

# Motley County Tribune



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Donkey Basketball Game Coming Soon

"Donkey Basketball, perhaps the most fantastic game played in the US today, will be here in the school gym, Monday night. Under the sponsorship of the Senior Class, Donkeys will be furnished by the Ralph Godfrey Don-key Basketball Company and the Matador fireboys will take on the Matador cowhands in "the funniest game in America."

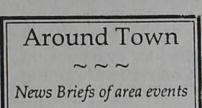
November 27, 1941

FIRST MARRIED MAN IN COUNTY CALLED FOR ARMY TRAINING

"Motley County will send its first married man to military training in the 31st call on December 8th. Talmer Buford Osborn, and Judson Doyle Mitchell of Roaring Springs are scheduled to leave on that date for a year's training at Ft. Bliss, it was an-

nounced by Frank Pohl.

The board refused to recognize the claim of Talmer Osborn, a newly registrant by reason of dependency because of the recent date of his mar-



#### American Legion Post #337 to Meet

All Motley County Legionnaires and their spouses will meet Monday, November 30, at 7 p.m. for a "Covered Dish Dinner" at the American Legion Building in Matador. This is the final meeting of 1998.

All Veterans are invited to become a member of the local Post and are invited to attend this most important meeting.

## Tribune to receive Letters for Santa

The Motley County Tribune has, once again, been authorized by Santa Claus himself to receive letters at our office. The letters will be printed in the paper and then forwarded on to Santa at the North Pole.

Letters may be dropped off in our mailbox in front of the office, or

Motley County Tribune P.O. Box 490 Matador, TX 79244

All Letters to Santa must be received no later than Monday, December 7, to be printed in our Christmas edition. We understand that this is a very early deadline, but due to printing deadlines, it must be this early. All teachers are reminded to have your students write their letters and have to them no later than this date.



Struttin' His Stuff ...

This handsome turkey is struttin' around like he doesn't have a worry in the world, unknowing of what Thursday will bring. Will he be the lucky (or unlucky) Tom who will grace someone's Thanksgiving dinner table? This picture was shot by Game Warden Dee Litteken of Matador.

# Motley County ISD goes to Block Schedule for 98-99 school year

by Superintendent Rick Copp and Mrs. Kay Bingham

After three years of on-site visitations, interviews, research, and stacks of feedback from students, teachers, and community members, Motley County ISD Administration and Modified Block Schedule (MBS) for electives.

and is very similar to those of some colleges. We have two classes that meet everyday of the week. These are electives and our athletic/physical education periods that are 55 minutes in length. On Monday and Wednes-day there are three periods, 90 minutes in length that meet, and then on Tuesday and Thursday the remaining three periods of 90 minutes each meet. On Friday all 8 periods meet for approximately 45 minutes each.

After 12 weeks or (2) 6 weeks periods, the reports from the teachers and students are overall positive. After a period of readjustment to the longer class times the students appear satisfied with the Block Schedule. This schedule allows students more class time in which to receive extrapersonalized help from the teachers and in addition gives the students more time to work on homework assignments. The students have benefited from having more time to com-

home economics. In general, most of the comments from students have been, "We like the Block Schedule." will allow the administration to offer School Board decided to implement a classes for the students to choose as

the 1998-99 school year.

The MBS that Motley County is using this year was chosen due to its

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Change often causes us stress and found it difficult to keep the day, time, and schedule straight, everyone now seems to have adjusted so that it is no longer necessary to carry our class schedule with us everywhere we go! The teachers have found that this schedule provides them with the time to grade student's assignments and post grades quicker.

One positive point with having all our classes meet on Fridays is that it allows students and teachers an opportunity to wrap things up and discuss plans for the next week. Since we no longer have a HAT period each day Fridays are used for an activity day for class meetings, pep rallies, and

other activities that may occur. However, as with every new change, there are always bugs to be worked out. Not only do our students have to change habits, but our staff also. Now teachers have to be prepared to teach for 90 minutes during class instead of the regular 55 minutes to which we were accustomed.

plete projects during the period in With the MBS students must realize a few more headaches, and in general classes such as shop, science labs, and that even though a particular class we all tend to be hesitant in accepting doesn't meet except every other day, homework or projects should be done the night assigned and not put off un-As we move forward this schedule til the day after. Hopefully, this will for our students sometimes we have encourage the students to develop more, as well as, different types of better study habits. There is a small problem with scheduling some our rected, but with the help and patience only want ALL of our students to have

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something different from our normal routines. However, in order to offer the best program with more choices to go out on a limb and implement some changes. This action needs to be reinforced with understanding that special programs that has to be cor- the students come first and that we the best programs and teachers that are available to us. Block scheduling

# City Council Meets

Business discussed, reports heard

November 12 at 7:30 a.m. All Counhome, for damages occurred in the cil members were present. Also home from raw sewage in August. The present were City Secretary, Seven claim is in the process and should be Alexander, and City Water Superin- completed soon. tendent, Steve Barton.

The invocation was given by Councilman Rodney Williams. Mayor Gary Lancaster called the meeting to

The minutes and bills were ap-

Council discussed an ordinance to annex Louvaine Scaff property. This was authorized.

Council discussed the liability

The Matador City Council met claim concerning the Thomas Hurt

Council discussed receiving lots from ABF Freight. The taxes are current on the vacant lots, and they were accepted by the City.

City Water Superintendent Steve Barton gave Waterworks, Wastewater and Sanitation reports. He also stated that the fence around the water tower will be completed soon.

Meeting adjourned.

# Late Night Shopping set for December 3

Matador merchants have set Thursday, December 3 for Late Night Shopping in Matador. Although there is an out-of-town basketball tournament on this date, to find a date without any event, is impossible.

This fun night of late night shopping will give Motley County residents and visitors a chance to get a jump start on their Christmas shopping and to see what great merchan-dise and values Motley County businesses have to offer, right here at

Most businesses will begin their late night shopping specials at 6 p.m. and continue until 9:00 p.m. Each business will offer drawings for discounts, special savings, refreshments, or door prizes.

