

# MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE

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Photo by Johnny Davenport, Dec. 18, 1958, Cow Hollow Tank, Matador Ranch

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## Roaring Springs Lions Club to observe 60th Anniversary

The Roaring Springs Lions Club will celebrate its 60th Anniversary with a brisket dinner April 17. The celebration will be held at the Community Center, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Jimmy Ross, 1st Vice President of Lions Club International will be the featured speaker. Mr. Ross will soon take office as President of the International Club.

The dinner will be catered by the award-winning Dutchman Creek Chuckwagon from South Pease River Ranch. All Lions, their ladies, as well as friends of Lions are invited. The

Community Center can seat over 150. The cost of the meal is \$12.00 per plate.

Those wishing to attend are asked to RSVP by April 10 to Corky Marshall, 348-7000, or Alex Crowder, 348-7336, or by mail to Corky Marshall, P.O. Box 307, Roaring Springs, TX 79256.

The Roaring Springs Lions Club was chartered April 16, 1946, organized by K.L. Riggs. There were thirty-nine members. S.J. Braselton, Jr. was elected as President; J.D. Mitchell, Secretary-Treasurer.

The first meeting was held at the Traveler's Hotel. In addition to Mr. Braselton and Mr. Mitchell, other charter members were W.A. Campbell, J.P. Cooper, L.C. Davis, T.H. Duvall, Paul Enloe, J.N. Fletcher,

Francis Gunter, A.M. Harmon, R.J. Harmon, Herman Havis, F.F. Henry, G.V. Hensarling, M.L. Hoyle, Ed Hutson, Harold Jones, W.C. King, Amel Long,

Joe Meadow, John O. Meason, E.E. Moss, Paul Nichols, Julian F. Nolen, Charles Posey, Hugh

Preston, H.T. Robbins, J.V. Shirley, Fred G. Simpson, J.C.

Smiley, H.C. Smith, H.L. Smith, Loyd Stafford, J.T. Swim, Jr., Carl Tardy, Henry Teague, M.S. Thacker, Melvin Thacker and Tom Yeates.

Buzz Thacker joined the club in 1946 when he returned home after serving his country.

There are only two of the original charter members still living, Mr. J.T. Swim of Roaring Springs and Mr. Francis Gunter of Floydada.

## Early voting for Primary Run-off Election ends Friday

Early voting for the Primary Run-Off Election will end Friday, April 7. If you voted in the Primary, you must vote the same Party in the Run-off. Election day will be Tuesday, April 11.

Those living in Precinct 1, 5 and 6 will vote at the Courthouse; Precinct 2 will vote at the Flomot Community Center; Precinct 3, Northfield Church; Precinct 4, Roaring Springs Community Center.

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

The Democratic Party Ballot will include:

United States Senator:

Gene Kelly

Barbara Ann Radnofski

Lieutenant Governor:

Maria Luisa Alvarado

Benjamin Z. Grant

The Republican Party Ballot will include:

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 8:

Terry Keel

Charles Holcomb

## Kid's Camp in dire need of volunteers

Kid's Camp is in jeopardy! The very popular camp for kids, held every summer during the last week of July in Roaring Springs, is in dire need of volunteers. The camp was established by the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers and has been a very anticipated event for kids in this area for several years.

Kids, ages 6-11, get the chance to participate in many events that they might not otherwise have the opportunity to experience, such as the Science Spectrum, Crafts, games, art, a daily devotional and much more is planned for each day.

"Some of the Community

Volunteers are thinking they're getting too old to conduct the camp," Alex Crowder, Community Volunteer member said. "We certainly hope the camp will continue to be held, but volunteers are needed badly."

Mr. Crowder, who has been actively involved in the camp for many years, said the most important position sought is a Camp Director.

"We know there is someone out there who is very capable of planning and directing this camp," Mr. Crowder said. "Plans need to get underway very soon, so we're hoping to find a director immediately." Anyone interested in this posi-

tion should call Mr. Crowder at 348-7336 for more information.

Also needed for the camp is someone to be in charge of the mural project and craft projects which are both popular features of the camp. Team leaders, assistants, kitchen workers and general volunteers are also needed.

If your child has never attended Kid's Camp, you may not realize the importance of this camp. The week-long event gives some children, who might not otherwise have the opportunity, to experience a learning, Christian based vacation camp.

Each year there are 75-100 children from the area to attend. The camp has become well-

known and respected among organizations in the Lubbock area and other cities. Some parents and grandparents plan their vacations around the camp and travel to Roaring Springs each summer, set up camp at the Springs so their children will have the opportunity to attend this camp.

Community Volunteers are asking that you invest in your kids and the kids of this area and volunteer for this camp. It's guaranteed to be an experience you'll never forget.

Please call Alex Crowder at 348-7336 for more information or to put your name on the list to volunteer!

## Community Volunteers seeking new members

The Community Volunteers of Roaring Springs are seeking new members. The club is very active in sponsoring community activities, including the May Memorial Service, the Easter Egg Hunt, the July 4th celebration, the Motley County Fair in October the Angel Tree at Christmas, Kids' Camp and the Hwy. 70 Garage Sale.

The July 4th Celebration has gained popularity in a wide area and grows every year. Visitors attend from Lubbock, Ama-

rillo and other cities.

"This club is not just for Roaring Springs residents," said Alex Crowder, club member. "We welcome and encourage everyone in this area, with an interest in being involved with community activities to come join the fun."

Meetings are held every second Tuesday of the month at the Community Center in Roaring Springs. For more information contact Alex Crowder, 348-7336.

## School Board meets for regular and called meetings

by Tina Brooks  
School Board Reporter

The Motley County Board of Trustees met Monday, March 20, in a regular scheduled meeting. All board members were present except David Stafford. Also present were Superintendent Randy Brown, Principal Marilynn Hicks and Denise Ford.

No one was present for open forum.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Finance reports and budget amendments were reviewed. The Board accepted the consent agenda with corrections to the minutes and with the budget amendment.

Election judges were reviewed and accepted.

The Board tabled the contract with the joint election ser-

vices until further information can be attained.

Mr. Brown recommended accepting the Claims Administrative Services workers compensation plan. The Board approved.

The Board accepted a change to the January 12 School Board meeting minutes. The corrected minutes will show the Superintendent's contract was extended to June 30, 2008, instead of July 30, 2008.

The Student Welfare Wellness Policy was accepted as presented.

Mrs. Hicks reported that enrollment is currently at 165 with an attendance rate of 97.5%. The fifth grade will take the TAKS math in April. Six girls from the sixth and seventh grades will be attending the Go Girls Engi-

neering day at the Texas Tech campus.

There are two seats open on the board, currently held by Douglas Campbell and Ted Davey. Three candidates are running for these two places, incumbent Ted Davey, Lewis Drum and Kim Fletcher. Mr. Brown thanked Mr. Campbell for his 9 years of services on the board. Mr. Brown is now able to provide training for school board members. Members are required to receive so many hours each year. Mr. Brown will now be able to present some of the required training to the board.

Mr. Brown informed the board that Mrs. Brenda Osborn has found a firm in Austin that can help with the county ag values. The ag values are very important in determining how much funding the district will be provided by the state.

A school safety security audit was held March 30.

The board entered executive session at 8:45 p.m. and exited at 9:35 p.m. No action was taken out of executive session.

The Board met March 27 in a called meeting. All board members were present, in addition to Superintendent Randy Brown, Principal Marilynn Hicks and Denise Ford.

No one was present for open forum.

Mr. Brown presented the board with the resignation of Beverly Darsey. Board accepted.

Mr. Brown will be attending training about Conflict of Interest in the school systems. This item keeps changing with more

changes expected. Mr. Brown reminded the board of training to be held in Lubbock March 30.

The budget hearing was held.

The board entered into executive session at 7:25 p.m. and exited at 8:06 p.m. No action was taken out of executive session.

