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Burn ban extended

Recent rainfall not enough to save county from on-going drought

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Bailey County's burn ban was extended for another 90 days during Monday's county commissioners' court.

Although the ban was temporarily lifted, as a result of the heavy localized rain Muleshoe

areas further south were reported as receiving far less.

While the recent rain is helpful, it was noted at a previous commissioners' meeting that a stiff 30 mph wind can evaporate an inch of rainfall in less than an hour's time, hence the need to re-

Rick Perry's disaster declaration, the state's emergency management plan expired for Bailey County on July 5.

At Monday's meeting, the court discussed concerns about the exemption that had previously been granted to L&L Pallets of Progress, with Precinct 2 Commissioner C.E. Grant describing a recent incident in which he'd seen flames rising as high as 20 feet from the company's burn pit.

According to the plan presented to the commissioners' court, the pallet company has an open air incinerator that causes the flames to circulate within the pit at a high temperature and prevents flames or ashes from escaping, but Grant said that wasn't the case on the day he witnessed

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Finally wet!

After almost half a year without significant precipitation, Muleshoe residents awakened Tuesday to thunder, lightening and most important... rain.

Pictured above, Lake Muleshoe overflowed its banks Tuesday morning, while a semi-tractor trailer threw up a curtain of water on West American Blvd.

Photographs by Larry Thornton

I think we've been had... they're incinerator is not working at all, the way they're burning it.

received, to allow rural residents to burn their accumulated trash, the ban was back in place at noon on Wednesday, according to County Judge Sherri Harrison.

According to the judge areas around Muleshoe and West Camp received more than 1.5 inches early Tuesday morning, but

establish the burn ban Wednesday.

According to the judge, there have been at least one recent incident in which a \$500 citation was issued for a burn ban violation.

Although higher fines and jail time were possible when Bailey County was under Gov.

TxDEQ violation, not local water, is tough to swallow

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

City of Muleshoe officials acknowledged receiving a violation notice regarding its recent drinking water quality report during Monday's regular meeting, but the issue

seemed to "stick in their craw," mainly because the Texas Department of Environmental Quality was the agency at fault.

Muleshoe City Manager David Brunson explained that TxDEQ contracted with a third party to test Muleshoe's

water but during the period from July 1, 2010, to Sept. 30, 2010, that third party contractor failed to test the water.

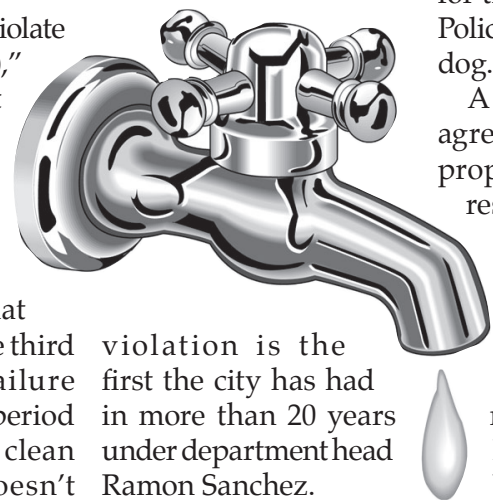
"It's not a sample that we draw and send in," Brunson said, adding that there was nothing the city could have done

to prevent the violation listed in the water quality report.

"I guess we did (violate the requirements)," Brunson said, "but it wasn't our job... and we wouldn't have been allowed to do so."

The city manager noted that the tests prior to the third party's testing failure and following the period in question were clean tests, but that doesn't help the mark against the quality of Muleshoe's

water department. The 2010 report



violation is the first the city has had in more than 20 years under department head Ramon Sanchez.

In other business the city council approved

an interlocal agreement with the City of Bovina for the use of the Bovina Police Department's drug dog.

According to the agreement, in the event property is seized as a result of the drug dog and officer's work, the City of Bovina will receive a third of its value.

"This is pretty much a standard," Police Chief Brian Frieda said concerning the

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Fighting fire

The burn ban took on a new meaning Monday, at Muleshoe's fire station — don't burn the burgers — as the volunteer firefighters, law enforcement officers, EMS and county employees who have battled the recent wildfires were honored by local businesses and residents.

