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## First Annual Matador Grand Prix will rev up on Sunday

by Dianne Washington

An exciting family fun day is planned for Matador. On Sunday, March 5, the West Texas Boondockers will be in town for the first annual Matador Grand Prix. This race is part of the High Plains Grand Prix circuit and is a point race. The 2006 racing season is beginning and the racers are eager to get started.

The Motley County Chamber of Commerce is eager to welcome the races to Matador and to provide a great place for the race. The race will begin at 12:00 noon with a shotgun start. There will be five classes of racers of all ages. Anyone with the necessary gear is welcome to come take part in the race.

Even if you don't want to race, you can come and watch the races. Bring lawn chairs and find a good spot to overlook the race trail, visit one of the concession stands for great race food, and sit back and enjoy the activities.

Several organizations will have concession stands as a fund raiser. Motley County Senior Citizens will start the day selling a breakfast of sausage, biscuits, and gravy at 7:00 a.m. at the Senior Center. The Senior Citizens will sell a sausage wrap at lunch. At 11:00 a.m. Hackberry Creek Care Center will begin selling grilled hamburgers with all the trimmings. Look for the Stafford Cattle Company grill or just follow your nose to

the great hamburgers cooked by David Stafford. Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church will sell turkey legs, corn dogs and taquitos on the north side of New to You. Simpson Catering will have brisket rollups for sale. There will be other booths in addition to the food. Several stores will be open with race specials. Everyone is invited to come out, eat lunch, shop the booths and stores, and support the race.

Another way you can support the race is to volunteer to help with the race. Volunteers are needed to direct traffic and to assist the racers on the trail. There will be a pre-race meeting Saturday morning on the east side of the Courthouse at

10:00 a.m. If you can't be there Saturday morning, just show up Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. or whenever you can and a spot will be assigned to you. Volunteers are also needed to work in the concession stands for the Senior Citizens and the Hackberry Creek Care Center. Please contact Tommye at 347-2496 to volunteer to help Senior Citizens or Dianne at 347-2636 to help Hackberry Creek. Hackberry Creek is also requesting donations of homemade goodies to sell in the concession stand.

Racing excitement, great food, lots of visiting, shopping, and a great afternoon is being planned. Everyone is urged to come out and join in the fun.

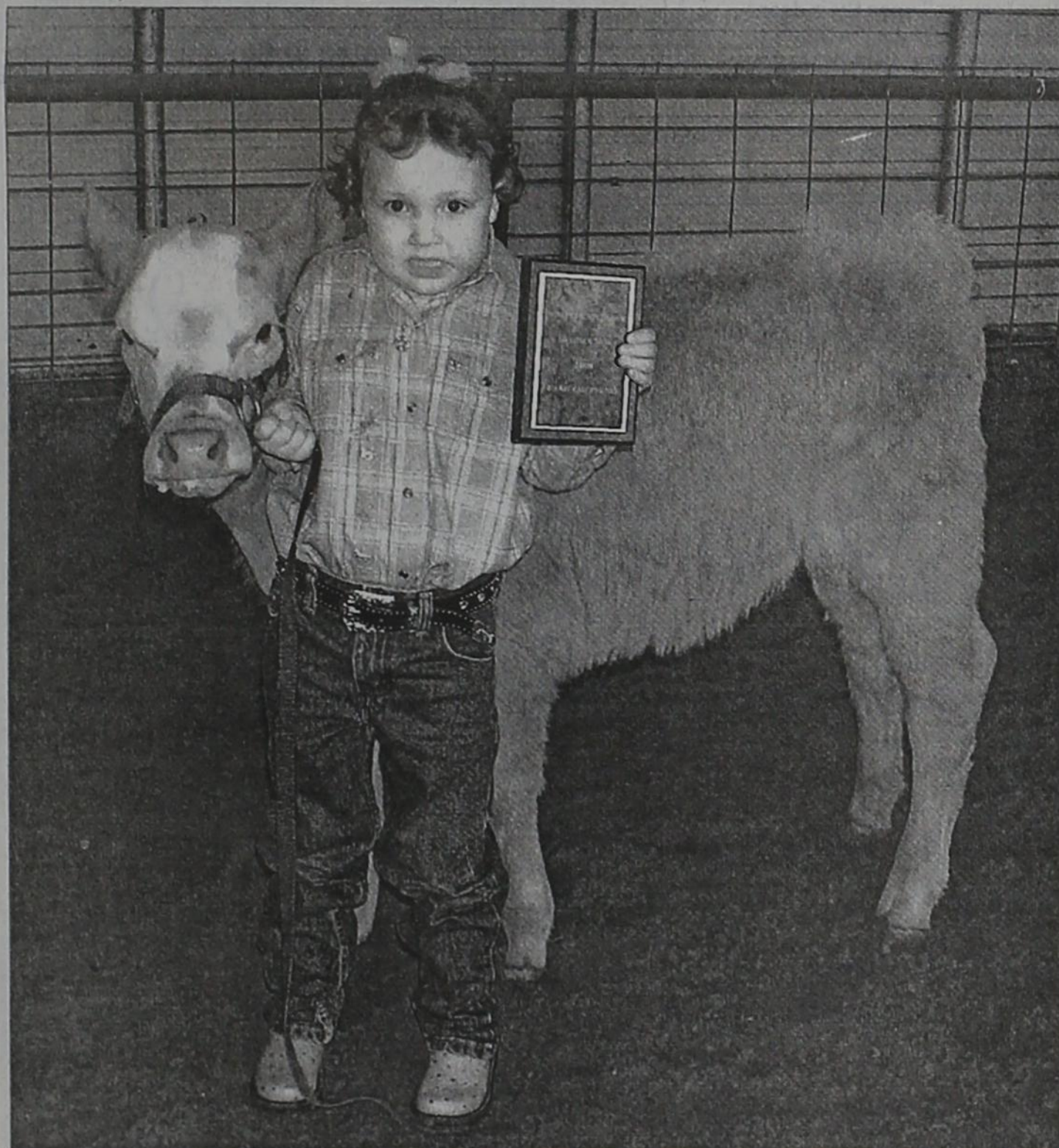
## Early Voting ends Friday

Early voting for the March 7th Primary Election will end Friday, March 3. Voters wishing to vote early may do so at the Motley County Clerk's office in the Courthouse, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Voters are reminded that they must vote in either the Democratic or Republican party for the Primary Election. In the General Election voters can vote a split party for the candidate of their choice.

On Election Day voters must go to the polling place for their Precinct. Precincts 1, 5 and 6 will vote at the Courthouse; Precinct 2, Flomot Community Center; Precinct 3, Northfield Church; Precinct 4, Roaring Springs Community Center.

For more information contact the County Clerk's office at 347-2621.



**BUCKET CALF** — Carley Turner showed her bucket calf, CeeCee, at last Saturday's Livestock Show. Carley, 5, received a plaque for showing her little bottle fed calf, and telling the judge how she took care of him. She is the daughter of Craig and Cathey Turner of Matador.

## Mother-Daughter, Father-Son banquets are combined for night of Family Fun Friday

### Memories shared of banquets from days gone by

A night of family fun will combine the Mother-Daughter and Father-Son Banquet, Friday evening at the School. The annual banquet, sponsored each year by the Eternas Study Club was combined last year to make the event a family affair.

The fun will start at 6:00 p.m. in the high school gym. Good food and a lot of fun is planned for the entire family. Entertainment will be by Music to the Maxx from Lubbock.

*Tribune* correspondent, Earlyne Jameson shares the following story about some memorable Father & Son banquets from days gone by.

Paul Eubank, a civic leader and Boy Scout Master in Matador, was the originator of the

Father and Son Banquet in 1936 that became an annual affair in Matador. Suits and ties were worn as they had well known celebrities as featured guests. This encouraged good attendance and excitement at the well planned event through the years.

H.R. "Skeet" Jameson had not attended any of the previous six banquets, but in 1942 he was the guest of G.C. Rankin, superintendent of the Whiteflat Schools, a man he respected. Skeet's parents were divorced and he lived with his mother, Mrs. Beulah Jameson, in a rural home east of Whiteflat. He had transferred from the Whiteflat Schools to Matador High School and this was his sophomore year.

After hearing boys in Matador tell how much fun they had at these banquets, he couldn't wait for this special night. He was not disappointed as Jay Hanna "Dizzy" Dean, one of baseball's greatest pitchers and most colorful personalities was the guest speaker. He liked to brag about his pitching, his St. Louis Cardinals team winning the World Series and his winning 30 games in 1934. After his retirement in 1941, he became a sports announcer. He was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1953.

Skeet thought this would be his last year to attend the banquet. To his delightful surprise, his junior year, 1943, he was the

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## 66th Annual Motley County Junior Livestock Show results announced

The 66th Annual Motley County Jr. Livestock Show, held last Saturday, proved to be a lucky day for the county and show participants. After a long dry spell, a cool rain brought some much needed moisture to the parched ground, and made the show barn a cold place to be. But the smiles on the show participants' faces warmed things up, beginning with the PeeWee Swine Show. A big group of youngsters chased pigs around the ring giving them the opportunity to get some experience for future shows. Each child re-

ceived a blue ribbon and a small cash prize.

