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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



JANE O'PRY

Jane O'Pry teaches Algebra I, Computer Science, and is co-teaching Computer Applications at Motley County I.S.D. She and her husband, Coach Shannon O'Pry, have lived in Matador 1 1/2 years. They have a son, Brady, 6 1/2, a first grader.

Jane was born and raised in Enid, Oklahoma. She met her husband while attending ACU in Abilene. She received her degree from North Texas State in Denton.

In her spare time, Jane enjoys playing with Brady and working on crafts.

Thought for the Week

"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it to anyone else."

—Charles Dickens

November Subscriptions Due

Please check the back page for your name on the November Subscription list.

Thank you! We appreciate our subscribers!



Salute to a Veteran

We have been notified that we mistakingly left S/St. W.T. Boggus, off the list of our Veterans' list in the story printed in the November 7 edition.

S/Sgt. W.T. Boggus, made the supreme sacrifice when he laid down his life for his country on Peleliu Island, October 27, 1944 after having been mortally wounded two days previously. He entered the armed forces in June, 1942, and was sent overseas around the first of July, 1944. He was in the infantry of the famous 81st division. He was survived by his wife, the former Marion Clements, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Boggus and two sister, Miss Ervie Boggus of Midland and Mrs. A.P. Clepper.

Early deadline for next week's paper

Due to an early print day, because Thanksgiving will be celebrated next Thursday, our deadline for next week's paper will be noon Monday, Nov. 25.

Please bring in all news and ad copy no later than noon Monday. If you have copy for the paper before Monday, you may also bring it by on Thursday of this week, or leave it in our drop box outside, on Friday, if no one is here.

We appreciate your cooperation, and wish everyone a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving.

Old Fashioned Christmas



THANKS TO THE MOTLEY COUNTY COMMUNITY CHEST these old fashion Christmas decorations are being restored. These are some of the first Christmas decorations the City of Matador purchased, in the early 1960's. Pictured working on the decorations are Shane Jones, center, and Loys Campbell. Others helping with the restoration are Joe Campbell, D'Anna Russell, JoEtta Bumgardner, Bobby Brown, and Kathleen Wason. WTU and City employees have also helped, and will hang the decorations.

Motley County Commissioners Meet In Regular Session

The Motley County Commissioners met Tuesday, November 12 at 9:30 a.m.

Invocation was given by Commissioner J.N. Fletcher. Minutes were approved as read. Bills were discussed and approved.

The following reports were ap-

proved: Treasurer's Report; Justice of Peace Report; Tax Assessor/Collector Report; and the Library Report.

James Gillespie has resigned as Board Member and court approved Jackie Binder as Board Member.

The Court approved payment of

\$2,000.00 to Matador Volunteer Fire Department for replacement of pump used in fighting fires.

Commissioner Don Hughes will serve on the Appraisal District Board as representative for Motley County Commissioner's Court, for the term of January 1, 1997 - December 31, 1998. Mr. Hughes is presently serving on the Appraisal District Board.

The salary payment schedule for elected officials and employees will remain the same as has been in the past.

The request for payment of monthly bill for cellular phone for Game Warden, Dee Litteken, was refused.

Canvass of votes of general election was done by the Court.

Motley County Commissioners Court adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Roaring Springs Resident Celebrates 93rd Birthday



Mrs. Vera Mitchell recently celebrated her 93rd birthday.

Vera Mitchell of Roaring Springs recently celebrated her 93rd birthday. She was born November 8, 1903 and was born and raised in Montague County, and came to Motley County in 1921. In 1926 she married her husband, Elbert Mitchell, in Dickens County. Mr. Mitchell was a farmer and they farmed in Darden Canyon and other areas before coming to Roaring Springs in 1963. They had six

children, two of whom are deceased now. Mr. Mitchell died December 29, 1980.

Mrs. Mitchell is still very active in her church and never misses a service. She also enjoys tending her flowers and visiting with her many dear friends and family.

She has thirteen grandchildren, and too many great and great-great grandchildren to count.

James Timmons Named New County Trapper

The Texas Animal Damage Control Service (TADCS) is pleased to announce that James Timmons, a resident of the Northfield Community has been selected as Animal Damage Control Specialist assigned to Motley County. The TADCS and the Motley County Commissioners Court have worked together to provide service for the citizens of Motley County for several years. The cooperative agreement between the county and the TADCS (federal and state) provides wildlife damage management services for all citizens of the county.

The diverse rangeland, agricultural operations and communities of Motley County are home to a host of wildlife species. Most species are enjoyed by the citizens, however, conflicts between man's interests and animals do occur. Although livestock and crop resources impacted by predators are a key concern for the assignment, other animals may pose problems as well.

Coyotes are responsible for thousands of dollars of loss each year across the area. Newborn and young calves, poultry, pet animals, fawns of deer and antelope and some crops are impacted by coyotes. Other animals often causing problems for citizens are raccoons, skunks, opossums, badgers and porcupines, just to name a few.

A growing concern among many in the rural agricultural areas is the expanding population of feral hogs. Free ranging hogs are responsible for thousands of dollars of loss in Motley County each year to resources such as peanuts, winter wheat, sorghum, hay crops, livestock and wildlife.

Disease monitoring is another important aspect of wildlife damage management. TADCS officials cooperate with the Texas Department of Health and other state and federal agencies by submitting random test samples taken from animals across the county. Diseases such as bubonic plague, Lyme's disease and rabies which can and do affect man, as well as other diseases which can impact domestic animals are monitored. The protection of human health and safety receives top priority among our management objectives.

To receive assistance for problems or concerns related to wild animals, citizens of Motley County can contact Mr. James Timmons at 817-585-4461. Mr. Leymon Ables, also employed by the TADCS, is stationed in Motley County and serves the area as a mobile force troubleshooter. The TADCS strategically places a work force of trou-

blesshooters across the state to assist in areas of intense wildlife damage management. Although Mr. Ables covers a sixty-one county district assignment area, he will be available to assist with damage management work in Motley County as needed. He may be reached at 817-585-4438 before 9:00 p.m. on weekdays.

