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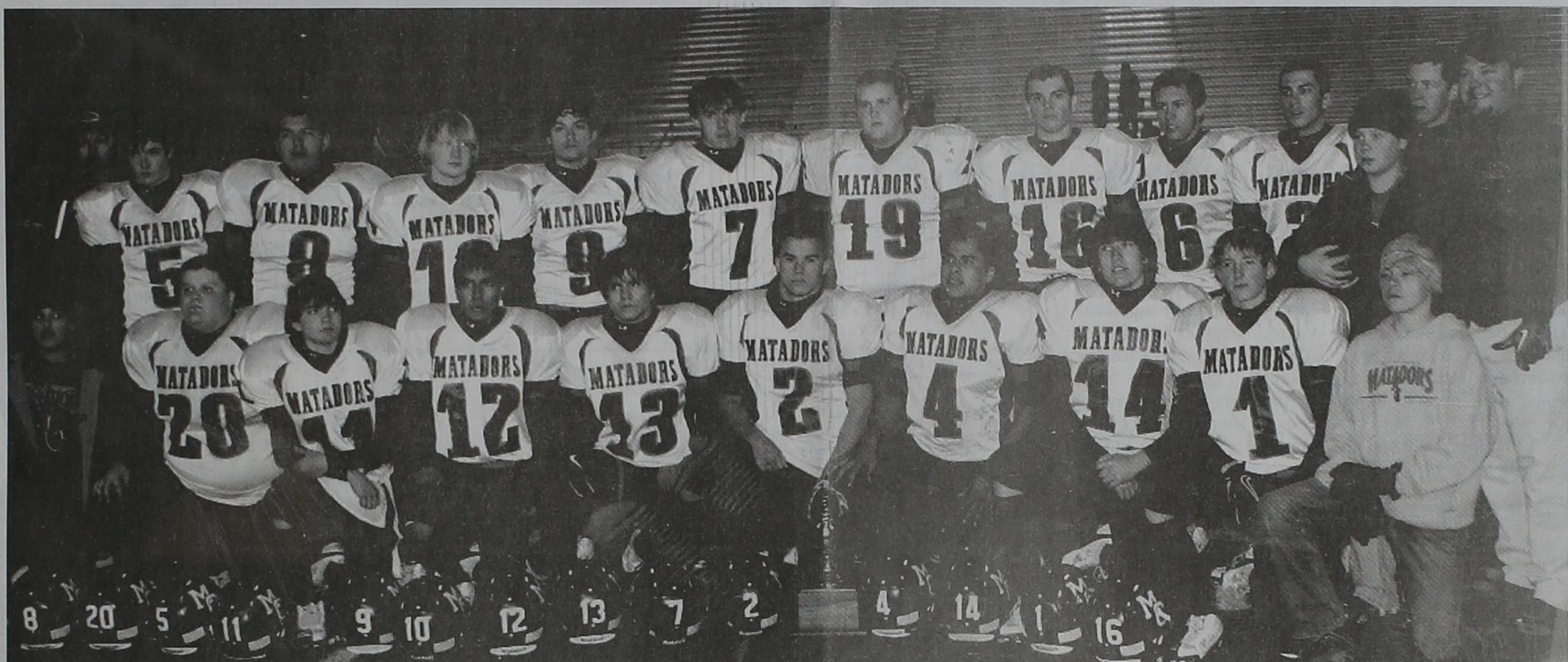


Photo by Wendi Taylor

City Council meets in regular session *Water inspection finds one violation*

Matador City Council met at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall on Thursday, November 11, 2010. Present were Councilmen Alvin Alexander, Chuck Ream, Shane Jones, Mayor Pat Smith, and Water Superintendent Steve Barton. Stachia Baxter attended to take the minutes. Absent were Council members Kay Bailey and Nathan Shannon; and City Secretary Debra Scott.

Water Superintendent Steve Barton reported that TCEQ had been here to conduct the water inspection and one violation had been found concerning sanitary easement for the wells. Mr. Barton reported that they were still replacing water meters and transmission is out on the dump truck and would need to be repaired

as soon as possible.

The minutes and expenditures for October were approved by the Council. Mayor Smith reported that the project to move and install new bathrooms north of the courthouse would cost approximately \$7,200 with the City locating the existing sewer lines and digging three ditches, possibly \$6,500 depending on the amount of sidewalk desired. Councilman Shane Jones inquired about installing a hand rail. Shane Jones then made the motion to proceed with the project using funds from the Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Account. The motion was seconded by Chuck Ream and the motion carried 3/0.

Chuck Ream made a motion to amend the General Fund

Budget, moving \$1,000 from the City Clean-up account to the Animal Control account to purchase a tranquilizer gun. The motion was seconded by Alvin Alexander and the motion carried 3/0.

Steve Barton presented Council with an example of the Sanitary Easement around Water Wells used by the City of Roaring Springs. Alvin Alexander made a motion to turn this matter over to the City Attorney for review, seconded by Chuck Ream and the motion carried 3/0.

Items for next month's agenda are Restrooms, Sanitary Easement, Christmas Bonus and State Champions added to Water Tower painting.

By Charli Bigham
Motley County Tribune

On Friday, November 26, 2010, the Matadors headed to Pampa's stadium to play the quarter-final playoff game against the Miami Warriors. The entire game from kickoff until the final seconds of the fourth quarter was very physical. The Matadors played tough and overcame a lot of adversity to bring home the victory winning the game 100-80.

Due to injuries boys had to be shifted and play positions. They did a great job transitioning and stepped up to make the big plays.

"This win really shows what kind of team we have," Coach Bigham said. "This was the most complete team effort we have ever had. The coaching staff and I couldn't be any more proud of these boys."

The night was topped off by a late meal at Dyer's BBQ. Several fans stayed to celebrate with the team; it was a great ending to the night. "We traveled big, we played big, and we won big," Coach Bigham said.

The next game will be Friday, December 3, 2010 against the Sterling City Eagles at 7:30 p.m. in Sweetwater. The Matadors will be the home

team. Come out and support our Mighty Matadors as they play in the State Semi-final Playoff Game!

Stats: Jonathon Osborn - 20 carries, 1 reception, 5 td's, 266 yards rushing and 6 tackles; Augustine Chavez - 17 carries, 5 td's, 175 yards rushing and 8 tackles; Andrew Martin - 3 receptions, 3 td's and 3 tackles; Austin Taylor - 3 of 4 passing and 11 tackles;

Britt Simpson - 8 tackles and 2 fumble recoveries; Juan Flores - 11 tackles, 1 fumble recovery and 11 of 13 extra points (85% extra point).

Matador Foothill Late Night Shopping Thursday, December 2

Santa will arrive at Motley County Public Library at 5:30 p.m.

By Dianne Washington
Motley County Tribune

The annual Matador Foothill Late Night Shopping will be Thursday, December 2, 2010. The Matador Fire Department will escort Santa Claus to Motley County Library on Main Street at 6:00 p.m. Santa Claus is sponsored by the Motley County Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber will also sponsor the "kiddy store." A great selection of very reasonable priced gifts will be available for kids to purchase for family members. 4-H Club members will assist children with shopping.

Other shopping opportunities include senior citizens discounts from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. At 6:00 p.m. everyone is invited to join the fun and shop all the specials in town. Matador Variety will

give discounts of 10 per cent to 50 per cent on entire purchase. Shoppers will draw for a discount when they checkout. New to You will have a buy-one get-one free on most in stock items. The Hotel Matador gift shop will be open for shopping. The Glittered Pig will be open. They have very interesting gift items. Matador Floral is selling all merchandise except jewelry and flowers for \$1.00 per item.

The Motley County Library will be open. Go by the library and shop the book sale, check out the 2010 Texas Capitol ornaments, note cards, and sign up for door prizes.

Vendors will be set up on the downtown sidewalks. Vendors will be selling jewelry, baked goods, decorative items, and various other arts and crafts

items. Jaybirds Kitchen and Main Street Café will be open to serve hungry shoppers. Also open to serve hungry shoppers will be Fat Boys Barbeque. They are located inside Matador Floral.

The Matador Ranch Lodge Shop will be open during Late Night Shopping.

Businesses will have door prize drawings. There will be a Santa stocking giveaway. To be eligible to win one of two stockings each person must take part in a scavenger hunt. Pickup a card at each store and follow the instructions to place your name in the stocking drawing.

