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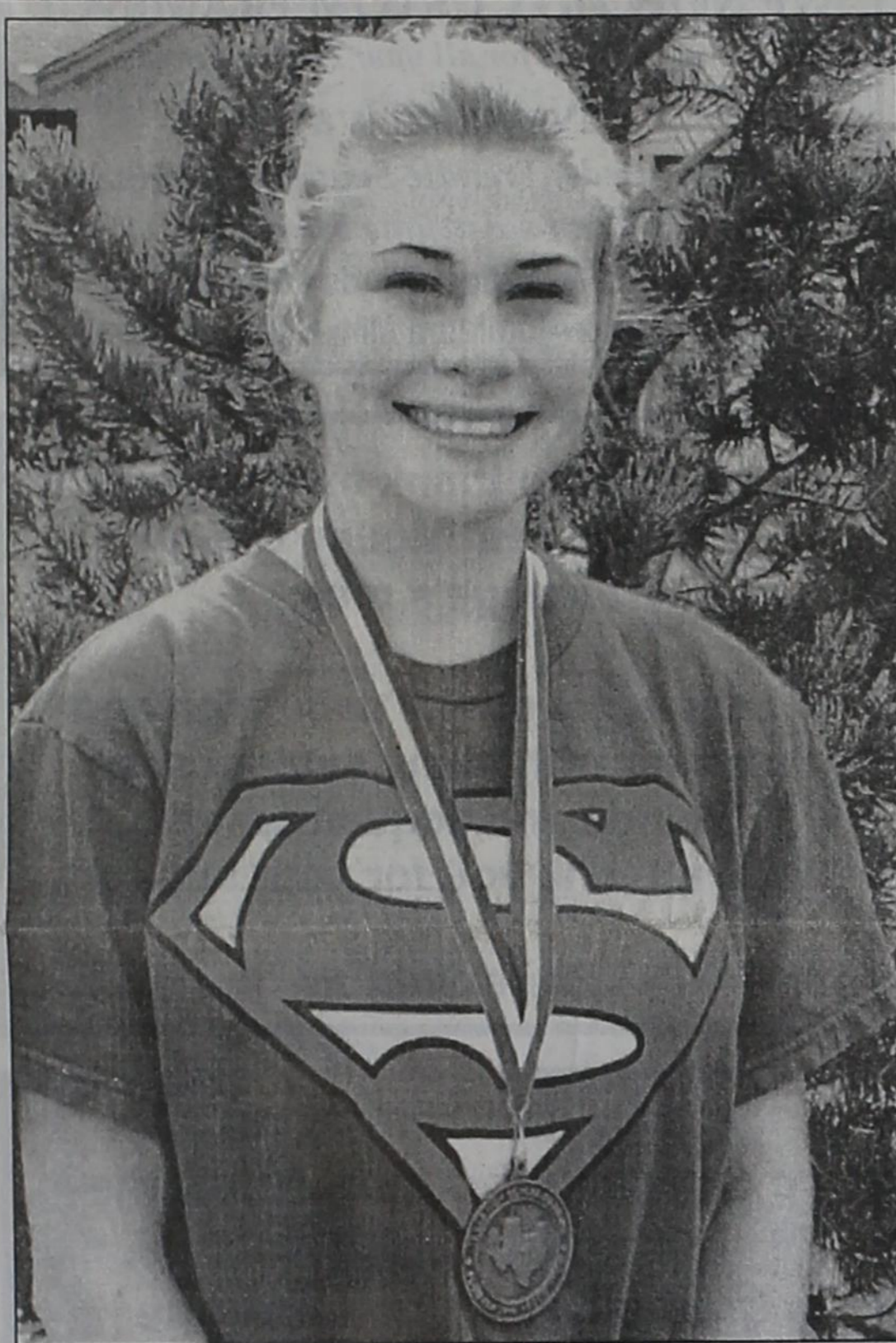


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WINS STATE MEDAL — Motley County High School Junior, Brenda Gillespie brought home a silver medal from the Girls' State Powerlifting meet held at Killeen last Friday.

Brenda Gillespie brings home the silver

Brenda Gillespie brought home the silver medal for 1A schools in Texas, after competing in the Texas High School Women's Powerlifting State Meet held on Ft. Hood in Killeen, Friday, March 15.

Brenda qualified by competing in local meets held throughout the area and qualifying for the regional meet. At the regional meet Brenda qualified for the state competition by being the top 1A lifter in her weight class. This is the third year Brenda has qualified for the state meet and has successfully brought home two silvers and

one gold in her representation of Motley County ISD.

Powerlifting is a combination of being able to lift weight and using the proper form. Judges watch for proper form and infractions of form as the lifter performs. Brenda has put in many hours lifting for strength and practicing proper technique and form.

Brenda was accompanied to the state meet by Coach Amy Bowles and her parents, James and Kathy Gillespie.

Early voting April 1-5 for Commissioners run-off race

Early voting will begin April 1 and continue through April 5 for the Motley County Commissioner, Precinct 4, run-off election. The election will be held April 9.

Incumbent J.N. Fletcher will face opponent Russell Alexander in the race. Mr. Fletcher received 58 votes and Mr. Alexander, 55 votes, during last Tuesday's Primary election.

Easter Bunny schedules stop in Roaring Springs

The Easter Bunny has been scheduled to come to the Annual Easter Egg Hunt in Roaring Springs at the Community Center on Saturday, March 30, at 2:00 p.m. Special prizes are awaiting the children who find the prize eggs, so children should make plans now to be there.

Roaring Springs Community Volunteers discussed the Easter Bunny as well as other items when they met March 12.

It was announced that Artist Paul Milosevich will again hold a workshop Friday and Saturday, May 17 and May 18. Community artists

should make plans now to attend this workshop.

The new calendar of events at the R.S. Community Center is now on the website for those interested in finding the dates and times of this year's events. Kids Camp will be held July 22 - 26, and the Science Spectrum Outreach Programs have been reserved for that week. Applications for Kids Camp and for Team Leaders are also available on the website. Just click on Caprock-Spur, then on the Community link and then on the Roaring Springs link to find the website.

Fall Cattle Drive new goal of Texas 70 Association

A tentative date for a fall Cattle Drive along Texas 70 has been set for the Columbus Day week. Many details remain to be worked out, but consensus of those attending the Texas Highway 70 Assn. meeting on March 7 was that the idea has merit in attracting paying tourists to the area.

