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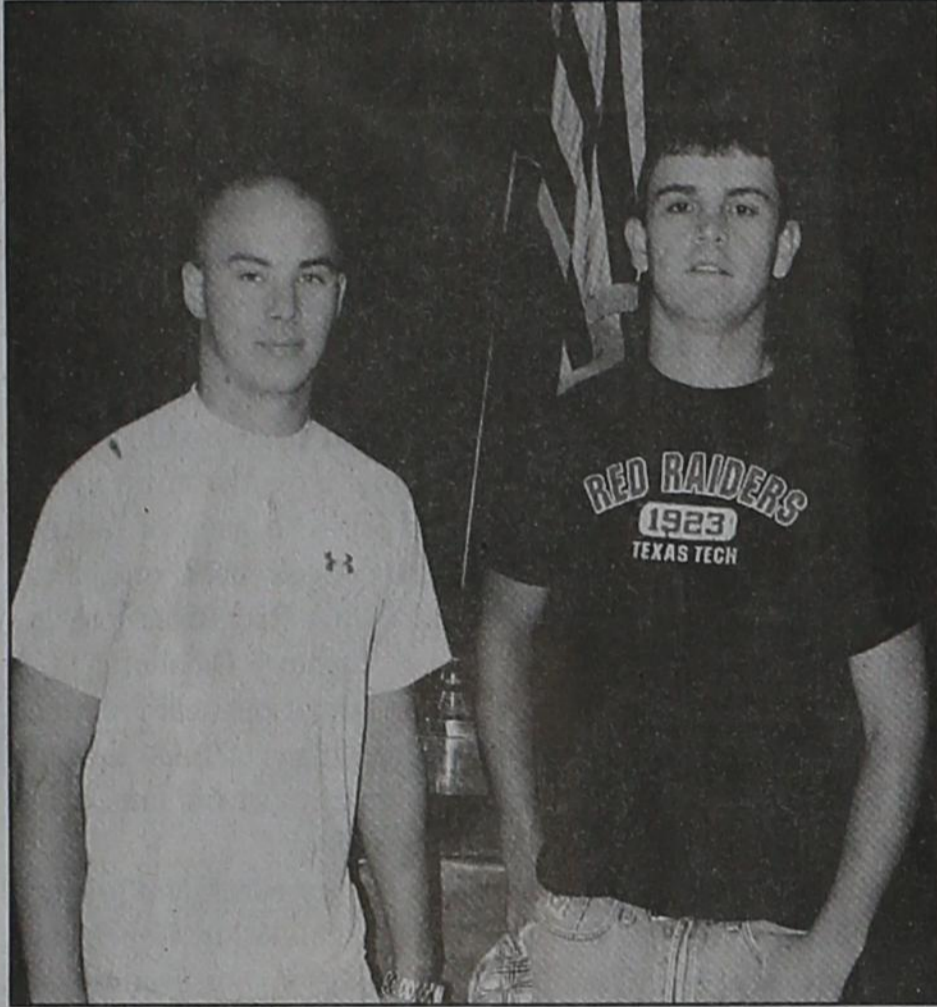
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MCISD Football Players Canadian Bound



By Jennifer Lawler
Motley County Tribune

Christian Brooks and Jonathon Osborn have been selected to participate in the Canadian Bowl this summer. This is an all-star 6-man football game held annually in Canada. These two young men leave Monday, July 2 to travel to Canada and participate in a week of practice and activities. The game will be held July 9th.

Christian Brooks is honored to have been chosen for this experience and he appreciates everyone's support. He said, "I am very excited about heading to Canada. And I'm looking forward to making new friends and spending time with other players from around the state and Canada."

Jonathon Osborn said, "I am excited to be able to represent Motley County and my country in the CanAm Bowl."

Christian Brooks and Jonathon Osborn have been selected to participate in the Canadian Bowl this summer.

photo by Walter Taylor

Tree trimmings upset Roaring Springs residents



This tree, on the corner of 2nd and Linden in Roaring Springs, the front yard of the home of Dennis Allen, is one of many trees that Wright Tree Service from West Des Moines Iowa trimmed at the request of AEP Texas.

photo by Dennis Allen

By Laverne Zabielski
Motley County Tribune

On Tuesday, May 19th, Wright Tree Service from West Des Moines, Iowa rolled into Roaring Springs and began trimming trees. Many of the residents said it looks more like the trees were butchered. Stephanie Burkman, at Wright Tree Services said, "we only do what the utilities tell us to do." Joyce Hunter, a resident, said that the town is grieving over what has been done to so many trees, and that they were not notified that the tree trimmers were coming.

Dennis Allen is concerned not only with the unsightly appearance of the trees, but fears that they are now unbalanced and more vulnerable.

According to Greg Blair with AEP Texas situations

regarding tree trimming can sometimes be contentious, especially in West Texas. However, the trees must be trimmed within 10-15 feet of the power lines. He also said that it is the intention of AEP Texas to notify residents ahead of time.

Chad Luckow, Utility Forester for AEP Texas acknowledged that trimming the trees aesthetically is not always possible. He said they were not butchered, as some assert. They were cut using arbor cultural standards established by the American National Standards Institute.

Joseph Littrell with Arlington Tree Service observed photos of the trees and said, "Yes, the trees are ugly. Unfortunately, the contractors who clear the power lines are not trimming for aesthetics. They

are trimming to maintain the safety of the lines. It does appear that the cuts made to the tree were done properly. I cannot say it could have been done "better", because again, they trim for function not aesthetics."

Mr. Luckow said that residents were notified on June 11-13. Cards were hung on doors letting homeowners know that tree trimmers would be in area soon. The cards are left only after the Work Planner has knocked on the doors and no one answers. When the tree contractors are there to do the work they knock on the doors before they begin to inform the customers of what they will be doing, however if no one answers they continue with trimming.

There is a phone number on the card for people to call if they have any questions.

SPCAA strives to meet June 28th deadline for housing grant

By Laverne Zabielski
Motley County Tribune

William Powell, Executive Director of South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. stated that they are transferring the applications by Motley County, Matador, and Roaring Springs for the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs HOME Investment Partnerships Program to the 2011 HOME Single Family Programs Reservation System. Applications will be accepted by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) on an on-going basis until 5:00 p.m. Thursday, June 28, 2012.

He emphasized that this could possibly lead to more funds being available for those who qualify in Motley County. South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation which administers federal, state, and local contracts for health and human services

to clients in a 37 county West Texas area surrounding Lubbock, Texas to promote self sufficiency and improved quality of life.

