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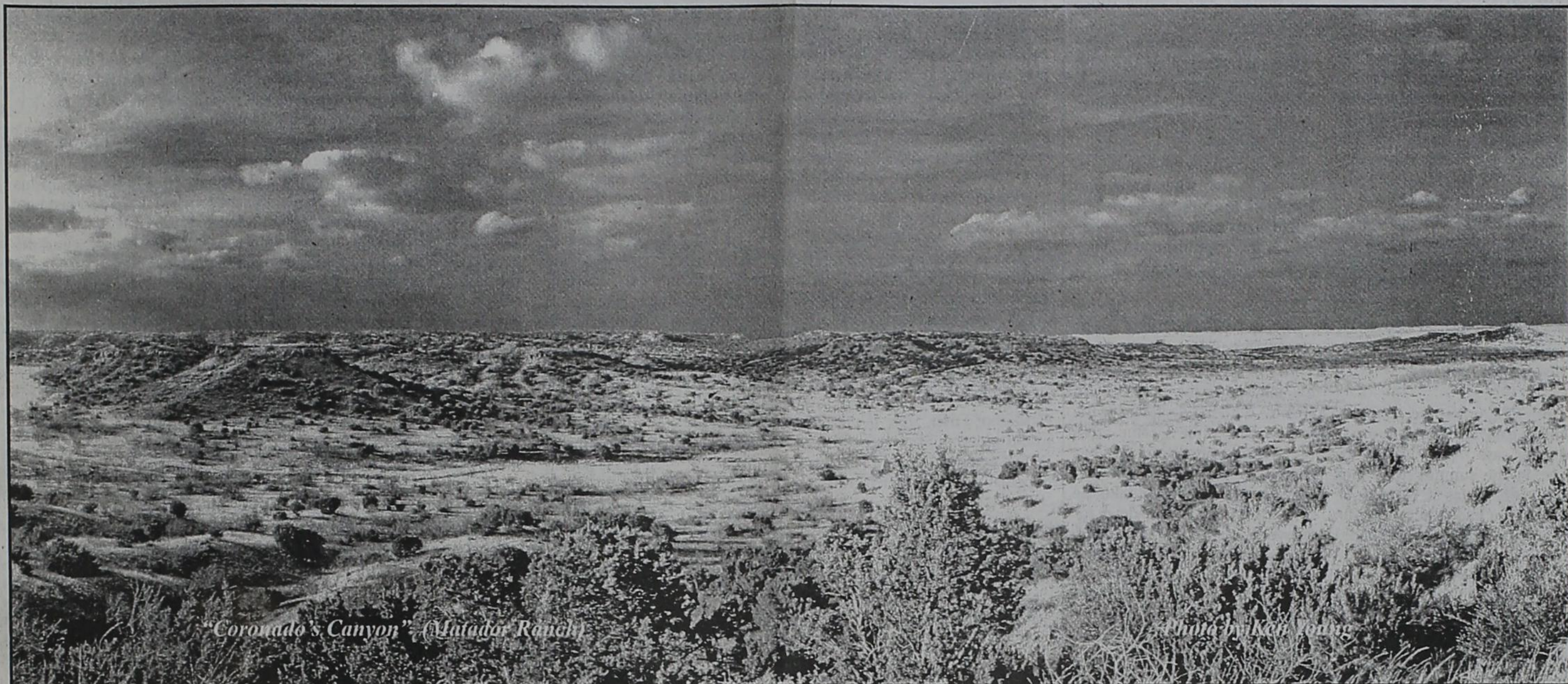
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## Motley County ISD 4th Graders 100% on TAKS

Preliminary scores provided by the Texas Education Agency show that Motley County Independent School District students passed the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) test in twelve categories by margins at or above state levels.

Official school ratings are not scheduled to be released by the Texas Education Agency until August. New standards will make it more difficult for districts to achieve recognized or exemplary status. Motley County ISD officials expect the district to receive a rating of academically acceptable.

TAKS now covers more subject areas and grade levels than the

test given in years past. The new test requires students to do more analysis and uses higher-order thinking skills.

Tougher grading standards for TAKS have been phased in over several years, which means students had to answer more questions correctly this year to achieve the same score they did the year before.

Motley County Independent School District 4th Grade students passed the TAKS at a whopping 100 percent rate in Reading, Math, and Writing. "We are extremely proud of this year's 4th graders," said Superintendent Randy Brown. "They are a talented, hardworking group.

Obviously their teachers (Lori Alexander and Lacey Rankin) did a great job; all of the students passing all of the tests is really special. We look forward to seeing great things from this group in the future."

All students also passed at 100% in 10th Grade English / Language Arts, and 11th Grade English / Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science.

Areas where MCISD outperformed state average:

Reading: Grades 4, 7, 8  
English / Language Arts: Grades 10, 11  
Math: Grades 4, 7, 9  
Social Studies: Grade 11  
Science: Grade 11

## Commissioner's Court approves loan to jail project

The Commissioner's Court met in regular session on Monday, June 9, with a full court in attendance, consisting of County Judge Ed D. Smith, Commissioners Ronnie Davis, Precinct 1; Donnie Turner, Precinct 2; Franklin Jameson, Precinct 3; Russell Alexander, Precinct 4; and County Clerk Kate Hurt. Also attending were County Attorney Tom Edwards, Sheriff Michael Crutchley, Carol Campbell, Larry Vogt, P.K. Green, and D.A. and Ruby McGuire.

Carol Campbell addressed the court requesting a short-term loan from the county to cover the anticipated invoices of both the roofing and masonry work in the first 30- to 60-days of the jail renovation project.

"The pre-construction, roofing and the masonry work have to be

accomplished simultaneously," Campbell said. "In other words, the parapet on the roof cannot be repaired without the masonry work that would be necessary to secure the gaps; just as the windows cannot be boarded for Phase II without the necessary stone work to secure the windows against leakage," she said.

"Therefore, while we had initially planned to stage the work by making interim payments to contractors; requesting reimbursement from the Texas Historical Commission, and applying the money back into the project for the next stage," Campbell said, "it is necessary to expend funds simultaneously, during the first 30- to 60-days of the contract start date."

The project has raised about \$22,000. The budget for the first

30- to 60-days of the project, consisting of pre-construction, window repair, roof repair and masonry will account for about 80 percent of the total project costs. Administrative, non-construction and in-kind costs account for the remaining 20 percent of the initial Project Budget. The total budget for the first 30- to 60-days is \$44,380. According to Campbell, about \$22,000 is reimbursable from THC.

"The loan will be repaid with interest within six months," Campbell said, adding that she had called the state Project Representative and was assured that once the invoices are received, there would be about a 30- to 60-day turnaround on repayment.

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## Jail Fundraiser highlights drum circle and world-class telescopes

A crowd of residents and out-of-town guests enjoyed chili dogs, chips and drinks in Pioneer Park with the historic Motley County jail as a backdrop on Saturday, June 7.

The crowd listened to the beat of African drums while gazing at the moon and stars through world-class telescopes, courtesy of the Three Rivers Foundation for the Arts and Sciences.

Friends of the Historic Motley County Jail with the help of the Chamber of Commerce sponsored the annual fundraiser to raise money for the restoration of the historic jail. At 118 years, the jail is the oldest still-standing government structure in the county.

Ron Bailey and his trusty dog Rock, along with volunteers of cooks, servers, and board members of Friends kept the chili dogs coming, serving the traditional Texas fare to more than 65 guests.

