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DONKEY BASKETBALL — Sean Rose, left, a member of the Outsider's team, and Mrs. Judy Cooper, a member of the Faculty team, found it wasn't so easy to keep their donkey's going in the direction they needed, during last Saturday night's Motley County Donkey Basketball game, held at the school. The very successful event was sponsored as a fund-raiser by the Junior Class.

Motley County ISD to host Shattered Dreams program

Motley County ISD will host a two-day school based program, "Shattered Dreams." The program, scheduled for May 1, promotes responsible decision making regarding drinking and driving by showing high school students how irresponsibility can end all dreams.

Program coordinator, Kelli Jackson, says, "Over a two-day period, the comprehensive program features a mock crash, mock booking, retreat and assembly." The program requires the active participation of students and parents, educators, and representatives from local law enforcement, local EMS, local fire department and many other segments of the community. The *Motley County Tribune* and News Channel 34 from Lubbock, will cover the event and the story.

The main activity is the dramatic re-enactment of an auto crash caused by a driver who is drinking. This simulated crash will involve varying degrees of injuries to those student-volunteers involved. Another principle activity is the symbolic trip that an adult volunteer, dressed as the grim reaper, makes every 15 minutes. The grim reaper will walk the halls to the sound of a beating heart and take one pre-selected student volunteer out of class. These student volunteers represent a drinking and driving death that statistically occurs. These students are thereafter known as the *living dead*.

An overnight leadership retreat for the student volunteers simulates, for the students and their families, the experience of being gone after a death. The next day an assembly is held featuring presentations by medical and law enforcement, school staff, parents and students.

The Shattered Dreams program requires approximately six months to plan and organize and utilizes 15 planning teams. Selected, participating seniors will receive scholarships. The program is being sponsored by the Motley County Hospital Board.



FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES DONATION — Monte Williams, Executive Vice President of the Floydada First National Bank, presents James Gillespie, Matador VFD Secretary, and Douglas Campbell, VFD fireman, with a check for \$5,000.00 as a donation for the local fire department.

Costumes, set pieces needed for One-Act Play

Rehearsals for the Motley County ISD One-Act contest play are underway. "A Rose For Emily," based on a short story by William Faulkner, is set in the 1930's. The cast, crew and director are currently looking for furniture and accessories that might have been found in the upstairs sitting room of a Southern mansion. Internet research reveals that wicker furniture with padded seat cushions upholstered in dark prints was quite popular. Other styles popular were wooden chairs with padded seats, floor lamps and side tables. A "love-seat" or two or more chairs would finish out the set nicely.

In addition to furniture other items that are needed include a corn sheller, wooden crates, an old trunk and period clothing. As always, play members ask that you not loan anything that has any real monetary or sentimental value. Special care of any items used will be used, but accidents do happen. Contact Carrol Hays at 347-2676 or 347-2416 if you have any of these items.

Matador City Council looking into possibility of new businesses

The Matador City Council met for their December meeting, December 14, 2000, with the following members present:

Mayor Rodney Williams, Shane Jones, Fred Parson, Doyle Rose, James Meador, Jimmy Watson, Water Superintendent Steve Barton, and City Secretary Linda Perryman.

During open forum, Lance Wells of West Texas Cat of Lubbock, spoke with the Board regarding a scraper.

Council went into closed session at this time.

Out of closed session, bills were read and discussed. Motion was passed to pay all bills.

Minutes from the November 9th meeting were read and approved.

Councilman Fred Parson made a motion that the City lease/purchase a scraper from Yellowhouse Machinery. This was seconded by Doyle Rose and the vote carried unanimously.

Council reviewed the contract from Glenn Martin for current sanitation services. After discussing the contract, it was accepted.

Mayor Williams approached the Council about the Shattered Dreams program and suggested that a \$200.00 scholarship be provided for the program. Council voted in favor of the scholarship.

Councilman Doyle Rose brought up the subject of building a Senior Citizen's Center in Matador. City Secretary Linda Perryman, was to contact Lance Smith with the USDA Rural Development in Lubbock to inquire about the possibility.

Mayor Williams informed the Council that he was to attend the Region O Water Panning Meeting in Lubbock on Friday, December 15.

Council members reviewed the Treasurer's report.

Water Superintendent Steve Barton informed the Council that pump two is being rebuilt. He also remarked that the scraper is working out well and a new pit at the landfill is being constructed.

Mayor Williams told the Council that the Landfill permit should take no longer than 14 days to complete.

The contract with Glenn Martin Construction was discussed. Mr. Martin will be charged \$22/ton for the year 2001; \$23/ton for 2002; \$24/ton for 2003; and \$25/ton for 2004 and beyond for hauling waste into the Landfill.

Mayor Williams briefed the Council on the progress of the Economic Development Board. He told the members that he put the Articles of Incorporation together and sent it to City Attorney Tom Hamilton for review. Mr. Williams stated that the board is close to being implemented.

A water discrepancy on the monthly bill of Don and Colleen Baxter was the next item on the agenda. After discussing this matter, Fred Parson motioned to refund the excess sewer charges only. James Meador seconded the motion. Vote was 4-1. Shane Jones voted against the refund.

Mayor Williams briefed the Council on his meeting with the County Commissioners. He also informed the Council that the Wastewater Permit renewal had been mailed to Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission.

Water Superintendent Steve Barton informed the Council that the landfill is full. Council agreed to contact Glenn Martin about securing a price to haul waste to Floydada.

Mayor Williams informed the Council that the City needed to keep the tractor until April and turn it back after the budget for 2000-01 is adopted.

Steve Barton gave the Water

Superintendent's report.

Mayor Williams discussed the forming and operations of a proposed Economic Development Board with Council members.

Council went into closed session at this time. After returning, meeting adjourned.

The Council met for their January meeting, Thursday, January 11, 2001. All council members, with the exception of Jim Watson, were present, in addition to Mayor Rodney Williams, Water Superintendent Steve Barton and City Secretary Linda Perryman.

Also attending the meeting was Lance Smith of USDA Rural Development.

Minutes from the December meeting were read and approved. Bills were approved to be paid.

Mayor Williams presented the Council with a Resolution for the lease/purchase of a 1995 John Deere scraper from Yellowhouse Machinery in Lubbock. Council voted in favor of the resolution.

Mayor Williams also presented a Resolution to join the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority. This is the firm that will design and oversee the Region O Water Plan. After reading and discussing the Resolution, council voted to approve.

Lance Smith of the USDA Rural Development office in Lubbock spoke to the Council members about assisted living and nursing home possibilities in Matador. He gave pamphlets to the Council and spoke about the pros and cons of each project.

Mayor Williams gave reports on the Region O Water Plan, the Rolling Plains Special Education Building, the Production Credit Building, and the Rural Development and Grant Writing meetings to be held in Haskell this month.



DOMINO GAME — These four Motley County Veterans enjoy a game of Dominoes during Soup-R Saturday, held last Saturday at the Senior Citizens Center. The event, sponsored by American Legion Post 337, featured delicious soups and all the trimmings, a Health Fair, and a Blood Drive. Playing a game of dominoes above are (left to right) Bud Barton, Jesse Turner, Jim Watson and D.A. McGuire.

Community Women's Banquet set for Feb. 8

All women of the community are invited to a banquet at First Baptist Church, Matador, on Thursday, February 8, at 7:00 p.m. Special guests speaker will be Debra Houchgraber, Women's Ministries Consultant for the Baptist General Convention of Texas. In this position, she comes as a statewide leader of Women Reaching Texas, an organization which exists "to involve more women from our churches in reaching the lost with the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

The banquet is to be hosted by Women on Mission of the Church's

WMU.

The meal will be a salad supper, and everyone is invited to "Bring a salad, and bring a friend!" (However, anyone who is unable to bring a salad is also encouraged to attend.)