Businesses planning to be open late are Matador Variety, Rose Garden Floral & Gifts, The Windmill, New To You, Guys & Gals, Motley County Tribune, Main Street, and Jo-Ann's Jewelry.

## Community Chest sets \$1,000 goal

Members of the Motley County Community Chest met November 9, 1998 to set up a budget for 1999. This has been lowered to \$1,000.00.

This money is used to support other organizations and people, some in the county, and others in need pass-

Last year the Ministerial Alliance was added, as a number of people go to the church for assistance.

The members expressed their gratitude for your support in this project. They hope to meet their goal by January 1, 1999.

Donations may be sent to: Motley County Community Chest

P.O. Box 789 Matador, Texas 79244

# Christmas Edition

deadlines near

Work will begin on our annual Christmas edition of the paper next week. We hope to be able to make this year's edition very special.

We will again offer our Christmas greeting card ads for sale to businesses and individuals. These very special Christmas greetings give you the opportunity to wish your friends and acquaintances a happy holiday season, without all the fuss of addressing envelopes, and purchasing postage stamps. If you would like more information about these Christmas greetings, please call our office, 347-2400.

The Christmas edition will be published December 17, as our office is closed the week of Christmas. Deadline for Christmas greetings will be Wednesday, December 9, as that section of the paper must be to the printers by December 11. Deadline for Santa letters is December 7. The deadline for any special Christmas story or picture is Tuesday noon, Decem-

Our office will reopen Monday, December 28 and our New Year's edition will be published December



With the Thanksgiving season Internet. I thought it was something upon us, it makes me think it's time to stop and smell the roses. Time to nause and think of all the wonderful things we have to be thankful for.

We all have so much to be thankful for that we take for granted. My daughter-in-law recently gave me a copy of this poem she received via Thanksgiving.

And if that weren't enough to ruin my day,

our readers would enjoy, and it makes you stop and think. We all get so busy with our everyday stresses, that we don't realize the things that we really do take for granted.

I hope you all have a very blessed

The park bench was deserted as I sat down to read Beneath the long, straggly branches of an old willow tree. Disillusioned by life with good reason to frown, For the world was intent on dragging me down.

A young boy out of breath approached me, all tired from play. He stood right before me with his head titled down And said with great excitement, "Look what I found!"

In his hand was a flower, and what a pitiful sight, With its petals all worn - not enough rain, or to little light. Wanting him to take his dead flower and go off to play, I faked a small smile and then shifted away.

But instead of retreating he sat next to my side And placed the flower to his nose and declared with overacted surprise, "It sure smells pretty and it's beautiful, too." That's why I picked it. Here, it's for you." The weed before me was dying or dead. Not vibrant colors, orange, yellow or red. But I knew I must take it, or he might never leave. So I reached for the flower, and replied, "Just what I need."

But instead of him placing the flower in my hand, He held it mid-air without reason or pain. It was then that I noticed for the very first time That weed-toting boy could not see: he was blind.

I heard my voice quiver, tears shone like the sun As I thanked him for picking the very best one. You're welcome," he smiled, and then ran off to play, Unaware of the impact he'd had on my day.

I sat there and wondered how he managed to see A self-pitying woman beneath an old willow tree. How did he know of my self-indulged plight? Perhaps from his heart, he'd been blessed with true sight.

Through the eyes of a blind child, at last I could see The problem was not with the world; the problem was with me. And for all those times I myself had been blind, I vowed to see the beauty in life, and appreciate every second that's mine. And then I held that wilted flower up to my nose And breathed in the fragrance of a beautiful rose And smiled as I watched that young boy, another weed in his hand About to change the life of an unsuspecting old man.

— Unknown





# "Expressing Our Thanks"



In Matthew 25 Jesus tells a parable concerning three stewards. As stewards these men had been entrusted with something of value they did not own. They merely had the job of seeing that this merchandise was taken care of and used in the best way possible.

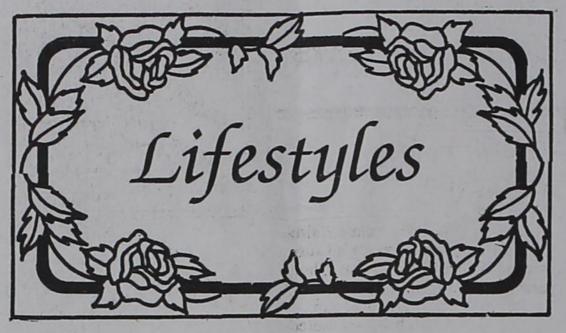
The message for us from the parable is that we are all stewards. Various things have been entrusted to our care by our Master. He has given us different degrees of ability, wealth, education, and influence. We are expected to use our blessings to honor God, because they are from God. When he returns we will answer to Him as stewards.

During this season where thankfulness is stressed, let us thank those special people by whom our lives have been blessed. But most importantly, let us thank the One ultimately responsible for every blessing we enjoy. Everything we have belongs to God and we honor Him when we use His blessings to glorify Him rather than ourselves. This Thanksgiving and always, let us remember to thank the actual owner of everything that we call our own. Let us remember to thank God.

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

Bible Study - 10 a.m.

Worship - 9 a.m.



# Grannie's Tea Party set for December 6

has been set for December 6 at 3:00 p.m. in the home of Joyce Campbell in Matador.

All girls, ages 4 and up are invited to fun event.

The Annual Grannie's Tea Party attend. Dress up in grannie's hats, gloves, and accessories for an afternoon of tea and cakes. A \$5.00 donation and reservations are required. This annual affair is a fund raiser Please call Joyce Campbell, 347to benefit the Motley County Library. 2793, for more information about this

The Scotch pop-up tape strip

dispenser is available in periwin-

kle blue, costs about \$3.99 and

comes with two 75-strip tape

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pads is \$2.99. The dispenser can

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+ \* Holiday Hints + 

#### Gift Wrapping Tips

(NAPS)-Although a recent for use. survey found that only 39 percent of Americans consider themselves highly skilled at gift wrapping, becoming a gifted wrapper may be a lot easier than you think.