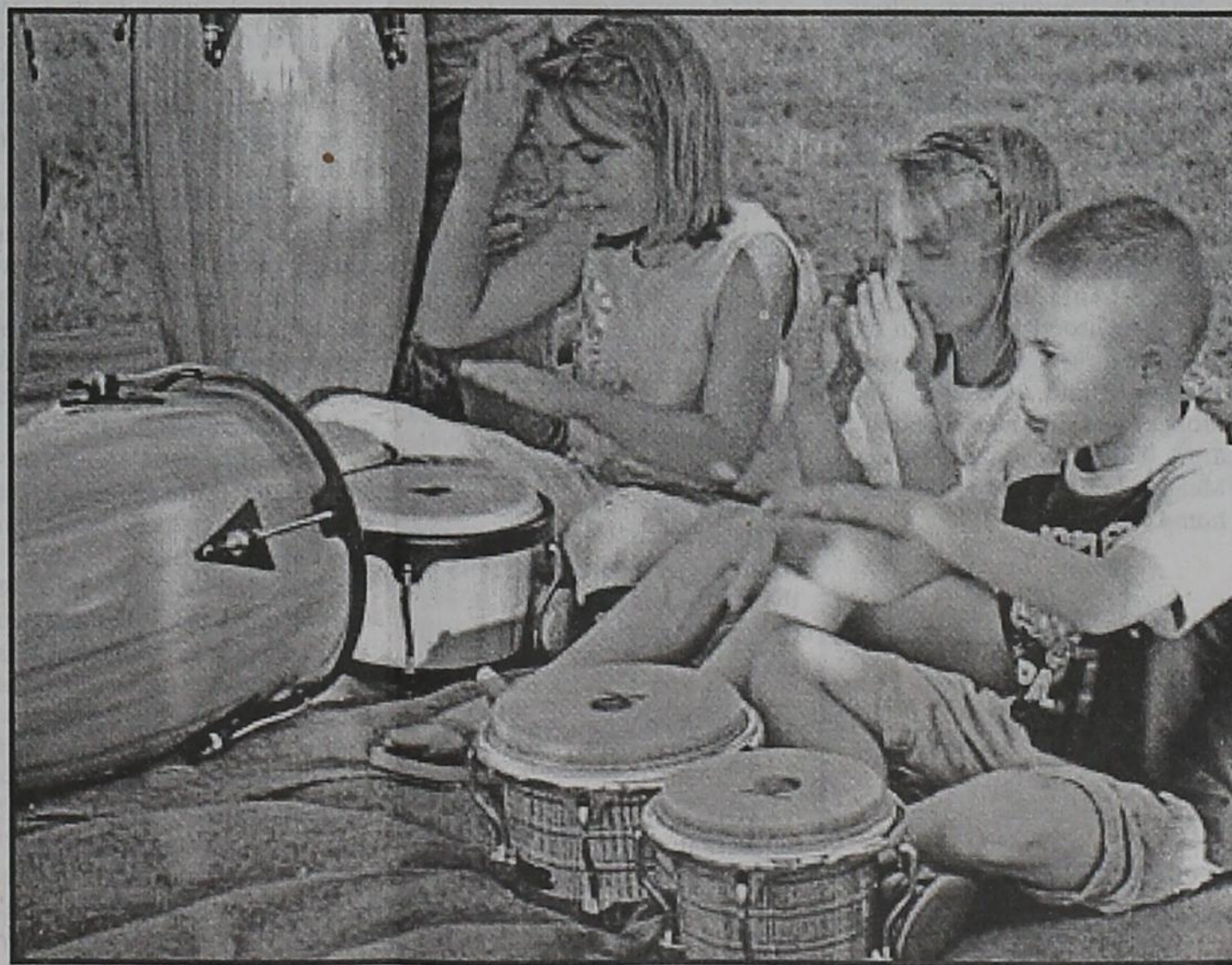
Quanah High School Band Director John Marsh directed the

drum circle, encouraging audience participation. He invited the children to play and adults to learn the rhythmic beats, demonstrating the use of bongos, timbales, djembes and other percussion accessories instruments. He invited the audience to try out the large goblet-shaped drums, following his lead. The jail was opened to the public, and ongoing self-tours with the aide of a "Fact Sheet" on jail trivia was available.

Three Rivers Foundation for the Arts and Sciences (3RF) is a private educational foundation operating at Comanche Springs Astronomy Campus in Foard County, Crowell, Texas.

Three Rivers is located on US Highway 70, about 10 miles west of Crowell, then five miles south to the campus. 3RF is developing into the region's premier astronomy campus. They have currently completed the first two of five major construction phases at Comanche Springs.

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BAND DIRECTOR JOHN MARSH leads the drum circle, while novice drummers learn the rhythm. Grandchildren of Dr. Clinton Lee and Fredia Burns are pictured, left to right: Laura, 8, Lilly, 5, and Zach Burns, 6. They are the children of Wes and Amanda Burns, Bryan, Texas

Photo by Hanaba Munn

## Democrats attend state convention in Austin

Three Motley County men attended the Texas state Democratic Party convention held in Austin, Texas, June 5-7. They were J.N. Fletcher who served as the delegate, E.G. Reed as the alternate and C.W. Moore as the Motley County Democratic Chairman.

Approximately 15,000 people attended, setting a new attendance record. Lt. Col. Rick Noriega, candidate for the U.S. Senate, was back from a tour of duty in Afghanistan and spoke to the convention about where he would like to lead Texas if elected to the Senate. Many of the other major candidates for state offices also spoke briefly.

On Friday evening Chelsea Clinton appeared before the crowd in Austin and told them how much her mother appreciated all their efforts and to please support Barack Obama in November.

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## THIS WEEK'S NEWS

### Matador News

More than 50 guests attend reception for Dr. Diekemper at Hotel Matador.

### School News

After reading "Where the Red Fern Grows," MC 4th and 5th graders learn about coonhounds from local residents.

### Golf News

Greenbelt Golf is underway traveling to Shamrock, Quanah and Roaring Springs.

### Days Gone By

Meteorites, Mirages and Unsolved Mysteries, a three part series from "Motley County Round Up" begins this week.

### County Agent

A rainwater harvesting specialist training is schedule for July 16-18 in Kaufman County.

# Foothill Country

## Connections

Community, Diversity, Art

by Larry Vogt

Father's Day was first celebrated on July 5, 1908, in Fairmont, West Virginia, or on June 19, 1908, in the state of Washington.

For the next few decades, there was a drive for a national holiday and in 1966, President Lyndon Johnson made Father's Day a holiday to be celebrated on the third Sunday of June. The holiday was not officially recognized until 1972, during the presidency of Richard Nixon.

Since my father passed on when I was four years old, my gratitude goes to all the men who stepped in to fill the gap. My

brother Orval saved my life when the lamp shade caught on fire when I was five, my brother Lester gave me a love of classical music, my brother Leroy helped my mother and I when times were tough.

Later on, there was my stepdad Henry who shared a lot with me, and my older step-brothers who put up with my inexperience on the ranch and taught me so many life skills.

We all owe the fathers in our lives and the other men who taught us, nurtured us, helped us out of many a jam, and guided us on our way to adulthood and beyond.

By Laverne Zabielski

Hot! "Summertime, and the living is easy." The line from an old song says. Why was living easier in the summer than any other time? Was it because of the heat you had to surrender to when you didn't have air-conditioning?

I am so busy now, yet every summer when I came to Roaring Springs to visit, I was lifeless, couldn't do anything. Stayed inside mostly. Too hot and too exhausted from the long drive.

"Summertime and the living is easy" should be transposed into *Life and the living is easy*. And I don't mean do nothing and worthless. But, where did all this relentless doing more and more and more come from?

For instance, I must make sure that, after cooking and cleaning the house for company, I gather all the photographs that I have found in my mom's house, organize them, in chronological order, into a book or smaller boxes, and make them accessible for anyone who comes to visit.

This is kind of stress producing, labor intensive project I can create. If I don't do it, what's the cost? Every time I come cross the pictures, after company has come and gone, I will feel remorse. Why didn't you take the time to get those picture down for everyone to see? I'll ask myself. It's too hot will always be a good answer.

And it's true. It forces us to slow down. In the same way the whole county seems to stop for funerals and comfort one another. There have been so many the last few weeks. While there is much grief and sadness there is bountiful comfort and inspiration in the words of friends, ministers and priests.

I was inspired by Father Jose Relente's words at Keith Patton's funeral. "We may be different with our beliefs," he said, "but, we have the same God and we are all brothers and sisters in the eyes of God." He encouraged us to "Love one another, as Jesus commanded. That is most important."

### TRAIL DUST



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Life's kaleidoscope brings strange images inot focus from the changing horizons of days. New thoughts are registered on men's minds; new worries plague their hearts. The sickle of time cuts new growth at every harvest.

Perhaps I am biased on the subject, but I am prepared to defend my opinion that the most satisfying entertainment I have ever gotten out of television was the singing of a mockingbird perched on a high television arial.

The roads of right and wrong are not made dangerous by traffic hazards except at the intersections where change-overs take place.

### RETRO NEWS

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#### ITINERATE PRINTER DEPARTS WITH CASH

FAITH in human nature took a rap across the face for Editor Douglas Meador here last week when he was robbed in his own print shop by an itinerate printer whom he was trying to befriend.

Richard Wayburn, who said he was 22, but who is actually 18, took Meador's billfold from the editor's pants hanging in the men's washroom. Wayburn bid Meador and other employees goodnight and departed. The robbery was discovered about 4 a. m. Thursday morning when Meador left the shop and went home.

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# WRITING COMMUNITY

## In Memory of Fathers

### A Long Time Ago and I was Quite Small

By Pup Price

My father was a complex person. Shy, introverted- often depressed- kind of loving, the gentlest man I ever knew. With the exception of an ill-advised trip to California, Daddy worked the farm hard in the 1920's and the 1930's. After the bank had taken his land, he continued to plant crops in the same fields he had farmed for himself, now belonging to others. He did not have a chance. As the depression made itself known, banks attempted to protect themselves by first taking bank holidays so people could not withdraw their money, and when notes came due they foreclosed on the land, often to their own detriment. They lacked the will and the strength to loan money to farmers to sustain them through another crop, which most likely would have resulted in another crop failure and still foreclosure with deeper debt in the end.

Disaster existed everywhere- it was as Biblical Job suffered, the lack of money was not enough so the rains ceased, the wind and sand blew, and huge green grasshoppers covered the fields, consuming anything of worth that appeared. Weeds continued to flourish, as did Johnson grass and cocklebur. I recall thinking as a child that all we needed to do was find a use for these things since they grew in such abundance with no care required. The fact that I was so tired of chopping and hoeing such plants, and still finding them in abundance, encouraged my thoughts. I am reminded of the Biblical account in the Garden of Eden, after the fall of man when God stated that weeds would grow uninhibited while crops of worth withheld their fruits. Such it was with Adam, such it was with farmers in West Texas during the great draught of the thirties.