## Community Volunteers will sponsor Easter Egg Hunt

The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 15, at 2:00 p.m. at the Community Center in Roaring Springs.

All kids of the area, from walking age to 11 are invited to participate in the fun event.

There will be two divisions with a grand prize to be awarded in each age group.

## House of Faith meetings to resume

The House of Faith meetings will resume on Wednesday, April 19 (weather permitting). The meetings will be held at the park in downtown Roaring Springs at 4:30 p.m.

These fun, non-denominational meetings are for children of all ages and all are invited.

## March weather brought rain, snow and freezing temperatures to Motley County

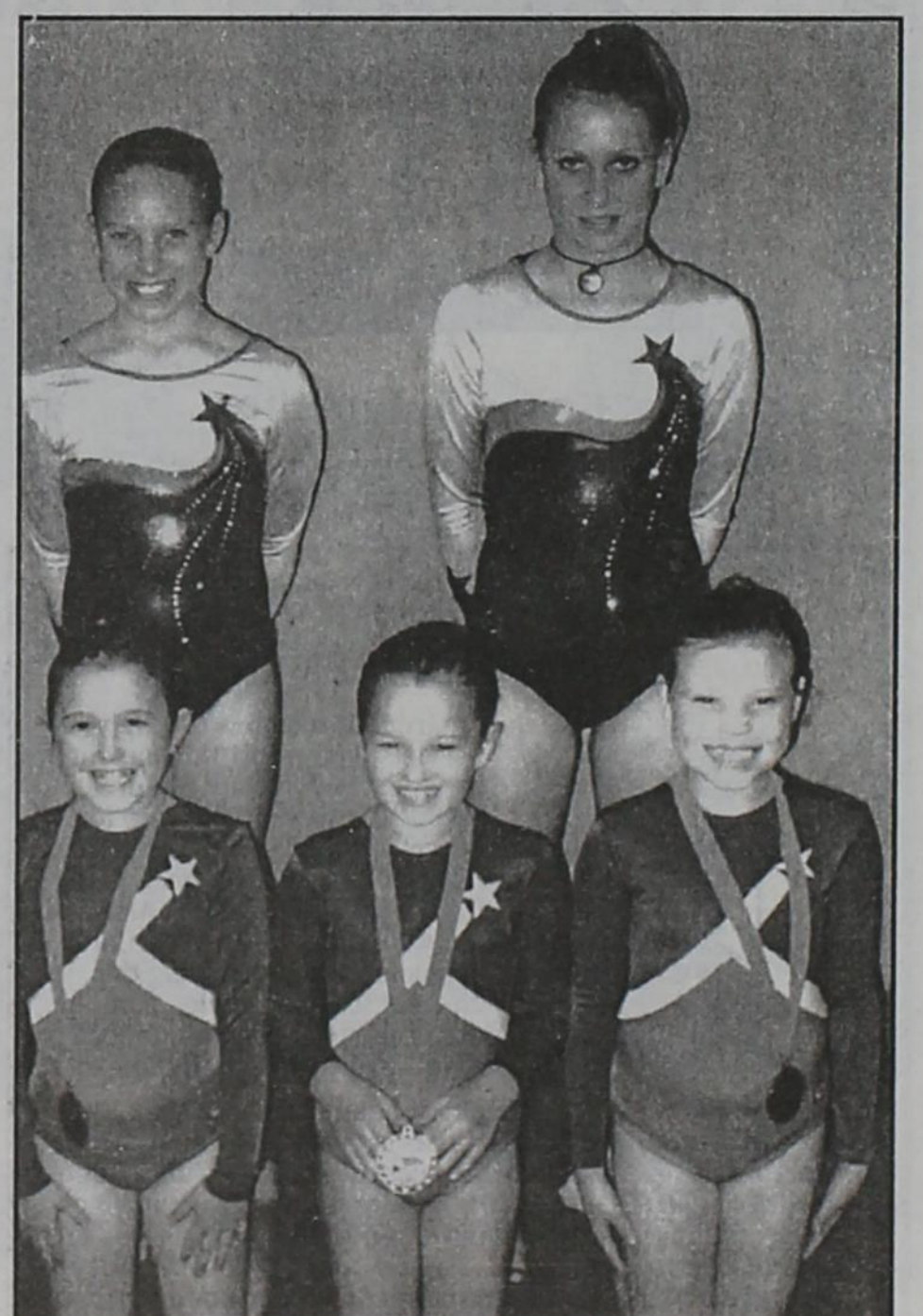
by Earlyne Jameson

The spring season sprang in with rain, a light cover of snow and freezing temperatures March 21-22. On the exact moment of sunrise, March 22, the annual Taba'na Tuan's Ceremony in Post claimed a good year on the horizon as a brisk, icy wind was from the northeast.

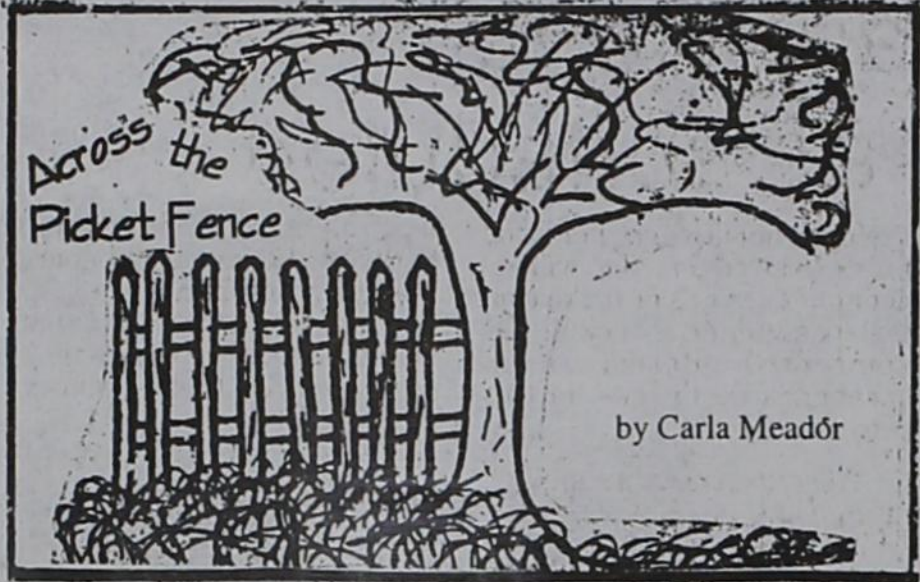
The most significant rain since October was March 18-19. The rain fell slowly and intermittently and allowed for good infiltration. It was a benefit for

ailing wheat crops and preparation of land for planting. The weather was warm, dry and windy the last week in March.

The Motley County National Weather Service Volunteers were pleased when reporting total moisture for March: Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs, 2.23 inches; John Bird, Matador, 2.14 inches; James Gwinn, Whiteflat, 2.60 inches; Tommie Jo Cruse, Flomot, 2.11 inches and Betty Simpson, Northfield, 2.11 inches.



SUNSHINERS FLIP IN THE DESERT — Jaci Zingerman, Shane'a Russell, Meagan Ford, Katie Barton and Cassidy Turner, (pictured left to right, beginning at back), recently competed in the USAG Tumbling and Tramp meet, "Flippin in the Desert" held in Hobbs, N.M. Jaci received 5th on floor and 5th on tramp; Shane'a received 2nd on floor and 3rd on tramp; Meagan received 3rd on floor; and 2nd on tramp; Katie received 2nd on floor and 3rd on tramp; and Cassidy received 9th on floor and 2nd on tramp. These five girls are just a few of the kids that compete on Ms. Sherry's Lubbock Sunshiners' Team, but were the only ones attending this meet. Other members from Motley County are Brody Rankin, Mattie Brooks, Sage Guerrero, Macie Marshall and Tristan Perryman. All of these kids have worked many hours a week, in Matador and Floydada. They have also competed in meets at Muleshoe and Floydada and have earned the right to go to the State Championships to be held this year in Lubbock at LCU April 29. Also competing on this team is a former Matador resident, Meagan Jameson, who will also be competing at the State meet.