These tips can help you wrap that huge pile of holiday gifts with added quickness, convenience and style:

· Instead of using traditional gift wrap, try wrapping your gifts in plain white or brown craft lots more fun, time-saving and paper. Then paint, draw or stencil practical tips on becoming a gifted on your own unique designs.

· In a rush and out of gift envelope to: Scotch Brand Tips wrap? More than 60 percent of Americans have used any number of household items as substitutes, including newspapers and comic pages, foil wrap, old maps and calendars, magazine advertisements, yellow pages and even fabric or ery. The offer is good while suppaper remnants such as wallpaper | plies last.

· Design your own antiquelooking parchment gift wrap. Fill a spray bottle with coffee or teaand spray a roll of butcher paper (or any plain white paper without a coating) as dark or light as you like and allow to dry thoroughly before using.

 Take advantage of your backyard, a nearby beach or park to look for interesting gift tags like leaves or shells. Or cut out a favorite design or image from old holiday cards or postcards and attach to gifts.

 Tired of sticking pieces of tape onto table edges or on arms and elbows for easy access? Try a Scotch pop-up tape strip dispenser from 3M. A wearable version of this dispenser-which can be worn on the back of the hand, fingers or wristdelivers pre-cut, 2-inch pieces of tape right to the fingertips. As each strip is removed, the next strip pops up automatically, ready



To wrap holiday gifts with added quickness and convenience, try a new Scotch pop-up tape strip dispenser.

# WORD of GOD

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

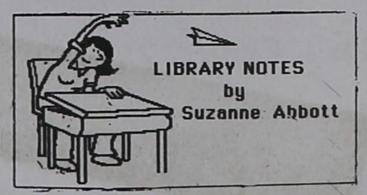
Proverbs 22:6

The Horrible Homemade Halloween Costume The Fabulous Flying Flag Farm Guidelines for Freelancers by Nancy Robinson Masters available at the Motley County

Tribune

All My Downs

Have Been Ups



11 at the Library. The first day of the members of the Friends of the Library who have paid their 1998 dues. The sale will take place during regular liopen until 8:30 p.m. that night.

items will take place at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Proceeds to the Motley County Genea- have been special in our lives. logical and Historical Society.

Also that night, we will have on

Book Sale! The Friends of the Li-sale the Texas Capitol Ornaments. brary annual used-book sale will be These beautiful items can go on your from December 2 through December Christmas tree or they can be displayed in your home all year long. The sale, Wednesday, December 2, is for Friends of the Library will be serving pop corn again during this evening of fun and shopping.

We appreciate the donation to the brary house which are Monday, 2-5 Library by Charles and Opal Johnson p.m. and Tuesday-Friday, 1-6 p.m. in memory of Burnett Young and The one exception to these hours is Frank Montgomery. We also thank Matador's Late-Night Shopping on Rosemary Bloodworth Anderson for Thursday, December 3. We will be her donation in memory of Joe Spray, Ann Harp Crump, and Billy Joe Lots of fun things will be going Whitaker. We thank Mr. and Mrs. on in the Library on the Late-Night Steve Stevens for their donation in Shopping night. In addition to the memory of Frank Montgomery. book sale, we will be giving away the Thanks also go to Mr. and Mrs. beautiful doll by Georgia Witcher and Johnney Turner for their donation in the lovely wooden church by Dee memory of Beverly Whitaker and Litteken. The drawing for those two Nelva Morris. These memorial donations are important to the Library and are lasting tributes to the people who

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

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Bring a Friend and don't miss out on all the Great Christmas Savings!

# Announcing ....

Santa Claus will be at Vickie's Floral & Country Crafts

Saturday, November 28 from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m.

Parents .... bring your camera and capture these precious moments of your child with SANTA! Enjoy Refreshments and register for many door prizes to be given away throughout the day!

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### Motley County Matadors School News



8TH GRADE CLASS FAVORITES — Brenda Gillespie and Chantry Meyer. Brenda is the daughter of James and Kathy Gillespie and Chantry is the son of Kelly and Diana Meyer and Renee Agnew.



8TH GRADE CLASS OFFICERS — Clint Cooper, Vice President; Chantry Meyer, President; Chasity Holman, Secretary/Treasurer; and seated is Brenda Gillespie, Reporter.

teacher to send home written notices

of homework assignments. This sys-

tem allows parents to monitor assign-

ments and reward their child for com-

bering assignments four nights out of

five puts the focus on the positive, not

the negative," Eddins said. "Taking

time to notice your child's efforts can

" A minimal reward for remem-

pleting assigned work.

make a big difference."

# Improving homework habits

HOUSTON-- A structured environment can turn homework woes into successes.

'If doing homework has been a problem in the past, use the new school year as a time to implement change," said Dr. Florence Eddins, a child psychiatrist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Work with your child to settle key homework issues of where, when and the surround-

One homework essential is adequate study space with good lighting and few distractions.'

"Desks in rooms can be fine if they aren't covered with clothes or other belongings," Eddie said. "How-ever, the dining room or kitchen table often works well and makes parental supervision a little easier."

For young children, Eddins encourages parents to sit nearby with work of their own.

However, parents should pull back as soon as possible, so the child can learn to work independently. Check in periodically on older children rather than hovering over them.

To establish a homework time, talk with your children about the time of day that works best for them.

'Many children prefer 'time off' for play or for an after school snack, but others will do best completing assignments before television time or engaging in other activities," she said.

Flexibility is another key ingredient to creating the right homework environment. Eddins cautions parents to remember that what works for them may not be right for their child.

"You may need uninterrupted quiet to get work done, but your child may like music in the background," she said. "The important thing is to experiment and learn what works best for your child."

Homework success also depends on good communication between the parents and teacher. Parents should learn what the school expects of the child and of the parents.

If remembering homework has been a problem in the past, ask the



#### Financial Aid Workshop

There will be a Panhandle Plains Financial Aid workshop for all Juniors and Seniors of MC ISD and their parents in the High School Cafeteria, Tuesday, December 2 at 6:30 p.m.

This workshop is being sponsored by Motley County ISD.

#### Pageant Pictures Available

Pictures of Miss MC South Plains Pageant entrants are available for \$2.00 each for those who did not order the night of the Pageant. Contact Carroll Hays at school if interested.

