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## Matador water rates will increase

Matador Mayor Paul Westbrook approached Council members with the prospect of increasing water rates when they met for their regular meeting Thursday, June 10. After some discussion council approved the following increases:

Water rates for residential water, over 3000 gallons, will increase from \$1.25 per 1000 gallons to \$1.50 and commercial rates from \$1.00 per 1000, over 3000, to \$1.50. In addition, sewer rates will be increased \$1.00 for both residential and commercial.

This increase will help cover the cost of an increase in electrical charges for municipal pumping and the cost increase in supplies for repairs. A motion to accept the changes in water rates was made by Shane Jones with a second by Chuck Ream. Motion carried with a unanimous vote. Rates will go into effect August 1, 2004.

In addition to Mayor Westbrook, Council members, Jim Watson, Chuck Ream, Pat Seigler and Shane Jones; Water Superintendent Steve Barton and City Secretary Lara Davey were in attendance for the meeting.

Minutes from the May 17 meeting were read and approved. A list of expenditures were presented and approved for payment.

Council reviewed a revised personnel manual. With a few typing errors to correct, the Council will look at the manual again at the next Council meeting.

A review of applicants for the position of Assistant to the Water Superintendent, vacated by Crawford Mason, was the next item on the Agenda. After a brief discussion of applicants qualifications and job description, Jim Watson made a motion to hire Casey Lawrence. A second was received from Shane Jones. Motion passed with an unanimous vote.

Mayor Westbrook informed Council about a new program offered by SPAG (South Plains Association of Governments) that will network surrounding communities in the efforts to collect defaulted water bills. The program will ensure that, to the extent allowable and feasible, unpaid utility of solid waste disposal service fees are fully and promptly collected for the benefit of their public constituents. The fee for this service is \$125.00 a year and will help in the recovery of the \$6800.00 of unpaid water bills for the City. A motion to participate in the Panhandle Revenue Recovery Association was made by Pat Seigler and seconded by Chuck Ream. Motion passed 4-0.

Council discussed discontinuing mowing of residential lots free of charge. At present the City is hiring outside help to mow vacant lots that are not being mowed by owners. In addition to the cost of personnel, the upkeep on the tractor and the increase in the cost of fuel, no longer allows the mowing to

be a cost effective service that the City can provide. By City Ordinance a property owner must maintain the grass for safety, health, and fire hazards. The amount of charge will be researched from neighboring towns and will be set at the next meeting.

Mayor Westbrook informed Council that he would attend the County Commissioners meeting to be held Monday, June 14, to discuss the possibility of contributing to the salary for a second Deputy. A motion was made by Pat Seigler, to allow Mayor Westbrook to act on behalf of the City and present the County with the proposition that the City will pay a salary of \$1250.00 per month for a second full-time deputy, to serve primarily at night for the City of Matador. Seconded by Jim Watson, passed 4-0.

The Motley County Clinic is in need of space to house classrooms for EMS training. The rooms within the Clinic that can be used for this purpose are now occupied with old, outdated, or broken equipment. The Clinic would like permission to dispose of some of the contents in the storage rooms. With a motion from Jim Watson and a second from Pat Seigler, motion passed 4-0.

Steve Barton presented Council with his Water Superintendent's report. The wells look good and the back up well is almost complete.

After a brief financial review the meeting adjourned.

## State and Local Sales Tax revenues rise

(Austin) -- Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn announced last week that the state received \$1.31 billion in sales tax revenue in May, up 1 percent compared to May 2003. Strayhorn sent \$324.5 million in June sales tax allocations to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, up 6.9 percent compared to last June. Since January, sales tax allocations to local governments are running 8.4 percent ahead of last year.

Comptroller Strayhorn sent June sales tax allocations of \$221.3 million to Texas cities, up 7.7 percent compared to June 2003. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax allocations are up 8.8 percent compared to the same period last year. Texas counties received sales tax payments of \$19.2 million, up 8.9 percent compared to one year ago. Calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations are 7.8 percent higher than last year.

Another \$8.6 million went to 85 special purpose taxing districts around the state, up 3.5 percent compared to last June. Nine local transit systems received \$75.3 million in sales tax allocations, up 4.3 percent compared to a year ago.

Matador, with a current rate of 2.000%, received a net payment this period of \$3,527.96, compared to \$3,252.98 at this time last year, a 11.92% change. 2004 payments to date total \$25,501.62, compared to \$14,536.81 in 2003, a 75.42% change.

Roaring Springs, with a current rate of 2.000%, received a

net payment of \$3,148.53, compared to \$2,622.43 last year, a 20.06% change. 2004 payments total \$18,545.43, compared to \$14,935.80 last year, a 24.16% change.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, July 9.

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Saturday - July 3rd

The all day festivities include:

9:00 a.m.	Memorial Service at Veterans Memorial Park
10:00 a.m.	Riding Lawnmower Parade, downtown RS
12:00 noon	Fried Chicken Buffet at Hitchin' Post Cafe or bring your own Picnic Lunch
2:00 p.m.	Dog Style Show at Community Center
3:30 p.m.	Patriotic Sing-Song at Community Center
6:00 p.m.	Bar-B-Q Supper (\$7.00 Adults, \$4.00 children) at Community Center, or picnic in the park
8:00 p.m.	Homemade Ice Cream for All
8:45 p.m.	3rd Annual Stick Horse Derby Divisions: 2-3, 4-5, & 6-7 year olds
9:00 p.m.	2nd Annual Steeplechase Run Divisions: 2-3, 4-5 & 6-7 year olds
9:45 p.m. or dark	FIREWORKS DISPLAY!

