

## Make tracks to Matador for Late Night Shopping

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## You better watch out ... You better not cry ... Santa Claus is coming to town

You better watch out, you better not cry, you better not pout, I'm tellin' you why.... Santa Claus is coming to town! That's right - jolly old St. Nicholas will be in Matador, this Thursday night, December 1. He is scheduled to arrive by firetruck at about 5:30 p.m. He will visit with children at the Library annex until 7:30 p.m.

The Eternas Study club will also sponsor a Kiddie Store at the annex, with gifts in a price range little ones can afford for their holiday shopping.

Matador businesses will stay open late for this special evening to observe the city's

Late Night Shopping event, which is held annually the first Thursday in December.

Several businesses plan to participate and most will offer door prizes, special sales, refreshments and maybe a few surprises. Participating businesses will offer bells to be given to each customer making a \$10 or more purchase, with surprise gifts listed.

This fun and festive evening is the second of such events to kick off the Christmas holiday season in Motley County. Roaring Springs held their Late Night Shopping last Friday night, which proved to be very

successful with busy sidewalks dressed in holiday style.

Participating businesses which have notified the Tribune, include the following: New To You, Motley County Tribune, Matador Floral, Matador Variety, Quality Discount Outlet, SnoCone Stand, Calico Treasures, Lowe's Pay & Save Grocery, Anna's Mexican Restaurant, ohh la la, 4R Trinkets & Treasures, Main Street, JoAnn's Jewelry and Jan's Place. Watch for vendor booths set up in various businesses or on sidewalks.

Don't miss this special event and keep your shopping dollars at home.

## Matador City Council meets Mayor's resignation tabled until December meeting

The Matador City Council met November 28 with council members Pat Seigler, Bert Darsey, Jim Watson, Chuck Ream and Mayor Pro Tem Shane Jones attending. Also in attendance were City Secretary Debra Scott and Matador resident, Ed D. Smith.

Mayor Pro Tem Shane Jones called the meeting to order and asked Pat Seigler to give the invocation. She asked if anyone wanted to speak in Open Forum. There was no response.

The minutes were read and it was noted to amend the minutes to read the Fire Department will be paid \$5,000 in November and the second \$5,000 in March. Council approved the minutes.

Next on the agenda were personnel issues. Council elected to move the Mayor's

resignation and the appointment to the 4B Tax Board to the end of the agenda and move on to the Water Superintendent interviews/hiring. Council went into closed session at 7:05 p.m.

Council reconvened from closed session at 8:35 p.m.

Council voted to table the Mayor's resignation until the regularly scheduled meeting in December. They also approved to table the appointment to the 4B Tax Board until December.

Council voted to reinstate Steve Barton as Water Superintendent.



**BIG SMILES FOR SANTA** — Brody Rankin was all smiles when it came his turn to visit with Santa last Friday night during Roaring Springs' Late Night Shopping event. Santa was all dressed up in cowboy style. He is planning another stop in Motley County before Christmas Eve, and is scheduled to be in Matador this Thursday night, December 1, for the town's Late Night Shopping event. He will visit with children from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. at the Library annex. Brody is the son of Ryan and Lacy Rankin of Roaring Springs.

## Christmas Lighting Contest underway

The Texas Highway 70 Association's Christmas Lighting Contest is currently underway with judging to take place the week of December 12. Plaques will be awarded to first, second and third place winners in each town along highway 70 including spur, Dickens, Afton, Roaring Springs, Matador, Flomot and Turkey. One plaque will be awarded to the 'Best of the Best' overall.

Every house with Christmas lights on, within the city limits of each town, will be judged. Homes visible from Highway 70, but possibly outside city limits, will also be judged. If you do not want to be included in the contest, just leave your lights off that week.

For more information contact Alex Crowder, 348-7336.

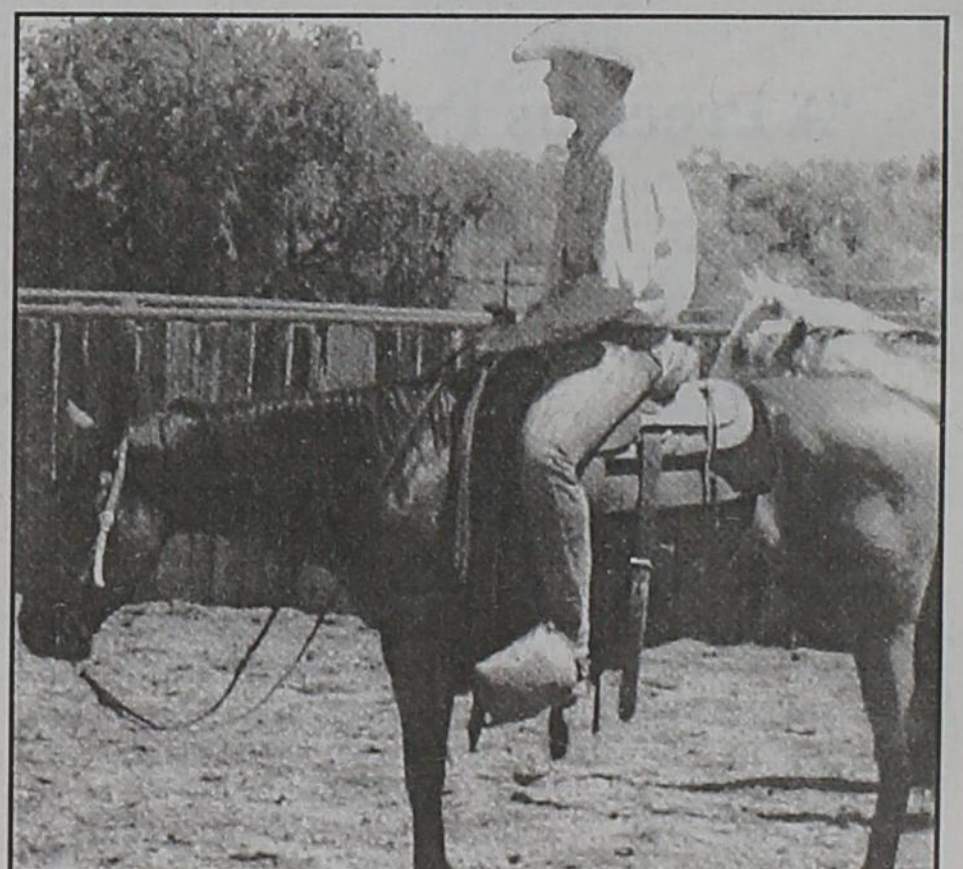
## Local student selected to Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team

Denver -- Leaders of the National High School Rodeo Association (NHSRA), the oldest youth rodeo organization in America, appointed Colton Russell of Motley County to the Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team, the first-ever corporate-sponsored youth rodeo team.

The Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team is fashioned after Wrangler's Champion Pro Rodeo Team, which includes superstars like Ty Murray, Joe Beaver, Dan Moretensen, Charmayne James, and Hall-of-Famer Jim Shoulders. Colton earned a position on the Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team based on leadership qualities, academic eligibility and athletic achievements.

"We are excited to again this year expand Wrangler's rodeo sponsorship program at the high school level," said Karl Stressman, special events manager for Wrangler Rodeo. "As always, it gives us a tremendous sense of pride to associate the Wrangler brand with promising young men and women. We're confident each member of the team will be an outstanding good will ambassador for the sport of rodeo."

Members of the Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team receive official competition apparel consisting of Wrangler Twenty X shirts embroidered with the team logo and



**Colton Russell, Motley County Senior, recently named to the All-Star Rodeo team.**

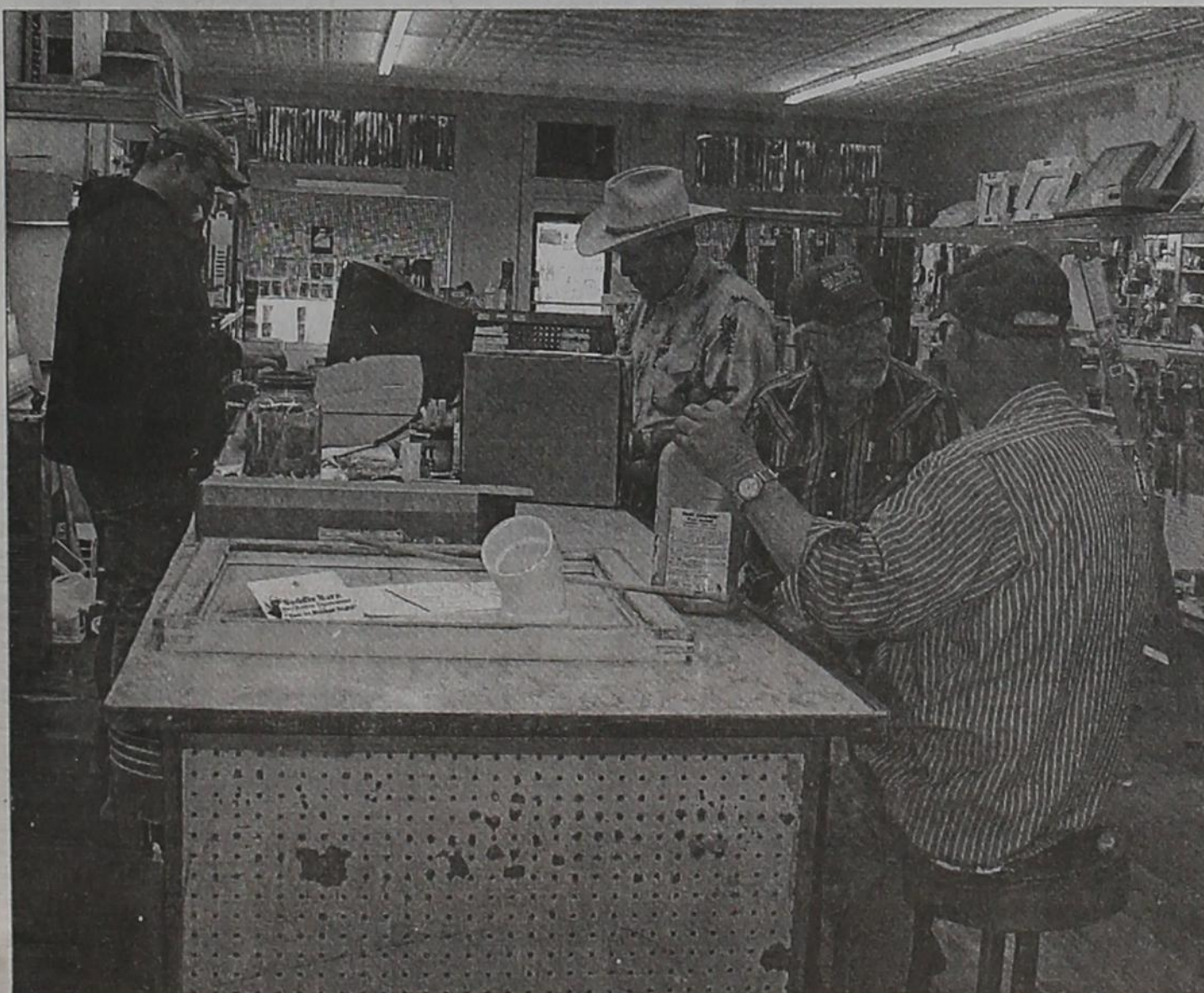
two pairs of competition jeans. In addition, team members receive an official team certificate signed by rodeo greats Jim Shoulders and Ty Murray.

"Wrangler's NHSRA sponsorship is a natural extension of our professional and collegiate rodeo programs," said Karl Stressman, director of Special Events for Wrangler. "We are confident the NHSRA partnership will reinforce Wrangler brand loyalty with the youth market."

"The NHSRA owes much of its success to the support of its

national sponsors," said Kent Sturman, general manager of the NHSRA, "and we are excited to have a prominent company like Wrangler once again step forward to help us meet the ever increasing challenges facing our young people today."

Cowboys can always depend on Wrangler to support the infrastructure of rodeo, and our members are thrilled to have Wrangler as a sponsor and are proud to wear their products in and out of the competition arena."



**AN END TO AN ERA** — Higginbotham Bartlett in Matador closed its doors last Wednesday afternoon. The lumber company has been open in Matador for many years. The company has closed several stores in this area recently. Manager, Will Sperry, attends to the last customers to bring a sad end to an era for this county. The company closed their Roaring Springs location in the late '70's.



This is a fun test for 'old kids.' See how many of these questions you remember. The answers are printed below, but don't look until you have answered all the questions.

