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At the August 13, 2012 board meeting, Don Baxter, presented David Stafford with an engraved pen set for his 9 years of service to the staff and students at Motley County ISD. Pictured left to right; William Cochran, David Stafford, Don Baxter. photo by Tina Brooks

Market Matador, Inc. pursues reinstatement and offers lots for bid

By Laverne Zabielski
Motley County Tribune

At the August 20, 2012 board meeting Market Matador Inc. voted to pursue the reinstatement of its non-profit status, which the organization lost in 2011 for failure to file an IRS Form 990 for three consecutive years, according to the IRS. The Form 990 is an annual reporting return that provides information to the IRS on a non-profit organization's mission, programs and finances.

MMI was formed in 2001 to promote state and local economic development, stimulate business and commercial activity in Matador and acquire abandoned properties for the purpose of getting them back on the tax rolls. MMI received notice in 2002 stating that it was granted a 501(c)(4) status which, according to the IRS, is an organization "operated only to promote social welfare to benefit the community. Contributions to 501(c)(4) organizations generally are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. They may be deductible as trade or business expenses, if ordinary and necessary in the conduct of the taxpayer's business."

At a later date Treasurer, Roy Hobbs said MMI will apply to change their status to a 501(c)3 which applies to corporations, and any community chest, fund, cooperating association or foundation, organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, testing for public safety, literary, or educational purposes, to foster national or international amateur sports competition, to promote the arts, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. A deduction is provided, for federal income tax purposes, for some donors who make charitable contributions to most types of 501(c)(3) organizations.

President Linda Roy stated the "The 501(c)4 non-profit designation served the purposes of Market

Matador for many years, but at this point becoming a 501(c)3 better fits the organization's mission. As Market Matador continues to offer lots that have no potential for economic development, we will advertise lots in consideration for public bid. However, our main goal remains acquiring and holding property that is most suited for future business operations."

At the August 30, 2012 board meeting Market Matador Inc. a decision was also made concerning what to do when more than one person is interested in a particular lot. Roy Hobbs stated that he had a bid of \$290.10 from Chris Spence for the south half of lots 26-31 in Block 138. As stated in the recommendations made to MMI by the City Council on April 12, 2012 MMI is to make it a priority to put lots back on the tax role. The Board decided that lots with an expressed interest would be put up for bid. Linda Roy stated that in the future, even when only one person has expressed an interest in a lot, it should be offered for bid because there may be others interested. Elaine Hart, Tax Assessor/collector said the tax valuation varies. The current lots offered for bid are:

Block 138, south half of lots 26-31, total tax value is \$380

Block 37, Lots 3, 20, 31, total tax value \$150

Block 87, Lot 10, tax value \$125

Block 93, Lot 7, tax value \$130

Block 104, Lots 17 and 18, total tax value \$250

Block 123, Lots 15 and 16, total tax value \$100

In the treasurer's report Roy Hobbs stated that the balance was \$9013.15. Funds are needed to search the title for four lots for the industrial park. Ron Bailey agreed to meet with the 4A Board to request funds for the title search.

Bobby Williams, and Rodney Williams, who was mayor in 2001 when MMI

was formed, had no comment when later asked about the decisions made at the meeting. Ron Bailey stated, "Since there were lots that had more than one person interested, it seemed that putting those lots up for bid was fair."

Several citizens spoke in open forum. Laverne Zabielski spoke as an individual and as publisher of the Motley County Tribune expressing the newspapers desire to cover MMI meetings and she acknowledged MMI for the work the board does which contributes to Matadors growth and enhances pride because of the potential to involve residents of the city to participate.

Gene Everhart from Lubbock spoke in open forum stating that he saw the sign in the city hall window about the upcoming MMI meeting and that lots were available. He asked if he was allowed to bid, or was it closed to only certain people. He said he had a ranch in Motley County. Board members Bobby Williams and Linda Roy asked Mr. Everhart what he would do with the lots. He stated that he wanted a lot to put a house on it so that he would not have to travel so far back and forth to the ranch and then asked why they were asking since there was no zoning in Matador.

Jeromy Jameson of Motley County also spoke in open forum stating that if lots 17 and 18 in Block 104 were made available he would purchase them for the amount they are valued for taxation purposes.

Present at the meeting were board members, President, Linda Roy, Bobby Williams, Ron Bailey, and Treasurer, Roy Hobbs. Absent was secretary, Misty Jones, who has resigned. Anyone interested on filling her position which has left a vacancy on the board should contact city hall. Also present were Larry Vogt, Motley County Tribune, Mayor Pat Smith, and city councilmen Bobby Klodginski and Rodney Williams.

Scattered Rain Showers Welcomed Cooler Weather

By Earlyne Jameson
Motley County Tribune

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Scattered rain showers the last of August in Motley County gave a welcomed change of cooler temperatures of 84 degrees August 28-29. However, temperatures are rising again and conditions beginning to mimic last year's drought through evaporation in water tanks, ponds, creeks and rivers and being a stress on crops and rangeland.

As reported by the Motley County FSA office, of the 19, 827.57 acres of dryland cotton in Motley County, 3,613.81 or 19 percent has been claimed a disaster by insurance adjusters as of September 1, 2012. Motley County has 4, 957.45 irrigated cotton and 387.09 or 8-percent has been abandoned. Sorghum and feed crops have been planted on disaster plots of land.

Motley County National Weather Service Volunteers report August 2012 much better than in 2011!

Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs 3.05 inches, Ron Bailey, Matador 1.13 inches, Betty Simpson, Northfield 1.02 inches, Lawrence Allen, Whiteflat 2.08 inches, Clois Shorter, Flomot 1.94 inches.