#### **Attention kids** and teachers ..... SANTA LETTER DEADLINE DEC. 7

Kids and Teachers, take note etters to Santa need to be to the Trioune office no later than December 7 for publication in our special Christ-mas Edition. So, don't forget - get your letters ready for Santa. After we print them in the paper, they will be orwarded to Santa at the North Pole!

Have a good week!

# S. Cross-country, weightifting, basketball,

# MC gets win over Valley

The Motley County JV high school boys team defeated Valley 32-27 November 17.

Leading scorer was Chase Carson with 14. Others scoring were Ryan Moore, 5; Brandon Moore, 5; Scott Jones, 4; Tony Salazar, 2; and Bradley Baxter, 2.

Chase was also leading rebounder Lawrence had 1 assists each. with 14. Scott Jones grabbed 13; Bradley Baxter, 3; Brandon Lee, 4; Brandon Moore, 4; and Ryan Moore, 1.

Ryan Moore shot 100% from the FT line. Team defense was outstanding as they shut out the Patriots in the first quarter. Tony Salazar had six steals as did Chase Carson. Tony Salazar and Shawn Marvel led the team in assists.

The Varsity boys also got a big win over Valley, defeating the Patriots 64-41.

Keane Cruse led in scoring with 24 points. Brad Marvel added 11; Jason Barton, 8; Sean Rose, 6; Dayton Grundy, 5; Jermaine Hendrix, 3; Jason Clauser, 3; Brant Donaldson, 2; Matt Easter, 1; and Benjamin Ridgley,

Keane also led in rebounds with 9. Dayton Grundy had 7; Brad Mar-5; Sean Rose, 4; Jermaine Hendrix, 3; Jason Barton, 3; Brant Donaldson, 2; and Benjamin Ridgley,

Jason Barton shot 100% from the freethrow line. Keane Cruse was 85.7 from FT line. Jason Barton had three steals, Hendrix and Grundy, 2 steals each, and Rose, Ridgley and Easter, 1 steal each. Clauser and Cruse had 3 assists. Grundy, Marvel and Barton, 2 assists each. Ridgley and Casey

Coach Ridgley stated, "The Mata-dors played tremendous defense holding Valley to single digits in two quarters. Also no Valley player scored 20 points. Jermaine Hendrix, Sean Rose, Brant Donaldon, Casey Lawrence, Matt Easter, and Benjamin Ridgley did a fine job for their first Varsity

#### MOTLEY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Dec. 1	* Floydada	there	5:00
Dec. 3-5	Valley Tournament	there	TBA
Dec. 8	Kress	home	4:00
Dec. 10-12	Lockney Tournament	there	TBA
Dec. 15	Valley	there	6:00
Dec. 18	Memphis	home	4:00
Dec. 19	MC JV Tournament	home	TBA
Dec. 23-27	GYM CLOSED - NO USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES		
Dec. 28-30	Crosbyton Tournament	there	TBA
Jan. 5	Memphis	there	4:00
Jan. 8	** Silverton	home	6:30
Jan. 9	Valley JV Tournament	there	TBA
Jan. 12	** Lakeview	there	6:30
Jan. 15	Spur	there	4:00
Jan. 19	** Guthrie	home	6:30
Jan. 22	** Patton Springs	there	6:30
Jan. 26	** Silverton	there	4:00
Jan. 29	** Lakeview	home	6:30
Feb. 2	OPEN		
Feb. 5	** Guthrie	there	6:30
Feb. 9	** Patton Springs	home	6:30

JV Girls and Boys will play at the same time in different gyms \*\* Denotes District games

# Close Outs!

Boots - \$50 off Ropers - \$25 off

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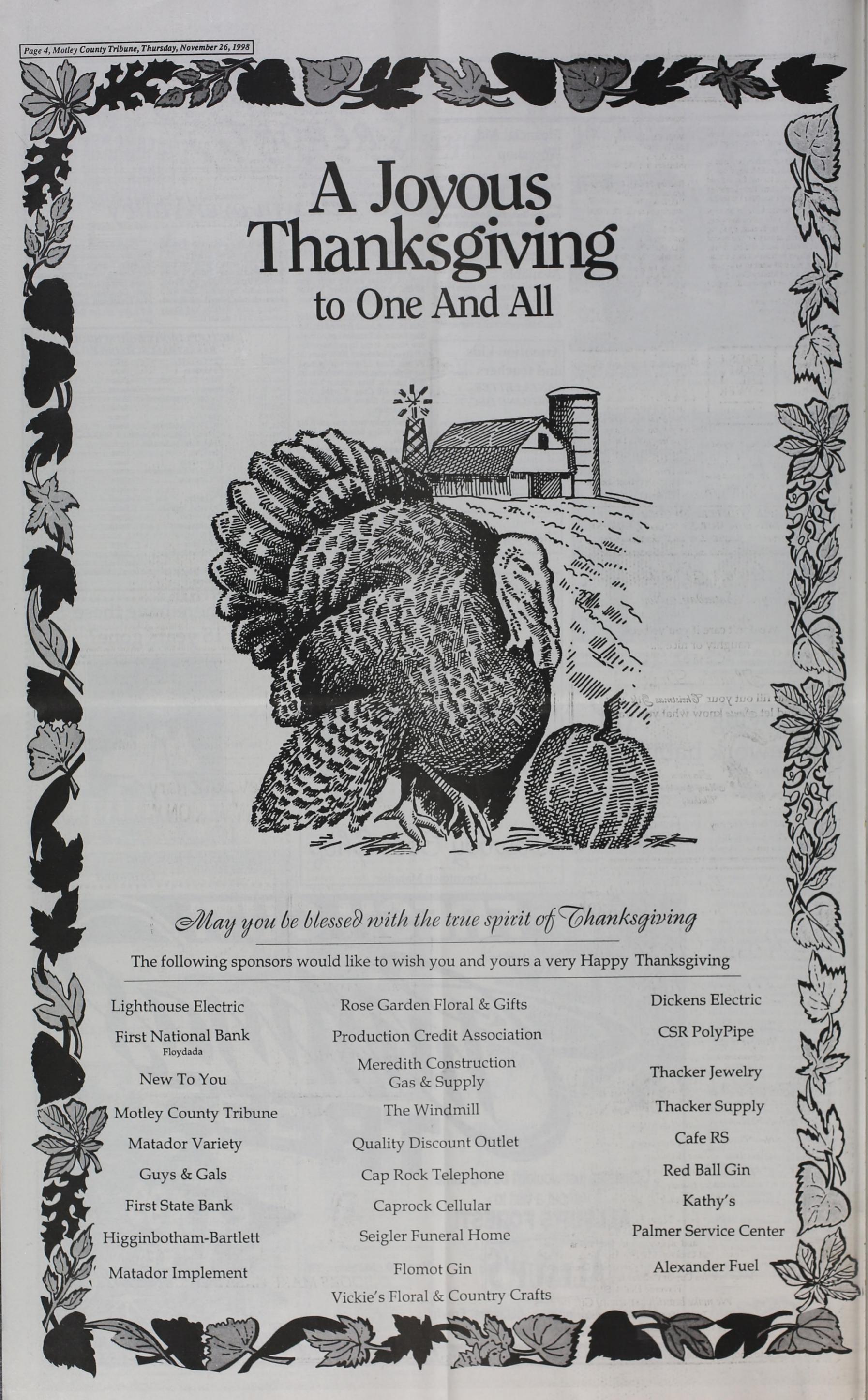
# Where have these 18 years gone?



