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Happy Birthday America

A Spirited 10th Annual Celebration held in Roaring Springs

By Carol Campbell
Motley County Tribune

Residents and guests of Motley County invaded downtown Roaring Springs to celebrate Independence Day with festivities that began in Veterans Park and ended 12 hours later with a blowout, over-the-top fireworks display.

The Memorial Service, sponsored by the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers, began with an invocation by the Rev. Bill Manney who prefaced his solemn prayer with a moving history lesson. "In the summer of 1776, John Adams called the American Revolution the most complete, unexpected, and remarkable of any in the history of nations - 236 years later, history has proved him right."

Mayor Corky Marshall led the Pledge of Allegiance and Nancy Long led the audience in singing the Star Spangled Banner.

The Rev. Mike Crowley spoke to a crowd of about 30 residents and guests beginning his remarks with "It is amazing - we are here today in the greatest place in the greatest state and in the greatest nation on Earth."

Crowley's cautionary remarks centered on responsibility to our children, he said, to "talk about how things were."

He talked about his own plans to take his grandchildren to Arkansas to show them the old home place. "We need to let them see through our own eyes and hear in our own voice the sacrifices that were made," he said, "to reinforce the liberties we enjoy today."

Following a stirring rendition of "My Country 'Tis of Thee" the group dispersed to line the streets for the annual Riding Lawn Mower (and other vehicles) parade organized by community volunteers Alex and

Jo Crowder. Dean Kennedy on horseback, son of Donna Kennedy, Roaring Springs, carried the American Flag and led the parade.

In addition to lawn mowers, other categories included bicycles, cars, and "other" vehicles like fire trucks, go-carts, golf carts, and ATVs; and this year - real "horse power" - the four-legged kind. Three horses with four girls riding double brought up the rear of the parade. Riders were Mattie Brooks, Kaylee Woolsey, Autumn Woolsey, Savannah Young, and Callie Everett.

The Floydada Car Club "all deserved First Place ribbons," Jo Crowder said, showcasing a 1953 gleaming black with silver chrome, fully-restored Studebaker; and a 1950s two-toned Classic Bel Air Chevy. The Windmill Café crew drove a 1979 restored Cadillac Seville, courtesy of Frank and Tommy Covington, of Dougherty, Texas. Perry Gullede drove a 1985 Jeep; and Betty Roberts of Matador drove a 1955 Red Chevy pickup pulling a restored Coca Cola chest on wheels.

What would July 4th be without fried chicken and fireworks? The Windmill Café served a record crowd at an old-fashioned fried chicken meal with all the trimmings. At 2:30 p.m. the annual Dog Obedience and Costume show was a howling (literally) success with Max-the-Search-and-Rescue Dog (owned by Curtis, Denisa, and Hanna Brown, Dalhart, Texas) displaying his tracking skills.

This is not Max's first rodeo. He has been performing for the July 4th crowd in Roaring Springs for several years. Along for the ride this year was the Brown's 6-month-old Dalmatian, Hope. Hope is "in training" to ride the Dalhart Fire Department's red fire truck - that is, when he gets his skills honed. He can sit and lie down on command but had a bit of trouble mastering the stairs to get on the stage. Hope almost completed a roll-over for treats. He made a



1st Place Hilarious Hat Contest Pictured is Steven Byrd, winner of the Hilarious Hat contest. Steven designed July 4th banners for decorations in the Community Center.



1st Place, Float Division Pictured is Trinity Ward, daughter of Lyndee and Tim Ward. Grandfather Joel Dean Spray, a pilot, built the little airplane. Trinity's sister, Jordon Ward, is pictured in the background on a Barbie 3-wheeler that she maneuvered in the parade with the help of grandmother Debra Spray.

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"half-roll" and was promptly rewarded for his efforts by Hanna Brown, granddaughter of Jo and Alex Crowder.

The Hilarious Hat contest was won by Steven Byrd this year, sporting a bright red Fedona and wearing a tee-shirt with the American Bald Eagle. Judges for both contests were Zella Palmer, Tina Brooks, and Margaret Leonard.

About 20 Bingo players played for prizes from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Bingo was a new addition to the schedule this year, and proved to be a crowd pleaser. Event planners ran out of playing cards, and "wannabe" Bingo players were turned away. Businesses in Matador and Roaring Springs donated goods and services.

The first annual Cake Walk at \$1.00 a play was choreographed to music that sent guests scrambling for a vacant chair when the music stopped. Guests that found a seat got a chance to win a homemade treat. More than 30 cakes, cupcakes, pies, and cookies baked by community volunteers, were given away.

The Roaring Springs Community Center was lavishly decorated with red, white, and blue banners on the walls (courtesy of Steven Byrd); and glittered red, white and blue stars

Commissioner's Court terminates housing contract with SPCAA

\$425K housing grant de-obligated for Motley County

By Carol Campbell
Motley County Tribune

The Commissioner's Court met in regular session on Monday, July 9, 2012, consisting of Commissioners Franklin Jameson, Roy Gene Stephens, Donnie Turner, and Russell Alexander with County Judge Jim Meador presiding. Also in attendance were County Clerk Kate Hurt, County Attorney Tom Edwards, and Sheriff Chris Spence.

Judge Meador announced in Open Forum that Ben Kautz, longtime TXDOT representative for Motley County, has transferred to Ralls, Texas. His replacement has not been announced.

In the first order of business, a motion was made by Commissioner Russell Alexander, seconded by Franklin Jameson, to appoint Carol Campbell to the Central Plains Center (CPC) board. Campbell has been filling the unexpired term of Pat Moore. The appointment will run for two years. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The CPC 10-member board consists of a consortium of rep-

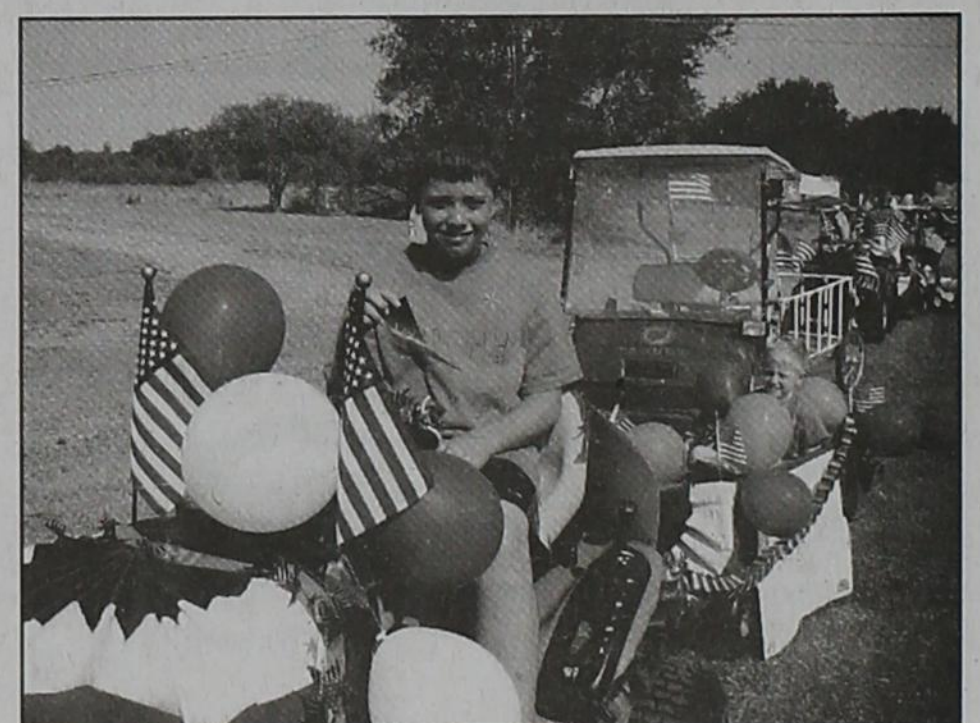
resentatives from nine counties consisting of Bailey, Briscoe, Castro, Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Motley, Parmer, and Swisher counties. The board provides oversight for programs for persons with intellectual disabilities and chemical dependency and their families through accessible services and resources in the service area.

A discussion on a Burn Ban for the unincorporated areas of Motley County was initiated by Judge Meador who said he had talked to Fire Chief Lee Jones who said the citizens of Motley County were being responsible but that we might want to consider a burn ban for the future. No action was taken.

A lengthy discussion was initiated by Judge Meador regarding the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) grants recently denied due to administrative errors. A deadline of June 30, 2012, was imposed by the state to access a Reservation Program through TDHCA.

However, since the court only meets once a month, the state allowed Motley County to for-

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1st Place, Lawn Mower Division

Pictured is Bowen Johnson, pulling his brother Hogan Johnson, grandchildren of Jenny and Jerry Johnson, Matador.



1st Place, Golf Cart Division

Pictured (L to R) are Audrey Caporale, Bailey the Dog, and Adley Johnson, grandchildren of Jenny and Jerry Johnson, Matador.

Signs of Summer in MC



Eli Jenkins, Catcher

Motley County Youth Organization Summer Baseball

photo by Annie Freeman

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Foothill Country

Connections

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



By Larry Vogt

Every time the lights go out we get a little taste of inconvenience, history, and maybe a bit of raw panic. The inconvenience is "aw shucks, we can't make ice cream" or maybe a stumble as we try to find the nearest portable battery operated light.