In order to provide adequate seating, the hosts requests that guests notify the church before Wednesday, February 7. To do this or to receive more information, call Elaine Risser (347-2345 or 347-2782), Ann Seigler (347-2744), or Dixie Campbell (347-2893).

Roaring Springs City Council meets with short agenda

The Roaring Springs City Council met in regular session January 8, with a short agenda. Mayor Joey Thacker called the meeting to order for members, Venita Sedgwick, Corky Marshall, Kelly Keltz and Gary Simpson. Councilman James Adams was absent.

City Attorney Tom Brian met with the Council and explained the Sub-standard Building Ordinance. The

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"One truly affectionate soul in a family will exert a sweetening and harmonizing influence upon all its members."

—Henry van Dyke

Our "family", our community, our church, lost a great lady last week. Mrs. Winifred Lee was truly an affectionate soul. She will long be remembered in Matador, and especially by the members of the First Baptist Church. She truly exerted a sweetening and harmonizing influence upon the members of our church. I'm sure she did the same for the members of the clubs she was a member of, for the people who knew her.

She was one of those people who worked and worked and never wanted any praise or credit for the many jobs she did. She knew the Bible and loved her Lord. A sweet angel to children, she loved them and worked with so many through the years in various events in church.

She tirelessly scurried around town for years, with her milk jugs

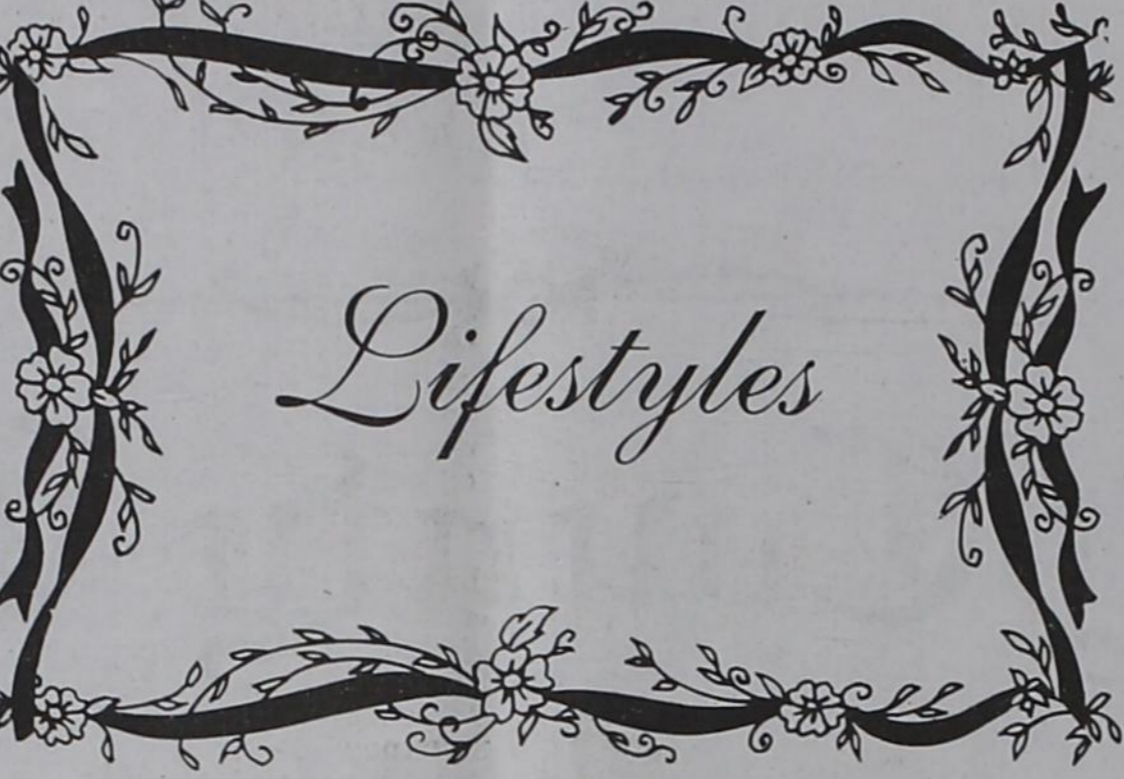
filled with water, keeping all the potted plants in town watered and cared for. As far as I know Mrs. Lee took this job upon herself. I wonder if she ever received any thanks for that.

A small-framed little lady, I don't think I ever saw her in a pair of pants. She always wore a dress and nice pair of shoes, with a little heel.

She was very creative and made the most unique items for the annual Arts & Crafts Bazaar. Everyone was anxious to see what Mrs. Lee had created new for each year's bazaar.

I will miss her visits to my office. She loved books and purchased many for her nieces and nephews. She very carefully selected special ones to fit the person she was buying it for.

Mrs. Lee will be greatly missed by those who knew her and loved her. As I write this column, I can just see her hurrying around and hear her soft, caring voice. I imagine her in Heaven, happy, busy and surrounded by children, helping them to create special gifts for the Heavenly Father.



Williams - Westbrook exchange wedding vows



Mrs. Randy Westbrook (nee Lindsey Williams)

Lindsey Renee Williams and Randy James Westbrook, both of Lubbock, exchanged wedding vows at 3:00 p.m., December 30, 2000, at First United Methodist Church in Matador. The double ring ceremony was officiated by Methodist Minister Ron Kelley of Kress.

The bride is the daughter of Rodney and Glenda Williams of Matador. Parents of the groom are David and Terri Westbrook of Lubbock.

As guests entered, wedding programs were distributed at the door by Samantha Osborn of Matador and Brandi Nettles of Lubbock.

The alter area of the church was decorated with an archway with ropes of ivy garland with white and burgundy flowers, accented with white bows. The center aisle of the church was decorated with white bows.

Jeanne Adams, organist, presented several musical selections as guests were being seated. The unity candle tapers were lit by the couple's mothers before the ceremony began. Those were used by the bride and groom later in the ceremony to light the unity candle, which featured a Kim Anderson figurine center.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father. She wore a white gown, with a sweetheart neckline and long illusion sleeves, and a lace applied satin bodice, which featured pearls. The full tulle ballroom style skirt was adorned with pearls as well. Accessories included a veil borrowed from her cousin, Brandee Bennett; a pearl necklace belonging to her Aunt Debra Spray; a handkerchief that had belonged to her great-grandmother Green; and a blue garter. She wore a sixpence in her shoe and carried a bouquet of burgundy roses and magnolias accented with white spray roses, stephanotis and ivy.

Kristi Williams, sister of the bride served as Maid of Honor. She wore a satin and velvet sleeveless sheath in forest green. Bridesmaid was Misty Thomas, friend of the bride, of Lubbock. She wore a satin and velvet sleeveless sheath in forest green with a short jacket. Each attendant carried a hand tied bouquet of roses and magnolias tied with a sheer white bow.

The groom wore a black tuxedo with a black vest and tie. His friend, Greg Knight of College Station, was best man and groomsman was his uncle Brian Westbrook of Lubbock.

They wore black tuxedos with burgundy vests and ties.

Ushers were Todd Thomas of Borger and Shawn Snodgrass of Lubbock. They wore green and khaki plaid shirts and khaki dress pants. Flower girl was Jade Bennett, cousin of the bride of Ballinger, and ring bearer was Tyler Westbrook, cousin of the groom, of Lubbock.

Guests were registered by Brittany Moore, cousin of the bride, of Matador. The registration table featured a photograph of the bride and groom in a golden frame and a floral arrangement of roses, carnations and star gazers.

A reception followed in the church Fellowship Hall. The bride's table featured wedding cake and punch. The wedding cake was a three-tiered cake, highlighted with pearls and ivy with a Kim Anderson cake top. Serving cake and punch at the bride's table were Lyndee Jameson, cousin of the bride, of Matador, and Brandee Bennett, cousin of the bride, of Ballinger.