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### Summer Sunflower

Mrs. Callie Giesecke, is pictured at right with one of the sunflowers she has grown in her garden in south Matador. This flower is about 9 feet tall. A close up of the sunny flower, above reminds us that Summer is officially here, arriving Monday, June 21.



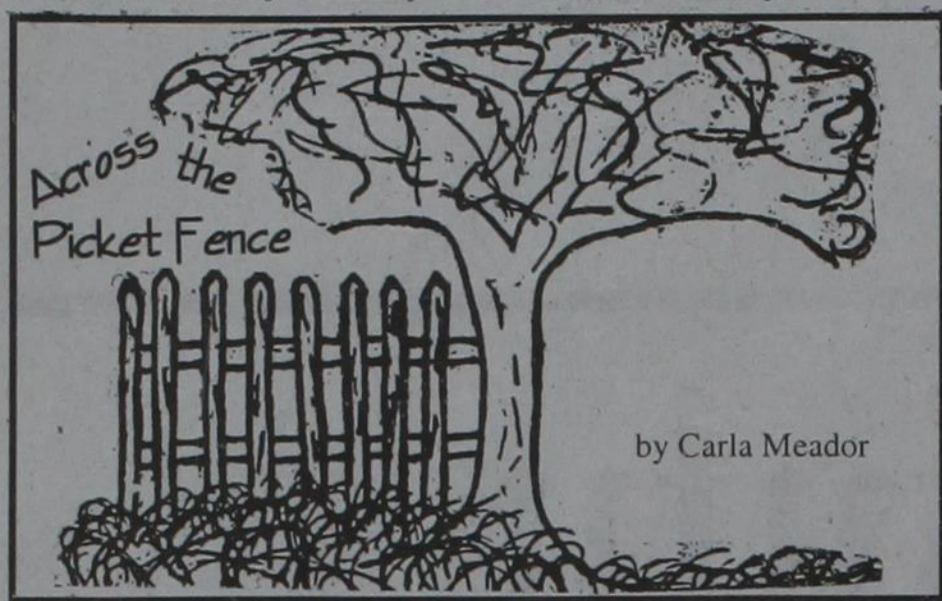
### MC FFA to host barbecue takeout supper as fund-raiser

The Motley County FFA Chapter will sponsor a take-out Barbeque supper on Saturday, June 26, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. out the back door of the Motley County School Cafeteria. The funds raised will assist students attending the State FFA Convention this July in Ft. Worth. Brisket, smoked ham, beans, potato salad, and dessert will be served. The cost will be \$6.50 per plate. Please enter the alley behind the school from the south (behind Sonny and Dorothy Russell's) and come to the cafeteria door.

### Kid's Camp in need of financial help

Kid's Camp is in need of financial help. With the rising costs and additional expenses the camp is facing this year additional funds are needed to operate the camp which will be held July 26-30. The camp will not receive grant money this year.

If you would like to volunteer to help or to make a donation please contact Alex Crowder at 348-7336 or Corky Marshall at 348-7000. Donations may be mailed to: KIDS CAMP P.O. Box 71 Roaring Springs, TX 79256



**DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know? As you walk up the steps to the building which houses the U.S. Supreme Court you can see near the top of the building a row of the world's law givers and each one is facing one in the middle who is facing forward with a full frontal view ... it is Moses and he is holding the Ten Commandments!

Did you know? As you enter the Supreme Court courtroom, the two huge oak doors have the Ten Commandments engraved on each lower portion of each door.

Did you know? As you sit inside the courtroom, you can see the wall, right above where the Supreme Court judges sit, a display of the Ten Commandments!

Did you know? There are Bible verses etched in stone all over the Federal Buildings and Monuments in Washington, D.C.

Did you know? James Madison, the fourth president, known as "The Father of Our Constitution" made the following statement:

"We have staked the whole

of all our political institutions upon the capacity of mankind for self-government, upon the capacity of each and all of us to govern ourselves, to control ourselves, to sustain ourselves according to the Ten Commandments of God."

Did you know? Every session of Congress begins with a prayer by a paid preacher, whose salary has been paid by the taxpayer since 1777.

Did you know? Fifty-two of the 55 founders of the Constitution were members of the established orthodox churches in the colonies.

Did you know? Thomas Jefferson worried that the Courts would overstep their authority and instead of interpreting the law would begin making the law... an oligarchy - the rule of few over many.

Did you know? The very first Supreme Court Justice, John Jay, said: "Americans should select and prefer Christians as their rulers."

How, then, have we gotten to the point that everything we have done for 220 years in this country is now suddenly wrong and unconstitutional?

# Motley County Lifestyles

## Arts & Crafts club members paint on baskets

Motley County Arts and Crafts Club met June 7 for one of those "Rare Days in June," that James Russell Lowell, the famous poet, wrote about in his poem, "The Vision of Sir Launfal."

The class was taught by Joy Archer, and the work was on painting on baskets. The baskets were small, plaited, with solid tops and were lined with calico. The tops were decorated with the students' choice - flowers, figures, etc. They were skillfully made baskets and can be used and enjoyed in many ways.

The members were delighted with the results and many will be on sale at the Fall Bazaar on November 20.

Loys Campbell, club presi-

dent, presided over the business meeting. There were many interesting ideas for programs for the ensuing year. The club voted to pay for a table and eight chairs for the Senior Citizens Center.

The club dined with the Seniors at noon on Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Green Beans, Salad and Jello with a side dish of Red Beans.

Members present were Joy Archer, Loys Campbell, Vee Gordon, Lorene Lancaster and Winifred Darsey.

