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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



BECKY RENFRO

Becky Renfro works at Pay-N-Save Grocery in Matador.

She and her husband, Andy, are newlyweds and live in Matador.

When not working Becky enjoys spending time with Andy and friends.

Thought for the Week

"One of the illusions of life is that the present hour is not the critical, decisive hour. Write it on your heart that every day is the best day of the year."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson



A Salute to a Veteran

In last week's story about Veteran's Day we asked our readers to please let us know if we had left any Veteran from that year out of the story.

We received two calls telling us of Billy Long of Roaring Springs, who was in the Marines and was killed in action at the Battle of the Bulge in Germany.

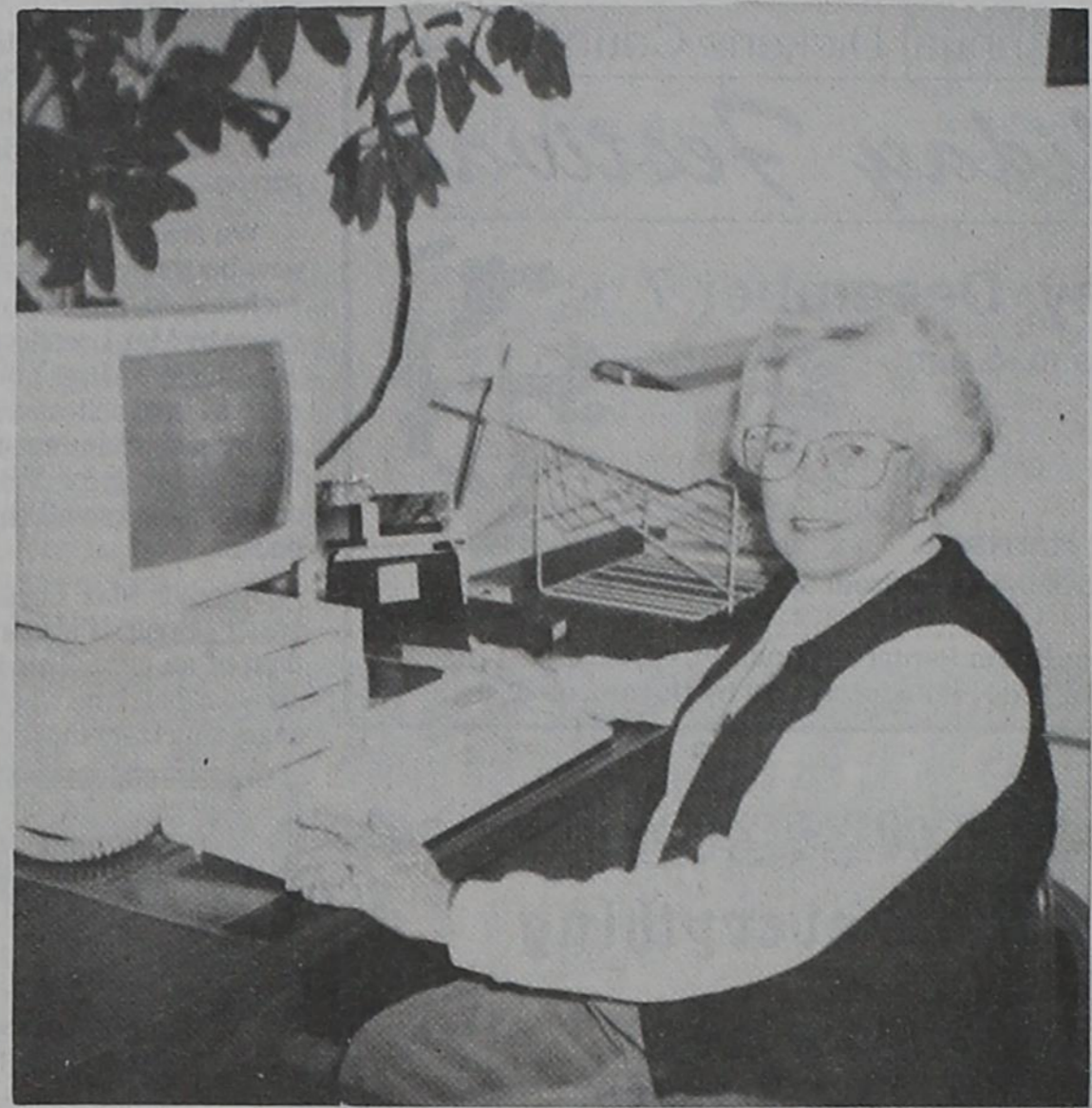
Motley County Library Receives Grant from Tocker Foundation

The Motley County Library has received a grant from the Tocker Foundation. This award, in the amount of \$4,623.00, is to be used to purchase the equipment and services needed to provide access to the Internet for library patrons and staff.

The Tocker Foundation was established in 1964 to implement the philanthropic interests of Phillips and Olive Tocker. They endowed the foundation with their estates in 1994 and 1993, respectively. In 1992 the foundation board decided to focus grant distribu-

tion to small rural libraries serving a population of 12,000 or less. The foundation's mission is to distribute funds principally for the support, encouragement and assistance to small rural libraries.

Darla Gwinn and Suzanne Abbott wrote the application and the grant was awarded to the library in October. The Motley County Library hopes to be "on line" within six months, and all patrons will be able to use the Internet services.



Motley County Librarian, Suzanne Abbott, is pictured here working at the computer in the Library.

School Board Votes To Buy New Bus

The Motley County School Board met Monday, November 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Roll was called and items for board action included:

* Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

* A list of expenditures was approved and financial statements were reviewed.

* Gale Stafford was appointed as a board member to the Tax Appraisal Board.

* The board approved buying a 65 passenger bus from National Bus Sales in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

* The bid for Employee Health Insurance was awarded to M.D. Physicians of Amarillo.

* Board member, Jeff Thacker, discussed options from CapRock Tele-

phone such as Internet and long distance service. No action was taken.

* Textbook Committee was approved to look over State adopted books.

* Approved purchasing Cellular phones for route buses from Gillespie Communications.

* Approved employee incentive pay which will be given in December.

* Executive Session. No action was taken.

Items presented for information was a clergy meeting to discuss having a baccalaureate service for this year's graduation.

The board also discussed the Jr./Sr. Prom, the Special Ed. Co-Op propane tank, and a campus improvement plan. Meeting adjourned.

Donations for the Matador Mural Project may be made at the First State Bank in Matador.

All donations are appreciated!

FSA To Conduct Meeting For Ag Credit Borrowers

FSA is conducting a meeting for Ag Credit Borrowers, which should be very informative regarding their 1997 applications for FSA loan services. This meeting will be held on November 20, 1996 at 9:00 a.m. in the Senior Citizens Center in Matador.

As you are aware, there have been several changes in lending policies for FSA due to the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act (FAIR

Act) which was implemented in April 1996. Some of these issues will also be discussed at that time.