The history is the realization that our folks or grandparents who lived at the beginning of the 1900s did not know that electricity even existed. They were used to living more in tune to the rhythm of daylight and nighttime cycles and had their kerosene lamps ready to light up when the darkness of night arrived. They also had a limited supply of kerosene, also called coal oil, and went to bed not long after dark.

The raw panic may come after a few days without power and the realization that we will have to go without power for a few more days. The raw panic has to do with survival and we start to wonder if we have enough food to feed us for a week, if we can get water, if we can survive the heat if it's

summer, if we can survive the cold if it's winter.

When our lights went out last night, I found the flashlights pretty fast, since I had just organized and found most of them a few days ago. Since there seemed to be a storm brewing, we had already shut down the computers and electronic gear and pulled the plugs from the outlets and resigned ourselves to an evening without streaming a movie. Usually the absence of a bit of entertainment is no big deal, but when all the power was out we kind of packed it in and went to bed. We did call the neighbors and determine that just a few households had been affected and knew the power company was going to solve the problem within a few hours. There was not much lightning but there was rain and wind so damage to the electric lines was possible.

The interface with the power company was all automated. I called them from my cell phone and pressed the right numbers until they assured me they would call when the power was back on. At 1:30 in the morning they (the automated computer voice) called and the power was back on and we were saved.

It does make you think about how to survive without air conditioning and refrigeration. I suppose it's all a matter of adapting to whatever life throws your way.

WRITING COMMUNITY

Namaste, Friends and Family! From Kolkata, India!

By Stevie Welch

Daughter of Stephen Zabielski, Granddaughter of Ray and Grace Zabielski
Great Granddaughter of Tom and Stella Tilson, Great Great Granddaughter of Gabriella and Andrew Butterfield



Stevie on right with the Missionaries of Charity sisters in Kolkata, India.

Continued from July 5, 2012

Editors note: Stevie Welch follows in the footsteps of her Texas and Motley County ancestors without ever knowing them. Her great great grandfather, Andrew Butterfield, was a missionary among the Indians. Stevie's story, as a missionary in India, is worth sharing. When Andrew Butterfield was first recommended to preach, he was asked, "What is Faith?" He replied, "The substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Stevie's work in India is a manifestation of faith.

By the time I arrived at the wrought-iron gate of the convent, the sky was light and Sister Vinita's smiling face greeted me. The taxi driver unloaded the bags from the trunk which cost me an unforeseen Rs100 extra! See how they get ya?!

Sister Vinita showed me my bed and I hear the other Sisters upstairs singing the morning prayers. The familiarity and peacefulness of the convent was heartwarming!

This first day, once I had settled into my living space, I decided to take a walk around the neighborhoods I had navigated during the week I was here just two and a half years ago. I was anxious to see how well I could remember the streets from the convent to Mother House and from Mother House to Sudder Street. Mother House is the convent that the Missionaries of Charity sisters live in. This is the Catholic order that was started by Mother Teresa on October 7, 1950. It is also where Mother Teresa's tomb is located and an extremely sacred and spiritual place. This is where the MC Sisters and volunteers seek divine guidance and inspiration. Catholic Mass is held at the Mother House every morning at 6:00 a.m. and this is where the volunteers gather for breakfast at 7:00 a.m. every morning,

except Thursdays (our only day off). Sudder St. is the epicenter of volunteer activities. There are several inexpensive guest houses, foreign-friendly and clean restaurants, and of course, dozens of clothing stores and souvenir stands with vibrant clothes, bags and scarves and bracelets sparkling with every color imaginable! Because of this, it is where most volunteers and traveler's stay. The drawback of Sudder St, however, lies in the fact that it is known to some opportunistic Indians as a place where good-hearted travelers reside and money is more prevalent. Therefore, organized begging occurs more often on the streets in and around Sudder.

The evidence of the British rule in this area was everywhere. Many buildings had ornately carved details and characteristics of the Victorian era. All of which were deteriorating and covered in filth, and I ponder with amusement what a 19th century, respectable Englishman living in Calcutta, would think if he were to see the city today!

Some locals were bathing while others were opening their stores. I smelled the deep fried street food being prepared and men were gathering around the chai stands for their morning dose of the deliciously sweet tea served in small terra-cotta cups. By 10:00 a.m. fruit and vegetable vendors had their goods layered out on blankets lining the streets. Fish and meat were laid out in the same way. With the scorching heat and the multitudes of flies that unceasingly swarm the vendor's supplies, and the absence of any sort of refrigeration, I wonder how long this meat can sit out without going bad! I saw a man riding a bicycle with a dozen chickens tied to the back, hanging upside-down. I thought for sure they were dead, but on second glance, I saw one blink. I observed fish

being sold and could see the gills still struggling for air. This is a place of raw survival mixed with the vibrancy of Indian culture, colors, and smells; life and death are everywhere.

The next morning, I woke up at 5:25 a.m., in time to make the fifteen minute walk to Mother House for Mass. Once inside the convent, I take off my flip-flops and walk barefoot inside. It is respectful to take off your shoes when entering a person's house, store, or place of worship. I sit on the floor of the small room with the alter in the front, a picture of Jesus behind it and a statue of the Holy Mother Mary to the right.

The windows are open, with the fans blowing, and the sound of the unceasing traffic horns below makes it difficult to hear the Priest. Father Marcel pauses in what he is saying, as he knows he cannot compete with the raucous trolley screeching on its rails in the street below. There is a wonderful dichotomy of this though. The peacefulness of the Mass, in contrast with the chaotic pandemonium in the

fascinating and exciting constantly surrounded by such diverse and interesting people! Sister Mercy Maria leads us in a prayer, giving us strength to use our hearts and hands to help those less fortunate, and we finish with a song. There are some announcements, and we sing a farewell song to volunteers whose last day it is. There are always volunteers coming and going, so we sing the farewell song every morning. Saying goodbye to volunteers leaving, and meeting new volunteers all the time, reminds us of the constant transience of life. This sense of transience is similar to the Tibetan Buddhist's sand mandalas, in which they spend days creating and destroy in a few minutes when finished. Similarly, we embrace the volunteers that come and go.

From breakfast, we all disperse to our respective volunteer sites and then unite to do it all again the next day. So it has been for me the past week!

I'm sure you are wondering what I do for volunteer work, as well. I will go into more detail in my next post, once I

have been working more and have more stories to share. Briefly, though, Sister Mercy Maria, the Sister responsible for placing volunteers in various sites that fit their interests, decided it was best for me to use my Nursing professional skills in a place called Shishu Bhavan Dispensary. This is a place where the underprivileged, who live on the streets, or are otherwise too poor to pay for adequate medical care, come to our location and receive the medical care they need. On certain days, we are set up to assess and give treatment based on patient complaints, such as fever, nausea and vomiting, pain, skin conditions, arthritis, and wounds. A lot of conditions we see are based on the poor water quality here. Scabies and fungal infections are common, as well as infected wounds. A typical complaint of almost everyone is a "generalized itching" sensation. On other days we go to a local village to do the same thing. We provide care to the whole spectrum of ages, from babies to the elderly. I am privileged to work alongside doctors and nurses from all over the world, as well as the gracefully beautiful Sisters who have given their entire lives to do this everyday, in the name of God the Father, Jesus Christ the Savior, and the Holy Mother Mary. It is awe-inspiring! Everyday, I realize how fortunate I am to have this experience!



A street in Kolkata, India

streets below, makes one think of the same opposition in one's own heart. We are constantly bombarded with the fast-paced lifestyle that surrounds us, and the choice to live within our soul. We can choose to be one with the Holy Spirit, in the sanctuary of God's love which is present within each of us. The MC Sisters sit on the floor alongside the MC volunteers, both together in communion with the unconditional love of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The volunteers gather for a simple breakfast of chai, white bread and bananas after the Mass. All are invited, whether at Mass or not. We sit and talk with each other, constantly meeting new people from all over the world, of all different ages and backgrounds. It is

Until next week!
God Bless,
Stevie

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Local residents attend SouthWestern Live Steamers Meet

By Monta Marshall
Motley County Tribune

Ken and Suzanne Abbott, Roaring Springs, attended the SouthWestern Live Steamers meet held in Midland on Friday, June 23, 2012, where model trains run the rails and people ride and swap equipment and information.

Ken took part of his model train to the meet. His train is a replica of trains that were common during his boyhood. The meeting was held at the home of Phillip Bell, Midland.

The SouthWestern Live Steamers is an organization of men and women who build and run model trains. These trains travel on rails that are 7-gauge (that is, 7.5 inches apart) and are big enough for people to sit on and ride. The engines, originally, were mostly coal-fired steam engines but as coal is harder to find and is more expensive, many of the engines run on propane, diesel or electricity.

These little trains vary as to size, number of cars, method of propulsion, and decoration according to the personality and pocketbook of their owners.

The men and women of the

SouthWestern Live Steamers build tracks (railroads) on their property and invite those who have these trains to come to a "meet" at which the trains run the rails and the people ride and swap equipment and information.

The length of the tracks will vary according to the property of the owner. The tracks in central and east Texas may have bridges over a pond or a stream. There may be stretches of track through stands of trees. In West Texas the tracks tend to run through flat land. The hobbyist make their tracks and buildings to scale and as authentic as possible. Imagination is used in creating interesting landscapes for their train's track display.