Everyone is invited to this annual event. Come visit Matador and join in the fun. Contact Shane Jones at 806-347-2820 for vendor information.



Andrew and Randa Westbrook visit with Santa at the late night shopping in Roaring Springs. Andrew and Randa are children of Lindsey Westbrook and grandchildren of Rodney and Glenda Williams.

Foothill Country

Connections

Community, Diversity, Art
When you have history, you have pride.



By Larry Vogt

There is lots of excitement in store for those fortunate enough to live in Matador, Texas this next few days. First, there is the Late Night shopping for all those folks who will want to purchase gift items for the holidays. Santa Claus will be arriving with the usual flurry and the wee ones will be sitting on his knee with lots of anticipation and long lists of items. There will be food vendors and sidewalk vendors and it will all be happening right here in downtown Matador.

If that hasn't got you going then there is the semi-

final game for the State Football championship in which our rolling thunder Matadors will be facing the Sterling City Eagles in the six-man match in Sweetwater this Friday evening. It seems hard to believe that we had a championship team just a few years ago in 2007. Coach Bigham and his latest team of athletes are to be commended for an outstanding effort to regain the State Championship trophy once again. These are special moments for our young folks and a show of support from fans who can make it to the game will be a big help. The fast paced action of six-man football awaits you in Sweetwater!

Meanwhile, cooling temperatures and winds could mean a few extra layers of clothing will be necessary to protect your body and keep your shopping madness alive and your cheer leading abilities in full swing. Those hunter's hand warmers might come in handy both Thursday and Friday. Wrap up and go, go, go, Matadors!

WRITING COMMUNITY

More stories from our elders:

By Marisue Potts Powell

A. E. Butterfield, a circuit riding Methodist preacher, was called to help the Reverend J. J. Methvin with his work among the Comanches, Kiowas, and Apaches and served from 1892 to 1899. He wrote, "The thrill of seeing the great valley full of indian tepees, every one toward the rising sun, was more than my power of description can express. A chill came over me when I saw men with only blankets on and barefoot, the women with only shawls and no shoes. Their moccasins were of no use in the snow. More than 4,000 Comanches, Kiowa, and Apaches were in that camp."

Butterfield amassed a collection of photographs taken in later years on what was the reservation and that collection is now in the Motley County Museum. Copies of these photographs were shared with the Quannah Parker Family Society at the National Cowboy Symposium in Lubbock on September 10-11.

While his wife Mary was busy teaching,

Butterfield walked from tepee to tepee, talking through an interpreter and praying wherever anyone would listen. When he heard the Big Looking Glass band was without a preacher, he borrowed a wagon and team and moved his family to the modest parsonage on the Little Washita. (Little Washita United Methodist Church is still in the Methodist conference.)

Though the government had contracted by treaty to feed and clothe them for 33 years if they stayed on the reservation, most of the tribes were getting only half enough to eat. Butterfield shared the little he had but was almost as impoverished as they were.

"The change in family life that we required was hard for them to grasp," he wrote. The man must have only one wife and promise to work and support her, instead of having her do all the menial work. A change in housing eventually replaced the tepees with their attendant dirt floors, filth, and vermin with small frame houses.

The missionary made a study of Indian legends and was invited by Chief Looking

Glass to attend a peyote ceremony. Lone Wolf, a friend of Quannah's and his father-in-law for a short time, had a son, Delois K. Lonewolf who became a preacher of the Methodist Church and had a granddaughter who married the Rev. Matthew Botone of the same church.

During their seven years among the Indians, the Butterfields suffered many hardships and setbacks. They experienced poverty right along with those to whom they were ministering. Their small daughter Anna was bitten by a rapid skunk in their tepee; with no medical help available they relied on prayer and faith in God. A young son was not so lucky and died in infancy.

Upon his death in 1945, Butterfield's funeral service included members of the Tahquechi family of the Comanche tribe of Lawton. A young maiden dressed in native apparel gave the Comanche interpretation in sign language as hymns were sung in tribute to the colorful pioneer pastor.

Patton Springs ISD presents *Happy Scarecrow*



Patton Springs students produce and perform in play, "Happy Scarecrow." Back Row (left to right): Allison McCoy(Witch), Joshua Tanner (Man in the Audience/Scarehuman), Lexy Gullledge (Crew), Sierra Cisneros (Crew) Front Row: Shana Fondren (Fairy), Brielle Collett (Scarecrow), Ashleigh Jones (Little Girl), Wade Fine (Old Man) photo by Minnie Collett

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The family of Dorothy Nichols would like to thank everyone for their prayers, the wonderful food, flowers, donations, and words of comfort during this time of loss. From the gentle care she received at Hackberry Creek to the ladies of the church and community fixing our meals, we are deeply honored and grateful for your love and friendship.

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Coach Bigham and team with trophy after winning quarter finals. "This win really shows what kind of team we have," Coach Bigham said. "This was the most complete team effort we have ever had. The coaching staff and I couldn't be any more proud of these boys." photo by Charli Bigham

HACKBERRY HAPPENINGS

BY CARLA MEADOR, MARKETING DIRECTOR

Well, Thanksgiving has come and gone and the Christmas season is now upon us. Although the official observance of Thanksgiving day has passed, every day is a day of thanksgiving at Hackberry. We are so thankful for our wonderful Residents. They are all very special in their own unique way. Hackberry staff members love them as if they are part of our own families. We are thankful for our Residents' families and all of our great volunteers and for everyone who drops by Hackberry to visit with our Residents. We are very thankful for our excellent nursing staff, as well as all staff members. Family members can rest assured that their loved one is very well taken care of at Hackberry. Blessings are abundant here.

With the Christmas season will come many visitors to the Center. The Girl Scout Brownie Troop will be visiting the Center, as well as various other groups from Churches and organizations. We welcome anyone who would like to come sing a few songs, play an instrument, share some poetry, or just sit and visit.

Our Family Christmas Dinner is planned for Friday, December 17 at 6:00 p.m. Santa Claus has already cleared his schedule that evening so he can be on hand at Hackberry to pass out presents to our Residents, visit with our guests and listen to Christmas wishes. We are so excited to have such a celebrity coming to the Center.

Have you been thinking of beginning a new Holiday tradition for your family. How about a visit to Hackberry? What a wonderful tradition this would be. To adopt our Hackberry family as part of your own and visiting them during the holiday season each year would not only warm the hearts of our residents, but surely do the same for everyone who shares part of their Christmas warmth and love at Hackberry.

SENIOR HEALTH TIPS

Stress, depression and the holidays: 10 tips for coping

The holiday season, which begins for most Americans with Thanksgiving and continues through New Year's Day, often brings unwelcome guests — stress and depression. And it's no wonder. In an effort to pull off a perfect holiday, you might find yourself facing a dizzying array of demands — parties, shopping, baking, cleaning and entertaining, to name a few. So much for peace and joy, right?

Actually, with some practical tips, you can minimize the stress and depression that often accompany the holidays. You may even end up enjoying the holidays more than you thought

you would. Recognize Common Triggers: Learn to recognize common holiday triggers, so you can disarm them before they lead to a meltdown.

Relationships. Relationships can cause turmoil, conflict or stress at any time, but tensions are often heightened during the holidays. Family misunderstandings and conflicts can intensify — especially if you're thrust together for several days. On the other hand, facing the holidays without a loved one can be tough and leave you feeling lonely and sad.

Finances. With the added expenses of gifts, travel, food and entertainment, the holidays can put a strain on your budget — and your peace of mind. Not to mention that overspending now can mean financial worries for months to come.

Physical demands. Even die-hard holiday enthusiasts may find that the extra shopping and socializing can leave them wiped out. Being exhausted increases your stress, creating a vicious cycle. Exercise and sleep — good antidotes for stress and fatigue — may take a back seat to chores and errands. To top it off, burning the wick at both ends makes you more susceptible to colds and other unwelcome guests.

Tips to prevent holiday stress and depression When stress is at its peak, it's hard to stop and regroup. Try to prevent stress and depression in the first place, especially if the holidays have taken an emotional toll on you in the past.

Acknowledge your feelings. If someone close to you has recently died or you can't be with loved ones, realize that it's normal to feel sadness and grief. It's OK to take time to cry or express your feelings. You can't force yourself to be happy just because it's the holiday season.