The groom's table featured German chocolate cake and a silver coffee service. Joni Hobbs, cousin of the groom, of Seminole, served at the groom's table.

Bottles of bubbles, decorated with white satin bows with bells and doves, to be blown when the newlywed couple departed the church, were distributed by Brittany Moore and Samantha Osborn.

Wedding guests included the bride's grandparents, Jim and Wanda Stockton of Whiteflat and Pete and Bessie Jean Williams of Matador; and the groom's grandparents Jim and Paula Westbrook of Lubbock.

On Friday evening, Mr. and Mrs. David Westbrook hosted a rehearsal dinner at the Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church of Matador. The meal was catered by Douglas Campbell of Matador.

Earlier courtesies for the couple included a bridal shower in the home of Carla Meador on Saturday, December 9.

The bride, a graduate of Motley County High School, attends South Plains College in Lubbock, and is currently self-employed in the medical technology field. The groom, a graduate of Coronado High School in Lubbock is employed as Environmental Health and Safety Coordinator by Steward and Stevenson in Lubbock.

El Progresso club holds first meeting for the new year

by Beverly Vinson

El Progresso Club met January 11 for their first meeting of the new year. It was held in the Senior Citizens center with the president, Jeanne Adams calling the meeting to order. After the business of the club was transacted she introduced Lucretia (R.E.) Campbell who presented the program on Texas Wildlife, "The Jackalope" and other "harey" facts.

Mrs. Campbell explained that the jackrabbit, all whiskery and grizzled, looks like he could reach for a match from his vest, light his pipe, lean back and tell a few stories Jackrabbits just look that way. Mamma jackrabbit doesn't have time for tomfoolery while raising four or five families a year. A jackrabbit has a tough life. One minute he's trying to outrun some drooling coyote and the next he's dodging hawk talons. Then, there is the bobcat to be wary of, also the business end of a .22 rifle. There are all the "ear" jokes, not to mention the whole painful, humiliating

jackalope postcards found in display racks in eateries, convenience stores, etc.

American Folklores, Tall Tales and Yarns, says of the feathered rabbit, that a farmer doing spring plowing dug up a nest of jack rabbits. He put them in his chicken coop. During the dry summer, the hungry chickens ate the fur off the rabbits and the rabbits began to sprout feathers.

Mrs. Campbell told other stories of folklore about the jackalope, before concluding that Douglas, Wyoming is the self-proclaimed capitol of the jackalope. Big Bend rangers keep a straight face when answering questions of the jackalope. Mrs. Campbell said there is also information on the internet about the jackalope, at <http://www.backpacker.com/article/0,2646,1202-p,00.html>

Those attending and enjoying the program and refreshments in addition to Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Adams, were Dorothy Day, Billie Koon, Pearl Patten, Lou Walker, Grace Campbell Jo Ann Dickson, Penny Pipkin and Opal Pipkin.



Dorothy Knight serves some tea to Jerri Watson at Friday's Mad Hatter Tea Party at the Library. A record crowd enjoyed tea and cake at last week's party.

Library's tea party has record crowd

The Mad Hatter (aka Ruby McGuire) hosted the third of the January tea parties Friday at the Motley County Library. Those who attended wore fine hats and sampled scrumptious goodies, consisting of lemon pound cake, tea cookies, scones with lime curd, and tangerine and kiwi slices. The featured teas were Blackberry Sage, Ginger Peach and Wildberry Plum.

Several of the hats worn to the party had interesting histories and all were lovely, but too numerous to describe here. A couple, however, beg to be mentioned.

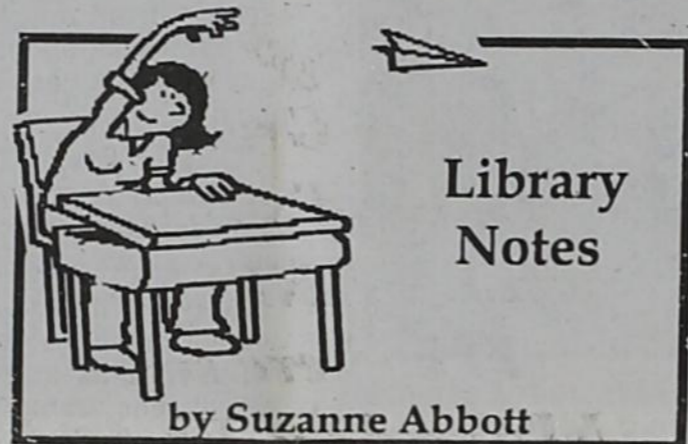
Betty Moore wore a tiara adorned with pink roses. Betty wore this confection in 1952 when she was high school queen.

Marisue Potts sported an antique, beaver top hat that had been worn in England during fox hunts. Marisue received this hat from an English lady who visited Marisue's ranch several years ago. When the lady was getting ready to go back to England, she asked Marisue how she could reciprocate, Marisue asked for

a fox hunt hat, one that had been worn, jumping the hedge rows chasing the fox. In a few weeks this authentic top hat arrived and Marisue shared the story and the hat with tea party participants.

Ralph Powell was the lone male at the tea party. Ralph's hat was an appropriate black western felt with a wide brim shaped with great flair and creativity. Gentleman that he is, however, Ralph removed his hat before sitting down to eat cake and drink tea with the ladies.

Others participating in last week's party were Opal Johnson, Dorothy Knight, Joanie Stephens, Mary Lou Williams, Jeanette Case, Billie Koon, Patricia Green, who came as the Queen of Hearts, Barbara Armstrong, Jerry Watson, Marihelen Wason, Mary Lumsden, Lula Swim, Fredia Burns, Georgia Witcher, Suzanne Abbott, Annette Hollinsworth, Jo Scott, Joan Patton, and two Lubbock visitors from the West Texas Library System, Nancy Hill and Stephanie Zurinski.



by Suzanne Abbott

We thank Mr. and Mrs. Johnney Turner for their donation to the Library in memory of Coke Barton. We also appreciate the memorial donations by Georgia Witcher for Coke Barton and Algie Groves. We thank Mr. and Mrs. K.D. Abbott for their donation to the Library in memory of Algie Groves.

We appreciate the donation to the Library by Lola Pohl and Carolyn Limmer in memory of Algie Groves. Also, we thank Beverly and Furman Vinson for their donation in memory of Algie Groves. Likewise, we thank Virgie Bannerister, Dahl Clower and Dwight Clower for their donation in memory of Algie Groves.

We will really miss Algie here at the Library. He was always willing to lend a helping hand when we needed someone to fill in for me or at one of our functions. Algie was an avid reader and one of our most faithful patrons. All of the donations to the Library in his memory are very fitting and will make a lasting memorial to a great man.

We appreciate the donations to the Library by Olivia Barton, Annette Hollinsworth, Betty Moore, Joanie

Stephens, and Lula Swim. The generosity of these ladies enabled us to purchase a book that we have been wanting, *Flags of Our Fathers* by James Bradley. Bradley is the son of one of the men who raised the flag on Iwo Jima. In this book he tells about this historic flag raising and the battles for the island itself.

Other new books in the Library include Elmer Kelton's *Badger Boy*, a story set on the Texas Frontier in 1865. We also have Dean Koontz's newest, *From the Corner of His Eye*. Also new to the Library is Ken Follet's *Code to Zero* and Linda Howard's *Sarah's Child*.

A Line in the Sand, The Alamo in Blood and Memory is a historical work by Randy Roberts and James S. Olsen. These authors used a wealth of original sources to retell the story of the Alamo to a new generation of Americans.

The Library has a new quilting book, *Innovative Piecing*. This is part of Rodale's quilting library. There are some "wild" quilts in this book — far out of my reach as a novice quilter.