1. After the Lone Ranger saved the day and rode off into the sunset, the grateful citizens would ask, Who was that masked man? Invariably, someone would answer, I don't know, but he left this behind. What did he leave behind?
2. When the Beatles first came to the U.S. in early 1964, we all watched them on The \_\_\_\_\_ Show.
4. "The story you are about to see is true. The names have been changed \_\_\_\_\_."
5. "In the jungle, the mighty jungle, \_\_\_\_\_"
6. After the Twist, The Mashed Potato, and the Watusi, we "danced" under a stick that was lowered as low as we could go in a dance \_\_\_\_\_ called the \_\_\_\_\_
7. "NESTLES", Nestle's makes the very best \_\_\_\_\_"
8. Satchmo was America's "Ambassador of Goodwill." Our parents shared this great jazz trumpet player with us. His name was \_\_\_\_\_
9. What takes a licking and keeps on ticking?
10. Red Skelton's hobo character was named \_\_\_\_\_ and Red always ended his television show by saying, "Good \_\_\_\_\_"

11. Some Americans who protested the Vietnam War did so by burning their \_\_\_\_\_
12. The cute little car with the engine in the back and the trunk in the front was called the VW. What other names did it go by?
13. In 1971, singer Don MacLean sang a song about, "the day the music died." This was a tribute to \_\_\_\_\_
14. We can remember the first satellite placed into orbit. The Russians did it. It was called \_\_\_\_\_
15. One of the big fads of the late 50's and 60's was a large plastic ring that we twirled around our waist. It was called the \_\_\_\_\_

Answers:

1. The Lone Ranger left behind a silver bullet.
2. The Ed Sullivan Show
3. On Route 66
4. To protect the innocent.
5. The Lion sleeps tonight.
6. The limbo
7. Chocolate
8. Louis Armstrong
9. The Timex watch
10. Freddy, The Freeloader, and "Good Night, and may God Bless."
11. Draft cards (Bras were also burned.)
12. Beetle or Bug
13. Buddy Holly
14. Sputnik
15. Hoola-hoop

"Know also that wisdom is sweet to your soul; if you find it, there is a future hope for you, and your hope will not be cut off."

Proverbs 24: 14

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**"A Precious Privilege"**



What a blessing and privilege it is to be a Christian. And have you ever wondered what it would be like when Christ comes to claim His own? We can enjoy reading in I John 3 where the Apostle assures us... "We do that when Christ appears we will be like Him because we will see Him as He is." Don't we look forward to that time? We say, "Thank you Father in Heaven, for granting us such great hope for the future."

Our reason for the "hope that lieth within us" is found in Jesus. Messiah came. That's a fact! He came into this world through the manger. From there He would ultimately go to the Cross. Jesus came that the world might have hope. It is through our Lord that we find God's full expression of His love toward us. When this is recognized and we respond to God's precious promises, wonderful things happen.

We find blessings and privilege as we bask in God's love. God's love will bless His children and will bring not only privilege, but also peace, strength, healing and happiness beyond our expectations. Being a child of God is indeed a "precious privilege."

**Roaring Springs Church of Christ**  
 Michael G. Crowley, Sr.  
 BIBLE STUDY, 10:00 A.M.      WORSHIP, 9:00 A.M.

**MOTLEY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS & VIEWS**

By Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort



... as I like to put it, public opinion is what everyone thinks everyone else is thinking.

— Joseph Sobran

On Thursday, December 1, Matador will be filled with Late Night Shoppers, as they roam from one shop to the next in search of that perfect Christmas present for this loved one and that.

And then what? What if you haven't found that special something? What if it was sold out before you got there? And what if you just couldn't decide?

There's a simple solution. Motley County Bucks.

Motley County Bucks are like gift certificates, except they are not just accepted at one store — they are accepted at almost all the businesses around the county. You can get them in any denomination you choose, from \$5 up to any amount you specify.

They are easy for the recipient to spend — there is no red tape. Just go to the store or business you want to use it at, and it will be accepted, just like cash.

The advantage to giving the Motley County Bucks over just giving cash or a check is that this gift benefits not only the recipient, but the whole county, because your money stays at home.

And it is easy for the giver, because you can pick them up at the bank, at the Matador Variety Store, at New to You, or from the Chamber of Commerce.

And you can order them by mail from the Chamber. Just mail your request, along with a check in the amount you want to give, and your return address, to the Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 788, Matador, TX 79244, and they will be sent to you.

So if you are out of ideas for that hard-to-shop-for loved one, but do not want to seem unimaginative, Motley County Bucks are the ideal solution. They help you, they are cheerfully received, and they help the county.

That sure seems like sufficient reason to use Motley County Bucks for some of your presents this year.

**Proof of the Truth**

by Tom Edwards

**VIOLATING OATHS OF OFFICE?**

You might be interested to know that the Oath of Office the President takes is in the Constitution, whereas the oath that federal judges take is not. A possible reason for the absence of the judicial oath is that the Framers never envisioned that the federal courts would seize power to re-interpret the Constitution through judicial review, as they have.

The President swears to "preserve, protect and defend the Constitution." George Washington added "so help me God," and every President since has followed suit.

On the other hand, the Oath taken by federal judges comes from two sections of the U.S. Code. In pertinent part, they swear: "That I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same... So help me God."

The Constitution provides that federal judges shall hold their offices "during good be-

havior," which can mean "for life," and the prescribed means of removal is impeachment.

Here's the question. When federal judges unconstitutionally amend the Constitution by reinterpretation, manufacture extended jurisdiction, usurp legislative power, rewrite history, and ignore the Framers' original intent and other Constitutional provisions, are they supporting and defending the Constitution? Are they bearing true faith and allegiance to it? Finally, are they giving aid and comfort to enemies, foreign and domestic, e.g. extending Constitutional rights to illegal aliens and foreign terrorists? If the answer to any of the above questions is "yes," then they have violated their oath of office — clear grounds for removal.

A "yes" answer to the last question is, to most people, a garden-variety definition and conclusion of TREASON!

**Santa Letters**

Santa Clause has given his 'okay' to the Motley County Tribune to receive and print his letters again this year. Children are encouraged to send their letters to Santa to the Motley County Tribune so that they may be printed in the Christmas paper. The Tribune will then forward the letters on to Santa at the North Pole.

To be included in the Christmas paper, which will be the December 22 issue, all letters to Santa must be received no later than December 14.

Letters may be mailed to:  
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**Planning a wedding?**

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**Granny's Tea Party will be held Sunday**

Granny's Tea Party, a very special holiday tradition in Motley County, has been set for December 4. The social event will be held in the home of Mrs. Joyce Campbell in Matador, from 2:30 until 4:00 p.m. Girls, 4 years old and up, are invited to attend. A small fee of \$7.50 per girl will be charged with all proceeds going to the Children's section of the Motley County Library.