Photographs by Larry Thornton



Earth takes first in sales tax, again

By Larry Thornton
Managing Editor

Earth lunged forward in the race for sales tax dollars for the second month in a row, according to figures received from the Texas State Comptroller's office.

While Muleshoe's Lamb County neighbor came in under last month's sales tax allocation 70.26 percent of increase, it's increase for July, 65.64 percent, easily outdistanced other area communities.

July sales tax allocations represent sales that occurred in May and sales taxes collections from June. Following Earth, Parmer County communities — Farwell, Bovina and Friona, showed the

largest percentage of increase.

While Muleshoe logged an increase of 2.56 percent, for seventh place, Sudan took last place, dropping 5.44 percent when compared to last year's totals.

As usual, the City of Littlefield swept the field in actual dollars collected, \$64,033.55, more than double the amount collected by other area communities, except for Muleshoe

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Sales Tax Results			
City	Net Payment	Same period Prior year	Percent Change
Muleshoe	\$36,500.89	35,589.41	2.56%
Dimmitt	\$28,087.87	25,365.73	10.73%
Morton	\$8,766.80	8,553.36	2.49%
Littlefield	\$64,033.55	57,939.70	10.51%
Olton	\$ 7,331.12	7,363.76	-0.44%
Sudan	\$ 3,010.79	3,184.22	-5.44%
Earth	\$ 4,491.85	2,715.55	65.41%
Farwell	\$ 7,134.33	5,934.68	20.21%
Bovina	\$ 6,923.40	5,828.89	18.77%
Friona	\$27,515.87	22,721.41	17.95%

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Around Muleshoe...



Announcements from non-profit organizations in the Muleshoe area.

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Class of 1971 reunion

A 40th reunion for the Muleshoe Class of 1971 is being held on Saturday, July 30, from 5-11:30 p.m., at the 50 Yard Club, in Lubbock. The cost of the meal is \$25 per person, and their will be dancing afterwards at the country dance club. The cost of the dance and room is not included in the reunion's dinner fee.

Individuals wishing to attend should contact Debbie Aylesworth at daylesworth@hotmail.com by July 7.

Migrant assistance offered

South Plains Community Action of Bailey County is offering assistance for migrant and seasonal farm workers.

For eligibility and documentation requirements call 806-272-7537, or stop by the office at 804 W. American Blvd., Muleshoe.

Women's league softball sign up

Individuals interested in playing in a women's softball league should contact Rudy Perez at 806-729-2100.

AA meetings set

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

Area sales tax allocations...

Continued from page 1 which received \$27,532.66 less than the Lamb County seat.

In year-to-date totals, Muleshoe fell into last place, with an increase of only 3.14 percent, representing \$307,677 for 2011 compared to \$298,300.42 from last year, far below Earth's 27.88 percent increase for the year.

On July 7, Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said state sales tax revenue in June was \$1.72 billion, up 7.2 percent compared to June 2010.

"The state's sales

tax revenue has now increased for 15 months in a row," said Combs. "Strong business spending boosted sales tax revenue in sectors such as the oil and gas industry and manufacturing, and the retail sector continued to show growth."

On July 11, Combs sent sales tax allocations totaling \$474.5 million to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, up 7.2 percent compared to July 2010.

Texas cities will receive \$315.5 million, up 6.2

percent compared to July 2010. So far this calendar year, city sales tax allocations are up 6.3 percent compared to the same time period last year.

Texas counties can anticipate sales tax payments of \$29.7 million, up 10 percent compared to last July. So far this year, sales tax allocations to counties are running 12.4 percent ahead of this point in 2010.

Combs will send \$20.8 million to 177 special purpose taxing districts, up 13.3 percent compared to last July.

'When Jesus saw what was happening, he was angry'

If I were to ask you to name some occasions in scripture when Jesus was angry, where would you start?

Probably the incident that would come to mind first for most of us is Christ overturning the tables of the greedy money-changers in the temple. If he wasn't awfully angry on that occasion, he certainly did a fine imitation of an angry Lord!