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The Thing Called Sin



Sin is disobedience to the Lord. "For sin is the transgression of the law." (1 John 3:4). Simply put, SIN is wrong. Because of the hedonistic lifestyle in our society, many are losing the ability to determine what is right and what is wrong. Rather than accepting the responsibility for living the moral life as described in the Bible, society at large has sought to remove the Christian influence. The results are now seen in the growth of the abortionists, the pornographers, those who provide the filth and violence on television, the rap music which calls for the shooting of police and white people, and the promotion of homosexuality.

Moral issues that should have been settled by the Word of God are turned into political issues and are sought to be settled by a vote of the majority. Somehow it isn't being comprehended that to advocate "safe sex" sends the signal to our school children that immorality is acceptable so long as there is no harmful physical repercussions. As yourselves, "By what right do other people rob the responsibilities of parents and use some schools to teach against the values which parents have taught their children?"

A standard is emerging for our society which is seen in the acceptance of unmarried couples living together and homosexuals seeking a "legal right" to marry and rear up children. We stand in danger today as a nation because we are no longer able to determine what is right or wrong and have forgotten where to find the answer. Every nation in history that has rejoiced God in such matters, for any length of time, has been destroyed. How far are we from that point? No man knows. More individuals need to be learning and teaching what is the Word of God in the matter of morals and ethics. So that once more we might know what is right and what is wrong.

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Motley County School News



100 DAYS OF SCHOOL — The Motley County Pre-K class is pictured above with the calendar they have been keeping since the first day of school. Class members glued a penny to the calendar for each day of school. Last Thursday marked the 100th day of school, and Student Council members sponsored a 100th day celebration in honor of Pre-K students' efforts. Some of the students showed their talents with 100 basketball throws, 100 push-ups, dribbling the ball and using the student body to make up a 100-person chain. Pre-K teacher, Mrs. Barbara Parks, said, "This was a fun way to count to 100 in many different ways." Students are pictured left to right (standing) are Andrew Arocha, Jacob Woolsey, Hannah Hulsey, Celeste Sims, Conner Mason; (in front) Stormy Darnell, Noah Guerrero, Dillon McCleskey, and Matthew Mount. (Not pictured are Jamie Jameson and Gabriela Santos).

SCHOOL MENU

Lunch: Submarine Sandwiches, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, French Fries, Brownie, Milk.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31
Breakfast: Cereal, Donut, Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Country Steak, Brown Gravy, New Whole Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Honey, Milk.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1
Breakfast: Biscuits, Sausage, Gravy, Fruit or Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Potato Chips, Apricot Cobbler, Milk.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2
Breakfast: Cereal, Buttered Toast, Jelly, Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Chicken Pot Pie, Fried Okra, Fresh Veggie Sticks, Texas Toast, Sherbet, Milk.

MONDAY, JANUARY 29
Breakfast: Pancakes, Syrup, Sausage, Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Tamales, Salsa, Pinto Beans, Cornbread, Jello, Milk.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 30
Breakfast: Biscuits, Eggs, Bacon, Juice, Milk.

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Matadors continue District play Varsity boys undefeated

The Lady Matadors started their District season with a loss to Spur, 37-43. Leading in scoring was Rabecca Morris with 15 points. Others adding to the score were Lisa Perryman, 4; Chasity Holman, 4; Ashley Stevens, 4; Shandra Jones, 3; Rachelle Renfro, 3; Denise Shannon, 2; and Brittany Donaldson, 2.

The Ladies pulled it together for their next District game, January 12, and came out on top over Jayton, 38-35. Shandra Jones led in scoring with 11 points. Rabecca Morris and Denise Shannon added 7 each; Courtney Hays, 6; Brittany Donaldson, 4; and Lisa Perryman, 3.

Brittany Donaldson led with rebounds, grabbing 7, followed by Courtney, Denise and Rabecca, with 5 each. Chasity had 3; Shandra, 2; and Rachelle, 1.

Brittany had 7 steals; Chasity, 2; Courtney, Ashley and Rachelle, had one each. Denise had 2 assists, while Chasity and Ashley each had one.

The Ladies suffered a loss to the Guthrie Jags, January 16, 32-64. Rabecca Morris was leading scorer with 10 points. Shandra Jones added 7; Chasity Holman, 6; Courtney Hays, 5; Brittany Donaldson, 3; and Lisa Perryman, 1.

Brittany Donaldson led with rebounds, pulling down 7. Chasity Holman grabbed 6; Denise Shannon, 4; Shandra Jones, 4; Ashley Stevens, 3; and Rabecca Morris, 2.

Chasity, Brittany and Shandra each stole the ball two times.

The Ladies came back on top and got a big win over the Patton Springs Rangerettes, Friday, January 19. The final score was 42-11, giving the Lady Matadors a 2-2 District record.

Rabecca Morris led in scoring with 12 points. Denise Shannon added 8; Chasity Holman, 7; Brittany Donaldson, 6; Lisa Perryman, 5;

Shandra Jones, 3; and Courtney Hays, 1.

Brittany Donaldson led with rebounds, with a total of 8. Denise Shannon had 4; Chasity Holman, 4; Courtney Hays, 4; Ashley Stevens, 3; Shandra Jones, 3; and Rachelle Renfro, 2.

Other impressive statistics included Denise's 8 steals, Courtney's 4 steals. Rachelle, Brittany Moore, Rabecca and Lisa, each had one steal, also.

The boys JV team defeated Jayton, January 12, 27-17. T.J. Christopher led in scoring with 10 points. Shawn Marvel and Frankie Martinez added 3 each, and Brandon Moore put in 1.

Shawn Marvel led with rebounds, pulling down 9. T.J. Christopher and Frankie Martinez, each had 4; Brandon Moore and Quinten Rose, 3 each; Kevin Elder, 2; and Lorenzo Salazar, 1.

Frankie Martinez had four steals.

The Matadors had a big win over Guthrie, January 16, with a final score of 79-36. Jermaine Hendrix led in scoring with 15, followed by Casey Lawrence and Clint Cooper, with 14 each. Brad Baxter added 9; Chris Paul, 8; Brandon Moore, 4; Tony Salazar, 4; T.J. Christopher, 4; Shawn Marvel, 3; Ysef Alvarado, 2; and Brandon Lee, 2.

Jermaine also led in rebounds, with 11. Brad Baxter pulled down 10; Shawn Marvel, 6; Clint Cooper, 4; Casey Lawrence, 3; Chris Paul, 3; Tony Salazar, 3; Ben Ridgley, 2; Brandon Lee, 2; Ysef Alvarado, 2; Brandon Moore, 1; and T.J. Christopher, 1.

Other impressive stats included Jermaine's 5 steals and Clint's 4

steals. Jermaine also had five assists and Casey had 4. Ysef and Brandon Lee each had 2 assists. Clint Cooper was 75% with freethrows and Brad Baxter was 100%.

Coach Ridgley commented, "Super job, Matadors. Must keep up the good work."

The JV team had a big win over Patton Springs, January 19. The final score was 52-33. T.J. Christopher led in scoring with 19. Frankie Martinez added 12; Lorenzo Salazar, 9; Kevin Elder, 6; Shawn Marvel, 4; Quinten Rose, 2.

Coach Ridgley commented, "The kids did a great job of finding the open man and running the break. Super job, Matadors."

The Varsity team also defeated Patton Springs, 59-43, giving them a 4-0 district record.

Benjamin Ridgley led in scoring with 13. Clint Cooper and Chris Paul, each added 11 to the score; Jermaine Hendrix 6; Casey Lawrence, 6; Tony Salazar, 4; Ysef Alvarado, 4; and Brad Baxter, 4.

Chris Paul led with rebounds, pulling down 13. Benjamin Ridgley and Clint Cooper each grabbed 8, while Brad Baxter pulled down 5. Jermaine Hendrix had 4; Tony Salazar, 4; and Casey Lawrence, 3.

Other impressive statistics included Clint Cooper's 75% from the freethrow line, Jermaine's 4 assists, Tony and Casey had 3 assists each. Benjamin was 62% with fieldgoals.