Please feel free to call should you have any questions or comments at (806) 259-3666 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday through Friday. FSA Farm Service Agency is an Equal Opportunity Lender. Complaints of discrimination should be sent to: Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

Matadors End Season With 47-21 Loss To Happy

by Billy Green

The 1996 Motley County football season ended Friday night as the Matadors hosted the Happy Cowboys in their final district game.

The Matadors fought hard this season and we are proud of this team. Good job guys.

The Matadors took the opening kick-off but turned it over to the Cowboys on a fumble on the Mats' 29 yard line where Happy drove into the end-zone for the first score of the evening giving the Cowboys a 7-0 lead. The Matadors answered right back when Keane Cruse connected a 24 yard touchdown pass to Aaron Green, but our P.A.T. was denied and the score was 7-6. Happy then came back on another scoring drive to take the scoreboard to 14-6.

Happy was able to score twice more before the half, but Motley County put the ball in the end-zone on a 6 yard pass from Cruse to Green with only 4 seconds left in the half. Keane also hit Tyler Decker for the 2 point conversion play ending the first half 26-14.

The second half sparked excitement when the Matadors started on their 25 yard line and ended the drive on a 45 yard touchdown pass from Keane Cruse to Aaron Green. Matt Woolsey put the ball through the uprights on the extra point try and the scoreboard read 26-21.

The Cowboys took control then and tacked on 8 more points in the third quarter and 13 more in the fourth to end the final game 47-21.

The Matadors did a fine job and had several exciting moments. These young men have played hard this year and have made their fans proud of them. Our district was very tough this year,



Aaron Green breaks for good yardage in the season's final game against the Happy Cowboys.

(photo by James Gillespie)

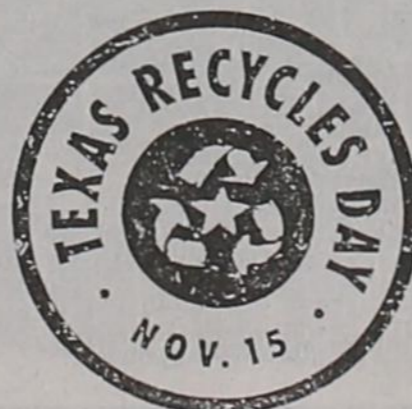
having three state ranked teams in the district and we knew it would be a hard row to hoe.

Good season Matadors.

The 1996 fighting Matadors were: Talon Cruse, Josh Lee, Tyler Decker, Quintin Brandon, Kyle Brandon, Matt Woolsey, Aaron Green, Scott Smith, Bert Darsey, Edward Alvarado, Joe

Mangram, Keane Cruse, Jason Clauser, Devin Perryman, Aaron Binder, Dayton Grundy, Jason Barton, Robert Gillespie, Chris Guerrero, Brad Mar-

vel, Ty Barclay, Brant Donaldson, Jerod Rieger, Art Tiffin, Dusty Jackson, Blake Barton, Paul Gonzales, and Sean Rose.

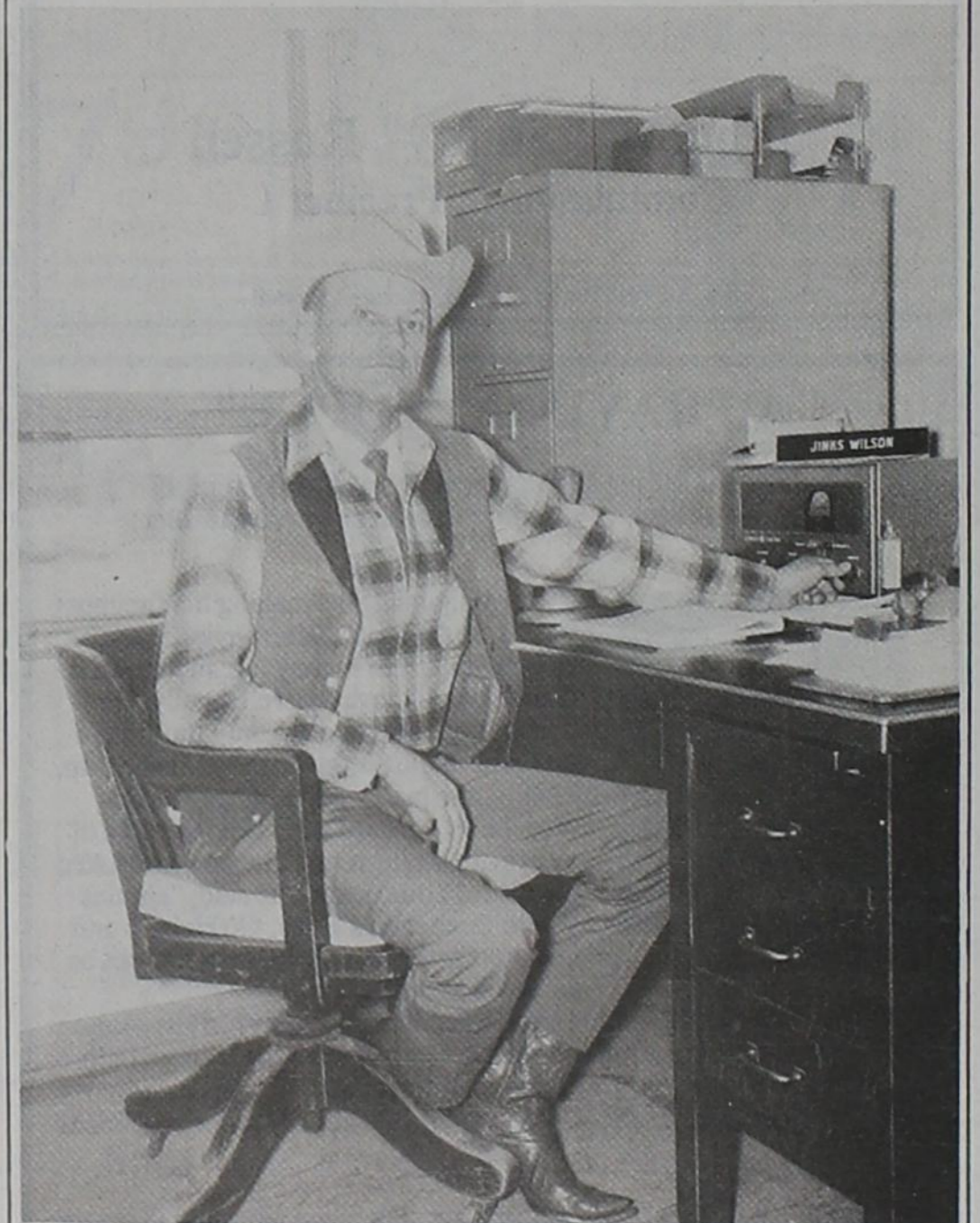


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IN REMEMBRANCE



TWENTY YEARS SINCE TRAGIC SLAYING — Motley County Sheriff Jinks Wilson was tragically shot down in cold blood twenty years ago, on November 12, 1976. Sheriff Wilson was 61 years old and had served Motley County as Sheriff for 12 years. He and a friend, John D. Rogers, were out on a call for straying cattle east of Matador when he stopped to investigate two men changing a license plate on their vehicle. When Sheriff Wilson began to question the men, they pulled a sawed-off shotgun from the vehicle and shot the unarmed Wilson at close range. Mr. Rogers was also shot, being struck by buckshot and receiving minor injuries to his right side and right hand. Wilson's widow, Geneva, still resides in Matador, as does his daughter, Mrs. Nelda Tomison. He was also survived by a son, Dink Wilson.