Take notice in the classified section of the first announcement of the 70 mile Garage Sale. My heart starts to rush and I get all excited with I think of a garage sale, not to mention lots of garage sales!! Lord knows I have plenty of junk and ever since this sale was established I've said I was going to have a garage sale that day, too. But, I never seem to find the time to go through my priceless junk. I'm hoping to sneak in a few hours here and there before time this year and get a sale together, but I'm not going to make any definite plans. My free hours are very limited! Jim says I won't get one together because I'm afraid I might miss going to the others. Well, that is true, to a certain extent. I certainly don't want to miss out on a treasure, but I really need to get rid of some my treasures. With garage sales in mind, this short story is about a garage sale we need to stay away from.

**SATAN'S GARAGE SALE**  
(Author unknown)

Once upon a time, Satan was having a garage sale. There, standing in little groups were all of his bright, shiny trinkets. Here were tools that make it easy to tear others down for use as stepping-stones. And over there were some lenses for magnifying ones own importance, which, if you looked through them the other way, you could also use to belittle others, or even one's self.

Against the wall was the usual assortment of gardening implements guaranteed to help your pride grow by leaps and bounds; the rake of scorn, the shovel of jealousy for digging a pit for your neighbor, the tools of gossip and backbiting, of selfishness and apathy.

All of these were pleasing to the eye and came complete with fabulous promises and guarantees of prosperity. Prices, of course, were steep; but not to worry! Free credit was extended to one and all. "Take it home, use it, and you won't have to pay until later!" old Satan cried, as he hawked his wares.

The visitor, as he browsed, noticed two well-worn, non-descript tools standing in one corner. Not being nearly as tempting as the other items, he found it curious that these two tools had price tags higher than any other.

When he asked why, Satan just laughed and said, "Well, that's because I use them so much. If they weren't so plain looking, people might see them for what they were." Satan pointed to the two tools, saying, "You see, that one's Doubt and that one's Discouragement -- and those will work when nothing else will."

**"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."**  
3 John 2

*You're turning 50,  
but you're still Nifty!*

**Love, Kasey & Jonathon**

**Motley County Chamber News & Views**  
by Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort

Consider:  
Let him that hath done the good office conceal it; let him that received it disclose it.

-- Seneca (Lucius Annaeus Seneca), De Beneficiis II

According to these words from Seneca, the Boondockers are advised to keep to themselves the benefits they have brought to Motley County, while we the recipients, are advised to tell everyone about it. Thus we should let you know just how advantageous their visit here on March 5th was.

As has been reported, the Boondockers turn over to the hosts of an event the money they collect in entrance fees that exceeds their costs. And so they gave to the Chamber of Commerce the sum of \$2,430 for division among the non-profit groups that helped to make the event possible by preparing things beforehand, providing facilities during the event or worked after the races. The backbone of the whole event was Shane Jones, who worked tirelessly beforehand to set up the courses and perform a myriad of tasks essential to the affair. But she said that her work was to be seen as a donation, and all concerned thank her for it.

Thus, the money the Cham-

ber received was to be divided among the other groups. The Senior Citizens Center received \$1,000 for making their facilities available - it was truly appreciated. The EMS were on hand all during the races, and received \$500 to show our appreciation. The Hackberry Creek Care Center volunteers were involved both in the preparation of the event in the weeks preceding it, and the clean-up afterwards, and thus also received \$500. Bob's Oil Well volunteers were also involved with the affair, and so they were given \$330. The final \$100 was used to cover the expenses incurred by the Chamber of Commerce.

All in all, it has been calculated that the event brought about \$10,000 into the community. Included in this calculation are the money they spent at the various stands around the courthouse, and the stores that were open that day.

Since the Chamber of Commerce is in a celebratory mood after all this good fortune, it has been decided to give to the 5th caller to our president Annette Hollinsworth, Motley County Bucks in the amount of \$5. So call the president at (806) 347-2388, and if you are lucky, you will be the 5th caller and can claim your \$5 in Motley County Bucks.



Mr. and Mrs. Brad Wilson  
(nee Blair Thacker)

*Wilson - Thacker  
exchange wedding vows*

Brad Wilson and Blair Thacker were united in marriage February 18, 2006, at 6:30 in the evening at the Frazier Alumni Pavilion in Lubbock. Brother-in-law of the groom, Jess Little, performed the ceremony. Brad is the son of the late Don and Anna Lee Wilson, and Carolyn Ewing of Matador, and the grandson of Bessie Wilson of Floydada. The bride is the daughter of Jeff and Pam Thacker of Roaring Springs and the granddaughter of Buzz and LaVoe Thacker of Roaring Springs, and Jewette Hayes of Shamrock.

The bride wore a gown by Demetrious. The bodice of the strapless dress was adorned with beads and swarovski crystals. The satin A-line skirt was box pleated and cascaded into a cathedral length train. She wore a tiara and cathedral length veil sprinkled with crystals.

Lifelong friend of the bride, Janelle Turner, served as matron of honor. Other attendants were Laurie Hoyle, cousin of the bride, Lara Latimer, friend of the bride, Kate Farrar, friend of the bride, Jennifer Cooke, friend and sorority sister of the bride, Angela Gibson, cousin of the bride, and Matt Overbey, cousin of the bride.

Each bridesmaid wore a dress they designed, all made of the same midnight blue iridescent taffeta and accented with a rhinestone broach.

Nephew of the groom, Jenson Wilson, served as best man. Other attendants of the groom were J.D. Wilson, brother of the groom, Clay Ewing, brother of the groom, Burr Barton, friend of the groom, Paul Barton, friend of the groom, Neil Edwards, friend of the groom, and Julie Edwards, cousin of the groom. Serving as the ring bearer was Hunter Ewing, nephew of the

groom and Ryleigh Carson, cousin of the groom, served as flower girl.

The Frazier building was decorated in a winter wonderland theme. Christmas trees with white lights and garland lined the stage and fireplace. Accented by evergreen and pinecone centerpieces on the tables.

Christa Threet, friend of the bride, sang "At Last" as the mothers lit the unity candle. A candle burned in memory of the groom's mother, the late Anna Lee Wilson.

Brad Thacker, brother of the bride, played "Cannon in D" on his acoustic guitar as the bride was escorted down the aisle by her father.

At the reception, Brad Thacker played an original song he wrote for the bride and groom, entitled "The Hairdresser and the Roughneck." The bride and groom's first dance was to Keith Urban's "Memories of Us," played by the bride's brother.

Members of the houseparty were Kelsey Osborne, friend and sorority sister of the bride, Brooke Fillingim, friend of the bride and groom, Lexi Gallaway, niece of the groom, Sheryl Davis, friend of the bride and groom and Renee Karmazyn, friend of the bride and groom.

The guest enjoyed a buffet style dinner and a beautiful three-tiered white wedding cake wrapped in a midnight blue ribbon, made by Brenda Osborn. The groom's cake was Italian cream made by his sister, Joely Beam.

Guests threw rose petals as the bride and groom left at the end of the evening. The couple enjoyed a honeymoon in Playa Del Carmen, Mexico.

The groom is employed by Patterson U.T.I. and the bride is a hairdresser at Satchet Salon. They reside in Lubbock.

**Library Notes**  
by Suzanne Abbott, Librarian

The library presents two new series of books that will be of interest to all ages. For all of you CSI fans there is the Forensics Series with eleven books telling all anyone would want to know about solving crimes. One of the books in this series is called Fingerprints, Bite Marks, Ear Prints, Human Signposts. The other series is called America's Armed Forces, with six books, each dealing with a different branch of the service. These books include history and archival photographs as well as information on today's armed forces. One of the books deals

with The U.S. Homeland Security Forces and is quite enlightening.