These train hobbyists become friends and look forward to seeing each other at each meet. The owners of the trains and tracks are generous with their hospitality and invite townspeople to ride the trains during the meet.

This year, 2012, is the 40th Anniversary of the SouthWestern Live Steamers and there is a special anniversary tour, featuring nine meets which began in Devine, TX, on March 23-25, and will end in Magnolia, TX,



The train yard with many of the trains parked.



Kenneth Abbott with his long-time train friend from Midland, Roy Hoover are standing by some of the cars that Kenneth is in the process of building.

Museum and Historical Commission to Meet to Discuss Innovative Ideas for Future

Marisue Potts
Motley County Tribune

On July 24 friends and members of both the Motley County Museum and Historical Commission will meet at the museum at 6:30 p.m.

An exciting new project to photograph family ranch owners and their historic ranches will be outlined. Details of several tours designed for fund-raising and economic development opportunities will be shared.

Other items to be discussed are reorganization of the museum board, future direc-

tion of the two groups, grant opportunities, membership and memorials, and ways to offset the rising energy costs. Because funds are short, the need for volunteers to staff the museum for tours or visits is an on-going concern.

Involving younger people in the preservation of county history is essential to the future of both groups. Everyone who attends is urged to bring someone younger to this joint meeting. For more information on this important meeting, call Marisue Potts at 806 269-1098.

New Residents Arrive at Caprock Canyons State Park Prairie Dog Relocation is Latest Phase for Habitat Restoration at Panhandle Area Park

QUITAQUE, Texas - There's a new town along the Texas Panhandle Plains.

And much like the pioneer predecessors who arrived hundreds of years before, the residents of this new unincorporated settlement arrived with little fanfare, minimal provisions, and will build meager, basic living accommodations for their families. Likewise, they come seeking only a new frontier of freedom and embody a primal spirit of survival.

On June 28, 29 Black-tailed Prairie Dogs were reintroduced to Caprock Canyons State Park's Honey Flat area as part of a prairie restoration project to return the park's landscape and wildlife back to its appearance prior to European settlement.

"This is the latest phase in our attempts to restore this prairie ecosystem," said Donald Beard, Caprock Canyons State Park superintendent. "Restoring the Texas State Bison Herd into the park will probably always be the flagship of our effort, but our plans also include bringing back other animals and native plants to make the land more complete. Adding a prairie dog town is one more part of that, and it will add another popular wildlife viewing opportunity for park visitors."

These transplanted animals were donated by Lynda Watson, a private prairie dog advocate and relocation specialist from nearby Lubbock, who had held the animals in a three-week quarantine before being released into the park. In preparation for their arrival, park staff pre-drilled several holes to encourage the animals to begin making their dens. Bottomless cages filled with hay and food were placed over some of the holes to provide temporary shelter and protection from predators.

Black-tailed Prairie Dogs are

an indigenous, keystone species to the Texas Panhandle, but once upon a time, they were hunted, even exterminated to reduce competition for cattle and other livestock. However, recent decades have brought to light information that has begun to change public perception—that prairie dogs can actually play a useful role in the fragile prairie ecology. Grazing by prairie dogs decreases annual and non-native vegetation, such as mesquite trees, while at the same time increasing beneficial perennial grasses such as buffalo grass and blue grama.

Typically, prairie dogs settle in large family groups—called towns—with a labyrinth of interconnected burrows and holes, and also benefit numerous other native species such as Burrowing Owls, Black-footed Ferrets, Ferruginous Hawks and Swift Foxes. A few hundred years ago, these oversized ground squirrels roamed some 700 million acres across the Great Plains of North America with a population estimated to be more than 5 billion animals.

The transplanted prairie dogs at Caprock Canyons will be confined within the interior of the 15,000-acre nature preserve to prevent the animals from leaving the park borders. Environmental boundaries such as heavy brush, steep canyon cliffs and natural funnels along with constant monitoring and population management practices will assist park staff in containing the town within the 200-acre defined habitat enclosure.

"Another part of having prairie dogs on site here in the park is for education for the visiting public," Beard added. "Although prairie dogs can compete with cattle and livestock, it has been found that in healthy pastures, there is sufficient forage available for cattle and dogs, even under heavy grazing pressure."

Crowell Ranch Rodeo on July 20th and 21st in Crowell, TX

The 4th Annual Crowell Ranch Rodeo will take place this Friday and Saturday (July 20th and 21st) at the Foard County Horse Club Arena in Crowell, TX beginning at 7 pm each night. Tickets will be \$6 for Adults and \$3 for children under 12 years old. We have many local cowboys competing for prize money in Sorting/Doctoring, Wild Cow Milking, Team Branding, and Remuda Roping. There are still many slots on each night for new teams. Entry fees are \$400 per team.

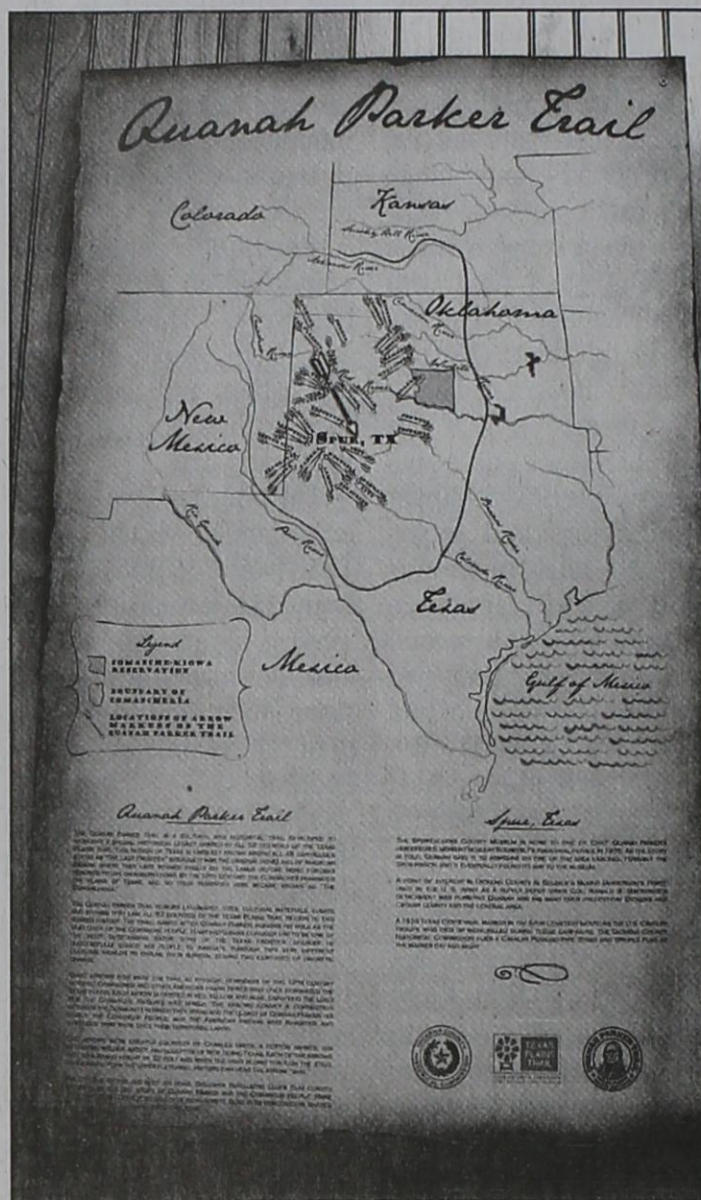
Proceeds from the Crowell

Ranch Rodeo go to benefit the Foard County 4-H Horse Program and Foard County 4-H. Come out and enjoy the fun!

Call the Foard County Extension Office at 940-684-1919 or Ed Crosby at 940-655-8158 if you have any questions or would like to sign up a team.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture and the County Commissioners

Permanent Quannah Parker exhibit sponsored by Dickens County Historical Commission



Map of the Quannah Parker Trail

A permanent Quannah Parker exhibit sponsored by the Dickens County Historical Commission can be viewed at Dairy Queen in Spur, Texas. The Quannah Parker Trail is a cultural and historical trail developed to highlight the shared legacy of the 52-counties of the Texas Plains Trail Region.



Interpretive exhibit

An exhibit designed by Emily Nash Long, formerly an exhibits designer for TTU Southwest Collection, in collaboration with the Dickens County Historical Commission, is now on display at the Dairy Queen in Spur. The exhibit consists of seven photographs elegantly transposed on mounted wood panels.

GREAT IS OUR GOD



Our God is such a magnificent God! His faithfulness toward us is amazing and His promises are greater than anything we could ever imagine. Christians have hope in God's calling, riches of the glory of His inheritance and His power that is our strong support. The

early church understood what a great and glorious God he is. In reading the book of Acts and also the Epistles, one finds such expressions.

Our God is a powerful God. His power raises the dead. His power was demonstrated in the resurrection of Jesus. His power seated Jesus on high and to give Him supremacy over all things.

Sometimes we forget that we need to trust God. There are times that we neglect to remember the precious promises that He made for us. When this happens we tend to try to live our lives apart for the powerful blessing of being a child of the powerful God of heaven and earth.