And when Jesus stared holes through the hypocritical religious leaders of his day and called them "a brood of vipers," I doubt the Pharisees missed the fire in his eyes. It was fierce love of God's people that sparked solar flares in those usually oh so gentle eyes.

Ah, but I'm thinking of another occasion now. I like what the first two say about our Lord, but I like even more what this next one says.

It's found in Mark 10. The people have been bringing their children to Jesus to have him touch them, bless them, and the disciples, uptight about crowd control, have begun shooing them away.

Surely the Lord is far too busy, far too important, to be



Focus On Faith

Curtis Shelburne

bothered by a bunch of snotty-nosed kids. (Mind you, the Greek text says nothing about snot. Come to think of it, in two years of biblical Greek, I don't remember learning the Greek term for mucous, but kids are kids.)

The Bible says Jesus gets "irate." "Indignant." "Much displeased." And one version just says, "angry."

Not at the kids or the parents. At the disciples.

"Don't push these children away," he admonishes his disciples. "Don't ever get between them and me. These children are at the very center of life in the kingdom."

And he goes on: "Mark this: Unless you accept God's kingdom in the simplicity of a child, you'll never get in" (The Message).

Then he gathers the little ones into his arms and blesses them.

I love this picture of our Lord! And I love what it says not only about the Son but also about the Father and his estimation of who is really greatest in the Kingdom.

Probably I should admit that these words are not being written by a presently emotionally stable individual.

Stable people don't get misty-eyed when they see chalk drawings on their sidewalk, and

bubble "guns" sitting still and bubble-less, and tree swings becalmed (and nothing is sadder than a grandpa sitting in a tree swing alone).

It's far too quiet around here. No little fingers are tugging at me to come see a really pretty purple flower. Yes, our granddaughters just spent a few days with us in Muleshoe (they

prefer Muleshoe hands down to Malibu), and I'm experiencing PawPaw withdrawal.

"That's my PawPaw!" I've heard both girls "explain." Loudly. I'd rather be their PawPaw than any country's king.

And wonder of wonders, the King of the universe feels that way about all his little ones. And you. And me.

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Yellow Jacket fund raising well under way

Additional memories and donations continue to roll in for the Muleshoe Heritage Foundations Yellow Jacket restoration project.

"We are almost to the number needed to start the book," said project leader Kenneth Henry.

"We have 28 completed and we need a few more to have enough to pay for all the restoration. You are welcome to stop buy and witness the restoration as it is in progress at this

Heritage Foundation News

time."

The Muleshoe Heritage has another building on site, and you may take a free tour of completed buildings on site.

Here are three more memories that will be in the book:

"Being old enough to go to the 'Yellow Jacket' for lunch, as I recall, was a right of passage. Meaning you were not a

little kid any longer, but responsible enough to cross the street and mix and mingle with seventh and eighth graders," said Polly Oliver of the Class of 1959. "Great fun... great place."

Katrina Scott of the Class of 1988 said, "Going to the Yellow Jacket was a rare treat for me. My family was large so money was tight. One thing for sure is you could not beat eating junk food for lunch while hanging out with your friends outside."

"Taking a break from your everyday school routine sure made your day a little bit better," she added.

And Sherri Bessire Harrison, Bailey County judge, of the Class of 1984, said, "I always looked forward to eating at the Yellow Jacket. I was allowed to eat there once a week. My friends and I would race across the street to try and be first in line."

"My favorite was the Round Dog... (sliced hotdog weenies, chili and cheese on a hamburger bun)," she added.

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Bailey County Commissioners' Court... Continued from page 1

the company burning its pallet refuse.

"I think we've been had," Grant said. "they're incinerator is not working at all, the way they're burning it."

"We need to have the sheriff check it out,"

Precinct 1 Commissioner Butch Vandiver added.

When Bailey County Sheriff Richard Willis arrived at the meeting, and was asked about the situation at L&L Pallet, he recommended the county judge send

a letter concerning the issue first.

In other business, the court:

- Approved a 25-year lease agreement for the building used by Bailey County EMS with the Muleshoe Area

Hospital District. The agreement will allow EMS personnel to pursue a grant to expand the size of the building.