My father was a good-looking man with soft dark features and black hair- always combed straight back. Even though not a thick head of hair, it remained with him all his life. When I saw him in California shortly before his death, I only then noticed a definite thinning

of hair. Not tall, he weighed over two hundred pounds. Again, when I last saw him in California, he weighed one hundred and seventy pounds as a result of his illness. He had a dry sense of humor, seldom laughing aloud, but constantly with his eyes. His laugh was shy; he more often than not ducked his head or looked away when laughing, always softly.

Good fun never offended him as long as it could not be construed as ridicule, whether poked at him or others. So called fun with the ability and intent to harm was not accepted by my daddy. He never expressed such humor, nor did he intend to receive it.

It was a long time ago and I was quite small. I recall times when he carried me on one arm and I held on to his neck. I looked down at his feet, fascinated by the pronounced way the heel of his shoe was planted in the dirt before his toe touched down and just how big his feet were. He usually wore a felt hat. He had one for work and one for dress. The only difference was in its cleanliness and the odor. I especially liked the black band that circled the hat just above the brim, thinking of it as a ribbon. When he tired of me sitting on his arm, he transferred me to his shoulders, providing me with a different view of his hat. I could still see his feet as he heel and toed along. Years later when I became aware that he always wore his shoes out on the back of the heel, the image of him walking came to me and I completely understood. I wonder if that also accounts for the toes on his shoes turning up.

He was a good man, and I knew him for such a short period of time, almost not at all as an adult. He was gone for over three years when I was eleven to fifteen. Then I married at seventeen in 1947, and he left for California in 1950. That is only thirteen years of living with him from the time I was born. I saw little of him after he left for California. Only thirteen years. Had I realized then how short life actually is, I would certainly have made other choices with regard to my Father.

### A FAVORITE MEMORY

By Corky Marshall

Everyone has a favorite memory,  
Mine is about my daddy and me.  
Lying out in the back yard on a warm summer night;  
Looking up in the sky at the beautiful sight.  
Daddy would turn to me and say,  
"Look there, Son, there above the Milky Way."  
"Look at those stars; they're shaped like a car,  
Right there Son, under that big brightest star."  
Then he'd see some that looked like a man on a horse;  
I'd hug his neck and see the same thing of course.  
Then he'd see some that spelled my name.  
Though I couldn't read, I'd see the same.  
Then some that looked like a bird in a tree;  
He would say, "Now Son, see what you can see?"  
I'd find the Big Dipper right below the car,

He'd say, "Now follow the handle; there's the North Star."  
Then he'd explain to me now on the darkest night,  
You'd always be looking North when you would see this star so bright.  
Then he would tell me how the sailors could chart their course;  
When they would look and find this God-given source.  
Then he would start a story that rambled on and on;  
About his boyhood times on an East Texas farm.  
He'd tell me about himself and his dad under the same star;  
And about the time he saw his first real car.  
He'd tell about a pack of dogs their neighbor would keep;  
And name them all by name before I fell asleep.  
Then I'd feel my eyes trying to close;  
He'd say a little prayer and let me doze.  
Now the stars are still there, but those days are gone,  
And each night I see them; I remember Daddy, his stories and home.

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### Jail Fundraiser

This project includes all the necessary utilities, access roads, and six observatories. The center piece is a 28-foot diameter dome observatory that is home to a 15" D&G Achromatic Refractor with an adjacent classroom facility.

A roll-off observatory houses a 30" Obsession Dobsonian and a pair of Giant Fujinon Binoculars. Group camping is encouraged and the campus provides the tents and cots.

"We are very fortunate to have this fine facility so close to Matador," Carol Campbell said. "It is well worth your time and effort to go to the campus."

3RF hosts star parties for the public once a month, attracting astronomy clubs from all over the state. The dates are posted on their web site at [www.3rf.org](http://www.3rf.org).

"In addition to all the help from 3RF, I would like to thank the volunteers that helped make this event successful," Campbell said.

### THANK YOU

We would like to thank you for the many acts of kindness and love shown to our families during our recent loss. A special thank you to the Motley County EMS for the best care given to Micky. The prayers, phone calls, visits, flowers, and prayers are appreciated.

Many thanks to those who prepared and served the families the wonderful meal at the First United Methodist Church in Paducah. "Our Micky" loved calling Matador and Paducah home.

We were blessed to have had Micky and blessed to have you as friends.

Suzie Hurt, Thomas & Dora Hurt, Lee Hurt family, Jimmy Don Hurt family, Tommy Hurt family, Brenda Hurt family and Jim Jacobs, Presley and Betty Canon and families.

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### Commissioner's Court

Larry Vogt from the *Motley County Tribune* asked the court for clarification, stating, "If I understand you correctly, what you are proposing is shifting funds from one investment account to another investment account for jail restoration, with basically no change in the interest earned?" The court confirmed the basic assumptions of Mr. Vogt, and voted unanimously to extend a \$15,000 loan to the jail restoration project, to be repaid with interest within six months.

Judge Smith reported that the focus of the jail project has changed from housing law enforcement on the first floor to creating a jail museum. This focal change was due to financial considerations, and can be revisited at a later date, he said.

In other business, County Attorney Tom Edwards said there was "nothing good to report on wind energy."

"The special interest groups are at work in Austin," he said. "To my knowledge no firm decisions have been made on power lines placements."

"And recently, the Office of Public Utility Counsel filed its position statement urging the PUC to move forward very cautiously," Edwards said, "and as it concerns our area, to 'build on the cheap,' meaning minimal initial new transmission line construction with limited capacity."

Other business consisted of three resolution requests, one

from the county commissioner's court in Schleicher County, Eldorado, Texas. Schleicher County is asking for all member counties of the West Texas Rural Counties Association Risk Management Pool to sign a resolution in support of submitting petitions to the State Legislature to appropriate funds to eliminate the financial burden on Schleicher County in dealing with proceedings created by Child Protective Services, a state agency, in their interactions with the children and families residing at the Yearning For Zion ranch in Schleicher County.

Yearning for Zion is part of the Fundamental Latter-Day Saints sect. CPS recently removed 400-plus children from the ranch compound, creating costly expenditures in the county, and according to the County Judge of Schleicher County, thereby burdening the county beyond their personnel and tax revenue means. The court voted unanimously to support Schleicher County with a resolution.

Another resolution was requested by a county commissioner in Sutton County, also serving as an elected member of the Texas Sheep and Goat Predator Management Board that is based out of San Angelo. This group has apparently tried for years to get hunters involved in predator control, and as of June, 2007, a motion was made and passed that the Texas Parks and Wildlife take out \$2.00 on every

hunting license sold in the State of Texas to be used for predator control. This measure has the possibility of raising \$5.4 million for predator control in the State of Texas. The request for a resolution in support of withholding \$2.00 from hunting licenses was approved by unanimous vote.

Another resolution died for lack of motion that requested support for research and development of a statewide county-controlled software system. The County Information Resource Agency has requested one-tenth of one percent of the general revenue fund be used to support an \$800,000 project which will be designed to track criminal justice and financial systems. The cost to the county would be about \$382,000.

The Burn-Ban was reviewed, and will not be reinstated at this time. The ban will be reviewed again in 30 days.

Due to high fuel costs, Cornelius Oil Company, Floydada, sent a letter to the court, saying they could no longer provide 30-day terms on charge accounts. Effective June 23, 2008, all charge accounts will be closed except for those who have a credit card on file or have agreed to new weekly terms with the company. The court authorized County Treasurer Eva Barkley to pay the fuel bill to Cornelius Oil Company by check for each delivered invoice.

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# Hotel Matador hosts Diekemper reception

More than 50 guests registered for a reception Saturday, June 7, in honor of Dr. Lou Dunn Diekemper, who has donated more than \$18,000 for the repair and renovation of the historic Motley County Jail.

Dr. Diekemper was accompanied by her daughter Diane Burchard, grandson Jeremy Burchard; daughters Lou Ann Bergstein and Mia and Gerry Maddoux. Also in attendance from out-of-town were two close personal friends, Gwen Gage and Flo Davis. Also in attendance were county officials Judge Ed D. Smith, Tax Assessor and Collector Elaine Hart; and Jail Restoration Project Architect Hugh Welch and his wife, Hanaba Mann Welch. Friends of the Historic Motley County Jail board members Dink Wilson of Quanah, and Howard and Carolyn Limmer, Snyder; and hostess and board member Marilyn Hicks helped represent the sponsoring organization.

The beautifully restored Hotel Matador was gleaming from staircase to ceiling, and guests were invited to peek in every room, including the famous Heritage Room, formerly the old Warren Clements Barbershop. The beveled mirrors still grace the north wall of the room, reflecting a large over-sized bonnet bed, with a ladder to reach the top. Special features in this guest room include lounging/reading chairs, a bathroom with a large garden tub and stand-alone double sinks, and an 8-nozzle tiled shower.

Upstairs, Ken Young's Western-themed photographs and several large landscapes provide a top-of-the-stairs, stop-standing view of Matador Ranch brandings, scenes of working cowboys, sunsets, and a large defused print

of the mystic red cliffs at Caprock Canyon State Park. Ken's paintings are for sale in the Hotel. This little mini-art view is a must-see.

The dining room tables were decorated with black on white linen table cloths with pink silk napkin squares, and fresh flowers. The serving table was decorated with two vases of fresh mixed flowers, consisting of pink roses and pink daisies; matched by pink plates, cups, glasses, and napkins. Adding to the hotel ambience was Larry Vogt on classical guitar, playing as guests mingled and introduced themselves to out-of-town guests.