The regular meeting was called to order by President Alex Crowder. Members attending were Walt Stanley and Ronald Austin from Spur; Bobbie and Lex Hix from Dickens; Corky Marshall, Alex

Crowder, J.N. and Darleen Fletcher, and Ken Abbott from Roaring Springs; Ralph Powell, Pennie Pipkin, Marisue Potts, Jackie and Shirley Smith of Matador; and Seab Washington of Flomot. Secretary Potts read the minutes, approved as read. Treasurer Darleen Fletcher reported a balance of \$4,115.

It was reported that the brochure is in the hands of the printer, the Motley County Tribune. The brochures can not be placed in TxDOT visitors' centers if they contain advertising, but local businesses were sold

on the idea of having their names listed. However, the size may not allow enough room to print all those who have paid for advertising. Consensus was to see if Carla Meador can increase the size of the paper to accommodate the names and to find other venues to place the brochures.

Members viewed a Website created by Ronnie Austin of Spur that featured text and photographs from the several communities submitting promotional material. Austin plans to activate the site soon, but needs

more photos representing the communities of Spur, Roaring Springs, Matador and Turkey for the opening home page. E-mail address is texashwy70.com.

Another topic of business was the 70 Mile Garage Sale planned for May 4 and 5. Advertising will begin in earnest next month to attract visitors to the downtown areas of the towns along the route, from Spur to Turkey.

The next meeting will be on April 4 at 7:30. Everyone is invited to attend and share ideas on how to market this unique and scenic corridor.

AROUND THE COUNTY

News briefs of area events

MCYO meeting set for March 27

A meeting of the Motley County Youth Organization (MCYO) has been set for Wednesday, March 27, at 5:30 p.m. in the Motley County School Cafeteria.

Officers will be elected and plans for the upcoming season will be discussed.

Anyone with an interest in the Summer Baseball program is urged to attend this meeting.

Depot renovation organizational meeting, Friday

An organizational meeting to discuss the renovation of the old Depot building in Roaring Springs will be held Friday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Roaring Springs Community Center.

The creation of a non-profit organization to assist in the renovation project will be discussed.

Anyone interested in this project is invited to attend.

American Legion meeting set for March 25th

Members of Fleming Post and Auxiliary Unit 337 will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 25 in the Motley County Senior Citizens Center.

This is a traditional, covered dish supper get-together, but with one modification - this time the men do the food preparation, serving, and cleaning up!

The main agenda item will be Blue Star Banners to be presented to parents and grandparents of men and women currently serving on active duty in the United States Armed Forces.

All family members and friends of the aforementioned parents and grandparents are invited to the meeting.

Booster club to meet Monday

The Motley County Booster Club will meet Monday, March 25, at 7:00 p.m. at the high school cafeteria.

Everyone interested in MC youth and becoming a part of the Booster Club is invited to attend.

Roaring Springs man dies from multiple stab wounds

A Roaring Springs man died Wednesday night, March 13, from multiple stab wounds. Al Pettit, 42, was pronounced dead on arrival at the Crosbyton Clinic Hospital.

Motley County Sheriff Jim Meador stated that he was notified of the incident at approximately 9:05 p.m. Wednesday night. Sheriff

Meador notified Motley County Ambulance. Sheriff Meador, Motley County Deputy Rickey Lawrence and Motley County EMS responded to the scene. Sheriff Meador notified

Texas Ranger Jay Foster, of Childress, who responded to the scene later that night.

After investigation, with collaboration between the Motley County Sheriff's department and Texas Rangers, an arrest was made early Friday morning, March 15.

Ronnie Price, 47, of Matador was arrested about 6:00 a.m. He was taken to Floyd County Jail where he is being held on \$75,000 bail on a charge of murder.

Price had gone to his former wife's residence in Roaring Springs. At the house, he encountered Pettit, who was staying at the home temporarily.

The stabbing was discovered by another occupant of the house who arrived shortly after the stabbing occurred.

The occupant called 911. Price's former wife was not home at the time of the incident. There were no witnesses to the stabbing. The case remains under investigation.

Matador City Council reviews budget

Special meeting will be called for approval

Matador City Council members reviewed the 2002-03 budget when they met for their regular meeting, Thursday, March 14. A special meeting will be called in the near future to approve the budget as some adjustments will be made. The time and

place of the meeting will be publicized.

Tax Appraiser, Brenda Osborn, was scheduled to meet with the Council, but was unable to attend. She will reschedule.

Officers were reappointed to the

Matador Water District Board. Seats for reappointment are those currently held by Jimmy Watson, Cynthia Stafford and Fred Parson. Fred Parson replaced Jimmy Watson as President.

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ONE ACT PLAY — Members of the Motley County One Act play cast and crew are pictured above left to right (back) Dumont Darsey, Justin Jameson, John Wesley Stevens, Quinten Rose, Brandon Moore, Chantry Meyer; (middle) Brad Baxter, Mylinda Gilmore, Courtney Hays, Mandi Ream, Stachia Baxter, Kattie Campbell; (front) Ysef Alvarado, Charli Ream, Lorenzo Salazar, and Amanda Hurt. The play, *The Crucible*, was presented to the public Monday night. Play members competed at District in Jayton, on Tuesday. Four cast members received All-Star honors, with Chantry Meyer being named to the All-Star Cast, and Courtney Hays, Stachia Baxter, and Kattie Campbell receiving Honorable Mention.



I recently went through a stack of old books I had collected from purchases at Garage Sales, Library book sales, and junk shops over the years. A Heap O' Livin' Along Life's Highway is the title that caught my eye. I opened the little, green poetry book and was hooked. I couldn't put it down. It's full of wonderful poems. The book has a 1916 copyright. Inside the front cover is an address sticker - Roberta Jameson, Matador, Texas. I remember buying several books at Ms. Jameson's estate sale

and wondering how anyone could have passed them by. The collection I purchased included such treasures as handmade cookbooks. I think I have mentioned before in this column of the special cookbooks. The black, leather notebooks contain recipes Roberta had clipped from newspapers, magazines, and some she had handwritten. There are several poems in the poetry book that I would like to share, but with the anticipation of Spring, I thought this one was appropriate.

ROSES

When God first viewed the rose He'd made
He smiled, and thought it passing fair;
Upon the bloom His hands He laid,
And gently blessed each petal there.
He summoned in His artists then
And bade them paint, as ne'er before,
Each petal, so that earthly men
Might love the rose for evermore.