Coach Ridgley stated, "The Patton Springs Rangers made us earn this victory. We scrapped and fought and found a way to win. Tony Salazar, Chris Paul, Brad Baxter, Ysef Alvarado and Brandon Lee did a tremendous job. Way to go, Matadors."

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Roaring Springs City Council meeting

from page 1
 purpose for the Substandard Building Ordinance is to help communities eliminate, and to tear down, old buildings that are a health hazard, and to clean up lots that people ignore. The council will adopt the ordinance at the next meeting.

Dianne Washington, CPA, gave an audit report for the years of 1997, 1998 and 1999. She reported the audits were all in order.

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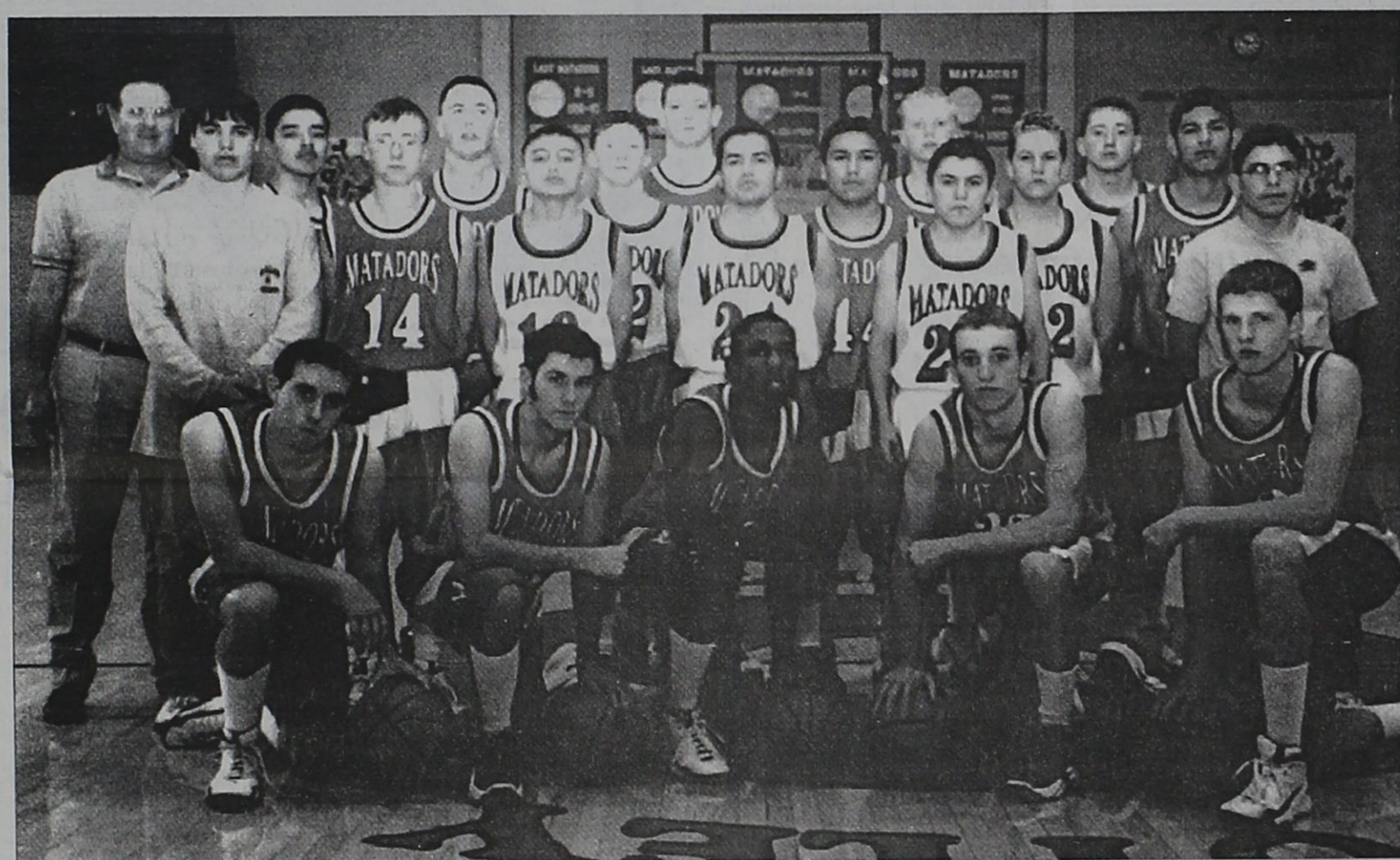
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MATADORS — Beginning at back, left to right, Coach Robert Ridgley, Brandon Martin, Tony Salazar, Brandon Moore, Bradley Baxter, Lorenzo Salazar, Quinten Rose, Clint Cooper, Jose Flores, Frankie Martinez, Shawn Marvel, Sergio Flores, T.J. Christopher, Kevin Elder, Ysef Alvarado, Arturo Flores, (front) Seniors, Benjamin Ridgley, Brandon Lee, Jermaine Hendrix, Casey Lawrence, and Chris Paul.

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District Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
January 9	Spur	Here	4:00 p.m.
January 12	Jayton	There	4:00 p.m.
January 16	Guthrie	Here	6:30 p.m.
January 19	Patton Springs	There	6:30 p.m.
January 23	Open		
January 26	Spur	There	4:00 p.m.
January 30	Jayton	Here	4:00 p.m.
February 2	Guthrie	There	6:30 p.m.
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TO RESIGN FROM LIBRARY — Georgia Witcher, a longtime employee at the Motley County Library has resigned her position, effective the end of this month. Mrs. Witcher worked at the Library through the Green Thumb program, and states, "Through the Green Thumb program, working at the Motley County Library, I learned several new skills. I learned library tasks, computer skills, such as making a data base, and Internet access and usage. I thank the Green Thumb for this opportunity." Librarian Suzanne Abbott, had this to say, "Georgia Witcher has faithfully served the Motley County Library from August of 1995 through January, 2001. Her help, hard work, and great creativity have been invaluable in the Library and at the events sponsored by the Library. She is the founder of the Motley County Genealogical and Historical Society and she is a member of the Friends of the Motley County Library. While I am pleased that she is using her skills learned here at the Library to advance to a better job, I will truly miss her at the Library. I wish her well in her new job."

A Note of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for their love and concern during our time of need. We appreciate the visits, phone calls, food and especially your prayers. May God Bless each of you.

Rickey & Naomi Lawrence

The Barton family would like to thank each and everyone of you for your thoughtfulness, your generosity, and never ending support. Over the years each time we have experienced a loss such as this you have, as a community, exceeded any possible expectation of support and love and kindness. Motley County is a place filled with such special people and we feel so blessed to be a part of it.

Coke's family

Dear Friends,

Every good wish, every sympathy card or letter, all the beautiful flowers, the meals at the Roaring Springs Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, the presence of those who stood in the snow beside the gravesite, the relatives and friends who came from far and near — all were comforts that continue to ease the grief that otherwise might have stunned us.

The family of Algie Groves

I wish to thank each one that attended our dedication service and to everyone that has helped us in anyway to get our fellowship hall.

Lula Swim

Joy for a celebration and dedication

by Lula Swim

I have been a member of the Roaring Springs Methodist Church for 70 years and Sunday was the most joyful day. We were so happy to have the Matador Methodist youth along with sponsors to attend our church service for the dedication of our new fellowship hall.

Rev. Monte and Noma Wike arranged such a wonderful dedication service. It was a pleasure to me to have our Bishop Max Whitefield here to dedicate our beautiful hall and it also was a pleasure to have our District Superintendent Henry Sally here to introduce our Bishop.

We enjoyed seeing a former district superintendent and wife, Weldon Butler of Lubbock, former pastors, Rev. and Mrs. Douglas Gossett of Lubbock, Rev. and Mrs. Johnnie Williams of Lubbock. They grew up here and it was good to have them come home.