The total lease price is \$25.

- Opened the single bid received for the county's 2012 fuel purchases, and awarded the bid to

Western 66 of Muleshoe. Vandiver said the county may need to look at getting a trailer to allow it to purchase fuel and transport it to the precinct barns in the event no bids are received in future years.

- Approved a pipeline easement in the area of

CR1008 and CR 123 at the request of Steve Bell.

- Opened and awarded bids in the county's surplus sale.

- Authorized payment of county bills.

- Approved the county treasurer's report for May and received the June report.



Business of the Month

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently honored West Texas Gas Company as its July Business of the Month. Pictured above, from left to right, are Mark Anthony, Gary Don Gartin, Adena Johnson, Orvis Burriss, Scott Simmons and Brennan Broyles.

Muleshoe City Council meets

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Brunson said the agreement, which Bovina also has in place with other surrounding municipalities, helps each of the associated agencies.

"One of the problems with a drug dog in a small community is there's not enough use for it," he said.

With the agreement in place this makes it more affordable for both the agency working the drug dog and the other agencies that need its services.

The council also:

- Received the city's financial summary for the period ending June 30.

According to the report, the city's total funds are at \$4,731,626.84 — with \$1,033,995.50 in the general fund; \$151,485.87 in interest and sinking; \$2,244,534.76 in water and sewer; \$245,155.77 in capitol projects; \$59,888.24 in the city's motel/hotel fund; \$992,000.43 in economic development; and \$4,566.27 from drug seizures.

"Water wise, and financially, we're healthy," Brunson said.

- Received a report concerning the city's water park in which the city manager noted that the number of visitors

USDA crop certification deadline nears

Local producers are reminded that the annual crop certification deadline for spring-seeded crops is Friday, July 15.

Producers who file accurate and timely reports for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage can prevent the potential loss of FSA program benefits.

Producers are also reminded to report crop losses insured through Federal Crop Insurance and the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program within 15 days of the disaster or after the loss is apparent.

For questions regarding crop certification and crop loss reports, please contact the Bailey County FSA office at 806 272 4538.

from the Clovis and Littlefield areas are increasing, due in part to Littlefield reportedly not opening its facility this year.

Muleshoe's water park, which is in its second year of operation, has been receiving an average of 184 visitors per day, and

in June made \$27,000 dollars.

- Learned that the blood drive at Muleshoe City Hall on June 27 collected 35 units of blood.

- Approved the minutes from the council's June 13 and 20 meetings.

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Senior Citizen News

By Laverne Winn

Early Tuesday morning, July 12, it rained. It is so nice to see everything looking so clean and wet. God blessed us on this day.

Tuesday, July 19, the third Tuesday of the month, will be Bunco playing time. Mark your calendars, call your friends and come have fun. The games will begin at 10 a.m.

Tuesday, July 19, is also Katrina Scott's birthday. Katrina is not with the center any longer, but

we all wish her a good "Happy Birthday!"

We enjoyed having Katrina with us and wish her well in her new employment.

Wednesday, July 20, is our good grilled steak day. Joe will be back from Arkansas and you all know what a great cook he is.

Come join your friends and enjoy a good healthy lunch.

Thursday, July 21, will be a good day to come join in the fun of playing Bingo.

Karen Jones, with IntegraCare will host the game. Prizes, good refreshments and a lot of fun is enjoyed by everyone. The games begin at 1:30 p.m.

Friday is always a good day for catfish or chicken strips. We urge every senior citizen to come and enjoy a good day out.

Menu for July 18-22:

- Monday, July 18 — Grilled chicken breast with teriyaki sauce, mixed vegetables, salad, wheat rolls and pudding.

- Tuesday, July 19 — Taco cornbread, pinto beans, salad, chips, salsa and cake.

- Wednesday, July 20 — Grilled steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, wheat rolls and peach cobbler.

- Thursday, July 21 — Beef tips, gravy, rice, broccoli and cheese, wheat rolls, fruit and cottage cheese.