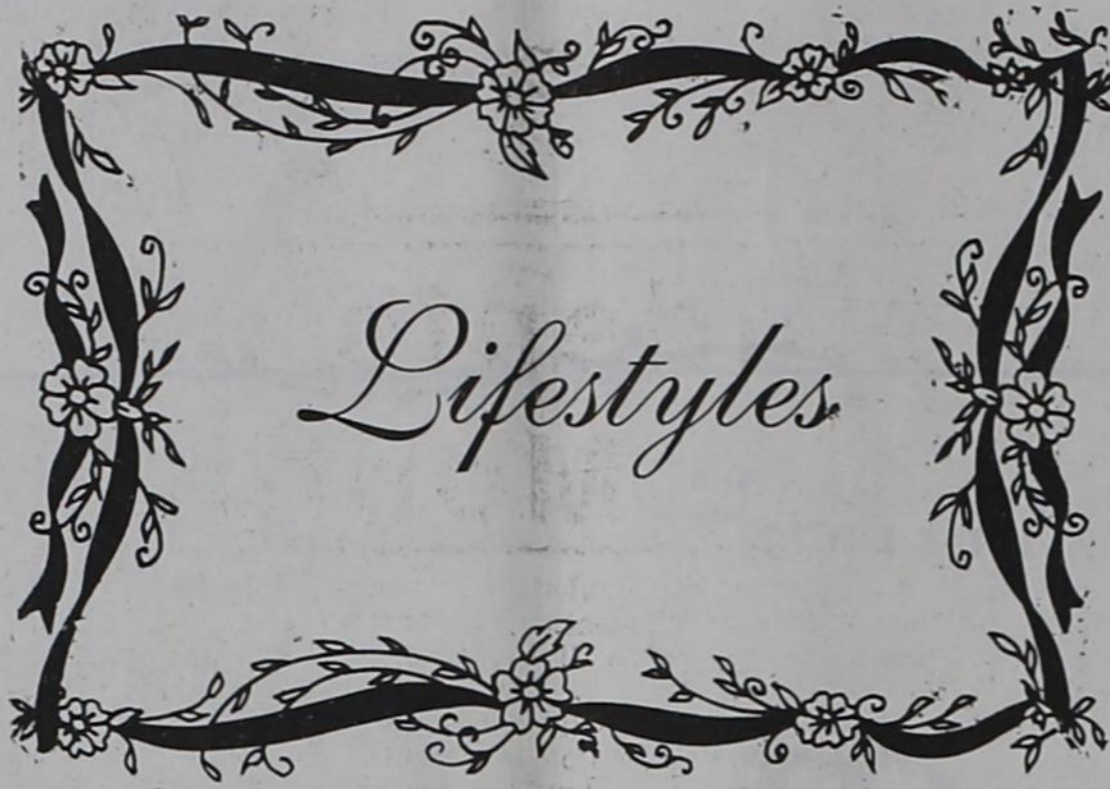


With Heavenly brushes they began
And one with red lined every leaf,
To signify the love of man;
The first rose, white, betokened grief;
"My rose shall deck the bride," one said
And so in pink he dipped his brush,
"And it shall smile beside the dead
To typify the faded blush."

And then they came unto His throne
And laid the roses at His feet,
The crimson bud, the bloom full blown,
Filling the air with fragrance sweet.
"Well done, well done!" the Master spake;
"Henceforth the rose shall bloom on earth:
One fairer blossom I will make,"
And then a little babe had birth.



On earth a loving mother lay
Within rose-decked room and smiled,
But from the blossoms turned away
To gently kiss her little child,
And then she murmured soft and low,
"For beauty, here, a mother seeks,
None but the Master made, I know,
The roses in a baby's cheeks."



Motley County Arts & Crafts Club News
by Winifred Darsey

Motley County Arts and Crafts club members met March 4 at the Senior Citizens Center for their monthly meeting.

Billie Koon taught the workshop with members anxiously waiting the surprise. No one was disappointed. The surprise was learning to make angels, using petals of silk flowers. The angels were lovely in color and construction. There were countless petals of any color or size, a student could choose. It was difficult to select the prettiest, or most outstanding angel, but the focal point was an angel used for one of the models for the lesson, made from purple petals. The angel's dress was lovely, with a red hat trimmed with purple petals and miniature red flowers. The angel's wings were large green leaves. This was made by Billie Koon.

The members agreed that Billie was indeed, an angel, for having planned the program, preparing the supplies, and having them ready for

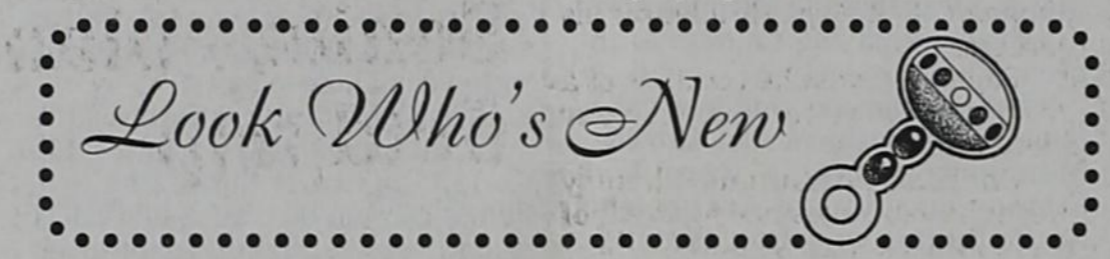
immediate work. Vee Gordon, Club Secretary, presided over the business meeting at 10:00 a.m.

The club dined with the Senior Citizens at noon. The food was very delicious, with chicken-fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, vegetables, rolls and gelatin dessert.

Members present were Joy Archer, Dorothy Day, Vee Gordon, Dorothy Knight, Billie Koon, Geraldine Key, Nan Lumpkins, Joyce Meredith, Donald Letkeman, Linda Rhul, Kathryn Russell, Jo Trammell, Nova Dell Turner, Shirley Smith, Dortha Westbrook, and Winifred Darsey.

Nan Lumpkins will be instructor for April. She will teach a class on making ceramic flowers; the needed supplies are a rolling pin and metal nail file.

It's rumored that the purple angel with red hat may be on display at the Motley County Library soon, exemplifying "The Red Hat ladies."



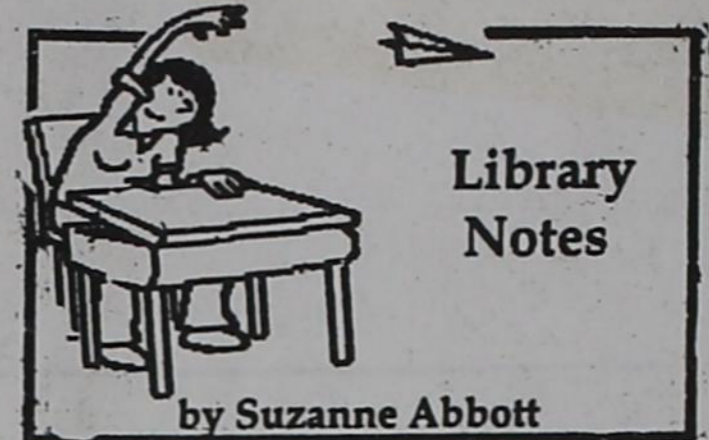
Jaylee Jo Flowers

Jay and Wendy Flowers of Aspermont are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Jaylee Jo.