Most recently SPCAA, was working on behalf of Motley County, Matador and Roaring Springs to receive funds through the HOME Owner Occupied Housing Assistance grant from TDHCA. Due to failure to meet deadlines, those funds are no longer available.

Powell stated that in the past when they had difficulty in meeting the deadline an extension for filing was always granted. However, in 2010 the Texas Department of Housing made a decision not to grant extensions. SPCAA was unaware of this change. Appeals to Senator Duncan for intervention in receiving an extension were unsuccessful.

As a result of this transition to the Reservation System application, Cindy Johannes is working with applicants to upgrade their applications.

USDA Farm Service Agency Reminds Producers to Report Crop Losses

Motley County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Amy Hackler, reminds producers to report crop losses resulting from a weather-related disaster event within 15 days of the disaster or when the loss first becomes apparent, this includes crops covered by crop insurance, the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) and crops without insurance coverage.

"Crop losses are acres that were timely planted with the intent to harvest, but the crop failed and could not be harvested because of a disaster related condition," said Hackler. "In order to meet FSA program eligibility requirements, producers must report crop losses to the Motley County FSA office within 15 days of the disaster occurrence or when the loss first becomes apparent," she said.

Producers who have NAP coverage will be required to report crop losses on an FSA form CCC-576 - "Notice of Loss and Application for Payment Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program."

According to Hackler, it is important that producers file accurate and timely reports before the crop is destroyed to prevent the potential loss of FSA program benefits.

Failed acreage reports allow the Agency to maintain an accurate record to report how many acres of each crop were destroyed or damaged by a disaster event. This information is used to determine county and state eligibility for programs like the Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) program, as well as future federal farm programs as legislated by Congress. Acreage reports are also used by other federal and state agencies.

For questions regarding crop losses, please contact the Motley County FSA office at 806-347-2263.

Old-fashioned July 4th Celebration Promises to Deliver

By Carol Campbell
Motley County Tribune

Celebrate the national day of independence the old-fashioned way with a parade, fried chicken, a dog style show and hilarious hat contest, bingo, barbecue, and the best up-close-and-personal fireworks display north of the Red River.

A Memorial Service will kick off the events at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 4, in Veterans Memorial Park, downtown Roaring Springs, followed by an all-vehicle parade at 10:30 a.m. This family-affair annual event highlights lawn mowers, ATVs, golf carts, motorcycles, cars, bikes, trikes, and trucks - in fact, anything and everything that rolls, decorated in red, white, and blue, can enter. Entrants compete for blue ribbons.

"We usually have 60-plus entrants for the parade," long time event planner Alex Crowder said. "We get motorcycles, 18 wheelers, old cars and restored trucks, tricycles, bicycles, and 3-wheel motorcycles," he said, adding, "the Old Car Club from Floydada said they would try to come."

Max, a Search and Rescue Blood Hound from Dalhart, will be in the parade, courtesy of owners Denisa and Curtis Brown. Max will also showcase his talent at the Dog Style Show.

Following an old-fashioned

fried chicken lunch with all the trimmings at Windmill Café or a casual picnic lunch in the shade of Veterans Park or the Community Center Pavilion - slip on your decorated hat and walk the stage to be judged in the Hilarious Hat Contest. Blue ribbon winners from last year will have to defend their coveted title of the Most Original, comical hat in the land. So don't miss this event, event planners said.

Need an event to "fill in the gap" between barbecue and fireworks? Check out the bingo game in the air-conditioned Community Center beginning at 4:00 p.m. There are lots of prizes to give-away, said Deannette Gullede, organizer and president of the Community Volunteers.

A barbecue supper to benefit the Roaring Springs Volunteer Fire Department will be served at the RS Community Center beginning at 6:00 p.m. for \$7.50 a plate, or just bring your own picnic lunch, Gullede said. "We encourage all residents and guests to come out to support the Volunteer Fire Department fundraiser followed by a cake walk and all-you-can-eat homemade ice cream." Sign-up sheets to donate cakes and a freezer of ice cream are at the Windmill Café.

After the barbecue, an ever-popular Cake Walk will be conducted at the Community Center Pavilion. Walk the cir-

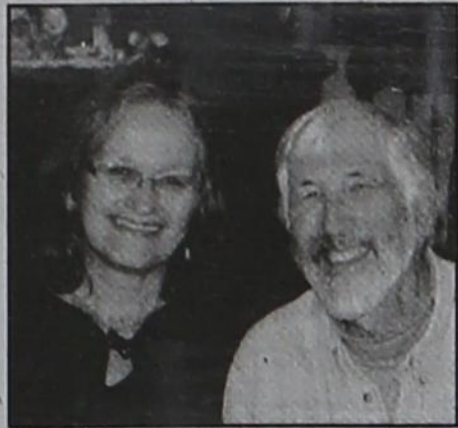
cle while music plays, scramble for a number when the music stops, and win a homemade cake. This fun event will be followed by all-you-can-eat homemade ice cream.

Last year a county-wide Burn Ban prevented the fireworks show from blasting off. The year before, the fireworks show was rained out. Three years of pent-up fireworks promises to provide a show to remember, event planners said. Fireworks will start about 9:45 p.m. and it will be well worth the wait, Alex Crowder said.

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Connections

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



By Larry Vogt

Next week is the Fourth of July, also known as Independence Day. In 1940, on the eve of World War II, there was a patriotic movie trailer that was seen in theatres all across the country. There is no voice narration, just images and text on the screen with a rousing military style music sound track. The film is 40 seconds long and ends with the text saying, "be happy, be glad we are living in the good old USA, land of the free, home of fair play." I was struck by that last phrase, "home of fair play" and thought about the events in Europe and Asia that were

drawing our citizens into the conflict that would shape all of our lives.

France had surrendered to Germany by the middle of June that year and Japan occupied China. It appears that even though the USA was still recovering from the Great Depression, we considered our lives safer and better than the people who had come under repressive domination in other countries. No wonder we could still say, "home of fair play" and later come to the aid of Great Britain and France.

As usual, Roaring Springs is holding a Fourth of July celebration complete with fireworks this year. Last year the fireworks were shelved due to a burn ban in effect at the time. The fireworks will be a culmination to a day filled with fun and activities. All the favorite events from years past will be an ongoing part of the celebration. Don't miss the events and prepare to have a great Independence Day!

WRITING COMMUNITY

J. Henry Hughes, Itinerant Cowboy by Robert Robin Brown

Continued from June 21, 2012

After further discussion the two pokes left the hotel and headed north on main street until they got near the jail-house. Then Henry said, "Let's walk on past until we reach the creek. Then let's travel along the south-bank until we're behind the jail. I will sneak-up and toss some small rocks by the cell windows while you watch the exits." Billy agreed that this was a good plan but he added, "Make sure the rocks strike on the second-floor or else you'll wake Jailer Smith or his wife." The jailers quarters were downstairs, on the ground floor according to Parkes.