It was so nice of the Roaring Springs Baptist Church to dismiss their church service and come help us to celebrate. Thanks to the Quitaque and Turkey Methodist Churches for dismissing their services and attending, the Matador Methodist church for attending, and we had several from the Full Gospel church.

We appreciate the attendance of Rev. Wendell Horn, Pastor of Methodist Church of Floydada, Mrs. Duncan of Aspermont, and many others that I have overlooked.

No one will ever know how beautiful the song "How Great Thou Art" sounded for a church full of people and such wonderful voices. The organ and piano music was beautiful.

The church members served a bountiful table of food. It was a joyful day to be able to have a house full of friends to help us dedicate our beautiful hall and to know it is paid for. God can do great things for you!

Blair Thacker will perform in Lubbock Community Theatre

Blair Thacker, a student at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, will be a member of the cast for the upcoming play, "A Piece of My Heart." Blair's character will be Maryjo. The drama, by Shirley Lauro, is about women serving in Vietnam, and will be staged at 8 p.m., February 2-3, 9-10 and 16-17, and also at 2 p.m. Feb. 4, 11, and 18, at Lubbock Community Theatre, 1924 34th St.

Direction is by Patricia McCaleb. Set design is by Shawn Havranek. Music and sound effects are by Spilling Poetry and Perfect Circle Studio.

Other cast members are Elyse West as Martha, Joyce Meadows as

Sissy, Cody Whatnot Rogers as Whitney, Holly Gwyn as LeeAnn and Ira Lynn Kelly as Steele. Also featured are Rob Holton, C.J. Long, Bryan Simpson and Kevin Tamplin.

Reserved-seat tickets, \$10 for adults and \$8 for senior citizens and students with proper ID, can be purchased in advance by calling 741-1640.

Blair, a 1999 graduate of Motley County High School, is the daughter of Jeff and Pam Thacker of Roaring Springs and the granddaughter of Buzz and LaVoe Thacker of Roaring Springs and Jewette Hayes of Lela.

Motley County Chamber of Commerce News & Views
by Barbara Armstrong

The Motley County Chamber of Commerce Board met for their first meeting of the new year, January 18.

President Jeff Thacker called the meeting to order. Other board members attending were Rodney Williams, Sondra Francis, Brent Marshall, Brian Marshall, Marisue Potts and Richard Knowles, and office manager Barbara Armstrong. Board members Wilburn Martin, Dianne Washington and Pennie Pipkin were absent.

First item of business was to read and accept the letter of resignation from Wilburn Martin.

President Thacker informed the Board with his new job he would not longer be able to be on the board. There are four places on the board to fill at this time. A list of possible interested citizens was compiled and members were asked to contact them before the next meeting, which will be held February 1.

It was decided at the next meeting new officers will be elected.

Dumont Darsey, creator of the Chamber's website, met with the Board to explain the problems he was having with the Website and CapRock Telephone Company. The Board agreed for Darsey to bring an itemized statement and they will change website companies.

The past year's expenditures were reviewed and accepted with the cost-share from the Museum for the office salary and equipment still to be added.

Goals for the year were discussed. One of these goals is for new small businesses to come to Motley County or the expansion of existing businesses using the Enterprise Zone criteria for incentive.

The Chamber was informed that part of a computer has been given to the Chamber/Museum office. It is a

hard drive and keyboard with Windows '95 setup. All that is needed is a monitor. The Board hopes to have a monitor donated to the office.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the Library. Anyone interested in the progress of Motley County and the success of the Chamber is invited to attend.

Don Warren honored on retirement from VFD

Longtime Motley County fireman, Don Warren, was honored as the 'Guest of Honor' at the annual Matador Fire Department Christmas Party, held in December. Mr. Warren was presented with a plaque expressing the department's appreciation for his 30 years of service. In that time, Don has served in almost all of the capacities of the department. For the last several years he has served as state certified Fire Marshall for the department and the County.



Don Warren

Matador VFD President, Craig Turner stated, "Mr. Warren will be greatly missed by everyone in the department."

Those attending the party enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by the ladies. A short review of the year's activities were presented by Rodney Williams, Fire Chief. Mr. Turner gave special thank you to all the wives for their support throughout the year and for their help with the Wildland Fire School.

Also recognized at the party and receiving awards were James Gillespie, Glenda and Rodney Williams for their endless support, dedication and the numerous hours dedicated to the fire department. The "Here's Your Sign" award was pre-

resented to Fred "Cowboy" Parson. The "Fireman Spirit" award was presented to Craig Turner, and the "Fireman of the Year" award was presented to Fred Parson.

Finally, the group was visited by Santa Clause who brought gifts for the young and for some who are young at heart.

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News around the County

Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins

R.C. and Callie Giesecke were hosts to the coffee drinkers in their home on Monday, January 22. Many were out of town and were unable to attend. Those enjoying the coffee and goodies were Dennis and Donald Letkeman.

Mrs. Pearl Patten and Mrs. Mary Lumsden accompanied Lula Swim to Lubbock Monday, where she kept two doctor appointments.

WESLEYAN GUILD MEETS

Mrs. Monte Wike was hostess to the Roaring Springs Wesleyan Service Guild when they met in her home on Wednesday night, January 17. Mrs. Pearl Patten gave the opening prayer and prayer for the food.

Mrs. Callie Giesecke read the minutes and they were approved. Miss Lula Swim gave the following poems for the devotional, "Getting Old," "Our Friend," and "Friendship."

Mrs. Chelsea had lost her voice so there wasn't a program, but time was spent planning the program for Sunday, January 28, to observe Women's Day.

The guild was happy to have Mrs. Billie Koon, Mrs. Lee Cook and Mrs. Dennis Letkeman as guests. Others attending and enjoying a delicious meal were

Mrs. Pearl Patten, Mrs. Grace Zabielski, Miss Lula Swim, Mrs. Dale Bumgardner, Mrs. Chelsea Read, Mrs. Callie Giesecke, Mrs. Jo Crowder.

Mrs. Monte Wike closed the meeting with prayer.

Visiting Dorothy Lee, Monday, January 15, were her daughters, Linda Schwartz of Lubbock, Evelyn Davis of Lamesa, and Evelyn's friend, Gilbert Hernandez of Lubbock. It was Dorothy's birthday. They ate at Billie Dean's Restaurant in Matador and enjoyed birthday cake at their mother's home before returning to Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Stoney Mullins of Midland spent Friday night with his grandmother, Odessa Mullins.

Odessa Mullins, Zella Palmer, Ginger Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Long, and pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Royce Jennings, attended the Pastor's Wife and Staff Appreciation Banquet at the Caprock Plains Camp near Floydada. A group from the First Baptist Church of Crosbyton sang, and Rev. Mecham of Plainview presented the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mullins spent Monday night with his mother, Odessa Mullins.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross were in Crowell last Sunday where they met Mrs. Ruth Williams of Quanah. They visited Mrs. Edwina Fairchild of Margaret and her grandson, Mark Ross Hopkins of Crowell. They toured family gravesites at the Crowell Cemetery including the new military marker and tombstone of Mr. Ross's brother, James Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. Seab Washington were in Amarillo this weekend and attended the Indoor Blue Grass Jam held at the Radisson Hotel. They enjoyed visiting with band members and friends who will be here for the upcoming Flomot Blue Grass Festival.

Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter visited in Petersburg Saturday morning with Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Milam and Emily. They and Emily continued to Lubbock where they met Mrs. Kevin Sehon and Brian of Wolforth. En route home, they left Emily in Petersburg and Brian returned home with them. He visited until Sunday when his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sehon, came to visit and accompany him home.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse visited from

Saturday until Monday in Rising Star with her mother, Mrs. Dona Browning and brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Browning.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Johnson and friends, Mr. and Mrs. James McBee of Quitaque enjoyed dinner at the Hub City Restaurant and the Fabulous '50s Concert at the Cactus Theater Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers visited in Calgary, Sunday, with daughter and family, Donna and Stanley Degan. Other visitors were Shawna Degan and Dane Degan of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Washington have been on the sick list.