Let's not fail to recall who is still in control. Remember who has supremacy over everything. Have faith in our great God. He is faithful to His promises and to His people. Truly, what a great and glorious God He is!

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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

On a personal note

I believe the annual Roaring Springs Fourth of July extravaganza was a big success. The dog show and hilarious hat contest did not have as many participants as in former years but the newly added events; bingo and a cake walk were really a hit. The cake walk was a rollicking good time with much laughter and a few falls in the floor! (No one was hurt; they got up laughing at themselves.) A nice array of Bingo prizes was donated. The brisket supper was delicious and served without a hitch; there was plenty of ice cream to go around and some second servings. The fireworks had been well taken care of and there were no duds even though they had been held over from last year because of the burn ban. The show was spectacular as usual and well attended. Timmy Brooks and Gary Simpson were in charge of the fireworks show. It seemed to me like there were more people having fun than usual. Several 'out of towners' were present, many being campers from the Roaring Springs Ranch.

The rain was sure welcome. At our house we had one-half inch. At Teepee Flat, one inch, thirty hundredths fell. Buzz Thacker was not available to get an official measurement for Roaring Springs.

In the community

City Secretary Lisa Perryman and Mayor Corky Marshall attended a training meeting sponsored by the South Plains Association of Governments held in Lubbock on Tuesday of this week.

Scott and Sonia Upfield and boys Carson, Bennett and Brady visited Sonia's parents, D. A. and Ruby McGuire. They attended the 4th of July celebration. Curtis, Denisa and Han-

nah Brown of Dalhart, TX, were here to visit her parents, Alex and Jo Crowder and to participate in the parade. They brought their dogs, Max a search and rescue dog and Hope a five month old Dalmatian puppy that is being trained as a fire dog.

Boyd and Laura Long's grandchildren are visiting this week. They are Coy and Fayth Meyer, Kamryn McCustion, and their little friend, Chris Fowler, all of Big Spring, TX.

On Sunday, Vince Taylor's family visited him. They were: Bubba and Brandi Taylor and Blake of Turkey; his parents, Frank and Jimmie Taylor, his sister, Jody Piper and children, Aiden and Cord all of Paducah.

Many of the people from the antique car club in Floydada stayed for the day's festivities and the barbeque supper on the Fourth of July. Their cars featured in the parade brought back many memories of days gone by.

Blair Thacker Wilson was here on the Fourth. She brought Backroad Barbie's, the line of clothing and accessories that she and Janelle Kilmer Turner sell. They own the small vintage camping trailer that has been restored that was parked on Broadway. The trailer is their traveling Backroad Barbie's Boutique.

The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers would like to thank all who helped with the celebration and a special thank you to Timmy Brooks and Gary Simpson for their pyrotechnic skills and all who baked for the cake walk and made ice cream. These activities help defray the cost of the fireworks show. I would like to thank those who participated in the dog show and Steven Byrd for participating in the hilarious hat contest.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

Among life's questions is one that still confounds: Why do sweets weighing ounces increase one's weight in pounds?

Community News

Mrs. Darrell (Brenda) Cruse and granddaughter, Reese Cruse of Turkey, visited overnight Thursday in Snyder with son and family, Derrick and Christina Cruse, Paisley and Cash. Friday, they enjoyed the Water Park in Big Spring before returning to their respective homes.

Roger Hughes of Floydada visited during the week with his mother, Mrs. Janice Hughes.

Mrs. Marisue Potts of Mott Creek Ranch and Mrs. Judy Renfro of Matador had lunch July 4th with their aunt, Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton.

L.T. Starkey of Ralls visited Thursday with his brother, Johnie Starkey.

Joey Lee of Clarendon visited Sunday with his parents, Ruth and Orville Lee.

Visiting Friday and Saturday with Wilburn Martin and Dr. David Martin was Mrs. Marilee Cooper, Mrs. Kendra Cooper and daughter, Cheney and Carl Cooper of Borger.

Michael Starkey of Canyon visited from Monday

until Friday with his mother, Mrs. Nada Starkey.

Visiting this week with Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay are granddaughters, Karlee Kleibrink of Clifton and Ryleigh Carson of Turkey.

Brooke Sehon of Wolf-orth visited from Friday until Sunday with grandparents, Kathy and Clois Shorter.

Connie and Coy Franks, and her mother, Mrs. Erma Washington, were in Idalou July 4th and celebrated Heston Franks third birthday with all the trimmings. Attending was his family, Mr. and Mrs. Cory Franks, Madison and Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Cary Franks of Idalou and Cara and Clint Cowart of Southlake.

Connie and Coy Franks and Mrs. Erma Washington were at Covenant Lakeside Medical Center in Lubbock, Sunday, July 8, to welcome a baby boy, Cal Thomas, son of Mary and Cary Franks of Idalou.

Matador News

Mr. and Mrs. Gary B. Laughlin of Midland visited Friday with his sister, Mrs. Earlyne Jameson at Lockney at Rehab Center with her husband, H.R. "Skeet" Jameson as they were enroute to vacation in Colorado. Visiting Skeet Sunday were niece and husband, JoAnn and Dois Pace of Andrews.

Friendship Social at Do Gooders' Club Meeting

The Do Gooders' Club met Tuesday afternoon, July 3, 2012, at the Community Center in Flomot. Mrs. Waydette Clay, president, was unable to attend so they did not have their usual business meeting.

Hostess Mrs. Connie Franks was also absent as she took her mother, Mrs. Erma Washington to the doctor. However, she managed as always to do a good job of bringing refreshments for the meeting before she left.

The table was laid with a white cloth with patriotic colors in observance of July 4th. She had a beautiful blue sprinkled granite service that has been treasured through the years. She served sausage rolls and a red, white, and blue fruit plate arrangement of blueberries, bananas and strawberries served with fruit punch.

Members attending and enjoying a friendship social were Mesdames Mary Jo Calvert, Nada Starkey, Tommie Jo Cruse, Barbara Payne, Anna Beth Clay and Kathy Shorter.

Matador News

By Marilynn Hicks

Rain!!!! Life is good . . .

Martijn and Eveline Broeders from Amsterdam found Matador on the web and decided it would be a good place to visit to get a feel for Western America. Martin builds websites and works out of his home in Amsterdam, and Evelyn is an auditor for the government and works in The Hague. They were traveling on west from here.

Dorine Day and her son, James Frazar, from Denver, Colorado, brought the ashes of J.L. (Lee) Day to be scattered on the family farm. Dorine is a physician who works with high risk pregnancies.

Delores and Tim Adair from Palestine hear that Matador was a party town so came to participate in birthday parties for three days. I think one of them was for Sheridan, granddaughter and pretty daughter of Jenni and Patrick Adair.

They said that even the confusion of a 3-year olds party wouldn't compare to their return to the home kitchen which is being remodeled. Delores is a full time homemaker and Tim is a nurse anesthetist . . . as he says, "he passes gas and pushes drugs." You got to love these people.

From one of the other congregations, Lorelei and Michael Shannon from Pflugerville were visiting this weekend with her parents, Bill and Arlyce Manney. Lorelei is a special education aide who accompanies students into classrooms to which they have been mainstreamed. Michael works in software support for IBM. They also made a trip to the Springs to swim and get a respite from the heat.

Butch and Scott Prince as well as Garland Head brought in and worked on setting up new deer blinds on their lease which is north of town. These are some of the hunters who have been staying with us

since we opened the hotel. The heat and three flat tires brought them in on Saturday, but they think they will only have to have one more day of prep before season. They were very complimentary of the service Tim Ward extended to them on a Saturday afternoon.

Jeremy and Michelle Albers celebrated their 5th wedding anniversary hiking Caprock Canyons and relaxing. They live in Canyon where he is a physical therapist in a nursing home, and she teaches 2nd grade. They have two young children, ages three and 12-weeks. The main thing they enjoyed was being able to sleep late.

Selah and Joe Reposa from Channelview stopped in on their way home from South Dakota. They had been vacationing throughout the middle states. Joe teaches high school and college English. Selah is an administrator in the special education department where her main job is fielding questions and concerns from parents. They were both happy to have some "down time."

I never got to tell you that we had a Cox-Russell reunion the weekend of June 23rd. It was a wonderful gathering of the descendants of Luther and Meddie Cox. Mom (Dorothy Cox Russell) is the matriarch of this group, co-chaired by our Aunt Lea (Leona Terry). We headquartered at Caron and Jesse's and Ronnie and Shelley's houses who were wonderful hosts. I have to especially acknowledge Ron Cox for his excellent organizational and culinary skills. His smoked beans are to die for. Dee brought a water slide and pool that she got for her grandchildren and that was a real hit with the kids. Next time we meet, stop by, we will never know if there are a few extra people, and it is a fun time.

50th Wedding Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Bobby G. Williams of Matador celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family trip to the Texas Hill Country. The occasion was hosted by their children. They are the parents of Paige (Bryan) Barnes and grandparents of Zoe and Madilyn of Lubbock. Jeanne Watson and Bobby G. Williams were married July 14, 1962.