Jaylee was born at 9:39 p.m. at Hendrick Hospital in Abilene, she weighed 4 pounds and 14 1/2 ounces

and was 18 1/4 inches in length.

Grandparents are Gary and Carolyn Lancaster of Matador, Bill and San Flowers of Aspermont and Susie Flowers of Old Glory. Great Grandmother is Lorene Lancaster of Matador.



by Suzanne Abbott

Carla and Jim Meador continue to give a gift subscription of the *Motley County Tribune* to the library. They have done this for several years and we really appreciate this generous donation. We keep the back copies of the *Tribune* and many people come to search for an article or a picture. Thanks to the Meadors for this useful gift.

We appreciate the memorial donations that we received at the library this week. We thank Betty Henry, the Horace Jamesons, the Bill Peacocks, the C.D. Garrisons, Mary Jones, and Meta Adams for their donations in memory of Mollie Bursleson.

New books in the library include Car Hiaasen's *Basket Case* and

Kathleen O'Neal Gear and W. Michael Gear's *The Summoning God*. We also received this week James Patterson's newest, *Second Chance*.

Other new books include *Justice* by Angela Hunt, *Honor Bound* by Sandra Brown, *Habeas Corpus* by Wendi Lee, *English Ivy* by Catherine Palmer and *Caves of Perigord* by Martin Walker. *English Ivy* and *Justice* are Christian Fiction books.

I have had to be out of the library a lot lately, but some wonderful ladies have stepped in to help out. A great big thank you goes to Doris Moore, Jo Crowder, Jo Scott, Patricia Green, Ruby McGuire and Marihelen Wason for all of the work they have been doing at the library.

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I would like to thank my supporters in the recent Motley County Judge's race.

I truly enjoyed the campaign and visiting with many seldom seen friends and acquaintances. Again, thank you for your support.

Gale Stafford

I would like to thank everyone who supported me in the Primary Election and encourage everyone to Vote in the Run-off Election, April 9.

Thank you,
Russell Alexander

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Kelton extravaganza set at the Library

A distinguished panel of readers will discuss various books by Elmer Kelton at the Motley County Library on Tuesday, March 26, at 7:00 p.m. Panel members and the book that each will discuss are Ed. D. Smith, *The Time it Never Rained*; J.N. Fletcher, *Good Old Boys*; Ralph Powell, *Honor at Daybreak*; James Bearden, *The Man Who Rode Midnight*; and Jerry Green, *The Day the Cowboys Quit*.

This event will take the form of a book discussion and members of the audience will be encouraged to talk about their favorite Kelton book and to agree or disagree with the panel. This book discussion is shaping up to be a lively presentation with at least one dissenting voice among the crowd. Everyone is invited to attend, to take part, or to just listen and enjoy.

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"Ungodly Gossip"

I call it "character assassination." It usually grows from a "mole-hill" into a "mountain." It frequently evolves into lying. It causes multiplied heartache and hard feelings. It is so unnecessary. Bobby Dockery penned the following:
MY NAME IS GOSSIP
I am not sure who wrote the following, but it is well worth repeating:
My name is Gossip, I have no respect for Justice. I maim without killing. I break hearts and ruin lives...
— I am cunning and malicious and gather strength with age. The more I am quoted the more I am believed...
— I flourish at every level of society. My victims are helpless. They cannot protect themselves against me because I have no name and no face...
— To track me down is impossible. The harder you try the more elusive I become. I am nobody's friend...
— I topple governments and wreck marriages -- I ruin careers, cause sleepless nights, heartaches, tears, fears, and indigestion...
— I spawn suspicion and generate grief. I make innocent people cry in their pillows.
— Even my name hisses...
— I am called Gossip. Office gossip, Shop gossip, Party gossip. I make headlines and headaches...
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Motley County School News



CLASS OF 2002 Senior Spotlight



Students of the Month

"WHAT'S TO EAT?" This age old question is often asked and answered with the response, "I don't know." Members of the Motley County Personal and Family Development class have created great menus to help solve the menu blues. Members of the class created appetizing breakfast, lunch, and dinner menus as part of their nutrition unit. The menus are displayed at Lowe's Pay-N-Save Grocery in Matador. Members of the class are pictured above left to right, (back) Annie Green, T.J. Christopher, Seagram Sims and Matt Henzler; (middle) Veronica Mendoza, Kattie Campbell, Crystal Belk, Maria Martinez, and Sandra Torres; (front) Sierra Atherton, Sabrina Osborn and Brittany Moore. Not pictured is Amanda Ashby.

Karrie Valdez and Pablo Martinez have been named Students of the Month for Motley County Elementary/Jr. High.

Karrie is the 11-year-old daughter of Randy and Lenore Martin of Matador. She is a sixth grader. Her favorite subject is Reading. Her favorite teacher is Mrs. Bateman.

Karrie enjoys riding her bike for fun. She is a member of the G.A.'s. After high school she plans to attend college and hopes to become a teacher when she grows up.

Her advice to fellow students is to "stay in school."

Her favorite color is purple and her favorite food is Pizza. She enjoys listening to music and Jennifer Lopez is her favorite musician.

Karrie's favorite movie is *Clueless*. The last book she read was a Nancy Drew book. She admires her aunt. She believes a quality of being a good citizen is to read to kids.

Pablo Martinez is the 7-year-old son of Ramon and Gloria Martinez. He is a second grader. His favorite subject is Reading and his favorite teacher is Mrs. Thacker. He enjoys coloring and drawing.

He plans to go to college when he completes his schooling and hopes to become a doctor or a police officer when he grows up.

His advice to fellow students is to "stay out of trouble."

Pablo's favorite color is red. His favorite food is Pizza. His favorite musician is Britany Spears and his favorite movie is *Casper the Friendly Ghost*.

The last book he read is *Just Shopping With Mom*. He admires his parents.

Pablo believes the qualities of a good citizen is to respect your friends.

Chasity Holman and Chantry Meyer have been named Students of the Month for High School.

Chasity is the 17-year-old daughter of Lee and Brenda Browning. She is a Junior. Her favorite subject is English and her favorite teacher is Mrs. Bingham.

She enjoys playing basketball and hanging out with friends for fun. Chasity was chosen Class Favorite.

ite, serves as her class president and is a member of FFA.