Fall Foliage Tour - available right here in Motley County. Have you driven up and down Main Street in Matador? It's beautiful. The trees are at their most beautiful stage. Shades of gold, orange, red and brown. And the drive to Roaring Springs is outstanding. The shinnery is a beautiful red. Who needs to go to New England for a Fall Foliage tour, we have some of the most beautiful fall foliage at home!

Again I must apologize, just when you think you're doing everything kinda right, it turns out you have done

something wrong. We are sorry we make mistakes, forget things, or leave someone or something out. But, as I said before, we are human, and we do appreciate your patience.

I would like to give a big pat on the back to Billy Green and James Gillespie. They have done a wonderful job with the football stories. James has made some terrific photos of the games and Billy has done a great job of writing the game reports. Thanks so much, guys!

Golden Years? Who Said So?

by Mary Meason

This is another "Golden Years" story of one who is "up there" in those supposedly Golden Years.

When I was young and did something stupid I was so embarrassed I didn't even want to go to school!

When we get old all the dumb things we do just rolls off us like water off a duck's back. My latest act of stupidity was only last week.

Once a month on the second Tues-

day of the month the older (old) women of the Methodist Church meet at Billie Dean's Restaurant for lunch. Tuesday of last week was not the second Tuesday, but it hadn't dawned on me yet, so I got busy and called all the women to remind them of the luncheon Tuesday.

Finally, the light came on and I realized the luncheon was not Tuesday of last week but on Tuesday, the 12th of November! Then I had to call everyone and admit my gross mistake.

Another thing that makes me feel

so foolish is when someone calls on the phone and I talk and talk then find out that I'm mistaken about whom I was talking to, then I have to back up and hope to goodness I hadn't said anything that I shouldn't have even mentioned.

Just recently I looked for two days for my tax notices and on the third day I found them on the desk just where I had put them for safe keeping. After I had looked for them for two days in all the files and wastebaskets I was reminded again just how stupid I must be then I wondered if it could possibly be that I'm just old!

Do you ever look and look for something and you know just exactly where you put it and still can't find it, give up and an hour or two later you go back to see if you can find it, and there it is! Right where you thought it was in the first place.

Have you noticed how hard it is to get ready to go somewhere and it seems that nothing fits right or looks right.

You have arthritis in your feet, you don't have a pair of shoes that are comfortable and every step you take hurts! Then vertigo hits suddenly. It's very difficult to even stand up, you are so dizzy the fear of falling is always in your mind, then when you stagger and bumble around you just know that someone is looking at you saying, "Just look at that old woman, she is so drunk she can't even walk straight." But you will remember that statement when you reach the wobbling stage.

Everyone should remember the saying, "What goes around comes around." Wearing one balck shoe and one navy blue shoe doesn't apply only to the old. I've been guilty of that mistake when I was young and in col-

lege. That mistake I've made a number of times and I've long since blamed that bit of carelessness on the fact that I much prefer to go barefoot summer and winter when I'm at home.

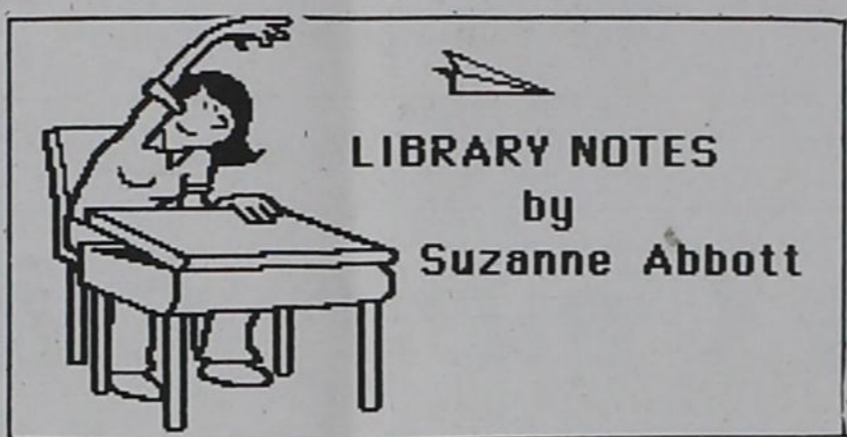
So many older people are either deaf or partially deaf and do not hear things completely and then repeat it to someone else, then they are accused of being gossips. Just remember they are into the depths of the so called "Golden Years" and are not prone to gossiping.

Forgetfulness is more or less common to almost all elderly people. That doesn't mean that their mind is bad and are completely "losing it". It does take a bit of an effort to remember longer than day before yesterday, but be patient, your day will come!

Older women tend to gain a lot of weight as they get older and older and because of hurting feet, lack of energy and crippled hips and knees, that we fail to exercise. I am head of that group of women. I try to tell myself that because I had so much exercise up until I was 61 that maybe exercise now won't make too much difference! But I played tennis, field hockey, basketball, baseball, golf and went swimming 3 or 4 times a week. When I get a guilty feeling and realize that all that exercise that I enjoyed so much twenty and thirty-five years ago just doesn't cut down on the bulges and pones.

Just enjoy those so called "Golden Years", be happy, and there are some privileges of being old (older).

Those "Golden Years" creep up on you in a hurry when you pass the 50th birthday, so be patient, kind and forgiving now, because that will be the way that you will want to be treated. That time in life gets here long before you want to accept it!



Today, Thursday, November 14, 1996, there will be a Friends of the Library meeting at 4:00 p.m. in the Library. We hope that everyone will be able to attend.

We wish to thank Judy Renfro for her donation to the Library in memory of Ray Cruse. This donation will provide a lasting memorial to a special person.

We are receiving many wonderful new books every day in the Library. Included in these are In the Grip of Grace by Max Lucado and Here There Be Angels, by Jane Yolen. The latter is an illustrated collection of the author's stories and poems about angels and is listed as being for children, but children of all ages will enjoy this lovely book.

Another Max Lucado book, Alabaster's Song, is also a book for children of all ages. This book tells of a six-year-old boy who listens to the angel sing from the top of the Christ-

mas tree. A Love Divine, by Alexandra Ripley is a fictional account of the life of Saint Joseph of Arimathea.

Also, new to the Library is Jackie's Treasures, the fabled objects from the auction of the century. This book shows pictures of items auctioned from Jackie Onassis' estate, telling what the estimated sale value was and what the items actually brought at the auction.