NRCS Hires Cassandra Morgan



Cassandra Morgan earned her Bachelor's degree in Agriculture and Extension Education from West Virginia University in May of 2012. She accepted a position as a Soil Conservationist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) field office in Matador, Texas effective August 27, 2012. Growing up in Milton, West Virginia and knowing very little of Texas previously,

she still jumped on the opportunity and accepted right away.

After becoming an Earth Team Volunteer with the local NRCS office, she fell in love with helping people, help the land. She chose a career as a Soil Conservationist because of their dedication in helping landowners improve and preserve their farms for greater outputs and future generations. Having a well rounded knowledge of livestock, resource management and land conservation gave her a base on which to build on while in Texas.

Every day she learns new and exciting aspects of agriculture in Texas that differs tremendously from that of West Virginia. Thus, coming to work every morning she wonders, "What will I learn new today?"



Crazy Hoe Farms, LLC. Pictured above: Brenda Watson, originally from Matador, and her son David Watson sell produce at the corner of Main and Bailey in Matador every Wednesday. photo by Laverne Zabielski

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By Larry Vogt

Sometimes when I go to events and meetings I swear that the world runs on the spirit of community volunteers. The spirit and the hard work of volunteers, it should be noted. There were lots of behind the scenes workers at the Old Settlers Reunion and Rodeo, and, there were a large number of volunteers for the Matador Centennial Celebration back in June of this year. Every church has people who gladly serve without pay, every non-profit has folks who give up time and energy for the work required to fulfill the purpose and mission of the organization they serve.

The men's breakfast that takes place on the first Saturday of every month has a rotation of cooks who do the work and everyone chips in with time and money to purchase food, prepare it, and of course, clean up afterwards. This group rotates

between the Baptist and Methodist churches and invites all men in the community to come to the breakfast for fellowship and the uplifting of people in the area.

Elsewhere in this edition there is a story about Market Matador. This is a group of folks who volunteer their time and creativity for the purpose of the betterment of the City of Matador. Market Matador currently has an opening on the board and the Matador City Council will appoint the new member of the board. If you want to help with this endeavor you can put your name in the hat to be considered for inclusion on the board of directors.

You will not be paid, and, you will be expected to occasionally take some criticism. You will be expected to show up for the meetings and take part in discussions and decisions. When you serve on a board, your "pay-off" has to come in the form of satisfaction that you are doing what you can to serve your community in a fair and just manner, and sometimes that is worth way more than a salary. I hope you can roll up your sleeves and join some effort to make your community, wherever it is, to be a better place in which to live.

WRITING COMMUNITY

Recollections of September 11, 2001

By Sarah Meador

Sarah Meador is a 1982 graduate of Patton Springs High School in Afton and the wife of COL Danny Meador (USAR, Ret) a 1975 graduate of Motley Co High School. On September 11, 2011 they resided in Tinton Falls, NJ along the NJ Shore. They currently live in San Antonio.

I could not write this on the 10th anniversary of September 11, 2001. It was still too visceral, too painful, too fresh. Too up close and personal. It may always be that way. I know that those who were not there that day, who only watched it from afar, like something in a movie, may have a hard time understanding it that way. But for me it was much more up close and personal. For privacy reasons, I have excluded last names, but all of these people are real. I have never shared this account with anyone, and now I am giving it to you.

On the morning of September 11th I got up and turned on the TV as I always did for a weather report. Traffic choppers were circling the World Trade Center towers, reporting a crash that they believed was an accident. It was on fire. They reported that a plane had once hit the Empire State Building. No one was alarmed. They were filming everything live, circling from a safe distance. Emergency crews and rescue workers were arriving. Then the second plane hit. I instantly picked up the phone and called Dan's office. I got his voice mail. I left this message. "Check the news services. We are under attack."

Just then the lock smith knocked on my door. He had a 9 a.m appointment to install new locks on our front door. He hadn't heard. David and I watched helplessly as events unfolded.

Tamara, the daughter of Bill and Audrey whom we went to church with was in the North Tower. She worked for a bank on the 85th floor. She was leading her office mates down the stairs and out of the building while fire fighters were trying to evacuate the building. Her parents in Tinton Falls had not heard from her and could do nothing except pray.

When the news of events unfolding got to be too much for them, they put tapes of cartoons in the VCR because they could not know if their daughter was out safely. Cell signals were all jammed and the city was on lock down. None of the ferry boats were able to run. The tunnels were closed. Even if Tamara could get out, she could not get out of Manhattan. They had no way to get to her. All they could do was hope she was okay and pray. It was in God's hands now.

My office mate Alison at CPC Behavioral Healthcare's husband was a pilot for American Airlines. He flew out of Newark. It easily could be him on any of the flights like flight 11. They had been married a year and she just found out she was

pregnant with twins.

Two weeks before, our church brother Charles had applied for a job in the Twin Towers. His wife had told me how he had been disappointed that he did not get it.

Tommie was my church brother. He worked in Tower 10 at the World Trade Center for the Port Authority and on September 11 was helplessly watching as desperate people jumped to their deaths from the towers.

Co-workers from Dan's company as well as brave military officers he knew who have given their entire lives in service were working at the Pentagon when the last plane hit their building.

And on Flight 93 there was a couple well known to my Pastor friend Gerry, missionaries who spent their lives in Africa preaching the Gospel. They went down in that field in PA. They did not put it in the movie, but you know they were telling everyone that they needed to make their peace with God in those last moments before they took the plane back. They were heroes too.