Results of the show are as follows:

### SWINE SHOW

Grand Champion: Kyla Simpson

Reserve Champion: Eric Simpson

Showmanship: Colton Russell

Lightweight: 1st., Catherine Ward; 2nd., Christian Brooks; 3rd., Taylor Tomlinson; 4th., Leanne Jameson; 5th., Schylar Tomlinson; 6th., Tristan Tomlinson.

Medium-weight: 1st., Kyla Simpson; 2nd., Jamie Jameson; 3rd., Colton Russell; 4th., Seth Baxter; 5th., Korbyn Simpson; 6th., Colton Russell.

Medium Heavy-weight: 1st., Jamie Jameson; 2nd., Britt Simpson; 3rd., Britt Simpson; 4th., Schylar Tomlinson; 5th., Christian Brooks; 6th., Matthew Martin.

Heavy-weight: 1st., Eric Simpson; 2nd., Eric Simpson; 3rd., Matthew Martin; 4th., Shane'a Russell; 5th., Korbyn Simpson; 6th., Kyla Simpson.

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## Matador City Council meeting reports

The Matador City Council met Thursday, February 9, with Mayor Pro Tem Shane Jones, Council members Chuck Ream, Bert Darsey and Pat Seigler in attendance. Also attending the meeting were Water Superintendent Steve Barton, City Secretary Wendi Taylor, Lara Davey, Craig Turner and David and Sheila Womack.

Shane Jones called the meeting to order. No one participated in Open Forum.

First on the agenda was the motion by Chuck Ream for Lara Davey to serve on council, to fill the vacancy left by resignation of Jim Watson. Motion passed.

Craig Turner, representing Market Matador, spoke requesting some secretarial help from the City for Market Matador. Lara Davey made the motion to provide up to four hours of labor a month for secretarial services for Market Matador, at the discretion of the City Secretary. The City will pay for these services, with the understanding that in six months they will re-evaluate the situation. Council approved.

David Womack requested permission to put a fence in his front yard, that the north side would extend onto City property. Council requested that David check with Caprock Telephone about fiber optic lines. A motion was made to allow the fence, with the understanding that if the City ever needs access to that piece of property, it would be his responsibility to remove and reinstall the fence, at his expense. Council approved.

Tom Hamilton, City Attor-

ney, talked with council about the outstanding account with Yellow House Machinery on a dozer repair bill. He explained that Yellow House offered to pick up the cab at no cost to the city. Yellow House accepted a settlement of the City paying 1/2 the repair bill on the dozer and paying the remaining invoices in full. He is now in the process of drawing up a release to be signed before any further action is to be made. Mr. Hamilton said he would draw up a resolution replacing the current sign ordinance and is investigating other possibilities concerning the visual nuisance ordinance.

Council read and approved the minutes from the December 8 meeting. Minutes were also read and approved from the January 12 meeting.

Expenditures were reviewed and approved.

Council discussed dividing the City Secretary's salary between the General Fund and the Water Works fund. After discussion Council approved paying the salary out of Water Works all year, and then have the General Fund reimburse Water Works yearly, because of payroll tax complications. Council asked Mrs. Taylor to check with the CPA and see if it can be done this way.

Council approved an additional expenditure of \$2,185.46 from the 4B Account on the Hackberry Nursing Home.

Mayor Pro-Tem Shane Jones informed council of the progress being made by the Boondockers association for their race, planned for Sunday,

March 5.

After much discussion Council asked Steve to check with TCEQ and SPAG about repair or replacing the water tower.

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## Filing for May Election ends March 13th

Potential candidates for the local May elections are reminded they have until March 13 to file for a place on the ballot.

The Roaring Springs City Council will have two Council places up for election, those currently held by Kelly Keltz and Gary Simpson, and the Mayor's position, now held by Corky Marshall.

Matador City Council has two Council positions open, those currently held by Shane Jones and Pat Seigler and the Mayor's position, now held by pro-tem Shane Jones.

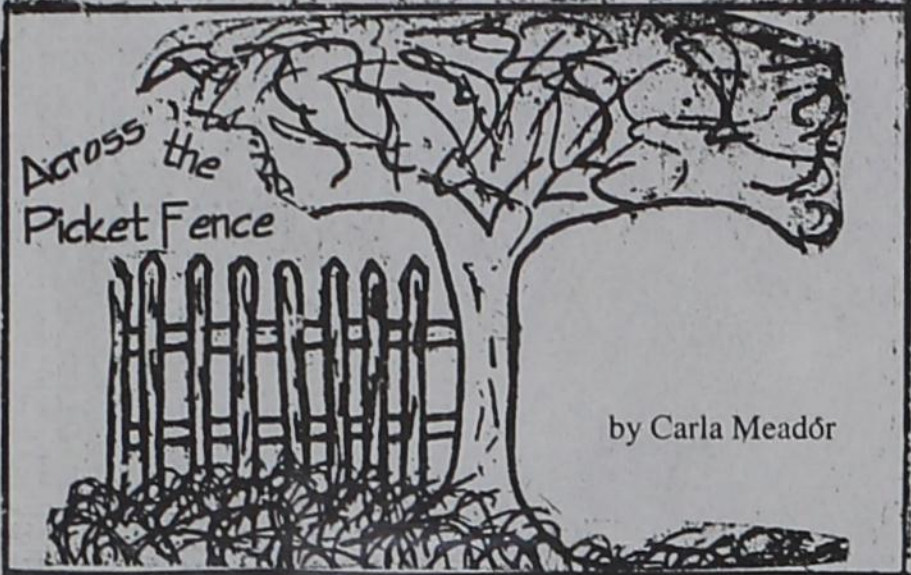
The Motley County School Board has two places, those currently held by Douglas Campbell and Ted Davey.

The Motley County Hospital Board will have three places open, currently held by C.W. Moore, Ken Abbott and Dianne Washington.

Those wishing to file for one of the available positions may do so at their respective City Hall offices, the Business manager's office at School, or with Dianne Washington for the Hospital Board.

Election date is May 13.





As I write this column my heart is saddened by the loss of two wonderful men of our area this week. E.A. Day went to his eternal Heavenly home early Sunday morning, while Rev. Jack Boggs went to be with the Lord Sunday night. Mr. Day was a sweet, loving man who always had a kind word for just about everyone he met. He was a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Matador for many years. We had the chance to visit him often in the past several months, as he was a resident of the Floydada Nursing Home and we saw him almost every week, while visiting my mother-in-law. He always seemed to know who we were, greeted us with joy, and said "It's good to see you." He will be missed so.

Rev. Jack Boggs was our pastor at the First Baptist Church for the last few years until his retirement last year. He still pastored the First Baptist Church in Roaring Springs where I was raised and my parents are attending members, so I had the chance to see him there even after he left the Matador Church. Rev. Boggs was a wonderful person who shared his love and faith in God in a way that was easy to understand and always filled with love. There were many times when I was tired and felt overwhelmed with my work, and Jack just seemed to know when to say the right things. He was very encouraging to me and made me feel like I was really doing something worthwhile. He had a beautiful voice and shared his love for God through song, also. He was a part of our choir and when he retired we missed his strong melody.

My heartfelt sympathy and love goes to the family of these two men. We will all miss them.



### Library presents a 'Hug of Bears'

A group of bears displayed together is called a "Hug of Bears." The Motley County Library has on display its very own Hug of Bears through the month of March. The librarian, Suzanne Abbott, is a teddy bear collector and she and Patricia Green have brought together all their bears so the library could have this display.

Everyone, kids and adults alike, is invited to bring his or

her favorite teddy bear to the library to visit the Hug of Bears. During this visit you and your bear may have your photograph

taken with the Hug and you will receive a copy of that picture. You might even want to read a bear story to the Hug. Choose your favorite teddy bear and bring him or her to the library to see all the other bears during the month of March.

### Look who's eligible for Medicare!



Happy Birthday!  
Love - the Girls

### Miserable Comforters



In his response to Eliphaz, Job expresses his frustration in "old tales and cold comfort." In chapter 16 he tells his three friends, "miserable comforters are ye all." Why? Because one soon wearies of barrage after barrage of words. Job finds that his friends were not helping at all. Real comforters are rare.

The Bible tells us in II Corinthians 1:3-5 that God gives us comfort in order that Christians can comfort those who need comforting. There is a need for those who can comfort. We realize that there are people suffering from day to day. It seems that suffering is a part of life. It is a part of our existence while upon this earth. Some need comforting more than others. While we understand that, we also want to respond in a meaningful way to comfort any that may be suffering. Our God has given us the task and He also will provide us with the ability to be of such service.

Comforters! Those who render comfort to the suffering are living proof that our God does not abandon those who suffer. In fact, Jesus promised that He would be with us "to the end of the world." As Christians, there is much to do in the Kingdom of God, and among those things to do is to be of comfort to those in need of it. God will not assign us any task without giving us the means and the strength to carry it out. The Apostle Paul wrote this: "...and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God."