Reach out. If you feel lonely or isolated, seek out community, religious or other social events. They can offer support and companionship. Volunteering your time to help others also is a good way to lift your spirits and broaden your friendships.

Be realistic. The holidays don't have to be perfect or just like last year. As families change and grow, traditions and rituals often change as well. Choose a few to hold on to, and be open to creating new ones. For example, if your adult children can't come to your house, find new ways to celebrate together, such as sharing pictures, emails or videotapes.

Set aside differences. Try to accept family members and

friends as they are, even if they don't live up to all your expectations. Set aside grievances until a more appropriate time for discussion. And be understanding if others get upset or distressed when something goes awry. Chances are they're feeling the effects of holiday stress and depression too.

Stick to a budget. Before you go gift and food shopping, decide how much money you can afford to spend. Then stick to your budget. Don't try to buy happiness with an avalanche of gifts. Try these alternatives: Donate to a charity in someone's name, give homemade gifts or start a family gift exchange.

Plan ahead. Set aside specific days for shopping, baking, visiting friends and other activities. Plan your menus and then make your shopping list. That'll help prevent last-minute scrambling to buy forgotten ingredients. And make sure to line up help for party prep and cleanup.

Learn to say no. Saying yes when you should say no can leave you feeling resentful and overwhelmed. Friends and colleagues will understand if you can't participate in every project or activity. If it's not possible to say no when your boss asks you to work overtime, try to remove something else from your agenda to make up for the lost time.

Don't abandon healthy habits. Don't let the holidays become a free-for-all. Over-indulgence only adds to your stress and guilt. Have a healthy snack before holiday parties so that you don't go overboard on sweets, cheese or drinks. Continue to get plenty of sleep and physical activity.

Take a breather. Make some time for yourself. Spending just 15 minutes alone, without distractions, may refresh you enough to handle everything you need to do. Take a walk at night and stargaze. Listen to soothing music. Find something that reduces stress by clearing your mind, slowing your breathing and restoring inner calm.

Seek professional help if you need it. Despite your best efforts, you may find yourself feeling persistently sad or anxious, plagued by physical complaints, unable to sleep, irritable and hopeless, and unable to face routine chores. If these feelings last for a while, talk to your doctor or a mental health professional.

Don't let the holidays become something you dread. Instead, take steps to prevent the stress and depression that can descend during the holidays. With a little planning and some positive thinking, you may find that you enjoy the holidays this year more than you thought you could.

Colorado Filmmakers document local landmarks

Video and audio tours supported by local residents

By Carol Campbell

Shortly before his death, filmmaker and native son Bob Brandon of Brandon Productions, Denver, and his collaborator and producer Marianne Leviton, Boulder, CO, began to shoot footage and conduct research for a documentary about Motley County. Marianne is now working with her husband cameraman Doug Leviton to continue that work with a video trailer, funded by a grant from Matador Ranch. The 3-minute trailer on CD will be used to entice grantors to support a full-blown video documentary on Motley County, documenting important landmarks and historical sites.

The Leviton's were hosted by the Friends of the Historic MC Jail board and Hotel Matador to a "Meet the Filmmakers" coffee on November 26 at Hotel Matador to kick off a whirlwind tour and filming of the jail and the surrounding landmarks in Motley County.

The schedule consisted of filming at Matador Ranch, conducted by a personalized

tour of the ranch by Judge Ed D. Smith. Ed D. was born on the ranch at McDonald Camp to parents Ed D. Sr. and Katherine Smith, a former employee of the ranch and later deputy sheriff of the Motley County Jail. The group was joined by Cattle Manager J.D. Russell who helped the filmmakers get creative shots of a cattle herd, complete with newborn calves. About 10 yearling horses weaned and penned offered more interest, sporting their new 50 Matador Ranch brand. The driving tour of the ranch ended with a personalized tour of the Matador Ranch Hunting Lodge by Linda Roy. The vistas from the back porch of the lodge were of special interest to the filmmakers, as well as the up close and personal mounted Bob Cat and Coyote gracing the hearth of the large fireplace in the main lodge.

The next stop was the Roaring Springs Ranch Comanche campground area where Marisue Potts-Powell retold the stories of pre-historic days where corn was ground in the holes in the sandstone.

This was a favorite Indian campground to several tribes, known for "its purity of water." The filmmakers re-enacted the grinding of corn with a pestle borrowed from the Motley County Museum.

Next stop was Roaring Springs proper, where Santa on horseback was filmed, followed by a Thanksgiving meal with all the trimmings by hostess Carol Campbell.

On Saturday, a full day started with a Teepee City Tour by the great-grandson of the first homesteader to Motley County A.B. Cooper in 1879. Jim and Judy Cooper gave a personalized tour to the original site with an entourage of local residents interested in the historical significance of the first settlement in the county.

A caravan consisting of Ed D. Smith, Ron Bailey, Bobby Klodinski, and Roy Hobbs, along with the filmmakers and the Coopers and Carol Campbell spent the morning capturing the visual and audio history of Teepee City through the eyes of the family of A.B. and Anna B. Cooper.

Teepee City was a thriving community with a general merchandizing store, post office and school, as well as a gambling hall. Buffalo hunters brought their hides to Teepee to be marketed to other points east. Anna Cooper lived in a dugout on this property for 30 years with her two surviving children. All that remains of the original site is the crumbling rock wall of the school house.

The Teepee City tour was followed by a Long Horn Cattle shoot on the Wayland and Betty Moore property, conducted by Roy Hobbs. Wayland will tell you "I just pay the bills, this is Betty's herd." The Moore's had been feeding the longhorns their favorite cake treat for several weeks, and when the pickup rounded the bend, they came galloping to the truck from some distance for their sweet treat. The filmmakers were surrounded front

and back by very large longhorn steers, some whose horn span was surely four feet from tip-to-tip.

After this creative venture, the filmmakers were escorted to Mott Creek Ranch where Mairsue Potts-Powell gave them a personalized tour of the line camp museum, and tour of the famous horse painting (undated) and the remnants of a two-story dugout. Marianne and Doug found plenty of interesting artifacts to film at the

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Chillez (Shell Station) will have specials all day.

Glittered Pig will be open.

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Jaybirds Kitchen will be open.

Main Street Café will be open serving stew, chili, and corn bread.

Motley County Tribune All books 50% off! **Matador Ranch Lodge Shop** will be open during Late Night Shopping.

Let's get cookin'
Email, mail or drop off your favorite holiday recipes by December 17th for the Christmas Edition

Motley County Tribune

"FAITH FACES CONFLICT"



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

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

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

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

Roaring Springs Church of Christ
Michael G. Crowley, Sr.
BIBLE STUDY 10:00 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m.

NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

On a personal note

Getting ready for Thanksgiving reminded me of my grandmother's kitchen. Grandmother was a very small woman about 4'10" tall. A neighbor who was a carpenter built low cabinets for her. My brother and I thought it was really fun to be in Grandmother's kitchen because we could reach most anything we wanted. Grandmother had a pantry that had shelves on each side and a half screened door. It stayed pretty cool. The other convenience I remember was the milk trough in a concrete building beside the windmill. Fresh cool water ran through it continually into a large pond. The milk, cream and butter were kept in the milk house as it was called.

Granddad and Grandmother had several milk cows and they sold cream and butter. Grandmother also sold fresh eggs. When the separator was not in use and all the pieces had been washed it was kept in the pantry. When Grandmother made a cake which was often, it was kept there too. White cakes with pineapple filling and frosting were her favorite. If she knew Granddad would be bringing us home with him she always cooked pinto beans, baked sweet potatoes and ginger bread! She never used recipes; I suppose she had all of them memorized. She would make up the batter and then bake a small test cake to see if she had the ingredients right. After she checked the little cake she would give the rest of the sample cake to us. A large round table, cane bottom chairs and an ice box and stove completed her kitchen. A calendar was kept on the wall; she wrote down the temperatures and weather every day on the calendar. She could always report on how much rain, sand storms and cold or hot it had been. Sweet memories!

In the community

Jo Scott celebrated her 90th birthday on Sunday. Several family members attended church with her. They were: Diane and Seab Washington, Todd, Teresa, Cameron, Conner and Clay Washington. Happy Birthday was sung to her and to Ken Young, who also had a birthday. Donations were made in her honor into the birthday fund which is used to purchase Christmas gifts for needy families; she received several cards as well.