Citizens of Motley County can receive assistance from the TADCS by first contacting Mr. Timmons or Mr. Ables. Contacts may also be made through the Motley County Judge's office. Second, a written agreement must be completed by each property owner, lessee or administrator where assistance is needed. The agreement stipulates in writing, the methods for control choices and animals to be targeted for control agreed to buy the property holder. It is necessary that an agreement be on file for all property worked by the TADCS. Also, the agreement can include any comments or special considerations which the property owner wishes to decree. Simply stated, the agreement clearly indicates when, where, what and how damage is managed by TADCS. Agreements currently on file with TADCS for assistance are still valid. However, if changes of land ownership, lessee changes, or if an amendment in methods used or animals controlled is necessary, please contact Mr. Timmons. Agreements for control of animal damage may be revoked by either party by a 30-day written notice.

Our native wildlife is a valuable, publicly owned resource which is indeed enjoyed by thousands of citizens across America. Along with public ownership comes the responsibility of managing our wildlife resources. The role of the TADCS is to provide assistance where needed to resolve conflict. The TADCS uses the most appropriate and responsible management strategies to accomplish our mission. By using environmentally safe and approved methods, problems can be resolved without adversely affecting the environment or non-target animals.

The TADCS has information available in leaflet form which may further answer wildlife damage questions. Additionally, a recently published paper entitled, "Predation Impacts and Management Strategies for Reducing Coyote Damage to Cattle" is available upon request from the TADCS district office in Canyon. Contact: District Supervisor, USDA-APHIS-ADC, P.O. Box 277, WTA&M, 79016 or phone: 806-656-2880, FAX: 806-656-2883.

MOTLEY COUNTY HOSPITAL BOARD MEETS

The Motley County Hospital Board of Directors met for their regular monthly meeting Wednesday, November 6 at 7:00 a.m. in the Motley County Clinic.

The Board had a short agenda for this meeting with the following items:

* Minutes of the previous meeting

were read.
* Bills were paid.
* The Budget and financial report were discussed
* Board discussed asking Gary Lancaster, CPA, to do the Audit for last year.
Meeting adjourned.

Karen Elliott House Named 1996 Top Alumna to University of Texas

Karen Elliott House, President-International for Dow Jones & Company, and a 1984 Pulitzer Prize winner for international reporting, has been named this year's Outstanding College Alumna to the University of Texas at Austin. The 1970 journalism graduate, responsible for both the business and editorial staffs of all Dow Jones overseas publications, its international sales operations, and publishing partnerships, was feted during a late October banquet hosted in Austin by the College's 40-member advisory council.

A native of Matador, House began her career at *The Dallas Morning News*. In 1974, she joined *The Wall Street Journal's* Washington bureau covering energy, environment and agriculture. Subsequent *Journal* assignments would include serving as the paper's diplomatic correspondent; assistant foreign editor; and foreign editor. In 1989, she was named Vice-President-International for Dow Jones & Company. She assumed her current role of president in 1995.

Sharp Delivers November Sales Tax Rebates

(Austin) - John Sharp, State Comptroller of Public Accounts, today delivered a total of \$206.2 million in November sales tax payments to 1,083 Texas cities and 116 counties.

"Total city and county sales tax rebates year-to-date are 8 percent higher than those for the first 11 months of last year, as the Texas economy continues to clock along at a good pace," Sharp said.

Sharp delivered city sales tax rebates totaling \$190.5 million, 4.9 percent above the payments in November 1995 of \$181.5 million. Rebates of \$15.7 million to Texas counties were 2.1 percent below the \$16 million payments of November of last year.

This month's payments to Texas cities and counties include taxes col-

lected by monthly sales tax filers on September sales and by quarterly filers for July, August, and September, and reported to the Comptroller in October.

The Comptroller's next allocation is scheduled for Friday, December 13. Motley County totals:

Matador - current rate, 1.000%; net payment this period, 2,603.44; comparable payment prior year, 2,794.22; % change, -6.82%; 1996 payments to date, 19,798.55; 1995 payments to date, 20,102.58; % change, -1.51%

Roaring Springs - current rate, 1.000%; net payment this period, 2,634.90; comparable payment prior year, 556.32; % change, 373.63%;

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Has there every been someone who has really inspired you, or made you stop and think, "this isn't really a bad world after all."

There have been a lot of people in my life who were real inspirations. My Granny Ashley, who suffered since her early 20's with Rumatary Arthritis. She had a very severe case of this dreaded disease. Her hands and feet were drawn and deformed from the devastation of the disease. She had surgery after surgery, and in the years before her death, developed Diabetes. But, this woman had the spirit of steal. She never complained! She was always happy and had good and happy things to say. She loved the Lord and was always ready to tell anyone how much she loved Him and to share her spirituality.

My Granddaddy Ashley was also an inspiration to me. He took such good care of my Granny for so many years. He never faltered. He was always happy and was always humming a tune.

My Grandmother Meredith was also a big inspiration in my life. She raised ten children, and numerous grandchildren throughout the years, but she too never complained. She was always so concerned for the other person. She always put others first. She worked hard until her dying day. She sewed the most beautiful clothes for people. She never quit! And when she became very ill, she fought for her life. But I know she is happy now, and probably making halo's for the Angels in Heaven.

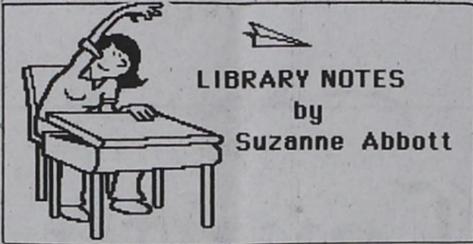
Mrs. Vera Mitchell is a wonderful inspiration to me. She is 93 years old and still never misses church. She looks and feels wonderful! She is

always sweet. I visited Mrs. Mitchell with her granddaughter and my friend, Becky Palmer, when we were children. Grandma Mitchell's house was always warm and cozy.