### ROARING SPRINGS CHURCH OF CHRIST

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.  
BIBLE STUDY 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP 9:00 A.M.

## Library Notes

by Suzanne Abbott, Librarian



Today, Thursday, is Texas Independence Day. The library has two wonderful Texas collections, one for adults and one for kids. We encourage you to "Read Texas."

We thank Marge Edwards for her donation to the library in memory of Ober Johnson. We also appreciate the donations made by W.C. Pallmeyer in memory of Decima Green and Lula Swim. We thank Skeet and Earlyne Jameson for their donation to the library in memory of Art Green, Cleo Watson and Lula Swim. We appreciate the donation by Ronnie Vandiver in memory of Bill Cassingham.

We thank the Eternas Study Club and the Red Hat Society for their donations to the Buy a Valentine Fund-raiser. We thank Jo and Alex Crowder for buying a Valentine for the Library. We appreciate the Valentine from Joyce Campbell. We thank everyone who took part in that fund-raiser. Come by the library and read the names on our big red heart.

New books in the library include Elmer Kelton's newest *Brush Country Two Texas Novels*, *Front Page Love* by Paige Elliston, *Gone* by Lisa Gardner and *5th Horseman* by James Patterson.

### Motley County Chamber News & Views

by Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort

Consider: Spend the afternoon. You can't take it with you. -- Anne Dillard

The afternoon of Sunday, March 5th, will be one to spend in downtown Matador, for it is the big day of the West Texas Boondockers Matador Grand Prix.

So what all will be going on? Well, the main events are the off-road races themselves, and there will be 5 groups to race. The 60cc and Women's Class will have a parade lap at 12:00 sharp, and their race will begin at 12:15. That will be followed by the parade lap of the Novice Small, Over 50, 80 cc Class at 12:45, with their race beginning at 1:00.

The Expert, Intermediate, Over 30 Class will have their parade lap at 2:00, with the race time of 2:15. Then come the Novice Large, Over 40 parade lap at 3:15 and the race at 3:30. The last event of the day will be the 50cc class, with their meeting at 4:30 and a race time of 4:45.

But that is not all that will be going on, not by a long shot.

Bob's Oil Well will be open for the first time, to welcome the visitors coming in to town. Stop by for a map of where the booths and stands will be located, as well as the routes for the races. The Senior Citizens Center

will open at 7:00 a.m. for breakfast, where you could begin your day by stopping by before church for a Sunday treat. After they have served breakfast with sausage as the centerpiece, they will continue with dinner, serving all comers until they run out of food.

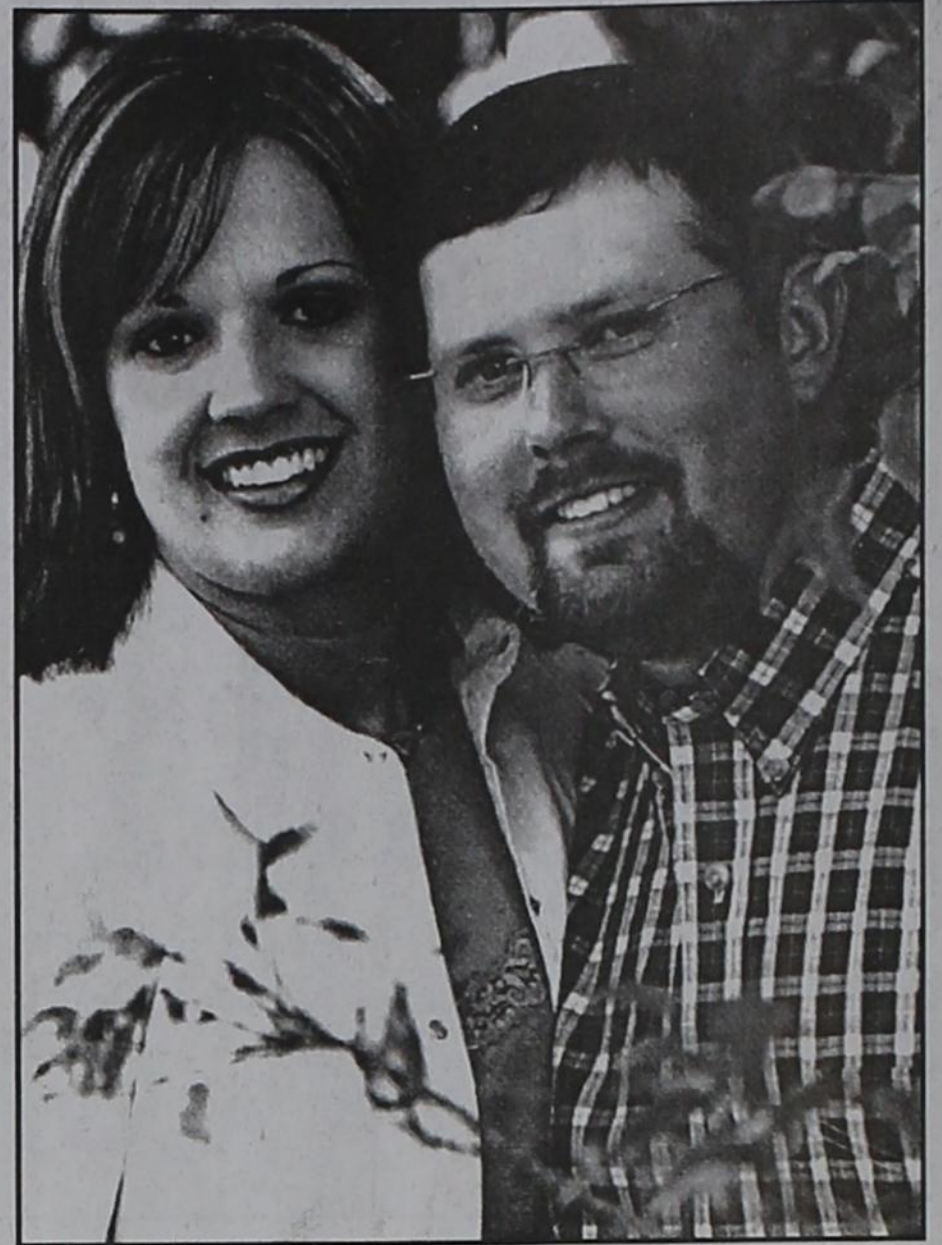
At about noon, the Hackberry Creek Care Center concessions stand will begin offering hamburgers and desserts (which will be donated by local bakers).

Tammy Simpson Catering will also be serving, and they have brisket wraps on the menu.

But there will be more: Misty Jones will have Krispy Kream doughnuts on offer and Our Lady of Guadalupe Church will have something good to eat as well. The Eternas Study Club will have a booth with toys, and is also selling tickets for a 20" X-Games Motobike, with the drawing to be held at 3:00 p.m. Look for the Girl Scouts selling their Girl Scout cookies. The 4-H Club, the Junior Class and the Cheerleaders will all also offer something. So keep your eyes out for their representatives.

Not to mention the stores downtown that will be open - Lowe's will have a pizza by the slice and drinks, and New to You is planning a sidewalk sale. More may well open their doors but there were no further announcements at presstime.

Suffice is to say, there will be a lot going on. Come on out and enjoy the races, the booths, and mingle with our visitors.



Laurie Hoyle and Clayt Bridge

### Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hoyle of Matador and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bridge of Afton would like to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Laurie Virginia Hoyle and Clayt Pal Bridge. Laurie is a graduate of Motley County High School and Texas Tech University and is currently employed by Smith Southern Equipment in Roaring Springs. Clayt is a graduate of Patton Springs High School and Texas Tech University and is a farmer and rancher in the Afton area. The two will wed on April 22nd at the Guitar Ranch in Spur.

### Red Hat ladies treat Floydada Nursing Home residents to Valentine Party

by Joan Patton

The Red Hatters of Matador traveled to Floydada Rehabilitation and Care Center to give Valentine greetings to the residents on February 14th. There are thirty-two women and thirteen men in residence. Two Kings and two Queens were selected for the occasion. Sylvia, the director, had the tables set and the punch bowl ready. The Red Hatters brought homemade cookies, Valentine napkins and other party items.

The Red Hat ladies enjoyed visiting with everyone most especially with the Motley County residents, Modene Brooks, Vera Mitchell, Dorothy Nichols, L.V.

Damron, Dena Meador and Jimmy Smith.

Those helping with the festivities were Joyce Campbell, Eugenia Barton, Dan Barton, Evelyn Garrison, Dorothy Knight and Norma Marrs.

Later in the week the Red Hatters met in the Library for their regular meeting. Observance of the local Red Hatters birthday was discussed and cards were sent to shut-in mem-

bers. The club made a donation to the Library annex fund. In attendance were Joyce, Norma, Marihelen, Dorothy and Dan. New members are always welcome.

### Men's Breakfast Saturday

The monthly Men's Breakfast will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Matador, Saturday, March 4, at 7:00 a.m.

All men are invited to attend.