Other new books in the library include Prior Bad Acts by Tami Hoag, Abide With Me, by Elizabeth Strout, Saving the World by Julia Alvarez, and Mourning Dove by Aimee Thurlo.

Do you have April 22 marked on your calendar? That is the date of the next horticultural presentation at the library - Tomato Plants and Pecan Trees. County Agent Eric Lewis will present the program at 10:00 a.m.

**Senior Citizens Notes**  
By Tommye Keith, Director

Would like to thank the Boondockers and the Motley County Chamber of Commerce for the great donation to the Center.

Charlie Renfro, Polly Gwinn, Gail Ream, Clint Burns, Kathy

**Look Who's New**  
**Cade Turner Martin**

Colton Ryan Martin, son of Jamie and Ryan Martin of Whiteflat would like to announce the birth of his baby brother, Cade Turner.

Cade was born Thursday, March 30, 2006, at Covenant Lakeside in Lubbock. He weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Hal and Kellie Martin of Whiteflat and Clinton and Joannie Pigg of Turkey.

Gillespie, Frances Hobbs, Kenny Barton, and Dixie Campbell - thank y'all so much for your donations.

Memorials for E.A. Day have been from Roland and Willena Hurt, Garland and Judy Cartwright, Beverly Vinson and Juanita Cooper. Memorials for Cleo Watson have come in from Garland and Judy Cartwright and Juanita Cooper. Juanita also gave a memorial in memory of Art Green. June Moss gave a memorial in memory of Elwyn Fulfer. We really do appreciate the memorials.

Do you or someone you know have trouble using the telephone? On April 14th, Hearing Technologies, Inc. will be here. This is a service by the state of Texas. There are no income eligibility requirements.

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

**Red Rovers celebrate 5th Birthday**

by Joan Patton

The Red Rovers of Motley County celebrated their 5th birthday with a party at the Traveler's Inn in Roaring Springs, March 22. Inn proprietor, Edith Daniell, hosted the event.

Queen Mother, Joyce Campbell, presided over a happy group of women, all

adorned in their red hats. A birthday cake and beautiful red gerber plants highlighted the festivities.

After a delicious lunch a meeting, with everyone participating, was held. Three or four different suggestions for the club's review were made.

After the meeting, the ladies enjoyed a word game directed by Dan. Door prizes were won

by Suzanne, Dorothy, Norma and Joyce.

Those attending were Eugenia Barton, Dan Barton, Ruby McGuire, P.K. Green, Mary Jones, Suzanne Abbott,

Marihelen Wason, Dorothy Knight, Norma Marrs, and visitors Penny Kline and Joan Patton.

**Greatness Comes Through Service**



Greatness comes through service to others. That concept is almost beyond our comprehension. It just is! The very idea of serving others achieves greatness? Where did this one come from? In reading Matthew 20: 25-28 we find our Lord Jesus is the one teaching this concept to His disciples. They are finding the concept difficult to absorb.

In the Bible we find such as Abraham, Moses, Elijah, King David, Paul and especially Jesus serving those about Him. Based on these biblical examples, God really wants us to understand His concept of "greatness." We read our Bibles to strengthen ourselves and to grow in grace and knowledge. The knowledge comes easily but the grace to accept the Lord's "excepts" sometimes is difficult to summon. For example: "the last shall be first and the least will be the greatest, and the one serving will be rewarded highly," is one of those teachings that is hard on humanity.

To be recognized as a servant of Jesus Christ is indeed greatness. There is a key. Humility. We are to serve Christ supremely but in that service to Him we will find our opportunities to serve one another. In reading Gal. 5:13 we read, "For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another." In so doing "greatness" will be found. It will be measured by God's standard. That standard is found in Luke 6:40.

**ROARING SPRINGS CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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

**Easter is right around the corner... April 16th**

**and the EASTER BUNNY has been leaving his goodies at Matador Variety**



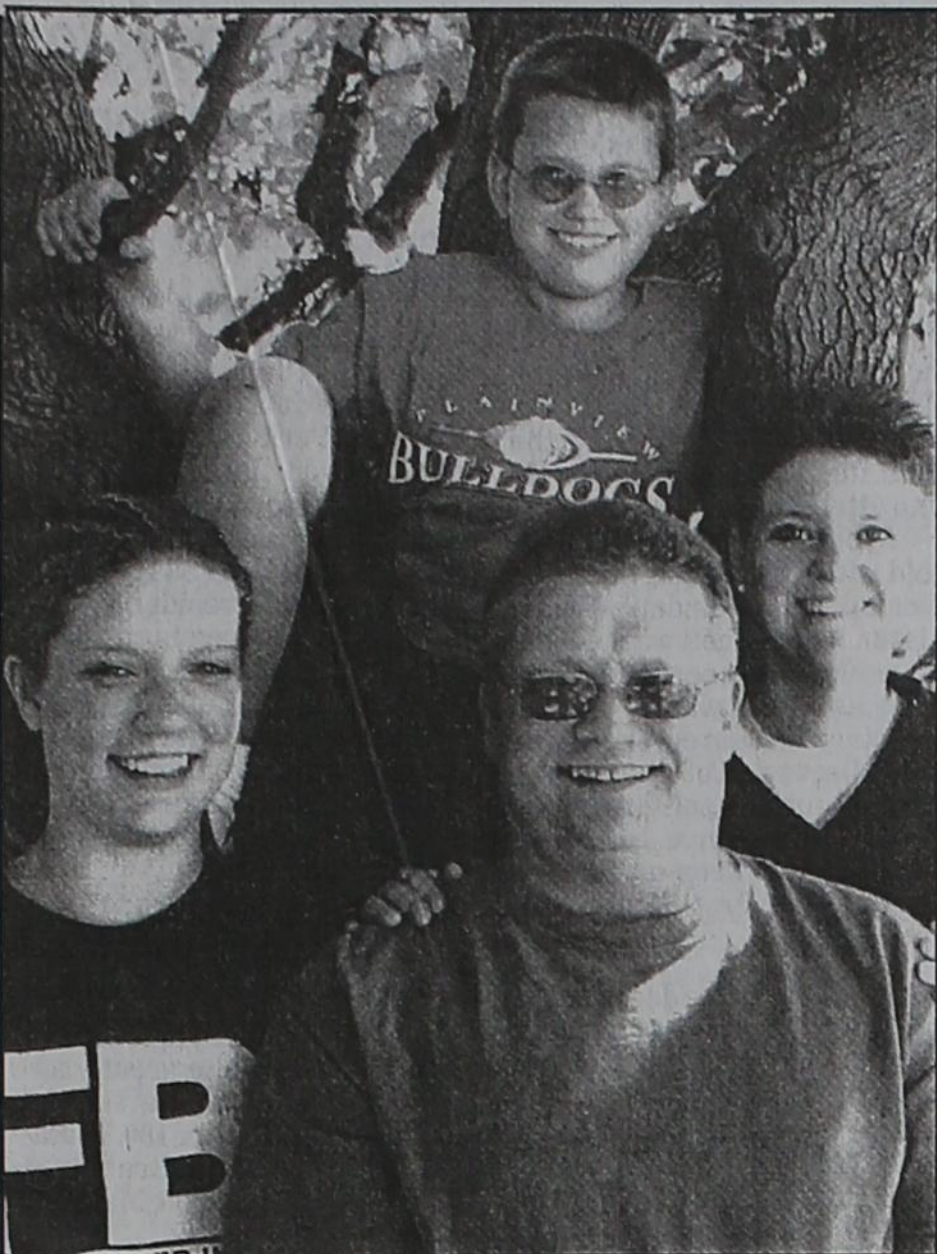
**Everything you need for your Easter Basket!**

**CALICO TREASURES**  
Antiques - Collectibles - Hard-to-find Books - Custom Framing

**Come play our "Eggstravaganza" game! After making your selections, choose a prize egg and get a special Spring discount.**

**All Easter items on sale!**

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**TO SERVE IN MISSIONS PROGRAM** — The Watson family, Randy and Kelli, (pictured front and right) and children, Brittany, left, and Cody, will soon depart for Belgium, where they will spend two years working with the Assemblies of God missionaries at Continental Theological Seminary. The Watsons are former residents of Motley County.