We have Scott Turrow's newest, The Laws of the Fathers. Also, the newest Dick Francis is on the shelf. It is To the Hill, and is, in my opinion, one of his better efforts.

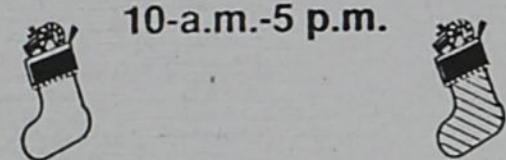
A very helpful book is When Words Matter Most by Robyn F. Spizman. This book provides thoughtful words and deeds to express just the right thing at the right time. We also have the best seller by Gary Aldrich, Unlimited Access, an FBI inside the Clinton Whitehouse.

These and many more new books are ready to be checked out and enjoyed.

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In the Rough

BY GENEVA



TUESDAY SCRAMBLE October 22

Winners: First with a score of 32, (play off on card), Alan Bingham, Alfred and Louise Barton.

Second, with a score of 32, Kenny and Olivia Barton, Ronnie Vandiver, and Dee Litteken. Kenny got closest to pin, 13' 1 3/4".

Others playing were Buzz and LaVoe Thacker, Mark and Gene Brannon, Garland Cartwright, Homer and Cleo Martin.

LADIES PLAYDAY October 24

Playing 18 holes were Louise Barton, Geneva Wilson, Olivia Barton, and LaVoe Thacker. Louise won the ball, blind par.

Playing nine holes were Dorothy Day and Marihelen Wason.

LADIES GOLF LUNCHEON

Marihelen Wason and Lucretia (Bundy) Campbell were co-hostesses for our last of the year golf luncheon in the very beautiful home of Marihelen. Each person brought a covered dish. The meal was delicious, the decorations were very pretty and we all enjoyed it very much. Thanks, girls for going to all the trouble for us.

Those attending were (besides the hostesses), LaVoe Thacker, Louise Barton, Geneva Wilson, Mary Lou Williams, Judy Renfro, Frances Hobbs, Dorothy Day, Olivia Barton, Judy Renfro, and Judy Cartwright. Prizes were given for 1996 play.

Play Yourself Tournament Winners

18 holes: Olivia Barton, score 59; low putts, LaVoe Thacker, 13 putts, 5 hole outs.

9 holes: Tie - Lucretia Campbell and Judy Renfro, score 36; low putts, tie, Dorothy Day and Marihelen Wason, 8 putts.

Officers for 1997 were elected after the prizes were given.

Co-Presidents - Mary Lou Williams and LaVoe Thacker; Secretary/Treasurer, Olivia Barton; Co-Reporters, Hazel Donovan and Geneva Wilson.

We want to thank our officers for 1996. Co-Presidents, Marihelen Wason and Lucretia Campbell; secretary/treasurer, Olivia Barton for a job well done this year. It is not an easy

task but all of you did great - thanks again for everything!

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"A PRAYING PEOPLE"

"Now He was telling them a parable to show that at all times they ought to pray and not lose heart." (Luke 18:1)

A young man was making his first boat trip across the ocean. After buying his ticket, he had very little money left and realized that he would have to live frugally. He bought no extras and ate only the simple things he could buy at the shops on the ship. Finally, the man was so hungry he approached a steward and asked the cost of meal in the dining room. The steward looked puzzled. "Your ticket", he said, "entitles you to three meals a day. Go right in and help yourself." The young man had not because he asked not.

Are we not like this young man, when we fail to pray? In His sermon on the mountain, Jesus reminds us that God knows what we need before we ask (Matthew 6:8). Does knowing this, make us wonder why we should bother to ask Him for anything? If God already knows our needs why pray?

Let each of us take a really close look at the time we spend in prayer this next week. Let us examine ourselves. Take time to read Luke 18:1-8 and then answer the question, "Do I pray and not lose heart?" Are we like the young man on the boat, hungry when God has a feast prepared for us? Remember there will never be a night or day when God will not hear us as we pray. There is no time, or place, when he will withhold His love and grace.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ
Michael G. Crowley, Sr.
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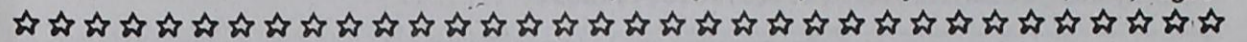
Look Who's New

Amanda Cheyenne Lawrence

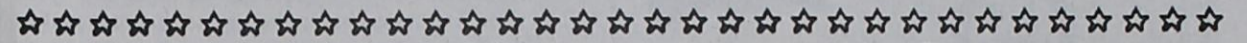
Joan and Jewel Lawrence of Roaring Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their first great-grandchild, Amanda Cheyenne Lawrence, born November 4, 1996 at Lake Point Hospital in Rowlett, Texas. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Justin Lawrence. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Lawrence of Dallas, Texas.

Many things we need can wait. The child cannot. Now is the time his bones are being formed; his blood is being made; his mind is being developed. To him we cannot say tomorrow. His name is today.

—Gabriela Mistral



MC hall news



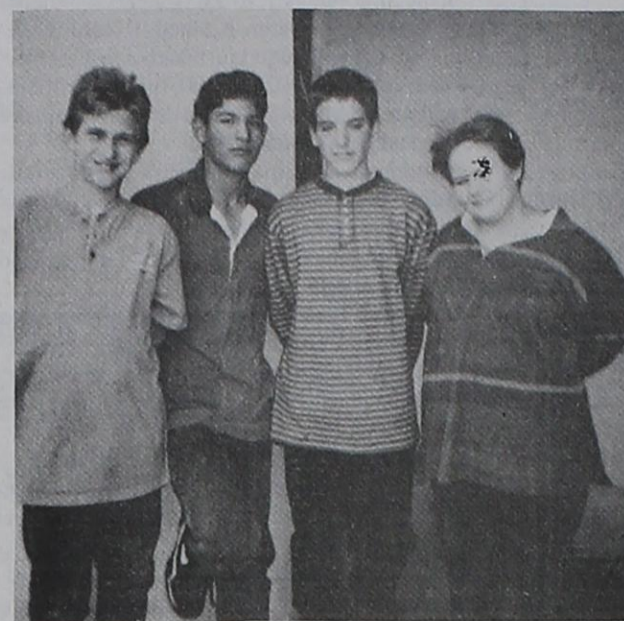
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18
 Breakfast: Sausage, Gravy, Biscuits, Juice, Milk.
 Lunch: Spaghetti, Meat Sauce, Whole Kernel Corn, Tossed Salad, Bread Sticks, Milk.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19
 Breakfast: Hot Cereal, Buttered Toast, Fruit, Milk.
 Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Potatoes, Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Hot Rolls, Honey, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20
 Breakfast: Hot Pockets, Fruit, Milk.
 Lunch: Frito Pie, Crackers, Green Salad, Chilled Peaches, Milk.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21
 Breakfast: Cereal, Pop Tarts, Fruit, Milk.
 Lunch: Turkey, Gravy, Dressing, Cranberry Sauce, Celery Sticks, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Pumpkin Delight, Milk.