### Homecoming date set

Tom Edwards, President of the Motley County Exes Association announces that the 2006 Homecoming will be September 22 and 23. Mark your calendars!

### Banquets

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adopted son of Dr. A.C. Traweck, Sr., a man he and everyone held in high esteem. He was one of the earliest and most dedicated physicians in this country.

Samuel "Sammy" Baugh, a professional football player with is Washington Redskins was the featured guest. He earned the nickname, "Slingin' Sam." He led the National Football League in passing for six seasons and completed 1,769 passes for a gain of 22,085 yards and 187 touchdowns. He set NFL records.

Skeet was in nervous anticipation his senior year, 1944, when he sat at the head table at the banquet as the assigned son of honored guest, Coke R. Stevenson, governor's good sense of humor and congeniality put him at ease and he had a memorable time.

In latter years, Skeet accompanied his sons, Lance and Shannon Jameson to the banquets. The Father and Son Banquet holds fond memories for them and many others who have attended.

### PRAISE TO THE LORD

"O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done marvelous things, things planned long ago. Isaiah 25:1

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Sunday Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m. - "Plucked, Planted & Pruned?"

Please stay and enjoy a Potluck Meal following the Morning Worship Service

Sunday Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m. - "Move the Stone"

Monday Evening - 7:00 p.m. - "War in Heaven"

Tuesday Evening - 7:00 p.m. - "Master & Commander"

Wednesday Evening - 7:00 p.m. - "That's My King"

A Warm Welcome Awaits You!



# Livestock Show Results

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**LAMB SHOW**  
 Grand Champion: Hayden Davey  
 Reserve Champion: Hance Davey  
 Showmanship: Hance Davey.

**RABBIT SHOW**  
 Grand Champion: Hailey Blanco  
 Reserve Champion: Gabby Silva  
 Class Placing: 1st., Hailey Blanco; 2nd., Gabby Silva; 3rd., Dominique Quilimaco; 4th., Alexis Osborn.

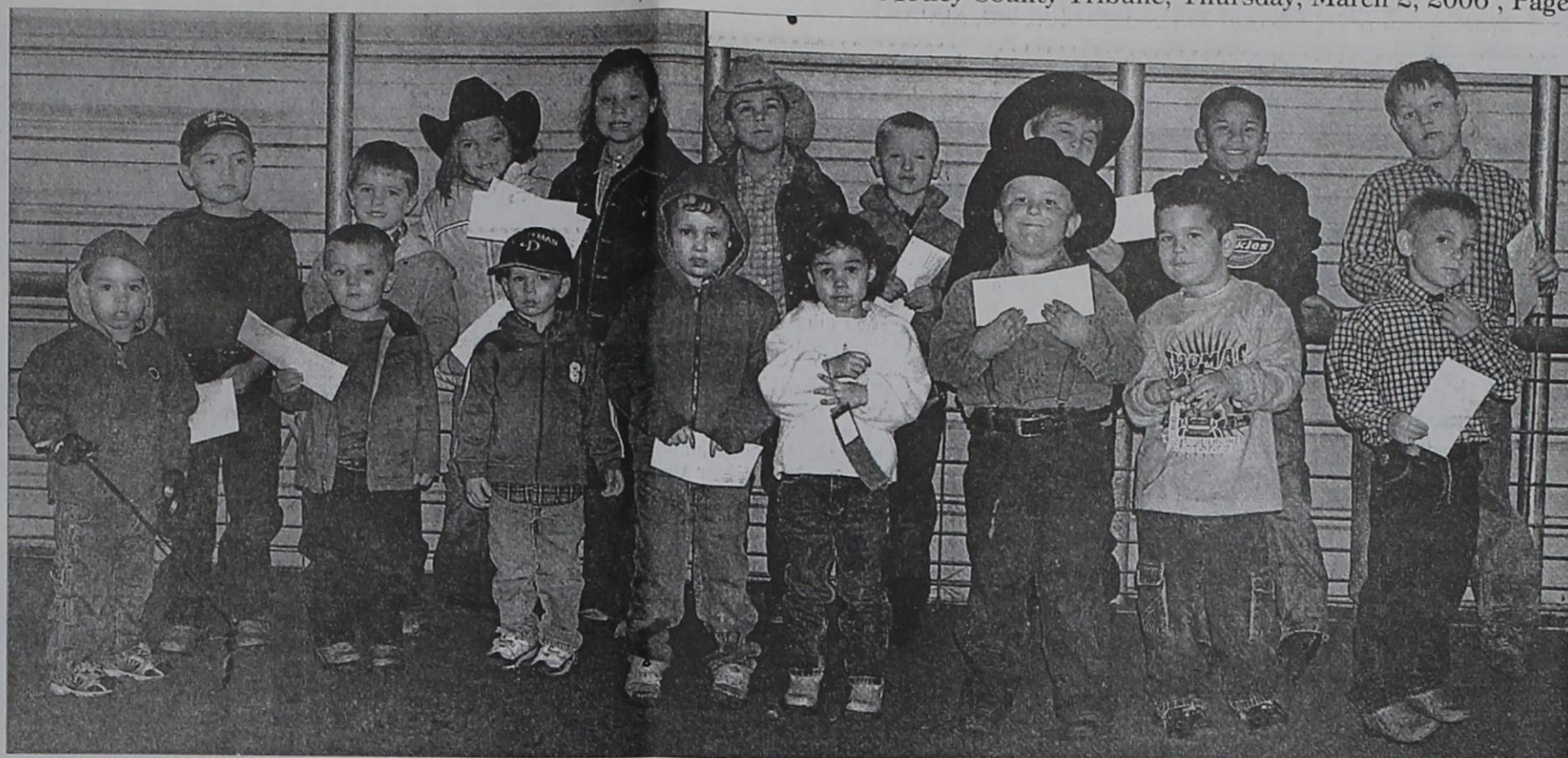
**GOAT SHOW**  
 Grand Champion: Austin Taylor  
 Reserve Champion: Austin Taylor  
 Showmanship: Colton Russell.

**Lightweight:** 1st., Austin Taylor; 2nd., Kaitlan Perryman; 3rd., Payden Perryman; 4th., Colton Russell; 5th., Shane'a Russell; 6th., Colton Russell.

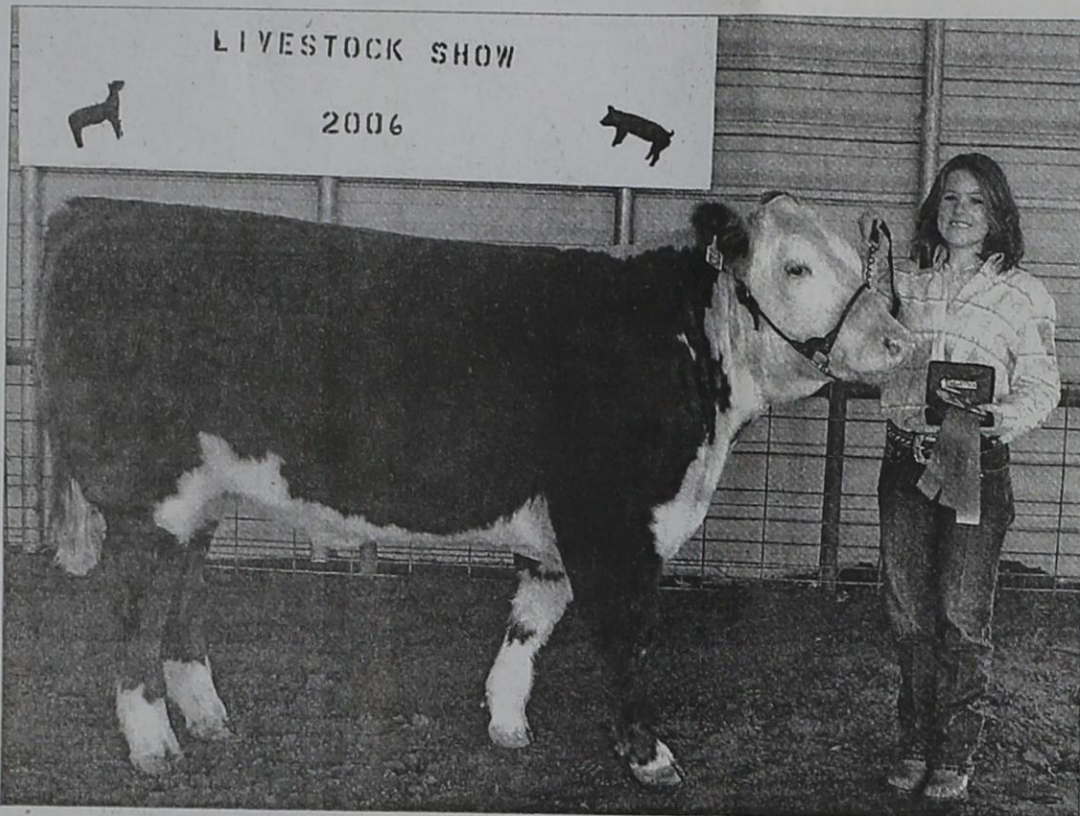
**Medium-weight:** 1st., Austin Taylor; 2nd., Shane'a Russell; 3rd., Keyan Kautz; 4th., Shane'a Russell; 5th., Shelby Elliott; 6th., Courtney Alexander.