The members enjoyed the presence of Nancy Brandon, her daughter Christa, daughter and granddaughter of Joy and Leo Archer.



Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Escobar

## Marriage vows exchanged in May ceremony

Lara Elizabeth Hicks and Adrian Jose Escobar, both of College Station, Texas, exchanged marriage vows on May 29, 2004. The couple were married by Judge Martin McLean in the Chapel of Falkenstein Castle in Burnet, Texas. Lara is the daughter of Randy and Marilyn Hicks of Matador and the granddaughter of John and Dorothy Russell of Matador and M.W. and Muriel Hicks of Buffalo Gap, Texas. Adrian is the son of Magda and Juan Escobar of Clint, Texas.

The bride wore an Oleg Cassini, strapless gown fashioned with a fitted bodice and a full, jeweled, tulle skirt. The jeweled chapel-length veil was attached to a tiara that had been part of her mother's wedding attire. She also wore a necklace that had belonged to her maternal grandmother, Olive Russell.

Preceding the bride down the aisle were ringbearer, Jacob Hicks, Cedar Park, nephew of the bride, flower girls, Hanna Hicks, San Antonio, niece of the bride, and Mia Escobar, El Paso, niece of the groom. The processional, "Canon in D Major," was played as Lara was escorted by her father to the altar. The couple were united in a double-ring ceremony and completed the service by lighting a unity candle with background music of "Lara's Theme" and a reading done by the bride's mother. Following the presentation of the couple, they exited the chapel to "From this Moment On." The family received guests in the Knight's Hall of the Castle. During the ceremony, prayers were offered by John Douglas Russell of Matador and David Escobar of El Paso, both uncles of the couple.

Lara and Adrian graduated from Clint High School in 1998. She has a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University and is currently completing a master's degree in rural public health from that same university and works as a teacher at Brazos Valley Montessori. Adrian is employed as a District sales manager for Advantage Rent-a-Car and will be attending the Texas A&M Firefighter School in August.

Attendants for the bride included Jessica White, cousin, matron of honor and Megan Miller of Stockton, California, maid of honor. Niece of the bride, Jacy Hicks, of Cedar Park, was a junior bridesmaid. Other bridesmaids were Erica

Maldonado of Clint, Connie Marshall of Los Angeles, California, and Jessica Escobar of Dallas. Shane'a Russell, cousin of the bride, of Matador, was hostess for the occasion.

The groom was attended by his brother, Juan Escobar as best man. Groomsmen included Kendall Chiles of College Station, Wes Navidomskis of Houston, Sam Franco of Clint, Jarret Stadler of Houston, and John Apodaca of Arkansas. Ushers were Lee Smith of Dallas and Colton Russell of Matador.

An Italian Dinner buffet and a dance were held immediately after the wedding in the Fountain View Reception Center. On display at the reception were pictures and wedding dresses of parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents. Tables were laid with arrangements of dried roses in jeweled baskets and votive candles. The cakes were cut and served with a knife that was custom designed and made by Gary Hicks, uncle of the bride.

Other wedding festivities included a dinner the evening before the wedding which was hosted by the groom's parents. The prenuptial dinner was in the ballroom of the Holiday Inn in Burnet. Following the dinner, Jessica White and Megan Miller hosted a lingerie shower for the bride that was attended by family and friends.

A bridal brunch was held in the Tea 'Licious Tea Room in Burnet the morning of the wedding. Hostesses were aunts of the bride: Linda Roy of Weatherford, Caron Perkins of Snyder, D'Anna Russell of Matador and Cindy Hicks of Buffalo Gap. Guests enjoyed a brunch of quiche, fruit, muffins and sorbet and each completed a quilt square with some advice for the newlyweds. Each guest also brought a favorite picture of Lara or Adrian and shared a story or comment about the picture. The pictures were then given to the couple.

Previously, a shower had been hosted in College Station by Kim Hicks of Austin and Kim Hicks of San Antonio, sisters-in-law of the bride. A shower had also been hosted in El Paso by family friends of the bride and groom.

For a wedding trip the couple traveled to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. They will be at home in College Station following the trip.

## Library Notes

by Suzanne Abott, Librarian

Ronald Bailey has written and published a book on the Rattan family. It is called *The Rattan Family Tree*, and Ronald has graciously donated a copy to the library. It will be found in the genealogy section and you can sit in that section and enjoy reading all about the Rattans and allied lines.

A new fiction book for adults is *Olivia Joules and the Overactive Imagination* by Helen Fielding. For kids we have, in the Juvenile Poetry section of the library, *Rainbow Soup. Adventures in Poetry*, by Brian P. Cleary.

We also thank Bille Beth Moore for the subscription to *Guideposts* that she has given to the library. Those of us who need large print will enjoy this special edition.

Today, Thursday, is our last session for the Summer Reading Program for Kids. Twenty-five children enjoyed the special *Mysteries of the Sea* Program at the library last Thursday. Marihelen Wason, Betty Henry and Opal Johnson provided delicious refreshments after the program. We have one more art lesson on Wednesday, June 30, at 10:00 A.M.

## NOTE OF THANKS

I want to thank each of you for the prayers, calls, cards, visits, flowers and food. Also, a big thank you to Larry Hoyle for keeping our lawn mowed.

Ellis Terry



Art Instructor, Betty Henry, demonstrates the first step in making a watercolor wash, while Darrion Moore, Meagan Ford, Shelby Elliott and Cassidy Turner watch with interest. The children participating in last Thursday's class at the Library painted sailboats or palm trees against a washed blue sky. The last art class at the library for this Summer will be held Wednesday, June 30 at 10:00 a.m.