This special tea party offers girls the opportunity to dress in their "granny's" dresses, hats, jewelry, etc. and enjoy the afternoon in style.

Please RSVP by December 2 by calling Mrs. Campbell at 347-2793 or Mrs. Janie Campbell at 347-2657.

**Kids' Praise set for December 7**

It's Kids' Praise time again! All children in the community, three years old through 6th grade, are invited to Kids' Praise on Wednesday, December 7, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, Matador.

There will be songs, crafts, a Bible story, food and fun for all. Kids' Praise is a monthly event sponsored by the Women on Mission of the Church's WMU.

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# Flu vaccination strongly recommended to ward off virus

by Patti J. Patterson, M.D., M.P.H.  
Texas Tech University  
Health Sciences Center

The Cold and Flu season is upon us, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is encouraging everyone, not just those considered high-risk, to get a flu vaccination.

Seasonal flu kills an average of 36,000 people and causes about 200,000 hospitalizations in the United States each year. Initially the CDC recommended the immunization to high-risk people only — elderly, infants, people with chronic illnesses and health care workers — because of uncertainty over vaccine supplies. However, those recommendations have been expanded to include most everyone as government officials have estimated that manufacturers will be able to meet flu vaccine demand.

Some people, however, should not be vaccinated without first consulting a physician. They include:

- People who have a severe allergy to chicken eggs.
- People who have had a severe reaction to an influenza vaccination in the past.
- People who developed Guillain-Barre syndrome within 6 weeks of getting an influenza vaccine previously.
- Children younger than 6 months of age (influenza vaccine is not approved for use in this age group).

• People who have a moderate or severe illness with a fever should wait to get vaccinated until their symptoms diminish.

### Colds vs. Flu

So how do you tell the difference between a common cold and the flu? Both are respira-

tory illnesses but they are caused by different viruses. Because these two types of illnesses have similar symptoms, it can be difficult to tell the difference between them based on symptoms alone. In general, the flu is worse than the common cold, and symptoms such as fever, body aches, sore throat, extreme tiredness and dry cough are more common and intense. Colds are usually milder than the flu. People with colds are more likely to have a runny or stuffy nose, and colds generally do not result in serious health problems such as pneumonia, bacterial infections or hospitalizations.

It is important to note that antibiotics are not recommended in treating flu. Unless there is a superimposed bacterial infection, they don't help and use can contribute to antibiotic resistance.

### Prevention is the Key

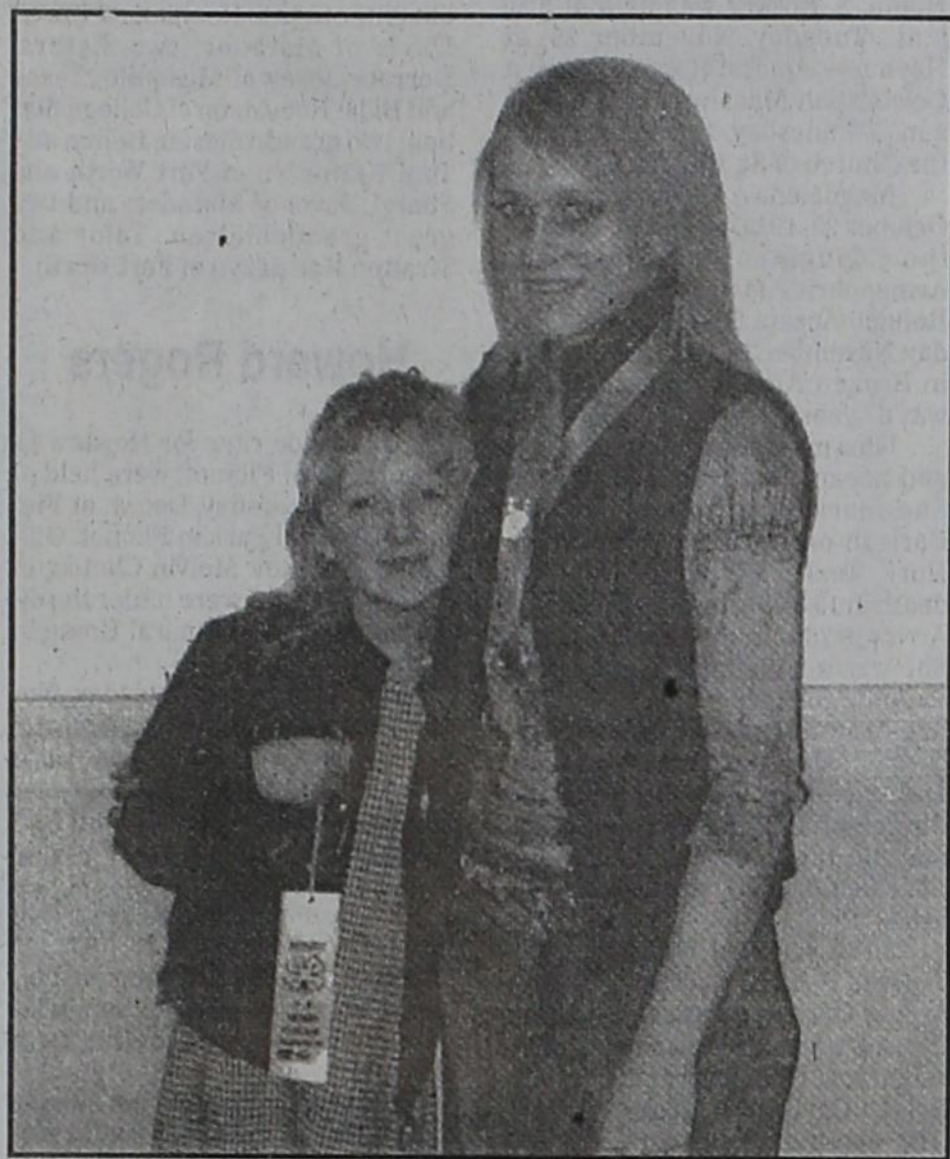
In addition to getting the vaccine, washing your hands thoroughly and frequently is one of the best methods of preventing the flu virus. Washing your hands should take the amount of time it takes to sing the "Happy Birthday" song twice through. If you are not in a place where you can wash your hands frequently, consider using an alcohol hand sanitizer.

Another important measure to prevent spreading the flu to

others is to stay home when you are sick. If possible, stay home from work, keep children home from school and save the errands for later when you are feeling better. Most healthy adults can spread the flu virus one day before symptoms develop, and up to five days after becoming sick. It generally is safe to return to work or school if you can eat and drink normally and if you have had no fever for 24 hours. And, of course, covering your mouth when you sneeze or cough is important in preventing the spread of the virus.