**Heavy-weight:** 1st., Reagan Elliott; 2nd., Cassidy Turner; 4th., Courtney Alexander; 5th., Seth Baxter; 6th., Seth Baxter.

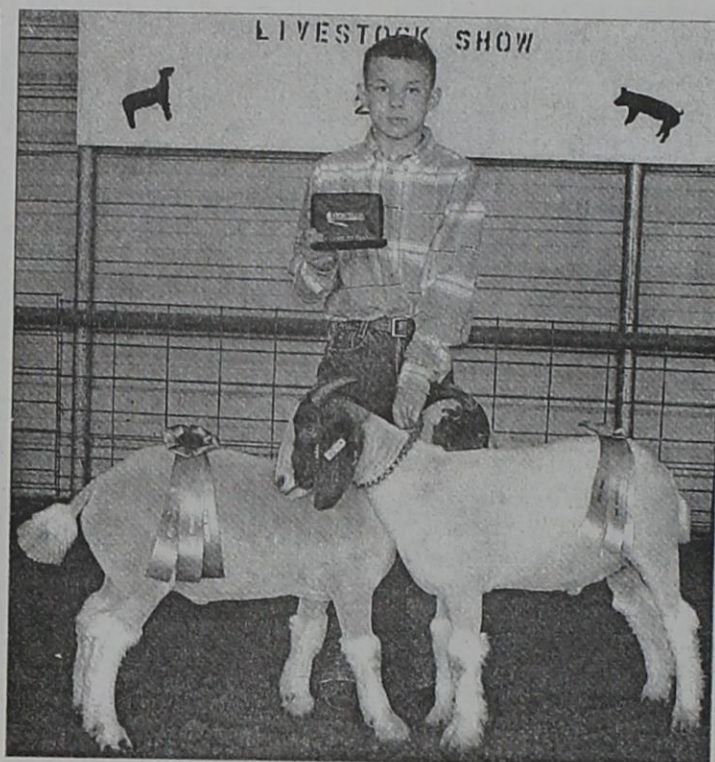
**STEER SHOW**  
 Grand Champion: Courtney Alexander  
**BUCKET CALF SHOW**  
 Carley Turner



**PEE WEE SHOW PARTICIPANTS** — These youngsters participated in the Pee Wee Swine Showmanship to kick off the 66th Annual Motley County Jr. Livestock Show held last Saturday. Each child received a blue ribbon and a small cash prize.



**GRAND CHAMPION STEER**, Courtney Alexander.



**GRAND CHAMPION & RESERVE CHAMPION GOATS** — Shane Taylor.

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<b>2005 Cavaliers</b> 1 - 2 Door 1 - 4 Door Low Miles	<b>2005 Pontiac G6</b> Silver, New Model 16 K Miles
<b>2005 Impala</b> Low Mileage Program Car	<b>1996 CHEV EXT CAB</b> CLEAN OLDER PICKUP LOTS OF MILES LEFT

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Dear Good Folks of the 110th District:

I write this letter in enthusiastic support of the election of Bill Smith as District Judge for the 110th District Court. You have the opportunity to choose a truly outstanding man for your District Judge and I hope you will take that opportunity. I have known Bill for 40 years and went to school with Bill in Clarendon, Texas. Bill was always one of the top students in our class and one of the most active in his community involvement. His intelligence, integrity and community involvement will serve you well and make you proud.

I am now a senior partner in the largest law firm in El Paso and, at 140 years, one of the oldest firms in the great State of Texas. I have been a litigator for 20 years and a board certified specialist in appellate law since 1992. I have handled over 120 appeals of decisions of judges throughout Texas to the Texas appellate courts including several to the Amarillo court of appeals, the Texas Supreme Court, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. I have a good sense about what makes a great judge and what does not. Without question, Bill will be an outstanding judge that you can count on to be tough, fair, frugal and active in your community.

Bill could have gone to the city to practice law and would have been very successful but he chose another path. He chose to go back to his ranch community, along with his lovely wife DeLane and lovely daughter, Ashley, to serve others and to make a difference in a place that is too often ignored: rural America.

The best unique insight I can give you about Bill is that out of all of my family and friends, he is the one I know I can always count on when I need him. You can count on Bill too. Please honor Bill with your vote and he will honor you with hard work, dedication and making a difference in your community.

Sincerely,

*Ken Slavin*  
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**OVERTURNED TRUCK** — This cement truck overturned Monday morning on highway 70 south of Roaring Springs. The truck was full of cement which began to set up quickly and made the vehicle require a crane to lift. Motley County Sheriff's Dept., DPS, Fire Department, and EMS responded to the accident. The driver suffered only minor injuries.



**BIG LEAK!** Matador City Water Superintendent, Steve Barton, is up to his knees in water trying to fix a big leak in a main city water line, last Wednesday night. The line was accidentally broken while preparations were being made for the Motorcycle Race course. The entire city was without water for 3-4 hours, before city employees repaired the line.

## Ambulance service vital to rural areas

submitted by the Motley County EMS

The telephone rings. There has been an accident six miles east of town and someone is hurt. Or, "My husband is having chest pain and needs an ambulance." Or "My little boy is having an asthma attack and I need help." In Motley County these are usually friends, neighbors, or relatives calling. Who is going to answer that call?

Living in a rural area often requires members of the community to wear many different hats. This is true for most of the emergency services that larger places take for granted. Motley County EMS is no different. Local EMT's provide Emergency Medical Services to the cities of Matador, Roaring Springs and the surrounding area. Our EMS is staffed by neighbors and friends who give the community their time and work so that everyone can be assured of emergency service when needed, regardless of the time of day or the day of the week. The Motley County EMS has highly trained men and women who stop their lives at the sound of a phone call and report to the ambulance by initiating prompt response to a personal emergency or community disaster.

The State of Texas requires that an ambulance be staffed by a minimum of two EMS personnel. Education required by the state to become an EMT Basic

is 110 classroom hours and 10 clinical hours, an EMT Intermediate puts in an additional 60 to 100 hours of classroom and training, and a Paramedic requires an additional 1000 hours of classroom and clinical time. Motley County EMS has two fully equipped advanced life support ambulances with equipment equal to the emergency room of a hospital with attendants trained with special skills to do IV therapy, oxygen therapy, and paramedics to provide drug therapy and EKG monitoring including 12 lead diagnostic EKG monitoring.

Motley County is served by three paramedics, four intermediates, and four basics, all having jobs, families, and other commitments in the community. These people staff the Mobile Intensive Care Units as they provide emergency medical service to those who need it. For anyone interested in joining Motley County EMS service, training and books are provided by the Motley County Hospital District. At the Basic level the average cost for the training and books is more than \$500.00, so this is a unique opportunity for local citizens to increase their education and give back to their community. A new class is forming in Dickens County starting March 7. Those interested in becoming an EMT can contact anyone on the service for more details about the class or about what we do.

## Turkey Jamboree Saturday

Spring is right around the corner, the weather is getting warmer, the days are getting longer and it's Jamboree time once again in Turkey. Make sure to keep the night of March 4 open on your calendars; it might seem difficult to top last month's excellent show but an excellent line up of acts and some fantastic homemade food just might do it.

The Turkey Extension Club has given \$50 to be awarded to the audience favorite at the end of the show. Last month the big winner was Bobby Wynne. Herman and Fern Rhodes of Turkey Hook-Ups have donated \$25, as a door prize to be presented to an audience member. We thank the donors for both awards, and for their continued support of the Jamboree. Door prizes of all shapes, sizes and categories will be given away, by drawing, between acts all night.

So, don't forget the Turkey Jamboree, Saturday, March 4, at the Bob Wills Gymnasium in Turkey. Serving begins at 6, and the music starts at 7, and as always admission is free!

## Hackberry Creek Happenings

by Marisue Potts Powell, HCCC Reporter

Pinch me! Can it be that after more than five years of planning that Hackberry Creek Care Center is really beginning to take shape? The once quiet rural setting has been transformed into a beehive of activity as EBCO Contractors of Cameron, Texas, have scheduled many different types of work crews.

A cold snap in our unseasonably mild winter created a slight delay in the projected schedule for the first cement pour. But, it doesn't take long to catch up when sixteen loads of cement are delivered in one day!

More decisions than one can possibly imagine are currently being made by the board of directors and special committees, guided by the expertise of Paul Rhinelander. The Austin architect, who also created the state-of-the-art Jayton Care Center, keeps close tabs on all the work that goes on at Hackberry Creek and passes approval on every detail.

One item many people ask about, since it was brought up at the annual meeting, is the selection of Forbo flooring. This particular type of sheet flooring is easy to maintain, is not slick to walk on, has germ-fighting properties built-in, and has some bounce to it if a person falls on it. However, it is more expensive at the onset.