Another very special person who is a big inspiration to me is Mary Meason (Meme, as we call her). She is always here to help me. She is such a wonderful writer and such a good, good friend to me.

We all have special loved ones who have been big inspirations in our lives. But there are also little things in our everyday lives, which become inspirations.

An inspiring event which I witnessed last week, was last Friday night's JV boys basketball game with Lakeview. The Lakeview team had only 5 boys on their team, so there were no subs, if someone got tired, or fouled out. Our MC team played real good. We have some really good players. They all did a great job! But, during this game, the Lakeview boys began to foul out. First one, then two, then a third. There were only two players in the game for awhile. And they were really playing. Then one of the two had a collision with one of our boys and hurt himself, so he had to sit out. This was all getting close to the end of the game, in the fourth quarter. But there was only one Lakeview boy left to play against our five boys. And he really played. He never gave up, he never looked intimidated. He played hard! When the game was over, he cried. I'm sure he felt a big relief to have this game over. I think he, and the entire team, was an inspiration to everyone who was watching.



We want to welcome Jackie Binder as a member of the Motley County Library Board. Jackie is taking the place of James Gillespie who has served the library long and faithfully. We certainly appreciate James' service on the board, and we thank Jackie for her willingness to be a board member.

We appreciate the donations to the Library by Roy and Joanie Stephens in memory of Alfred Martin and Ray Cruse. We thank Wynona Gilbreath for her donation to the Library in memory of her family, the A.W. Ford Family, and in memory of Vance Gilbreath. Also, we appreciate the donation by L.H., Eva, Tanya and Llan Barkley in memory of Ray Cruse.

These donation make possible lasting memorials to these special people.

New books in the library this week include one by David Brinkley called Everyone is Entitled to my Opinion (Even the President, I guess.) The Notebook by Nicholas Sparks is a love story. Some say that we should issue a box of tissues with this book each time it is checked out. Charlotte Macleod's new mystery, Exit the Milkman, features Professor Peter Shandy and is ready to be checked out and enjoyed.

Youngsters who are interested in horses will enjoy two new juvenile books, The Great Pony Hassle and A Perfect Pony. A new book in the children's section is Baby Duck and the Bad Eyeglasses.

Traditional Autumn Scene at Do Gooders Club Meeting

A traditional autumn scene was an inviting setup at the Community Center in Flomot when the Do Gooders Club met Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 12.

When Mrs. Jimmie Hunter surprised everyone by arriving on time, the club members gave her a standing ovation. Mrs. Hunter jokingly calls herself, "The late Mrs. Hunter" because of her habit of being tardy!

Hostesses, Mesdames Wayne Clay and Mary Jo Calvert conducted entertaining games that included a Pilgrim's Choice when everyone bartered for household items they had brought that a Pilgrim would need setting off to the New World. They had a festive time to see who could find the most words in Thanksgiving Holiday with Mrs. Jimmie Hunter declared the winner.

Sumptuous refreshments of pumpkin pie cake, sweet potato bread, fruit

salad, vegetables and dip were served with spiced apple cider and coffee. The table with a Thanksgiving designed service was centered with a harvest bouquet, flanked by gold candles and a fluted whimsical turkey.

Mrs. B. Rogers presided at the brief business meeting. It was reported the Bazaar was a success. They voted to buy tablecloths for the Community Center.

Members attending in addition to those mentioned above were Mesdames Barbara Payne, Nada Starkey, Christeen Gilbert, Erma Washington, Melva Jo Shelton, Judy True, Alma Shorter, Edith Washington, Annie B. Cloyd, and Trula Martin. Guests were Mrs. Sylvia Lee Martin, Mrs. Tommie Cruse, her mother, Mrs. Dona Browning of Rising Star and granddaughter, Danielle Gwinn of Whiteflat.

Food Safety Training Available to Food Service Managers

by Beth Whitener
CEA-FCS, Cottle County

Local food establishments have a chance to show their customers that they really do come first by attending a food safety training seminar January 6, 13, and 27th at Childress, Texas.

The Food Protection Management Training Program is an effort of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with the National Restaurant Association, Texas Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association and the Texas Department of Health, said Beth Whitener, Cottle/King county Extension agent. The program seeks to better educate food handlers to reduce the risk of food-borne illness. Food managers who participate in the 15-hour course will receive in-depth training in all areas of food safety, Whitener said. The course will cover the latest information in food safety, including: personal hygiene; how to use food thermometers and keep temperature logs; how to store food safely; how to prepare, serve and hold food safely; and methods of cleaning and sanitizing.

Food service establishments that participate in this program will receive numerous benefits, Whitener said. Good food safety practices provide a proactive defense against costs (legal fees, insurance, lost wages, medical claims) of a foodborne illness outbreak. Food service operations can increase the quality of their food and improve profitability by reducing waste with safe food storage and transportation. Also, those establishments under the Texas Department of Health's jurisdiction will receive a 10 percent reduction in license fees annually while the certification is in effect. Many public health jurisdictions in urban areas of Texas already require training. Legislation is in place statewide requiring bed and breakfast inns with under seven beds to be certified in food safety Whitener said. This train-

ing and certification is designed for managers of any establishment in Texas involved in preparing or serving food to customers including restaurants, cafeterias, hospitals, nursing homes, school lunch programs, day care facilities, grocery stores, convenience stores and mobile vendors.

"Today, the public is very concerned about food safety issues," Whitener said. "Eating out has become popular with almost 50 percent of the food dollar being spent away from home."

According to the Center of Disease Control and Prevention, 24 to 81 million people get sick and more than 100,000 related deaths occur due to food poisoning in the United States each year.

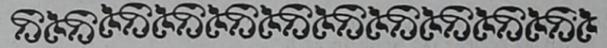
Those who complete the course will receive certification from the National Restaurant Association. They also will qualify to join the Industry Council on Food Safety and to receive a decal to display in their window, which lets customers know the managers are certified in food safety.