## Missionary Associates to serve in International Missions program

Plainview residents Randy and Kelli Watson have been named by their church to serve in its international missions program. They will spend two years working with the Assemblies of God missionaries at Continental Theological Seminary in Sint-Pieters-Leeuw, Belgium, near Brussels. Their children, Brittany, age 16, and Cody, age 11, will accompany them. Randy Santiago, pastor of the First Assembly of God, where the Watsons are members, has announced a special commissioning service to be held on Sunday, April 23, at 6:00 p.m., officiated by Lonnie DiSalvo, Youth Pastor of First Assembly. Friends and family are encouraged to attend.

Working as volunteers through the Assemblies of God World Missions program, Randy, who is great with anything mechanical, will serve as CTS's maintenance man and Kelli will teach ESL and help in administration there, according to Pastor Santiago. They will leave for their assignment as soon as they raise their budget, after attending Pre-Field Orientation in June.

Randy, son of Bill and Glenda Watson of Plainview, and grandson of Clyde and Allene Stone and Sybil Stone, all of Plainview, is a 1981 graduate of Plainview High School and attended Wayland Baptist University. He worked for Bill's Truck Service for many years before being called to the mission field. Kelli graduated from

Plainview High in 1987 and Wayland in 1990. The former Kelli Thompson is the daughter of Sandy and Paul Jarrett of Plainview and Jack and Kathy Thompson of Bloomburg, Texas, and the granddaughter of Frank and Olene Thompson, also of Bloomburg. She is also the granddaughter of the late Jean and J.A. McGowen of Perryton. She helps teach ESL Classes held at the First Baptist Church, and is on Compassionate Care Pregnancy Center's Steering Committee.

The Watsons were the Caretakers at the Assembly of God Youth Camp, just outside of Roaring Springs, from 2004 until February of this year. Brittany and Cody attended Motley County School where they were both active in basketball.

The Missionary Associate category of missionary service allows members of the denomination to become involved in evangelism and missions. It places nurses, secretaries, teachers, radio and television technicians, and other skilled individuals in supportive roles on the foreign field.

The Assemblies of God Missions Program has a staff of 1,880 foreign missionaries in 186 countries and is headquartered in Springfield, Missouri with a worldwide constituency of 25 million.

Well-wishes may be sent to the Watsons through First Assembly of God at 1300 N 1-27, Plainview, Texas, 79072.

## Hackberry Creek Care Center work is progressing as scheduled

by Marisue Potts Powell

The construction of the Hackberry Creek Care Center in Matador is moving along within the schedule created by the contractors, EBCO of Cameron, Texas. Framing and installation of trusses on the four wings have made the facility seem a reality.

According to superintendent Jon Moeller, tar paper will be rolled out next week and mechanical equipment will begin to be installed. Within two weeks, the framing will be complete, including the intricacies of the central nursing station which will tie everything together. The recently selected Forbo flooring will require three additional weeks for installation, pushing the completion date to mid-September.

Architect Paul Rhinelander met with the HCCC board on March 22 to finalize selection of exterior colors, light cream stone with beige trim and roof

shingles of antique slate color. Some decisions were made on basic interior colors, determining that each of the three corridors would have a different primary color of a special wall covering friendly to the inevitable wheel chair marks. The bright colors of red, blue, and green will make identification of the respective hallways easier for residents, staff and visitors.

Kitchen, laundry, and furnishing selections are in progress with input from consultants to the architect, Marka Dempsey and Kathy Lisenbee. Seventeen individuals have been honored with memorials from forty-four individuals or couples. The complete listing will be published in the newspaper at the opening of the center and will be included in a scrapbook with the honorees' photographs. Family members are notified by secretary Darleen

Fletcher about each memorial for their loved one. She will accept photographs or make copies. The center is looking for someone interested in scrapbooking to take on this project.

Recent donations include memorials for E.A. Day and Lula Swim by Mr. and Mrs. David Stafford and for Cleo Watson by Lindy Stafford.

To date the HCCC membership list includes 117 members. Since the care center is a non-profit facility with oversight

from an elected board, members are the key to the operation. Memberships are \$5, but any amount over that is appreciated. Input from the community is solicited and is always welcome.

Donations to furnish rooms are also being accepted. For more information contact any board member, President Seab Washington, Jim Watson, Darleen Fletcher, Paul Westbrook, Chuck Ream, Doyle Rose, Sammie Phillips, Charley Johnson, and Marisue Potts Powell.

**Motley County 4-H News**

There are 16 junior/intermediate and two Senior 4-Hers this year. The group enjoyed an outing and photo opportunity at the Roaring Springs Ranch Club March 11. They also enjoyed a picnic lunch. Accompanying the members were adult leaders Cathey Turner, Tina Brooks and Shonda Elliott.

The county photography contest was held Wednesday, March 22, and results were announced Thursday, March 23. Participating in the contest were Shelby and Reagan Elliott, Christian Brooks, Hance and Hayden Davey, Kaitlan Perryman, Cassidy Turner, Seth Baxter, Jaci Zingerman, Hanna Alexander, Tristan, Taylor and Schyler Tomlinson, Keyan Kautz, Jacob Woolsey, Kyla Simpson and Lexie Osborn, Junior and Intermediates. Senior participants were Colton and Shane'a Russell.

The junior and intermediates have 17 photos advancing to the district contest and the senior participants have 7 photos advancing.

The district contest will be held the last week of April and the State contest will be held in conjunction with the State Roundup in June at College Station.

The photos will be on display when they are returned, so everyone can see what a great job the kids have done.

## Dental Benefits now available to children in CHIP

Austin -- Young Texans in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) now have an even bigger reason to smile. Starting April 1, CHIP expanded to include dental benefits, including regular check-ups and other critical dental services.

"CHIP is a great program that has just been made better with the addition of dental benefits," says Texas Health and Human Services Executive Commissioner Albert Hawkins. "For families who are struggling to make ends meet, CHIP can make a big difference."

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Families with children enrolled in CHIP will receive a letter and handbook explaining the dental benefits, a member ID card and a directory of participating dentists.

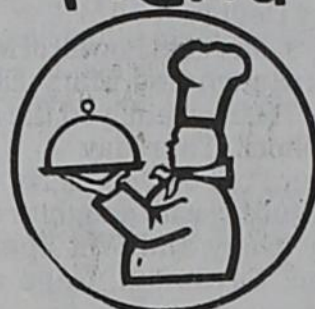
CHIP provides health care coverage for children in families who earn up to 200 percent of the federal poverty level. That's \$40,000 a year for a family of four. In addition to dental services, CHIP covers doctor visits; immunizations; hospital care; behavioral health services; surgery; X-rays; physical, speech and occupational therapies; prescription drugs; vision services; emergency services; and transplants.

To start an application or get more information about CHIP, call 800-647-6558. Assistance is available in English and Spanish from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Central time, Monday through Friday.

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## School Menu



**MONDAY, APRIL 10**

**Breakfast:** Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, or Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk.

**Lunch:** Corn Dog, Baked Beans, Salad, Mixed Fruit, Milk.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 11**

**Breakfast:** Cereal, Toast, or Blueberry Muffin, Juice, Milk.

**Lunch:** Salisbury Steak, Creamed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Biscuit, Honey, Milk.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12**

**Breakfast:** Waffle, Sausage, or Cereal, Toast, Pears, Milk.

**Lunch:** Steak Fingers, Macaroni & Cheese, Salad, Hot Roll, Honey, Fruit, Milk.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 13**

**Breakfast:** Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.

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# News around the County

## Roaring Springs News by Monta Marshall

Les Woolsey is in the Crosbyton Hospital with an infection in his knee. They are waiting on cultures to determine the cause and the best treatment of the infection.