By working with the architect, the board elected to budget the Forbo flooring by adjusting other items that had been planned and making substitutions without sacrificing quality. Just one cost-cutting example might be: the entrance sign for Hackberry Care Center could be made from 3/8" steel instead of cast stone.

The wish list for items to be supplied by the owner (the care center) includes furnishings for six offices, the activity room, the chapel and the patio; floor decor for sitting and TV rooms; wall decor for three wings; landscaping; wrought iron fencing, a fountain and gazebo for patio; refrigerators for break room and med room; microwaves for

break room and activity room; residential washer and drier; outdoor furniture; propane tanks; and labor for assembling shelves, lockers, curtains, etc.

Of course, it takes many such changes to make up the difference. Fund raisers, such as the hamburger concession stand at the Boondockers Motorcycle Benefit Race, will assist in providing not just essentials but an improvement in quality of life for residents. Donations and memorials will also be vital to providing the extra special touch for this not for profit care center that already has a waiting list of thirteen.

Just this week memorials came in from Ronnie and Karen Davis for Lula Swim and Art Green; Paul and Dartha Westbrook for Cleo Watson and Katie Davis; Sammie Phillips for Cleo Watson and Art Green; J.N. and Darleen Fletcher for Cleo Watson and Lula Swim. Members of each family of these special people have been notified of the memorials made in their memory.

### A Note of Thanks

Darleen and I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and good thoughts during my illness. May each of you be blessed spiritually.

J.N. & Darleen Fletcher

We would like to express our gratitude and appreciation for all the prayers, food, flowers and memorials during our time of loss. May God bless each one of you.

The family of Art Green

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# News around the County

## Roaring Springs News by Monta Marshall

Note to Readers: We welcome Monta Marshall as our new Roaring Springs correspondent. Much appreciation to Monta for the willingness to do the job. If you have news to report please call Monta at 348-7000. Thanks, Monta!

Our hearts were saddened by the death of Cleo Watson. Most of the people in Motley County and certainly all the folks in Roaring have been touched by her life. Her sweet smile and kindness will be missed. Cleo had been a patient at Covenant Heart Hospital for several days preceding her death. Her children had been at her bedside. Many of her out-of-town relatives and friends attended her service. Among them were her sisters: Pete Ozborn, Bill Roller and her family from Plainview; Paige Barnes and family Dorothy and Stacy Watson, Reatha Smith from Cisco and Abilene; Cindy Wolf, Council Bluffs, IO; Naomi Pierce, Lubbock; Dell Gray, Floydada; Curtis Ozborn and Trudy, Albert Ozborn, Shirley Blankenship, and many others.

Russell Alexander has done a nice thing for the youth in Roaring Springs. He has purchased new backboards for the basketball court at the Roaring Springs Community Center. Dean and Robert Osborn have put them up. Thank you, Russell, Dean and Robert.

### CHILI SUPPER & ROAST

Alex Crowder has been up to his creative self in hosting a Roast. Where but in Roaring Springs would you have a chili supper and a Roast? Corky Marshall was the roasted guest and I think he got pretty evenly browned! Maybe just a bit fried!

It was great fun on an cold winter night. Those attending were Ken and Suzanne Abbott; Alex and Jo Crowder; Winfield Davenport; Kevin Keltz, Kelly and Pennie Keltz; Debbie Martin; James Martin; JoEtta Bumgardner and her cousin, Edith Johnson from Wyoming; Jane King, Aaron Woodruff; Dominique Quilimaco; Truett and Chelsea Read; J.N. and Darleen Fletcher; Don and Billie Stuckey; Marihelen Wason, Lindy Stafford, P.K. Green, Ruby McGuire; Billy and Lea Peacock; Zella Palmer; Joy

Beeson; Rodney and Glenda Williams; Charlie and Opal Johnson; Stan and Dorothy Hanesworth; Corky and Monta Marshall.

Zella Palmer was ill Friday morning and taken to Lubbock by her daughter-in-law, Pat Palmer. She was admitted to the hospital for tests. She was dismissed Saturday afternoon and came home.

Corky Marshall attended a Lions' Club Sight First Training Program for Club Coordinators on Saturday, February 25 in Lubbock. Corky will be the coordinator for six surrounding clubs.

Pat and Sharon Peacock visited his parents, Bill and Lea Peacock on Sunday.

This morning (Monday) we received news that our pastor, Jack Boggs, died suddenly Sunday night around 10:00 p.m. Funeral services are tentatively set for Wednesday. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Jo and Rhonda, Brendan and all the family.

Kenneth Ashley called last week to visit and catch up on the Roaring Springs news. He is improving and looking forward to coming home. Friends can keep in touch at the following address: Kenneth Ashley, c/o April Ballard, 44412 Kingston Dr., Temecula, CA 92592.

### Women Continue In Study and Service

Members of the Roaring Springs Wesleyan Service Guild met February 15 at the FUMC in Roaring Springs. Teacher Chelsea Read completed the study "Who Are the People Called Methodists?" with emphasis on itinerant ministry and the connectional system.

President Debbie Martin directed the fellowship, prayer for the sick, and the review of planned Christian service projects within Motley County. Others attending were JoEtta Bumgardner, Callie Giesecke, Jane H. King, Pearl Patten, and Billie Stuckey.

At the March 1 meeting a study "The Christian Year: A Schedule of Remembrance" will be given by Jane H. King. Women wishing more information about this organization, upcoming studies, or planned service projects should contact Debbie Martin at 347-2143.

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

### OVERHEARD

It was pouring rain outside and the first grade teacher spent a full ten minutes tugging and pulling to get boots on one little boy. Finally, when she succeeded, he said, "Those aren't my boots."

So, the teacher spent the next ten minutes tugging and pulling to get the boots back off.

Just as she got the second one off, the boy said, "They're my brother's boots, but Mom makes me wear them."

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse, who has a home and agricultural interests in Flomot and Turkey, was appointed as the Hall County Historical Commission chairperson by the Hall County Commissioners Court this past week.

Clois Shorter, his father, Everett Shorter met Louis Shorter of Fort Worth and Wayne Barnes of Whitesboro at Lake Tawkonj near Terrell Monday and enjoyed fishing and visiting until Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey were in Amarillo from Thursday until Saturday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Reid. Joining them there to visit were Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch, Tanya and Jackie Starkey of Higgins and Michael Starkey of Canyon.

Visiting Mrs. Leona Degan Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Morris Degan of Medicine Mound, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Degan of Calgary and Seth McDaniel of Lubbock.

## Senior Citizens Notes

By Tommye Keith, Director

The Center has received memorials in memory of Art Green from Ray and Don Baxter, Billy Paul and Betty Simpson, June Moss, Garland and Judy Cartwright, June and Stanley Levell, Dorothy Day, Marihelen Wason, John Briscoe and Rusty Birchfield. Hal, Kellie, Ryan, Jamie and Colton Martin and Pat Warren gave a memorial in memory of Cleo Watson. Hal and Kellie also gave a memorial in memory of Pearl Simpson. The Billy Green family gave memorial donations in memory of Trula Martin, Katie Davis and Cleo Watson. Rusty Birchfield also gave a memorial in memory of Lula Swim. Thank y'all so much!

Pina Sturdivant gave the

Center a donation. Thank you Pina.

The Sunday Dinner Fund-raiser was a great success and we thank everyone who came out and ate and gave donations to the Center. Things like this is what helps us keep paying the bills and buying the food.

Next Sunday, March 5, we will be having another fund-raiser. We will be open for breakfast by 7:30 a.m. for your dining pleasure. The menu will be Sausage & Biscuit or Sausage, Biscuit and Gravy or a Sausage Wrap. Drinks will be coffee, orange juice, grape juice or apple juice. Y'all support your Center and come have breakfast with us.

The Center is open 8:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m. Y'all come.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rogers and Jerod of Lubbock and Mrs. Louella Davis of Childress visited Saturday with Mrs. B. Rogers and Donnie Rogers. Visiting them Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Degan of Calgary and Seth McDaniel of Lubbock.

Visiting during the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks and Cara Franks were Cary Franks and Anissa Huckert of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington of Flomot.

Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton visited in Matador, Sunday with Mrs. Judy Renfro. They enjoyed the Senior Citizens fund drive luncheon.

Wilburn Martin visited Friday and Saturday in Anson with Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Moss. They attended Friday night the 5A girls basketball Regional Play-off games held at the Moody Coliseum on Abilene Christian University campus in Abilene. Joining them there to enjoy the games and to visit were Barbara and M.C. Jones of Santa Anna.

## OBITUARIES

### E.A. Day

Funeral services for E.A. Day, 82, of Matador were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, at the First Baptist Church in Matador. Officiating was the Rev. Miller Robinson and Mike Crowley. Interment was in East Mound Cemetery under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador. Mr. Day died early Sunday morning, February 26, at the Floydada Rehab & Care Center.