"A bonus if the Food Protection Management Training Program is that it is a train-the-trainer course," Whitener said. "Managers who complete the program are urged to teach food safety to their employees."

"We have been educating consumers for years on food safety at home," Whitener said. "Consumers are improving their food safety habits. Now, it's time to lend a hand to those food businesses who feed us when we are away from home."

Training materials for the course are provided by the SERVSAFE Program from The Educational Foundation of the National Restaurant Association. Other courses will be offered at a later date.

The cost of training is \$85. For more information on the Food Protection Management Training Program, call Beth Whitener at (806) 492-3151 or (806) 596-4451.

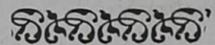


Wedding Vows Exchanged

LeAnnra, Kelsi & Brett Wallace would like to announce the marriage of their mother, Barbara, to Phillip Sharp.

The wedding took place on Saturday, November 16 at 3:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Matador.

Rev. Felton Gilmore performed the ceremony. The family resides in Matador.



Look Who's New



Tyler Gage Campbell

Chancy Campbell would like to announce the arrival of her new baby brother, Tyler Gage Campbell. Tyler was born October 23 at 3:46 p.m. in High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces and was 20 inches long at birth.

Parents of the children are Brent and Lisa Campbell of Turkey.

Grandparents are Bundy Hal and Dixie Campbell of Matador; Bill and Roberta Carson of Clint; and Hubert and Delores Price of Turkey.

Great grandparents are L.B. and Lucretia Campbell and France and Eugenia Barton, of Matador; Vivian Campbell of Amarillo; and Velma Lacy of Turkey.

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Our Lord sits behind every motion of our vast universe, which stands as a monument to His infinite power and dominion. We read of this in Hebrews chapter one and verse three.

Jesus expectantly looked to a renewal of the honor and prestige with the Father upon leaving this earth. Hear His words from John 17:4, "I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. And now, O Father, glorify me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was." Such glory He now has with the Father.

It was from that pinnacle of glory and honor, that Jesus voluntarily stepped down. He stepped down on the plane with us that He might lift us to glory. Through our Lord Jesus, we have extended to us the opportunity of reaching lofty plane with our Creator and God. By His condescension, we can be lifted up to eternal exaltation and glory. How we should reverently thank our God that His Son made this possible.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

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Worship - 9:00 a.m.



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November 26, 1996
6:30 PM

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National Arbor Day Foundation Readies For 125th Celebration of Arbor Day

The National Arbor Day Foundation has announced a special 125th anniversary edition of its popular "Celebrate Arbor Day" information packet.

The packet features an informational booklet with suggestions for communities, schools, and individuals to celebrate the historic anniversary of one of America's -- and the world's -- most important holidays, Arbor Day.

Sample proclamations, reproducible graphics, quotes, plays, poems, and songs are included in the packet. It also features tree-planting instructions and fund-raising suggestions.

Arbor Day was the idea of J. Sterling Morton, a pioneer, journalist, and orator who settled in Nebraska in the mid-1800s. His personal mission was to introduce orchards and forests to the vast treeless prairie, and he accomplished his goal with the establishment of Arbor Day in 1872. More than a million trees were planted in Nebraska on that first Arbor Day, and by 1890 Arbor Day was celebrated in every state, making it one of the oldest formalized conservation observations in the world.

Arbor Day will celebrate 125 years

of successful tree planting and environmental stewardship during 1997, a fitting tribute to a man with a vision who wrote, "Other holidays repose upon the past; Arbor Day proposes for the future."

The National Arbor Day Foundation encourages people in schools and communities across the country to begin planning now for the 1997 Arbor Day celebration. Many states celebrate Arbor Day on the last Friday in April which is National Arbor Day; other states set the date to coincide with better times to plant trees in their climate. The Foundation's "Celebrate Arbor Day" booklet includes the date for each state.

"Arbor Day is even more important now than in Morton's day," John Rosenow, National Arbor Day Foundation president, said. "The earth's forest cover has been reduced by about one-third, and serious forest destruction continues. Damage to life-sustaining ecosystems jeopardizes our own future and that of generations who will follow us."

"The trees we plant and care for now will fight pollution, conserve energy, cool and beautify cities, increase property values, and give wild-

life a home for years to come," Rosenow added. "Arbor Day offers an opportunity to celebrate bounty of trees; young and old alike can take positive, personal action to make our world a better place by planting trees."

With a million members, The National Arbor Day Foundation is the world's largest tree-planting environ-

mental organization. It was founded for the 100th anniversary of Arbor Day in 1972, and celebrates its 25th anniversary in 1997.

To get your own free information packet about how to celebrate the 125th anniversary of Arbor Day, send your name and address to "Celebrate Arbor Day", The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410.



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- "1996-97 Texas Almanac"
- Newly Revised "All The Roads of Texas" (This book literally has every road in Texas)
- "Educational Roots Grow Deep" by local author, Beverly Vinson a very thorough and interesting history of Motley County Schools
- "Remembering Billy" (the story of a West Texas Marine, Billy Harvis, of Roaring Springs, with mention of many Motley County residents)
- "The Early History of Motley County" by Harry H. Campbell
- "Roaring Springs Cookbook" Lots of good recipes, and a little history
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Keeping an eye on Texas

Heart disease leading cause of death

More than 41,000 Texans died of heart disease in 1994.

Percent of deaths among ethnic group

Legend: Anglo (white), African American (black), Hispanic (hatched)

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, and Texas Department of Health.

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THANKSGIVING BUFFET

Sunday, November 24, 1996, 11:00 - 2:00
\$6.00 per adult \$3.50 per child (Extra Meat, \$1.50)

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HEALTH CHECK

When: **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1996**
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Where: **The MOTLEY COUNTY LIBRARY**
Main Street - Matador, Texas

What: **BONE DENSITY** for early signs of Osteoporosis (Insurance reimbursable)
HEART RATE & BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK
NUTRITIONAL SCREENING for DISEASE PREVENTION

Who: **Dr. Jan Barton Hamilton**, Registered Dietitian and Dr. of Nutrition

Why: **Disease State Management** by families can save loss of independence and thousands of dollars in healthcare plus an increased quality of life in elder years.