Jo was taken on to Plainview for a birthday lunch at Furr's Cafeteria where she was joined by more family including Joe Michael and June Scott of Dumas and Johnny and Shirley Scott of Lubbock. Again Happy Birthday was sung to her by the Furr's staff and a pie presented to her. Jo enjoyed her outing with her family very much.

Jena La Due visited her grandparents and received an early birthday gift, a look alike American Girl Doll, from her grandparents, Ken and Dinah Young. They went to Lubbock on Sunday afternoon to meet other family members to celebrate Ken's and Jena's birthdays.

Alex and Jo Crowder met their daughter and son-in-law, Denisa and Curtis Brown in Plainview on Wednesday of last week for an early Thanksgiving dinner. The Brown's bloodhound, Max was unable to come with them as he was working helping find a lost elderly person near Portales, NM. He found her!

Randy, Leandra, and baby Ella Maye Harris visited with Don and Billie Stuckey on Saturday, November 20th through Monday, November 22nd. Their other grandchildren, Matthew

and Kenna Whittenberg were also visiting. Billie said the highlight of the visit was getting to hold the two-month-old Ella Maye.

Visiting Lyn Montgomery over the Thanksgiving holiday were her daughter and family, Todd, DeeAnna, and grandson Tristan Goode of Mansfield, TX; her son and family, Michael and Laura Montgomery and great grandchildren, Leo and Justin all of El Paso, TX.

Thanksgiving guests at the home of Kelly and Pennie Keltz were Kelly's mother and step-dad, June and Stan Level of Matador; and their son and family Kevin, Lesa, Kaitlyn, Kenzie Morgan, Kegan and Kennedy Keltz of Spur; and Terry and Toni Keltz of Brady, TX.

An Evening with Santa in Roaring Springs was a great success. Many vendors set up in Graham's Hardware and in the Windmill Café. Santa arrived as promised, there were many children to climb up on his knee and whisper their wants in his ear. Ken Abbott had his train rides for the children too. They made many tours on the train.

Curtis Brown of Dalhart, TX won the shotgun raffled by the Roaring Springs Volunteers. He is the son-in-law of Alex and Jo Crowder.

A drawing was held for the door prizes donated by county merchants. Terry Rainwater won a knife given by Still Waters Construction; Anthony Hernandez won a gift certificate from Main Street Café; Elijah Hasteley won two pictures from Calico Treasures; Kristi Lefevre won a doll from Matador Variety; other toys from Matador Variety were won by Mr. Dean; Zella Palmer won a water jug and a puzzle was won by Roy Rowe. Joyce Meredith won a free shampoo and conditioning from Zacha's Beauty Shop; Alex Crowder won a set of white cups; red cups were won by Venus Fairley from Hotel Matador; Barbara West won a cap and tee shirt from Cross View Camp; Weslyn Thacker won a cross and key chain from Dena Washington. Barbara West won Cross View Camp cap and tee shirt. A gift certificate for an oil change was won from Alexander Fuel by Vicky Sawyer; Bobby's Automotive donated a maintenance check won by Alecia Silva; Sandy Harrell won a gift certificate from the Windmill Café.

Traveler's Inn donated a pecan pie won by Jen Charette; Cap Rock Telephone donated a gift certificate which was won by Pearl Patten. Four 25 dollar Motley County Bucks from the Motley County Chamber of Commerce were won by D. A. McGuire; Sara Ross, Daphne Meredith and Joyce Rowe. Bobby Whitaker won a gift certificate from Petticoat Junction. Meredith Gas and Wylie Gas both donated small propane tanks, they were won by Aspen Howard of Darty Gin and Kyler Bell respectively. Randy Deshan won a gift basket from New to You; Hackberry Nursing Home donated a gift bag won by Danielle Haguewood; Anna Ybarra won a picture made at the 6666 Ranch by Ken Young. Smith Southern Banc Equipment & Jeff Braselton donated a necklace and earring set won by Shawn Rose. Matador Floral donated a Christmas necklace and bracelet set and a 6" potted poinsettia; they were won by Roxanne Reagan and Leigh Penrod respectively; Chillers donated a candle cowboy plaque won by Aspen Howard of Darty Gin.

Braeden Moncrief, son of Jennifer Lawler, is in Cooks Children's Hospital in Ft. Worth due to swelling in his hand and arm.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

Sometimes I'll look down at my watch three consecutive times and still not know what time it is!

Attend Funeral of Father

Tim and Melissa Kendall, Jere and Jacob attended the funeral of her father, Harry Gray, 62, held Tuesday November 23, 2010, at the Biggers Funeral Home Chapel in Lake Worth. Mr. Gray died Saturday, November 20 of a heart attack and was cremated.

He is survived by his wife, Marsha Gray of Fort Worth; son, Scott Gray of Weatherford; daughter, Melissa Kendall of Flomot; two brothers, Jim and Doug Gray of Abilene; a sister, Shirley Gray of Clyde and two grandsons, Jere and Jacob Kendall of Flomot.

Community News

Thanksgiving day guests of Mrs. Erma Washington were Tim and Dena Washington, Matt and Ashley Washington, Blu and Brazos of Roaring Springs; Conway and Lacy Clary, Mickey, Caleb, and Kenzi of Matador; Connie and Coy Franks of Flomot and their houseguests, Cory and Amy Franks, Hudson, Madison and Heston; Cary and Mary Franks of Idalou and Cara and Clint Cowart of Big Springs; Jerry and Sandra Barclay of Flomot and guests, Mrs. Sherryl Barclay, Colton and Kayla of Lubbock.

Mrs. Brenda Cruse and daughter, Leah Cruse of Amarillo visited November 22-26 in Hodgenville, Kentucky with son and brother and family, Derrick and Christina Cruse, son Cash and new baby daughter, Paisley Mae.

Visiting during the Thanksgiving holiday with Janice and Butch Hughes were sons and families, Bengie and J.J. Hughes and Katie of Royce City, Billy Don Hughes, Brandon and Baylee of New Deal; Roger and Tiffany Hughes, Tara, Reagan, and Brodey, Rickey and Tasha Hughes, Kendall and Kason of Floydada.

Thanksgiving Day guests of Ruth and Orville Lee were Brandon Lee of Plainview and Roger and Shonda Lee of Flomot.

Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton was a Thanksgiving Day guest of Waydette and Ronald Clay. Other guests were daughter and family, Debbie and Mike Arrington, Wade and Daggett of Canadian.

Wilburn Martin visited from Wednesday until Saturday in Borger with Daughter and family, Marilee and Fred Cooper. Other guests Thanksgiving Day were Cory Cooper, Gavin and Mason of Borger and the grandchildren of Wilburn, Lindsay Martin of San Antonio and Cole Martin of Tallaquah, Oklahoma.

Roger and Doris Vinson had a pre-Thanksgiving observance in their home, Saturday, November 20. Attending were sons and families, Crystal and Dana Vinson, Allyson, Elise and Chris, Shannon Vinson, Kaitlyn, Morgan, Bubba, and friend, Mrs. Stacey Archer and daughter, Mackenzie, all of Lubbock.

Holiday visitors of Kathy and Clois Shorter were daughters and families, Chris and Dwain Milam, Emily and Haley of Lake Kiowa, Keri and Kevin Sehon and Brian of Wolforth and his father, Everett Shorter of Flomot.

Johnie Starkey visited the Thanksgiving holidays in Winnewood, Oklahoma with his sister, Mrs. Nola Mary Long.

Visitors of Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert and Glen Calvert during the Thanksgiving holidays were Tim and Gwen Mandrell, Peyton, Dustin and Elise Reed, and Hayleigh of Lubbock.

Roger and Doris Vinson were in Lubbock Wednesday until Friday with his mother, Mrs. Beverly Vinson, a patient at Covenant Specialty Hospital.