The reception menu consisted of Cheesy Pinwheels with Italian Dip, Spicy Mexican Quiche Cups, Mexican Vegetable Roll-ups, Spinach Dip Crisps, Crème de Menthe Brownies, and Sugar Cookie Tarts on a five-tiered serving plate. The table was heaped with Pimento Cheese and Chicken Salad Finger Sandwiches and two large bowls of Spiced Pecans and Orange Glazed Pecans. Two drink tables were available, consisting of coffee, fused water, and Peach Tea Punch.

Carol Campbell, Chair of the Friends organization, introduced Dr. Diekemper, who in turn introduced her guests and family. She was presented a framed picture of the jail as a token of appreciation.

Lou Dunn Diekemper is the daughter of the late Dr. Sam Dunn, who grew up in Matador, and Kara Moore Dunn, the daughter of pioneer Motley County residents. Her grandfather James Rufus "Ruf" Moore came to Motley County in 1888 and worked on the Matador Ranch until 1913. Dr. Diekemper will leave her own legacy in Matador with her generous donation to the jail restoration project.



GUESTS AT THE HOTEL MATADOR reception listen to introductions of Dr. Diekemper and other honored guests. In the foreground, the serving table is laden with 5-tiers of finger foods. Attendees pictured are: (L to R) Suzanne Abbott, Caren Perkins, Shane'a Russell, D'Anna Russell, Hanaba and Hugh Welch, and Olivia Barton. Photo by Rainbow Vogt

# American Cancer Society to provide free services to cancer patients

A representative from the American Cancer Society will be available Tuesday, June 17, from 3pm - 5:30pm at New To You consignment store at 1102 Main Street, Matador. Cancer patients and their loved ones may come by to receive free cancer information and gift items, including wigs, headscarves & caps, and ostomy supplies.

Cancer information, will also be provided to the general public. All materials and information are provided free of charge. Those patients who desire a wig may contact Kathy Oaks at the American Cancer Society with any special requests (color, style, etc.) at 806-441-4472.

The American Cancer Society is also seeking volunteers for its

patient service programs.

Anyone interested in volunteering for these programs, or any other American Cancer Society program, should come by New To You between 3pm - 5:30pm Tuesday, June 17, or contact the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service. For more information contact them at 1-800-ACS-2345 or www.cancer.org.

# 4th and 5th graders learn about coonhounds



LORI ALEXANDER'S MCISD 4th and 5th grade students enjoy a hands on experience learning about coondogs after reading "Where the Red Ferns Grow," by Wilson Rawls. Back Row: Gabby Silva, Luis Mendoze, Korbyn Simpson, Seth Baxter, Seth Markey, Brant Bailey, Logan Ferguson. Middle Row: Caleb Clary, Matthew Faulks, Meagan Ford, Shelby Elliott, Michael Seigler, Hayden Davey, Hannah Mason, Lexy Gullede, Tanner Bearden. Front Row: Cassidy Turner, Katie Barton, Thalia Quilimaco, Kaylee Woolsey, Cat Ward, Braden Pope, Joshua Martin, Bryant Taylor, Braden Bigham, Michael Martin, Bailee Perryman, Macie Marshall, Allison McCoy, Marcus Ortiz.

## continued from page one Democrats attend state convention

During the meeting on Saturday morning, Hillary Clinton's concession speech was broadcast live in the convention hall.

Ex-speaker of the House, Pete Laney, attended the Senate District 28 meeting and was greatly interested in the activities. It was noticed that this year many of the delegates were younger than in previous years and that they were highly educated, including the Region 17 principal of the year, doctoral students, and other educators. A lot of the alternate delegates also came this year. Rooms were packed for the various sessions. A number of people from Senate District 28 were candidates for various elected positions within the party. The Motley County delegates noted that there was a concerted effort by the larger counties to ensure that people

from the smaller counties were given the opportunity to serve on the more important committees.

One of the major issues before the convention was the Texas Two Step Process that involved voting in a booth and voting in a caucus. There was so much input that the issue had to be tabled and no final decision was made. A committee was appointed to study the process and develop a recommendation. Most people felt that the process had to be changed.

The Motley County delegation noticed that there was very little dissension between the supporters of Clinton and Obama. The Clinton supporters were disappointed but vowed to support Obama for a Democratic victory in November.

## It takes a community to teach kids

Everyone wins when citizens participate in the education of their children. Jessica and Devin Ballard are just those kinds of people.

During the last weeks of school when Jessica subbed for Lori Alexander's class she realized the 5th graders were reading the classic, "Where the Red Fern Grows," by Wilson Rawls. It's a story about a young boy, Billy, and the life of the two coonhounds he raised. When Billy revisits his dogs' graves. He finds a red fern has sprouted up between the two mounds. As an old Indian legend goes, only an angel can plant the seeds of a red fern, which never dies and makes the spot sacred.

The Ballards moved to Motley County from a ranch outside of

Tahlequah where the story is set. They have redbone hounds. Jessica volunteered to bring them to Mrs. Alexander's class for the students to see and learn more about hounds and coon hunting.

Jessica and Devin brought dog treats for each student to be able to give the dogs, Stuart and Little Red. And they told funny stories about how Devin sang in a church choir in a small town. He would take Little Red and leave her outside. She would howl and howl, so they finally started letting her come inside the church, and all the women in the choir just loved it.

"The kids loved the dogs," Mrs. Alexander said. "But, I think the feeling was mutual. It was a great experience!"



JESSICA AND DEVIN BALLARD with their two redbone hounds, Stuart and Little Red. The Ballards visited the MCISD 4th and 5th graders when they were reading "Where the Red Fern Grows," by Wilson Rawls.

## Earth Talk

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), traditional gas-powered lawnmowers are a public nuisance to say the least. Using one of them for an hour generates as many volatile organic compounds—dangerous airborne pollutants known to exacerbate human respiratory and cardiovascular problems—as driving a typical car for 350 miles. The EPA estimates that, with some 54 million Americans mowing their lawns on a weekly basis, gas lawnmower emissions account for as much as five percent of the nation's total air pollution. GOT AN ENVIRONMENTAL QUESTION? Submit it at: www.emagazine.com/earthtalk/thisweek/, or e-mail: earthtalk@emagazine.com.

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## More on the Joy of Jesus

We have discovered through study of the Scriptures, that Jesus was not only a "Man of Sorrows" but also a man of joy. In John 17, Jesus was able to experience joy even in the shadow of the cross. This joy came from several different facets of His life.

Jesus had joy from the knowledge of seeing the attachment of His disciples to Himself and their growth in the commitment to follow Him. In our lives today, we can experience joy in watching our children grow in mind and body. We as Christians, see the spiritual growth and development in others, and rejoice in the Lord.

Jesus had joy which comes from a successful mission. This joy was certainly our Lord's, as told in His parables of the lost sheep, lost coin, and lost son of Luke 15. Oh, to be able to share with our Savior in this joy! "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown... (II Timothy 4:7-8) A crown! This is a prospective joy that buoys one up amidst the storms of this life. This helps to keep us cheerful and optimistic. Let us rejoice in the Lord, always.

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# NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

## Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

Everywhere we look there are opportunities...opportunities for fun, kindness, work, something to see. For fun there is planting flowers, singing, playing with grandchildren. Opportunities for being kind abound. There are seniors who are lonely, children who need a hug... a husband who needs you to find something that he has eluded him. Cleaning house, planning and interesting dinner, cabinets to organize, ironing... well that takes some psyching up for me to do. Work is not a curse as some believe but a blessing.

A walk to the park or along the street to see what others are doing in their yards, a trip to Lubbock for necessities; seeing the crops along the way and ah, a vacation with different scenery from home! Everywhere there are pockets of pleasure if we look.

Visiting Pearl Patten and attending Bryce Reagan's (Pearl's grandson) graduation in Quitaque were Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Parker, Lisa and Erica Parker and Tara and DeWayne Allred and baby son of Boyd, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Burkes of Paducah, Bill Palmer of Lovington, New Mexico and Buddy Allen of Pampa also attended.

Pearl Patten, Buddy Allen, and Wilita Burkes went to Boyd, Texas for Lisa Parker's graduation on Thursday night of last week.

Visiting Pearl Patten for several days have been the late Harry Patten's nieces, Sharon Washington and Donna Tipton of Venita, Oklahoma.

J. T. Swim was taken by ambulance to the heart hospital at 4:00 a.m. Sunday. He is being kept for observation; it is believed that he did not have a heart attack. J. T. also fell this week and was taken to the Mangold Hospital in Lockney and treated and released.

### Texas Boys Ranch focus of R S Lions

The Roaring Springs Lions Club held their regular luncheon meeting June 5, 2008 at 11:30 am. There were six Lions and six guests. After a short business meeting, President Wes Campbell introduced Leon Howard from the Texas Boys Ranch who gave a Powerpoint presentation on the Ranch which included information on the Lions involvement with the Ranch.

Mr. Howard explained that previously the Ranch was for troubled boys but that currently the emphasis was on boys with troubled parents. He showed pictures of a cottage that had been funded and built by Lions and said that Lions had a great deal of involvement with the Ranch.