MOTLEY COUNTY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM APRIL 1, 2012 TO JUNE 30, 2012

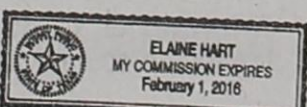
FUND	BALANCE April 1, 2012	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	BALANCE June 30, 2012
GENERAL FUND Operating	\$ 8,802.04	\$ 116,792.91	\$ 117,450.20	\$ 8,144.75
GENERAL FUND - Investment	\$ 202,650.00		\$ 78,500.00	\$ 124,150.00
SPECIAL FUND	\$ 103.91	\$ 13,451.52	\$ 13,215.00	\$ 340.43
SPECIAL FUND - Investment	\$ 14,850.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 11,300.00	\$ 4,550.00
ROAD & BRIDGE # 1 Operating	\$ 288.61	\$ 16,106.16	\$ 16,230.81	\$ 163.96
R+B # 1 - Investment	\$ 24,350.00		\$ 7,000.00	\$ 17,350.00
ROAD & BRIDGE # 2 Operating	\$ (1.56)	\$ 23,413.50	\$ 22,782.33	\$ 629.61
R+B # 2 - Investment	\$ 15,150.00	\$ 2,900.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 7,550.00
ROAD & BRIDGE # 3 Operating	\$ 417.45	\$ 19,080.61	\$ 18,656.61	\$ 841.45
R+B # 3 - Investment	\$ 47,700.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 45,300.00
ROAD & BRIDGE # 4 Operating	\$ 185.26	\$ 13,597.17	\$ 13,373.77	\$ 408.66
R+B # 4 - Investment	\$ 18,401.00		\$ 2,250.00	\$ 16,151.00
LATERAL ROAD	\$ 10.00	\$ 1,480.00	\$ 1,480.00	\$ 10.00
LATERAL RD - Invest TexSTAR	\$ 11,533.46	\$ 5.95	\$ 1,480.00	\$ 10,059.41
CAPITAL ACQUISITION	\$ 77.53	\$ 2,023.89	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 1.42
INVESTMENT - TexSTAR	\$ 70,986.00	\$ 8,650.00	\$ 4,630.00	\$ 75,006.00
Interest - TexSTAR	\$ 488.56	\$ 168.76		\$ 657.32
Invest-CD - VISTA BANK 12mos	\$ 218,351.66	\$ 247.08		\$ 218,598.74
Invest-CD - VISTA BANK 12mos	\$ 101,558.92	\$ 88.31		\$ 101,647.23
COUNTY FUNDS TOTAL	\$ 735,902.84	\$ 222,605.86	\$ 326,948.72	\$ 631,559.98
STATE COURTS COSTS	\$ 26.03	\$ 14,289.25	\$ 13,952.19	\$ 363.09
LIBRARY	\$ 12,316.16	\$ 4,620.43	\$ 5,863.17	\$ 11,073.42
HOT CHECK	\$ 4,399.73	\$ 646.54	\$ 981.54	\$ 4,064.73
TOTALS	\$ 752,644.76	\$ 242,162.08	\$ 347,745.62	\$ 647,061.22

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BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, ON THIS DAY PERSONALLY APPEARED EVA BARKLEY, MOTLEY COUNTY TREASURER, WHO BEING SWORN, AND UPON OATH, SAYS THAT THE WITHIN AND FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Eva Barkley
EVA BARKLEY, COUNTY TREASURER

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Elaine Hart
Notary Public

This Week's Local Forecast

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Mostly Sunny 91/71	Mostly Sunny 93/71	Sunny 92/70	Partly Cloudy 95/70	Partly Cloudy 94/71	T-storms 90/72	Partly Cloudy 92/70

Weather Trivia

What is the least humid city in the United States?

Weather History

July 12, 1951 - Flooding in the Midwest claimed 41 lives, left 200 thousand persons homeless, and caused a billion dollars property damage. Kansas City was hardest hit. The central industrial district sustained \$70 million dollars in property damage.

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Library Journal
by Carla Meador
Librarian

Reminder – if your child participated in our Summer Reading Program, don't forget that the reading challenge is still in progress until July 27. When the participant's card is full and all 20 books have been read they must turn in their card to me at the Library to be eligible for the Grand Prize drawing which will take place August 1. The prizes are spectacular – a girls' and a boys' bike in the kindergarten through 2nd grade division and a Sony video camera in the 3rd-5th grade division.

June was a record month for check outs at the Library. Our patrons checked out a total of 1,082 books, DVDs and audio books! Thank you for your continued support and use of the Library!

New books on the shelf this week are *Coming Home* by Karen Kingsbury, *Seven-X* by Mike Wech, *Blood Feud The Hatfields and The McCoy's: The Epic Story of Murder and*

Vengeance by Lisa Alther, *To Heaven and Back* by Mary C. Neal, MD, *Implosion* by Joel C. Rosenberg, and *Rediscovered Treasures A New Life for Old Objects* by Ellen Dypop and Hanna Kristinsdottir.

New audio books are *Calico Joe* by John Girsham and *Carry Yourself Back To Me* by Deborah Reed.

In our Juvenile section we have *The Magyk Papers* (Septimus Heap) by Angie Sage.

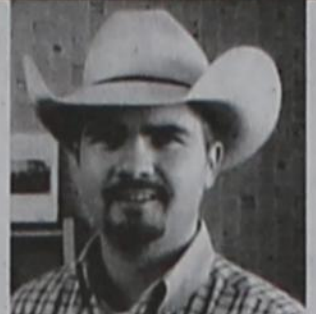
New DVD's are *Act of Valor*, *Mission Impossible Ghost Protocol*, *Memorial Day*, and *Mondayball*.

I will be out of the Library Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for a short vacation. I very much appreciate our volunteers for filling in for me. I will miss seeing you, but will enjoy a little time with my grand kids and camping at the Springs.

Library hours are Monday, 2-5 p.m.; Tuesday – Thursday, 1-6 p.m.; and Friday, 9 a.m. – 2

County Agent's News

by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent



Drought-killed trees could become liability issues for landowners

COLLEGE STATION, Texas – A tree that falls in a lonely forest may not make a sound, but what about the tree that falls on your neighbor's house?

The sound it makes? Ch-ching.

Texas Forest Service is encouraging homeowners and landowners to remove fire- and drought-killed trees that are within falling distance of neighboring homes, roads and pathways. Failure to do so, agency officials say, could make you liable for damages.

"Be aware that your tree could fall onto someone else's property," Texas Forest Service Central Texas Operations Department Head Jim Rooni said. "The rules vary from place to place, but generally the owner of the tree is responsible. Bottom line: You could be liable."

Rooni said foresters received an influx of calls following the deadly wildfire that ripped through Bastrop last September, destroying roughly 1.5 million trees. But the liability issue isn't limited to trees killed by fire, he said.

Texas is emerging from one of the most devastating droughts and one of the most unprecedented wildfire seasons in state history. Though there is no official count for the total number of trees killed by wildfire, foresters and analysts have estimated that as many as 500 million trees in rural forested areas and another 5.6 million trees in populated urban areas were killed as a result of the 2011 drought.

The sheer volume of dead trees – especially those standing in populated areas – poses a significant hazard, Rooni said.

"Standing, dead trees are dangerous and unpredictable," Rooni said. "If they fall, they can cause serious damage – and even death."

If your tree still has yet to sprout green leaves, forestry experts say it's most likely dead. If you're not sure, read our Texas Forest Service [tree assessment guide](#), check out our [facebook photo album](#) to see examples of trees in varying states or contact a [certified arborist](#).

If you have questions regarding liability on public land or rights of way, contact your local county sheriff's department or county commissioner's office. For questions regarding liability issues on private property, seek counsel from a reputable legal source.

Rainwater harvesting seminar scheduled July 28 in Clarendon

CLARENDON – An educational rainwater harvesting seminar, complete with a hands-on installation demonstration, has been scheduled for July 28 in Clarendon, according to Leonard Haynes, Texas AgriLife Extension Service agent for Donley County.

The seminar will begin with registration from 8-8:30 a.m. at the home of Sarah Sorelle, 507 W. 5th Street. Sorelle, who is helping sponsor the event, has offered her home as a demonstration location due to her interest in conserving water.

"The hands-on installation demonstration will be led by the world-renowned rainwater harvesting expert, Billy Kniffen, who has presented this topic at several locations across the United States," Haynes said.

Kniffen is the AgriLife Extension state rainwater harvesting specialist.

Following the hands-on portion, a meal will be provided along with an educational program at the Donley County Activity Center, 4437 N. State Highway 70. The program will end around 3 p.m., he said.

There will be a \$10 registration fee per person. Checks should be made payable to Donley County Texas AgriLife Extension and mailed to Box 682, Clarendon, Texas 79226.

Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by July 25 to the AgriLife Extension office in Donley County at 806-874-2141 or 806-282-7680, Haynes said. Call the same numbers for more information or directions.

Haynes said this meeting is a joint effort between Greenbelt Water Authority, City of Clarendon, Sorelle and AgriLife Extension, and targets communities within the Greenbelt Water Authority – Clarendon, Hedley, Memphis, Childress, Quanah and Crowell – but is open to anyone.

"Not only has the Greenbelt Water Authority identified depletion of water resources as a major concern, but the Texas water-supply planning process has identified that surface and groundwater supplies will not be able to meet future water demand," Haynes said.

Water conservation and development of alternative water

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By Ace Reid



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supplies is necessary to meet the growing demand for fresh water, according to Kniffen. Rainwater harvesting is an innovative alternative water supply approach anyone can use. Rainwater harvesting captures, diverts and stores rainwater for later use.