### Bird Flu Concerns

The widely reported threat of a possible bird flu pandemic is creating some confusion. It is important to understand the difference between seasonal flu and avian or bird flu. Seasonal flu vaccine offers protection against three common flu virus strains, but the bird flu virus is not one of them. Early production has begun on an experimental bird flu vaccine that the government expects to have available in the event of a pandemic. The deadly H5N1 bird flu strain has killed more than 60 people in four countries in Asia and has been found among birds in Croatia, Romania, Turkey and Russia. No human cases have been reported in Europe or the Americas.



**TOP WINNERS** — Motley County 4-H'ers, Shane'a Russell, a senior member, and Shelby Elliott, a first year 4-er, recently competed in the Share the Fun category at the Rolling Plains 4-H Round-up, held November 9. Approximately 225 youth from 24 counties of the Rolling Plains Extension District competed. Shelby placed 3rd in the poetry division and Shane's received first place in the Comedy Division and will represent Motley at State in June at College Station. Awards for the day were sponsored by AEP and the Vernon Chamber of Commerce.

## Harry Hamilton awarded Presidents' Certificate

In a ceremony officiated by the Realtors Land Institute, Harry Hamilton, Texas Chapter President, from Lubbock, Texas was awarded the Presidents Certificate of Excellence by National President, Sam Kain.

The President Certificate of Excellence award is presented to only one chapter President in the nation. Hamilton was recognized for his success in membership growth, member services and providing educational opportunities for the real estate industry across Texas.

Established in 1944, Realtors Land Institute is an international organization of real estate professionals who broker, lease, manage and develop all types of land for all purposes.

Hamilton was successful in promoting and executing an



**Harry Hamilton**

aggressive educational plan that enabled many Chapter members from Texas and across the country to earn the prestigious Accredited Land Consultant designation.



**DRESSING UP THE TOWN** — WTU employees and volunteers hung Christmas lights and wreaths in downtown Matador last week to dress up the town for the holidays.

## School Menu

<b>MONDAY, DEC. 5</b> <b>Breakfast:</b> Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, or Cereal, Toast, Juice. <b>Lunch:</b> Spaghetti, Meat Sauce, Salad, Bread Sticks, Peaches, Milk.	<b>Lunch:</b> Soft Taco, Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, Corn, Chips, Apple Cobbler, Milk.
<b>TUESDAY, DEC. 6</b> <b>Breakfast:</b> French Toast Sticks, or Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk. <b>Lunch:</b> Salsbury Steak, Creamed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Honey, Milk.	<b>THURSDAY, DEC. 8</b> <b>Breakfast:</b> Waffle, Sausage, or Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk. <b>Lunch:</b> Chicken Terriyaki/Rice, California Blend, Biscuit, Orange Slices, Milk.
<b>WEDNESDAY, DEC. 7</b> <b>Breakfast:</b> Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.	<b>FRIDAY, DEC. 9</b> <b>Breakfast:</b> Biscuit, Sausage, Gravy, or Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk. <b>Lunch:</b> Pizza, Salad, Pineapple Chunks, Vanilla Wafers, Milk.

## A NOTE OF THANKS

We would like to thank the Matador Fire Department, Sheriff Jim Meador, and the Motley County DPS for their help with a cotton fire east of Floydada on November 23.

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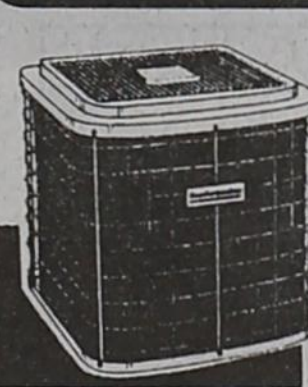
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# News around the County

## Roaring Springs News

By Lula Swim

Mr. and Mrs. Buzz Thacker spent Thanksgiving at Lake Brownwood, from Wednesday until Sunday, with their son, John and Jana Thacker and family. They enjoyed getting acquainted with their new great-grandson, Beckham Paul. Parents, Matt and Melanie and big sister, Berkley Paul enjoyed the weekend with all.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Thacker spent Thanksgiving with her mother, Jewett Hayes in Shamrock, then going to Gruver to visit Jerry and Pat Overbey and family. Also in Gruver were son, Brad and Weslyn and granddaughter Charlee. They returned home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Joyce Smith went to Dallas on Wednesday to visit her children, Michelle and Don Smith, grandson, Chad Smith, granddaughter, Julie and Brian DePaulo and great-grandchildren, Ellie and Caden from Houston. The group enjoyed a long Thanksgiving weekend. Joyce returned home Sunday.

Blair Thacker and fiancée Bradford Wilson of Lubbock visited her parents, Jeff and Pam Thacker Wednesday for an early Thanksgiving dinner and visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Letkeman drove Lula Swim to Caddo, Okla. to the home of her double cousin, Bob Alderson on Wednesday for Thanks-

giving. She was met there by Mr. and Mrs. Ray McCullom, Mrs. Ruby Miller and daughter Celeste, Mrs. Emma Harris and daughter and granddaughter of Cleburne and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Echols of Denver, CO and other family members. They also enjoyed visiting Bro. Baker and wife and their adopted son, Alex, who is blind, but plays the fiddle and piano very well. They returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Joy Beeson, Mrs. Robena King and Lula Swim joined Mrs. E.B. Marrs and Mrs. Billy Wason to go to Goodlett to see the drama "Smoke on the Mountain", on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Letkeman and Lula Swim were in Lubbock Monday where Lula kept an appointment with her eye doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Crowder and Mrs. Jeanette Amijide spent Thanksgiving Day with the Crowder's daughter and family at Irran.

Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Swim of Abilene spent the Thanksgiving holiday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Swim.

Mrs. Jill Duncan and Chelsea and their friend, Mike, all of Austin, spent Thanksgiving in the home of their mother, Mrs. Robena King.

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

**OVERHEARD**  
Never be ashamed to admit you were wrong. You are only saying that you are smarter today than you were yesterday

Thanksgiving day guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse were Mrs. Marihelen Wason of Matador; Bennie and Charla Marricle of Snyder; Kaycee and Ian Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Schafer, Mrs. Shahala Holsher and Mark, Kathleen and Dalton Wason of Lubbock and Leah Cruse and Derrick Cruse of Canyon.