Luckily they were able to sneak-up Hackberry draw and roust-out Boone without waking anyone else. He told them that he was drinking his second mug of beer at the Cattleman Bar when he and the saloon-keeper got into an argument over the quantity of beer being served. According to him the bartender had filled his glass only 3/4 full while he had served everyone else full portions. He told the man he didn't like being short-changed and he demanded part of his money be refunded! As the argument became louder and louder, the owner refused to compromise and sent for the sheriff. During the arrest Beckham had drawn his pistol and fired a warning-shot but no-one was hurt.

J. Henry told Boone that he might need to inform Ligertwood at the ranch the next morning. Boone didn't want him to do this and replied, "I have a cache of money hidden under my bunk. Just slide under there and you'll see an old card-box taped to the inside of one leg. Inside you'll find a wad of dollars I've saved." Hughes agreed to follow Boone's instructions and before parting he said, "Hopefully there'll be enough so we can come bail you out, Jeff. See ya Monday morning."

After the party ended at the hotel J. Henry and the Kid hit the trail back to the ranch. Being only a mile and half distant it wasn't long until they were back at the bunkhouse where a lamp was still burning. "Did

you tenderfoots have a good time painting the town," Bob Harper asked as he looked up from a letter he was writing? When they told him they had some fun, another cowboy noticed Boone was missing? "What happened to our ol' wagon boss, did ya'll leave him at the hoosegow?"

When the Pitchfork Kid acknowledged that Boone had in fact been thrown in jail, everyone laughed because they thought he was joking! When Hughes and Billy told the whole story everyone grew quite and someone replied, "If Ligertwood hears 'bout this, Jeff will be demoted to cook's helper!" Not everyone present was fond of Jeff Boone so no agreement could be reached among those present, to cover for him. Before dozing-off Hughes figured that before Monday arrived the news of Boone's arrest would have made it's way to the big house and there was nothing he, Boone or Billy could do to prevent it.

Early Monday morning when all the other men had walked over to the cook-shack for breakfast Henry eased over to Boone's bunk. It took only a moment to locate the stash of money he had been told about. When he counted it he found Boone's savings came to \$35.75. Hopefully the judge would set his bond at no more than this but Henry had two and a-half, he could throw in if necessary.

Since it was a work-day the time had come to confront the ranch manager about Jeff's problems. He couldn't just take the morning off without getting permission from Ligertwood so he entered the kitchen of the ranchhouse and asked for coffee. After a few sips Henry inquired of the cook, "Is Mister Ligertwood in his office, I need to see him?"

After being told that the superintendent was probably there he hurriedly finished his coffee and went to the office and knocked at the open door. "Come in," the resonant voice of the main boss resounded. J. Henry didn't know exactly how to proceed as he was a little reluctant to admit that he and Billy Parkes had left Boone in

jail in Matador. But he had no choice so he said, "Sir I hate to have to tell you this, but when we were at the Motley Hotel celebration Saturday night Jeff strayed over to the Cattleman Saloon with another feller and got into a little trouble. He didn't really do nothin bad but he did git himself arrested." When Ligertwood heard this he dropped his pen into the inkwell and replied sternly, "Now just precisely what did Boone do and who did he do it to?"

At this query Hughes took a seat in a horn-lined chair and blurted-out the whole story from beginning to end. Arthur Ligertwood had seen many scrapes over the years that involved his cowhands but this was one of the most ridiculous stories he had ever heard! The older man dropped his feet heavily to the floor and cried, "Are you tellin me they arrested Boone just because he wanted a full-mug of beer?" When J. Henry confirmed that this was true Ligertwood cried, "That's the biggest crock of non-sense I've heard since I left Scotland! I'll not only let you have the morning off, I will help you make bail for Boone! I insist on going to see judge Campbell with you!"

When J. Henry and Ligertwood got into town Jeff Boone was being readied to be brought before Judge Campbell. His bond was immediately set at twenty-five dollars on a Public Disturbance charge. As instructed Hughes posted bond for Jeff with the money from the cache. At the end of the hearing Ligertwood spoke privately with the saloon owner and the judge. As Henry caught snatches of the conversation he knew that his boss was protesting Boone's arrest vehemently. Finally he said, "If you town-folk should infuriate the shareholders in Dundee and they close the ranch, your one-horse town will likely fold!"

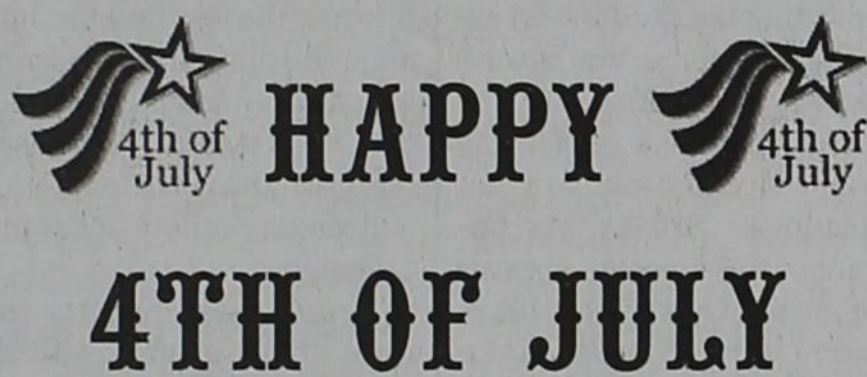
Perhaps the warning that Ligertwood had made was not considered lightly. When Boone's case was taken before the grand jury the following month he was no-billed! Everyone at the ranch was happy he had swung-free but the whole

affair seems to have created an ongoing feud between Sheriff Beckham and Jeff Boone. Although the wagon-boss was initially considered the trouble-maker, before the story would end the sheriff would shoot Boone and be tried for his murder. He would also be charged with misappropriation of taxes he had collected.

After being acquitted of the murder of Boone and still facing tax and robbery charges Beckham would eventually become a fugitive and die while on the run, near Frederick, Oklahoma. He committed a second murder when he also killed the elected Motley county sheriff George W. Cook. This occurred as Cook had stepped down from the train in Seymour, TX to appear at Beckham's robbery and theft trial. Beckham then became a fugitive from justice and joined a gang of outlaws that dodged back and forth across the Red River into Indian Territory Oklahoma. But after a shoot-out near Frederick with a posse of Texas lawmen Beckham meet his fate, dying in late 1895.