Texas Boys Ranch has been operating since 1975 at their facility just East of the Lubbock airport. They usually care for about 35 boys and try to offer a structured and stable family environment. Each household has two houseparents and up to eight boys. A strong work ethic is fostered by providing opportunities for boys to participate in the daily chores on the 320-acre working ranch.

The program was well received and the meeting was adjourned.

Bill Hand remains with his daughter, Kim Watson at her home in Lubbock. He came home for a short while on Sunday with Kim, her husband Duane, and Abby. He returned back to Lubbock with them. While he was at home he was visited by Robert Shannon and Gary Simpson. Also visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Porter of Plainview. Before Bill comes home to stay he will have cataract surgery this week.

Charlie Long is at home. He is on oxygen and stays inside most of the time.

Keith and Debbie Brooks have been visiting Keith's family: Steven Byrd, Bobby Fletcher, Janice Perryman, Timmy and Tina Brooks this week. They attended church with Steve and Bobby on Sunday. They returned to their home in Newton, Texas on Monday.

The Scotts, family of the late Margaret Scott Slover had their annual reunion at the Springs Ranch this past weekend. It was well attended. A two night camp out, swimming, golf, volley ball and playing in the river were the fun activities they enjoyed. Those who came the farthest were: Phil and Collene Scott Frizzell, Leslie Stevens and boys and Dane Scott all from New Castle, Oklahoma.

The Parks family held their annual family reunion at the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers Community Center on Sunday. Vic Parks from Washington State traveled the farthest to attend this reunion. Linda Hess said that it was well attended.

The writing group met at the home of Corky and Monta Marshall on Saturday morning. There were eight in attendance! Laverne and Larry's family joined us. Larry's daughter, Rainbow Vogt is visiting from California. Beverly Shorter, Jennifer Moncrief, Allison McCoy and Sabra Pope joined us as well.

### R S Volunteers will Sell Community Bldg

The Roaring Springs Volunteers held their regular monthly meeting at the Roaring Springs Community Center on June 10, 2008. After some discussion, a motion and was made and seconded to sell the building to the City of Roaring Springs. The details to be worked out include selling the Community Center building for a nominal price which includes completing the planned repairs and improvements. The motion was passed by a majority vote.

The Volunteers will continue to meet at the Center and plans are under way to have the old fashioned July 4th celebration in Roaring Springs including a full day of activities to be topped off by a fireworks display.

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

### OVERHEARD

Millions of dollars are spent on "character" education in government run schools. My dad gave me mine for free! May you be blessed with a Happy Father's Day.

### CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Cade Calvert, son of Cindy and Chad Calvert, celebrated his birthday Saturday afternoon in the home of his grandparents, Kathy and Clois Shorter. He blew out his three candles on a colorful decorated Monster Bulldozer truck-designed birthday cake. Refreshments of pizza, chips and dips were served, followed by cake and fruit punch. Children attending were given favors of Monster trucks. The had a fun filled time on water slides.

Special guests were his grandmother, Mrs. Wanda Calvert of Turkey and great grandparents, Mrs. Geneva Martin and L.E. Shorter of Flomot.

Others attending were Mrs. Judy Rhodes of Cypress; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shorter of Fort Worth; Jennifer Moncrief, Allison, Matthew and Broden and Melissa Pope of Matador; Mrs. Tina Carson, Walker, Parker and Ryleigh, Mrs. Julie Edwards, Jaxon and Laney of Turkey; Dwain and Christi Milam, Emily and Haley of Petersburg; Kevin and Keri Sehon and Brian of Ropesville; Brent and Chris Withers, Nickolin and Brooke of Midland.

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The Do Gooder's Club completed their beautiful patriotic quilt at Wednesday's club meeting and Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert put the binding around it Friday. They sold chances on it at the PaWa Trade Days. B. Rogers, Waydetta Clay, Suzie Shannon and Anna Beth Clay said despite the hot weather and gusting winds they were pleased with the sale of tickets.

Mrs. Jackie Davis of Fritch visited Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey. They attended the PaWa Trade Days activities.

Mrs. Judy Rhodes of Cypress and Louis and Beverly Shorter of Fort Worth visited during the week with their father, L.E. Shorter.

Wilburn Martin attended the 35th wedding anniversary of Pedro and Antonia Gonzalez Saturday afternoon at the Catholic Church in Matador. He was in Plainview on business, Wednesday. He attended the Cooking for Care Friday evening held at the Hope Center in Quitaque.

Janice and Butch Hughes enjoyed attending the 17th birthday party of granddaughter, Tara Hughes in Floydada Friday evening. She is the daughter of Roger and Tiffany Hughes. They had a cook out supper, decorated birthday cake and ice cream. Friends and relatives had fun playing volleyball. Janice attended the PaWa Days in Quitaque during the weekend.

Ruth and Orville Lee were in Plainview, Wednesday for Ruth a medical appointment. They enjoyed attending the Cooking For Cure at the Hope Center in Quitaque Friday evening. Other Flomot residents attending were Ronald and Waydetta Clay, Joe Edd and Janelle Smith, Shonda Lee, Judy Cruse family, Kathy Shorter, Geneva Martin, B. Rogers and Donnie Rogers.

Mrs. Cally Sperry and children Cash and Gage visited in Canadian Friday and Saturday with husband and father, Will Sperry.

Cary Franks of Idalou, Cory and Amy Franks of Lubbock visited their parents, Connie and Coy Franks Tuesday and attended the funeral services of Donnie Cruse.

Visiting Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton Saturday afternoon were Doyle and Carol Redd and daughter, Mrs. Ann Neal of Horner Lake.

Blayne Young, son of Mrs. Cally Sperry, was awarded 5th Grade Reading Achievement and was one of the Caprock Campers at Caprock Canyons State Park Tuesday and Wednesday.

## Matador News

Tom and Deanie Edwards and Ben Charles and Dvonna Grundy recently attended the Edwards Annual Reunion held each year at Lake Leon, outside of Eastland, Texas. Lots of visiting was done. Grant and Shannon Edwards of Keller, Texas, and Dayton, Brittany and Graham Grundy from Magnolia, Arkansas, were guests also. Jerry and Pat Edwards are the hosts each year. Three of their children, Terry and wife P.J. and children, Ben and Blake; and Michelle and Heather Goad attended also. Susie Edwards and Kristin Lane were unable to attend due to helping move Susie's daughter and family to Alabama. Steve and Valerie Jenkins of Colleyville, Texas, and their daughter, Andrea attended. Andrea gave Steve and Valerie a 40th wedding anniversary brunch. Other friends of members of the families attended also.

Deanie recently spent the night with Marge Edwards in Lubbock and took her to a doctor's appointment. She had lunch Wednesday with her daughter-in-law, Lori Davis and daughter Haley, of Dalhart, who were in Lubbock for a youth camp.

Winifred Darsey visited four days in Dallas with her daughter Joanne Stevens.

Kay Bailey spent two days in Amarillo with her mother Laverna Johnston, who is a patient in Baylor Hospital. She was recently hospitalized due to complications from an attempted

hip replacement.

Carol and Lucretia Campbell traveled to Denton last Thursday to attend the graduation of Lucretia's great-granddaughter Caitlin Christian from Krum High School, in Krum, Texas. Caitlin is the daughter of Craig and Charise Cullin Christian, formerly of Matador. Caitlin was one of four graduates in the distinguished honors program, out of a class of 67. She was awarded an \$8,000 Board of Regents Chancellor's scholarship from the University of North Texas. She will be enrolled in the Honors College visual arts program at North Texas. She also received an \$850 scholarship from the Krum Masonic Lodge for a paper she wrote on Famous Masons Throughout History.

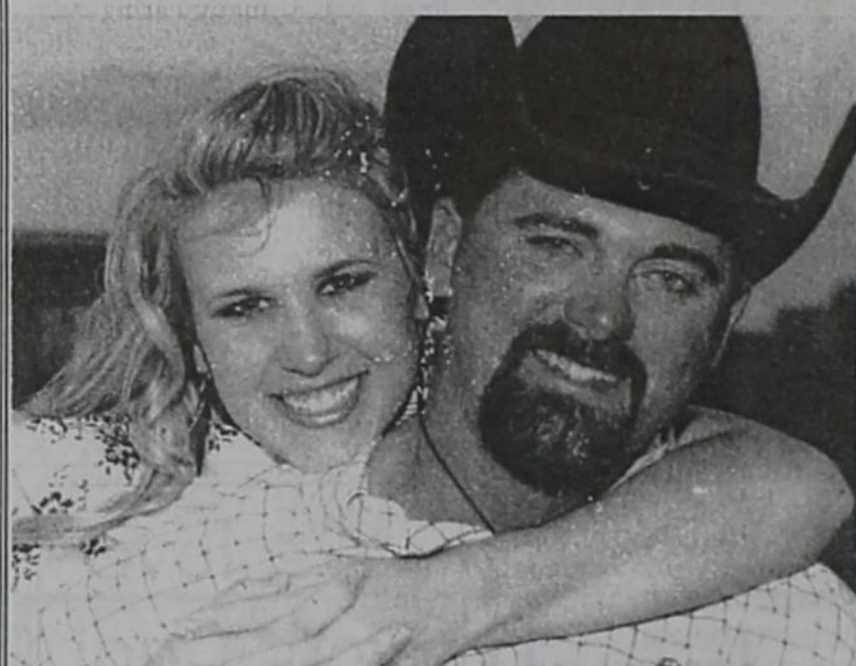
Overnight guests in the home of Carol and Lucretia Campbell for the Diekemper reception and Star Party were Gerald and Penny Pipkin, Lubbock. On Sunday afternoon, Byron and Kelly Campbell, Lubbock, visited in the Campbell home.