He was born June 26, 1923 to Riley A. and Zora L. 'Tose' Criswell Day in Wichita Falls, Texas. He was a Veteran of WWII serving in the U.S. Army. He married Dorothy Henderson in 1953 at Matador. He was a Rancher, and a Deacon of the First Baptist Church. He was involved in local organizations including the Matador VFW, American Legion, former member of the Lions Club and the Matador Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Day was preceded in death by one daughter, Jeanette Day Hammond on August 13, 2004, and by one sister, Sylvia Fogerson.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Jean of Matador; one daughter, Pat Engle of Edmond, Oklahoma; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## Matador News

Leola McKelvey is recovering from a broken ankle at her son's home in Lubbock. Friends may keep in contact by calling her at 792-1472 or writing to 5016 14th St. Lubbock, TX 79416.

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### Jack E. Boggs

Jack E. Boggs, 69, of Floydada, died on February 26, 2006, at W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney.

Mr. Boggs was born July 8, 1936, in Hale County to the late Myrtle and Roma Boggs. He graduated from Kress High School, Hardin-Simmons University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He married Jo Frances Earp on June 2, 1956, in Kress.

Mr. Boggs was in Church related ministry for over 46 years. Pastorates were: Gillespie Baptist Church in Munday, TX; First Baptist Church in Mertzon, TX; Highland Baptist Church in Denton, TX; Calvary Baptist Church in Emerado, ND. The next twelve years were spent at Sedge Fen Baptist Church near Mildenhall in England, U.K. Then six years in Northeastern Ohio serving with the home mission board in Metropolitan Missions. Mr. Boggs had great joy in pasturing 4 rural churches: FBC in Mertzon, TX again, FBC in Yuma, CO, FBC in Matador and FBC in Roaring Springs. 2005 was the best year of his life. About mid-year he retired from FBC in Matador and moved to Floydada but continued to pastor FBC in Roaring Springs until his death.

He enjoyed all his nieces, nephews, friends and the precious relationships of those he was Shepherd to.

He is preceded in death by his parents, a granddaughter, Kendra Michelle Core, and a nephew, Billy Boggs.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Robbie and husband Stan Core of Pueblo West, CO and Rhonda Wiltshire of Matador; six grandchildren, Matthew, Zach, Stacie and Christie Core, Ashlea and Brendan Wiltshire; two brothers, Andy Boggs of Kress and Bill Boggs of San Angelo; two brothers-in-law, Wesley and James Earp; a sister-in-law, Molly Stringer.

Family members met at the funeral home in Floydada Tuesday, February 28, to greet family and friends. Memorial services will be at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 1 at the First Baptist Church in Floydada with James Earp officiating. Graveside service for family and friends will be at 10:00 a.m. preceding the memorial service at Floyd County Memorial Park in Floydada. Arrangements are under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Family suggests memorials be made to the First Baptist Church in Roaring Springs, P.O. Box 246, Roaring Springs, TX 79256 or a charity of your choosing.

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# Drought has not dried up mosquito populations

College Station -- The unseasonably warm weather coupled with drought has not knocked back mosquito populations, according to a Texas Agricultural Experiment Station entomologist.

The more serious species - the ones that carry disease - are still active at some level, at least in the eastern half of the state, said Dr. Jim Olson. Stagnant

water and warm temperatures have been ideal for the mosquitoes to overwinter.

Entomologists and public health officials are concerned mosquito population numbers will spiral upward in the spring. That increases the chance of the mosquito-borne West Nile virus, Olson said.

Recent surveys conducted by Olson in the Brazos Valley

show the mosquitoes are a mix of spring, summer, fall and winter breeds.

"It's weird," he said. "It's a mix of everything."

One good sign is that the disease is not evident in the bird populations yet, Olson said.

"We're not sure why, except the mild temperatures may have allowed the migrating bird populations to stay further north, at least until recently," he said.

West Nile virus cycles between mosquitoes and birds, causing a multiplier effect, he said. "We have mosquitoes, but there's no evidence of the virus being active," he said.

Without rains to flush out the stagnant pools of water where mosquitoes breed, a sizeable number of mosquitoes could start spreading West Nile virus. The recent rains of 1/2 to 2 inches have not been enough to flush out storm sewers and other pools of water, Olson said.

"We need rains of 3 to 4 inches to do a good job," he said.

Health officials in some communities are considering fogging pesticides in culverts and other breeding areas to knock populations of the Culex

species, the primary vectors of West Nile virus.

To keep from getting mosquito-borne diseases, Olson advised staying indoors during early morning and early evening when mosquitoes are most active. Use an insect repellent and wear loose-fitting, light-colored clothing when outside during those times. Mosquitoes can bite through tight clothing and are attracted to darker colors.

Any standing water where mosquitoes can breed should be removed or containers turned over, he said.

Houses should be fitted with proper door and window screens to keep mosquitoes from getting inside, he said. Many human infections of West Nile and other encephalitis viruses have occurred from mosquitoes getting inside homes.

"A good percentage of Texas now has to take mosquito populations more seriously," Olson said.

"They're not just an annoyance anymore. They are a disease threat. Because of West Nile, mosquito bites have a little more meaning than they used to."

## City Council meeting from page 1

Council asked that elections be put on the agenda for the next meeting. Mrs. Taylor was to check to see if it is mandatory for a city this small to use the new voting machines, and to check about the cost to lease these machines.

Steve Barton gave the Superintendent's report. The wells and sewer are doing good. Mr. Barton reported that Roy Moreno is doing a great job at the landfill. Progress is being made on the new pit and the tarp is working well. Water lines are completed to the Nursing Home and he is now working on sewer lines and will then move on to manholes.

During the financial report, Council reviewed the budget and the balances of the bank and CD's. Ms. Scott had moved \$5,000 from the General Fund to a CD as requested at the last meeting.

Council members Shane Jones, Pat Seigler, Chuck Ream, Bert Darsey and Lara Davey went into closed session at 8:50 to discuss personnel issues. Joining them were Steve Barton and Wendi Taylor. Casey Lawrence was asked if he wanted to attend this session and he declined.

Council reconvened at 9:25 p.m. Council accepted the resignation of Casey Lawrence, effective February 16.

Prior to the February 20 City Council meeting, the 4B Tax Board held a public meeting, beginning at 5:00 p.m. President of the Board Lara Davey, Board Secretary Debra Scott, Assistant City Secretary Wendi Taylor were present for the meeting. No one else was present to voice concerns on the board's additional expenditures on Hackberry Creek Care Center of \$2,185,487 so the meeting was

adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

The Council met at 7:00 p.m., with Mayor Pro Tem Shane Jones, and Council members, Chuck Ream, Lara Davey and Pat Seigler in attendance. Also present were Water Superintendent Steve Barton, Assistant City Secretary Wendi Taylor, Lance Wells and Jerry and Judy Poe. No one participated in Open Forum.

Council discussed some of the new voting procedures and different possibilities available. After a lengthy discussion Council approved to accept Schwartz & Eichelbaum, P.C., Attorneys at Law, to represent the City of Matador.

With the submission of the pre-clearance letter to the Department of Justice regarding election compliance, Council passed resolution E1-06 to provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in a Texas election on or after January 1.

Council passed resolution E2-06 to change the polling location.

Next on the agenda was the discussion of a release drawn by Tom Hamilton on the dozer situation with Yellow House Machinery. Council had questions for Tom before taking this matter any further.

Lance Wells with Warren Cat explained different options that could be used on the next piece of machinery. He gave examples of certain pieces for certain jobs.

Jerry and Judy Poe with Cedar Creek Tank Co. visited with council concerning the leak in the water tower. Council asked Steve Barton to visit with them further and to speak with TCEQ before deciding any actions that might need to be taken.

## PROOF OF THE TRUTH

BY TOM EDWARDS

### BESMUDGE, GRIPTION, AND PRONOUNCIATION

I've repeatedly invited your comments, particularly criticisms, of this column. To date, the "mainest" has been either "I don't understand" or "the words are too big." To some degree, that's my fault. The mark of a truly great teacher is the ability to take something complex and reduce it to short five-letter-word sentences. Jesus (God) was a master-undoubtedly so! So was C.S. Lewis. Read anything he wrote. I don't have that ability, but on the other hand, I'm sorry folks, I didn't create some of these words. We're just stuck with them. You're going to get sick of my referring to the "second law of thermodynamics," but it is unavoidable - that's what they call it, and we've no choice but to learn it. We could talk about antisestablishment arianism,

but we won't. And I digress. Besides, Rita Groves uses a dictionary!