## Look Who's New

### Jaxon Cash Blount

Skylar Blount would like to announce the arrival of her new baby brother, Jaxon Cash.

Jaxon was born June 18, 2004, at 11:11 a.m. at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. He weighed 7 pounds 9 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Proud parents of the children are Scott and Heather

Blount of Lubbock.

Grandparents are Johnny and Carol Ann Turner of Lubbock and Ben and Irene Blount of Paducah.

Great-grandparents are Carolyn Luckenbach of Silvertown and Georgia Ann Rekieta of Paducah.

### Kaitlynn Grace Hughes

Bengie and J.J. Hughes of Royse City are proud to announce the birth of a daughter, Kaitlynn Grace who arrived May 25, 2004 in Rowlett. She weighed eight pounds and four ounces and was 19 1/2 inches

long.

Welcoming the new arrival are grandparents, Butch and Jancie Hughes of Flomot and Frank and Diane Lake of Alvarado.

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Faith identifies one as a child of God. In that identity comes conflict with the enemies of the Almighty. There will be times of conflict. In those times, men and women of faith experience a very unique comfort from God.

Faith that is tried and proven rejoices in its strength. The conviction of a Christian is renewed when faith has led to overcoming trials. We as Christians must prepare and train in dealing with conflicts. The Bible states that "faith comes by hearing the word of God." Being more than just familiar with the Bible will help us through the times of conflict.

There might be some who that view a life of faith as mundane or uninteresting. But practicing Christianity will bring about conflict. It always has and it will continue to do so. The Christian lifestyle is far from mundane.

Christians soon learn that there is a daily conflict. Why is this? Because right and wrong are always in conflict and that struggle goes on every day. Christian people know that the successful outcome of faith results in glory to our God. Through our faith comes the ability to overcome whatever may be the conflict.

**Roaring Springs Church of Christ**  
Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

**BIBLE STUDY, 10:00 A.M.      WORSHIP, 9:00 A.M.**

## Father and Son teams participate in Fun Day Golf Tournament



Robert and Jonathon Osborn, left, and Shane and Austin Taylor.

Four father and son teams participated in the 5th annual Fun Day golf tournament hosted by the Roaring Springs Ranch Club, June 12. Robert and Jonathon Osborn, Shane and Austin Taylor, Timmy and Christian Brooks, Don and Seth Baxter, David and Jacob Blanco and Randy and Andrew Martin are hoping to begin a father-son tradition for this event. Shane and Austin Taylor placed fourth. Seventy-five golfers participated in the tournament.

## Kandi Keltz named to Tech's President's list

Kandi Keltz, a Senior at Texas Tech University, was named to the President's List for the Spring Semester. Students on the President's List must maintain a 4.0 GPA.

Kandi is a 1999 Motley County high school graduate and the daughter of Kelly and Pennie Keltz of Roaring Springs.

## Granddaughter named to Tech's President's list

Amanda Luster, granddaughter of Billy and Faye Slover of Matador, was named to the President's Honor List at Texas Tech University during the 2004 Spring Semester.

Students named to the President's List must maintain a 4.0 grade point average during the semester.

Amanda is a Senior at Tech and the daughter of Jerry and Barbara Luster of Cisco and a sister to Lisha Luster of Springtown. She is also the granddaughter of Ladell Luster of Cisco.

Amanda is a member of the President Select Club, the Red Raider Recruiters, and the Honor Sorority of Alpha Lambda Delta. She will do her internship with the executive assistant to the President of Tech.



**CELEBRATE 55TH REUNION** — The Matador High School class of 1949 celebrated their 55th reunion recently in Lubbock. They are pictured left to right above, beginning at back: Sarah Springer Walldov, Don Wason, Marcia Gilbert Middlebrooks; (middle row) Patti Pipkin Alexander, Jim (Truman) Groves, Margaret Sanders Steen, Frances Casey Dixon, Dorothy Traweck Hanesworth; (front) Rosemary Bloodworth Anderson, Royella Browning Van Dyne, June Spray Wason, Geraldine Waybourn Key, Herb (Norman) Seigler.

## Class of '49 celebrates 55th reunion

by Frances Dixon

The 1949 graduating class of Matador High School celebrated their 55th anniversary reunion recently when they gathered at the Residence Inn in Lubbock, June 11 and 12. Some came a day or two earlier and several stayed over until Sunday the 13th. The group ate together at the 50 Yard Line Restaurant Friday night and again Saturday night.

The high point of the get-together was visiting, reminiscing, sharing old pictures which often sparked another, "Do you remember when?" But it wasn't all looking back as everyone shared things going on since the last time they were together and of course lots of stories and pictures of grandchildren and great-grands made the rounds.

There were 18 in the graduating class and five have passed away. Of the remaining, 11 were in attendance. These were Don and June Spray Wason, Plainview; Rosemary Bloodworth Anderson, Seminole; Patti Pipkin Alexander,

Midland; Herb (Norman) Seigler and wife Jane, Kerrville; Marcia Gilbert Middlebrooks, Topeka, Indiana; Sarah Springer Walldov, San Antonio; Jim (Truman) Groves, Mesa, Arizona; Dorothy Traweck Hanesworth and husband Stan, Geraldine Waybourn Key and Frances Casey Dixon, Matador.

Also joining the group were Royella Browning Van Dyne, Shaver, California and Margaret Sanders Steen, Ocean Springs, Mississippi, who went through school with the group but moved away before graduation.

Class members who have passed away are Joe Spray, Billy Joe Whitaker, Bill Smallwood, Bill Neighbors and Ann Harp.