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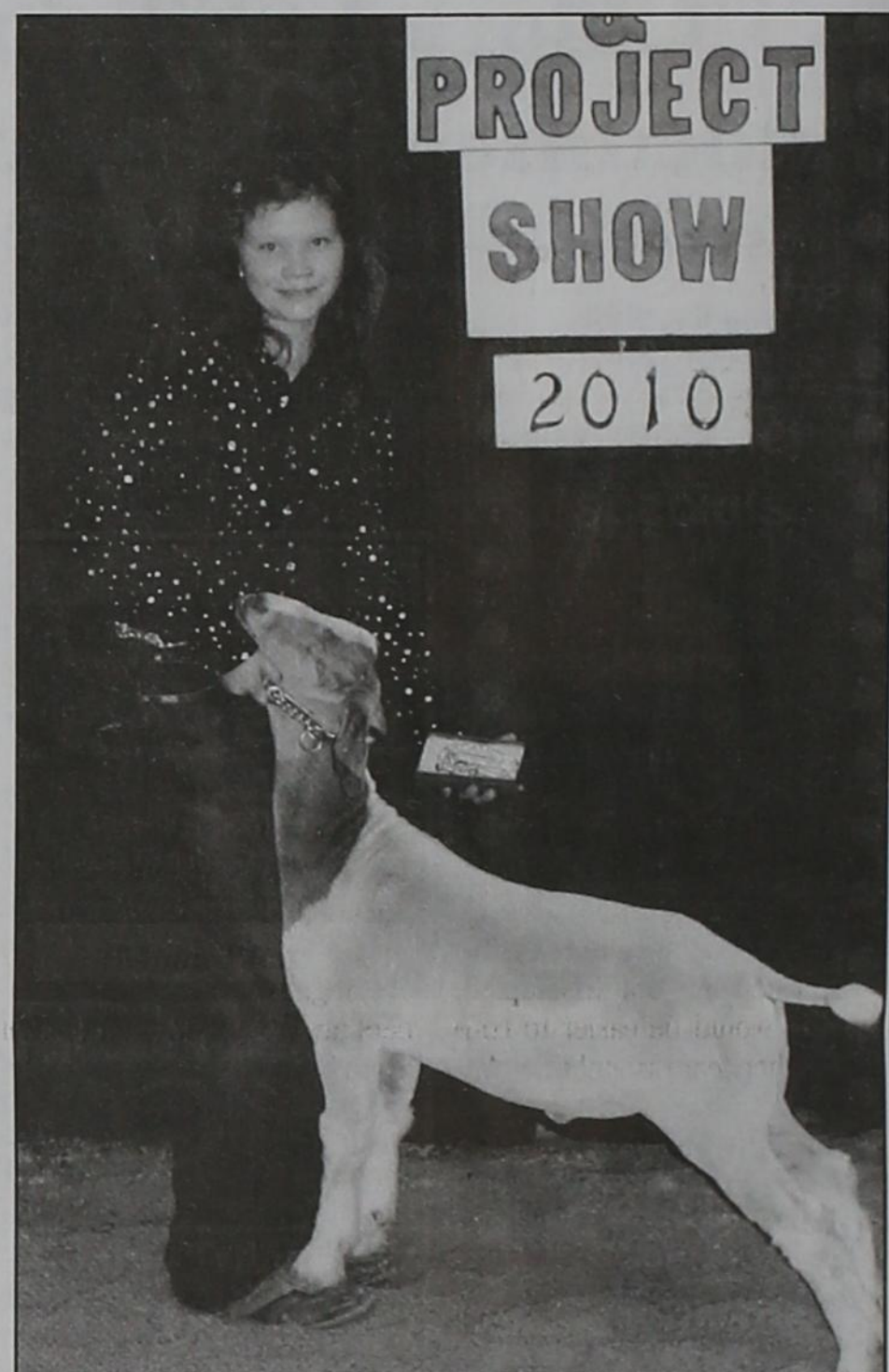
Mrs. Beverly Vinson died Monday, November 29, 2010

Matador News

Emma Potts hosted her grandmother, Marisue Potts Powell, at a grandparents luncheon on November 11 at Rockenbaugh Elementary in Southlake, Texas. They walked to her school, ate a pre-Thanksgiving lunch served by the principal and others, and had playground time together. Guests of honor at a Pizza party in a pre-holiday mood were the grandmother and uncle, Tom Potts of Fort Worth, and his friend, Michelle. Richard and Gina Viktorin Potts have twin boys, Cooper and Sam, and are expecting another son, Ben, in late January. Dr. Viktorin is a pediatrician in the Southlake area. The group also visited the Fort Worth Museum and enjoyed exhibits

on oil and gas exploration, dinosaurs, and Texas Cattle Raisers history.

The family of Jim and Mary Ann Vacarro Potts enplaned to Los Angeles for a Thanksgiving holiday visit to her extended family, including her father Luis Vacarro, brother Christian, and extended family of aunts, uncles, and cousins. They reported a pleasant flight with no hassels at the airport security. Jay, Neal, and Grant, along with their parents, visited the La Brea Tar Pits, the Petersen Automotive Museum, and enjoyed watching the air traffic at the airport hotel, among other tourist delights.



Cassidy Turner won the Sr. Goat Showmanship at the King County Fair.

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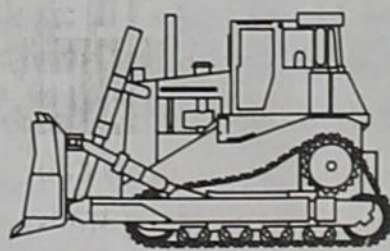
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Notes from the Library

By Mary Ann Potts

Last week was a short week for most of us since it was Thanksgiving. However, since I was gone all week, P.K. Green and Suzanne Abbott stepped up to help earlier in the week to keep our doors open while I was away visiting family. Thank you again for your gift of time.

Also, it may have been a short week, but we're gearing up for the best time of year in Matador, Late Night Shopping and Santa's visit. Remember, Dec. 2nd is Late Night Shopping and Santa will be at the library at 5:30 p.m. to listen to the kid's wish lists. Also, our annual book

sale will be going on in the Library Annex so while the kids are shopping in the Kid-die Store, mom and dad can browse the book sale. And while you're browsing, take a few moments to view the great photographs displayed on the walls and vote for your favorite in the Adult, Junior and Youth categories. The winners will each receive \$50 cash! The winners will be announced on Tue., Dec. 7, 2010 so stop by the library to find out who won or visit Motley County Library on facebook for updates.

See you Thursday!

Relay For Life committee sets date for 2011

By Monta Marshall

Several members of the Relay For Life committee met on November 22, 2010, to begin planning for 2011 Relay For Life Walk in conjunction with the American Cancer Society.

A date for the event is tentatively set for June 11, 2011. Goals and a need for team leaders and members were discussed. The goals requested by the Panhandle Region and our local committee were to have more teams and a more cohesive committee supporting the team members. Teams will be included in planning for the Relay For Life Walk. Working together to make the 2011 Relay the best ever is one of the goals. The goal for fund-raising was set at \$16,000 for Motley County.

Donald McArthur of Cap Rock Telephone volunteered to help with some online setups so that it would be easier to contact other team members. Annette Hollinsworth will serve again as the Event Chair; David McArthur volunteered to be the co-chair. A survivor co-chair for Dickens and Spur is needed. Rosalee Davis will again be the Survivor Chair; the Luminaria Chair will be Kathy Blanco; Andrea Henzler has agreed to be the Accounting Chair; Amy Hackler will be the Team Captain Chair; and Monta Marshall

will be the Data Collection Chair.

Still needed are volunteers to head the Fund Raising Chair; Entertainment and Activities Chair; and Caregiver and Survivor Co-chair for Dickens County.

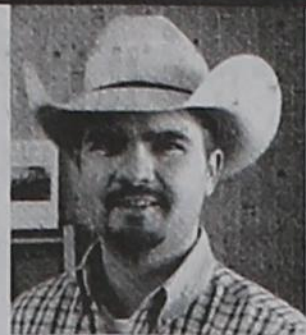
Pam Newman has been selected to be one of two Heroes of Hope for the Panhandle Region.

The format for the Relay will be going back to an all night relay. The all night program has significant meanings; the dusk representing the diagnosis; the darkness represents undergoing treatment and the dawn represents the hope of remission and cures.

On January 14 and 15, 2011, Relay University will be held at the Overton Hotel in Lubbock. Registration will begin Friday evening and there will be a Relay for Life Dinner on Friday evening. All committee members are invited to attend. For more information about the Relay University contact Annette Hollinsworth at New to You. The phone number is: 806-347-2388 or contact her at home at 348-7515. Annette's e-mail address is: newtoyoux@yahoo.com.

A kick-off party for the Motley-Dickens Relay for Life events is set for January 22, 2011, at the Hotel Matador at 6:00 p.m.