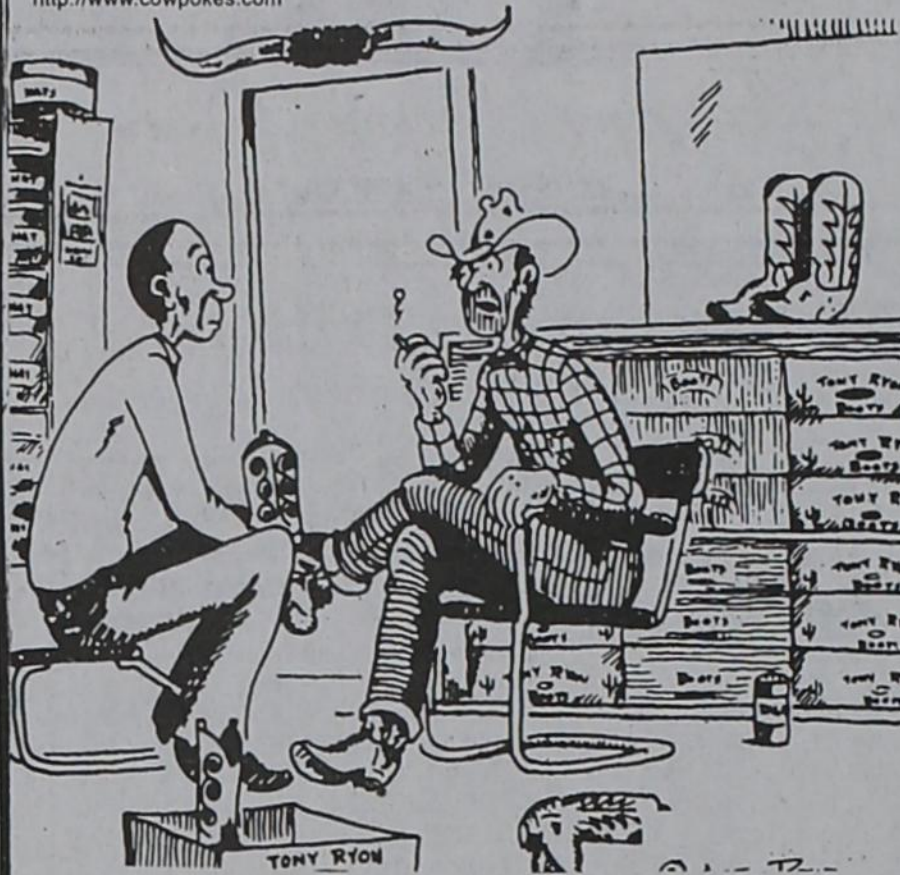
Our ministers will affirm that there is a certain amount of evil in all of us. Part of mine is a rebellion against the English language. I don't know why, but I have always enjoyed driving people up the wall, by brutalizing the English language. Have you ever studied Hawaiian? The alphabet is simple, and there is one word for one thing - not two hundred. What an improvement. We should abolish nine-tenths of our dictionary. But I digress. Writing this piece allows for some "literary license," which no doubt has curled Carla's hair. But, it's been fun. And may run in the family.

After slamming the dictionary, here's a few things that should be added. My favorite non-word and saying that grabs my mother, wife, and English teachers, like fingernails on a blackboard, is: "The older I get, the worse and worse my 'pronunciation' becomes." That just about violates all rules - but what fun. As said, this disease may run in the family - they say, "the acorn doesn't fall far from the tree." My oldest son came up with "besmudge" (not in the dictionary), a much more delicious and descriptive word than "besmirch" (in the dictionary). Then my youngest son (the rocket scientists got into the act and came up with "gription." That's what you get with a good pair of tennis shoes! You reckon we oughta write our own dictionary? Think on it. We don't "pronounce" words. We "pronounce" them!

At any rate, I forgot what I was going to write about this week. Maybe next week we'll be back on track. In the meantime, keep smiling and "God bless," and "Clem" said.

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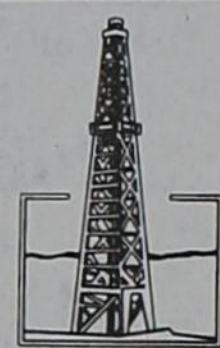
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## Oil & Gas Update

By Tom Musser



2005 OIL and GAS PRODUCTION as per RAILROAD COMMISSION of TEXAS REPORTS:

Floyd County: 1,628 barrels of Oil produced during 2005:

Arick Field: 718 barrels of Oil

E.M. Carmickle "A" Lease (00339), 718 barrels of Oil.

Stanley Gray (Canyon) Field: 910 barrels of Oil

Adam's Lease (65282), 910 barrels of Oil.

Motley County: 45,197 barrels of Oil and 12 mcf of casinghead gas produced during 2005:

Gupton (Canyon) Field: 4,440 barrels of Oil

Cogdell Ranch "A" Lease (67229), 682 barrels of Oil

Cogdell Ranch "B" Lease (67842), 1,883 barrels of Oil.

S.N.C. Lease (64981), 1,875 barrels of Oil.

Matador (Wolfcamp) Field: 19,949 barrels of Oil

Matador Lease (67288), 18,792 barrels of Oil

Matador-Toreador Lease (67892), 1,124 barrels of Oil

Motley Lease (68229), 33 barrels of Oil.

Roaring Springs (Permo-Penn) Field: 11,505 barrels of Oil and 8 mcf of casinghead gas.

C.R. Brandon Lease (11394), 2,415 barrels of Oil

O.C. Campbell "A" Lease (11773), 794 barrels of Oil and 2 mcf of casinghead gas

Avery Payne "B" Lease (12115), 1,693 barrels of Oil and 2 mcf of casinghead gas

L.A. Stearns Lease (11349), 5,958 barrels of Oil and 2 mcf of casinghead gas.

Roaring Springs, West (Permo-Penn) Field: 2,848 barrels of Oil and 4 mcf of casinghead gas.

C.B. Callaway Lease (62550), 1,465 barrels of Oil and 2 mcf of casinghead gas

J.W. Cooper Lease (13640), 1,383 barrels of Oil and 2 mcf of casinghead gas

Wolf Flat (Cisco) Field: 6,455 barrels of Oil

W.W. Mullin Lease (66077), 6,455 barrels of Oil.

FLOYD COUNTY: Apollo Energy Operating Company Miller Lease Well #1 is gathering more data and awaiting further stimulation.

FLOYD COUNTY: Grey Wolf Drilling Company Rig #861 rigged down off the Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. Misener Lease Well #1 and moved from Floyd County to a new drilling location near Shamrock.

FLOYD COUNTY: Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. Misener Lease Well #1 has set Production casing to 10,142 feet and is awaiting Frac Job.

FLOYD COUNTY: Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. Jones Lease Well #1 location is being prepared for the move-in of the Drilling Rig.

FLOYD COUNTY: BASA Resources, Inc. Foster Lease Well #1 has reached Total Depth of 11,162 feet.

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## LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

### Motley County Tribune Weather March 2, 2006

#### 7-Day Forecast

	<b>Thursday</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 68 Low: 48
	<b>Friday</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 60 Low: 45
	<b>Saturday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 67 Low: 41
	<b>Sunday</b> Mostly Sunny High: 63 Low: 40
	<b>Monday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 65 Low: 43
	<b>Tuesday</b> Few Showers High: 61 Low: 40
	<b>Wednesday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 60 Low: 42

#### In-Depth Forecast

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 68°, humidity of 49% and an overnight low of 48°. The record high temperature for today is 90° set in 1967. Friday, skies will remain mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms.

#### Moon Phases

First 3/6	Full 3/14	Last 3/22	New 3/29
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#### Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Sunday	31	16	59/33	0.01"	Normal precipitation . . . . .0.28"
Monday	40	23	59/33	0.00"	Departure from normal . . . . .-0.27"
Tuesday	43	25	59/33	0.00"	
Wednesday	55	33	60/33	0.00"	Average temperature . . . . .38.8°
Thursday	56	28	60/34	0.00"	Average normal temperature . . . . .46.5°
Friday	67	32	60/34	0.00"	Departure from normal . . . . .-7.7°
Saturday	56	38	60/34	0.00"	Data as reported from Childress, Texas

#### Weather History

March 2, 1975 - The "Governor's Tornado" in Atlanta did considerable damage to the governor's mansion and surrounding areas, resulting in three deaths and \$6.5 million dollars in damage.

#### Sun & Moon Times

Sunrise today	. . . . .7:10 a.m.
Sunset tonight	. . . . .6:41 p.m.
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### Motley County Tribune Weather March 2, 2006

#### 7-Day Forecast

	<b>Thursday</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 68 Low: 48
	<b>Friday</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 60 Low: 45
	<b>Saturday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 67 Low: 41
	<b>Sunday</b> Mostly Sunny High: 63 Low: 40
	<b>Monday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 65 Low: 43
	<b>Tuesday</b> Few Showers High: 61 Low: 40
	<b>Wednesday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 60 Low: 42

#### In-Depth Forecast

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 68°, humidity of 49% and an overnight low of 48°. The record high temperature for today is 90° set in 1967. Friday, skies will remain mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms.

#### Moon Phases

First 3/6	Full 3/14	Last 3/22	New 3/29
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#### Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Sunday	31	16	59/33	0.01"	Normal precipitation . . . . .0.28"
Monday	40	23	59/33	0.00"	Departure from normal . . . . .-0.27"
Tuesday	43	25	59/33	0.00"	
Wednesday	55	33	60/33	0.00"	Average temperature . . . . .38.8°
Thursday	56	28	60/34	0.00"	Average normal temperature . . . . .46.5°
Friday	67	32	60/34	0.00"	Departure from normal . . . . .-7.7°
Saturday	56	38	60/34	0.00"	Data as reported from Childress, Texas

#### Weather History

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