- Friday, July 22 — Fish or chicken strips, gravy, beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad.

Employee of the Month...

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture recently honored Robert Toscano of Fry & Cox Hardware and Office Supply as the July Employee of the Month. Pictured above, from left to right, are Mark Anthony, Scott Simmons, Robert Toscano, Brennan Broyles, Ed Cox and Carol Cox.



MULESHOE FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Sign-ups for Muleshoe Football League will be held at United
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Obituaries

Bette Cowan

Church services for Bette Cowan, 79, of Muleshoe, were held on Friday, July 8, at the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe with the Rev. Monty Leavell officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Cowan died on July 5, 2011, in Lubbock. She was born on May 26, 1932, in Tulia, and married Harold Cowan in Clovis, N.M., on Aug. 27, 1949. He preceded her in death on July 12, 1993.

She was also preceded in death by her parents Earl and Vivian Lee.

Mrs. Cowan had lived in Muleshoe since 1938, having moved from Turkey.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Muleshoe, and was employed by Muleshoe Independent School District for 26 years.

Survivors include a son — Douglas Cowan and wife



Jan of Canyon; three daughters — Tracy Ellis and husband Trey of Friona, Kim Hinton of Friona, and Leslie Dale and husband Mike of Muleshoe; 11 grandchildren — Quint and Ivy Ellis, Whitney Ellis, Alicia and Josh Sims, Justin and Moraima Hinton, Corinne Hinton, John Hinton, Ryan Cowan, Katy Cowan, Jordan and Kristy Dale, Andy Dale and Kelly and Dustin Burris; six great-grandchildren — Bryndon Hinton, Drew and Reid Ellis, Cody Dale, and Preslee and Maggie Sims.

Memorials may be sent to the First United Methodist Church, 507 W. Second, Muleshoe, Texas 79347, or your favorite charity.

Baby Showers



Laurent honored

Katy Laurent of New Braunfels was honored with a baby shower on June 18 in the home of Sarah Black of Lazbuddie.

Katy and her husband Jake are expecting a baby boy on Sept. 1.

Hostess for the event included Sarah Black, LaReta Barber, Jana St. Clair, Celie Parham, April Coker, Karron Smith, Linda Martin, Stephanie Foster, Debbie Weir, Paulette Foster,

LaDonna Scott and Linda Shannon.

Among the special guests were Idalou Fleming of Lubbock; Terri Louder of Dimmitt; Lacy, Chloe, Caroline and Clara Conway, all of Hammon, Okla.; Hannah and Jacey Louder, both of Sunnyside; Vicki Aljoe of Dimmitt; Katy Aljoe, Amy Laurent and Paityn Laurent, all of Amarillo; and Lori Durham and Gena Yantis, both of Littlefield.



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Death Notices

Jeanne Garth

Muleshoe resident Jeanne Garth, 88, died on Sunday, July 10, 2011, in Muleshoe. She was born on Nov. 11, 1922, in Manhattan, Kan. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Wanda Wilson

Former Muleshoe resident Wanda Wilson died on June 25, 2011, in Gun Barrel City. She was born on Oct. 15, 1945, in Amherst to the Rev. and Mrs. C.C. Morgan. Memorial services were held on Thursday, July 7, at Christian Life Center Church in Gun Barrel City. Graveside services were held on July 13 at the Texico Cemetery.

Area student on Tarleton's distinguished students list

Eli Symm of Farwell was recently named to Tarleton State University's Distinguished Students List for the spring 2011 semester.

Symm is enrolled at the university's Stephenville campus, and is majoring in Engineering Physics.

Students on the list

include freshman and sophomore students who have a minimum 3.25 grade point ratio and no grade lower than a "C," and juniors and seniors who have a minimum 3.5 GPR with no grade lower than a "C." All must be in good standing with the university.

Women's softball players sought

Individuals interested in playing in a women's softball league should contact Rudy Perez at 806-729-2100.

Bridal Shower



Sawyer honored

Avery Sawyer bride elect of Austin Bamert was honored with a bridal shower on Sunday, June 12, in the home of Cindy Barrett.