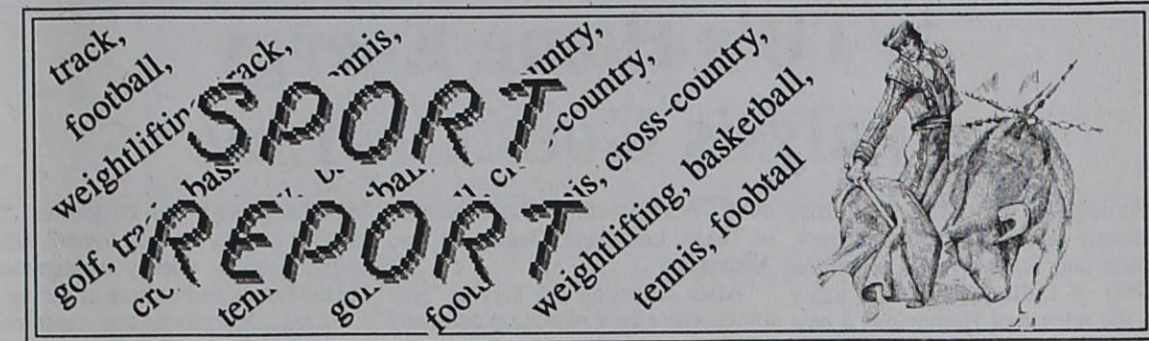
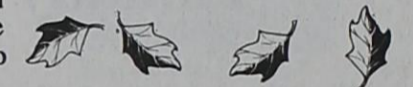
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22
 Breakfast: Biscuits, Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Fruit Juice, Milk.
 Lunch: Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Potato Chips, Peanut Butter Cookie, Milk, Fruit.



7TH GRADE CLASS OFFICERS — Andy Anson, President; Ysef Alvarado, Vice-President; Bobby Hollingsworth, Secretary/Treasurer; and Leslie Taylor, Reporter, pictured left to right.

Jr. Methodist Youth Group Elects New Officers

The United Methodist Jr. High Youth recently elected new officers. They are as follows: Scott Jones, President; Shandra Jones, Vice-President; Brittany Moore, Sec./Treas. Other members are Lacy Carson, Ryan Moore, Benji Martinez, Fernando Martinez, and Rachel Smith. The adult leaders are Terry and Ronda Miller. The youth have been enjoying video Guy! These videos help the youth by discussing major issues facing Jr. High students - peer pressure, self-respect, and gaining parents trust are just a few of the many topics the videos talk to the youth about. The United Methodist Jr. High Youth would like to invite anyone interesting in joining them to please do so Sunday, 7:00 p.m. at the church.



Dodie Morris Runs In Regional Cross Country Meet

Senior, Dodie Morris, made a very impressive final run in her high school Cross Country career as she competed in the Regional Cross Country meet at Lubbock on November 2.

She qualified by taking third place individually at the District Meet. Dodie ran one of her fastest times of this season. She placed 58th out of 196 runners in the meet, with a time of

14:12. She did an excellent job this year and is to be commended for all of her hard work and dedication.

Congratulations Dodie!

Help MADD Save Lives And Support Youth

(NAPS)—As prom and graduation season approaches, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) has joined with Wal-Mart in a new promotion to keep local high school events safe and alcohol-free. Despite the national 21 drinking age law, an estimated 2,222 young Americans between the ages of 16-20 were killed in alcohol-related traffic crashes in 1994.



To reduce underage drinking and drunk driving during prom and graduation season, a program to educate students will be supported by a promotion with MADD and Wal-Mart.

The "PROMise to Keep it Safe" promotion, which runs in Wal-Mart stores during the entire month of March, features a variety of General Mills cereal and snack products at a significant saving to the consumer.

Profits from the promotion, ranging from five to 20 cents per item, will go to support local programs to benefit teens and MADD.

A national survey indicates that of the 20 million junior and senior high school students in America, half of them drink monthly. The "PROMise to Keep it Safe" promotion will support MADD in its efforts to prevent underage drinking and drunk driving.

DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE

Rolling Plains Educational Technology Consortium Meets

by Rick Copp, Superintendent

The Rolling Plains Educational Technology Consortium, which consists of seven rural school districts including Motley County, Valley, Paducah, Patton Springs, Spur, Guthrie, and Jayton, met at Spur High School on Thursday, October 10. The group met with key professors from Texas Tech University to discuss ways that our consortium can jointly work together with Texas Tech to provide better education opportunities to both our students and teachers in our respective school districts.

It is the aim of the consortium to stay on top of and provide the best technological advances for our students that we can. By working with outside agencies and colleges we are better able to meet the great needs of all our students.

One of the first needs that the consortium is working on is to get all seven schools networked with the Internet. This will allow our students to access outside sources for research and information. The seven schools, along with help and support of Cap Rock Telephone and Region 17 Service Center, are in the process of apply-

ing for the Telecommunications Infrastructure Grant. With the aid of this grant our schools will be networked together and will be able to share information, as well as teachers in different subject areas.

Our next goal will be to have access to video communications. This new technology will allow us to communicate with the Region 17 Service center and have inservice programs for our teachers broadcast directly to Motley County. By doing this it will save on teachers having to travel to Lubbock for inservice, saving time and money for our District. Texas Tech has also expressed a desire to broadcast certain classes over the system allowing teachers to work on their Master's Program and possibly add dual credit classes for our students. If this program can be successfully implemented our students could gain up to 12 hours of college credit without leaving Motley County.

There are many new and innovated projects available for our students, but in order to achieve their dreams, we at Motley County I.S.D. must continue to look for ways to help them. By being an active member of this consortium we feel we CAN help to supply materials and help in making our student's dream become a reality.



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Medical Savings Accounts

By a resounding margin, Texans say they support an innovative plan to provide small business employees a new way to cover health care expenses. My questionnaire, which this newspaper graciously published this summer, invited Texans to consider Medical Savings Accounts (MSA). The question asked: "Do you support implementation of tax-deferred medical savings accounts (accounts that allow employees of small companies to establish a tax-free savings account reserved exclusively to pay medical expenses and purchase insurance, similar to 'medical IRAs') to cover your health care needs?" Eighty seven percent of the respondents said they favored the idea. Texans repeatedly said health care reform should expand options, not add to the long list of intrusive federal regulations already in place.

"The tax-free savings plan sounds like a very good plan for medical care," said one constituent from Perryton. "The program now in place penalizes people who want to save for medical emergencies by taking anything you put in and haven't used by year end."

"How could anyone think that's a fair plan?" she said. Couldn't have said it better myself. Contrary to the limited options employees have today, MSAs offer the flexibility and security lacking from many of today's managed health care agreements.