A Very Happy Birthday to You!

I love you, Grandma





### Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I would like to address this letter to the residents and former residents of Motley County:

I am asking for each of you to consider the cemeteries of Motley County. Each of you have family, friends and loved ones buried here Families bring their loved ones back here for burial.

The cemeteries have to be kept looking nice. This takes mowing, weed eating, some hoeing, spraying for grassburrs, upkeep on equipment and etc. In other words it takes money to keep these cemeteries in a condition that you will want to visit them when you are in Motley County.

Donations and memorials may be soap box. God bless all of you.

Northfield Cemetery c/o Betty Simpson HCR 5 Box 35

Northfield, TX 79201

Whiteflat Cemetery c/o Frances Dixon P.O. Box 180 Matador, TX 79244

Roaring Springs Cemetery c/o LaVoe Thacker P.O. Box 360 Roaring Springs, TX 79256

East Mound Cemetery c/o Loys Campbell P.O. Box 789 Matador, TX 79244

Thank you for getting me off my

Loys Campbell Wilburn Martin

# The search is on for Texas' Outstanding Older Worker

To celebrate the ongoing contributions and accomplishments of older workers, Green Thumb is soliciting nominations from Texas employers in search of 1998's Outstanding Older Worker. Nominees must be at least sixty-five years old, a Texas resident, 1998 and work 20 or more hours a week

To nominate, a supervisor or coworker must provide a brief narrative covering the older worker's overall contribution to their employer, a description of new/additional skills the nominee has learned since beginning employment, any disabilities the nominee has overcome to perform his/ her job, and a description of other

community involvement. Official nomination forms may be obtained by called Green Thumb at 1-800-880-5292. Nominees may be from any occupation. Last year's state honor-

ees included a research physician, a welder, a labor rights attorney, a heavy equipment operator, a civil engineer, a home health aide, and the owner of a children's clothing store. The deadline for nominations is December 21,

Nominations will be evaluated by a state-wide employer committee and the winner announced the latter part of January, 1999. The winner will attend the national Prime Time Awards in Washington D.C., in March 1999, during Presidentially-proclaimed Employ the Older Worker Week. Their visit will include an evening tour of the city's landmarks, meetings with Congressional representatives, a tour of the White House, and a gala awards dinner at the historic National Building Museum.

Green Thumb is the country's oldest and largest nonprofit provider of employment and training for older Americans. Its mission is to training and employment options to strengthen families, communities, and our nation by providing older and disadvantaged individuals with opportunities to learn, work and serve others. counties serving almost 1,000 mature Last year, Green Thumb brought

more than 26,000 older Americans. In Texas, Green Thumb operates in 132

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with you doesn't mean you can do anything about it.

It's time we stopped letting other people solve the problem of

illiteracy. Lets do something about it - now.

# SEEDS FROM J

SOWER Michael A. Guido Metter, Georgia

"Are you a good boy?" asked a

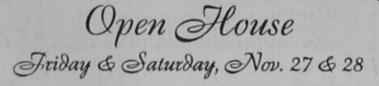
"No, ma'am," he answered, "I'm a bad boy. I'm the kind of a boy my mom won't let me play with."

What kind of a person are you? You lift or lower everyone you touch. You make them better or worse. No one is the same after spending time with you.

You draw them closer to the Lord or you drive them farther away. You make them love the Bible or loathe it. You make them like the church or dislike it. You attract or repel.

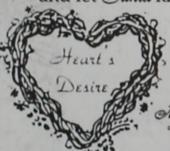
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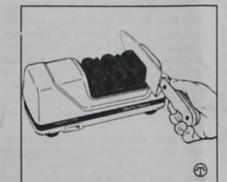


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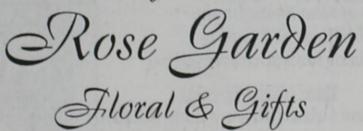
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# News around the County

# **Roaring Springs News**

by Odessa Mullins & Rita Groves

Mr. and Mrs. Bucky Marvel accompanied their daughter, Candace to Lubbock Thursday for a doctor's appoint-

Mitzi Christopher and daughter, Crystal, a student at South Plains College in Levelland, visited with their aunt, Dora Hurt, in Matador, Monday.