Hostesses for the event included Cindy Barrett, Debbie Conner, Carren Black, Sherry Kennedy, Jana St. Clair, Karen Harris, Rhonda Myers, Sherri Hawkins, Rowena Meyers, Vicki Black, Sheryl Altman, Holly Hooten, Diane Skipworth, Sharon Stegall, Donita Behrends, Brenda Black, Dani Heathington, Jody Wood and Kari Preston.

Among the gifts given were a Mercury glass and rod iron, side table and a hammered bronze table lamp.

Special guests included Gladys Broussard, Toni McCarty, Natalie Hallford, Poppy Beard, Rayniel Bamert, Holly Hallford, Jenny Bamert, Jonna Spence and Madison Bamert.



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The Sudan Buzz

Sudan cheerleaders attends camp

By Savannah Sain
Sudan Correspondent

The Sudan High School cheerleading squad attended cheerleading camp at San Angelo during the week of June 27-30.

The students participated in a variety of classes including stunts, dance, cheer, and leadership.

The cheerleading squad consists of Head Cheerleader Stormi Peck, KyLee Shultz, Victoria Williams, Keela Chester, Madison Chester, Madi Edwards, Ashton Sawyer, and Hailee Gonzales. The mascot this year is Alondra Ramirez.

During the week the girls competed in several different competitions while at camp and received numerous awards. They won a blue superior ribbon for fight song, a red excellent ribbon for home dance,



a blue superior ribbon for fan frenzy, and the golden superior ribbon for the champion of the field relays.

The girls won a

second place trophy in the Extreme Dance competition and a third place trophy in the cheer competition. They won the spirit stick competition all

three nights of camp.

For their efforts and success at camp, the cheerleading squad was invited to perform in the pre-game 2012 Capital One Bowl at Orlando, Fla.

The girls are continuing to work hard for the school during the summer. They will host a Mini-Cheer Camp the week of Aug. 9-11 for Pre-K through sixth grade.

AA meetings set

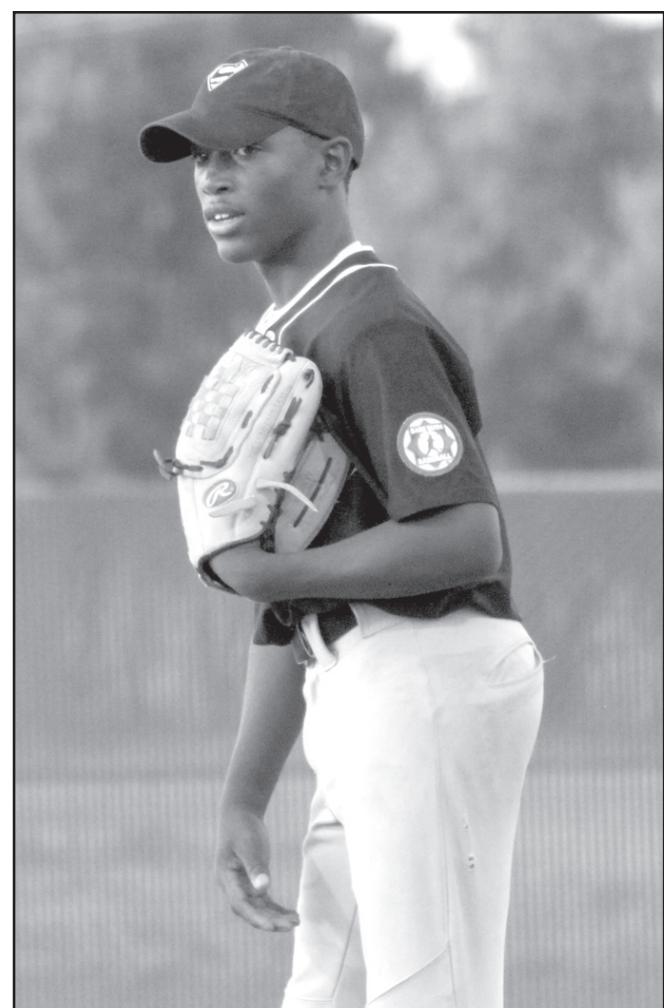
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Use the west side entrance. For information about these meetings call 806-965-2870.