Mrs. Leona Bell of Amarillo visited Thursday and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee visited during the weekend in Turkey with daughter and family, Mrs. Teresa Willey, Kellan, Kacey and Micah.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lewis of Vernon visited during the weekend with her father, Art Green.

Whiteflat News

by Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

A second grade teacher asked her pupils to write a paper about parents. One little boy began his with, "We got our parents at such a late age that it is impossible to change their habits."

Mrs. Wanda Kilmer of Matador and Mrs. Carol Ann Turner attended the Bridal Fair and Style Show Sunday afternoon held at the Civic Center in Lubbock. Before returning to their respective homes, they visited their children, Janell Kilmer, student at SPC in Levelland and Cobey Turner, student at Texas Tech in

Lubbock. Jack Samford of Afton visited Mrs. Juanita Cooper, Sunday. Mrs. Cooper is on the sick list.

Ryan Martin, student at Tarleton University in Stephenville, visited the weekend with his parents, Kellie and Hal Martin. Visiting the family, Saturday, were her sister and husband, Jean and Don Lewis of Vernon. Ryan, Kellie, Jean and Don enjoyed the Valley School basketball tournament Saturday night. The Motley County Girls Junior High basketball team won the championship. Kellie and Jean's nieces, Annie and Ashlee Green of Matador played on the winning team.

Matador News

Visiting during the week with Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Garrison was his brother, Alvin Garrison of Kermit.

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Obituaries

Annie B. Cloyd

Graveside services for Annie B. Cloyd, 74, of Flomot, were held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, January 19 at the Flomot Cemetery. The Rev. Melvin Clinton, pastor of Turkey Baptist Church, officiated.

Arrangements were under the direction of Memphis Funeral Home.

She died after an extended illness Tuesday, January 16, 2001, in Memphis.

Mrs. Cloyd was born May 18, 1926 in Center, Texas. She married Leon Cloyd, June 2, 1950 in Austin. He died April, 1989. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Flomot. She was a former member of the Extension Club and a charter member of the Do Gooders' Club of Flomot. She was a talented artist and conducted art quilting and art and craft classes.

Survivors include a son, Dickie Cloyd of Memphis and one grandson, Jason, student at Clarendon Junior College.

The family suggests memorials to the Hospice Hands of West Texas, P.O. Box 1118, Lockney, Texas 79241.

John Thrasher

PLAINVIEW -- Services for John Albert Thrasher, 88, of Plainview were held at 2 p.m. Monday, January 22, at First Assembly of God with Revs. Neil Unwin officiating and E.G. Throckmorton assisting.

Burial was in Parklawn Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bartley-Silva Funeral Home of Plainview.

He died Saturday, January 20, 2001. He was born April 21, 1912, in Logan, N.M. He married Joyce Edna Cantrell on January 21, 1933, in Tucumcari, N.M. He helped build missile strips near Roswell, N.M., and Clovis, N.M., for the military during World War II.

He lived in Roswell, Portales, N.M., Matador and Plainview, where he started his own demolition and dirt contracting

business in 1960. He was a member of the First Assembly of God Church.

A daughter, Texanna Del Wilcher, died May 5, 1991.

Survivors include his wife, two daughters and sons-in-law, Juanita and Gene Baker of Kennelwick, Wash., and Carolyn and Doyle Rose of Matador; three sons and daughters-in-law, Franklin and Sheila of Mount Vernon, Clinton and Gale of Plainview, and Albert and Gwin of Plainview; five sisters, Edna Flint of San Jon, N.M., Neta Irving and Nellie Brown, both of Logan and Laura Brittan of Woodward, OK; two brothers, Ray of Stratford and Robert of San Jon; 17 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Winifred Lee

Funeral services for Winifred Lee, 85, of Matador, were held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, January 21, 2001, at the First Baptist Church in Matador officiating was Rev. Royce Jennings, pastor, and Rev. Stacy Conner, pastor at First Baptist Church in Muleshoe, and a former Matador First Baptist Church pastor. Interment was in East Mound Cemetery at Matador under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home.

Mrs. Lee died Thursday, January 18, 2001, at Covenant Hospital in Plainview.

She was born July 12, 1915 at Beaumont, Texas. She was employed as a church secretary in Beaumont, Ballinger, and Borger, Texas, prior to moving to Matador in 1952.

She was married to Edgar O. Lee on Sept. 26, 1952. Mr. Lee preceded her in death on June 9, 1981. She was also preceded in death by an infant son, Larry Edgar Lee, in 1954.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Matador, where she served as a Sunday School teacher, W.M.U. director, and various other offices.

She is survived by one sister, Nelda January of Donie, Texas; one brother, Owen Strickland of Port Neches, Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Jim Meador, Billy Donaldson, Brent Marshall, Johnny Palmer, Jimmy Watson and Fred Risser.

In memory of Winifred Lee

by a friend

There are many words or phrases that may be associated with Winifred Lee:

- Godly wisdom
- Bible Scholar
- Gifted teacher
- Prayer warrior
- Generous giver of time and resources
- Kind and loving
- Mission minded
- Creative and artistic

However, I believe that the first attribute that comes to mind when thinking of Winifred is *humble servant*, and the Bible verse that comes to mind is the *gleaning of Ecclesiastes 9:10:*

"Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

We all know that if anything needed to be done, Winifred would do it, and do it well. And if any credit was to be given, she did not want to be the one to receive it.

She taught every age group in our church at various times, and we depended on her for artistic ideas and creations.

And she never stopped giving. Just a few days ago, at our monthly "Kid's Praise," she was teaching a room full of pre-schoolers, and had planned and prepared the crafts for all the older children. At a recent banquet for area Baptist churches, the tables were decorated with her creations, just as they have been for the past several years.

We depended on Winifred for everything, but most of all we will miss her as a friend.

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Farm and Ranch News



DOG OF THE YEAR AWARD — Larry Burkes of Afton is pictured here with his award winning dogs, Skipper and Lucy. West Texas Stock Dog Association President, Richard Belvin made the announcement earlier this month in Plainview. In the open class for Professional handlers and professional dogs, Skipper was named Dog of the Year. In the Nursery Class for Professional Handlers and dogs under 30 months of age, this year's winner is Lucy.

Local lender announces board and staff changes

The 2000 Crop Disaster Program authorized State FSA Committees to establish adjusted unharvested factors for limited number of crops that the production inputs vary significantly depending on the date that the crop is abandoned or destroyed. The Texas State FSA Committee established adjusted unharvested factors for cotton, grain sorghum and peanuts.

For cotton, if your final appraisal was performed prior to July 15, then your adjusted unharvested factor is 70% or a 30% reduction for unharvested acres. The unharvested factor for cotton whose final appraisal was performed after July 15 is 88% or a 12% reduction for unharvested acres.

For Grain Sorghum, if your final appraisal was performed prior to

July 15, then your adjusted unharvested factor is 60% or a 40% reduction for unharvested acres.

For Peanuts, if your final appraisal was performed prior to August 1, then your adjusted unharvested factor for peanuts whose final appraisal was performed after August 1 is 73% or a 27% reduction for unharvested acres.

To determine when a producer failed his crop, the FSA office will need copies of the appraisal sheets for unharvested acres. The FINAL appraisal date will be the date of failure. The Motley County FSA office has already gotten a substantial number of appraisals for unharvested acres so we will have the information to process your application.

MOTLEY COUNTY DISASTER CROP TABLE

Listed below are some of the crop yields and payment rates. You must have suffered a 35% loss of production to be eligible. For payment purposes, we will use the higher of the county average yield or your APH. The county payment rates are 65% for insured and noninsurable crops and 60% for uninsured crops of the prices listed below.