Linda Evans of Chickasha, OK and son, Kevin Hart of Lubbock visited their aunt, Odessa Mullins, Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Snow of Guthrie,

Oklahoma spent Thursday night with her sister, Zella Palmer. Mrs. Palmer accompanied them home Friday to spend

Zella Palmer accompanied her granddaughter, Jennifer Adams to Lubbock Thursday morning to take Ty for a check-\*\*\*\*\*

This just won't go without an opening prayer of Thanksgiving! Today, Lord, we are thankful for just being alive in this world, waiting for a sunrise, and never doubting that we will be given another day in which to right some of the sins of omission for which we are guilty. For rest at night for peace during the day, for plenty of food and comforts we enjoy. Help us to see the needs of others, and especially for the needs of those who do not have a Savior and Comforter. And help us to Love our Neighbor as ourselves.

Have a great Holiday for Thanksgiving!

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Were it not for the help of others, this column would not get written. This week, a call from Junior Bearden gave us the information that the county roads are in good condition; the same day came the news that the Commissioner is recuperating from surgery. It behooves me to get out my map book, THE ROADS OF TEXAS, and explore the communities in which we live. The book was bought at a news office some yeas ago. The slogan on the front is: "Become a Roads Scholar.: All the little towns that no longer have post offices are shown here. All the cemeteries; the ghost towns, the rivers, flowing or not. You want information on Texas; it's there! The legends in the back of the book, and the various types of informa-

tion about Texas are inexhaustible. I highly recommend it for good reading or research; it also makes a wonderful gift. There is a copy in the genealogical section in the Motley County Library. And the book, "ALLTHE ROADS OF TEXAS 3rd Edition, is for sale at the Motley

County Tribune. A welcome letter came this week from John K. Green, 2901 Shelley Lane, Bakersfield, CA 93306. He sent a story about Chandler Flat. To quote John: Pete Chandler was one of the old time cowboys on the Matador Ranch; he later acquired a section of land where he lived for his last years. After Pete got to be an old man, Mrs. Guy Thacker, a near neighbor would prepare a meal and take to the old man. I presume he was appreciative of this kindness and in a few years Guy was able to buy the section of land, where the Guy Thacker family lived for many years ... This place joined the Greens on the west. The Green children traveled this area for many years attending the Roaring Springs School. (An interesting history of this Green family can be read in "Of Such As These," Traweek, 256).

Hattie Tee Groves Tomlinson now resides with her son, Terry and family, near Houston. She enjoys the paper, especially the "personals." She is an ex-student of Motley County and the address is 20711 Cranfield Drive, Katy, TX 77450-2703. At one time, Douglas and Lila Meador gave her a lifetime subscription to the Tribune for her volunteer work on the paper.

Billie Clifton spent last weekend in Miami, Texas with her son and daughter-

in-law, Maurice and Jane Briscoe Clifton. Algie and Rita Groves were in Lockney Thursday visiting friends in the Lockney Care Center. We were just in time to have ice cream cones with Verdie Neighbors, Grace Shelton, and Pearl Rattan and the other residents who were being served an afternoon treat by ladies from one of the churches.

Sr. Citizens Christmas Program Keep in mind the Roaring Springs Senior Citizens Christmas program and tree Thursday, December 3 at noon. Bring a friend, a gift to exchange and a "dish."

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by Earlyne Jameson

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Would take much longer than the day That has just now begun!

You fill each day with miracles From dawn to setting sun. Each night you hear a million prayers When day's work is done.

Your words still give us comfort For your promises are true.

Your blessings are so many, Lord, In everything we do!

Hell . . . Is It For Real? (Part 2 of 2)

IV. The Adversary's Eternal Home Our adversary, the devil, is still present

in this world. In fact, this place is his dominion (Those that have been born

again are aliens in foreign enemy territory). One day, he will be cast into the

lake of fire to stay. (See Rev 20 10) a note for believers: When the devii

comes around to remind you of your past, remind him of his future. He'll

V. How Could a Loving God Ever Send Anybody There? A loving God

could never send anybody there The fact of the matter is, God has done everything He could to keep anyone from ending up in Hell, but yet there will

be MANY that will go because of their own rebellious spirit. God does not send people to Hell, people go voluntarily. So often we hear people say, "The devil made me do it. The fact is, the person that finds themselves slave to

sin chose to be there It is their own fault. No one can make a person react a particular way It is each person's responsibility to respond to each situation in an appropriate manner. Sin is a voluntary decision every time

and everyone that sins will be held accountable for their sin. They are

VI. There is Hope! Jesus came into this world to take away the sin of the

world He gave His life as payment for mankind so they would not have to

continue being slaves of sin and the devil but that they might turn to God and receive the gift of eternal life that he offers to anyone and everyone that will

accept it. Jesus died on the cross of Calvary because of sin, but it was not for His sin. He committed no sin. It was for us (our sin), that He died.

Jesus paid the debt that we could not pay. And after He was buried, He

arose that we might have the hope of eternal life. There is hope for everyone that has sinned, but only if they confess. Jesus as Lord!, and believe that He rose from the dead (Rom 10.9-11) This is the only way to receive the free

without excuse! (Rom 1 18-20 James 1 10-15)

gift of eternal life that God offers

Mrs. Elaine Risser and daughter, Kaci of Matador and Mrs. Frances Dixon at-

tended a Panhandle, New Mexico

Beefmaster Breeders' meeting in

Plainview, Saturday. It was held in the

Katheryn Martin were in Plainview, Monday for Art a medical appointment. They

visited his daughter, Mrs. Alta Mae Rice

and family before returning home. Mrs.

Martin visited in Roaring Springs, Sun-

day with her mother, Mrs. Josie Martin. Visiting during the weekend in the

home of Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet"

Jameson were Mr. and Mrs. B.B. Bristow

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Greetings

leave you alone (James 4.7)

of Brownwood.

Art Green of Flomot and Mrs.

home of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Barnes.

## Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

BAPTIST CHURCH TO

PRESENT CHRISTMAS CANTATA The First Baptist Church choir of Quitaque and Mrs. Kathy Shorter and Mrs. Waydetta Clay of Flomot will present the cantata, "CELEBRATE THE SEASONS" at 7 p.m., Sunday, December 6 at the Baptist Church in Flomot. The cantata will be presented again at the Baptist Church in Quitaque at 7 p.m., Sunday, December

The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend these spiritual perfor-

ANNOUNCEMENT

Members of the Do Gooders' Club are reminded of the annual Christmas party at 2 p.m., Tuesday, December 1. It will be held at the Community Center in Flomot and the 1998 Secret Pal names will be revealed. They are hoping for a 100 percent turn out, so come join the fun!