Sudan baseball tournament...



The team huddles together during a time out.



BJ Johnson prepares to throw the ball during the game.



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USDA authorizes emergency haying of CRP acres

In response to drought conditions, USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) authorized emergency haying use of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres for 73 Texas counties, including Bailey, Lamb, Parmer, Castro and Cochran Counties.

The haying authorization will end on Aug. 31.

"Eligible producers who are interested in emergency haying of CRP must request approval before haying eligible

acreage," said Hanlin. "It is also important for producers to obtain a modified conservation plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service that includes haying requirements," he said.

Upon approval of emergency haying, producers must leave at least 50 percent of each field or contiguous field

unhayed for wildlife. For those counties that are eligible for emergency haying and grazing, the same CRP acreage cannot be both hayed and/or grazed at the same time.

For example, if 50 percent of a field or contiguous field is hayed, the remaining unhayed 50 percent cannot be grazed; it must remain

unhayed and ungrazed for wildlife.

In addition, participants are limited to one hay cutting and are not permitted to sell any of the hay. There will be a 25 percent CRP payment reduction depending

on the number of acres actually hayed.

To take advantage of the emergency haying provisions, authorized producers can use the CRP acreage for their own livestock or may grant another livestock

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- Building w/approx. 3300' plus 1040' upstairs, Cent. A&H, 2 restrooms, MORE! \$39,500!! MAKE OFFER!!
- REMODELED 1900' Off. Bldg., 106' x 140' lot on Hwy. 70 and 84!! \$79.5K!! PRICE REDUCED \$62K!!
- Approx. 1080' metal bldg. w/off. & 3 bay garage/workshop area plus chain link fenced area!! \$39,500!!
- NICE 3-2-2 Home on 11 acres at edge of town, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, freshly painted interior, thermal windows & doors, plus 1 bdrm house, workshop, storage, greenhouse, plus 3 garages, barns & outbuildings!! \$155,000!!

SURE benefits deadline is July 29

The deadline to apply for assistance for 2009 crop losses under the Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments (SURE) program is July 29.

To meet program eligibility requirements, the farming operation must be physically located in a county that was declared a primary or contiguous disaster county by the Secretary of Agriculture under a 2009 Secretarial Disaster Designation. Producers located in designated disaster counties must have suffered at least a 10 percent loss on a crop of economic significance and purchased crop insurance through the Federal Crop Insurance Act or the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP).

However, an operation located in a county that did not receive a primary or contiguous disaster designation, can still qualify for SURE benefits if the actual

farm production was less than 50 percent of the normal production on the farm due to a qualifying disaster event.

Producers and legal entities collectively cannot, directly or indirectly, receive more than \$100,000 in SURE and other FSA disaster assistance payments. FSA

disaster programs include SURE, Livestock Forage Program, Livestock Indemnity Program, and Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-raised Fish.

For questions regarding the SURE program, please contact the Bailey County FSA office at 806 272 4538.

Bible Translations

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 E L Q I D R A D N A T S H S I L G N E W D S
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 X N O B T I Z Q M M Q E N W W O I W Z H O G
 F A Q R S N L M C R Q W T I Z L H Y W S S U
 L I E O G G D I S G H Q S I V Q D Z S I H X
 A T H E M E S S A G E N U D L I Q S E L A O
 N S T E G F K G O S Y R O R B S L H M G B Z
 O I M J F T C O G G A U I A V E G A U N L E
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 I H S L D R X J G W Z L Q I S C G R F T A Y
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Across

- box of valuable jewels in the ground
- forts with moats around them
- trash
- glass tube formed in sand when lightning strikes the sand
- soft-bodied water animals live in these
- carry their "homes" on their backs
- plants that live in the ocean
- broken pieces worn smooth
- paw prints

Down

- reddish-brown coated piece of metal
- have tentacles that can sting
- have large oval shells and long stiff tails
- pieces of trees, furniture washed ashore
- birds that live by the seashore
- soft-bodied water animals with narrow, dark-blue shells

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