After high school she plans to attend college and major in something she enjoys and will make a lot of money at.

Her advice to fellow students is to "pay attention in Math class."

Chasity's favorite colors are orange, yellow and pink. Her favorite food is any kind of pasta. Her favorite musical group is Blood Hound Gang. Her favorite movie is *Beautiful*. The last book she read is *A Tale of Two Cities*.

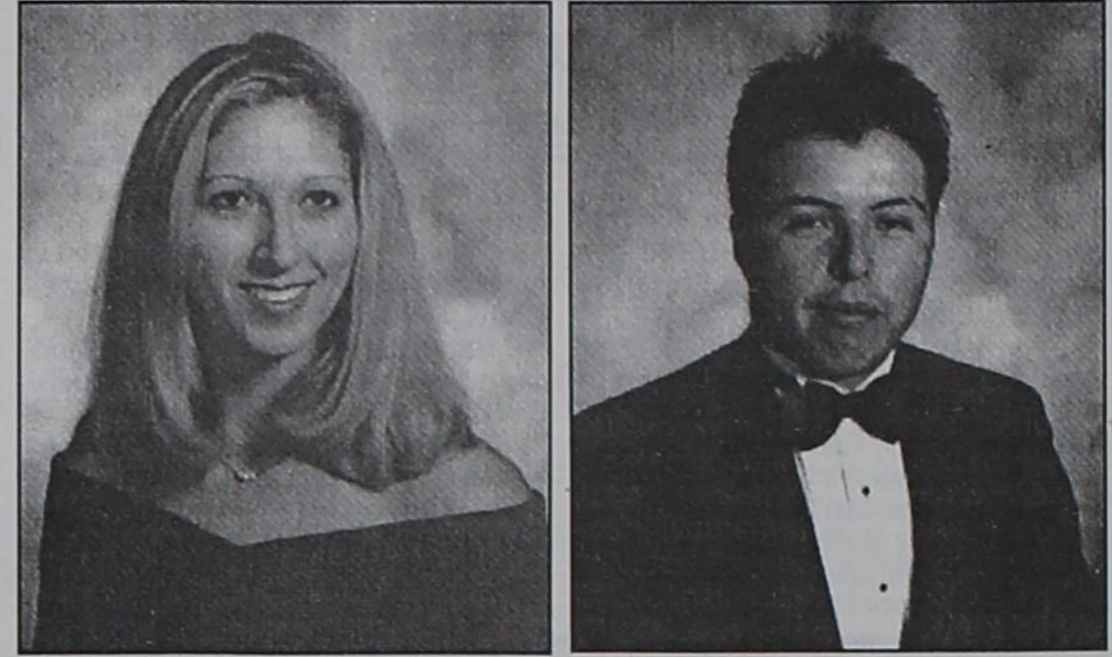
She admires her Mom, and believes the qualities of a good citizen is being nice, polite and willing to help people.

Chantry is the 17-year-old son of Kelly and Diana Meyer. He is a Junior. His favorite subject is Chemistry and his favorite teacher is Mrs. Bingham. He enjoys sleeping for fun.

Chantry is a member of the National Honor Society, FFA, and plays football. He plans to attend college after high school and hopes to become a Lawyer.

His advice to fellow students is to "pay attention." His favorite color is blue and his favorite food is Chicken Fried Steak. He enjoys any kind of music and his favorite movie is *Dumb and Dumber*. The last book he read is *A Tale of Two Cities*.

Chantry's hero is Jesus. He believes the qualities of a good citizen is being nice and caring.



COURTNEY ANN HAYS

RAMIRO MARTINEZ AGUILAR

Age: 17 Date of Birth: 7-14-84
Parents: Vaden and Carol Hays
Siblings: Quinn Hays

Who do you most admire and why? My parents, because they have always supported me in everything I have done.

Favorite high school memory: When a bunch of us went to Plainview to the movies and then dancing.

Extracurricular activities: Basketball, Cross Country, Track, Golf, Tennis, Cheerleader.
Special honors: 2nd Team All-District 99-00; All District 01-02; Homecoming Queen; All-American Scholar.

Plans after graduation: Attend WTAMU and major in Pre-Medicine.

Favorites:

Food: Mexican
Soft Drink: Dr. Pepper
Hangout: The drag
Book: Tale of Two Cities
Movie: The Lord of the Rings
Song: How You Remind Me
Musical Group: Nickelback
Teacher (K-12): Coach Ridgley
Sport: Basketball
Quote: "My interest is in the future...I'm going to spend the rest of my life there."

Age: 18 Date of Birth: 2-25-83
Parents: Ramon and Gloria Martinez.

Siblings: Maria, Jose, Laura and Pablo.

Who do you most admire and why? My parents, because they work hard.

Favorite high school memory: When Leslie fell back and broke the chair during class.

Extracurricular activities: Football.
Special honor: Speaking better English.

Words of wisdom for the underclassmen: Don't sleep in class and work harder.

Plans after graduation: Work and party all the time.

Favorites:

Food: Pizza and Mexican Food.
Soft Drink: Dr. Pepper
Hangout: Matador
Book: Blitz
Movie: Road Trip
Song: Como te Recuerdo
Musical Group: Afro Men
Teacher (K-12): Mrs. Cox
Color: Blue and Black
Sport: Football
Past time: Friends
Quote: "Que Honda"

Expense paid Washington trip prize for local contest

An all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. next June will be awarded to two young people from this area by Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, according to Bill Harbin, manager of the cooperative.

Harbin said winners of an essay/oral presentation contest would be awarded the trip which is set for June 13-25, 2002. Area high school age youths in the system's service area are eligible to enter the contest.

Contest entrants will be required to submit an original composition essay on the subject "Lighthouse Electric Cooperative - The Home Team Advantage." Resource materials that may be helpful to contestants are available from the cooperative's office, according to Member Service Advisor Larry Ogden, who is in charge of the contest.

Essays will be judged on knowledge of the subject, originality, composition, neatness and grammar. Deadline for entering will be Friday, March 29, 2002. On the basis of the essays, finalists will be selected for an oral presentation before a panel of judges at the final contest to be held at the Lighthouse Electric Cooperative community room on Thursday, April 4, 2002.

This is the 38th year that Lighthouse Electric Cooperative has participated in the Youth Tour Program. Winners last year were Melanie Huggin of Lockney and Jenna Payne of Floydada.

As participants in the Youth Tour, local winners will join other winners from across Texas to travel by bus to Washington where they will spend five days visiting places of historical interest, members of Congress and participating in rural electric education seminars.