J. Henry continued to work on the Matador Ranch but early in 1896, one eventful day he ran across the ol' wagon boss of the Quitaque ranch, Mr. AL Barton in Matador. "I hear you're now working on the ranch here J. Henry, how're you getting along," AL asked in a neighborly way? Hughes replied, "I'm doing okay Mr. Barton but I still miss the Lazy-F, how's are things over on Los Linguish creek nohow?" Barton told him that things were going well and he was no longer 'wagon boss' as he had taken over the ranch's management. He also stated that the Quitaque Ranch was under new ownership and that neither Charles Goodnight nor Mrs. Adair were associated with the ranch anymore. (The Adairs had owned the ranch c.1880-1887. Then Goodnight had become 1/2 owner of the ranch in late 1887 or early 1888 with a banker L.R. Moore of Kansas City but Goodnight had divested his interest in the ranch by the early 1890's.)

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Thornberry warns residents about criminals posing as federal agents

Washington, D.C. - Congressman Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) is warning 13th district residents that criminals posing as Special Agents from the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) or other law enforcement agencies are extorting money from the public.

"We became aware of this scam when a constituent turned to our office for help," said Rep. Thornberry. "People should be aware of this scheme before they become victims themselves. We also want them to know how important it is to report instances like this so these criminals can be found and prosecuted," he continued.

The way the scheme works is that criminals call the victims (who in many cases previously purchased drugs over the Internet or by telephone) and identify themselves as

DEA agents or other law enforcement officials. They inform their victims that purchasing drugs over the Internet or by telephone is illegal, and that enforcement action will be taken against them unless they pay a fine. In most cases, the impersonators instruct their victims to pay the "fine" via wire transfer to a designated location, usually overseas. If victims refuse to send money, the impersonators often threaten to arrest them or search their property. Some victims who purchased their drugs using a credit card also reported fraudulent use of their credit cards.

Thornberry said it is his understanding that this is not the first instance in which a resident of the 13th district was the potential victim of this scheme and that there have been reports of similar scams across Texas and the

country.

The Congressman also reminds people that this is a serious crime and cautioned them to be vigilant about their purchases. "Impersonating a federal agent is a violation of federal law and something that is taken very seriously. This is also a good reminder for people to think twice before they buy things on the Internet or over the phone if they have not had a chance to verify the source," he said.

Anyone receiving a telephone call from a person purporting to be a DEA special agent or other law enforcement official seeking money should refuse the demand and report the threat to the Congressman's office or to local law enforcement authorities. In addition, you can report a potential extortion scam by calling the DEA hotline at 1-877-792-2873.

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Windmill Café celebrates 3rd Annual Customer Appreciation Night



Kevin Rainwater entertained a receptive crowd with country western favorites at Windmill Café in Roaring Springs Saturday, June 23, 2012, at the 3rd Annual Customer Appreciation Night hosted by owners Deanette and Perry Gullede. photo by Carol Campbell



Raynita Murphy, Maria Liebe-Harkort, and Eva Barkley attended the Customer Appreciation Night at the Windmill Café, Roaring Springs, on Saturday, June 23, 2012. photo by Carol Campbell



Deanette Gullede, pictured with her Happy Birthday Windmill Café cake, hosted an annual Customer Appreciation Night Saturday, June 23, 2012, with music, free wine and hors d'oeuvres, topped off by birthday cake. Guests could also order from the menu or indulge in an all-you-can-eat Mexican food buffet. More than 50 guests and well-wishers turned out to wish this popular food establishment a happy 3-year-old birthday. photo by Carol Campbell

Use caution during Fourth of July holiday

COLLEGE STATION, Texas – With Independence Day celebrations drawing near, Texas Forest Service officials are reminding residents to exercise caution outdoors and remember that just one spark can cause a devastating wildfire.

About 90 percent of wildfires in Texas are human-caused, which means they can be prevented. As residents enjoy building a campfire, shooting off celebratory fireworks in approved areas or cooking on the grill, they're asked to take a few safety precautions to ensure their homes and families are protected.

Texas Forest Service Wildland Urban Interface and Prevention Coordinator Justice Jones said that while drought conditions have improved for much of the state, wildfire potential still exists – especially in areas where consecutive days of hot temperatures have dried out the vegetation.

"We don't want to discourage anyone from enjoying the holiday; we just want to remind people that Texas is still prone to wildfire danger," Jones said. "We're still seeing almost daily local activity in some parts of the state."

There are several things you can do to help prevent wildfires:

Check for and obey burn bans and fireworks restrictions.

If outdoor burning is allowed, create a firebreak (down to bare dirt) around an outdoor fire before igniting the materials to be burned.

Keep water nearby just in case a fire starts. It doesn't take much of a spark or burning ember to ignite dry, fine-textured fuels like grass and weeds.

Read and follow label instructions on how to properly discharge fireworks.

Only use fireworks with close adult supervision.

Use fireworks only in areas clear of dead, dry grass and weeds.

Avoid using fireworks, particularly aerial varieties, around buildings. Winds can carry hot fireworks onto roofs where leaves or other flammable debris may have accumulated.

Burn bans and fireworks restrictions are determined by county government. Texas Forest Service does not take a position on the use of fireworks nor does the agency determine, set or lift any restrictions on fireworks.

Caprock Canyons July Events

Come join in all the fun activities at Caprock Canyons State Park during the month of July.

Our annual "Bat Tours" continue through the month of July so be sure to reserve your seat on the tour! Clarity Tunnel is an abandoned railway tunnel on the Caprock Canyons Trailway, which is home to about half-a-million Mexican free-tailed bats each summer. During these guided vehicle tours along the Trailway, visitors will view the bat emergence flight and enjoy spectacular views of the rugged and beautiful breaks of the Llano Estacado. Tours are conducted each Friday evening and take about 4 hours to complete. Reservations are required due to limited space in the Park van. Please call 806-455-1492 for reservations. Reservations may also be made in the Park Headquarters office until 12:00 noon on the day of the tour. Fees are \$10.00 per person. For more information, please call 806-455-1492.

"Skins, Skulls, and Scat," a program that is sure to fascinate kids of all ages, will be held Saturday, July 7 @ 10:00 a.m. and again on Saturday, July 21 @ 10:00 a.m. Kids will get to see and touch

animal skins and learn about some of the "critters" that live in Caprock Canyons State Park by looking at their skulls and scat.

"Paleo-Indian Ingenuity," a program about the Paleo-Indian influence at what is now Caprock Canyons State Park, will be held Saturday, July 14 @ 10:00 a.m. and again on Saturday, July 28 @ 10:00 a.m. This program is fun for all ages and visitors will be able to view the replica archeological feature found at the Lake Theo archeological site as well as experiment with an ancient technology.