Visiting during the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay were Lori and Kevon Kleibrink, Kyler and Karlee of Clifton; Larry and Angella Clay, Kelsey, Tanner and Sarah of Panhandle, Tina and Pat Carson, Walker, Ryleigh and Parker of Turkey, Julie and Neal Edwards, Jaxon, Laney and Caden of Flomot and Mrs. Margaret Lane of Turkey.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, Danielle and Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse enjoyed the Valley vs. Grandfalls football game in Lamesa Friday night. Their son, Fannin and his Valley teammates won the exciting game 48-42. No. 6 Valley team will face No. 2 Meadow in the six-man semi-finals game Saturday night in Lubbock.

Trula and Wilburn Martin visited in Borger Thanksgiving day with daughter and husband, Marilee and Fred Cooper. They celebrated the birthdays of Marilee (Nov. 22) and Wilburn (Nov. 23) and also the 57th wedding anniversary (Nov. 24) of Wilburn and Trula.

Mrs. Donna Sue Degan of Calgary visited Thanksgiving day with Mrs. Leona Degan.

Holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter were daughter and children, Mrs. Christi Milam, Emily and Haley of Petersburg. Other guests Thanksgiving day were Mrs. Geneva Martin, Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Shorter and Mrs. Judy Stark of Flomot.

Thanksgiving day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert were Gwen, Tim and Peyton Mandrell, Dustin Reed and Elise Pace of Lubbock and Alvia Joe Calvert of Dumas.

Guests Thanksgiving day of Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington were Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks of Flomot and their houseguests, Cory, Amy, Hudson and Madison Franks, Cary Franks and Anissa Huckert of Lubbock and Cara Franks of Flomot.

Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton was a guest at a family luncheon Thanksgiving day in the home of Judy and Butch Renfro in Matador. She was a guest Saturday in the home of Waydeita and Ronald Clay.

Other guests were Debbie and Mike Arrington, Wade Arrington and girlfriend of Canadian and Mrs. Margaret Lane of Turkey.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross Sunday were Stan Wigley, David Wigley and Bill Wigley and son of Lubbock.

Holiday visitors of Janice and Butch Hughes were sons and families, Roger, Tiffany, Reagan and Tara Hughes and Rickey, Tasha and Kendal Hughes of Floydada, Bengie, J.J. and Kaitlynn Hughes of Royce City and her sister, Mrs. Marsha Blake of Lubbock.

Visiting during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Johnson were Mrs. Lucretia Dockery and daughter, Brittany of Vernon and Neil and Kayla Guest of Turkey. They visited in Lockney at the Care Center with Mrs. Barbara May.

Thanksgiving day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers were Ronnie Rogers and Richard Rogers of Lubbock, Mrs. Donna Sue Degan of Calgary and Donnie Rogers of Flomot.

Holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey were Bessie and Clifton Reid of Amarillo, Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis, Michael Davis and Virginia Segavia of Fritch.

Cory and Janet Kendall, Chancey and Connor of Midland and Jerry Banewski of Houston visited during the holidays with Linda and Travis Kendall and Melissa, Tim, Jere and Jacob Kendall.

Holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay were Mrs. Lance Barclay, Colton and Kayla of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Cody Barclay, Lane and Ashton of Borger.

Thanksgiving day guests of Ruth and Orville Lee were Mrs. Teresa Lee and daughter, Kacee and Tom Heck of Turkey, Shonda and Roger Lee of Flomot and their houseguests, Rochelle and Jordan Schuback of Bloomington, Illinois and Jeannie Wesley of Dallas; Brandon Lee of Plainview and Joshua Lee of Flomot.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, Danielle and Fannin joined family members at the Gwinn home in Matador for a Thanksgiving day luncheon. Others attending were Aly Gwinn, Mrs. Sarah Hurt, Emily and Annie and Mrs. Kathy Raetz, Jonathan, Brandon and Alexandra of Lubbock, Marilyn and Ray Holcomb of Floydada, Charles "Chig" Gwinn and Josie and Bill Raetz of Matador.

Those enjoying the Trade Mill Days in Post Saturday were Mrs. Erma Washington of Flomot, Mrs. Dena Washington and Mrs. Ashley Washington of Roaring Springs, Mrs. Lacy Clary of Matador and Anissa Huckert of Lubbock.

## Obituaries

### Magdalena "Grandma Nena" A. Carlson



Graveside services for Magdalena "Grandma Nena" A. Carlson have been held at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 30, 2005, at the National Cemetery in Fort Gibson, Oklahoma. Monsignor Patrick Gaalaas officiated under the direction of Hayhurst Funeral Home. A Rosary was held at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 29, at Hayhurst Funeral Home Chapel. A Celebration Mass was held at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 30, at the Church of St. Benedict.

Magdalena A. Carlson was born October 28, 1938, at Parral, Mexico, the daughter of Francisco Armendariz Aldana and Maria Del Refugio Acosta Sosa. She died Friday, November 25, 2005, at her home in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. She was 67 years of age.

Nina moved to the States in 1970 and became a US Citizen in 1989. She married Charles Theodore Carlson on April 26, 1972, at Van Horn, Texas. He preceded her in death in 1998. She moved to Broken Arrow in 2004 from Matador, Texas. She was a homemaker and owned an Antique Store for over 20 years. She enjoyed her Church, antiques, garage sales, the theatre, cooking and traveling. She attended the Church of St. Benedict. Memorials may be made to Tulsa Catholic Charities, 739 N. Denver, Tulsa, OK 74106.

She is survived by one son, Jack and wife Heather Carlson of Broken Arrow, OK; two grandsons, Aaron Carlson and Devon Maher of Broken Arrow, OK; one granddaughter, Kelsey Carlson of Broken Arrow, OK; two sisters, Maria Martha Armendariz of Acosta, Mexico and Margarita Armendariz of Acosta, Mexico; one brother, Francisco Armendariz of Acosta, Mexico. She was preceded in death by a brother, Inocente Armendariz of Acosta, Mexico.

### Katie Davis

Funeral services for Katie Davis, 83, of Matador, were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1, at the First Baptist Church of Matador. Officiating was Rev. Jack Boggs, of Floydada. Interment was in Roaring Springs Cemetery under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador.

Mrs. Davis died early Tuesday, November 29, 2005, at Kent County Nursing Home in Jayton.