Out of town guests attending Keith Patton's funeral were cousins from Georgetown, Texas, Joan and Charles Keith; cousins from Lubbock, Mary Helen and Richard Wall, and Don Paul Keith; and friends, Laro and Gloria De La Garza, son and grandson from Lubbock, Jesse and San Juan Zarate from Dickens, and Glenn Waters from Brownfield.

### Summer Tumbling and Dance Classes

On Thursday, June 12, 2008 Ms. Sherry Ferguson will be here in Matador at the school teaching tumbling and dance. The cost for the summer is \$60.00 For more information you can contact Cathey Turner or Denise Ford.

### Engagement Announcement



Anna Margaret Campbell and Shad Wayne Bradford are pleased to announce their engagement. Anna is the daughter of Polly Campbell and the late Ken V. Campbell of Dougherty. Anna is a 1999 graduate of Floydada High School and a 2003 graduate of West Texas A&M University. She is currently attending Amarillo college of Nursing. Shad is the son of Linda and Ronny Bradford of Spur. He is a 1998 graduate of Post High School and is currently employed at Dawn Cattle Feeders in Canyon. The couple plan an August 2, 2008 wedding in Canyon.



GENEVA WILSON participates in the drum circle at Pioneer Park Saturday.

Photo by Hanaba Munn Welch

### Fairways and Rough

by Tammy Simpson

Scramble  
June 3, 2008

First, with a score of 29, Alan Bingham, Jim Watson, Brandon Moore and Kyle Moore.

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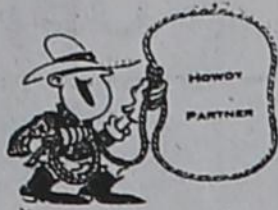
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# Chamber News & Views

By Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort



## Consider

One night a father overheard his son pray: "Dear God, make me the kind of man my daddy is." Later that night, the father prayed, "Dear God, make me the kind of man my son wants me to be."

--Clarence B. Kelland  
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Father's Day is a relatively recent addition to the yearly holiday calendar.

Mother's Day, as celebrated in the USA, was taken over as a imitation of the event in Great Britain. Julia Ward Howe wrote a Mother's Day Proclamation in 1870. Influenced by the devastation of the War Between the States, it was a call for a Mother's Day for Peace. That sense of the day did not prevail, but starting in 1912, various states began to recognize Mother's Day officially as a day to honor all mothers.

It was Sonora Smart Dodd who came up with the idea for Father's Day while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Her mother had died in childbirth, and her father had been left to raise six children on his own. She recognized the courage and sacrifices her father had made, and she wanted her father to know how grateful she was and how important he was to her.

From there, in 1926, a committee was formed to promote the celebration of Father's Day in June. Sonora Smart Dodd's father had been born in June, which is why that date had been

selected, and it has remained the time for Father's Day since then.

While Mother's Day became a national event rather quickly, Father's Day was not recognized by the US Congress until 1956. And it was not until 1972 that Father's Day became a permanent fixture on the calendar, to be observed on the third Sunday in June.

So this coming Sunday, it will be the official day to honor fathers. And part of the recognition is the giving of gifts. And that is always to difficult--what to get for a father?

The old saw "It's the thought that counts" is often forgotten. But it remains true that thinking about what a person would enjoy is perhaps the most difficult part of the exercise. You really have to focus on the person, think about what they enjoy and could put to good use. Maybe a walk through the local shops could help--go to one of the local stores and wander around, looking at what is available. Maybe the right item will catch your eye.

As for the children, the website at [www.morning-glow.com/holidays/father/father.html](http://www.morning-glow.com/holidays/father/father.html) has a really cute idea for a simple project children can make for their fathers, one that expresses in the gift the love and admiration they are feeling.

Fathers contribute a lot more to the development of their children than just the bread-winning aspect, and perhaps thinking about that and letting them know you realize that is the most important part of the observation of the day. Tell them you know.

# Notes from the Library

By Buffy Crutchley



It's that time of year! Our Summer Reading Program is underway. We had a successful first week, with 14 children attending. It was fun coloring our very own cowboy hats. However, the day would not have been possible without the Friends of the Library Volunteers. I have to say thank you to all the folks who have helped us get ready, especially Suzanne, for listening to all my silly questions, and for helping me not make any huge mistakes! Since it's my first year, I want everything to be perfect! And we're off to a good start.

We received a fresh shipment of books in this week, for all the adults out there wanting to do a little summer reading of their own. James Patterson's new hit "Sundays at Tiffany's" arrived along with new books by John Sandford, Mariah Stewart and Carol Higgins Clark, just to name a few.

I've been so long winded lately that I have neglected to share the names of the folks who make memorial donations to the library. These kind people have chosen the library as a way to honor their

loved ones, and I want to be sure I thank them properly. So in the future this will be a regular part of my column. This week I want to say thank you to Larry and Donna Hoyle for the memorial donation they made in honor of Vernard Alexander. Also, thank you to Marihelen Wason and Kenneth and Suzanne Abbott for the donations we received in honor of Donnie Cruse.

As summer gets under way, I want to remind everyone that the Library Annex is available for rental. It is the perfect place to host baby and wedding showers along with any type of meeting you have. Call me today to check availability! The rates are very reasonable, and the room is beautiful!

Kenneth Abbott, George Kline, and Mike Mach were a huge help this week installing our sound absorbers in the annex. The work was quite difficult because of the brick walls, and couldn't have been done without these fellows. They look beautiful, and cut down a great deal on the noise. Thanks guys!

# County Agent's News

by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent



## New Equine Rabies Vaccine Provides Long-Lasting Protection

By Susan Conroy

Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health announces the availability of EquiRab™, a rabies vaccine designed specifically for horses. The new vaccine for horses offers long-lasting protection against rabies in the convenience of a single, low-dose injection.

"Just as it is for dogs and cats, the potential for horse exposure to rabies justifies vaccination," said Craig Barnett, D.V.M., Intervet Senior Equine Technical Services Veterinarian. "Although we don't see a lot of clinical cases of rabies, vaccination against the disease should not be overlooked--especially because it is invariably fatal and has considerable public health significance."

## Rabies Vaccine Considered Core

The American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP) included rabies as a core vaccine in its recently updated vaccination guidelines, which provide veterinarians with current information and recommendations for vaccinating horses in their care.

"AAEP's recent adoption of rabies as a core vaccine reiterates the significance of the disease as well as the efficacy and safety of vaccination, which has been determined to exhibit a high enough level of patient benefit and low enough level of risk to justify vaccination in the majority of horses," said Barnett.

## Rainwater Harvesting Specialist Training

A rainwater specialist training will be held in Kaufman County, July 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> of 2008. This is an opportunity for Master Gardeners interested in becoming specialist in rainwater harvesting. Sign up will close June 30<sup>th</sup>, and only the first 30 applications will be accepted. Applications can be found on the state Master Gardener website at <http://www.texasmastergardener.com> under the training section, and also on the state Texas Rainwater Catchment Association website at <http://www.exrca.org>.

Rainwater harvesting is not a new concept, but is becoming more common with the recent decreases in ground water. For more information on rainwater harvesting you can visit these websites, [www.rainwaterharvesting.tamu.edu](http://www.rainwaterharvesting.tamu.edu), [www.texasrainwater.tamu.edu](http://www.texasrainwater.tamu.edu), [www.rainwater.org](http://www.rainwater.org), or contact your local Extension Office.

## Upcoming Events:

- June 9-13 - State Roundup - College Station
- June 14 - Motley 4-H Horse Club Playday
- June 16 - State Steer Validation
- June 18-21 - District 3, 4-H Horse Show
- June 23 - Motley 4-H Club Meeting
- June 23 - 11 County Camp Registration Due
- June 30 - 11 County Camp - Roaring Springs
- July 8 - Motley Jr. Rodeo Cleanup Day

# Farm Service Agency Reminders

Amy Hackler, CED

- June 15 - Nominations begin for County Committee Elections
- June 18 - Public meeting for County Committee Elections at USDA Service Center 9 a.m.
- July 4 - Office closed in observance of 4th of July
- July 15 - Acreage certification deadline for spring-seeded crops
- July 18 - Signup deadline for Livestock Compensation and Livestock Indemnity program. Also Crop Disaster program deadline.
- August 1 - The last day to accept nomination forms for County Committee.

at your local FSA office or on the FSA homepage. [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov)

- August 1, 2008: Last day to file nomination forms at the local FSA Office.
  - November 3, 2008: Ballots mailed to eligible voters.
  - December 1, 2008: Last day to return voted ballots to the local FSA Office.
  - January 1, 2009: Elected committee members and alternates take office
- Please watch for next week's news which will include who is eligible to vote and who is eligible to hold a position on the County Committee. Please call your local FSA office for any questions you may have.