As David and I watched events unfold there was nothing we could do. He tearfully did his work and said he didn't want to leave the TV. I didn't even suggest it. Both of us sat there, strangers, bound together forever. We spoke very little.

"Where were you when the towers fell?"

When the first tower fell, I looked at him and tears filled my eyes and said, "Oh God, the fire fighters!" I covered my mouth while saying it as if it wouldn't make it so. My voice cracked. My heart broke. We knew it was going to be bad. His brother was a fire fighter in North Jersey.

And then the second building started to fall. I walked out on my driveway, and looked up into the sky. From the NJ Shore, I could see the dust cloud that used to be a building rocket up into that crystal clear, azure blue autumn sky like a volcanic eruption as the tower fell. Nothing would ever be the same. You know, I used to love those crisp clear, cloudless autumn skies. Now they always make me feel sad.

David left after everything was over. In the afternoon I went out to get away from the news coverage. The streets were deathly still. No cars, no people. Three highways intersect near our home. What I saw was completely empty streets, empty shopping centers and parking lots. Nothing moved. It was like something out of an episode of *The Twilight Zone*.

The school buses that would normally have been bustling at that time were not running because they held the students, not knowing which parents were stranded in the city, and which were dead. They had not allowed students to view the coverage as it unfolded but all the staff knew, and did not want them to go home to an empty house, not knowing if their parents were

dead or missing. Adults had to go to the schools and pick them up, if and when they were available.

Worst of all, as I drove by our hospital, the designated Regional Trauma Center for the casualties, Jersey Shore Medical Center sat waiting, completely empty. There were no casualties to come. No sirens. No ambulances. The helicopter pad was vacant. Only silence. Not a pregnant pause, only echoes of the dead.

I felt like I was walking in a fog. I realized it was 3 pm and I hadn't eaten anything. I went into a shopping center and into a bagel place I had never been in before. Inside I found a Muslim woman and her son who appeared to be around 4 years old. I knew this because she was wearing a long sleeved shirt, a long skirt and a *hijab*, the traditional garb and head covering of a Muslim woman. No one else was there.

I looked at the order board and was having a terrible time making a selection because I was just so overwhelmed. I finally ordered a bagel with something on it and a bottle of water. When she made it and gave it to me, she sat it on the counter with her arm extended as far away from me as she could. She then stepped back away and behind the counter. I also noticed that she was protectively, physically shielding her son with her body. When I gave her the money, our eyes met directly and the look in her eyes was one of sheer terror. I realized at that moment that she was absolutely terrified OF ME!

That was the breaking point. The world had genuinely gone crazy. I sat at the tiny table, in a state of almost surreal bewilderment at what all had just happened, and ate with tears streaming down my cheeks as she watched, almost cowering in the corner. No one spoke.

THE AFTERMATH

Tamara successfully led her co-workers to safety. She survived the fall of the Twin Towers and is now an executive with a branch of the bank. She lives in Princeton, NJ with her husband and children. Her mother wishes she would call more.

Alison's husband was not on any of the flights that were hijacked that day, though he knew those who were. He still flies and they have four rambunctious boys. She is now a stay at home mom.

Shortly after 9/11, Dan hired Charles to work with him for his company. Charles continues to work successfully in the information assurance business in Virginia. He and his wife and two sons are very happy.

All Dan's co-workers and military friends who worked at the Pentagon were accounted for. Fortunately, the plane hit a side of the building that was under renovation so it was unoccupied at the time of the crash.

In the aftermath, Tommie scheduled the round the clock truck transports that left the sight every few

minutes to cleanup the tons of debris to begin rebuilding the Freedom Tower. He was on the sight for months in what most people describe as the closest thing a person can come to Hell on Earth. He missed a lot of church in that next year. He and his family are still members. Fortunately, unlike many who helped with the cleanup, he is not sick from exposure to the debris.

David Rible, my locksmith decided on September 11 that he did not like standing by and feeling helpless. He ran for the NJ State Legislature as a Catholic Republican from Neptune, NJ. He won. He does not have much time for lock smithing these days.

Following the aftermath of September 11, 2001 Dan's Army Reserve Unit out of Ft Dix, NJ was later mobilized in the War on Terror. As a COL, all the members of his rank were specifically excluded from the active mobilization, but they continued to serve as active Reservists within the unit for the duration. Their mission was to train and prepare deploying units for Iraq and Afghanistan.

Many of our close friends and family have been deployed as a result of the events on September 11 and another will be leaving for the most dangerous part of Afghanistan this November for a year. He is a physician's assistant and as a result, he will miss his daughter's high school graduation. (Please pray for CPT Michael Singleton).

I became a one woman USO and subsequently received the Spouse's Commander's Coin from Colonel Lesniak for individually supporting all members of the 78th Division who were deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan with cards, letters, and care packages for the duration of their deployments. Colonel Danny L. Meador retired from the US Army Reserves after 30 years of service on August 30, 2009.

As a nation, we recognized that Mayor Giuliani had done a brilliant job of preparing the city prior to the attack. However, we were ill prepared for the psychological impact of everyone to the trauma and Post Traumatic Stress and Complicated Grief that affected the rescue workers and families of those who were left in the aftermath. Because of the 9/11 Commission, widespread efforts were made and money was designated to train mental health practitioners to treat those affected by disasters, terrorism, and the effects of war. As a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, I took these trainings. Among other things, my private practice specializes in treating the effects of trauma and war.