Cora Smallwood, widow of Bill joined the group Saturday. Other visitors were Bert and Dorothy Schweitzer, Vernon and Jolene Higginbotham of Lubbock; Jerry and Barbara West, Amarillo; Karen Somers, Plainview; Emily Wason, Hico; Elaine Risser and Opal Pipkin, Matador.

And a good time was had by all!



Don and Seth Baxter, left, and Timmy and Christian Brooks.



Randy and Andrew Martin, left, and David and Jacob Blanco.

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## Senior Notes



by Tommye Keith  
Director

The Center has received quiet a few donations toward the building fund which we are still working on. The new donors are Eva and Tex Barkley, Stan and Dorothy Hanesworth, Rusty Birchfield, Marisue Potts, George and Penny Kline and Norma Marrs. Thank you, so very much, we need the addition desperately.

Jerry and P.K. Green gave a memorial in memory of Jewel Lawrence. Thank you.

The Motley County Arts and Crafts Club donated money for one table and eight chairs. Billy Paul and Betty Simpson donated toward the table and chairs. All the tables and chairs have already been paid for so the donations will be put in our building fund to help this along. Thank you all so very much.

Would like to thank Joy Archer for painting the box so pretty and Bob Davis for building it. Have heard a lot of compliments on it.

Where are the exercise girls? We sure do miss you. Don't forget we have computers here for your use.

The Center is open Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m. See you at the Center.

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- 7.) One prize winner will receive two (2) tickets to the specified concert. The winner will be determined by a random drawing from all correct and completed entries. The drawing will be notified five (5) days before the concert date by telephone.
- 8.) By entering, each contestant or their representative acknowledges acceptance of the rules and agrees to be bound to them.
- 9.) Decisions of the concert organizers are final.

# News Around the County

MOTLEY COUNTY  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
NEWS & VIEWS  
by Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort



## Roaring Springs News

By Lula Swim

### PARK DEDICATION

The dedication of the Memorial Park in Roaring Springs with a hamburger feast on Saturday, June 19 was well attended. Over 100 hamburgers were prepared and served by Russell Alexander. Mayor Corky Marshall told about how the Memorial Park began and Rev. Paul Stearns offered prayer. Everyone had a good time. The children are enjoying the new equipment which was recently installed.

### HOUSE OF FAITH

The House of Faith children met at the park on Wednesday morning with about 10 children in attendance. Mrs. Jo Trammell gave the Bible story. Adults helping were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Trammell, Alex Crowder, Ken Abbott, Rev. Paul Stearns, Mrs. Joyce Meredith, Mr. and Mrs. Corky Marshall and Miss Lula Swim.

Mrs. Nona Long, Mrs. Rhonda McCleskey and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Green and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Martin and John attended the Brazell reunion held at Lake Texoma last weekend.

Mrs. Joyce Smith and Dean McInroe spent Father's Day weekend with Michelle and Don Smith at their home on Lake Granbury.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thacker of Abilene hosted a family father's day weekend in their home at Lake Brownwood from Friday until Sunday. Their children, Amy Thacker and fiancé Chris Smith; Matt and

Melanie and Berkley Paul, all of Abilene attended. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Joey Thacker, Isaiah and Emmalea and Amanda and friend Tara, all from Lubbock; Blair Thacker and Brad Wilson from Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Brad Thacker from Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Thacker and Mr. and Mrs. Buzz Thacker, from Roaring Springs. The group enjoyed boating, fishing and swimming for a great time.

Visiting Pearl Patten for several days were nieces Sharon Washington and Dona Tipton from Venita, OK.

Pearl Patten and Jo Ann Reagen visited in Boyd last week. They were there to pick up son and grandson, Bryce Reagen who had spent two weeks with his aunt, Linda Parker, Arnold and girls.

Don and Lou Largent visited his mother Mary Lumsden in Lubbock this week. Mary is in rehab at Covenant Hospital.

Pee Wee Perryman and Carolyn Fletcher visited their mother, Mdean Brooks at Floydada Nursing Home this week.

Joe and Joyce Meredith visited Jackie and Shirley Smith in Matador on Sunday afternoon for Father's Day, where they enjoyed homemade ice cream, cake and pie. Also enjoying the afternoon, were the Meredith's grandsons, Jonah Meredith and Parker Meredith, who enjoyed swimming in the Smith's pool; Tony, Sherry and Shea Rose, Steve Smith, and Carla Meador.

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

### OVERHEARD

T.V. commercials are really clever these days. I just have no idea what they are selling!

Gwen and Tim Mandrell and daughter, Peyton of Lubbock visited Father's Day with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert.

Members of the Do Gooders' Club have been meeting at the Community Center on Mondays and working on their Bazaar quilt.

Visiting Father's Day weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Furman Vinson were son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Vinson, Dana Vinson, Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Vinson, Katilynn, Morgan and Andrew of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey were in Amarillo last Tuesday and again this Tuesday for her medical appointments. Their children, Mrs. Jackie Davis of Fritch, Michael Starkey of Canyon and Mrs. Bessie Reid of Amarillo were with them in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee enjoyed the Jamboree in Abernathy Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall, her father, Richard March of Quitaque, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Kendall, Jere and Jacob celebrated Father's Day with a luncheon in Turkey.

Karen Tiffin and Kyle Clayton of Plainview and Glen D. Tiffin visited in Rochester Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Tiffin, Trent and Kevin. Trent and Kevin returned home with them to visit grandparents, Glen D. and Laverne.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin visited Father's Day in Borger with daughter and husband, Marilee and Fred Cooper. Other guests were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Cory Cooper and son, Gavin of Borger.