Don and Billie Stuckey attended the SSRA roping event in Abilene on Sunday.

Johnny Morris of Afton filled the pulpit on Sunday at the First Baptist Church.

Monta Marshall attended the third birthday party of her youngest granddaughter, Kenzie Rene McClaran, at the home of her parents, Kevin and Tracie McClaran near Acuff on Saturday.

Zella Palmer, Joy Beeson and Pearl Patten attended the Turkey Jamboree Saturday night.

House of Faith will resume on Wednesday, April 19th, weather permitting. We will meet in the park at 4:30 p.m. Our cookie lady, Lula Swim, will be missed. If anyone would like to participate in this ministry and take Lula's place providing cookies or brownies for the children it would be very much appreciated. It might be you would be willing to do the refreshments occasionally and that too would be appreciated. If you have an interest in doing this, please contact Joyce Meredith

at 348-7516.

Ruby McGuire spent two nights with her three grandsons at Carrollton, TX while their parents were away celebrating their anniversary. Aren't grandchildren wonderful?

Ruby reminds everyone that if you haven't picked up your "Vial of Life" to have personal medical information for emergency personnel you need to do this. You can get one from C.W. Moore or Ruby McGuire. These are to be kept in your refrigerator and a sticker put on the door of your refrigerator indicating that the information is there. Wouldn't it be a good idea to keep this information in the glove compartment of your car too in case of an accident while traveling? People with conditions that need special care and have information that is vital to their care especially need to be aware of this program.

Devonne Dillard met three of her sisters in Baird, to celebrate Marie Judd's 83rd birthday. Those attending the fun get together were Marie Judd and Betty Mullins from Arlington and Kay Spiller from Palo Pinto. They had fun shopping at little antique shops and visiting. Devonne says Roaring Springs is a better little town, she thought, than Baird.

## Flomot News By Earlyne Jameson

### OVERHEARD

In this computer enraged society that has become, alas, our eternal environment, we are having to learn to both speak and understand a language made of letters not words. To our dismay, even when working crossword puzzles!

### RAIN AND HAIL

April 1st zoomed in around 5 p.m. with a downpour of rain and pea to marble sized hail in Whiteflat with .60 to 1.60 inches of rain reported. Flomot had a sprinkle of rain and hail.

Clois Shorter accompanied his wife, Kathy to the Lubbock Airport Saturday where she took a flight to Bogota, Colombia for an extended visit with daughter and family, Cindy and Chad Calvert and son, Cade.

Dennis and Donald Letkeman of Petersfield Manitoba, Canada visited last week with Tom and Aleda Ross. They took them on a tour of attractions in Briscoe, Hall and Motley County.

Mrs. Marisue Powell of Mott Creek Ranch and Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton enjoyed the day in Lubbock, Thursday.

Ken Pool of Dougherty visited Saturday with daughter and family, Cally and Will Sperry, Blayne, Savannah, Gage and Cash.

Joe Edd Carson of Hale Center visited Sunday with Mr.

and Mrs. Tom Ross.

Wilburn Martin attended to business and enjoyed lunch in Plainview, Thursday.

Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch met her parents, Jack and Nada Starkey in Amarillo, Thursday and escorted Nada to her medical appointment. Jack and Nada were in Amarillo Monday for him a medical appointment at the Veterans' Hospital. They visited daughter, Mrs. Bessie Reid and in Canyon with son, Michael Starkey.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn visited in Turkey, Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse and grandmother, Mrs. Dona Browning.

Mrs. Lori Kleibrink, Karlee and Kyler of Clifton visited during spring holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay.

Everett and Alma Shorter visited from Saturday until Monday in Fort Worth in the home of son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shorter. They had a family fish fry supper Saturday night. Other guests were their daughter, Mrs. Judy Rhodes and son, Russell Rhodes of Cypress, son and family, Dr. and Mrs. Rick Rhodes and children of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Sid McFall of Quitaque, former Flomot resident, is in the ICU at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo under cardiac and dialysis treatment. He is listed in serious condition.

## Katador News by Earlyne Jameson

### IN HOSPITAL

John M. "Sonny" Russell was conveyed by ambulance Thursday, March 30 to UMC in Lubbock. At newstime, he is a patient undergoing medical treatment and tests. At his bedside is his wife, Dorothy Mae, children and families.

### VACATION TRIP

Betty and Billy Paul Simpson and daughter and family, Tanya and Warren Multer, Katy, Amy, Cory and friend, Evan Jansa of Garden City returned home recently from a spring break vacation trip that included tourist attractions in northern states of the USA.

They flew into Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and rented a RV and continued to Ohio where they toured the Football Hall of

Fame in Canton, the Amish Community in Holmes County and enjoyed a pro-basketball game in Cleveland. In Jamestown, New York, they toured the birthplace of beloved actress, Lucille Ball and the scenic Niagara Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Durham attended to business in Carlsbad, N.M. this weekend and visited in Eunice, N.M. with daughter, Barbara Durham.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Paul Simpson, daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Multer, Katy and Amy of Garden City, attended the Homer and Fay Davis family reunion this weekend held in Childress at the City Reunion Room. Over 70 family members registered.

## The town character

by Monta Marshall

Every town has a "character", ours is Sam. He is just an old yellow dog of undetermined breed; not pretty but full of character and loyalty. Sam was a drop-off by someone who likely had more pups than they could give away and Sam was likely the homeliest of all them. But Sam has something the folks who dropped him off never knew. He has PERSONALITY.

The first time I saw Sam was in 1999 when we were remodeling our house. He came around to the back door of Granny Marshall's little house looking bereft and hungry. He was also full of ticks and fleas. He was only a pup. I fed him and put flea and tick powder on him and he has been wary of me ever since.

The guys working on the house gave him handouts from their lunches, petted him and he was sort of their mascot always waiting for them to show up at work. Less and less he came to Granny Marshall's back door. He had other friends who didn't care about fleas or ticks. He dragged their trash around, played with their empty plastic bottles and avoided eye contact with me. This went on until about November when I left to get ready to move here. Sam evidently realized the work was over and the crew who gave him handouts was gone for good. He found new digs quickly with the Woolsey family.

He was still wary but their handouts were steady and occasionally he allowed one of them to touch him only for a moment. Now their grandchildren are different; they can pet and love on Sam all they want. There are a few other people in our neighborhood he instinctively trusts but they are few and far be-

tween. He loves Judy's truck and makes the most eerie sound when she leaves or arrives home. He doesn't seem to mind her coming and going in the school bus. He often howls at night; it's a real lonely heart wrenching sound.

There are several pickups and cars here that he had a vendetta against. I suspect that it is the other dogs that ride in the pickups he really hates. After all they seem so superior and so high up he can't put any fear into them. He and our outdoor dog Prissy have a thing about other dogs coming on our block. So far they have kept the area pretty well patrolled.

Sam has a terrible habit; he lies in the street and waits to ambush those vehicles which have a dog riding in them. He doesn't forget the sound of that vehicle and when he hears it coming from a good distance, he gets ready. For a while he would bite at the bumpers of the cars and pickups he particularly didn't like. I think he has had so many hard bumps that he has quit that. Also his reflexes aren't as good and Sam is getting a bit stove-up from his daring escapades. He is sort of the "Dare Devil Decker" of the dog world. (Can you remember Dare Devil Decker? He was before Evil Canevil.)

He has been run over, gotten his tail run over or a door slammed on it and his tail just fell off. Sam has several lives, like a cat. His head must be harder than rock because he has been hit several times and it just seems to daze him momentarily.

Old Sam is a marshmallow with those he loves but will not tolerate anyone else. He's a faithful loyal protector of the Woolsey family.

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## Whiteflat exes and friends meet for annual Homecoming celebration

by Frances Dixon

The Whiteflat Homecoming was held Saturday April 11, at the Senior Citizens' building in Matador. A good time of visiting, catching up, and enjoying the good meal was had by the 24 who attended.