Two weeks after September 11, 2001, I went back to the bagel shop to look for the Muslim woman who had the look of terror in her eyes. The shop was completely vacant. I never saw her again. I will forever regret not giving her a hug and telling her it was going to be okay.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editors,

Congratulations to you and your staff on producing another great Old Settlers' Trail Dust Anthology. The Motley County Tribune feature writers' gave us new insight into the lives of those who are a

part of our Motley County heritage. For those of us who can no longer be present for the Old Settlers' celebration, your coverage of that event was the next best thing to being there.

Janelle Jackson Shirley
Odessa, TX

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3rd - Kyler Bell
4th - Payton Foster

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1st - Brogan Rankin
2nd - Gunnir Bateman
3rd - Jayda Jameson
4th - Joley Braly

Open Barrels

1st - Jacy Cabler
2nd - Macye Maben
3rd - Gunnir Bateman
4th - Jayda Jameson

Jr. Team Roping

1st - Llano Bateman & Brody Rankin
2nd - Jayce Bland & Jeremy Martinez

Open Team Roping

1st - Jed Middleton & Jett Cabler
2nd - Todd Thomas & Lacy Rankin
3rd - Billy Hale & Andy Paul Jones
4th - Andy Paul Jones & Wayne Smith

RHAA Competition

Wrangler Class
1st - Cliff Foster - Gold Pioneer - Score 100 \$252.00
2nd - Cayce Lewis - Like A Rosie Y6 - Score 99 \$168.00

Cowboy Class

1st - Jordan Williams - 7S Flashlight - Score 120 \$414.00
2nd - Cayce Lewis - Like a Rosy Y6 - Score 111 \$345.00

Ranch Hand Class

1st - Quincy Carlton - Stylish Lebron - Score 114 \$330.00
2nd Tom Stokes - Blue Stormin Tivio - Score 109 \$198.00

Junior Class

1st - Tom Stokes - Blue Stormin Tivio - Score 117 \$240.00

Senior Class

1st Tim Washington - MCC Double Heaven - Score 133 \$240.00

Ranch Rodeo

1st - Wilson/T4 - Canyon, Texas
2nd - Schneemann Ranch/ Lemond Cattle Co. - Big Lake, Texas
3rd - High Card Ranch - Clarendon, Texas
4th Crutch Ranch - Borger, Texas

Top Hand

Riley Smith - Sandhill Land & Cattle

Top Horse

Ridden by Matthew Cramblett - Myers & Mimms Ranches

Open Bronc Riding

1st True Burson
2nd - Kye Fuston
Shetland Bronc Riding
1st - Case Drum
2nd - Joley Braly



MCISD 2012-13 Varsity Cheerleaders pictured from left to right: Mattie Brooks, Natalie Jameson, Sabra Pope, Mascot Shelby Elliott, Macie Marshall, Katie Barton, and Catherine Ward photo by Jennifer Lawler



Enthusiastic Fans attend Motley County's 1st 2012-13 Spirit Rally. Pictured above, from left to right top. Jon Osborn, Reagan Elliott, Christian Brooks, Christie Fisk, Jennifer and Breann Brady, Danika Jameson, Tina Brooks, Bottom Row, Jacie Taylor, Wendi Taylor, Lejeanna Faulks, Shonda Barton, and Mighty the Matador, Shelby Elliott. photo by Jennifer Lawler

Correction

John Briscoe's name was not in the list of Old Settlers deceased. He died January 3, 2011.

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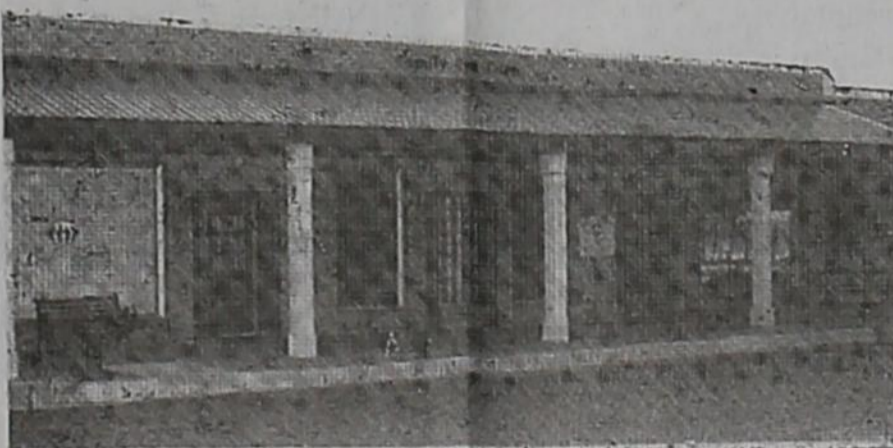
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The most basic teachings and responsibilities that are given to us by our Lord are "hard sayings" to modern ears. It seems that even the fundamentals are the difficult things to practice. Even though we understand what we should do, so many times we simply do not follow through.

Jesus gives His followers some of the basics in His Sermon on the Mount found in Matthew chapters 5-7. In these chapters there are over 40 commands of Jesus that are very basic. These three chapters are foundational to the life of a Christian. In them, we find instructions as how to deal with anyone from our enemies to our neighbor. These chapters are essential to understand the role of Christians in the world.

And yet, we Christians find these teachings of Matthew 5-7 to be hard to put into practice. While we are comfortable with not committing the "major" sins the others mentioned are often overlooked. When it comes to being angry with our brother or sister, or allowing lust to develop...the situation is changed. The teachings against these things become "hard sayings." Sometimes teachings hard to accept need to be put into practice. Then we will find the wisdom in them. We can learn. We have the Master for our teacher.