She was born November 7, 1922, in Robertson County, Texas. She graduated from Franklin High School, was later married to Jack Davis, Sept. 18, 1943, at Bryan, Texas. She and her husband operated a service station in Roaring Springs for many years, and later operated Davis Oil Co. in Matador. She had been a resident of Roaring Springs until moving to Matador in 1996. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Matador.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack, on November 19, 2004.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Ronnie and Karen Davis of Matador; two sisters, Dorrace Josey of Mesquite, Texas and Billie Robertson of College Station; two grandchildren, Renee and Tom Karmazyn of Fort Worth and Sheryl Davis of Matador; and two great-grandchildren, Talor and Stratton Karmazyn of Fort Worth.

### Howard Rogers

Graveside rites for Howard D. Rogers, 85, of Flomot, were held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 1, at Flomot Memorial Park in Flomot. Officiating was Rev. Melvin Clinton, of Turkey. Services were under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home in Matador.

Mr. Rogers died Tuesday, November 29, at Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney. He was born Nov. 3, 1920, at Rogers, NM, and had been a lifelong resident of the Flomot area. He was the son of Walter H. and Ola R. Rogers.

He was married to Glenna Roy "B" Davidson on Nov. 23, 1939, at Silvertown. He was a lifelong farmer, and a very generous person, who would give his last dollar to a stranger in need.

He was a member of the Flomot School Board from 1955 until 1960, and was a Charter member of the Flomot Lions Club.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Glenna Roy "B" Rogers; his sons, Ronnie Rogers and wife, Ludell of Lubbock and Donnie Ray Rogers of Flomot; one daughter, Donna Sue Degan and husband, Stanley of Calgary; nine grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren. The family has suggested memorials to the Flomot Cemetery Association.

## Matador News

Lynn and Pat Minton of Granbury drove to Matador Tuesday, November 22, and accompanied her mother, Mrs. Juanita Cooper to their home for Thanksgiving. Also visiting with the Mintons was their daughter and family, Ben, Cheryl, Elizabeth and Andrew of San Antonio. The Mintons accompanied Juanita back to her home Sunday, November 27 and stayed until Tuesday, the 29th to quail hunt with Van Bradford of Gruver who was visiting in Matador.

Thanksgiving holiday guests in the home of Ron and Kay Bailey included Andi and Branton Bailey of Alvarado; Lance, Sherry, and Jason Bailey of Lamesa; Kevin Frank, Sherry, Dillon and Kolton Bailey of Brownfield; Laverna and James T. Johnston of Lubbock; and Inez Bailey of Matador.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John M. "Sonny" Russell were daughter and family, Linda and Tom Roy of Weatherford and their children, Luke, a student at Texas Tech University in Lubbock and Emily, a lawyer in Lubbock.

Thanksgiving day guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Garrison were daughter, Mrs. Debra Scott of Matador and her sons and children, Jody Scott, Candace and Justin and Scotty Scott and Riley of Roosevelt, son, David Garrison of Childress and Mrs. Crystal Garrison and son,

Graden of Chalk.

Chuck Ream had recent knee surgery and medical treatment for a blood clot in Lubbock. He and wife, Gail and twin daughters, Mandi and Charli visited in LeMars, Iowa during the Thanksgiving holiday with her family.

Visiting Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson were son and friend, Lance Jameson and Vickie Fennell of Vernon.

Spending Thanksgiving day as work on the Barton farm were the family of Dan Barton. Those who helped were Tom, Jan and Rob Hamilton, Brent, Cari, Ashley and Jack of Plainview; John, Tamara, Channing and Clark Hamilton of Lubbock; James and Cherri Karr and granddaughters, Kaci and Ashley of Whitney; Konni, Blaine Peacock and sons, Matthew and Coleman Johnson of Weatherford; Max Barton and friend, Carla Hargrave of Ulysses, Cy Barton of Dallas, Brae Barton and fiancée, Kim Ooten of Medicine Mound, Dustin Barton, student at Texas Tech. One grandson, Kwen Karr and wife Dee and their daughter, Grace, were unable to attend. Kwen is a fireman in the Waco Fire Department and was on duty. After a hard day's work, everyone enjoyed a scrumptious dinner. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Levell.

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by Misty Jones  
Upper Pease SWCD

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The Upper Pease Soil and Water Conservation District is selling windbreak seedlings and wildlife packets. The district has information packets that will help you decide what kind of seedlings to buy and how to plant a windbreak. There is also information available on the wildlife packets for deer, turkey, quail, and squirrel.

Windbreaks are the natural way to improve the value of your land and protect your investments. They can protect your

homestead, livestock, fields, and can be used as a living snow fence. Windbreaks can increase the value of your home by adding aesthetic quality and reduce your heating and cooling cost. Field windbreaks can improve the land by reducing soil erosion, protect crops, increase wildlife habitats and can help maintain moisture in the soil. So come in today and order your windbreak seedlings.

Call the Upper Pease SWCD at 806-347-2263 or come by the office (USDA Service Center, Matador) for more information. Office hours are 8:00 to 12:00 and 12:30 to 4:30 Monday through Friday. Remember the numbers of trees are limited, so the earlier you place your orders the more you have to choose from. Remember the orders need to be in before February 3, 2006.

Come in and learn about windbreaks today.

## FARM SERVICE AGENCY NEWS

by John Bird, Motley County CED

### REMINDERS

If you have planted wheat, you must certify it 15 days prior to grazing if you have purchased a NAP policy. If it is not covered by NAP it must be certified by May 15.

2006 NAP policies for grass must be purchased by December 1, and if you purchase NAP on grass the grass must be certified by December 15.

Remember, if you think you have a loss on a NAP crop, you need to complete a "Notice of Loss" in the office within 15 days. Only if you have done this AND there is an overall county loss will your NAP policy pay.

### 2006 DCP SIGNUP INFORMATION

October 1, 2005, started the 2006 fiscal year, so producers can now begin enrolling farms in the 2006 Direct/Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP). Please contact the county office for an appointment to complete signup. Producers may request advance payments at the time they enroll their farms in DCP.

During the signup process, a contract is printed for your signature and you are required to provide all the necessary signatures or cash lease proof for acreage included in the specific farm, as well as filing other supporting documents (i.e. payment eligibility forms, conservation compliance forms, adjusted gross income certification, deeds, etc.) required to approve your contract. Please remember, DCP applicants are required to certify their full cropland acres on participating farms to receive final payments, so this is an important requirement.