County Agent's News



by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent

NAFEC Joins With Farm Service Agency Administrator in Urging Farmers and Ranchers to Vote in County Committee Elections

Voting Started Nov 5 and Continues through Dec 6

WASHINGTON (RuralWire), Nov. 12, 2010 – The National Association of Farmer Elected Committees (NAFEC) have joined with Farm Service Agency (FSA) Administrator Jonathan Coppess in urging farmers and ranchers to vote in their FSA county committee elections. Ballots were mailed out on Nov. 5 to eligible voters. The deadline to return the ballots to local FSA offices is Dec. 6, 2010.

"All eligible farmers and ranchers can make a difference by voting in this year's county committee elections," said Coppess. "County committee members will provide input and make important decisions on the local administration of new disaster and conservation programs under the 2008 Farm Bill. I particularly encourage minority and women producers to get involved so that county committees fairly represent the producers of a county or multi-county jurisdiction."

County committee members are an important component of the operations of FSA and provide a link between the agricultural community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Farmers and ranchers who serve on county committees help deliver FSA farm programs at the local level, applying their knowledge and judgment to make decisions on: commodity price support loans and payments; conservation programs; incentive indemnity and disaster payments for some commodities; emergency programs and payment eligibility. FSA committees operate within official regulations designed to carry out federal laws.

To be an eligible voter, farmers and ranchers must participate or cooperate in an FSA program. A person who is not of legal voting age, but supervises and conducts the farming operations of an entire farm may also be eligible to vote. Agricultural producers in each county submitted

candidate nominations during the nomination period which was held last summer and ended on Aug. 3.

Eligible voters who do not receive ballots in the coming week can obtain ballots at their local USDA Service Center. Dec. 6, 2010, is the last day for voters to submit ballots in person to local USDA Service Centers. Ballots returned by mail must also be postmarked no later than Dec. 6. Newly elected committee members and their alternates will take office Jan. 1, 2011.

Close to 7,900 FSA county committee members serve in the 2,244 FSA offices nationwide. Each committee consists of three to 11 members who serve three-year terms. Approximately one-third of county committee seats are up for election each year.

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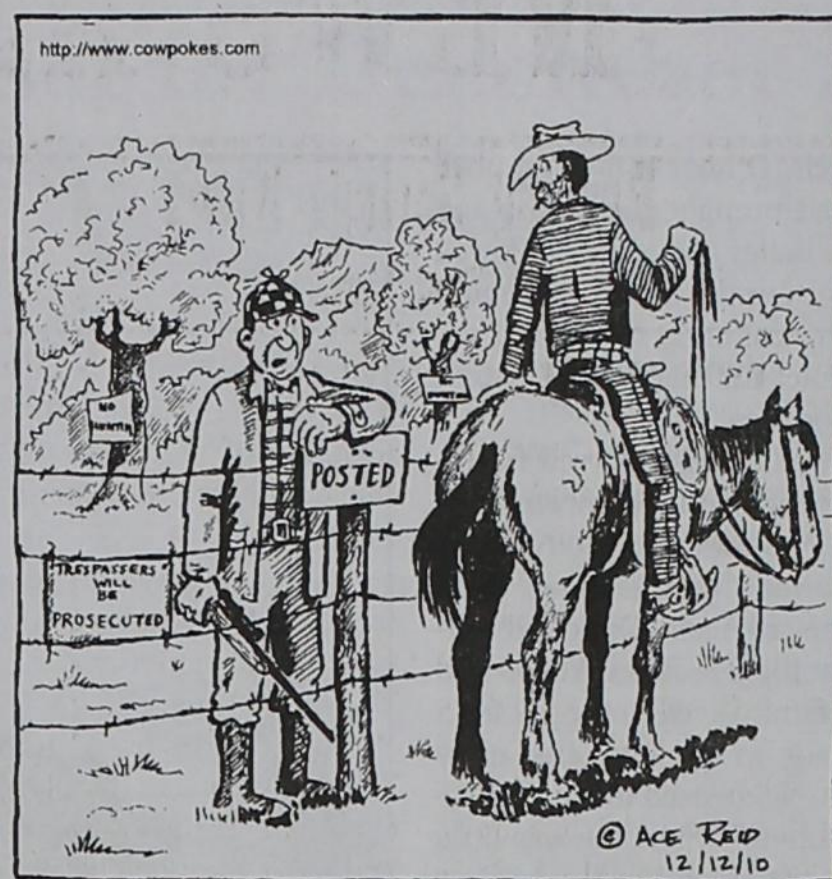
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COWPOKES

By Ace Reid



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Southwest Beef Symposium set for Jan. 18-19 in Amarillo

AMARILLO -- The Southwest Beef Symposium jointly hosted by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and New Mexico Cooperative Extension Service is scheduled for Jan. 18-19 in the Grand Plaza Room of the Amarillo Civic Center, 401 S Buchanan St., Amarillo.

The educational forum is tailored for beef producers and was established to annually provide timely information about current industry issues and practical management, said Dr. Ted McCollum, AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist in Amarillo.

The program will begin at 1 p.m. Jan. 18 and conclude with a steak dinner that evening. The Jan. 19 program will run from 7:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and include a lunch sponsored by Hi-Pro Feeds.

On Jan. 18, during the Current Issues: Stand Up and Be Counted segment, producers will hear discussions on Feeding the World by Dennis Avery, Hudson Institute, Washington, D.C.; The Carbon Cycle and Beef Production by Dr. Brent Auvermann, AgriLife Extension, Amarillo; Management Technologies and the Carbon Footprint of Beef Production by Dr. Jim MacDonald, Texas AgriLife Research, Amarillo; and Management Technologies and Food Safety by Dan Upson, Kansas State University.

On Jan. 19, the Production Session: Setting the Stage for the Next Five Years segment will include talks on Production Costs and Parameters for Cow-Calf Production in North Texas and New Mexico by Stan Bevers, AgriLife Extension, Vernon; You and Your Heifers by Rob Hogan, AgriLife Extension, Ft. Stockton; Managing Fertility in Cows and Bulls by Manny Encinas, New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service, and Bruce Carpenter, AgriLife Extension, Overton; and Cow Fertility in Arid Environments by Milton Thomas, New Mexico State University.

The program continues with Stocker/Feeder Cattle: Weight Considerations by McCollum; Vaccine Technology: What is on the Horizon? by Glenn Rogers, Pfizer Animal Health, Aledo; and Managing the Weight Gain in Stockers by McCollum.

There will be a \$50 registration fee and checks should be

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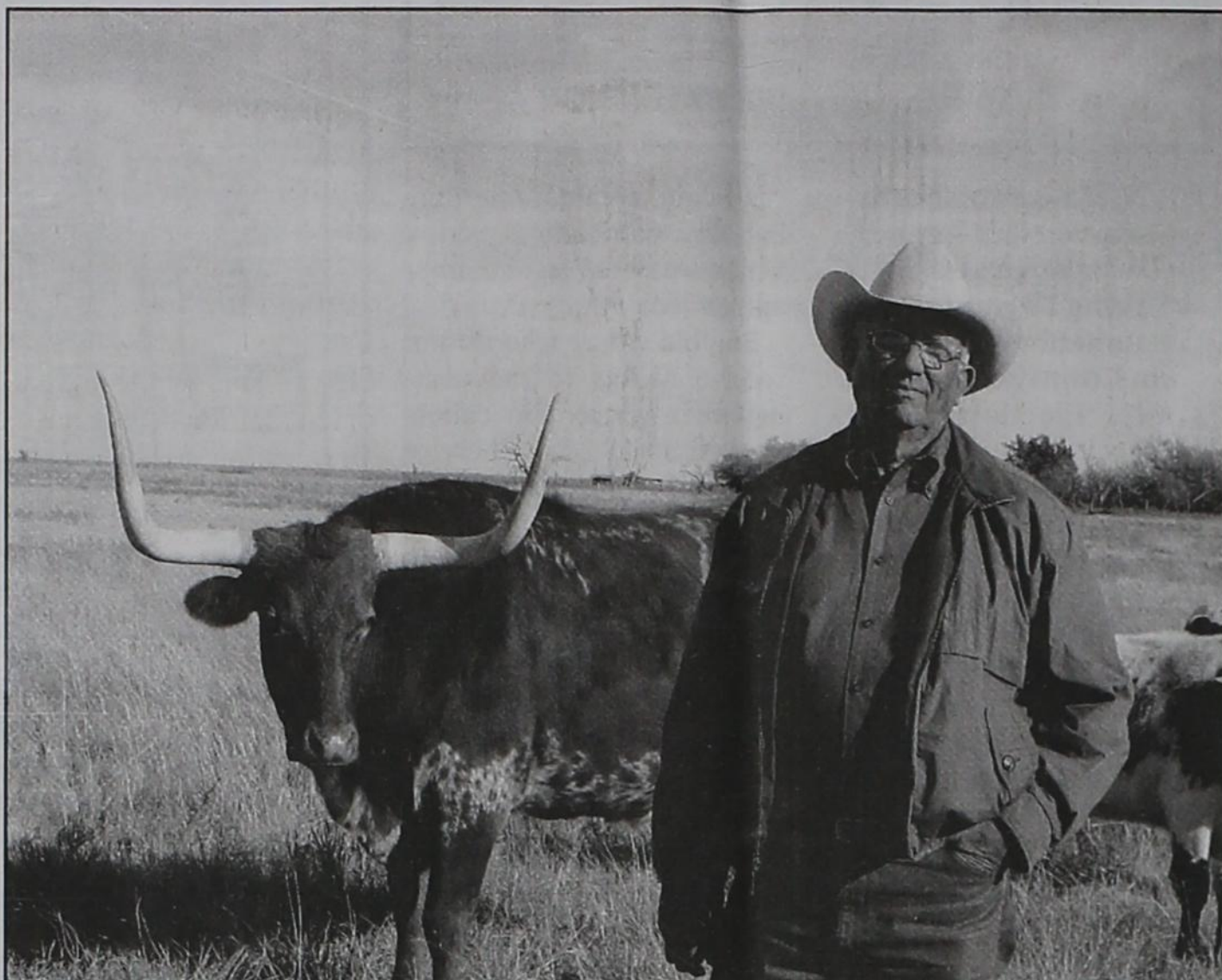
Colorado Filmmakers document local landmarks