Who: **Bone Density** - Male & female, age 15 - 100
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Local 4-H'ers Compete In District Judging Contests



4-H JUDGING TEAM — Leader, Deb Jones; Scott Jones, Darryn Perryman, Matt Kreusel, Laura Kreusel, and Shandra Jones, pictured left to right.

4-H Club members from Motley County competed Saturday, November 16 at Vernon in Rolling Plains District 3 contests in Livestock, Horse, and Consumer Decision Making. The competition determined individuals and teams in the Senior Division of the Livestock, Horse, and Consumer Decision Making Contests to represent the District in the Texas 4-H Roundup next June at Texas A&M University.

Compeing from Motley County were Darryn Perryman, Matt Kreusel, Scott Jones, Shandra Jones, and Laura Kreusel.

These 4-Hers put their skills against youths of 24 other counties as they selected top beef cattle, sheep, swine, and horses. The Consumer Decision Making Contest is designed to teach 4-Hers shopping skills to stretch their dollars.

Scott Jones placed 6th high individual overall and 4th high in Reasons. Shandra Jones placed 10th high individual overall and 5th high in Reasons in the intermediate age group.

Leaders for this group are Casey and Deb Jones of Matador.

Children And Air Bags Don't Mix National Campaign Educates America On Air Bag Safety

Air bags save lives - nearly 500 in the last year alone. However, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that tragically at least

26 children have been killed by the force of a deploying air bag. In many cases, the children were riding in the

front seat either in a rear-facing child safety seat or "out of position" - either unbuckled or not wearing the shoulder portion of the safety belt.

The Air Bag Safety Campaign, is a national partnership of automobile manufacturers, insurance companies, occupant restraint manufacturers, government agencies, health professionals, and child health and safety organizations. Its mission: to inform the public that Air bag safety means Buckle everyone and Children in back.

In addition to an aggressive public education campaign now underway, the Campaign is focused on enacting stronger safety belt and child safety

seat laws at the state level, and enforcing such laws through high visibility efforts involving law enforcement nationwide.

Efforts to improve air bag technology are in the works. In the meantime, as the number of motor vehicles

equipped with air bags increases, so does the risk to children. Parents and other care givers must know that they can entirely eliminate any danger to children from a deploying air bag by properly restraining children in the back seat.

SAFETY POINTS

- Children always should ride buckled up in the back seat.
- Little children and babies always should ride in the correct age and size child safety seats:
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 - Drivers should make sure the child safety seat is properly secured by the vehicle's safety belts.
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 - They wear both the lap AND shoulder belt.
 - The shoulder strap fits correctly - over the collarbone (NEVER behind the back).
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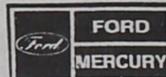
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Motley County Comings & Goings

Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins & Roxie Lewis

CHURCH DINNER

HAS RECORD ATTENDANCE
Miss Lula Swim's home was again the setting for the cooperative bring-a-dish lunch of First United Methodist Church with a record-breaking twenty-seven enjoying the food and fellowship. They were as follows:

Ken and Suzanne Abbott, Tom and Jeannie Adams, Roy and Opal Bradford, J.N. and Darleen Fletcher, R.C. and Callie Giesecke, Harry and Pearl Patten, Lee Peacock, Ted and Venita Sedgwick, Ray and Grace Zabielski, Billie Clifton, Natasha Masha, Mary Lumsden, Imogene Swim, and Lula Swim; guests were Mr. and Mrs. Woodard and son of Odessa.

Darrell Woolsey was taken to Methodist Hospital at Plainview Wednesday afternoon of last week by Motley County Ambulance and remains hospitalized at newtime, with no time yet set for his release from the hospital. His wife and other family members have been in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Swim and Miss Lula Swim all kept medical appointments in Lubbock Wednesday of last week. J.T. had a post surgery eye check-up; Imogene had an eye check-up and Lula had a regular annual physical check-up.

Mr. Herbert Swinney received news Tuesday night as last week that his brother who had open heart surgery in Abilene had come through the surgery well.

Mrs. Roxie Lewis and Mrs. Reba Swinney who usually prepares Mrs. Le-

wis' lunch were taken plates from the "groaning board" at Lula's.

Mr. and Mrs. June Watson from Tuscaloosa, Alabama, were recent guests of Mrs. Cleo Watson.

Mrs. Wayne Russell of Floydada spent Sunday with Mrs. Cleo Watson.

Rev. and Mrs. Ernie Brown of the Assembly of God Youth Camp made a quick business trip to Memphis Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Ruby Myles went to Crosbyton to see a doctor for further diagnosis and treatment.

Tuesday, November 12, G.B. (Slim) Durham of Wister, OK drove to Coy and Janet Guthery's home in Valley View, Texas where Slim's sister, Peggie Durham-Guthery was visiting her son and daughter-in-law. Wednesday, they drove to Spur to attend the graveside services for their cousin, Hershel Durham. Also attending were Johnny and Vera Durham of Shallowater, Wanda Durham-Perryman, and Alvin and Adelle Durham of Roaring Springs.

Odessa Mullins spent Wednesday until Friday in Lubbock with Mr. and Mrs. J.E. (Bud) Roller while seeing her doctor for a follow-up stress test on Thursday. On Saturday she attended funeral services in Plainview at Lemons Funeral Home Chapel for Nathan Meens, father of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Bobby (Marie) Mullins.

Rev. and Mrs. Don Jones returned Wednesday from Ft. Worth where they attended the Southern Baptist State Convention and visited with their two daughters.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

Celebrating the birthday of Mrs. Edith Washington, Sunday, Nov. 3 in her home were Max and Gayle Washington of Anton, Travis and Linda Kendall and Seab and Dianne Washington of Flomot.