Captured rainwater is ideal for use in landscaping, because the water is free of salts, minerals and chlorine and it adds water back into the ground and aquifer, Kniffen said. It is also useful in attracting and providing water for birds, wildlife and livestock and brought into the

home for non-potable or potable use.

Implementing rainwater harvesting techniques directly benefits local communities by reducing demand on water supplies, and reducing run-off, erosion and contamination of surface water, he said.

In many communities, 30 to 50 percent of the total water is used for landscape irrigation, Kniffen said. Capturing rainwater for use in the landscape makes efficient use of a valuable resource, reduces water bills and reduces demand on the water supply.



Sheriff's Desk
by Chris Spence

For the month of June, 2012, the Motley County Sheriff's Office received 33 calls from citizens and drove 6,811 patrol miles.

CASES: Cases, 9; cases solved, 6; Cases under investigation, 3; amount lost to theft or burglary, \$11,000.00; Amount recovered, \$150.00; Motor vehicle accidents investigated, 1; Assaults, 0; Thefts, 2; Burglary, 0; Burglary of Motor Vehicle, 0; Unauthorized use of Motor Vehicle, 0; Criminal Mischief, 2; Disorderly Conduct, 0; Family Disturbance, 3; Livestock Calls, 5; Assist Citizens, 8; Assist Outside Agency, 2; Civil Standby, 1; Suspicious Person, 3; Home & Business Alarms, 1; Welfare Concern, 4; Traffic Hazard, 0;

Criminal Trespass, 0; Drug Paraphernalia, 0; Prisoner Transport to TDCJ, 1; Cruelty to Animals, 0.

ARRESTS: Misdemeanor, 2; Felony, 0.

PAPER SERVED: District Court, 0; County Court, 0; JP Court, 1; Out of County Court Papers, 2; Bailiff for Court, 2.

TRAFFIC: Traffic Citations, 4; Traffic Warnings, 11; Funeral escorts, 0.

TO THE CITIZENS OF MOTLEY COUNTY: The Sheriff's Office is here to serve the citizens. If you see anything suspicious or someone driving reckless, please call the Sheriff Office at 806-347-2234 or Sheriff Spence at 806-269-3577.

Commissioner's Court terminates housing contract with SPCAA continued from page one

mally de-obligate \$425,000.00 for five county applicants in July, thereby paving the way to place the county in a Reservation Program. The city governments of Matador (three applicants at \$255,000) and the City of Roaring Springs (five applicants at \$425,000) have already de-obligated funds.

The Housing Trust Fund (Reservation Program), established by the 72nd Legislature, was created to provide affordable housing for low and very low income individuals and families. Funding sources consist of appropriations made to the fund, unencumbered fund balances, and public or private gifts or grants. According to Judge Meador, the fund currently has about \$12 million. Program funds are available on first-come, first-served basis.

While the county, along with the City of Roaring Springs and the City of Matador had initially submitted 13 qualified applicants for housing grants for about \$1.1 million, according to Grant Administrator Bill Powell, the South Plains Community Action Association (SPCAA) "dropped the ball." SPCAA admitted they did not meet the required benchmark dates for getting the paperwork in to secure the grants, Edwards said.

"They (SPCAA) did not timely

file requests for extensions of time to file paperwork," Edwards said. "SPCAA claims that the people in Austin changed the rules on them," he said, "nevertheless, a request for an extension was filed for the City of Spur and granted," he said, adding, "No request was timely filed for Floyd, Dickens, or Motley County and the cities of Matador and Roaring Springs."

Dianne Washington, CPA, who serves on the Finance and Planning Committee for SPCAA said representatives from Dickens, Floydada, and Motley Counties meet quarterly to discuss programs available for low income persons in this service area. County and city officials will be meeting in Lubbock July 10, 2012, to learn more about the Reservation Program.

A motion was made by Judge Meador to terminate the housing contract with SPCAA and de-obligate the grant funds in order to enter into the Reservation System, seconded by Russell Alexander. The motion carried.

In other business, Judge Meador asked the court to set the first Budget Workshop for fiscal year 2013. A motion was made by Donnie Turner, seconded by Franklin Jameson to set the first workshop on July 19, 2012.

ENCLOSURE 1:

PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR SYSTEMS CONVERTING TO CHLORAMINES

A public water system (PWS) must notify its customers, in writing, at least 14 days prior to commencing the use of chloramines. This notification must contain the [Sample Language for Notification Upon Changing from Free Chlorine to Chloramines](#) included below. The notification should be provided to the news media, renal disease facilities, dialysis clinics, hospitals, physicians, local health departments, etc.

Sample Language for Notification Upon Changing from Free Chlorine to Chloramines (English)

"On 8-1-12, the City of Roaring Springs will be changing the disinfectant that we use from chlorine to chloramines. This change is intended to benefit our customers by reducing the levels of disinfection byproducts (DBPs) in the system, while still providing protection from waterborne disease.

However, the change to chloramines can cause problems to persons dependent on dialysis machines. A condition known as hemolytic anemia can occur if the disinfectant is not completely removed from the water that is used for the dialysate. Consequently, the pretreatment scheme used for the dialysis units must include some means, such as a charcoal filter, for removing the chloramine prior to this date. Medical facilities should also determine if additional precautions are required for other medical equipment.

In addition, chloraminated water may be toxic to fish. If you have a fish tank, please make sure that the chemicals or filters that you are using are designed for use in water that has been treated with chloramines. You may also need to change the type of filter that you use for fish tanks."

OPTIONAL: When the chloraminated water first flushes out the chlorinated water there may be a slight taste and odor, and possibly discoloration for a short period of time. This will not compromise the safety of the water.

Sample Language for Notification Upon Changing from Free Chlorine to Chloramines (Spanish)

"El 8-1-12, el City of Roaring Springs cambiará el desinfectante de cloro que usamos a otro de cloramina. El propósito de este cambio es beneficiar a nuestros clientes reduciendo los niveles de los productos secundarios relacionados a la desinfección (DBPs) en el sistema, proporcionando al mismo tiempo la protección contra las enfermedades originadas por los gérmenes del agua.

No obstante, el cambio a cloramina puede causar problemas a las personas cuya vida depende de las máquinas de diálisis. Si el desinfectante no es completamente eliminado del agua que se usa para la diálisis, puede conducir a una anemia hemolítica. Por lo tanto, el esquema de tratamiento previo usado por las unidades de diálisis debe incluir algunos medios, tales como filtros de carbón, para eliminar la cloramina antes de esta fecha. Las instituciones médicas deben determinar si otros equipos médicos también pueden requerir precauciones adicionales.

Además, el agua con cloramina podría ser tóxica para los peces. Si tiene un tanque para peces, asegúrese de que los filtros o los productos químicos que están siendo usados están diseñados para ser usados en agua que ha sido tratado con cloramina. También puede ser necesario cambiar el tipo de filtro que usa para el tanque."

OPCIONAL: Al tiempo de la primera aspección del agua cloraminada, se puede percibir por periodos cortos de tiempo algún sabor, olor y posiblemente alguna pérdida del color del agua. Esto no compromete la seguridad del agua.

Important notes:

- 1) The PWS may not begin using chloramines prior to the date shown in the notice.
- 2) The TCEQ does not currently require the PWS to include the name or contact number of a PWS employee that the customers can contract if they have questions. However, several systems have included this additional information as a courtesy to its consumers.
- 3) Some PWSs find it beneficial to periodically convert back to free chlorine for 7 - 14 days once or twice each year. This procedure can minimize the growth of nitrifying bacteria and make it easier to maintain an adequate chloramine residual during the rest of the year. If the PWS wishes to use this procedure, it must notify the TCEQ and any wholesale customer prior to making this type of temporary switch. The TCEQ also suggests that the PWS notify its customers just days before making the temporary change because this procedure occasionally results in slight changes in the taste and odor of the water. However, it does not have to reissue the public notice described above.

Happy Birthday America

A Spirited 10th Annual Celebration held in Roaring Springs, continued from page one

