist．
More than half of American adults have high or borderline high cholesterol levels，accord－ ing to the National Cholesterol Education Program．
Too much cholesterol can lead to heart disease－－the No． 1 killer in men and women．

1901 in Italy，Texas．He gradu－ ted from Italy High Schoo and attended Texas Tech Uni－ rsity．
He married Gladys Van Dyck on Dec．23， 1933 i Clovis．Nowell moved to Lub bock in 1947．He was a mem ber of Shepherd King Lutheran Church and the Seekers Sun－ day school class．
He retired from farming in
947.

Nowell was preceded in
people with a high risk of heart disease regularly keep their cholesterol level in check．
Heart disease risk factors for people with high cholesterol include：

Age（men ages 45 and older and women ages 55 and older or who are postmenopausal）
－Diabetes
－Hypertension －Cigarette smoking －Low HDL（below 35 －Family hi heart disease
Jones says the greater the number of risk factors，the more important it is to get treated．
＂If you have more than one of these risk factors，seek medical advice，＂Jones said． ＂Sometimes a low－fat diet and exercise aren＇t enough．Cho－ lesterol－lowering drugs may be more helpful in lessening your chance of a heart attack

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LaWanda Nowell，who died in 1939，and his wife Gladys， who died Oct．26， 1995.
Survivors include three daughters，Bettye Hausmann of Earth，Wilma Nowell of Lubbock，Norma Wright of Lubbock；two brothers，Elber and Ernest Nowell，both of Muleshoe；three sisters，Bessie Kenney of Slaton，Icie Kenney of Lubbock，Euple Taylor of Denver City；five grandchil－ dren，five great－grandchildren． The family suggests that memorials be made to Shep－ herd King Lutheran Church． CALLIE SMITH
Callie Smith， 100 ，of Mule shoe died Tuesday，March 10， 1998 at Muleshoe Area Health Care Center．
Memorial services are scheduled for 2 p．m．，Thurs－ day，March 12， 1998 at First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe with Rev．Brad Reeves officiating．

## Burial will follow in Mule

 shoe Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral HomeSmith was born Feb．8， 1898 in Whitt，Parker County， Texas．She married Tom Smith Jan．4， 1914 in Parker County． He died July 24， 1973.

Smith moved to Muleshoe in 1922 from Hale County． She had lived in Hale County since 1918.
Smith，a homemaker，was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Mule－ shoe，and the Muleshoe Rebekah Lodge and Eastern Star．She lived to see four of her children celebrate their own 50th wedding anniversa－ ries．

Survivors include her son， Joe L．Smith of Cochise，Ari－ zona；daughters，Marie M． Dickinson of Albuquerque， Audeen Murrah of Colorado Springs，Colo．；and Ruby Green of Muleshoe； 11 grand－ children， 34 great－grandchil－ dren，and 24 great－great grand－ children．
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8. Going to Las Vegas with a twenty dollar bill and no return ticket
9. Two-man Bungee Jumping with your banker, while the cattle buyer holds the other end of the line.
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16. Seeing your face on a dart board at regional IRS office
17. Finding out that the FBI and Earth First! have you under surveillance.
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19. Discovering that the only way your assets and liabilities could balance is if you married Bill Gates
20. Going to a barber and saying "Be creative!
21. Playing pool on the kitchen table 22. Losing your brakes at the top of Wolf Creek Pass. 23. Getting your prostate checked six days a week.
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