Also in July, evening slideshow presentations include "The Texas State Bison Herd" which will be held on Saturday, July 7 @ 9:15 p.m. and again on Saturday, July 28 @ 9:00 p.m., "Bats of TX & Clarity Tunnel" on Saturday, July 14 @ 9:15 p.m., and "Caprock Critters" on Saturday, July 21 @ 9:00 p.m.

Park admission: adults, \$4; seniors, \$2; children 12 and under, free. Camping is available, along with hiking, biking, fishing, and many other outdoor and recreational opportunities. All programs are free with paid park entrance fee. For more information, please call 806-455-1492.

Thank You

Matador's 100th Birthday Celebration was awesome but it is history now. For me personally it was bitter sweet. In spite of being excited and ready to enjoy the Saturday morning parade, as I found myself performing a head first swan dive onto the pavement first and on the side walk second. All this was a result of eye surgery two weeks earlier that distorted my depth perception.

To the man who called the ambulance and to the men who moved the parked car with expertise in order to prevent a second injury, I thank you, although I may never know your names.

I will forever be grateful to the EMTs who were on the scene at once. D'anna, Tina and Anthony, thank you for your tender loving care. Kelly, thank you for going with us and bringing us back home after many ex-rays, scans, and tests at UMC.

Bless you Freida for being exactly where the accident would happen and being willing to kneel on the sidewalk and pray along with other friends and acquaintances. God heard the prayers of Faith prayed by the faithful.

Stanley and I were born here in Matador, near the existing Wayborn home. (not quite 100 years ago). We are indebted to you all for coming to our rescue more than once through the years.

"May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all." 1 Cor. 13:14

*In Him,
June Keltz Levell*

"IMITATING THE DEER"



"As the deer pants for the water brook, so pants my soul for You, O God. My soul thirst for God, for the Living God"—Psalms 42:1-2. The Psalmist was intent in his longing for God. I wonder if the same might be said of us? Do we find our souls really thirsting for God? We are a people surrounded by the material splendor of our culture.

Is there a danger that we might not be developing a thirst for spiritual things? It has been said that, "in a material world we easily forget that life is lived from within, not from without."

It is easy to take our lives from granted. Yet Solomon reminds us in Ecclesiastes 12 that this life is liken to a silver thread and is very fragile. Then he tells us our "whole duty is to fear God and keep His commandments." That often gets placed on the back burner. The spiritual aspect of life is not always foremost in our minds.

What is more important to us, the spiritual or material? Which do we place the most emphasis on? In helping us answer this we read the words of Jesus in John 10:10: "...I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." Our Lord helps us to understand that the life we have in Him is spiritual and not based on the material things of this world. All of the pleasure and riches of this world pales into insignificance when compared to the spiritual life that comes through Jesus. Perhaps we should long for that.

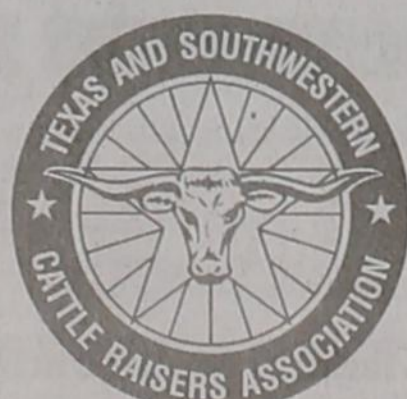
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Matador Ranch encourages ranchers to attend Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association's Roaring Springs Ranch Gathering June 28. The free event, at the Roaring Springs Community Center, begins at 5:30 p.m.

Matador Ranch is sponsoring a door prize (a stay in the lodge) and will open the lodge store from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. on June 28 for special offers. Shoppers who mention "cattle raisers" will receive a 5% discount on all items – even those on sale.

The Ranch Gathering is sponsored by Novartis Animal Health

MATADOR RANCH



**Old fashioned
July 4th
In
Roaring Springs**



NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

In the community

Mike and Judy Crowley recently returned from a vacation in Hawaii. When Mike was serving in the armed forces in Viet Nam he was to go on R & R to Hawaii where Judy was to meet him for a honeymoon. One of his company was killed in action and Mike had to take his place so they didn't get to go. This year their children gave them an all expense paid trip to Honolulu with reservations at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel that was built in 1927. Judy said the hotel itself was a beautiful historic place with all the amenities one could want. The architecture, art works, pools, restaurants were delightful. While there they toured Pearl Harbor, Dole pineapple plantation, a macadamia nut plantation and enjoyed a Polynesian dinner. They enjoyed Waikiki Beach which was close by their hotel and had a lovely view of Diamond Head Mountain from the beach. Their 10 day vacation was the first of June.

Ken and Suzanne Abbott went to Midland on Friday to attend a meeting of the Southwest Live Steamers Association which is an organization of model train builders. The trains are built for a 7-gauge track. The meeting was held at the Phillip Bells home; they have a 10-acre tract with more than a half mile of track and a roundhouse. There were about 30 train builder enthusiasts in attendance. They returned home on Sunday.

Ken has built a coal tender, a flat car and track and has almost completed his working

steam engine. His model with the three units is 10 to 13 feet long.

Buzz and Tince Thacker were in Austin this past weekend to attend Tince's grandson Justin Terry's 35th birthday celebration arranged by his wife, Amanda. While in Austin, they attended Covenant Fellowship Church where Tince's grandson, Todd Terry preaches. They enjoyed visiting with great grandsons, Everest and Sawyer Terry. They went to Austin with Lou Ann and Gordon Terry, Tince's daughter and son-in-law from Post, Texas. They returned home Sunday night.

Remember the Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association dinner on Thursday, June 28th at the Roaring Springs Community Center. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. Ranchers and farmers will be brought up-to-date on the activities that the TSCRA provide to prevent theft of livestock and equipment. Also an update on TSCRA's legislative efforts in Washington and Austin will be given. The ranch gathering is sponsored by Norvartis Animal Health.

On Friday evening, June 29th there will be a Cowboy Camp Meeting at the Windmill Café beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tony and Karen Conner of Midland will bring the message. Music will be provided by the Blest Grass Opry group. There will be an ice cream supper in conjunction with the service. If you can, please bring a freezer of your favorite ice cream to share. For more information, call Dena Washington at 806-407-2111.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

Of all things you wear, your expression makes the most impression and costs nothing.