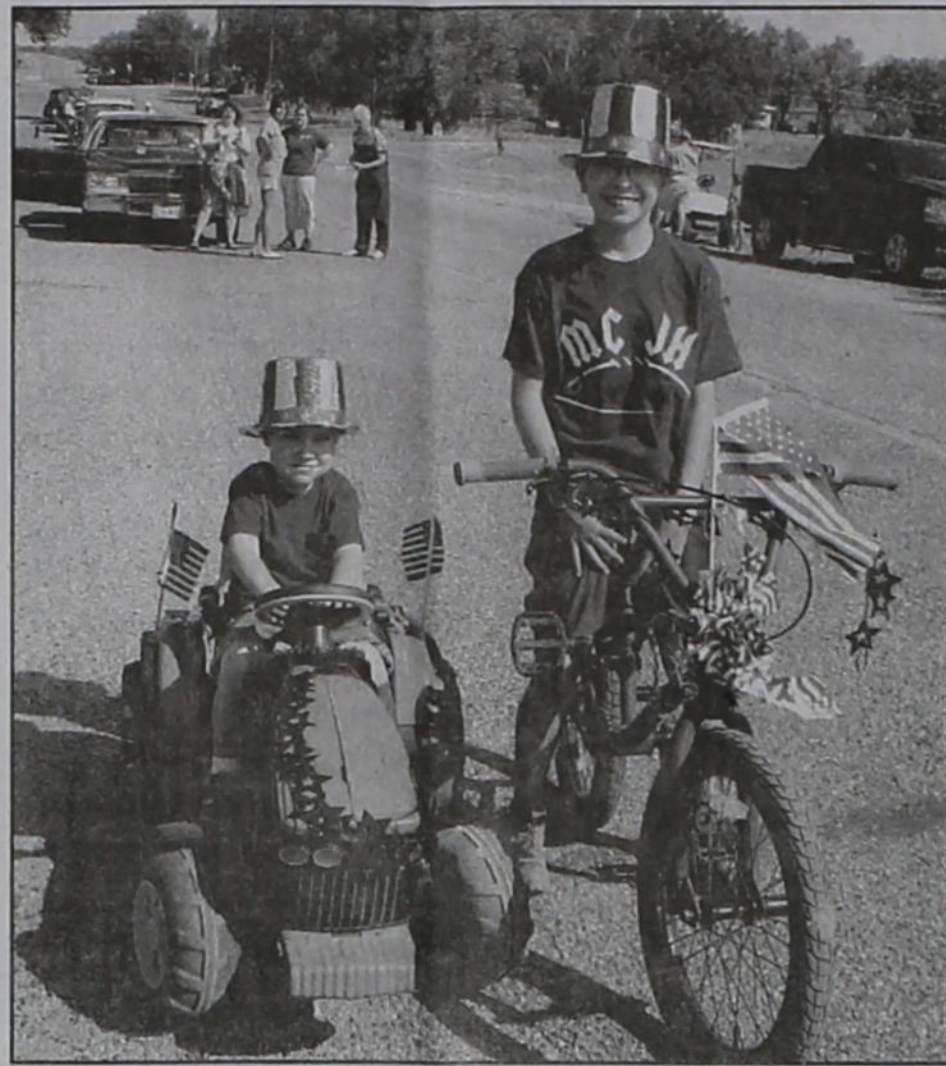
were scattered on white tablecloths. July 4th red was everywhere, courtesy of Community Volunteer President Deanette Gullege and decorating committee Kristy Ward, Annette Hollinsworth, and Margaret Leonard.

The barbecue supper to support the Roaring Springs Volunteer Fire Department served about 90 guests, ticket-taker Margaret Leonard said. The volunteer firemen and their wives served barbecue with all the trimmings. In fact, Mayor Marshall said, "we ran out of barbecue and had to turn people away."

Save the best for last, they say, but in this case the "next to last" event of the day was all-you-could-eat-homemade ice cream, served in the Pavilion. This annual fundraiser is a "donation only" event that benefits the RS Community Volunteers.

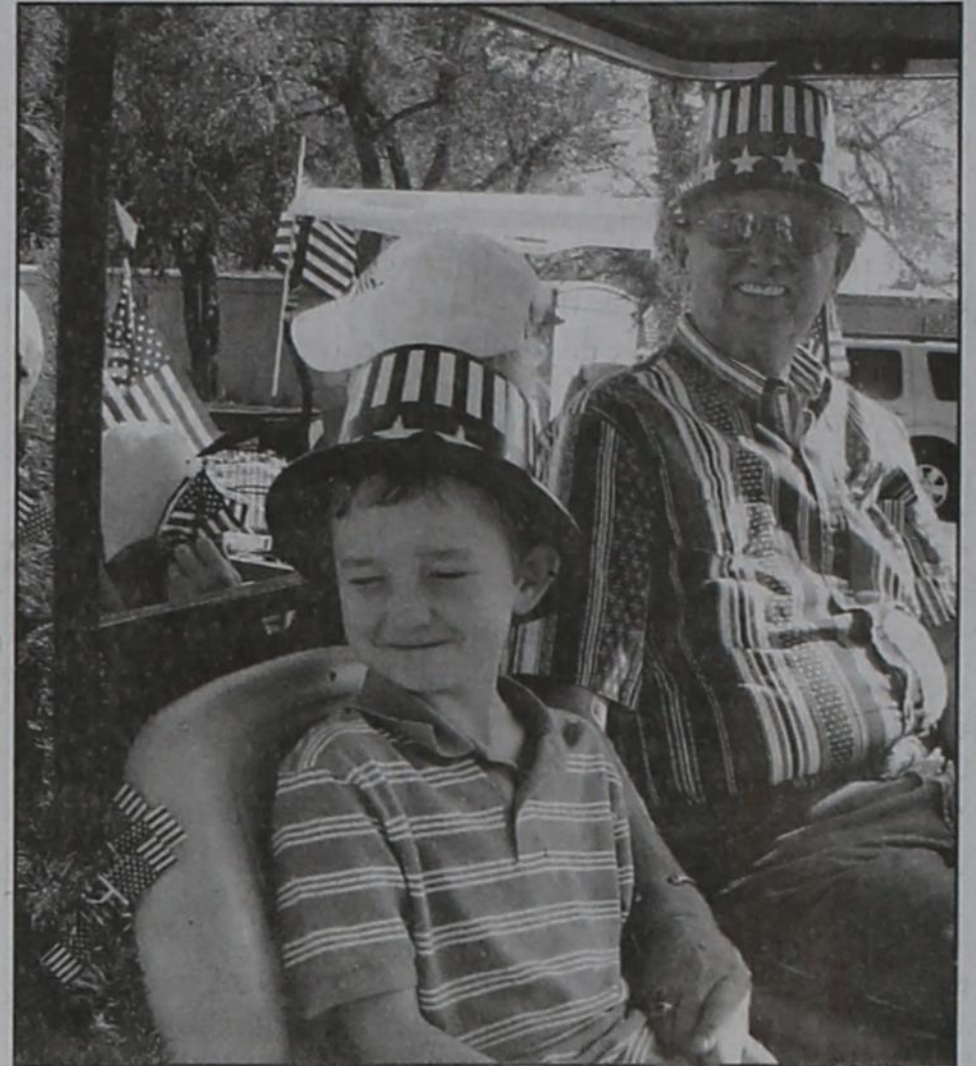
The last event of the day was the long-awaited fireworks display that delivered on the promise of "bigger and better." Families sitting on pickup tailgates, and canvas chairs galore dotted the south lawn of the Center. One guest that has never missed a fireworks display in Roaring Springs made the comment that it was the "best fireworks display ever." Rockets in every imaginable color with starbursts whirring and bursting with color, took about 30 minutes to disperse. Captured in the mind's eye, this was truly a night to remember.

Happy Birthday America! Roaring Springs did their part to help the nation celebrate 236 years of freedom. Enjoying an old fashioned celebration in small town USA has never looked better. "We have come far," Mike Crowley said, quoting a Woody Guthrie song,



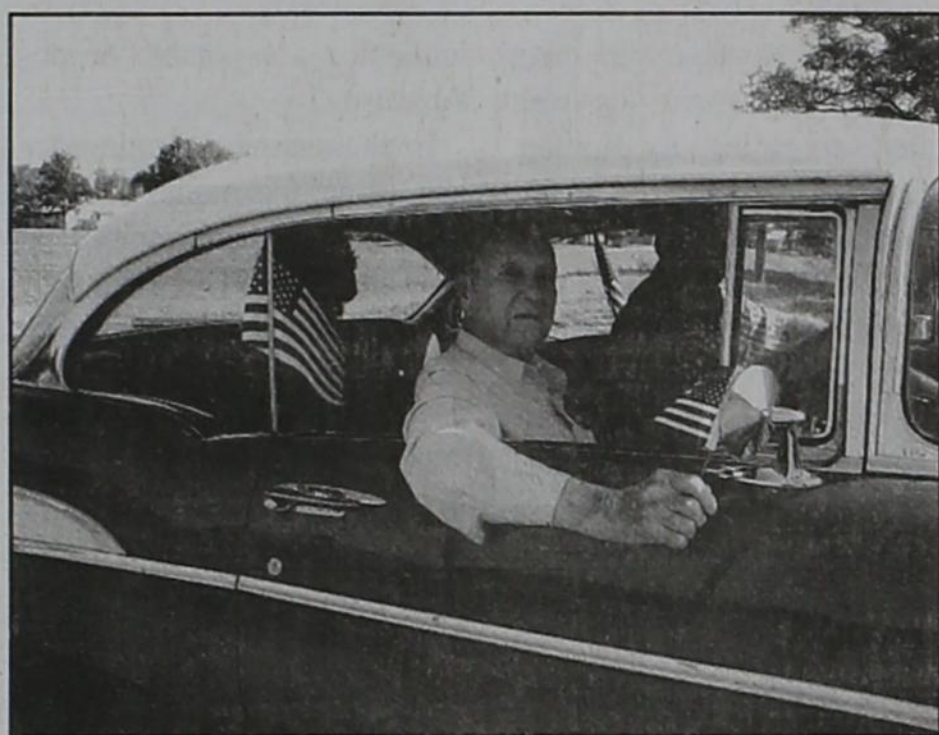
1st Place Tractor and Bicycle Division

Pictured (L to R) are Cale Drum on a miniature John Deere tractor with brother Case Drum on a bicycle. Cale and Case are the children of Lewis and Lauren Drum, Roaring Springs.



1st Place ATV Division

Pictured is Brady Upfield and grandfather DA McGuire, Roaring Springs. Riding in the back, are Ruby and DA McGuire's grandchildren Carson and Bennett Upfield.