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ranch. Dinner at the Campbell house brought guests Ron and Kay Bailey and Marisue Powell who gave the filmmakers more historical data, maps, and anecdotes for their verbal history of the area.

Sunday was reserved for interviews and re-enactments. Ed D. Smith was interviewed, followed by interviews with Geneva Wilson, Dink and Nelda at the jail. Jinks Wilson and his family lived in the jail for a decade in the late '40s, early '50s. Nelda used to "sing to the prisoners" when she was little girl, sitting on the hood of her father's pickup truck. This anecdotal memory of times past was re-enacted by 11-year-old Dode Gleghorn, daughter of Kim and Tommy Gleghorn. Jim Roberts donated his restored 1950s pickup truck as a prop for the re-enactment.

The video trailer will be completed by the end of December or early January. The CD will be included in grants to generate financial support for a full-blown documentary to be filmed in September or October, 2011.



Roy Hobbs is pictured with the Wayland and Betty Moore longhorns. The longhorn herd is the pet project of Betty Moore, who dutifully fed them sweet cake for two weeks prior to the filmmakers visit. The longhorns came running for their treat, resulting in some outstanding photography. This longhorn steer was very interested in getting the feed cake -- sometimes much too close for comfort, sending some observers backtracking to the pickup.

photo by Carol Campbell



Pictured is Ed D. Smith and Bobby Klodinski standing by a willow tree, to check out the ancient water source at Teepee City. Teepee City was located close to two water sources, the Middle Pease River and Teepee Creek.

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Cause No.	Styling	Legal Description
669-TS	Motley County, et ux vs. Dale Arthur	1. Lot One-Hundred (100), Country Lake Estates subdivision, a replat of Springs Ranch Estates I, Motley County, Texas
672-TS	Motley County, et ux vs. James Roy Mccoy, Jr., Deceased, Unknown Heirs of	2. Lots 11, 12, 13, Block 10, Original Town Addition to the Town of Roaring Springs, Motley County, Texas. 3. Lots 11 Thru 20 Block 9, Original Town Addition to the Town of Roaring Springs, Motley County, Texas.
686-TS	Motley County, et ux vs. Jennifer Bolden, Ind/Heir George L. Lewis, Deceased	4. Lots Five thru Seven (5-7), Block Eighty-one (81) of the Original Town Addition to the City of Matador, Motley County, Texas.
696-TS	Motley County, et ux vs. Eastside Community Action Center	5. Lots twenty-three (23) through thirty-two (32), Block fifty-seven (57) Original Town Addition to the City of Matador, Motley County, Texas
703-TS	Motley County, et ux vs. Billy Shawn Elliott, et ux	6. Lots Seventeen (17), Eighteen (18), Nineteen (19), Twenty (20), Twenty-one (21) and Twenty-two (22), Block Fifty-one (51), Original Town Addition to the City of Matador, Motley County, Texas.
704-TS	Motley County vs. Brenda Pruitt, Ind/Heir of Fred Pruitt, Deceased, et al	7. Lots Twenty-five (25), Twenty-six (26), Twenty-nine (29), Thirty (30), Thirty-one (31), Thirty-two (32), Block Seventy-four (74), Original Town Addition to the City of Matador, Motley County, Texas.
705-TS	Motley County, et ux, vs. Jessie T. Sims, Ind/Heir of Willie Smith, Deceased, et al	8. Lots Eleven (11), Thirteen (13), Fourteen (14) and Sixteen (16), Block Fifty-eight (58), Original Town Addition to the City of Matador, Motley County, Texas.

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made payable to: SWBS Acct. #229100. For more information on the schedule and to register for the program, go online to the Southwest Beef Symposium website: <http://swbs.nmsu.edu/> or registration forms can be mailed to: Bruce Carpenter, Texas AgriLife Extension Center, Box 1298, Ft. Stockton, TX 79735.

Carpenter can be contacted at 432-336-8585 or BCarpent@ag.tamu.edu and McCollum can be contacted at 806-677-5600 or tmccollu@ag.tamu.edu.

Cattle Trails Cow-Calf Conference to be held Jan. 7 in Lawton Texas and Oklahoma to jointly host event

LAWTON, Okla. – The newly created Cattle Trails Cow-Calf Conference, a joint effort between Texas AgriLife Extension Service and the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service, will be held Jan. 7 in Lawton, Okla.

The vision of the conference planners is to create an

annual conference that will provide cow-calf producers the most up-to-date information on topics that influence cattle profits, said Stan Bevers, AgriLife Extension economist based in Vernon. In effect, the conference will assist producers in "driving" their cattle to profit.

The conference will alternate between Texas and Oklahoma each year, Bevers said.

This year, it is scheduled from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Comanche County Fairgrounds Coliseum, 920 South Sheridan Road. Registration is \$20 per person and includes educational materials, a copy of the Cattle Trails Cow-Calf Conference proceedings, a noon meal and refreshments. Additional information can be obtained at <http://agrisk.tamu.edu>.

The conference is named to represent the vast area of agricultural production between the Chisholm Trail and the Great Western cattle trails of the late 1800s, both of which started in south central Texas and drove north through central and western

Oklahoma, Bevers said.

The keynote speaker for the event will be James Henderson of the Bradley 3 Ranch near Memphis. Bradley 3 Ranch has bred Angus cattle for more than 50 years. Their cow herd runs in some of the Texas Panhandle's roughest country, Bevers said.

Henderson will be discussing fitting the cow herds to the country. In this time of price volatility and rising input costs, his expertise of matching cows to their environment can be effective in maintaining low input costs, Bevers said.

Additional speakers include Extension specialists from both Oklahoma and Texas. Reproductive efficiency, surviving in the new cattle paradigm, marketing and forage utilization will be covered. Industry sponsors also will have their products on display during the event.

Producers can register by contacting their local AgriLife Extension county agent, their Oklahoma Cooperative Extension county educator, or by contacting Bob LeValley at 580-255-0546.

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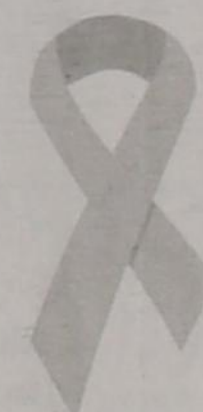
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Documenting the Documentation Grannies' Tea Party

set for December 5

By Carol Campbell

-- Librarian Mary Ann Potts and Marisue Potts-Powell, library board member.