Approximately 1200 Youth Tour participants from 37 states will meet in Washington, D.C. for the 38th National Rural Electric Youth Tour.

For information on the contest, contact the Member Service Department of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative.

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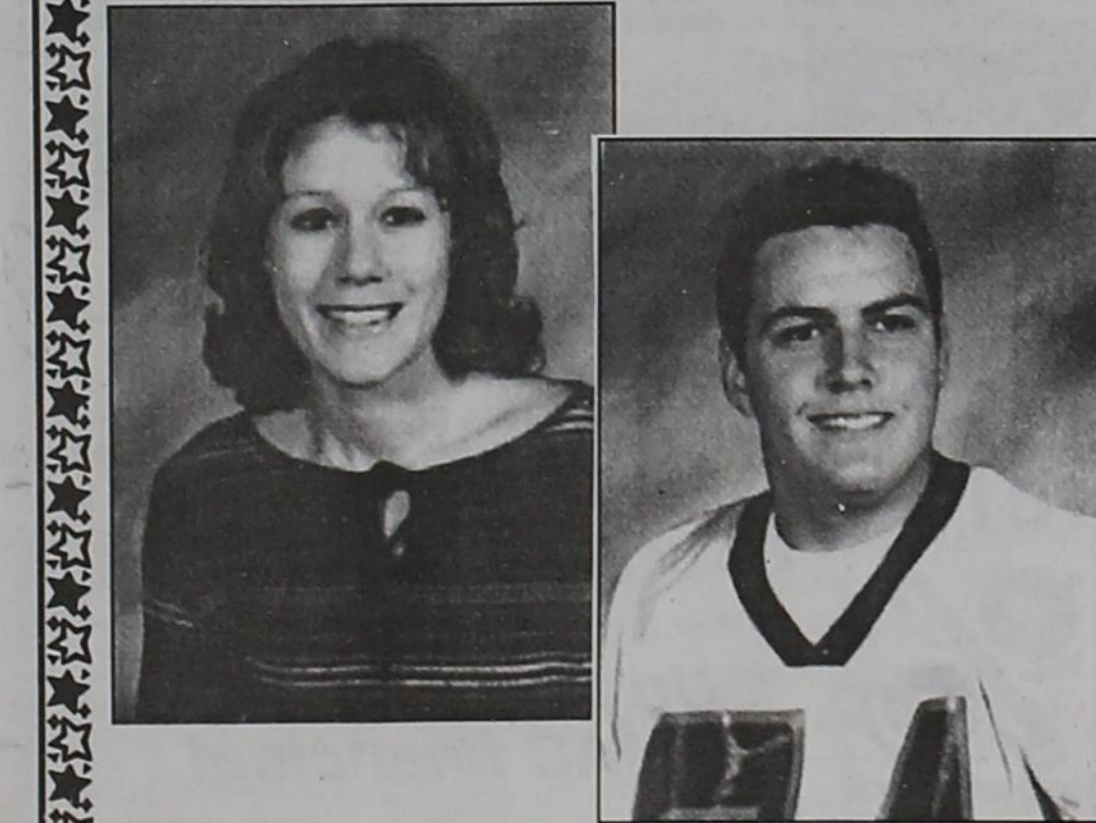
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★ Shining Stars ★



Students of the Month

Elementary/Jr. High
PABLO MARTINEZ
&
KARRIE VALDEZ



High School
CHASITY HOLMAN
&
CHANTRY MEYER

Seniors plan field trip

by Sergio Flores

The Seniors are planning a field trip for May 2. They had originally scheduled a trip to eat pizza in Plainview, but it was canceled due to the lack of a bus driver.

Sponsors for the May trip will be Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Cox.

The Seniors are able to take this trip because they won the canned food drive held in December. Seniors collected 694 canned foods. The Food Drive contest is sponsored by the MC ISD Student Council and the Matador Lions Club. Canned foods were evenly distributed among needy families.

MC Students jump for heart

by Amanda Hurt

Motley County students, Pre-K through 5th grade participated in "Jump for Heart" March 6. The event was held to raise funds for the American Heart Association. Students collected pledges before the event.

The first class began jumping at 10:00 a.m. in the new gym and classes continued jumping until 2:00 p.m. Each class did various jumping activities for their 45-minute class.

The "Jump for Heart" event, sponsored by Mrs. Judy Cooper, was a big success. Mrs. Cooper extends thanks to everyone who made pledges and to the children who participated.

2002-03 Motley County Cheerleaders announced

by Amanda Hurt

Cheerleading tryouts were held March 8 for the 2002-03 school year. Jr High Cheerleaders will be Savannah Rose, Christy Smith, Kristin Lane, Mylissa Gilmore and Karri Valdez. High School cheerleaders for next year will be Britany Donaldson, Brenda Gillespie, Chasity Holman, Mandi Ream, Charli Ream and Emily Hurt. Mascot will be Cassie Campbell.

Sponsors for next year's squads will be Mrs. Bingham for Varsity and Mrs. Kautz for Jr. High.

Grades 6-7 voted for Jr. High Cheerleaders and grades 8-11 voted for High School. Votes count 1/2 of the teachers vote, 1/3 judges vote, and 1/3 student vote.

Jr. High candidates performed an individual cheer and a group chant. High School candidates also performed an individual cheer and a group chant, but were also required to perform a dance routine, which lasts 45 seconds or more. Mascot candidates must perform a skit or dance. Congratulations girls!

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I would like to thank all the voters of Motley County for their support in the March 12th Primary, by both your vote and words of encouragement.

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Thank you,
Kate Hurt

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SCHOOL MENU

MONDAY, MARCH 25
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Spaghetti, Meat Sauce, Green Salad, Cheese Sticks, Peanut Butter Brownie, Milk.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26
Breakfast: Cinnamon Rolls, Applesauce, Milk.

Lunch: Oven Fried Chicken, Creamed Potatoes, Corn on the Cob, Texas Toast, Peaches, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Tamales, Pinto Beans, Fresh Salad, Crackers, Jello, Fruit, Milk.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28
Breakfast: Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Cheeseburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Chips, Easter Cake, Milk.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29
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NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins

Mrs. Pat Peacock of Anahuac, Texas, spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Peacock Tuesday night. She visited her mother who is a patient in the Crosbyton Hospital.

Pearl Patten and Mary Lumsden drove to Floydada Sunday afternoon to visit Harry Patten who is a resident there. Mr. and Mrs. Bud Roller spent the weekend with Odessa Mullins. They also visited his sister, Margie Payne and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mullins.

Mr. and Mrs. James Adams, Dylan and Ty of Lubbock had lunch and visited

with her grandmother, Zella Palmer, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Burton visited in Lubbock, Saturday with her sister, Linda Evans.