Floydada Car Club

Antique cars from the Floydada Car Club roared into downtown Roaring Springs just in time for the parade. Event organizer Jo Crowder said "all the antique cars deserve blue ribbons." Pictured is a 1950s Classic Bel Air Chevy driven by Gary Pate with passenger, Francis Gunner (shotgun), and Emma Pate. Mr. Gunner was a charter member of RS Lions Club, and a WWII veteran.



Horse Power

Horseback riders in the parade were: Mattie Brooks, Kaylee Woolsey, Autumn Woolsey, Savannah Young, and Callie Everett.



Event Organizer

Pictured is Alex Crowder, longtime parade organizer, riding in the parade in the lawnmower division.



1st Place Dog Tricks

Pictured is Hanna Brown, granddaughter of Alex and Jo Crowder, Roaring Springs, showing her puppy Hope. Hope, a Dalmatian is "in training" to ride the firetruck in Dalhart. He can sit, lie down, and (almost) roll over.



1st Place Dog Costume

Pictured is Kuda, puppy of Steven Myers, with handler Laura Long. Kuda "doesn't do tricks, he just looks good."

July 4th photos by Carol Campbell



Pictured is Don and Carolyn Hardy of Floydada in a fully restored vintage 1953 Studebaker.



1st Place Go-Cart Division

Pictured (L to R) is Zach Hurt and Keygen Woolsey, first place winners in the Go-cart division. Zach is the grandson of Kate and Tommy Hurt, Matador, and Keygen is the son of Matt and Teresa Woolsey, Roaring Springs.

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1st and 2nd Place Dog Obedience

Pictured is Gabriella Bethard with her 2-year-old Great Danes, Frodo and Jorvik. Frodo and Jorvik took first and second honors in the dog obedience category. These mild-mannered giants can sit and lie down on command.

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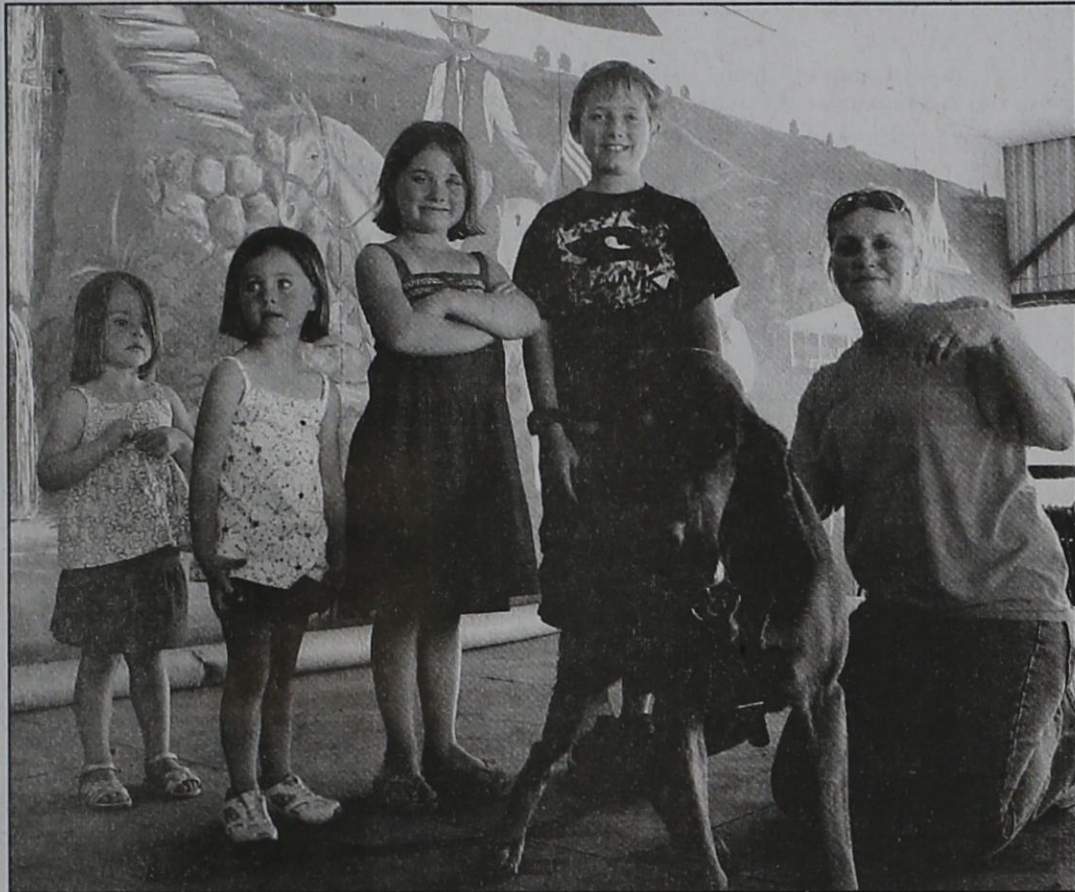
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Memorial Service

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Pictured front and center is Max-the-Search-and-Rescue Dog with handler, Denisa Brown. Max can track human scent and works with the Volunteer Fire Department in Dalhart, Texas. He lives with Denisa, Curtis, and Hanna Brown, Dalhart. Denisa is the daughter of Jo and Alex Crowder, Roaring Springs. Max did a search demonstration for treats, and was rewarded by Bryce (R), 10-years-old. Pictured with Bryce are his sisters, (L to R) Shylo, Zoey, and Evyn Patterson. Parents Lynn and Candy Patterson are looking for a house in Roaring Springs. Candy is the new Kindergarten teacher at Patton Springs.

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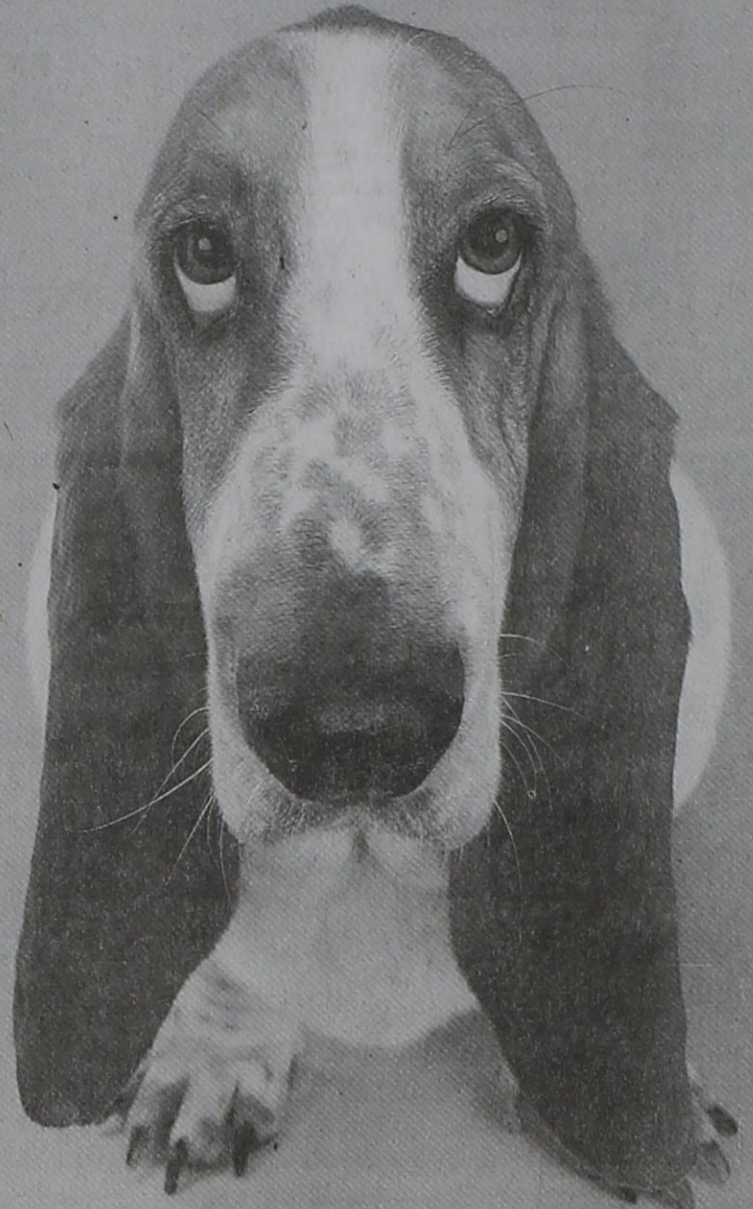
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- 12 Matador City Council
- 12 Matador Chapter of the Eastern Star, Floydada, Meal at 6:30pm, meeting at 7:30 pm
- 15-18 FBC VBS
- 17 Matador Lions
- 19 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
- 24 Friends and members of both the Motley County Museum and Historical Commission will meet at the museum at 6:30 p.m.

August

- 2 Roaring Springs Lions
- 6 Motley County Arts and Crafts Club, Motley County Senior Citizen Center in Matador from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm.
- 7 Matador Lions
- 8 Hospital Bd meets in the back of the ambulance barn, 7am
- 9 Matador City Council
- 9 Matador Chapter of the Eastern Star, Floydada, Meal at 6:30pm, meeting at 7:30 pm

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