Mrs. Kathy Shorter met daughter and children, Mrs. Christi Milam, Emily and Haley of Petrolia in Crowell Sunday afternoon and Emily and Haley returned home with her to visit this week. Their parents, Christi and Dwain Milam will be sponsors at a Church Youth Camp in Oklahoma this week. Also visiting Monday and Tuesday with Clois and Kathy is grandson, Brian Sehon of Ropesville.

Father's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse and Derrick were Mrs. Marihelen Wason of Matador, Leah Cruse and Lacy Carson of Lubbock and Keane Cruse of Turkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay visited in Panhandle Saturday night with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clay, Kelsey, Tanner and Sarah. They enjoyed the basketball game in which Kelsey played. The children returned home with them to visit. Other guests on Father's Day were Mr. and Mrs. Pat Carson, Walker, Ryleigh and Parker of Turkey and Mr. and Mrs. Neal Edwards, Jaxon and Caden of Flomot.

Janice and Butch Hughes were in Lubbock Friday morning to be with granddaughter, Reagan Hughes, daughter of Roger and Tiffany Hughes of Floydada, who had ear surgery and a tonsilectomy at the Covenant Surgical Center.

They continued to Roysce City and visited until Sunday with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bengi Hughes and for Butch to meet their new baby daughter, Kaitlynn. Janice returned home recently after spending 19 days in Roysce following the birth of Kaitlynn.

Aleda Elaine Ross of Castroville arrived Saturday to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross and in Lubbock with aunt and uncle Elisa and Stan Wigley.

Tim and Gina Shannon and daughter, Nellie returned home recently from a two week business trip that included traveling to Indiana and to Washington. Tim and Nellie visited in Roaring Springs on Father's Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Shannon.

Consider:

"He who tooteth not his own horn, the same shall not be tooted."

— John L. Lewis

You may want to toot your own horn, or you may want to toot that of someone else who hasn't done it yet, but it is time for nominations for the Woman of the Year, the Man of the Year, and the Business of the Year, awards given out by the Chamber of Commerce at the yearly banquet.

Motley County is a county with few inhabitants, so the public spirited efforts of its citizens to make it better for us all are all the more important. And there are many among us who devote their time and efforts with no thought of reward.

We all benefit from their activities, so the very least we can do is let them know we notice, and we appreciate it. We cannot give awards to each and every one for each and every service, but we can, as a group, say "Thank you" for outstanding efforts. And that is the point of the awards.

So now is the time for you to think about these services and

the people who have provided them, and to submit your nominations to the Chamber of Commerce. You can just write their names, or you can also add a sentence or two about why you think they should receive the award.

And while you are writing down your suggestions, remember that our Motley County Chamber logo cowboy at the top of this column and on the town Welcome signs still needs a name. A number of suggestions have already been made, but perhaps you have another idea, or haven't yet made your suggestion, so you can use another slip of paper and submit it at the same time as you submit your suggestions for award recipients. (The nominations do not have to be signed, but you will not get your prize for naming the cowboy if you do not sign that slip of paper...)

Your suggestions must be in by August 1, 2004. You can bring them by the Chamber Office in the Museum, open 2-5 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday, or drop them at the Variety Store or New to You in the box for nominations. Or you can email them to the chamber at motcocm@caprock-spur.com.

## Matador News

### HEART SURGERY

Butch Renfro had triple bypass heart surgery Friday morning, June 18 at the Convent Medical Center in Lubbock. Before being conveyed to Lubbock Thursday afternoon he suffered an injured ankle and chipped teeth when working on tractor plows east of Matador. He is reported to be recovering just fine.

### VACATION CRUISE

Mrs. L.B. (Lucretia) Campbell, children and family, Laura and Bruce Slover, Shanai and Cheyenne of Paducah, Ben and Devonna Grundy, Cole and Justin of Matador and Dayton and Brittany Grundy of Taylor, Arkansas enjoyed a vacation cruise from June 14-19.

They flew to Houston, took a bus to Galveston and boarded the Celebration cruise ship. Among the tourist attractions and Ports of Call they toured included Cozumel, Mexico and Playa del Carmen. They had beautiful weather and a

fun filled time. When returning home, they were pleased with the good rains in Motley County during their trip.

### ATTEND METHODIST CONFERENCE

Minister Paul Stearns, Rodney and Glenda Williams attended the Northwest Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church from Wednesday until Saturday, June 9-11 held at the McMurry University in Abilene. The theme for the conference was "The Family of God... Rooted and Grounded in Love." Brother Stearns was reappointed to serve the Matador and Roaring Springs Methodist Churches for 2005.

When in Abilene, Rodney and Glenda had lunch with Rev. Ron Kelly and wife and the Rev. Monte Wike and wife, former Matador Methodist ministers, En route home, Saturday they visited in Colorado City in the home of Bro. Monte and Noma Wike