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## Birth Announcement



Levi and Nicole (Green) Hastey of Plainview announce the birth of their son, Elijah Stephen Hastey, born April 10, 2008 at 1:11 p.m. at Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney. He weighed 6 lbs., 4 1/2 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Ricky and Jackie Green, formerly of Tahoka, and Steve and Carolyn Hastey, all of Plainview. Great-grandparents are Nelta Green, Maurice and Loretta Haste, all of Plainview, and Betty Bearden of Matador.

## THANK YOU

We would like to express our gratitude and appreciation for all the thoughts, prayers, calls, visits, food, cards, and flowers. You have overwhelmed us with all the love and concern shown to our family during this time of illness and loss. We are so fortunate to live in a place where there are so many caring people.

The Donnie Cruse Family  
Judy, Regina and Chad Seward and family  
Brand and Jodi Cruse and family  
Chancy and Christie Cruse  
Roegan Cruse  
Talon and Chris Cruse and family  
Tommie Jo Cruse and family

We love you, Dad!

## Engagement Announcement



Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks, of Flomot, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Cara Sue Franks, to Clinton Dale Cowart. Clint is the son of Clay Cowart, of Gail, Texas, and Marilyn and Hal Phillips, of Huntsville, Texas. The couple will be united in marriage on August 2, 2008 in Roaring Springs, Texas.

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## Meteorites, Mirages, and Unsolved Mysteries

From Motley County Roundup c. 1991 by Marisue Potts

(The Star Gazing Party brought these stories to mind. Most accounts were compiled from clippings from the Matador Tribune, some undated. I didn't make these up, honestly. Marisue)

**Part 1 of 3**

The spring day in May 1880 was clear--the time, high noon. Frank Collinson and his boss were riding on Grapevine Point, ten miles east of McAdoo, inspecting damage from a severe hail storm which had occurred a few days before and killed some calves and an antelope.

Suddenly an unearthly sound shattered the tranquility of the day, frightening their horses. A fiery object, "bright as a dozen suns," passed over their heads as they felt the heat and smelled sulphur. Collinson thought it struck near the Quitaque Peaks.

As he later related to Harry Campbell, "I thought it had completely obliterated the eastern or pointed peak. It appeared to have vanished in a cloud of smoke and dust. After a time [the peak] re-appeared. It had not been struck by the meteor."

At the Matador Ranch headquarters, Mrs. Henry Campbell and cowboys eating dinner at mid-day heard a noise and felt the earth tremble "like an ex-

plosion or firing of a thousand cannons." Rushing outside they saw in the west a glowing streak across the sky and a trail of smoke headed toward the North Pease River country. It seemed to point south to north and terminate near the Quitaque Peaks.

In 1939 Collinson reported that a piece of a meteorite was found near Dougherty and taken to the office of the Floyd County Hesperian in Floydada. "It could have been a piece of the meteor that fell in 1880," he said.

Decades later, Bill Hill looked out of his car window and saw near his house a flaming object strike the ground and go up in smoke, leaving a smell of sulphur. The small object was "shaped like a battery plug" and "looked like a coal cinder," according to R.L. Jameson who was summoned. Claude Jackson said the object appeared "flat on one side, rough on the other and little bigger than your thumb." Similar balls of fire have been reported in New Mexico and the possibility that it was a meteor was investigated by geologists from Texas Tech.

In the fifties, there were a couple of other reported sightings. A ball of fire, as bright as the sun but visible only a few seconds, was seen by Virgil Rattan, who lived east of Matador, and Mrs. T.E. Long, Mrs. Paul Patton, Mr.

and Mrs. Lee Burns, and Conrad Middlebrooks. All who saw the meteor said it was very low and might have fallen close.

Middlebrooks said, "I thought it fell between the Farmers gin and Spears gin." However, the object was actually believed to have hit near Weatherford, Oklahoma. A bus driver was forced to pull off the highway to regain his vision after the ball of blue-green light had passed. A deafening explosion followed, breaking windows in a house near Hinton, Okla.

A flaming meteorite seen by a passing motorist set off search for downed plane between Matador and Paducah, starting in the Tee-Pee City area. Groups searched the lonely, rugged country and the rough gypsum-rimmed hills in vain.

A report from Dougherty said a blazing object was seen in eastern sky; while yet another sighting claimed the blazing object was seen south of Roaring Springs and appeared to fall near the Matador Drive-in Theatre.

A "large bright object with a red border" was seen as Mr. and Mrs. Jack Luckett approached the Mission station in Matador while driving south. It seemed to be heading in a northwesterly direction. "We do not believe that it was a falling star for it did not

fall in an arc but continued on a direct course," said Mr. and Mrs. Jack Luckett.

In the summer of 1965 on August 1, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Rose were driving between Jayton and Spur when they witnessed a long bluish light, with sparks flying from it. As it streaked across the sky from south to north, the light seemed to keep a level course. The Roses assumed it was an unusual kind of meteorite until they read of UFO's being seen in this area. Had they seen a meteorite or a UFO?

On the clear winter night of December 9, 1990, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stephens reported a dazzling light in the sky northwest of Antelope Hill. At first thought to be a helicopter exploding in mid-air, the couple observed a bright dish-like object with a tail, moving west to east. Christy Potts watched the totally awesome fiery object from the driveway of the family's ranch home for what seemed like ten minutes.

The spectacular sighting, widely reported in the western states, was identified as a Soviet rocket body re-entering the atmosphere, one of the 6,500 pieces of space trash orbiting the earth, a legacy of the space program.

# OBITUARIES

## Doyle K. Rose

Funeral Services for Doyle K. Rose, 74, of Matador were held Sunday June 8, 2008 at the First Baptist Church in Matador with Rev. Phillip Hilton and Rev. Johnny Morris, officiating. Interment followed in the East Mound Cemetery under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador, Texas. Mr. Rose passed away June 4, 2008 at the Hackberry Creek Care Center in Matador.

Doyle was born May 15, 1934 in Polk County, Arkansas to Robert Lawrence Rose and Willie Elsie Sullivan Rose. He was married to Carolyn Thrasher in Matador in January of 1956. Mr. Rose worked for Mrs. Baird's Bakery for 41 years and also had a Frito-Lay Route. Doyle and Carolyn also owned and operated Quality Discount Outlet and the Snowcone Stand in Matador

for many years. He served on the Matador City Council for many years and was a former member of the IOOF Lodge. Doyle was one of the original organizing directors of the Hackberry Creek Care Center. He had been a resident of Matador since 1955 and was a member of the Assembly of God Church. Doyle was preceded in death by one son Kenny Rose on October 19, 1997, by his wife Carolyn on November 26, 2004, and by two brothers Glen and Gerald Rose.

He is survived by his son, Tony Rose and wife Sherry, of Matador; his daughter, Coleen Baxter and husband Don of Matador; three brothers, Alton Rose of Athens, Texas, Kenneth Rose of Wickes, Arkansas, and Gene Rose of Mena, Arkansas; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## Keith Patton

Funeral Mass for Keith Patton, 85, was held on Monday June 9, 2008 at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Matador, Texas. Interment followed in the East Mound Cemetery under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador. Mr. Patton passed away Thursday, June 5, 2008 in Lockney. He was born April 21, 1923 to Marvin S. Patton and Helen S. Keith in Matador, Texas. Pallbearers were: Tye Keith, Clay Jameson, Steve Hess, Pete Gonzales, Mike Norrell, and Randy Reeve.

Keith was a graduate of Matador High School and was a Valedictorian. He continued his education at Texas Tech earning

his bachelor's degree. He lived in Mexico for a year before returning to Matador to become a farmer-stockman for over 30 years and taught for four years in the Texas Public School System. Keith was a veteran and served in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He was an American Iris Society Judge and a member of the American Legion. On February 3, 1962 he married Joan Moyer in Babylon, N.Y. Mr. Patton was a lifelong resident of Matador and a member of the Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife, Joan, of Matador and by numerous cousins. The family suggest memorials to a favorite charity.

## Sid McFall

Funeral Services for Sid McFall, 80, of Quitaque were held Monday, June 9, 2008 at the First United Methodist Church in Quitaque. Interment followed in the Resthaven Cemetery in Quitaque under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador. Mr. McFall passed away Friday, June 6, 2008 in Childress. He was born January 9, 1928 in Kent County, Texas to Sid O. McFall and Delila M. Courington. Sid was a cowboy working on area ranches for 50 years. His work was his joy in life. He was a member of the Texas Cattle Raisers Association, Quarter Horse Association, American Paint Horse Association, worked with the Motley County 4-H program, and helped start the Motley County Junior Rodeo. Sid was a U.S. Army Veteran and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Quitaque where he has been a resident since 1988.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Eunice of Quitaque; one son, Bruce McFall and wife, Ann of Adrian, Texas; one daughter, Beth Whitener and husband Gene Paul, of Paducah, Texas; three brothers, Jack McFall of Silverton, Texas; Bud McFall of Cottage Grove, Oregon; and Bill McFall of Pampa, Texas; one sister, Alpha McFall of Watsonville, California, four grandchildren; John Whitener of Paducah, Becky McFall of Spur, Nesa Palmer of Newkirk, New Mexico, Paula Whitener of Aspermont, Texas; three great-grandchildren, Gage Renfro, Seth Palmer, and Bryer Gunnels; and special friends, Todd and Theresa Washington of Flomot, Texas. Memorial contributions maybe made to the FUMC of Quitaque or the Caprock Library of Quitaque.