A business meeting was held after the meal, presided over by Vice-President, Elaine Risser. Debra Scott was elected as new vice-president and Frances Dixon was re-elected secretary-treasurer. There was some discussion of whether the affair should be continued due to small attendance, but a motion passed to keep meeting as usual on the first Saturday of April.

The list of those deceased in the past year was read. These were: Oneita Whitaker Neblett, Frances Cooper Davis, Stella Cooner Browning, C.E. Watson, Pearl Cartwright Simpson, Lola Pohl, Decima Faulkner Green, J.W. Hough, William (Bill)

Brown Morriss, Roy W. Amick, and Art Green.

Those attending were Kenneth Dunning and Nora Belle Dunning, Plainview; Novella Rattan, Idalou; Rocky and Carolyn Perkins Lucas, Ransom Canyon; James and Earle Price, Lubbock; John and Mary Avara, Jerry and Pat Edwards, McElton and Jerri Skaggs, Palo Pinto; and local residents, C.D. and Evelyn Garrison, Dan Browning Barton, Mary Murphy Jones, Eugenia Garrison Barton, Jim Watson, Debra Garrison Scott, Spencer and Wilda Dixon, Elaine Dixon Risser and Frances Casey Dixon.

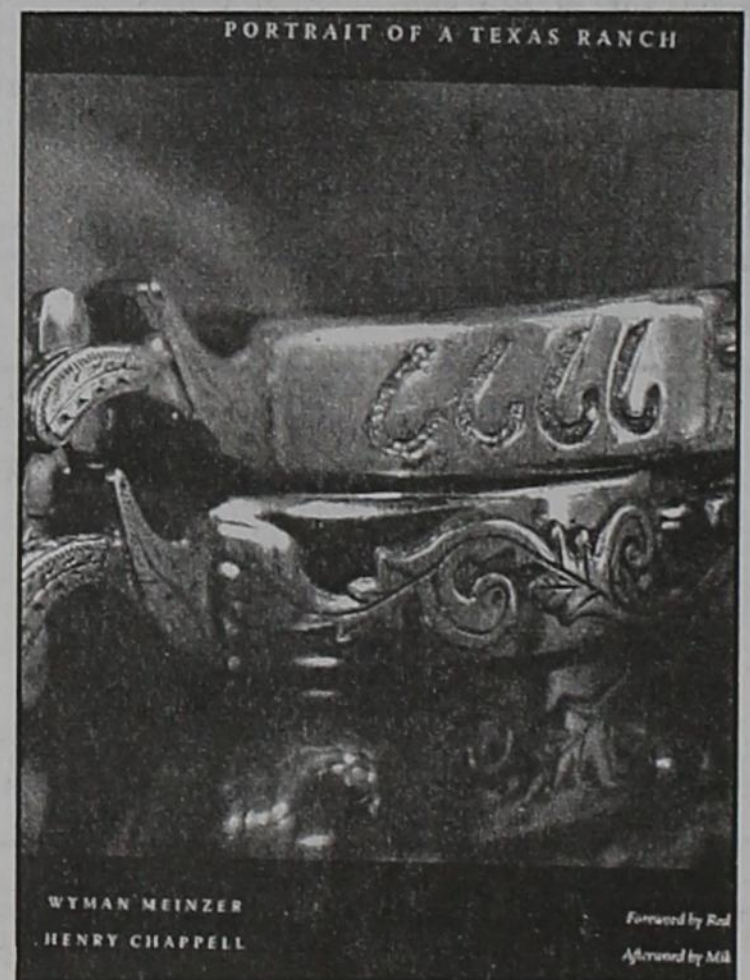
A reminder to those with family members buried at the Whiteflat Cemetery or others interested in the upkeep of it, the need of money through memorials or gifts will be greatly appreciated and can be sent to Frances Dixon, Box 180, Matador, or to Matador Branch of FNB, Seymour, Box 60, Matador, TX 79244.



**WELCOME HOME**—Several friends and family members were on hand to welcome Carol Campbell as her moving van arrived. Carol has moved back home to Matador. Her son, Todd Allison, assisted her in the move. Among those on hand to greet her and help unload the truck were Carol's mother, Lucretia Campbell, cousin Robin Darsey, and friends Tom and Deanie Edwards, Billy Osborn, Dean Osborn, and Ron and Kay Bailey. Carol's aunt, Winifred Darsey, joined the group later.

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## Matador Ranch will host RCHA Cutting

The Matador Ranch will host a RCHA (Ranch Cutting Horse Association) Cutting Competition Saturday, April 8, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Local contestants will in-

clude Tim Washington, Gilbert Guerrero and Bob Kilmer. Contestants from all over Texas will be competing. The public is welcome to attend. Seating will be available.

## U.S. Senator Cornyn's office to recognize the City of Floydada for job creation efforts

U.S. Senator Cornyn's office will recognize the City of Floydada for its job creation efforts Monday, April 17, at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room at the First National Bank. Floydada is among the first to receive funds from the state agency's Texas CDBG loan program.

Members of the office of U.S. Senator John Cornyn, Representatives of the Office of Rural Community Affairs, and Representatives of the City of Floydada will be on hand for the ceremony and presentation of a ceremonial check for \$100,000 from the Microenterprise loan fund by a representative of ORCA.

The Microenterprise Loan Program is a \$1 million initiative awarded by the Office of Rural Community Affairs that offers grants to eligible cities and counties to contract with a non-profit organization for the pur-

pose of establishing a local loan program that directly assists for-profit microenterprise businesses.

ORCA's Microenterprise Loan Program is supported by federal funds that come to Texas as Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monies through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

ORCA was created by the 77th Legislature to facilitate and focus the State's health, economic development, and community development programs targeting rural communities in Texas. ORCA's programs and services support health care delivery in rural Texas, and address rural community planning activities, and housing and public facility needs such as sewer, water system, road, drainage improvements, and disaster relief funds. ORCA is the door to Texas government for rural citizens.

## PROOF OF THE TRUTH

BY TOM EDWARDS

### OVERLOOKING THE OBVIOUS!

We've all been guilty of this - both on a large and small scale. We even have descriptive phrases for it: "can't see the forest for the trees," "majoring in the minors," even when "it's plain as the nose on our face." Does this hit home?

Well, the same is true in the war over the age of the earth and universe. The most obviously overlooked fact is that back at the time the earth and universe were created no mortal human wrote a history book to tell us what happened. The only ancient history (writing-wise) that we have is what God told Moses, Job, Isaiah, and John - all in the Bible. So from a scientific standpoint, and except for the Bible (which is full of science), all we have to answer the question of the age of the earth and universe is what we can discern from natural world clues.

That raises the second most obviously overlooked fact. We are all looking at the SAME evidence! But, we are drawing differing conclusions. That means we are expressing OPINIONS! And opinions are not fact - just opinions!

An opinion may be right, but it is still just an opinion. It may

also be wrong, even though "sincerely wrong," and even if spoken by a respected scientist. On the "age" question, this doesn't alter the fact that somebody's wrong. But who?

This gets into world views (how we globally perceive things) and probabilities (what is "probably" true). Many "old-earthers" take that position because their world view is through the prism assumption that Darwinian evolution is true, even if that requires forcing square pegs into round holes, insofar as evidence is concerned. On the other hand, some "young earthers" take the position that "God said it, and that's that," not particularly satisfying to someone not believing in God or who believes in evolution. So what are we to do?

The first thing is to realize the obvious that "scientific" statements and conclusions that the earth and universe are billions of years old are unproven opinions and not proven fact, and then take an unbiased look at the available evidence to see what is "most probably true," never overlooking the obvious. Besides, God's word can withstand critical scrutiny, and truth (all truth) can't contradict itself. Remember, there were no eyewitnesses to evolution!