Shannon and Purdy family reunion

Friendly greetings and happy faces were circulating Saturday, June 23, at the Shannon and Purdy family reunion held at the Flomot Community Center. Hosting the annual celebration were Suzie and Bill Shannon and Family of Flomot and Carol and Donnie Martin of Silverton.

Good food and renewing memories were enjoyed by the 85 attending from California; and from Texas, Amarillo, Dallas, Houston, Plainview, Sunray, Fritch, Turkey, Tulia, Silverton, Post, Flomot, Quitaque, and Kress.

Community News

Mrs. Donna Proctor and Mrs. Jeanette Judd of Amarillo visited Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert and Glen Calvert. Visiting them Sunday was Justin Calvert of Dumas.

Mrs. Janice Hughes and her houseguests, Mrs. Mary Hughes and Mrs. Marla Fisher of Sublette, Kansas, Mrs. Markala Fisher, son, Brently and friend, Braden of Wichita, Kansas, Bengie Hughes and Kaitlynn of Royce City and Rickey Hughes of Floydada enjoyed the Hughes Family Reunion, Saturday, June 23. The 40 family members attended at the Singing R Ranch in Roaring Springs.

Taylor Stallings of Canyon and Mrs. Nada Starkey of Flomot visited Mrs. B. Rogers Sunday afternoon.

Brooke and Brian Sehon of Wolfforth visited overnight

Friday with grandparents, Clois and Kathy Shorter. Visiting them from Friday until Sunday were daughter and family, Christi and Dwain Milam, Haley and Emily of Lake Kiowa, Emily and Haley remained to visit this week.

Doris and Roger Vinson visited in Lubbock Father's Day with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Vinson, Kaitlyn, Morgan and Bubba. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dana Vinson, Allyson, Elise and Chris of Lubbock.

Mrs. Erma Washington visited her son and wife, Tim and Dena Washington of Roaring Springs, Sunday; also visiting was Mrs. Lacy Clary and daughter, Kenzie of Matador, all in attendance to celebrate Tim's birthday with all the trimmings.

Mrs. Frances Lang of Endicott, New York, enplaned home Monday after visiting her daughter and family, Mrs. Linda Kendall, Flomot, the past month. They also visited in California and Oklahoma.

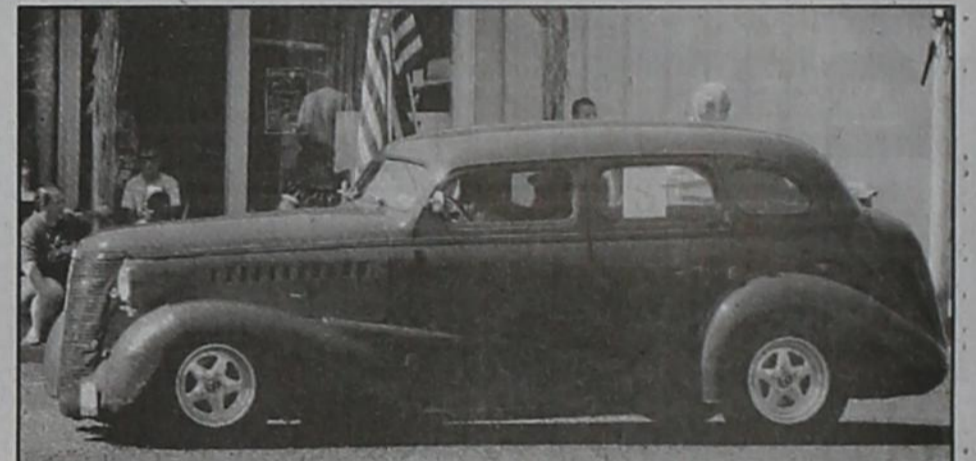
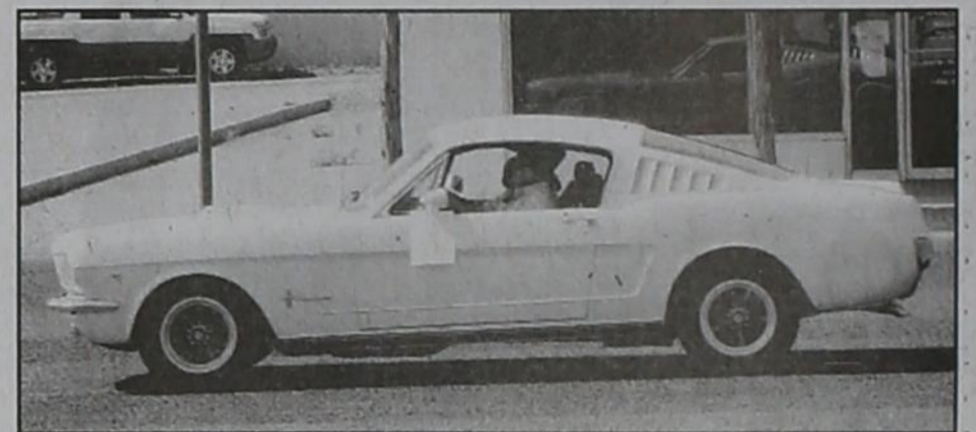
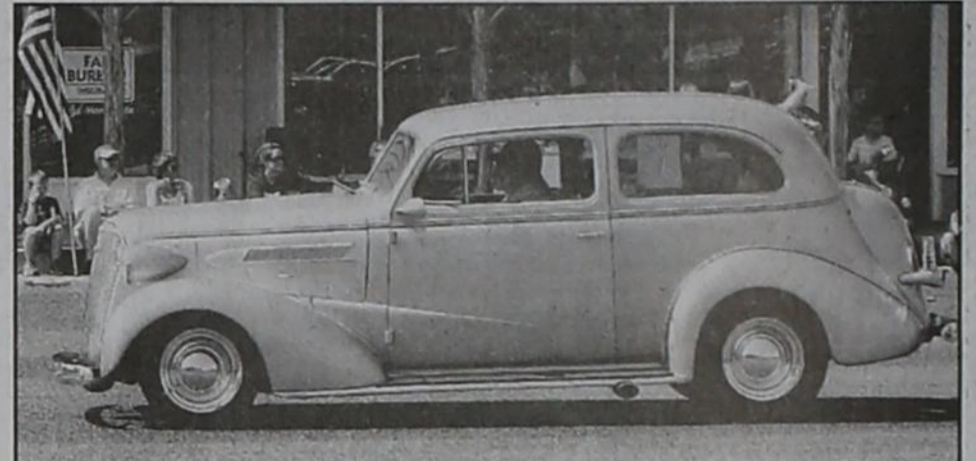
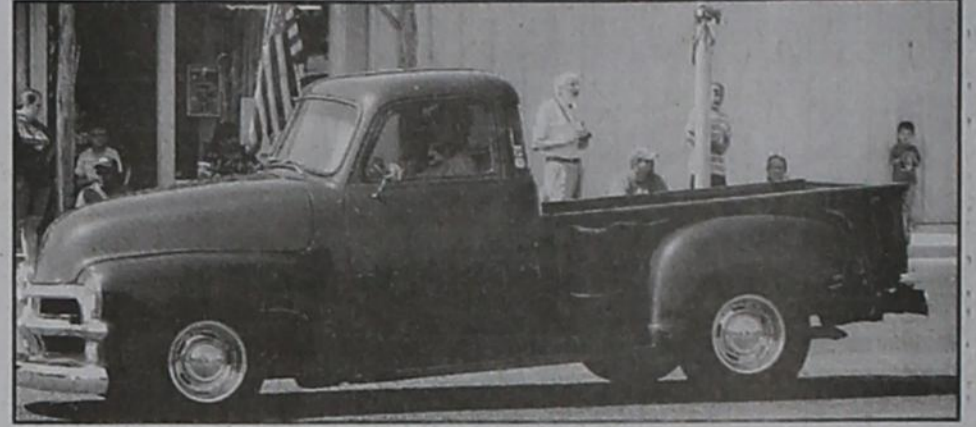
Matador News

Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Jameson of Santa Fe, N.M. visited from Friday until Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Skeet Jameson and at Lockney Rehab with his father, Skeet Jameson.

Nita Murphy, Mary Jones, Judy Cartwright, and Kay Bailey met Mary Helen Cross for lunch at the Seasons Tea Room, in Plainview, on Friday June, 21. Following lunch the group went to several gifts shops and antique stores. These ladies are all cousins, descendants of Hiram and Ada Murphy.

Pictured, left, is the Stage Coach Driver with Carolyn Limmer and Kay Bailey in their decorated golf cart at the recent Centennial Parade. The cart sported roses and carnations galore with red and blue streamers.

Old fashioned July 4th In Roaring Springs



Old Vintage Cars lined the streets in front of the Motley County Tribune in downtown Matador at the recent Centennial Celebration. The familiar Chevrolet '50s pickup and vintage Buick driven by local residents Jim and Betty Roberts headed a parade of cars showcased in the Centennial Parade on June 9, 2012. photos by Barbara Bogart





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Answer: The outbreak that hit Missouri, Illinois and Indiana in 1925 claimed 747 lives.

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Monday was our last day for our Summer Reading programs, but our Reading Challenge continues through July 27, so be sure your child keep up with their reading logs and comes to the library for the books on their challenge card. When they complete the challenge their name will be entered into the drawing for our grand prizes.

Last week's program was snaky! A representative from Matador Wildlife brought rattlesnakes and a milk snake to present a program on "Get A Clue About Snakes". He told the children how to use caution when playing outside, because snakes are lurking and sometimes rattlesnakes don't rattle. He told them how to tell if a snake is poisonous with a rhyme about colors, but stressed that they should never try to catch a snake and should always alert an adult if they see one. He showed the snakes and gave the children the opportunity to touch them. They were very excited about this program. I, however, kept my distance!

It makes me sad the programs are ending; I have thoroughly enjoyed having a library full of kids and seeing the fun they have when looking through the books and

lining up to check them out. Don't forget the reading challenge continues through July 27!

We have some new books on our shelves this week including *Tales of Terror*, *Portraits of Murder* and *The Best of Mystery*, all by Alfred Hitchcock, *I Brake for Yard Sales* and *Flea Markets, Thrift Shops, Auctions and the Occasional Dumpster* by Laura Spencer, and *The Dictionary of Modern Proverbs*, compiled by Charles Clay Doyle, Wolfgang Mieder and Fred R. Shapiro.

In our children's section we have *Why Cowboys Need a Brand* by Laurie Lazzaro Knowlton.

New to our Juvenile section are *Darke* (Septimus Heap Book Six) by Angie Sage and five Poison Apple Books - *At First Bite*, *Midnight Howl*, *Curiosity Killed the Cat*, *Now You See Me*, and *Miss Fortune*.

We also have a new DVD - *Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows*.

Several new books are scheduled to arrive this week, so watch for new titles in next week's column!

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

AgriLife Extension helps test new mesquite control herbicide

STEPHENVILLE - Texas AgriLife Extension Service range specialists have been working with Dow AgroSciences LLC since 2007 on a joint project to develop a new herbicide mix for mesquite control.

The result of the AgriLife Extension-led study is Sendero herbicide from Dow AgroSciences. The company is calling the product the "new standard for mesquite control in Texas," said Dr. Charles Hart of Stephenville, Texas A&M University associate department head for ecosystem science and management and an AgriLife Extension range specialist.

The recommended use rate of Sendero at 28 ounces per acre has been approved through the Herbicide Use Committee as an official recommendation from AgriLife Extension and Texas AgriLife Research, Hart said.

The AgriLife Extension Herbicide Use Committee approves Texas herbicide recommendations for rangeland weed and brush control used by AgriLife Extension and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service, he said.

The chemical comes with a high, 56-75 percent, control rating and is approved for use in the Natural Resources Conservation Service Environmental Quality Incentives Program brush control program as a broadcast application on mesquite, Hart said.

Timing for mesquite control has not changed with this new herbicide, and everything that applies to the old standard of the Reclaim/Remedy Ultra mix also applies to Sendero, he said.

Two important points, Hart said, are that it is approved only for a broadcast application rate at this time, and it will not be used as a basal bark or stem application as the product will not mix with diesel or basal bark oils.

"We are still working on rates for individual plant foliar treatment," he said.

AgriLife Extension's study, which involved five range specialists across Texas, looked at varying rates and mixes of three herbicides: clopyralid, triclopyr and aminopyralid, Hart said. Fourteen different herbicide treatments were evaluated with a total of 164 aerial plots, each 10 acres in size, over the period of 2007-2011 as part of this study.

All treatments were made in June or July at 4-5 gallons per acre total spray volume and applied by either helicopter or airplane, he said.

In 2009, the mixture of aminopyralid plus clopyralid at a 1:4.6 ratio, which is the formula for what is now Sendero herbicide, was first evaluated and has proven to be effective at controlling mesquite in annual trials conducted through 2011, Hart said.

"The new mixture showed higher average mortality and more consistent control across sites during the study," he said.