Enjoying coffee and goodies on Monday morning, March 18, at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, were Gale Stafford, Bill and Lea Peacock, Cleo Watson and Larry, Mary Lumsden, Corky Marshall, Pearl Patten, Reva Sweeney, J.N. Fletcher, D.A. McGuire, Joyce Smith, Dean McInroe, Lula Swim and Jo Crowder.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

GRASS FIRE

The Flomot Fire Dept. with firefighters, Jack Starkey, Roger Lee and Donnie Rogers and the Quitaque Fire Dept. responded to a wind blown grass fire south of the Fairmont Baptist Church, west of Flomot Thursday morning, March 14.

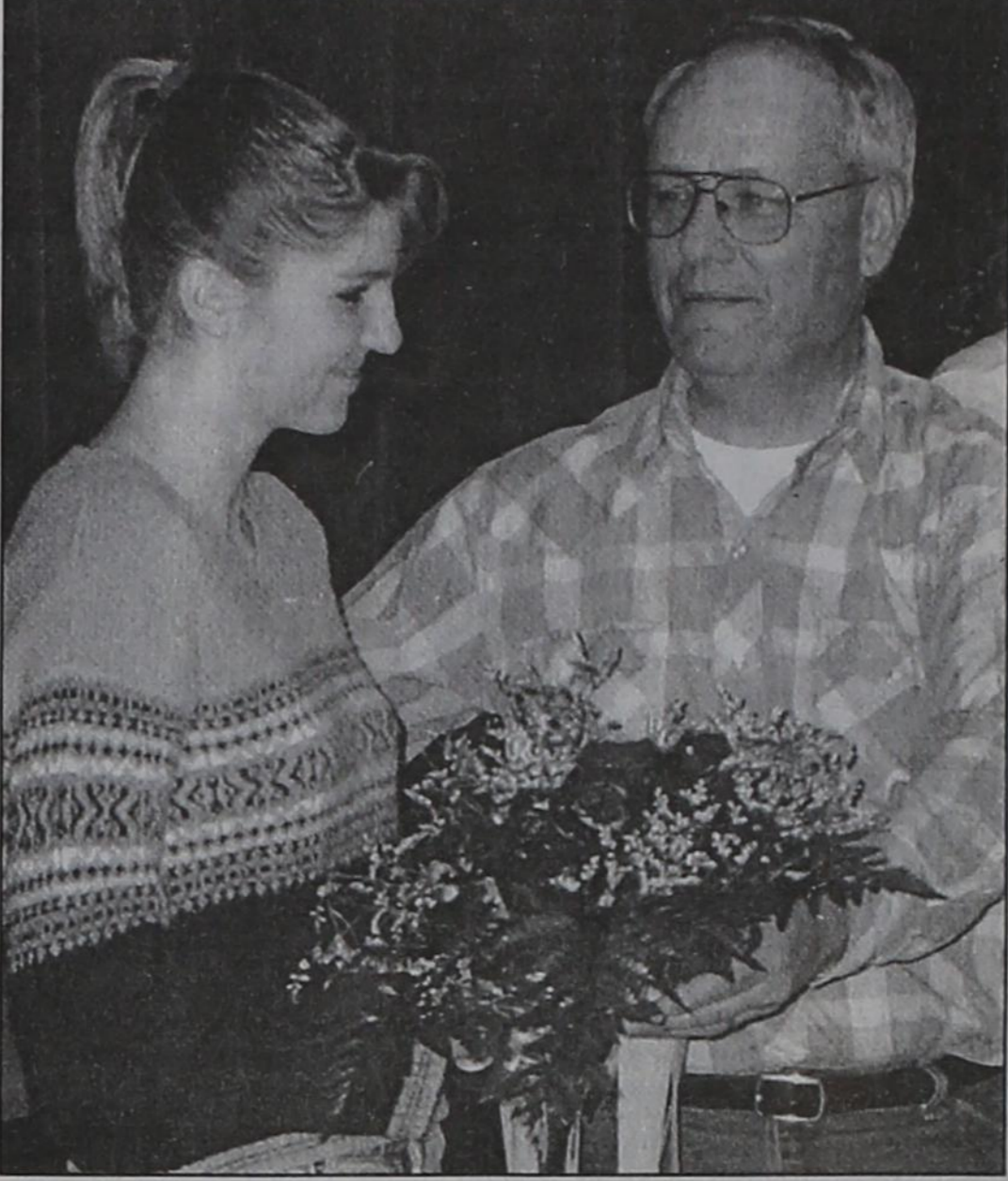
Ten of fifteen acres of CRP Land on the Ellen Skinner farm was destroyed. They were able to get the flames under control before reaching the creek on the Lossie Gilbert land. The cause of the fire has not been determined and no injuries were reported.

route home from Silverton where she had accompanied home her father in law, Jack Davis from a medical appointment at V.A. Hospital in Amarillo.

Visiting during the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter were daughters and families, Cindy and Chad Calvert of Mesquite, Mrs. Christi Milam, Haley and Emily of Petersburg and Keri and Kevin Sehon and Brian of Ropesville. Mrs. Shorter sang at Julie Clay's wedding ceremony.

Donnie Rogers accompanied daughters, Natalie and Brooke to home in Lindale, Saturday after they visited here during the spring break.

Visiting during the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington were Cara Franks of Canyon and Mrs. Lacy Clarey, Caleb and Mickey of Matador.



LIONS CLUB QUEEN — Matador Lions Club member, Rick Copp, presents Britannia Donaldson with a bouquet of flowers at Monday night's One Act Play/Cake Auction. Britannia, who serves as the 2001-02 Lions Club Queen will again serve the local club as Queen. Britannia is a Junior at MC High School and the daughter of Billy and Terree Donaldson of Matador.

Whiteflat News

by Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

Strands of joy must be interwoven with those of pain to complete a strong and durable fabric of life.

Art Green of Matador, Jamie Pigg of Turkey, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Martin and son, Ryan, visited from Friday until Monday of last week in Kyle, Texas with Mr. and Mrs. Danny Green, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Campbell, Laney and Caci.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fullingim of Harlingen, Chris Embrown of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, Danielle and Fannin enjoyed the tourist attractions and entertainment from March 9-16 at South

Padre Island and Port Mansfield. Visiting last Sunday with Tina and Tim Shannon were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Shannon of Roaring Springs.

Jack Samford of Matador and Mrs. Juanita Cooper were in Amarillo, Thursday for his optical medical tests.