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Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

On a personal note
After the rain during Old Settlers, rain lilies came up in our back yard. They are so pretty but last only a couple of days. They have been there before after rains but it was surprising this year since it had been so dry for two years. To me they are a reminder that God is good and that he provides beauty in unexpected places if we would but look.

In the community
The Boyd Long family has suffered a great loss in the untimely death of Chooch Meyer. Chooch was killed last Friday in an early morning accident when he had a collision with a truck while riding his motorcycle to work near Big Spring, TX.

Billie Stuckey was feted with a lovely birthday party on Sunday afternoon at the Lula Swim Memorial Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church. The table was set with a beautiful cake made by Brenda Osborne, a centerpiece of exquisite yellow lilies and greenery in a silver bowl, yellow napkins and delicious lime sherbet punch. About 31 friends and relatives attended. Both of her sisters, Peggy Norris and Deb Kinnaman from Wheeler and Briscoe, TX, a sister-in-law, Bernice Young of Albuquerque, a niece and nephew Evelyn and Bill Ross of Howe, TX, friends, Mary Ann Wright, Bud and Brenda Dickson all of Canadian, TX came to celebrate with Billie. The party was hosted by their daughter and her family, Leandra and Randy Harris and children of Flower Mound and Don Stuckey.

John and Susan Gahr hosted a barbecue Sunday dinner at their home after church services on Sunday. They had

a delicious meal and a large crowd attended.

On Friday, August 31st, City Councilman Alex Crowder, Firechief Matt Woolsey and volunteer fireman Brant Bearden went to Fort Worth to the Army Surplus to buy a truck to be converted into a water-tanker for the Roaring Springs Fire Department. A 2½-ton diesel truck was purchased. The volunteer firemen will do the work to convert it for their use. We are thankful for the new equipment to protect our community from fires.

On Tuesday, August 21, the Alex Crowder's daughter and grandson, Brett and granddaughter, Stephanie from Weatogue, Connecticut, came for a visit. They had wanted to come during the Old Settlers Reunion so the kids could attend a rodeo. They visited until August 29th before returning home.

There will be a dedication of the new Roaring Springs fire truck on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 9th at 2:30 p.m. at the Roaring Springs Community Center. Mike Crowley will be the speaker. The public is invited. Refreshments will be served.

Dinah and Ken Young enjoyed having company during the Old Settlers Reunion. Their granddaughters, Emma and Rose Elliott from Olympia, WA, came to spend a week. Their daughter, Ginny and granddaughter Jena LaDue of Lubbock, came and spent time with her family. The girls enjoyed the rodeo, learned to say "ya'll" the Texas way, got to see buffalo at Caprock Canyons and visit Dude Barton and see her cattle. They were impressed and have a lot to tell when they get home!

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

A word spoken at the right time becomes a wonderful, endearing encouraging experience that will never be forgotten!

Community News

Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch accompanied her mother Mrs. Nada Starkey to Elk City, Oklahoma, to visit Saturday and Sunday. They had the annual Labor Day celebration with a parade and rodeo. They were guests at a birthday party honoring Nada's ex-classmate, Mrs. Nellie Compton with a cookout at 4:00 p.m. at the Elk City Park. Sunday they visited at the Elk City Nursing Home with cousin, Mrs. Lorene Gault before returning home. Jackie Lynn returned home Monday.

Bengie and J.J. Hughes and daughter, Katie of Royce City visited from Friday until Monday with his mother, Mrs. Janice Hughes. Others visiting during the Labor Day holidays were sons, Rickey and Tasha Hughes, Kendal and Kason and Roger Hughes of Floydada.

Labor Day holiday visitors of Connie and Coy Franks were Cara and Clint Cowart

of Southlake, Coy and Amy Franks, Madison, Hudson and Heston and Cary and Mary Franks and baby son, Cal of Idalou, Mrs. Irma Washington of Flomot.

Visiting during the Labor Day holidays with Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert and Glen Calvert were Chris Calvert of Lubbock and Justin Calvert and daughter, Betty of Dumas.

We welcome home Mrs. B. Rogers from the Rehabilitation Center in Lubbock following hip surgery at Covenant Medical Center. She was injured in an accident outside her home. Her son, Donnie Rogers accompanied her home and reported she is recovering just fine.

Brooke, daughter of Keri and Kevin Sehon of Wolf- forth, visited from Saturday until Monday with grandparents, Kathy and Clois Shorter.

Kathyn Lee of Plainview visited Sunday with his brother, Josh Lee.

Lori and Kevon Kleibrink, Karlee and Kyler of Clifton visited her parents, Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay from Saturday until Monday. Sunday they attended a farewell party in Panhandle for Tanner Clay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clay, who has enlisted in the U.S. Armed Services.

Matador News

By Marilynn Hicks

One the last weekend of summer the gauge in pickup registered well over 100, and we were in the shade of a small tree. The family is putting up hunting stands and feeders for the season. Kevin brought a friend Alan and his son Dillon. The young man shot his first dove, so we have four in the freezer ready for him to take home. Lara, Adrian, Jaxon and Isabel were also in on the work. Jaxon killed a can and was just as excited as Dillon. He is learning safety and respect when hunting - and he is a fast learner. Jax and Bel along with all the other children in the area have finished their first week of school and report a good week.

We have had guests at the hotel, but I have been home, so I will have to tell you all about it next week. Hopefully some of you have emailed in some happenings around town so this will not be a pitifully short report.