Let me offer some background. MSAs were included as a provision of the Balanced Budget Act approved by the 104th Republican Congress in 1995 and represented TRUE health care reform. Unfortunately, the President vetoed this bill, and we went back to the drawing board.

One man in Pittsburg wrote that he thought it best if MSAs were first tested before being "set in concrete."

In the final analysis, so did Congress. When Congress approved the Kassebaum-Kennedy Health Care Reform bill this year, we included just such a test.

From January 1997 to 2000, the Department of Treasury will set up MSAs in a pilot study of employers of 50 or fewer and the self-employed.

Individuals and small business employers will have the option of making tax-free deposits to MSAs, which remain the properties of the employees. Participants can also use the money to pay for medical expenses or health insurance premiums.

One aspect I really like is that any money not spent for those purposes accrues interest and can be used in other ways — for medical expenses after retirement, a "rollover" into an IRA or pension plan, or a fund left in the individual's estate.

Let me answer a concern from a small business owner in Grapeland. He wrote: "As a small business owner, what will this cost me? The small business owner is getting hit from too many sides."

He spoke for millions of Texans. The good news is that MSAs cost nothing for a small business owner.

Over and over, Texans said that the federal government besieges small business owners with "ineane ... stupid ... outright nutty" regulations and mandates from, as one respondent said, "the center of confusion known as Washington, D.C."

No one knows that better than I, sir. I can promise him and all Texans that I am working hard to try to curtail the intrusion of the federal government in your everyday lives.

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WTU's Home Energy Analysis Goes On-Line

Abilene - West Texas Utilities Company and its parent company, Central and South West Corporation (CSW) of Dallas, announced today that the release of Homeview, a new interactive on-line home energy analysis service, is now available to all WTU residential electric customers.

Homeview can be found on the Central and Southwest internet homepage (<http://www.csw.com>) or internet address (<http://homel.voltview.com/cws/intro.htm>).

Homeview, designed by Volt Viewtech for CSW, is one of the first internet home energy analysis programs in the United States. Homeview's unique features tailor it to the customers' needs and make it easy to use. This analysis is more comprehensive and interactive than similar programs.

One of the unique features is that Homeview supplies 12 months of the customer's electricity billing information as part of the evaluation. It also provides an opportunity for the customer to add other energy sources such as gas usage to produce a comprehensive picture of energy use. The program is also rate specific, using the customers actual electric rate to analyze and calculate energy cost savings. In addition, it takes into account 15 weather zones representative of the diverse weather conditions through-

out CSW's four-state service territory of Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Arkansas.

After accessing the service, customers enter their operating company customer account number to keep the home energy analysis secure and confidential. Customers answer a series of questions about their home and appliances as well as heating, cooling and lifestyle patterns.

The customer's billing information is added automatically and helps provide a comprehensive look at their energy usage. Customers receive a two-page report that enables them to make adjustments to obtain efficiencies in their energy usage. This report helps them make better choices about the energy they use in their homes.

"CSW serves more than four million people. Our research indicates that more than one-third of them have the ability to access the internet," said John Saenz, vice president, CSW Marketing in Tulsa. "This program provides another way of serving and interacting with our customers. It's another step in moving toward time-of-day pricing, energy management for the home, and remote metering."

"Last December, our customers voted CSW's electric operating companies number one in The American Customer Satisfaction Index that was published in Fortune magazine. Homeview is a product that serves our customers and gives them a choice about energy usage and their energy supplier."

This program was designed to run on Netscape Navigator and works best in that environment.

Central and South West Corporation is a public utility holding company based in Dallas. The corporation owns four electric utility subsidiaries, which serve 152,000 square miles in four states. CSW also owns a regional electricity company in the United Kingdom, and non-utility subsidiaries involved in telecommunications, independent power production, energy efficiency and financial transactions.

GOOD FOOD

Holiday Cookbooks Make Tasty Gift Ideas

(NU) - If your traditional holiday recipes are beginning to get stale or you just can't bear to bake the same old confections another year, Macmillan Publishing has a cornucopia of books designed to rekindle your interest in holiday cooking:

- Holly Garrison has assembled 340 recipes ranging from holiday classics to childhood favorites. "The Thanksgiving Cookbook" (\$12) has chapters on decorating food and the table, and scrumptious left-over turkey recipes.
- "The Cookie Book" (\$25), also by Holly Garrison, offers a compendium of more than 400 recipes for the kids, afternoon tea or holiday baking. There are chapters on drop cookies, rolled cookies, icebox cookies, shaped cookies, bar cookies and special cookies.
- "Roasting" (\$16), by Kathy Gunst, resurrects the world's oldest and healthiest cooking technique. Place a roast chicken surrounded by carrots, baby onions and zucchini in a pan and you have a healthy meal prepared ahead of time, allowing you to socialize with family and friends. Nothing could be easier for special occasion cooking.
- "Menus and Music For Christmas" (\$25), by Willi Elsener, executive chef of The Dorchester in London, England, not only gives you delicious recipes to try, but also gives you mu-

sic to play while you're creating them. A CD has been inserted into each of the 20-full-color-photo cookbooks.

- The Weight Watchers Complete Cookbook and Program Basics" (\$25) has great holiday recipes that even non-dieters will love. The book provides a shopping list and prep schedule for each holiday menu, making cooking chores a joy.

- The meat-eating crowd will enjoy "The New Meat Lovers Cookbook" (\$25) by Janeen A. Sarlin and Diane Porter. It offers 200 traditional meat-lover recipes designed for today's healthier lifestyle. The authors say favorites like beef, pork and lamb can fit into a healthy eating plan while allowing you to enjoy recipes like Grilled Pesto Burgers, Brazilian Braised Pork, and Venison Chops with Rosemary and Garlic.

- The editors of "Vegetarian Times" help you entertain your vegetarian friends with "Vegetarian Times Vegetarian Entertaining" (\$27.50). It has 23 menus for holidays like Thanksgiving, Christmas, Kwaanza, Passover and more. Here's a great dessert:

WINTER SQUASH-PECAN PIE (Makes eight servings)

- 1 medium butternut squash or 2 cups cooked, mashed squash or canned pumpkin
- 1 cup low-fat, sweetened condensed milk
- 1 large egg plus 1 large egg white, beaten
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1 9-inch graham cracker deep-dish pie crust
- 2 pints low-fat frozen yogurt (optional)

Preheat oven to 350 F. Cut squash in half lengthwise and scoop out the seeds and stringy fibers. Place cut-side down in a baking pan with about 1/4 inch of water. Bake until the flesh is easily pierced with a fork, about 35 to 40 minutes. Remove from oven, flip the squash over, drain and let cool for a few minutes.

When the squash is cool, scoop out the flesh from the shells and puree in a blender, or mash by hand to a smooth pulp; measure out 2 packed cups.