Others who brought glad tidings, gifts and refreshments Monday morning, Nov. 4 in observance of her birthday were local residents, Mesdames Viola Calvert, Leona Degan, and Mary Jo Calvert.

SURPRISE BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Wayde Clay was surprised with a birthday party Friday morning, Nov. 15 in her home. With cheerful smiles, her friends arrived with gifts, cards and appetizing goodies served with coffee.

Those attending the happy occasion were Mesdames Trula Martin, B. Rogers, Leona Degan, Edith Washington, Annie B. Cloyd, Alma Shorter, Christeen Gilbert, Erma Washington, Connie Franks, and Kathy Shorter.

Guests of Mrs. Sylvia Lee Martin, Saturday were Brad Turner and daughter of Lubbock and Mrs. Nova Turner of Matador. Visitors in her home, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Martin and Seth of Lubbock, J.D. Nance of Silverton and Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Martin of Quitaque.

Mrs. Leona Degan visited in Plainview, Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. Mildred Chandler. She visited in Medicine Mound, Sunday with her son and family, Mr. and

Mrs. Morris Degan.

League Clay and his son, Coley Clay of Clovis, N.M. visited recently in Timmeron, N.M. with Mrs. Bessie Johns.

Mrs. Clois (Kathy) Shorter visited overnight Friday in Lubbock. She and daughters, Kerri Shorter of Lubbock and Mrs. Christi Milam of Petersburg attended the Holiday Happening at the Civic Center, Saturday. Clois joined Kathy in Lubbock Saturday night and they enjoyed the Lady Raiders basketball game at Municipal Coliseum and then the West Texas Opry at the Municipal Auditorium before returning home.

Rickey Hughes of Amarillo visited the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Butch Hughes.

Mrs. Annie B. Cloyd visited in Memphis, Sunday with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Cloyd and Jason.

Mrs. Judy Heiskell of Dalhart and children, Lance and Christie Heiskell of Lubbock visited the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D.M. "Ikie" Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee joined Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jones of Carlsbad, N.M. in Lubbock, Sunday to visit and enjoy the entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey were in Amarillo, Wednesday for Mrs. Starkey a medical check-up. She received a good report. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Z.D. Starkey and Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Reid in Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey in Canyon before returning home.

Whiteflat News

by Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

Mark Twain: Cauliflower is nothing but cabbage with a college education.

ATTEND BAPTIST CONVENTION

The Rev. Felton Gilmore, Mrs. Elaine Risser and daughter, Kaci of Matador and Mrs. Frances Dixon were in Fort Worth from Monday through Wednesday, Nov. 11-13 to attend the Baptist General Convention of Texas. It was held at the Tarrant County Civic Center.

Kobbi Risser, a student at the University of Texas at Arlington, joined them Tuesday night for the convention session. Kaci, her sister, returned to Arlington with her to visit overnight Tuesday and enjoyed touring the college campus, Wednesday.

WEATHER REPORT

T.W. Jennings, southwest of Whiteflat, reported a hail and wind storm with 0.50 of rain Saturday, Nov. 16. Others in the area reported 0.15 to 0.30, strong winds and light hail.

Gusting winds in Flomot and Mrs. Tommie Cruse, NWSV, officially recorded 0.19 of moisture with light hail. East of Flomot, 0.30 with light hail was reported. A 25 degree temperature was registered by area residents Sunday morning, Nov. 17.

Mrs. Wilda Dixon met her mother, Mrs. Jane Hester and friend, Mrs. Lillian Cook of Lovington, N.M. in Lubbock, Thursday to visit. Mrs. Hester was in Lubbock for a medical appointment.

Art Green of Flomot and Mrs. Kathryn Martin attended to business in Plainview, Wednesday and visited his daughter and family, Mrs. Alta Mae Rice before returning home.

Scott Blount of Paducah and Heather Turner, students at Texas Tech in Lubbock, joined her family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Turner and Cobey in Matador Friday night to visit. They attended the Motley County's boys' basketball games in which Cobey competed before returning to Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Risser and Kaci of Matador and Mrs. Frances Dixon attended a Panhandle, New Mexico Beefmaster Breeders meeting Saturday held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O.C. Rampley in Silverton.

Mr. and Mrs. B.B. Bristow of Brownwood visited from Friday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson. Other guests Sunday were her brother and wife, Gary and Rene Laughlin of Midland.

Sr. Citizens Report

by Cora Hall

There were 17 present for our meeting and lunch on November 12. Jean Cooper gave our report and Nora Belle Dunning lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag. Nora Belle gave the blessing for our lunch.

We will not meet on November 26

Roaring Springs Sr. Citizens Report

by Odessa Mullins

The Roaring Springs Senior Citizens met recently. Bobby Adams, Consultant for "Cottage Village" in Lubbock talked and handed out material about "assisted living" explaining all the different advantages of "assisted living" in this home.

The regular meeting was opened with the song, "The More We Get Together" and Happy Birthday was sung to Vera Mitchell and Shirley Barton. Carl Barton gave the blessing. Twenty-one members and visitors

enjoyed a delicious Thanksgiving dinner of turkey and dressing and many kinds of vegetables, hot rolls, deserts, and tea and coffee.

The nurses took our blood pressure and blood sugar and gave flu shots and helped enjoy the good fellowship and food.

Our next meeting will be December 5 and will be our Christmas Party. Come join us, bring a dish of your favorite food and a gift to go under the tree. Ladies bring a gift for a lady, and men will bring a gift for a man, and we'll all have a jolly good time.

THANK YOU

Words seem so inadequate to express our thankfulness for the many expressions of kindness and sympathy we have received since the loss of our beloved Ray. Your cards, calls, the flowers, and especially your prayers have made our time of sorrow easier to bare. The meals prepared for us were so thoughtful and delicious. The messages at the service and your voices blending together in such sweet harmony was very uplifting. We thank God we are blessed with such dear friends. May God bless and keep you all.