The deadline to update 2005 crop shares is June 1, 2005. This program allows the planting of

program crops such as wheat, oats, barley, grain sorghum, corn, cotton, etc. It also allows planting of forage haygrazer, and improved grasses. You do not have to plant your base crops to earn payment, however you do have to:

1. Control erosion and undesirable weeds.
2. Annually file an acreage report on all cropland.
3. Report any succession in interest such as land sales, change in operators, change in crop shares, etc.
4. Remain in compliance with your wetland conservation plan.
5. Provide/timely file all required payment eligibility information.

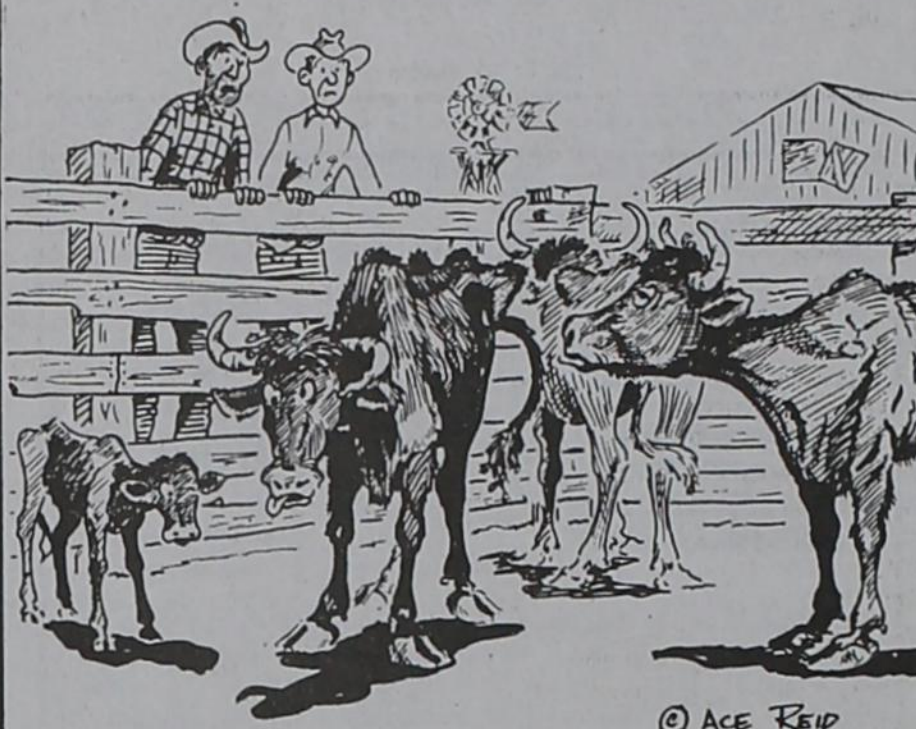
FSA records, crop insurance records, crop sale data, bookkeeping data, etc should match exactly in regard to producers and crop shares. The producer(s) with the risk in the crop(s) is eligible to earn benefits. Those landowners who lease their land and do not have crop risk are not eligible for the DCP program payment. Please contact us with any questions you may have.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

- December 1 - NAP sales closing for 2006 grass and alfalfa.
- December 5 - Final date to return COC ballots to the Co. office.
- December 15 - Final day to certify grass if you have a NAP policy.
- December 26 - Office closed 15 days prior to grazing - NAP producers certify acres.
- Within 15 days condition occurs - File a notice of loss for NAP when disaster.

## COW POKES® By Ace Reid

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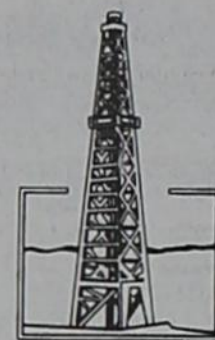
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## Oil & Gas Update

By Tom Musser



FLOYD COUNTY: Apollo Energy Operating Company LP is awaiting the availability of equipment to frac the W.D. Miller Lease Well #1.

FLOYD COUNTY: Apollo Energy Operating Company LP Ceretha Watson Lease Well #1 was able to successfully fish and retrieve the lost twelve drill collars, the downhole motor and the bit by Thursday, November 24.

FLOYD COUNTY: Bankers Petroleum (US), Inc. has received a drilling permit for their first location to be drilled in the Palo Duro Basin, the Misner (Glen Misner) Lease Well #1. This well will be located 650 feet

from the South line and 670 feet from the East line of Section 18, Block 1, AB&M Survey, 6 miles Northeast of Floydada. The location is being prepared for this well.

FLOYD COUNTY: Bankers Petroleum (US), Inc. has received a drilling permit for their second location to be drilled in the Palo Duro Basin, the Jones (Larry Jones) Lease Well #1. This well will be located 2008.5 feet from the South and 622 feet from the East Line of Section 134, Block 1, AB&M Survey, 3 miles Southwest of Dougherty. The location is being prepared for this well.

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Motley County Tribune Weather Dec. 1, 2005

### 7-Day Forecast

- Thursday**  
Mostly Sunny  
High: 51 Low: 31
- Friday**  
Partly Cloudy  
High: 61 Low: 33
- Saturday**  
Partly Cloudy  
High: 63 Low: 35
- Sunday**  
Partly Cloudy  
High: 61 Low: 32
- Monday**  
Partly Cloudy  
High: 60 Low: 34
- Tuesday**  
Mostly Sunny  
High: 58 Low: 31
- Wednesday**  
Mostly Sunny  
High: 55 Low: 30

### In-Depth Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 51°, humidity of 39% and an overnight low of 31°. The record high temperature for today is 80° set in 1950. The record low is 16° set in 1974. Friday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 61°.

### Moon Phases

New	First	Full	Last
12/1	12/8	12/15	12/23

### Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Sunday	60	33	61/36	0.00"	Normal precipitation . . . . .0.21"
Monday	71	33	60/36	0.00"	Departure from normal . . . . .-0.21"
Tuesday	75	36	60/35	0.00"	
Wednesday	78	39	60/35	0.00"	Average temperature . . . . .52.5°
Thursday	62	40	59/35	0.00"	Average normal temperature . .47.3°
Friday	61	33	59/34	0.00"	Departure from normal . . . . .+5.2°
Saturday	76	38	58/34	0.00"	Data as reported from Childress, Texas

### Weather History

Dec. 1, 1982 - Heavy snow blanketed the mountains of New Mexico, with 12 inches reported at the Angel Fire Ski Basin. Strong northerly winds, ushering cold air into the north central United States, gusted to 55 mph at Devils Lake, N.D.

### Sun & Moon Times

Sunrise today . . . . .7:30 a.m.  
Sunset tonight . . . . .5:34 p.m.  
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Moonset today . . . . .5:29 p.m.

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