In a medium mixing bowl, blend together the cooked squash or pumpkin, condensed milk, beaten egg and egg white, 3/4 cup of pecans, brown sugar, salt, nutmeg, cinnamon, and cloves. Pour the mixture into the pie crust and sprinkle the remaining pecans over the top. Place pie in oven and bake on middle rack until a knife inserted into the center comes out clean, about 40 to 50 minutes.

Let cool on a rack for several minutes before refrigerating. If desired, serve with frozen yogurt.



Winter Squash-Pecan Pie. News USA

Do The Two-Step With One-Dish Chicken & Rice Bake

- Campbell's® One-Dish Chicken and Rice Bake
- 1 can (10 3/4 oz.) Campbell's® Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 1 cup water
- 3/4 cup uncooked regular white rice
- 1/4 tsp. each paprika and pepper
- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves

In 2 qt. shallow baking dish, mix soup, water, rice, paprika and pepper. Place chicken on rice mixture. Sprinkle with additional paprika and pepper.

Cover. Bake at 375°F. 45 minutes or until done. Serves 4.

To get a free recipe box, look for the offer in the soup aisle of your local grocery store. Campbell's also invites you to visit its site on the World Wide Web at <http://www.campbellsoups.com>.

Garrison receives scholarship



MEETS LEGEND — Dowell Garrison, family, and Coach Pete Rhoades were present as Dowell was awarded a \$500 scholarship from FCA. Garrison is the first recipient of the Tom Landry-Lisa Landry Childress Memorial Scholarship. Dowell is a senior at Smithville High School.

NOTE: Dowell Garrison is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Garrison of Matador. He is the son of Dickie Garrison and Joanna Garrison of Smithville. The following article is from the Smithville newspaper.

On Monday evening, October 29, Dowell Garrison accepted the first Tom Landry-Lisa Landry Childress Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded by the Greater Austin Area Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Nominations were taken from FCA Huddles around the Austin area. The award is presented to one senior boy and one senior girl. The nominees are judged by the recommendation they receive from the Huddle coach and their own responses on why they feel they qualify for this award.

The award is given in memory of Tom Landry's daughter, Lisa, who died of cancer in the early 1990's. The scholarship will be awarded each year to Austin area FCA athletes.

Garrison accepted the award from Coach Tom Landry, with his mother Joanna; father, Dickie; brother, Dane; and Huddle Coach, Pete Rhoades.

Garrison received the award based on his daily work with Christ, not only on the playing field, but in his everyday walk as well.

It's Time To Start Thinking Christmas..... and the

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is the perfect place to shop for a special book.

- "Texas Country Reporter Cookbook"
- "1996-97 Texas Almanac"
- Newly Revised "All The Roads of Texas" (This book literally has every road in Texas)
- "Educational Roots Grow Deep" by local author, Beverly Vinson a very thorough and interesting history of Motley County Schools
- "Remembering Billy" (the story of a West Texas Marlar, Billy Havins, of Roaring Springs, with mention of many Motley County residents)
- "The Early History of Motley County" by Harry H. Campbell
- "Roaring Springs Cookbook" Lots of good recipes, and a little history

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UNITED SUPERMARKETS

Rusty Carter - Manager

There are quite a few grocery stores in this area, but what makes one stand out above all the others? It's the extra friendly service and fair prices at UNITED SUPERMARKETS located at 2105 Ave. F. N.W. in Childress, phone (817) 937-3631. This place is headquarters for people who want to keep their food bill at the lowest possible figure and still eat like a king. No matter what you may need, tender meats, canned goods, dairy products, picnic supplies or kitchen utensils, they have it here. Due to their large volume of business and intelligent buying practices, they are able to provide you with large selections of groceries, vegetables and USDA inspected meats at lower prices. We highly recommend UNITED SUPERMARKETS in Childress. Be sure to stop in soon. They wish all a Happy Thanksgiving.

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Gwen Stofel - Administrator

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Texas Scottish Rite Hospital Celebrates 75th Birthday

Mr. and Mrs. Furman Vinson attended the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital's 75th birthday November 7 at the Anatole Hotel in Dallas. They were among the over nine-hundred people in attendance to hear Gov. George Bush proclaim the wonders the hospital has accomplished in the past three quarters of a century when a group of Masons founded the facility on Oct. 6, 1921.

It is the goal of TSRHC to ensure that each child who comes to the hospital receives individual attention, loving treatment and the best orthopedic medical care available, all this at no cost to the patient. The child always comes first, above administrative or financial sources.

The hospital has grown from an eight-bed facility treating only polio patients to children with orthopedic disabilities, related neurological conditions and learning differences. In 1995 alone the TSRHC scheduled more than 38,000 outpatient visits and performed more than 4,000 surgeries using the most innovative procedures available, many of them having been devel-

oped by the hospital itself. Children from birth to 18 years of age can be seen almost immediately with a referral from their pediatrician or family physician. There are six pediatric orthopedic surgeons and 26 full-time physician treating a variety of problems of the children.

Mr. Vinson is a trustee of the hospital representing, along with four other Masons of the area, the Valley of Lubbock. He serves on the Executive Committee, the Joint Hospital Advisory Committee and the Rocker B Ranch Committee and is Chairman of the Advisory Conference of the Lubbock G.R. Valley.

James Watson Receives Promotion

James P. Watson, son of Mrs. Dora Watson of Matador, has been promoted to President of Bechtel Petroleum Operations Inc., replacing Elmer R. Remkes, who retired on October 18. Watson has been vice president and general manager of Bechtel's Elk Hills operation as operator for the U.S. Department of Energy.

He is involved in numerous community activities. He is on the board of directors and is past president of the United Way of Kern County, on the board of directors of Bakersfield College Foundation, past president of the board of Westside Energy Services Training and Educational Center of Taft College, a member and past president of the Taft Rotary Club. He and his wife Jerry Anne, live in Bakersfield, California.

I would like to thank the voters of Motley County, Precinct III for your continued support in the November 5th Election.

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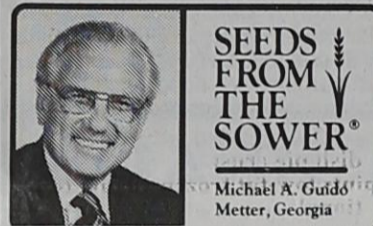
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WORD of GOD

What shall be the sign?
Mark 13:4
Watch therefore; for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.
But know this, that if the Goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.
Matthew 24:42-43



SEEDS FROM THE SOWER
Michael A. Guido
Metter, Georgia

Alexander the Great had a man in his army who was evil-minded, foul-mouthed and given over to loose morals.

One day he called him into his tent and said, "My name is Alexander, and your name is Alexander. But you're bringing disgrace to the name of Alexander. Either change your name, or change your way of living."

If you're a Christian, you bear the name of Christ. Are you bringing honor or dishonor to His name?

The Bible says, "Anyone who says he is a Christian should live as Christ lived." Do you live as Christ lived?

Like Alexander the Great said, "Either change your name, or change your way of living."