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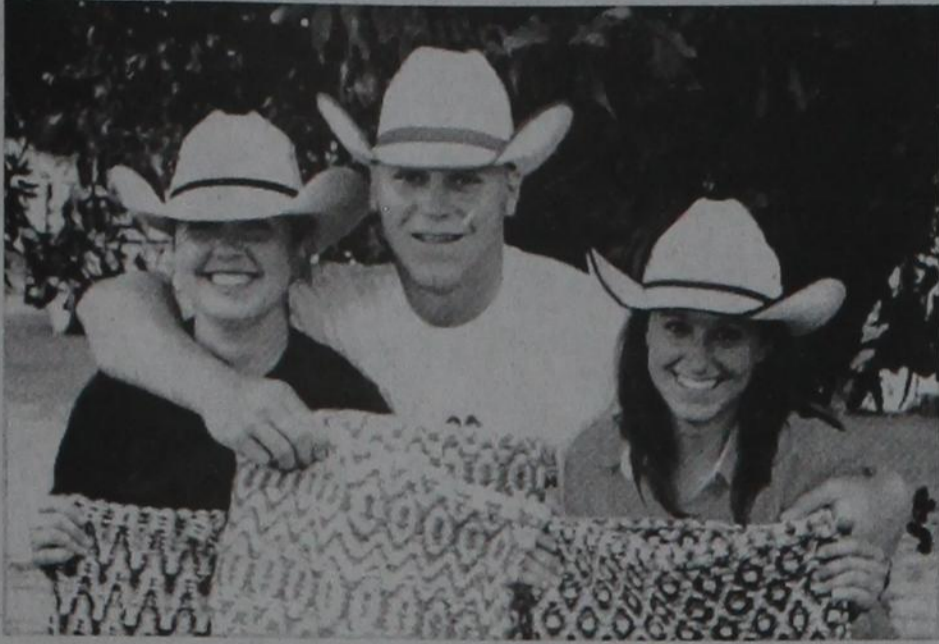
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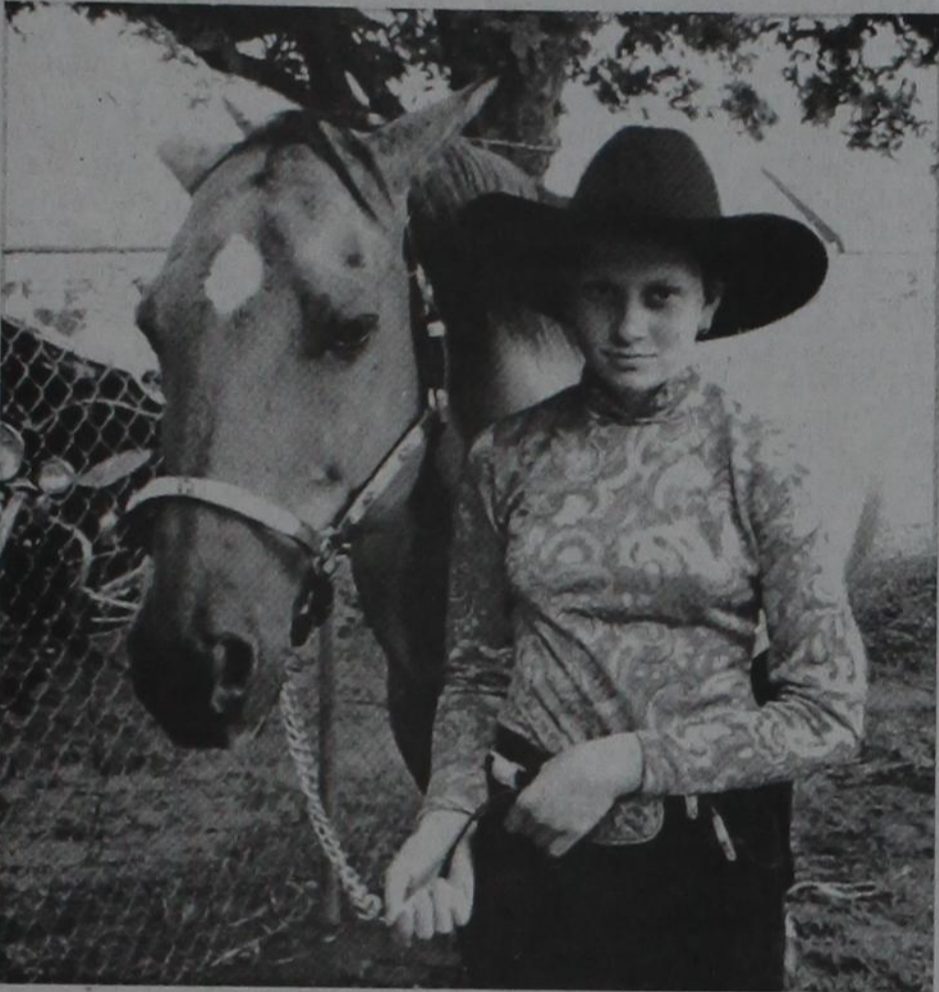
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# FARM & RANCH NEWS



TEAM PENNING team members, Colton Russell, center, Motley County 4-H member, Amanda Browning of Childress and Holley Hurt of King County competed in the team penning competition at the District Horse Show. The team placed 3rd and 10th place.



Shane'a Russell with her horse Tequila participated in Barrels and Stakes at the District 4-H Horse Show. She placed 9th.

## Local 4-H'ers participate in District Horse Show

by D'Anna Russell

The District 3 4-H Horse Show was held June 17-19 in Vernon at the Finley Bradley 4-H Arena where hoof beats and heartbeats could be heard along with a lot of thunder, some lightning and rain that delayed several events.

This year there were 171 contestants in the horse show from ages 9-19. Local participants were Colton and Shane'a Russell. Colton participated in Team-penning, yearling halter futurity, and 2-Year Old Western Pleasure. Colton's team members are Holley Hurt of King County and Amanda Browning of Childress County. Their team was the only one that made the top ten teams, coming back in the finals in 2 slots, placing 9th and 3rd. They finished 3rd and 10th overall. Colton was 4th in the yearling halter and brought home first in the 2-year old

Western Pleasure Futurity on his horse, Boon San Waltz, called 'Coon' by Colton.