Ron and Kay Bailey's children, Kevin and son Dillon, of Levelland, Lance Bailey of Lamesa; and Andi Bailey and sons Brant and Sage visited Saturday, September 1, to celebrate Kay's birthday. Kevin, Lance, and Brant attended the Texas Tech football game later Saturday.

Neal Pipkin visited in the home of his aunt Winifred Darsey on Monday, and attended a hamburger cookout in the home of his Aunt Lucretia Campbell and cousin Carol Campbell.

Northfield News

By Betty Simpson

Relatives from out of town visiting Betty Simpson and Tanya and Warren Multer, Cory, Amy, and Katy and attending funeral services for Billy Paul Simpson were:

Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Davis Jr. from Wellington, Harry L. (Sonny) Davis from Rogue River, Or., Mr. and Mrs. Jacky Davis from Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Davis from Pottsboro, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Davis from Iowa Park, Mr. and Mrs. Scot Davis and family from Iowa Park, Mrs. Laura Garcia and family from Iowa Park, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Harris and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Davis and family, Mrs. Becky Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Barnett all from Wellington, Mr. Ronnie Davis from Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Jones from Durant, Ok., Mrs. Charla Vaught from Waggoner, Ok., and

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Lee from Canyon, Mrs. Linda Baker from Eastland, Mr. Homer Daniels from Odessa, Mrs. Tressa Boyd, and Miss Lana Nix from Iowa Park, Mrs. Gayla Scoughton and Mr. Rusty Nix, Mr. and Mrs. Joey Davis and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Miller all from Wichita falls, Mr. and Mrs. Kacy Davis, Mrs. Brittany Henderson and family, all from White Deer, Nancy Davis from Quanah, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Martin, and Mr. and Mrs. Clay Martin from Chico, Mr. Gerald Davis from Grandfield, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lamb and Mrs. Juanita Hollocker from Quanah, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Madden from Norman, Ok., and

Mrs. Joy Price and Mrs. Christene Foreman from Okla-

homa City, Mr. and Mrs. Gayland Simpson from Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Dean from Odessa, Miss Angie Simpson, Mrs. Melissa Simpson, and Fischer Davis from Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Davis Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Finis Brown from Adrian, Miss Virginia Green from Amarillo, Mr. A.B. Simpson from Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Allen (Yvonne) Bentz, Mrs. Alicia Bentz from Poteet, Mr. Leo Sims from Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Burkett from Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Childers from Canyon, Mrs. Carrie Casetteberry and family from Vernon, Lois Ferguson from Dallas, Mrs. Mary Lou Multer from Ofin, Jerry Multer from Wall, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bradford, Jody Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Seidenburger Mr. and Mrs. Eric Seidenburger all from Garden City, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Cook, Eddie Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Jarrett Jameson and girls all from Childress, Mrs. Marie Cruise from Turkey.

Friends from Garden City were: Mr. and Mrs. Brad Avery, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kujawski, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Pate, Mrs. Tina Moreno, Mrs. Yolanda Gamboa, Mrs. Melisa Schmitz, Henry Chudez, Brittney Chudez. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wilson from O'Donell, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Hughes, Miss Korie Wilson, Mr. Chad Mabry, Rosemary Webb all from Lubbock; James Stephens from Idalou, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Whitener, from Paducah; Mr. Bruce Hoover from Iowa Park, Mr. Jay Teague, Mr. Robert Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Long, Mr. Eddie J. Leary, Rev. Ronnie Shoffner, and

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Save the Date



District Champs, 1959
Pictured are the Captains of District Champ Team 1959 with their Homecoming Sweetheart (L to R): Bundy Hal Campbell, Kay Rattan Bailey, Tom Edwards, and Billy Crenshaw. **Mark your calendar for the Matador/Motley County Homecoming October 5-6, 2012.**

MC beats Highland

By Jennifer Lawler
Motley County Tribune

Motley County Varsity played Highland at Jayton in the 9th Annual Grid Iron Classic. Motley County won 60-12 in the 3rd quarter by the 45 point mercy rule.

This Thursday JV plays at home against the Kress Kangaroos.

The Varsity will travel to Kress to play the Kangaroos Friday. The pep rally will be at 3 p.m. on Friday.

Chooch,
we
miss
you

NHS Needs

Community Support

The Motley County High School National Honor Society has elected officers for the year 2012 - 2013. The President is Coby Cochran and the Vice-President is Demi Simpson. They are looking forward to a good year with the NHS service project which supports the Ronald McDonald House.

This year, NHS will be accepting donations, in two ways. The usual pop tabs collection will continue. In addition, NHS will now be accepting cancelled stamps. The donation must include the

stamp and the entire cancellation mark. Metered mail is not acceptable.

There is a separate box beside the Principal's office for each type of donation. You may come to school with your donation, send it with a student, or call one of the officers who will be glad to come pick it up from you.

As always, your assistance in this service project is greatly appreciated! Motley County has done a wonderful job in years past, and the NHS is looking forward to this year's donations.

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This Week's Local Forecast

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Mostly Sunny 97/68	Partly Cloudy 93/64	Partly Cloudy 86/59	Sunny 86/61	Mostly Sunny 82/59	T-storms 85/64	Mostly Cloudy 84/65
Weather Trivia		Weather History		Moon Phases		
What was the costliest hailstorm in the United States? <small>Answer: In July 1990, Denver had damages totaling \$625 million.</small>		Sept. 6, 1987 - Severe thunderstorms produced more than seven inches of rain in Georgia. Four persons drowned, and two others suffered injury, as three couples attempted to cross Mills Stone Creek at Echols Mill in their automobile.		Last 9/8 New 9/15 First 9/22 Full 9/29		
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Library Journal
by Carla Meador
Librarian

County Agent's News
by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent



COWPOKES By Ace Reid



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“Oh, I jist like to stop here and listen to them boys tell about when they wuz in the livestock business.”