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Farm & Ranch News

Windbreaks Act As Silent Partner To Motley County Landowners

A tree standing alone adds a certain aesthetic quality to rural living. But the systematic planting of trees and shrubs in a windbreak becomes a management tool that effects every aspect of the farm or ranch.

Whether around a homestead, near cattle or bordering cropland, multiple row windbreaks act as a silent partner to Motley County landowners, naturally protecting their investments.

Utilizing windbreaks as a conservation tool is not a new concept. Millions of shelterbelts were planted across the rural Great Plains in the 1930's and 40's to reduce the winds and hold down the soil. And sixty years later many are still reducing erosion today.

Windbreaks, in addition to reducing soil erosion, increase land value, crop yields and reduce livestock weight loss and mortality. But producing a high performance windbreak requires more than "just" planting a line of trees.

Prior to planting a greenbelt it is essential to establish: the protection need, specie adaptability to the planting region, and the dimensions of the break, be it of a homestead, livestock, field or wildlife windbreak or a living snow fence.

Generally, each tree row should be planted 20 feet apart, with 10 to 20 foot spacings between each tree within a row, according to the Texas Forest Service (TFS), Lubbock. Proper spacing prevents crowding, which reduces stress and therefore decreases insect and disease susceptibility while extending the life of the windbreak.

The TFS also recommends multiple rows in windbreak design. The purpose of the windbreak will dictate the number of rows required.

Multiple-row windbreaks have distinct advantages over a single line of trees. First, specie composition can be diversified to insure that the integrity of the planting is not diminished if onerow of trees becomes infested with an insect or disease. Generally, insect and diseases are confined to a species.

For example, if a pine row became infested with tip moth, junipers and deciduous trees and shrubs would not be affected and protection would continue. Also, should a pine die from the infestation, a gap would not remain

because of the backup provided by the additional rows.

The second advantage is the early protection faster growing species provide. Deciduous trees are faster growing than evergreens. A row of green ash will provide initial protection while the slower growing pines or junipers, the backbone of windbreaks, become established.

Multiple-rowed windbreaks also exhibit a diversity in tree species and the unique, aesthetic characteristics of their flowers, leaves, fruit and color.

The height and density of the species included in a windbreak is an important consideration as well, according to the TFS.

The protected distance beyond the windbreak is directly proportional to the height of the tallest trees and barrier density.

A single row of trees may suffice for a period, but a multiple-row windbreak established with the recommended dimensions can serve a lifetime. Seedlings to produce such a conservation tree planting are produced

by the TFS West Texas Nursery and available for ordering this fall through Upper Pease Soil and Water Conservation District. Contact your local district for more information or the TFS (806) 746-5801.

Social Security Tips

by Mary Jane Shanes
Plainview Office

WHEN IS THE BEST TIME TO RETIRE?

For many people, choosing when to retire is not an easy decision. To make the decision that is best for you, there are several facts you should consider. For example, the amount of your monthly benefit check may be the deciding factor. If you retire at age 62, your monthly benefit will be 20 percent less than if you wait until you reach age 65. Once you choose the reduced benefit, you won't be able to change to the full benefit when you reach age 65.

Although your benefit will always be reduced if you retire early, your payments may be increased when you reach age 65 if you worked anytime after beginning to receive Social Security benefits. You'll get credit for each month in which you did not receive a benefit payment because your earnings exceeded Social Security's earnings limit.

If you retire early, you won't be eligible for Medicare until you are 65. Because you will be receiving Social Security benefits, you will automatically be enrolled in Medicare. About three months before your 65th birthday, you should receive your Medicare card. If you don't, call the toll-free number (1-800-772-1213) to let us know. Your automatic enrollment will include both Part A (hospital insurance) and Part B (medical insurance). Part A coverage is free; however, you must pay a monthly premium for Part B. You have the option to decline Part B coverage. And if you reach 65 and don't retire, remember to inquire about Medicare - it's not automatic if you don't get Social Security.



BIG HUNT—Shane Taylor is pictured here with the 11 point deer he shot recently on the Bob Burns land, north of Matador. This is an unusually big deer for Motley County.



Focusing on the future could have been the major theme at the Texas Food & Fiber Commission's (TFFC) Industry Advisory Committee meeting November 7, 1996.

According to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers the TFCC committee met at the Texas Tech International Textile Center to preview research projects set to be carried out during the 1998-1999 biennium.

"The TFCC's main purpose is to support Texas natural fiber and oilseed industries through the oversight of research projects conducted at major research institutions around the state," explains TFCC Executive Director Steve Verett. "Research funding is provided directly from the Texas Legislature. Hopefully, this provides a mechanism for research to more easily respond to the needs of the cotton, wool, mohair and oilseed industries."

Verett says a number of research projects scheduled for funding, following approval of budget requests by the legislature, are cotton oriented and directly benefit producers.

Verett notes that an ongoing project funded by the TFCC provides funds used by Texas Agricultural Extension

Service (TAEX) agents to do fiber testing on cotton produced in county demonstration projects. These results provide valuable information to producers as they decide on the varieties they feel will best fit their operations. Another TFCC project provides fiber testing to all Texas A&M University cotton breeders for evaluation of new breeding lines and varieties.

Other research areas being addressed by the TFCC in cotton include developing reliable tests to determine and possibly combat fiber stickiness, increase disease and pest resistance, develop improved management systems and to increase the value-added aspects of cotton fiber and seed.

Total funding requested to carry out TFCC research in 1998-99 is approximately \$2.5 million.

"The TFCC's role has really been focused in the last few years as all commodity groups attempt to chart their courses into the next century, concludes Verett. "An excellent example of this work is the outstanding job the wool and mohair industry has done following elimination of government support programs designed to help them.

"Wool and mohair producers have refocused their pertinent research and commodity promotion efforts. They are now industry driven, helping insure that wool and mohair continue to be a viable economic force within the state."

Harvesting activity is proceeding throughout the Texas High Plains, despite the lack of a true killing freeze in many areas.

Overall, estimates indicate about 35-40 percent of the crop has been dropped. The difference in percent harvested, however appears to vary widely from area to area.

Reports from the Lubbock and Lamesa Cotton Cladding offices show a good quality crop is being harvested. The Lubbock office has processed approximately 500,000 of the 2.25 million samples it expects to receive this year.

The Lamesa office, which receives most of its cotton from areas harder hit by this season's dry condition, has classed 132,000 according to their latest report. The Lamesa office has estimated it will receive around 450,000 samples this year.

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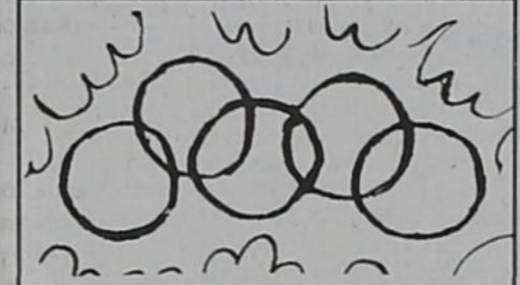
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