## Hospice Hands of West Texas

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**Norma Zamora**

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Norma is the proud mother of four children, Krystal, Luis, Gabriel and Amanda. She has a beautiful granddaughter, Neveah. She attends Sacred Heart Church and enjoys spending time with her family, reading and dancing. "Since working with Hospice Hands I have found it to be very rewarding," says Norma.

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## MCISD recognizes five for perfect attendance

Five Motley County ISD students had perfect attendance this school year. Sam Moore from the sophomore class, Cassidy Turner, Michael Martin and Logan Furgeson from 5th grade and Cameron Stafford from 1st grade.

Motley County Parents Club

awarded these students prizes ranging from a digital camera to ipods and a nintendo video brain game. Instead of drawing for the prizes which is what is normally done it was decided, since there were only five students, to award a prize to each one.

Great Job Kids!



MCISD PERFECT ATTENDANCE awards were give to five students. (L to R) Cameron Stafford, Cassidy Turner, and Michael Martin. Not pictured, Sam Moore and Logan Furgeson.

## Senior Citizens Menu

**THURSDAY, June 12:** Beef fajitas, lettuce/tomato/salsa, grilled vegetables, bean & corn salad, tortillas, cake.

**FRIDAY, June 13:** Chicken fried steak/gravy, baked potato, green beans, biscuits, apples.

**MONDAY, June 16:** Baked ham/pineapple, steamed rice, chinese vegetables, roll, ginger

**TUESDAY, June 17:** Beet enchiladas, refried beans, tossed salad, cornbread, lemon pudding.

**WEDNESDAY, June 18:** A) liver & onions; B) Ham w/pine-apple, peas & carrots, roll, tossed salad, mixed fruit w/cookie.

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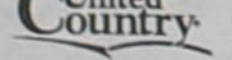
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## Farm Service Agency

### Reminders:

Amy Hackler, CED

#### USDA ANNOUNCES DEADLINE FOR LIVESTOCK DISASTER PROGRAM SIGN-UP

Amy Hackler, Executive Director for USDA's Farm Service Agency in Motley County announced on June 9, 2008 that livestock producers have until July 18, 2008, to enroll in the 2005-2007 Livestock Compensation Program (LCP) and Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP). Signup began on Sept. 10, 2007, for the two programs that provide aid to livestock producers who suffered eligible livestock or livestock feed losses between Jan. 1, 2005, and Dec. 30, 2007, because of a natural disaster.

The LIP provides payments

#### USDA ANNOUNCES CRP PERMITTED USE FOR LIVESTOCK FEED NEEDS

Eligible CRP Acres Allowed to Hay and Graze; \$1.2 Billion Forage Made Available

The USDA has authorized certain acreage enrolled under the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) to be available for hay and forage after the primary nesting season ends for grass-nesting birds.

"This action will provide much needed feed and forage while maintaining the conservation benefits from the nation's premier conservation program," said CED Hackler. "Eligible farmers and ranchers will be able to plan for harvest of forage after the end of the primary nesting season this summer."

Prices for most field crops have advanced to record or near record levels in recent months, reflecting strong demand, tight supplies and competition for acres. The increased demand for commodities and resulting higher prices has impacted the livestock industry in particular.

More than 24 million acres of land enrolled in CRP will be eligible for this critical feed use program. USDA estimates that this program will make available up to 18 million tons of forage worth \$1.2 billion.

"In authorizing this critical use of CRP acres for forage, USDA is also taking strong measures to preserve CRP's environmental benefits," said CED Hackler.

Eligible land may not be hayed or grazed until after the end of the primary nesting season.

Also, some of the eligible land or forage of the land must be reserved for wildlife and any land

to eligible livestock owners and contract growers who incurred the death of livestock because of a natural disaster. The LCP provides payments to eligible livestock owners and cash lessees who suffered feed losses or increased feed costs because of a natural disaster.

More information about LCP and LIP is available online at: <http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov>. For more information on FSA programs, visit your local USDA Service Center or the agency's Web site, <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

that is used under this authority must have a conservation plan. In many instances, the removal of some of the grass cover will increase the diversity of the stand and provide long-term benefits for wildlife. Further, the most environmentally-sensitive land enrolled in CRP will not be eligible. The land will be subject to a site inspection to ensure compliance with the conservation plan. No rental payment reduction will be assessed on contracts being utilized for this critical use. However, a \$75 fee will be charged to process the required contract modification.

Signup for interested CRP participants began June 2, 2008, at local Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices. This modification for critical feed use is only for 2008. All forage use must be completed no later than November 10, 2008.

Under CRP, farmers and ranchers enroll eligible land in 10- to 15-year contracts with USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC). FSA administers CRP on behalf of CCC. Participants plant appropriate cover such as grasses and trees in crop fields and along streams. These plantings help prevent soil and nutrients from running into regional waterways and affecting water quality. The long-term vegetative cover also improves wildlife habitat and soil quality.

Additional details including Fact Sheets, Maps and statistics are available at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/conservation>.

## Patton Springs Project Graduation a great success!

The Patton Springs "Project Graduation Drug & Alcohol Free All Night Party" was a great success, and all the kids had lots of fun playing ping pong, laser tag, volleyball, and wrestling in Sumo suits!

The kids and adult sponsors also enjoyed lots of pizza, Krispy Kreme Donuts, snacks, and drinks, which were provided by CapRock Telephone. We appreciate the support of our community as we work to keep our kids safe.

Thanks to the following individuals, businesses, & organizations who generously contributed to this event:

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## Greenbelt Golf underway

Greenbelt Golf is underway. Children from six towns around the area travel to different golf courses playing for the End of Year Trophies. Greenbelt's first tournament of the year started in Shamrock on June 2, with ninety-six young golfers playing in 110 degree weather. Boys and girls age groups range from K-3rd group, 4th and 5th group, 6th, 7th, and 8th group and High School. Each age group is rewarded 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place medals and accumulates points for the final tournament when trophies are given to the top three in each division.

Motley County golfers traveling to Shamrock were Caleb and Micky Clary, Bryant and Austin Taylor, Coby Cochran, Korbyn and Kyla Simpson, Jonathon Osborn, Christian Brooks, Britt Simpson, Bryson and Regan Elliott. To start Greenbelt off right, Micky Clary placed 2nd in the K-3rd boys, with Bryant Taylor bringing home the gold in the 4th and 5th grade boys. 6th, 7th and 8th had Christian Brooks with 1st and Jonathon Osborn with 2nd. Last but not least, Kyla Simpson brought home second for the 9th and up group.

On June 9 golfers once again set their alarms early for the drive to Quanah. Recently Quanah had a tornado go through their town and knock down many power lines. Electricity was not up until Sunday after-

noon but that did not detour 102 young golfers. There was a lot of debris on the course and some damage to the club house, but with some cloud overcast and cooler temperatures the golfers had a great day.

Traveling to Quanah were Mathew Faulks, Courtney Alexander, Korbyn and Kyla Simpson, Mattie and Christian Brooks, Bryant and Austin Taylor, Jonathon Osborn, Micky and Caleb Clary, Bryson, Shelby and Regan Elliott, Garrett Jameson and Britt Simpson. As always this group of golfers made Motley County Proud. In the 4th and 5th grade boys group Bryant Taylor brought home the gold with Caleb Clary in 4th place. Mattie Brooks was 2nd in the 4th and 5th grade girls.

Motley County had a clean sweep in the 6th, 7th and 8th grade boys group with Motley County bringing home all the medals. Christian Brooks 1st, Jonathon Osborn 2nd and Austin Taylor 3rd. Courtney Alexander brought home the gold for the 9th and up girls.

Golfers will travel to Childress, Saturday, June 14, and the Roaring Springs golf course will be raided on Tuesday, June 17. On Monday, June 23 the tournament will be in Wellington. Golfers will finish the year end tournament in Memphis on Friday, June 27 and trophies will be rewarded.

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- 12 4B Board Meeting, 5:30 pm
- 12 Matador City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 14 Motley 4-H Horse Club Playday
- 16 State Steer Validation
- 17 Matador Lions Club, Methodist Church, 12:30pm
- 18 Do-Gooders Club quilting at Flomot Community Center, 1 p.m.
- 18 - 21 District 3, 4-H Horse Show
- 19 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
- 21-22 Relay For Life, 7pm to 7 am
- 23 Motley 4-H Club Meeting
- 23 11 County Camp Registration Due
- 26 Matador Eastern Star, 6:30 p.m.
- 30 11 County Camp - Roaring Springs

### July

- 1 Matador Lions, Methodist Church, 12:30pm
- 3 Roaring Springs Lions, Hitchin Post, 11:30am
- 4 4th of July celebration, Roaring Springs
- 5 Men's Breakfast, MFBC, 7 am
- 8 Motley Jr. Rodeo Cleanup Day
- 8 Roaring Springs Volunteers, Community Center 7 pm.
- 10 Matador City Council, City Hall, 6:30 pm
- 14 Motley Co. Commissioners Court 9:30 am
- 14 Roaring Springs City Council, 6:30 pm
- 15 Matador Lions Club, Methodist Church 12:30 pm
- 17 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
- 24 Matador Eastern Star, 6:30 pm

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