CROP	PRACTICE	COUNTY AVE YIELD	YOUR APH	PRICE
Wheat Gr	NI	22 Bu		3.15
Wheat Gr	IRR	22 Bu		3.15
Cotton	NI	243 Lbs		.59
Cotton	IRR	378 Lbs		.59
Barley (Gr)	NI	39 Bu.		1.60
Grain Sorghum	NI	37 Bu		1.75
Grain Sorghum	IRR	37 Bu		1.75
Peanuts (Add)	NI	1188 Lbs		.31
Peanuts (Quo)	IRR	2932 Lbs		.31
Sunflower (Oil)	IRR	1225 Lbs		.0930
Triticale (SD)	NI	20 Bu		2.20
Triticale (SD)	IRR	25 Bu		2.20
Watermelons	NI	100 Cwt		6.00
Watermelons	IRR	156 Cwt		6.00

We do not have sudex for hay yields and rates at this time.

Unharvested factors for 2000 Crop Disaster program

Pampa, Texas -- Panhandle Plains Federal Land Bank Association, FLCA (FLBA), CEO Robert R. Williams Jr. provided an update for the association and announced director and staff changes.

Panhandle-Plains FLBA passed a significant milestone at the close of FY2000 when loan volume exceeded \$167,000,000.00. "The Association continues to grow at a very healthy rate, with our new loan volume growth exceeding 11% for FY2000 while continuing to maintain an excellent portfolio quality," according to CEO Williams. "This healthy FY2000 financial performance has enabled the association to lower re-pricing rates to our members," Williams further explained.

"Again this year, the Board of Directors approved an interest rate buy down. Our spread is now reduced 75 basis points from the Farm Credit Bank's base rate. The reduction is effective January 1 for new loans. Existing borrowers will take advantage of the buy-down as their loans reprice. The board further approved a minimum stock requirement. Stock was retired for loans with a stock balance over \$1,000.00. These funds,

available in cash, were paid the first week of January. With top quality service and the best possible rate, Panhandle-Plains FLBA will validate its theme of Striving to add value to membership," said Williams.

Rusty Henson of Quitaque accepted a position on the board in November. He will stand for election at the April stockholder's meeting. Staff promotions in the Amarillo office include Cory Bruce to Assistant Vice President, and Sandy Reneau joining the staff full time as Loan Assistant.

Panhandle-Plains FLBA provides long term credit to farmers, ranchers, and agribusiness in 17 counties of the Panhandle and South Plains. Offices are located in Amarillo, Pampa, Perryton, and Plainview. It is under the direction of a stockholder-elected board of directors. Members include Larry E. Fairchild of Adrian; Dennis Babcock of Groom; Ervin J. Davis of Happy; Ronnie N. Hopper of Petersburg; Jerry K. Oswald of Plainview; Dean H. Burger of Pampa; Daniel Krienke of Perryton; Wayne Garrett of Gruver; Steve Brown of Floydada; and Rusty Henson of Quitaque.

County Agent's News



by Lonnie Jenschke, Extension Agent

NEW DIGITAL DIAGNOSTICS PROGRAM TO AID BOTH AG PRODUCERS AND URBAN INDIVIDUALS

A pilot program under way in 42 Texas Counties could help both agricultural producers and urban homeowners with the click of a camera. The program is called Texas Digital Diagnostics. It involves county Extension agents, the Internet, and a team of Extension specialists. When an agricultural producer or homeowner has problems with a crop or urban landscape, a county agent can go to the location, take a picture, and transmit the image back to diagnostic sites throughout the state. The specialist can send the evaluation back to the county agent who relays the information to the producer or homeowner. The program is free and may be offered statewide by late spring.

WILD COMPANION: WHEEL IDENTIFIES TEXAS WILDFLOWERS

There's more to Texas wildflowers than just roadside beauty. Native Americans made tea from one Texas wildflower to strengthen their blood. Another was once used to treat rattlesnake bites. These are some of the little-known facts about wildflowers featured in a Texas wildflower identification wheel produced by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The wheel was created to help people identify and learn more about the flowers they see along Texas highways. It features 16 photographs of the most common wildflowers in the state. Both the blossom and the seedling are pictured for each species to help gardeners. Visit agpublicatn.tamu.edu for order information.

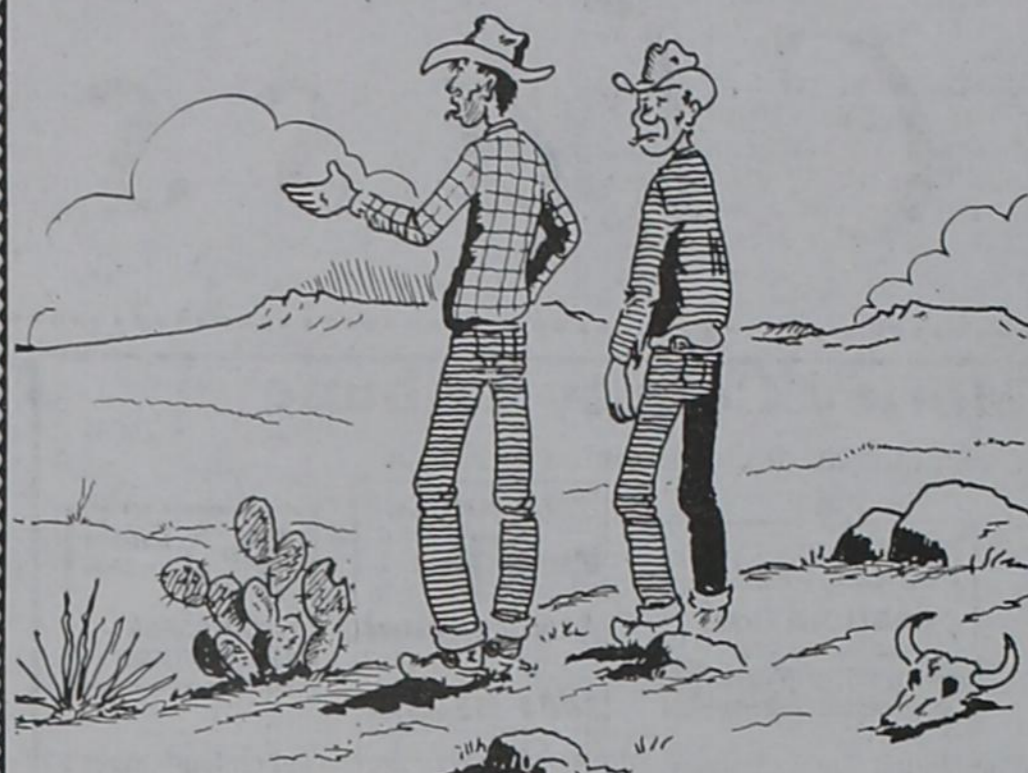
TEXAS CATTLE PRODUCERS TURN TO SUPPLEMENTAL FEEDING

Due to cold, rainy weather, Texas cattle producers are turning to supplemental feeding more than in years past. Extension beef cattle specialist Stephen Hammack says muddy, saturated pastures and feedlots are adding to the problem, and the impact on cattle is low body condition. He says supplemental feeding is necessary so that cattle meet their nutritional requirements during a time of limited forage. Weight loss can lead to decreased milk production and lowered reproduction. However Hammack says cattle are currently rated fair to good, and the heavy rains could bring plentiful forage in the spring.

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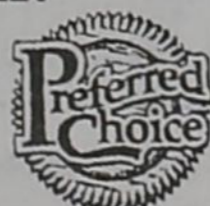


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Lupe Morales
Roaring Springs

Bid Notice

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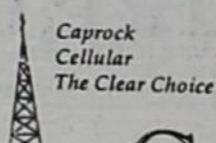
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