Cobey and Janell Turner of Lubbock visited from Saturday until Tuesday of last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnney Turner. Mr. and Mrs. Turner visited during the week in Lubbock with daughter and family, Heather, Scott and Skylar Blount.

Remember Whiteflat Homecoming, Saturday, April 6, 2002!

Colton and Kayla, children of Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay of Lubbock, visited last weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay. Other visitors on Sunday were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S.D. Barclay of Lockney.

Kenneth and Anita Baldwin of Santa Fe, N.M. visited the weekend at their rural home in Flomot. Anita played the piano at the wedding ceremony of Julie Clay and Neal Edwards at the United Methodist Church in Turkey, Saturday. They also visited in the Doyle Calvert home.

Bobby and Kay Clay, Mrs. Sherri Gandy and daughters of Ringland, Okla., Tammy and Glen Furham of Gainsville visited during the weekend in the Joe Ike Clay home and in Turkey with Kay's family, Mr. and Mrs. Tink Lane.

Larry and Angela Clay were in Houston recently for her medical checkup at M.D. Anderson Hospital. She received a good report. Guests in their home during the weekend were Charles Horchem of Sulphur Springs, Mark Henry Clay of Rockwell and Jordan Brown of Clarendon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin were in Berger, Friday and had lunch with daughter, Mrs. Marilee Cooper.

Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch visited overnight Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey. She was en

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay during the weekend and attending the wedding and reception Saturday in Turkey of daughter, Julie Clay and Neal Edwards of Lubbock were Mrs. Joy Barham, Mrs. Brenda Davis of Hart, Mark and JoAnn Clay of Rockwall, Lori, Kevon, Karlee and Tyler Kleibrink of Clifton, Charles and Sue Tanner, Robert Tanner, Jamie and Bob Villegas and children of Tullia and other local relatives and friends.

L.T. Starkey of Ralls visited his mother, Mrs. C.W. Starkey on Friday.

Luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers, Saturday were Bill Hand of Roaring Springs, granddaughter, Hanna Alexander of Lubbock, Donnie Rogers and Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse of Flomot and Mrs. Cruse's houseguests, grandchildren, Thor, Tory, Leah and Tally, children of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Patton of Silverton.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey of Canyon, Cindy Staling and Taylor of Mrs. Jack Starkey.

A Note of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for remembering, understanding and bringing comfort during the loss of our son-in-law, Alan Branson, our two sisters, Billye Archer Hall and Jessie Lee Archer Lancaster.

God Bless Friends,
Leo & Joyce Archer

I would like to thank everyone for the cards of sympathy sent to me at the time of Juanita's death. Motley County will always be in my heart and a part of home. Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated.

Gene Brannon

Thanks to Precinct 4 for voting in the last election. Remember the Run-off Election, April 9.

Thank you,
Timmy Brooks

Thanks to the voters of Precinct 4 for voting. A special thanks to those who voted for and supported me.

J.N. Fletcher

Granddaughter wins gold medal at State meet

Ashley Cole, the great-granddaughter of Algeare Jones and the late Walter Jones of Matador, participated in the State Powerlifting Meet, held at Killeen last Friday. Ashley won 2nd place for 5A schools and re-

ceived a Gold Medal. She is a Junior at Lubbock High School.

News of Local Interest

Algeare Jones visited in Lubbock last week with her daughter, Evelyn Jones, granddaughter LaFonda Cole and great-granddaughters, Ashley and Roshonda.

City Council

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Bids were reviewed for the landfill scale upgrade. Those submitting bids were Rusty's Weigh and Driver's Scales. No action was taken on the bids at this time.

City Water Superintendent, Steve Barton, reported that Pumps 1 and 2 have been replaced at the City Wells in Roaring Springs and two new flow meters were installed. Progress at the Landfill continues. Pit #2 is complete at 250 ft. in length.

Council went into executive session at this time. All Council members were present. No one was present for open forum.

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FARM AND RANCH NEWS



Southern High Plains sees successful first year

The Southern High Plains/Carprock Eradication zone's first year of eradicator activities were by all measures successful, said Charles Allen, program director for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

Allen presented a summary of the first year's efforts at a recent meeting of the foundation's Board of Directors.

Weevil numbers, as determined by boll weevil traps placed around the cotton fields, were relatively low during the early summer, but rose considerably beginning in about mid-August, Allen said. By early September, when the foundation began treatments, the average numbers of weevils caught in the traps each week had nearly tripled compared with the August numbers.

After spraying began, the numbers fell to pre-August levels and did not rise above those levels for the rest of the growing season, Allen said.

For the entire growing season, the zone traps caught a weekly average of slightly more than one weevil in each trap.

The program's initiation provided a definite boost to the area's growers, said James Leser, Texas Cooperative Extension specialist in Lubbock, in a phone interview.

"The bottom line is... there's no question that producers would have faced a significant economic threat from boll weevils without the spraying," said Leser, who is also a professor of entomology with Texas A&M University.

Allen told the foundation directors that the zone's numbers put it in excellent shape for the next growing season.

Leser agreed. "I'd say they're at least a year ahead of schedule," he said.

The Southern High Plains zone is bordered by active eradication zones, Allen said, which greatly reduces the possibility of reinfestation and which should help the zone make rapid progress toward the goal of eradication.

Growers and area residents will see much less spraying during the next growing season, he said. In the first year, the foundation's goal is to reduce the number of weevils that will overwinter by 90 percent. This means fewer weevils will survive to reproduce the next year.

In the program's second year, more traps are placed around the cotton fields, the fields are sprayed only when the traps catch a certain number of weevils, what the foundation calls a trap trigger, Allen said.

The number varies during the growing season, rising during the middle of the season to reduce the effect on beneficial insects — those that prey on other cotton-damaging insects — and falling again at the close of the season when boll weevils are active and the threat to beneficials has passed.

In addition, only the portions of the field near the traps that trigger are treated, Allen said, greatly reducing the amount of spraying that occurs during the season.

The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation is a nonprofit, grower-initiated and funded organization dedicated to eliminating the cotton boll weevil from the state in the most cost effective and environmentally responsible manner possible.

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FIV is in the same family of diseases as feline leukemia, another deadly disease, and is a cousin of the HIV virus that affects humans. FIV is classified as a lentivirus, or "slow virus," similar to those that cause pneumonia in sheep, infectious anemia in horses, encephalitis in goats and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) in humans.

"The FIV virus in cats can be found worldwide," says Wolf. In the U.S., as many as 3 percent of healthy cats may have FIV, an alarming number considering there are an estimated 60 million cats nationwide. The disease cannot be passed to humans.

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All interested parties are invited to attend such public hearing to express their views with respect to the Project.

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