Shane'a's team-penning team consists of Dickens County 4-Her Kelsey Stokes and King County 4-Her Ty Fox. Shane'a placed 7th with her yearling halter filly and came back in the top 15 in the barrels and stakes to finish 9th in both which was one slot out of qualifying for State in the speed events.

In the State 4-H Horse Show, Colton will be competing in the Cutting, Halter Futurity, 2-Year Old Western Pleasure Futurity, and Team-Penning. Shane'a will be competing in the Halter Futurity and Team-Penning.

State is held the last full week of July.

Just a reminder to the Horse Club kids - don't forget this Saturday, June 26, will be the next Play Day.

## Farm Service Agency News

by John Bird, Motley County CED



**KNOW YOUR PLANTS**  
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Some grasses that indicate over grazing and tend to invade pastures that are not in good condition are Silver Bluestem, Threeawn, Bromegrass, Barnyard Grass and Little Barley. An abundance of these along with woody plants, weeds, and dirt may mean we should cut back on our stocking rate. If you would like a grass identified bring it by the office some time.

### COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

The election of responsible agricultural producers to FSA county committees is important to ALL farmers and ranchers with large or small operations. It is critical that every eligible producer take part in this election because county committees are a direct link between the farm community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Committees make decisions on:

- \* commodity price support loans and payments;
- \* establishment of allotments and yields;
- \* conservation programs;
- \* incentive, idemnity, and disaster payments for some commodities; and
- \* other farm disaster assistance.

FSA committees operate within official regulations designed to carry out Federal laws. Committee members ap-

ply their judgment and knowledge to make local decisions.

### Important Date:

July 15, 2004: Request nomination forms from the local FSA office and begin nominations.

September 3, 2004: Last day to file nomination forms.

November 8, 2004: Ballots mailed to eligible voters.

December 6, 2004: Last day to return voted ballots.

January 1, 2005: Elected committee members and alternates take office.

**Who can Vote:** Farm owners, operators, tenants, and sharecroppers of legal voting age can vote if they are eligible to participate in any FSA program. Check with your local FSA office for voting requirements and eligibility.

**Nominations:** A nomination form signed by the nominee is needed to nominate a candidate. The form includes a statement that the candidate agrees to serve if elected.

The nomination form (FSA-669A) is available at local FSA office and online at [forms.sc.egov.usda.gov](http://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov).

Nomination forms for the 2004 election must be postmarked or received by close business in the local FSA office by September 3, 2004.

Almost anyone eligible to take part in a local FSA program may be a candidate for the committee. Individuals may nominate themselves or others as a candidate. In addition, organization representing socially disadvantaged farmers or ranchers may nominate candidates.

**Don't Miss Out on Voting:** Ballots will be mailed to voters by November 8 and must be returned to the FSA county office or postmarked by December 8.

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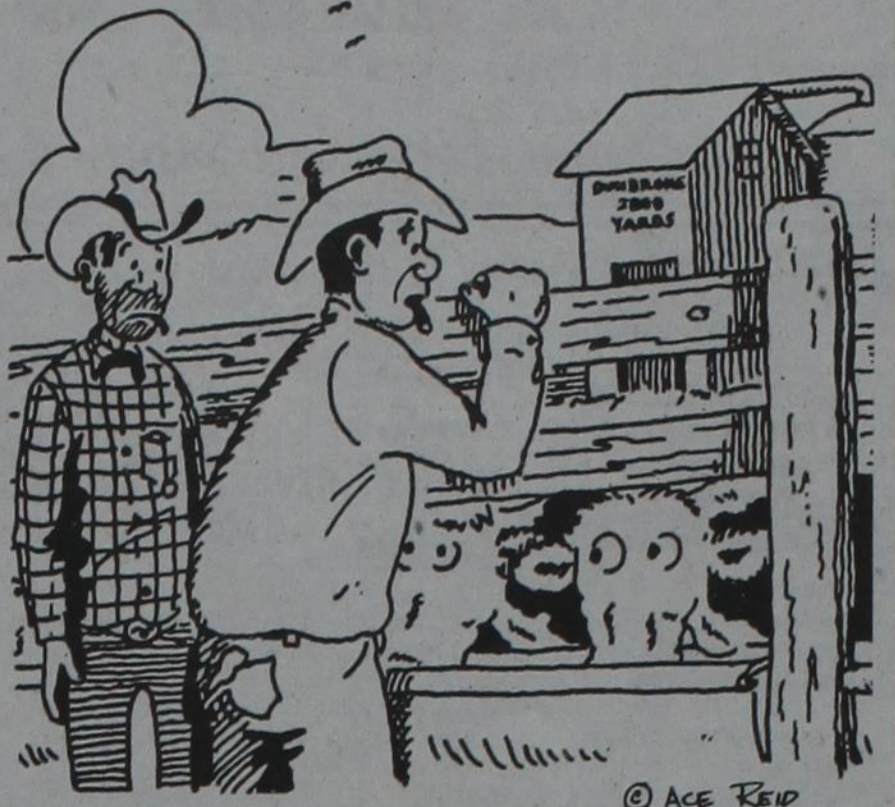
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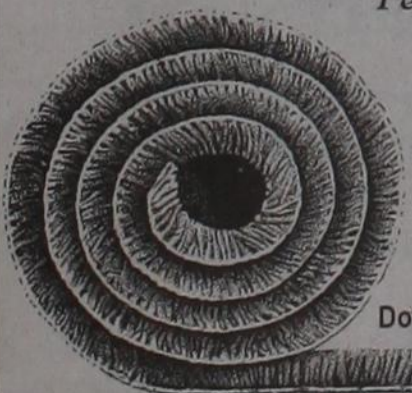
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**DUMONT HOMECOMING**

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