Mrs. Janice Russell of Turkey and Mrs. Annie B. Cloyd met Mrs. Kim Cloyd of Memphis and Mrs. Joyce Reid of Amarillo in Clarendon, Saturday. They enjoyed the Open House of Country Bloomers Flower Shop and visited with owner, Mrs. Julie Mulanax, sister of Mrs. Russell.

Chris and Jeremy Wylie of Midland and Floyd T. Starkey of Ralls visited during the weekend with Mrs. Bessie Starkey. Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Moss of Anson vis-

ited Mr. and Mrs. Lossie Gilbert and Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin, Thursday. They also visited at the Floydada Nursing Home with D.M. "Ikie" Gilbert.

Arriving Saturday to visit the week with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay were Kevon Kliebrink, Kyler and Karlee of Clifton.

Kevin and Keri Sehon of Wolfforth, Mrs. Christi Calvert of Lubbock, and Christi and Dwain Milam of Petersburg joined their parents, Kathy and Clois Shorter in Lubbock, Saturday to visit and enjoy entertainment.

Alva Joe Calvert of Dumas, his son, Justin, student at South Plains College in Levelland and Glen Calvert were in Austin from Thursday until Saturday night to attend the State Volleyball Tournament. Ashley, daughter of Alva Joe, and her

teammates from Dumas returned home with the State Championship title. Justin visited in the Calvert home, Sunday before returning to Lubbock where he re-

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey visited in Amarillo, Saturday with Mrs. Clifton Reid in Canyon with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Staling, Robin and Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. John Halford, Joey and Dustin.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin met Marilee and Fred Cooper and children of Borger and Lindsay Martin of Panhandle in Amarillo, Saturday and celebrated the birthdays of Wilburn, Marilee and Lindsay. Mr. and Mrs. Martin visited overnight in Amarillo with Mrs. Leona Bell and returned home, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross visited in Castroville, Friday and Saturday with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Ross, Megan, Aleda Elaine and Cheyenne. Aleda Elaine returned home with them to visit during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay, Colton and Kayla of Lubbock visited the weekend with his family, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay and Ty.

Visiting during the week with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Morris and Rabecca were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Martin of Spur and Tommy Morris of Lockney. Tommy and family moved recently from Breckenridge to Lockney where he will be with the Lockney Police Department. Dodie Morris, a student at American Business College in Lubbock, visited Sunday with her

Dustin and Shae Lynn Reed of Lubbock are visiting during the Thanksgiving holidays with grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dovle Calvert. Mr. and Mrs. Calvert observed their 50th wedding anniversary in Plainview, Thursday, November 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hunter visited in Floydada, Friday with Mr. and Mrs. John Speer and Mr. and Mrs. Randy

Art Green visited in Matador, Sunday with Billy and Cindy Green and Jack and Decima Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee enjoyed entertainment in Plainview Saturday.

### **Matador News**

R.C. and Callie Giesecke's home were Joe and Ethel Smith of Ada, OK; W.R. and Selma Sedgwick of Lubbock; Mike and Robin Green and McKieth, Michael, Hunter and Heath all of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Sedgwick of Ralls; Mr. and

Celebrating Thanksgiving Sunday at Mrs. Rod Long, Rebecca Long, Rhonda Colby, and Dillon McCleskey all of Roaring Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Martin and John, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Marshall, and Mr. and Mrs. David Blanco, Jacob and Hailey all of Matador. Visting that afternoon was Pearl Patten of Roaring Springs.

## **Obituaries**

### Beverly Whitaker

Christ with Ted Kingery of Silverton and Saddle Shop in Paducah. Mike Crowley of Matador officiating.

under direction of Seigler Funeral Home. of Matador and Burt of Flomot; a sister,

She was born August 11, 1936, in Jerry and Kerry. Paducah. She graduated from Paducah High School. She married Billy Joe Whitaker on December 22, 1953 in Matador. They moved to Motley County from Paducah in 1971. He died November 4,

Services for Beverly Whitaker, 62, of 1990. She was a member of the Church Matador were held at 3 p.m. Saturday, of Christ. She was a homemaker and re-November 21, 1998 in the Church of flexologist and she worked at Carl Darr

Survivors include four sons, Billy Burial was in East Mound Cemetery Don of Dickens, Bobby and Brent, both She died Thursday, November Delores Hopkins of Enterprise, Ala.; and 19,1998 in St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock. five grandchildren, Dusty, David, Perry,

> The Pallbearers were Douglas Campbell, Vann Francis, Billy Paul Simpson, Brad Thacker, Dusty Whitaker and David Whitaker.

## Guyneth (Muffett) Taylor Lankford

Services for Guyneth Evelyn (Muffet) Taylor Lankford, 77, of Stanton were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 24, 1998 in the First Baptist Church of Stanton with Rev. David Harp officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of

She passed away Sunday, November 22, in Stanton after a brief illness.

She was born December 15, 1920 in Farmersville, Texas to Willie E. Taylor and Ruby H. Moore Taylor, both deceased.

graduated from there in 1939. She re- grandchild.

ceived a degree in Education from Texas Tech and taught in Roaring Springs, Levelland and Stanton. She retired from Stanton I.S.D. in 1990 after thirty-five years of dedicated teaching.

Since retiring, she had been active in the Over Fifty Dance Club and looking after her grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughter, Margaret Jo Rane Lankford Coggin of Stanton and her son, Laman J. Lankford of San

She was raised in Roaring Springs and Antonio, five grandchildren and one great

# A Note of Thanks

Thank you to the good people of Roaring Springs who helped Peggie Durham when she locked herself out of her car recently at the Post Office.

Her friends

I wish to thank all those involved with the Pageant. You are to be congratulated for a successful event. I consider it an honor and pleasure to serve as your first Jr. Miss MC South Plains.