The annual Grannies' Tea Party in support of programs for children at the Motley County Library is set for Sunday, December 5, 2010, in the home of Joyce Campbell, 1530 Eubank Street. This is the 21st tea party that Joyce has hosted since 1990.

What started out as a small tea party for her grandchildren has turned into an annual event that raises money for the library, introducing young girls to the finer points of etiquette.

"The first year my grandchildren were 2- to 5-years-old," Joyce Campbell said. "Cassie (Campbell) and Jo-Beth (Vance) were 5-years-old; Kittie (Campbell) was 3-years-old; and Britt Paul (Campbell) was 2-years-old." Now, Britt is working on his master's degree at Texas Christian University. "The next year we had 22 kids attend; that was our biggest group," Janie said.

Joyce encourages the girls to wear "dress-up clothes" -- something from their grandmother's closet; hats and gloves and high heel shoes," she said. Some children just wear their Sunday best, and that is okay too, she added.

This year a demonstration on "How to Set a Formal Table" will be presented by her helper Janie Campbell. Servers will be Cassidy Turner and Megan Ford. Other help from the library staff is ever present

Following a welcome, each girl is encouraged to introduce themselves, stand in front of the Christmas tree; talk about their clothes (Grannies closet or mother's formal); and get an individual picture made as a memento of the occasion.

Finger foods are served and the big hit last year was peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, stylishly cut in bite-size pieces without the crust; and apple and cheese slices. This year, the girls are in for a treat with homemade miniature cupcakes, courtesy of their hostess.

For about five years, Sally Case, Beverly Hills, CA, daughter of Jeanette Case, Amarillo, and former resident of Matador, sends something special by mail. "Last year Sally sent tea biscuits from Harrold's of London," Joyce said.

Joyce provides each girl with a tree ornament to commemorate the occasion. This year a Santa stocking with a tiny gold sleigh hangs on her ornament tree. Joyce always reserves an ornament for her Grannies' Tea Party tree. The little decorated tree makes a perfect center piece for the table, and holds 20 ornaments of tea parties past.

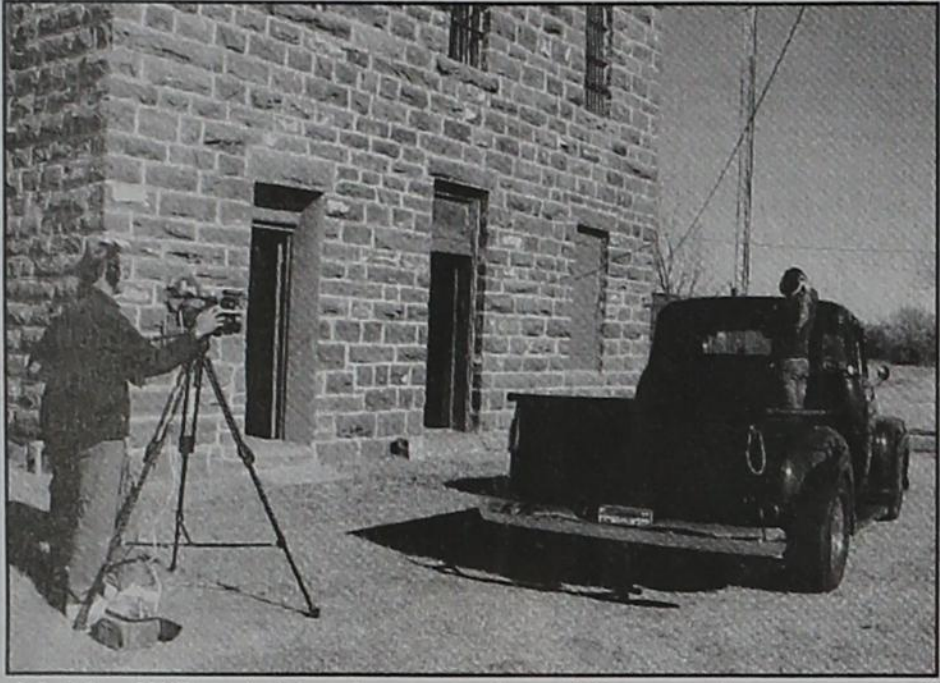
Please call Joyce Campbell at 347-2793 or Janie Campbell at 347-2657 to make reservations. The cost of the tea party is \$7.50.



Pictured (L to R) are Dink, Geneva, and Nelda Wilson. The Wilson's lived in the jail from 1947-1957. Doug and Marianne Leviton interviewed the Wilson's for a video documentary highlighting the jail and Motley County. photo by Carol Campbell



Pictured (L to R) are Ron "Beetle" Bailey, Jim Cooper, and Bobby Klodinski standing at a marker at Teepee City erected by the Cooper family in honor of Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Cooper, early-day settlers of Motley County. Jim Cooper is the great-great grandson of these early pioneers. photo by Carol Campbell



Nelda (Wilson) Tomison used to "sing to the prisoners" when she was little girl, sitting on the hood of her father's pickup truck. This anecdotal memory of times past was re-enacted by 11-year-old Dode Gleghorn, daughter of Kim and Tommy Gleghorn. Jim Roberts donated his restored 1950s pickup truck as a prop for the re-enactment. Doug Leviton films Dode Gleghorn as she sings "You Are My Sunshine" to the prisoner, re-enacted by Roy Hobbs. photo by Carol Campbell



Pictured (L to R) is Carol Campbell, Matador Ranch Manager Bob Kilmer, Marianne and Doug Leviton. The Leviton's filmed at Matador Ranch for a video trailer, funded by a grant from Matador Ranch. The 3-minute trailer on CD will be used to entice grantors to support a full-blown video documentary on Motley County, documenting important landmarks and historical sites. photo by Carol Campbell

National Farmers supports crop insurance status quo for new farm bill

AMES, Iowa (RuralWire) Nov. 26, 2010—Crop insurance has become an important tool in a producer's arsenal in pursuit of profit. But, the potential of altering crop insurance subsidy levels is creating uncertainty in rural America, as the 2012 Farm Bill becomes the focus of attention.

"In 1998, about two-thirds of the country's total planted acreage of field crops (except for hay) was insured under the program, and that means this program is simply huge in relative importance to America's producers," said National Farmers Ag Policy Analyst Gene Paul.

Farmers use crop insurance in their operating plans, and many lenders now require it as a part of their ag customer's business plans when applying for operating credit lines.

Senator Kent Conrad, D-N.D., announced last week that he will retain his leadership position as Chairman of the Senate Budget Committee and remain a senior member of the Senate Agriculture Committee. That could bode well when U.S. House representatives attempt to negotiate the next Farm Bill.

Protecting farmers is a national security issue, because the decline of farms could mean an increase of imported foods. Agriculture Secretary



Doug and Marisue Potts-Powell set the shot for a re-enactment at the Indian campground at Roaring Springs. The video will re-tell the story of the days when corn was ground in the holes in the sandstone.

photo by Carol Campbell



Linda Roy pictured with Marianne Leviton gave a personalized tour of the Matador Ranch Hunting Lodge.

Tom Vilsack has emphasized that the country needs to focus on building rural economies.

"It's a certainty that the Farm Bill will need to continually adapt as conditions warrant," said Paul. But, major cost savings in crop insurance already occurred this year, with Standard Reinsurance Agreement (SRA) expense reimbursement cuts. The savings to taxpayers total several billion dollars.

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- 2 Roaring Spring Lions
- 2 Matador Late Night Shopping
- 3 Semi finals Mataadors versus Sterling City Eagles at 7:30 p.m. in Sweetwater.
- 7 Matador Lions 1st & 3rd Tues
- 8 Hospital Bd meets in the back of the ambulance barn, 7am
- 9 Matador City Council
- 9 Matador Chapter of the Eastern Star, consolidated with Floydada, Meal at 6:30pm meeting at 7:30 pm
- 13 Commissioners' Court
- 13 RS City Council
- 13 HCCC Board
- 14 RSCV
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Nice home on corner lot, 216 Wilson Street, Quitaque, TX. 1496 sqFt., 3 bedrooms, two baths, living room, dining room, kitchen, attached carport, storage, laundry room, fenced yard, 8x20 storage building. Lots of upgrades to this home, metal roof really neat home. \$64,000.00

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LOCATION OF ESTRAY WHEN FOUND: (ROAD, HIGHWAY #, RURAL ROUTE)

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LOCATION OF ESTRAY WHILE IMPOUNDED:

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