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By Ace Reid



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## Feral Hogs viewed as good and bad

by Dana Wright  
Texas Parks & Wildlife Biologist

Feral hogs have been viewed as both good and bad. On the good side, they provide year-round hunting recreation and landowners can make some extra cash selling hunting rights for these critters and providing access to trappers who are willing to trap and sell live hogs for profit. On the other side of the fence they can cause lots of damage to agricultural crops, vehicle bumpers, deer feeders, ponds and fences just to name a few of their crimes. No matter how you feel about feral hogs you have to admire their tenacity for survival.

Texas Parks & Wildlife Department conducted a research project in the late 1990s called "Food Habits, Reproduction, Disease and Condition of Feral Hogs in the Rolling Plains". A total of 350 hogs were collected for this study from Cottle, Dickens, Foard, King and Motley Counties. This was a three year project in which TPWD biologists collected stomach contents, blood, reproductive organs, age and other physiological data from harvested hogs.

The results of the study included some surprises, but other things weren't surprising such as the fact that hogs will just about eat whatever is put in front of them. Food items from stomachs included snakes, a couple of gophers and feathers from unknown birds. Across all seasons grain represented 35% of the stomach contents, fruits/

tubers/roots 21%, acorns (hard mast) 17%, weeds 14%, grass 11%, and animal matter 2%. Egg shell fragments were not found during this study.

All hogs were tested for a variety of disease including: pseudorabies, hog cholera, swine brucellosis and trichinosis. All hogs tested negative for these diseases, but one hog did test positive for Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

Gestation for a feral hog is about 115 days. We found an average of 5 fetuses per bred sow with a range of 1-10 fetuses. According to Dr. Billy Higginbotham with Texas Cooperative Extension "a hog population has the ability to go from one bred sow to over 1,000 head in only five years, if all the offspring survive and reproduce at the average rate." Most piglets are born during the months of January through March and June through July, but feral hogs can breed and give birth year-round.

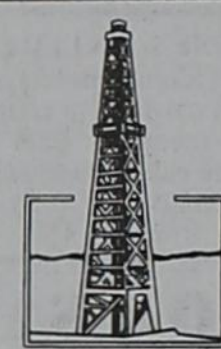
We also took a variety of measurements including tusk snout and tail length and live weights. The tusk length ranged from 1/4" to 6 1/4", snout length ranged from 4" to 10 1/4", tail length ranged from 1" to 13 1/2" with an average length of 8 1/2", live weights ranged from 17 to 297 pounds with an average weight of 127 pounds for this research project.

While you may or may not appreciate wild hogs, they have occupied Texas for over 400 years and it is not likely we will ever get rid of them completely.

Approximately, one to two million wild hogs occupy the Lone Star State, giving us the dubious distinction of being "Wild Hog Capital of the U.S."

## Oil & Gas Update

By Tom Musser



### FLOYD COUNTY:

Apollo Energy Operating Company, LP Miller Lease Well #1 is being put on pump this week to continue testing.

### FLOYD COUNTY:

Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. has applied for their next drilling permit; the Stansell Lease Well #1 located 500 feet from the north line and 600 feet from the east line of Section 26, Abstract - 1450, Block G, ACH&B Survey, 2 1/2 miles West of Floydada.

### BRISCOE and MOTLEY COUNTIES:

The Vintage Petroleum Inc. leases are currently inactive Occidental Petroleum Inc. acquired Vintage Petroleum Inc. effective January 30, 2006, but Vintage Petroleum Inc. re-

mains the "Operator of Record" of the leases in the Palo Duro Basin.

The M.J. Hamilton Lease Well #1 and the R.I. Montgomery Lease Well #1 in Briscoe County are listed by the Railroad Commission of Texas as Temporarily abandoned.

The Ollie Birnie Lease Well #2 in Motley County is listed by the Railroad Commission of Texas as "OZ": Not eligible for an allowable.

The D.M. Cogdell Jr. Estate, Lease Well #10-01 is shut-in.

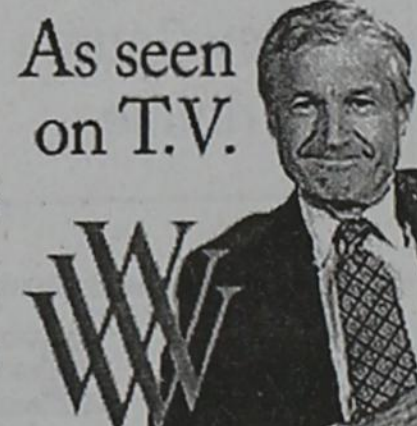
The Echols "2" Lease Well #1 is currently shut-in with pumpjack. Tanks and other equipment removed from location. There is no current information on the status of the M. Burleson Ranch "60" Lease Well #1.

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7-Day Forecast	In-Depth Forecast	Moon Phases
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<b>Last Week's Local Almanac</b>		Precipitation . . . . . 0.81" Normal precipitation . . . . . 0.35" Departure from normal . . . . . +0.46"  Average temperature . . . . . 63.6° Average normal temperature . . . . . 56.4° Departure from normal . . . . . +7.2° <small>Data as reported from Childress, Texas</small>
<b>Weather History</b>		<b>Sun &amp; Moon Times</b>
<b>April 6, 1987</b> - Rain and melting snow caused flooding from New England to Ohio. Flooding in the Merrimack Valley of Massachusetts was the worst in 50 years, causing 42 million dollars in damage.		Sunrise today . . . . . 7:24 a.m. Sunset tonight . . . . . 8:08 p.m. Moonrise today . . . . . 1:50 p.m. Moonset today . . . . . 3:58 a.m.

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Pre-K Registration for 2006-2007 will be conducted April 11, 2:00-3:00 p.m. at the Motley County School. Children must be 4 years old by September 1, 2006.

Bring your child's birth certificate, social security card, immunization record and proof of residence.

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**70 MILE GARAGE SALE,** May 6, 2006. Get your stuff ready! For more information contact Alex Crowder at 348-7336 or Shane Jones, 347-2820.

**ACS "RELAY FOR LIFE"** will be having a potluck dinner on Thursday, April 13, 6:30 p.m. at FNB Floydada Community Room. All team captains and committee members should be present. Anyone interested in helping with the Relay is invited.

## NOTICE

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On April 3, 2006, Ramar Communications II, Ltd. filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D.C. for renewal of license of TV translator, Station K45FE, Channel 45, Matador, Texas which broadcasts the signal of Station KUPTLP, Channel 14, Lubbock, Texas. Station K45FE operates with .550 kW ERP at 0.8 Kilometers South of US 70, 7.2 Kilometers West of Matador, Texas.

Individuals who wish to advise the FCC of facts relating to this renewal application and to whether the station has operated in the public interest should file comments and petitions with the FCC by July 3, 2006.

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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION**

The City of Matador will hold a Special Election on May 13, 2006, to fill (1) Un-expired Council Position. Applications may be obtained and filed at Matador City Hall between regular business hours, Monday through Friday. April 12, 2006, will be the last day to accept applications for a place on the ballot. The elections will be held at the Motley County Courthouse, May 13, 2006, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Early voting for the General and Special Elections will be held at the Motley County Courthouse, week-days from May 1 through 9. Polling hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., May 8th and 9th. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Debra Scott  
City Secretary

## Bid Notice

**BID NOTICE**

The City of Matador is accepting bids, through April 13, for a new or used Track Loader that meets or exceeds the following specifications:

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The City of Matador is also accepting bids for a new or used Tractor that meets or exceeds the following specifications:

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The City of Matador is also accepting bids for repair work and the sandblasting and painting of the interior of the City Water Tower.

All bids must be submitted no later than April 13, 2006.

For additional information or to submit bids, contact the City of Matador at City Hall, 706 Dundee, Matador, Texas 79244. Phone 806-347-2255, Fax 806-347-2062.

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**BID NOTICE**

Motley County ISD is accepting quotes for the installation of a six foot wooden fence. Contact Chuck Ream, Maintenance Supervisor, for specifications at the Bus Barn or call 269-3758. Quotes must be submitted by April 15, 2006.

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