Tobi Powell

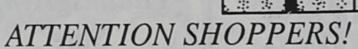
May God richly bless my family and wonderful friends for their outpouring of love and assistance during my recent surgery and recuperation at home. Thank you so much for your prayers, visits, telephone calls, food, cards, flowers, driving me to and from the hospital and Doctor visits. I love each one of

L.V. Damron

The family of Louvaine Scaff would like to thank everyone who held us in their prayers and thoughts; all the phone calls, visits, food and everything else that helped us through our time of illness and loss. We appreciate you more than words can express.

> Roger, Tommy, Jane, Jill, Joyce, and families





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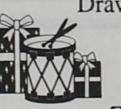
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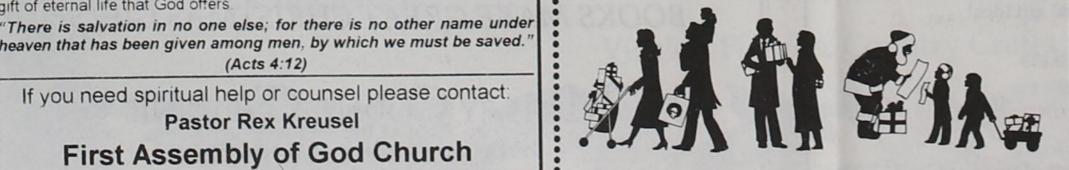


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STILL STANDING - This old windmill, located east of Roaring Springs stands amid the beauty of a vast hue of Fall colors. If you haven't taken the time to drive around the County to see Fall in all its glory, you have surely missed a beautiful site.

# Small Business Administration offers new pre-qualification pilot program

the United States Small Business Adcess to segments of the small business ered are: community that may have been under served by the lending community. The PreQual Program replaces the Woman's and Minority Pre-Qualification Loan Programs and expands the definition of qualified borrowers to a wider variety of under served markets.

These markets include women, nesses. Rural areas are also being con-

sidered for this program.

To be eligible, a prospective business must be 51 percent or more owned by veterans, women, and/or minorities. Businesses can also qualify if they significantly expand

from these markets are handled by the eligibility considerations. ministration now has an umbrella Pre-field office (Lubbock District Office) Qualification Pilot Loan (PreQual) which is authorized to implement the the PreQual Program is \$250,000. If Western High Plains Boll Weevil

repay debts, as indicated by a good credit history;

2. The likelihood that expected earnings will be sufficient to repay are as follows: obligations; and

3. The ability of the business to succeed with requested financing.

The Lubbock District Office is application package. veteran, and minority owned busi- responsible for ensuring that SBA's credit and eligibility standards are observed. Applications are not to be accepted under the PreQual Program if they involve unique, unusual or complex situations or issues, there is an affirmative response to questions on bankruptcy within the past 10 years existing export markets or develop or on criminal history at any time, or

The Lubbock District Office of new export markets. Loan requests they do not meet routine credit and

Program. In this program SBA provides assistance in the application provides as a significance of the application provi a result of this program are more than certed effort to rid themselves of the 1. The borrower's willingness to \$250,000, the request is to be pro-boll weevil. cessed through the regular guaranty

The loan processing procedures

applicant to determine the feasibility of boll weevil infested cotton. of the project and complete the loan

2. The intermediary sends the application to SBA for review and if maximum assessment rate of \$6 per warranted, a letter of commitment is land acre - dryland and \$12 per land

3. The applicant's lender is presented with the loan application and SBA's letter of commitment.

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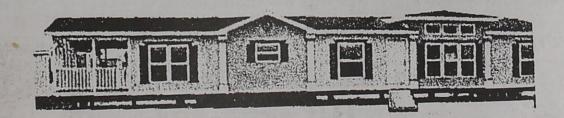
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Modification to Step 2 Supported by PCG

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The crux of the problem is that producers who reach the \$75,000 payment limit may not be able to stay price competitive because they are ineligible for either an LDP or a marketing loan gain from commodities pledged as collateral in the loan.

There appears to be only one way around this problem; the issuance of generic certificates for Step 2 payments that can be redeemed for cotton in the loan, in lieu of cash, at the Step 2 recipients request.

Cotton redeemed from the loan with certificates would keep producers who are close to their payment limit competitive in the market and would not count against their payment

Cotton redeemed with certificates is not counted against a producers payment limit while the marketing loan gain form cash redemption's is added to the total counted against the LDP payment limit.

The Secretary of Agriculture has the authority to issue certificates instead of cash for Step 2 payments, however, in order for this to be helpful for cotton he would also have to allow the redemption of loans with

Currently certificates can only be used to purchase CCC-owned com-modities, not commodities held as collateral for loans.

Producers who reach their LDP payment limit could be forced, under current rules, to forfeit any available LDP or have their cotton in the loan become ineligible for redemption at

PCG and other cotton industry groups are in the process of asking the Secretary of Agriculture to issue Step 2 certificates to those that request them and to allow certificates to be used to take cotton out of the loan

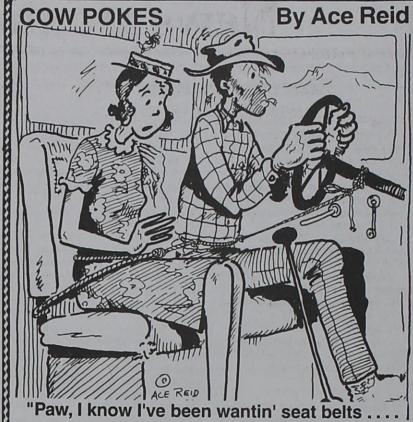
> WHP Growers Vote On **Boll Weevil Eradication**

Ballots have been mailed to cot-The maximum loan amount under ton producers and landlords in the

The Western High Plains Eradication Zone consists of five counties: Andrews, Gaines, Yoakum, and parts of Terry and Lynn. Altogether the zone 1. An intermediary works with the contains an estimated 800,000 acres

> Referendum participants will vote on three separate items: establishment acre - irrigated; and elect a member

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but I meant the kind with buckles on 'em!"

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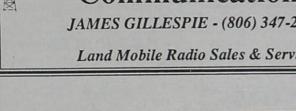
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