Across three years and 14 sites, apparent mortality of mesquite averaged 66 percent one year after treatment on plots treated with 0.61 pounds active ingredient per acre of the new herbicide, compared to 57 percent on plots treated with the current standard of 0.25 pounds active ingredient per acre of Reclaim plus 0.25 pounds active ingredient per acre of Remedy

Ultra. After two years post-treatment, Sendero plots averaged 77 percent apparent mortality compared to 60 percent for the Reclaim/Remedy Ultra on all but 2011 treated plots, which are yet to be evaluated two years after treatment, Hart said.

He said the new herbicide has several advantages including: "one jug" premix herbicide for mesquite, no tank mixing of herbicides required; the product is non-restricted use, meaning a pesticide license is not needed to purchase or apply; no livestock grazing restrictions associated with the product; and it appears to be very specific to mesquite, leaving desirable shrubs unharmed.

Hart said those with questions or comments regarding Sendero herbicide can contact one of the AgriLife Extension range specialists located around the state. A list can be found at <http://essmextension.tamu.edu/people/index.php>.

Cattle Trails Wheat and Stocker Cattle Conference to be held July 31 in Wichita Falls

Texas and Oklahoma to jointly conduct event

WICHITA FALLS - Refocusing after the drought will be the focus of the Cattle Trails Wheat and Stocker Cattle Conference, a joint effort between the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service, to be held July 31 in Wichita Falls.

The conference, which alternates between Texas and Oklahoma each year, will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the MPEC Center, 1000 5th St. in Wichita Falls.

This annual conference provides wheat producers and stocker cattle operators with the most up-to-date information on topics that influence their operations profits, said Stan Bevers, AgriLife Extension economist in Vernon.

The slogan of the annual conference is "Driving your operation to profits," however Bevers said the target for this year's conference will be refocusing on production and profitability after last year's drought.

"Many production areas have received adequate rainfall, but the drought has left some lasting impressions including fewer calves for grazing," Bevers said. "Coming out of last year's drought will require a new level of understanding and pencil pushing."

Registration is \$25 per person and includes educational materials, printed proceedings, a noon meal and refreshments. Additional information can be obtained at <http://agrisk.tamu.edu>.

Key speakers presenting information include: Dr. Larry Sanders, Oklahoma Cooperative

Extension Service economist, discussing the general economic outlook for agriculture; Paul Coleman, chief operations officer and partner, Fontera Feedyard, Muleshoe, discussing the current challenges in the feedlot industry; and Dr. J.P. Pollreis, veterinarian for Pfizer, Inc., Amarillo, discussing challenges for maintaining the health and productivity of stocker cattle.

Additional speakers include faculty from Extension entities in Oklahoma and Texas. Other topics will include current research on stocker cattle processing, the cattle and wheat market outlook and a wheat production update. Industry sponsors also will have their products on display during the event.

Producers are encouraged to preregister by contacting their local AgriLife Extension county agent, their Oklahoma Cooperative Extension county educator, or Karen Thompson at 940-552-9941, ext. 217 or by email, kethompson@ag.tamu.edu.

AgriLife Research to host summer crops field day at Chillicothe station Maximizing nutrient and water-use efficiencies to be focus

VERNON - The Rolling Plains Summer Crops Field Day will be held July 17 at the Texas AgriLife Research Chillicothe station, 1340 Farm-to-Market Road 392, south of Chillicothe.

"Maximizing Nutrient and Water-Use Efficiencies" will be the title of this year's program, which will begin with registration at 7:45 a.m., followed by the field tour from 8:30-10:30 a.m., said Dr. Paul DeLaune, AgriLife Research environmental soil scientist at Vernon.

There is no charge for the program and lunch will be provided. Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education credits will be offered, DeLaune said.

Topics and AgriLife Research scientists from the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Vernon who will speak on

the field tour will be:

- Availability of well water and soil nitrate for crop uptake: Significant amounts of nitrogen may be available through residual soil nitrate levels or elevated nitrates in well water, DeLaune and Dr. Srinivasulu Ale, geospatial hydrologist.
- Irrigation Scheduling Technologies: Demonstrate the latest available technologies to increase irrigation water-use efficiency, Dr. Nithya Rajan, agronomist.
- Five Years of No-till, What Have We Learned?: Production of dryland and irrigated sorghum and cotton as affected by tillage systems, DeLaune; economics of tillage systems, Dr. Seong Park, economist; water availability in different tillage systems, DeLaune; and greenhouse gas emissions, Rajan.
- Cover Crops in Dryland Cotton: Performance of legume and non-legume cover crops, and impact on soil moisture, DeLaune.

At 10:30 a.m., the program will move inside for the following topics and speakers:

- Optimizing Fertilizer Application to Maximize Profits, Daren Harmel, research leader, U.S. Department of Agriculture-Agriculture Research Service, Temple.
- Soil Health Strategies, Functions Soils Can Provide, Willie Durham, USDA Natural Resources Conserva-



SNAKES ALIVE!! Bailey Lawrence takes her turn touching the big rattlesnake which was part of the Summer Reading Program last Monday. A representative from Matador Wildlife presented information about snakes which included live snakes such as the one pictured. Bailey is the daughter of Chad and Denise Lawrence of Roaring Springs.

FSA News
By Amy Hackler

Producers are reminded that it is that time to certify all spring seeded crops. Deadline is July 16th. Please ensure that you make an appointment with the office so that all your farms can be handled in a timely manner. It will be a very busy three weeks so it is crucial that you call ahead for an appointment and have all your information ready when you come in. Please also make sure that you let us know if you need to fail your crop(s) as well. We will need to do a manual 576

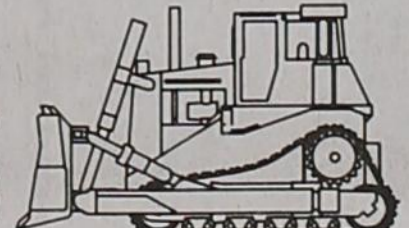
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- 4 July 4th, Roaring Springs
- 5 Roaring Springs Lions
- 9 Commissioners' Court
- 9 Roaring Springs City Council
- 11 Hospital Bd meets in the back of the ambulance barn, 7am
- 12 Matador City Council
- 12 Matador Chapter of the Eastern Star, Floydada, Meal at 6:30pm, meeting at 7:30 pm
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Application for Local Option Liquor Election

An application has been filed with Kate Hurt, Motley County Clerk in Matador Texas, to have a Local Option Liquor Election. The election is for the City of Roaring Springs.

Application filed by Perry Gullede. The application is for the sale of beer, wine and other alcoholic beverages for on-site and off-site consumption.

Called Election will be held July 14, 2012 at the Community Center from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ct27

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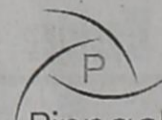
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