If you've ever wondered how to have a successful garden, you will now have the opportunity to learn just that! The Motley County Agricultural Committee will host "Steps to a Successful Vegetable Garden and Raised Bed Gardening", Wednesday, September 5, from 3:00 until 5:00 p.m., in the Library Annex. The program will be presented by Joe Masabni, Vegetable Extension Specialist from Texas A&M University. Cost of the program is \$10. For more information you may contact County Extension Agent, Ryan Martin at 347-2733.

New books in the library this week include *Canada* by Richard Ford, *The Accident* by Linwood Barclay, *The American* by Andrew Britton, *Bones of Betrayal* by Jefferson Bass, *Innocent as Sin* by Elizabeth Lowell, *Death Song* by Michael McGarrity, *Readers' Digest Great Short Stories of the World*, and *Snake Eye* by William C. Dietz. These are all donated books and we are truly appreciative to have these great titles in our library.

Our featured book this week is one of our new books, *The Accident* by Linwood Barclay. In this mesmerizing thriller, a typical American community descends into darkness, as an ordinary man is swept into one of the most violent mysteries of modern life. Waiting for his wife, Sheila's return home, with their eight-year-old daughter, contractor Glen Garber, soon finds his worst fears confirmed: Sheila and two others have been killed in a car accident. Adding to the tragedy, the police claim Sheila was responsible. Glen knows it's impossible; he knew his wife and she would never do such a thing. When he investigates, Glen begins to uncover layers of lawlessness beneath the placid surface of their suburb, secret after dangerous secret behind the closed

doors. Propelled into a vortex of corruption and illegal activity, pursued by mysterious killers, and confronted by threats from neighbors he thought he knew, Glen must take his own desperate measures and go to terrifying new places in himself to avenge his wife and protect his child. Bold and timely, with shocking twists and startling insights, *The Accident* is a book that moves at a breathless pace to a climax no one will see coming.

I received the most awesome note this week from some of my favorite patrons, Landry and Tell Horton and their mom, Erica. "We're so happy to get to come and enjoy our library!" Erica is a new Friends member, also. She and her husband, Jake, who works at NRCS, are new to Matador. The family moved here a few months ago, and Erica and her children have been very faithful patrons. Both of the children love to sit and look at the books. Landry tells me the story through pictures. I so enjoy their visits to the Library. Thank you for your note! It really made my day!

We welcome you and your children to our Library. There is no better time to teach your children a love for books and reading than when they are very young.

We thank Motley County ISD for their donation in memory of Billy Paul Simpson. As I have stated before, donations such as this are so appreciated and help keep our library in operation. If you have a loved one you would like to remember in a special way, the Library is a perfect way to memorialize them. With your donation, a book will be placed in the library with their name inside, a forever reminder of that person.

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

AgriLife Extension expert: Spider mite damage to corn affected by irrigation level

AMARILLO - Spider mite infestations on corn and the damage done will vary under different irrigation levels and could dictate slight changes in management practices, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service specialist.

Dr. Ed Bynum, AgriLife Extension entomologist in Amarillo, is wrapping up the first year of a two-year study on spider mite infestations under different irrigation levels and with different corn hybrids at the North Plains Research Field near Etter.

"As producers begin to use drought-tolerant corn hybrids, one of the questions they have is whether drought tolerance will provide some level of protection against spider mites or if the added stress from spider mites will break down the drought tolerance," Bynum said.

The study was designed with three irrigation levels: 100 percent evapotranspiration, 75 percent and 50 percent; and four corn hybrids: two non-drought-tolerant commercial corn hybrids and two drought-tolerant corn hybrids.

The spider mite damage is caused when they puncture the cells on the leaf and remove the chlorophyll, Bynum said. As mite feeding increases, greater leaf area is damaged and entire leaves can be killed. This reduces the photosynthesis, thus reducing grain yield.

"Since we know spider mite populations increase faster under moisture-stress conditions, during grain-filling growth stages and under higher temperatures, we suspected the impact on drought-tolerant corn hybrids under different irrigation levels could be significant," he said.

"The mite feeding reduces the plant water-use efficiency, which is robbing your crop of water that is applied through irrigation."

Bynum said they had significant numbers of mite infestations, up to about 4,000 mites per plant by the end of the test period, and so they did see a progression of damage through the weekly testing. The high number of mites appeared across the board, under all irrigation levels and on all corn hybrids.

The significant difference was seen in the progression of damage between drought-tolerant and non-drought-tolerant corn hybrids, he said. Under the 100 percent evapotranspiration level, non-drought-tolerant corn hybrids had progressively higher mite damage than the drought-tolerant. Under the 50 percent irrigation level, there was significant damage regardless of drought tolerance in the corn hybrids.

At the 75 percent evapotranspiration level, the damage was either similar to or higher in the drought-tolerant hybrids than the non-drought-tolerant hybrids, Bynum said.

"This initially indicates that under a moderate level of stress, the drought-tolerant corn hybrids did not withstand mite damage," he said. "The mite-to-damage ratio indicates we have lower water-use efficiency at this irrigation level."

This also indicates as producers begin to use drought-tolerant corn hybrids, there could be a difference in economic injury levels under different moisture conditions, Bynum said.

"It's not that they shouldn't use drought-tolerant hybrids, but they will need to be aware of possible management decisions for spider mite treatment that could be required," he said.