The family of Ray Cruse
Tommie Jo
Dona Browning
Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Cruse & family
Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse & family
Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn & family
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clifton & family
Mr. and Mrs. Mark Patton & family

The family of Dorr Blasingame wishes to express our appreciation for the love and kindness shown to us during the loss of our loved one. We are deeply grateful for all of the food, the beautiful flowers and cards, the donations and especially your prayers for us. May God bless you all.

Irene Blasingame
Geary and Myrna Blasingame
Teary Blasingame and family
Tony Blasingame and family

There is always danger in calling names when we desire to say "Thank You" for your many acts of love and kindness toward us, but we must attempt it. If we have left you out it was not intentional and we ask your forgiveness.

Thank you Faye and Billy Ray, Marg and Jake, Don and Ray, Richard, Olivia and Pansy for sharing your wonderful gardens with us. Thank you Harold Campbell, Dan Barton, Kelly Keltz, Joyce Campbell, Edmond Hunter, and E.A. and Dorothy Day for sitting with Bennie and making it possible for me to go to church and get out of the house occasionally. Thank you E.A. and Dorothy for digging up flowers out of your own yard and planting them in ours so we could enjoy the color beauty of summer. Thank you Kelly for faithfully mowing our yard once a week all summer when you had three others to mow. Thank you Rickey, our precious Pastor, for your visits, prayers, communion, and words of encouragement. Thanks also to you and Casey for hauling off our trash. Thank you Boyce and Jesse for taking Bennie to Lubbock for treatments.

There are some of you that gave to us in such an unselfish way that we shall never forget but you would be embarrassed if we disclosed the manner in which you gave; so we will just say, "God Bless You", Chella Lincoln, Joe Farley, Bucky Marvel, Roy Stephens, Barbara Armstrong, Grace Campbell, Tom and Jackie Binder, and Mary and Grady Webb.

Thanks to our wonderful Hospice family, Sharon, Jana, Corina, and Lou. You have made it possible for us to stay at home where our heart is.

To our precious Church family - your prayers have held us up, your tears have washed away despair, your astounding gift brought joy to our hearts and reassured us that our Heavenly Father had not forsaken us.

Thank you friends and loved ones in other churches who are faithful to ask about us and to pray. We feel your prayers and we love you for caring.

Thank all of you for not being offended when you ask to visit Bennie but are told it is not a good day. He loves each of you but pain and medication makes pleasurable visiting almost impossible.

Bless all of you who have brought delicious food and who week after week continue to send cute, funny, inspiring and consoling cards. We read and reread everyone.

All of us go through tests and trials - they are part of life. Ours is not over but you, our friends and family, have made it much easier. God is a good God and because He loved us enough to give His only Son in order for us to have eternal life, we can go through trials like these with victory.

June & Bennie Keltz

Matador News

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Green left Thursday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Andy Green, Adam and Katye of Keller. Adam is a Senior at Keller High School of over 800 seniors. He is President of the National Honor Society. Thursday night they had an Induction Ceremony of over 100 new members. Mr. and Mrs. Green stayed with their grandchildren the remainder of the week while their parents were out of town

on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Ceaman Scott, and son Toby, visited Mrs. Elga Evans and Rodger Evans from Friday until Sunday.

Spending the weekend with Jack and Decima Green were Dr. Tom Green and son, Corey of Midland, and Pat Green of Tahoka.

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Farm & Ranch News

Quail Season Looks Promising Compared To Past Year

by Jim Self and Mickie Ricks
Childress Ag students

last year, he said. "Most of the hunters I came in contact with on opening day said they had noticed the hunting was better than it was a year ago."

So, who do you believe? The experts or the hunters. There's only way to find out. Get out this season and see for yourself.

The grass is turning brown, leaves are falling off trees, and there's a bit of nip in the air. It's that time of year again - Fall. With it not only comes shorter days and cooler nights, but hunting season as well.

One of the most heavily hunted and highly anticipated days in the Rolling Plains of Texas is opening day of the northern bobwhite quail season. After a past year of poor hunting, the forecast for quail is looking better. Although the quail population is not as high as in year's past, it is substantially better than it was in the drought stricken season of 1995.

According to the Texas parks and Wildlife Department, in August of 1996, 149, 20-mile quail survey lines conducted across Texas. Most of the lines were still considered poor by historic standards, but a few high counts were taken. Most ecological regions in Texas showed an increase in numbers but a few of the harder hit drought areas continued a decline.

Most of these survey routes were established 20 years ago and continue to be in use today. These lines were all over the state in different habitat zones to provide a better representation of ecological areas to see how the quail did for that particular year. Based on the department's experience, 12 birds or less per route is generally poor, 13-22 is good and 23 or more is very good.

Although many experts are predicting another bad year for the quail, some hunters and outdoorsmen contradict that claim. Childress and Hall County Game Warden, Gary Self, is one that predicts a rebuilding year for the small bird. "Anything is better than

Stuffed Quail

- 8 quail
- butter
- white pepper
- paprika
- garlic powder
- 1 pkg. stuffing
- 2 cups water
- 2 cups broth or stock
- 4 Tbs. soy sauce
- 1/4 tsp. sesame oil
- 6 beef bouillon cubes
- marinade

Preheat oven to 300 degrees. Dress and prepare each bird. Rub each bird with butter. Sprinkle each with white pepper, paprika, and garlic powder. Prepare package stuffing and stuff each bird. Place each bird in roasting pan and add water, broth or stock, soy sauce, sesame oil, and bouillon cubes. Cover and cook 2 hours. Make an incision in birds to check doneness. If needed, continue cooking for another 30 minutes. When done, evenly coat birds with marinade and cook, uncovered until marinade is hot. Serves 4.



Tax Payments

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1996 payments to date, 18,864.20; 1995 payments to date 17,061.11; % change, 10.56%

County total - net payment this period, 5,238.34; comparable payment prior year, 3,350.54; % change, 56.34%; 1996 payments to date, 38,662.75; 1995 payments to date, 37,163.69; % change, 4.03%

Social Security Tips

by Mary Jane Shanes
Plainview Office

FARMERS, ARE YOUR WORKERS EARNING SOCIAL SECURITY COVERAGE?