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Top teams in Washer Pitching Tournament



Top two teams in the Washer Pitching tourney at the 2012 Old Settlers Reunion. Pictured (l to r) are Mike Ritchie and Stan Nail, second place; Matt Abram and Coy McKay, first place.

By Larry Vogt
Motley County Tribune

Steve Nail and Mike Ritchie. The third place team was Randy Perez and Johnny Payne. Players came from all around the region to compete in this contest and in the middle of the afternoon the players were enjoying themselves so much a group of them decided to keep playing after the official contest was completed.

Obituary

"Chooch" Nathanael W. Myers

Church services for Chooch, 30, of Big Springs, was held Monday September 3, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Roaring Springs with Brother Coy Wilkerson (grandpa) officiating. Burial was at Roaring Springs Cemetery under the direction of Zapata Funeral Home of Matador, Texas.

Chooch was born May 25, 1982, in Glade, Arizona, and was a Motley County graduate in 2001. He was employed as a truck driver by Nabors Well Service of Big Springs until his death on August 31, 2012. Chooch was an avid animal lover as well as a motorcycle

enthusiast.

He is survived by his parents, Boyd and Laura Long of Roaring Springs; sisters, Gina Miller, Trina Redden, Sherry Reed, and Thiry Long, all of Lubbock, Texas; brothers, Steve Myers and Bo Long of Big Springs and Matt Easter of Wolforth; grandparents, Coy and Ester Wilkerson of Buckeye, Arizona; and numerous uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Chooch was a very loving son, brother, and the world's greatest uncle. Chooch will be missed dearly by a multitude of family and friends.

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September 5, 2012
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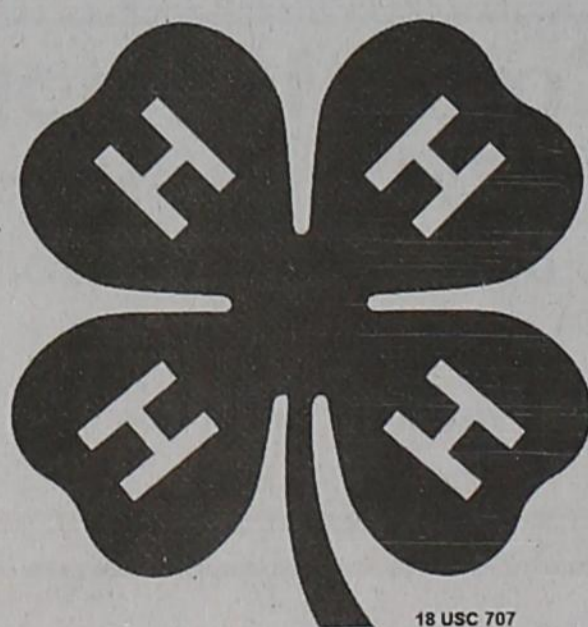
in order to participate in this meeting are encouraged to contact the Motley County Extension Office at (806) 347-2733 by September 4, 2012 for assistance.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

September

- 4 Matador Lions
- 6 Roaring Springs Lions
- 6 MCISD Mavericks vs Kress, 6:30
- 7 MCISD Matadors at Kress, 7:30 pm
- 7 AA Meeting, 7p.m. Prayer Chapel behind First Baptist Church, Matador
- 10 Valerie Moody presentation, Library Annex, 10:00 am
- 10 Commissioners' Court
Roaring Springs City Council
- 12 Hospital Bd meets in the back of the ambulance barn, 7am
- 13 Matador City Council
- 13 Matador Chapter of the Eastern Star, Floydada, Meal at 6:30pm, meeting at 7:30 pm
- 13 MCISD Mavericks at Amherst, 5:00/6:30
- 14-16 Caprock Canyons State Park to Host Bison Celebration Days, Asleep at the Wheel Concert
- 14 MCISD Matadors vs Amherst, Home, 7:30
- 14 AA Meeting, 7p.m. Prayer Chapel behind First Baptist Church, Matador
- 20 Matador Lions
- 20 MCISD Mavericks vs Paducah, 5:00/6:30

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Proposed Budget

The Motley County 2012-2013 Proposed budget has been filed in the County and District Clerk's Office for public inspection. Office hours are 9:00 am to noon and 1:00pm to 5:00 pm Monday thru Friday and closed September 3, 2012 for Labor Day. ct36

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City of Roaring Springs Economic Development Part B Board of Directors Meeting August 22, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Corky Marshall. Present, in addition to Mr. Marshall, were Dana Graham, Alex Crowder and Suzanne Abbott.

Mr. Marshall explained that the ceiling of the Community Center is not insulated and that a thermometer placed near the ceiling showed 110 degrees. The City solicited bids for insulating the ceiling and one bid was received from Perry Gullledge for \$3,900. Part B has \$4,715.83 in the account.

Alex Crowder moved that insulating the ceiling be paid for from Part B funds. Dana Graham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Suzanne Abbott
Suzanne Abbott, Secretary

Bid Notice

MARKET MATADOR IS NOW ACCEPTING sealed bids for the following lots in the city of Matador. Bids will be accepted at City Hall, 706 Dundee, P.O. Box 367, Matador, TX 79244 until 5 p.m. Thursday, September 20, 2012. For further information please contact Linda Roy at P.O. Box 192, Matador, TX 79244 or call 806-319-2069 or 806-347-2600.

Market Matador reserves the right to refuse any or all bids.

- Block 37, Lots 3, 20, 31
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- Block 123, Lots 15 and 16
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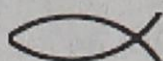
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