Farmers who hire workers during the harvest season should be sure that the workers are earning Social Security credits for their work. This means making sure their wages are reported for Social Security purposes.

Although there are penalties for failure to report wages paid to people you hire, another incentive for making wage reports is the knowledge that the reports will mean retirement, survivors, and disability coverage to the worker and his or her family. This is important income protection for most Americans and as an employer you play a key role in making the system work.

The amount of the monthly Social Security benefit that a worker and his/her family can receive in case of retirement, survivors, and disability is based on the earnings that are reported to the worker's Social Security number. If their earnings are not reported correctly during the years when they are working, then the worker and family could lose money every month when it comes time to collect Social Security benefits.

What should you do if you own a farm and have employees? In general, you must: 1) keep records of the wages and make the required payroll deductions; 2) report those wages to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on IRS Form 943 and pay Social Security taxes; and 3) provide a pay statement for each of your employees as well as a W-2 form after the close of each year. If you don't report the wages and pay the taxes due, you may be subject to a penalty from IRS.

Remember, the farmworker is covered by Social Security only if (1) you pay the employee \$150 or more in cash wages during the calendar year, or (2) if you pay the employee less than \$150 in cash wages, but your total expenses for agricultural labor are \$2,500 or more in a year. However, if you employ seasonal hand harvest laborers who commute to work daily from their homes and are paid on a piece-rate basis, and who did less than 13 weeks of farm work in the previous year, this work is covered only if you pay the employee at least \$150 in cash for the job.

If you need more information about agricultural work and Social Security, call the toll-free number (1-800-772-1213) and ask for the pamphlet, A

COTTON NEWS
FROM PLAINS COTTON GROWERS, INC.

Harvesting cotton on the Texas High Plains has never been an exact science. Hindsight almost always yields the feeling that something could have been done better.

According to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers (PCG) all of this holds true even as producers approach the halfway point of the 1996 harvest. Much of this second guessing is the result of weather systems that either did not materialize or proved substantially weaker than forecasted.

"As of today the majority of the High Plains has yet to receive a hard, killing freeze," reports PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "The end result is many fields that would probably have received a full course of harvest aid treatment given a different weather forecast are still waiting for a hard freeze to fully prepare them for harvest."

Overall harvest activity seems to be lagging behind, with only around 40 percent of the crop now estimated to be off the stalk. That is slightly behind the pace of recent years and is primarily attributed to the lateness of many fields and the fact that Mother Nature has yet to provide a killing freeze.

Quality-wise the 1996 crop continues the recent trend to high quality cotton. Predominate color grades for

the 1996 crop continue to be 21 and 31 with micronaire averaging 3.8-3.9.

One slight deviation in this year's crop is that mill buyers should find a little more variety in the qualities available. This is a change from the last few years when the High Plains produced remarkably uniform, high quality crops.

"Anyone looking for a specific quality cotton should be able to find something that will work for them this year," notes Johnson.

Harvested acreage for the area is estimated at 2.4 million acres out of approximately 3.1 million originally intended for planting. The 700,000 acres difference is primarily accounted for by dryland cotton acres that were never planted due to drought conditions. Some losses were also tallied because of hail in many areas.

Prospects appear to be amazingly bright, however, as yields continue to pleasantly surprise growers across the area. The most recent USDA estimate pegs High Plains production for 1996 near 2.8 million bales.

Estimates from USDA's Lubbock and Lamesa Cotton Classing offices appear to support this figure once they are converted from running bales to 480 pound statistical bales.

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- Place all containers of antifreeze out of reach of children and animals.
- Recycle used antifreeze by taking it to recyclers or garages.
- When recycling options are not available, take used antifreeze to local agencies that dispose of hazardous waste.
- Do not drain used engine coolant onto the ground or into storm sewers.
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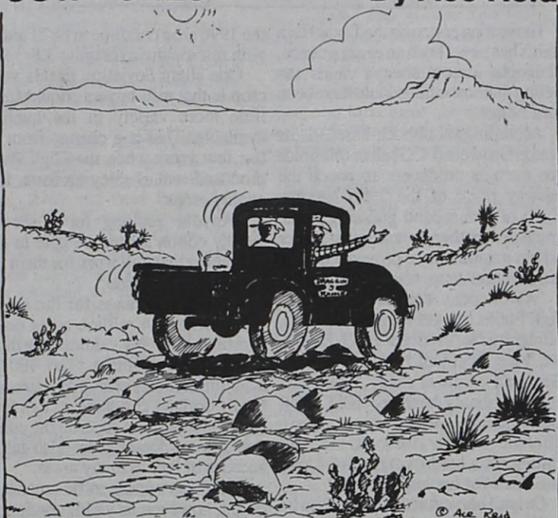
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Rural Nurse Resource, Inc. (RNR), a non-profit organization that provides health and safety education, will have an American Red Cross Community CPR/First Aid Class on December 14, 1996. For more information or to sign up for the class call RNR's office at (806) 983-8096.

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DRIVER SAFETY COURSE TO BE OFFERED IN CHILDRSS

A Driver Safety Course will be held in Childress on Saturday, December 7, 1996. The course will meet from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Childress High School. Cost of the course is \$25.

Upon completion of this course, participants will be eligible for a 10 percent discount on their liability insurance for three years and dismissal of a traffic violation. All dismissals of traffic violations must be approved by the appropriate Justice of the Peace.

This course is offered by Clarendon College and USA Training Company, Inc. For more information, please contact Clarendon College at (806) 874-3571.

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Sealed proposals for 22.972 km of rehabilitation of existing park roads at the Matador Wildlife Management Area covered by C925-14-1 in Cottle County will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 p.m., December 5, 1996, and then publicly opened and read.

Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Gary J. Mizer, Area Engineer, Munday, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex, or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award.

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