

Motley County Tribune



God Bless
America!

"VOICE OF THE FOOTHILLS"

50¢



THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2004

ESTABLISHED 1891

ISSUE NO. 3



New Business in Matador ...

Fred and Kathy Grant display two Harley motorcycles, made of wood and metal, in their new shop, Just Around The Corner. They opened the new business, on Hwy. 70, just around the corner from Main Street, December 4, 2003. The store carries unique gift items such as clocks, porcelain dolls, metal sculpture, patriotic items, angels and much more. They also have catalog ordering available. Hours are Monday - Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. The Grants have lived in Matador for 13 1/2 years. She is originally from Spur, while Mr. Grant is from Georgia. They have two sons.

State and Local Sales Tax Collections continue to rebound

(Austin) -- "The state collected \$1.25 billion in sales tax revenue in December, a remarkably robust 8.7 percent increase compared to December 2002," Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said last week.

"This is the highest sales tax growth rate in 35 months - since January 2001, when I first warned Texans that the state's economic furnace would soon cool," Strayhorn said. "An economic turnaround is now underway, and Texas has seen four consecutive months of sales tax growth."

Since state fiscal year 2004 began on September 1, state sales tax revenue is up 4.7 percent compared to the same period in FY 2003.

"State sales tax collections hit a low point last summer, when July collections shrank 4.6 percent compared to the same

month of the previous year," Strayhorn said. "But in August, the decline was only a percent. In September, sales tax collections grew by 2.1 percent. They grew by 3.6 percent in October, by 4.3 percent in November, and by an amazing 8.7 percent in December."

Local sales tax revenue also continues to rebound. The Comptroller sent Texas cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts January sales tax allocations totaling \$303.2 million, up 7.1 percent compared to January 2003.

Strayhorn sent sales tax payments of \$203.9 million to Texas cities, up 6.9 percent compared to January 2003. Texas counties received January sales tax payments of \$17.5 million, up 6.9 percent.

Eighty-two special purpose taxing districts around the state

received \$8 million in sales tax, up 1.3 percent compared to last January. Texas' six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit systems received \$73.6 million in January sales tax allocations, up 8.2 percent compared to a year ago.

State sales tax revenue for December, and January sales tax allocations to local governments represent sales made in November and reported to the Comptroller in December.

Matador received a net payment of \$3,357.56, compared to \$1,615.81 last year at this time, a 107.79% change.

Roaring Springs received \$2,149.90, compared to \$1,804.75 last year, a 19.12% change.

The Comptroller's next local sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, Feb. 13.

Commissioners meet for regular sessions in December and January

The Motley County Commissioners Court met for their regular December and January meetings. Commissioners Franklin Jameson, Ronnie Davis, Donnie Turner and Russell Alexander, Judge Ed D. Smith and County Clerk Kate Hurt met December 8, 2003.

The Clerk read the minutes from the previous meeting, which were approved as read. Outstanding bills were reviewed, as well as reports from the Treasurer, Tax-Collector, County Agent, Justice of the Peace and Library. All bills and reports were approved.

Judge Smith informed the Court that the County will receive \$26,046.00 from TxDOT for the fiscal year of 2004. This will be a credit from the State and will be given as surplus road materials for the County until this amount of credit is used.

Judge Smith also read Resolution 9-1-1, between Roaring Springs and Matador concerning the Emergency Management Agreement. Roaring Springs Mayor Corky Marshall and Judge Smith are to appoint the Emergency Management coordinator. Lee Jones was asked to accept this position and he accepted. Commissioners voted to sign the Resolution.

Judge Smith read a Resolution from TAC concerning Counties opposing unfunded

mandates. Commissioners approved the Resolution.

County Treasurer Eva Barkley met with the Court to request that the Warrant system and accounts payable procedure the County now uses be updated. The Warrant system would be eliminated completely and the preparing and coding of all the Counties' accounts payable would be moved out of the Clerk's office to the Treasurer's office. After much discussion on this issue the bookkeeping was approved, passing with a vote of 4, and one against.

Judge Smith informed the Court that the Floyd County Jail has closed. Motley County has used this jail to house their prisoners. CSC or the Dickens County Correctional Center has offered the County its services. After reviewing the letter, Commissioners voted to accept CSC as the County's new prisoner facility.

Commissioners met January 12 for their regular monthly meeting, with Judge Ed D. Smith, Commissioners Ronnie Davis, Donnie Turner, Franklin Jameson, and Russell Alexander, and County Clerk Kate Hurt present.

The clerk read the minutes from the previous meeting; outstanding bills were reviewed, as well as reports by the Treasurer, Tax-Collector, County Agent,

Justice of the Peace and Library. Commissioners approved the minutes, bills and reports. Commissioners also approved the expense of the Sheriff's booking equipment of the Courthouse Security Fund.

Judge Smith informed the Court he had received a letter from ARICT. This organization was established in 2002 to help be a better voice in Austin for rural counties in Texas. The membership dues are \$300 per year. There was no action on this item due to lack of interest.

At the Court's request Judge Smith was to contact different utility companies to request pricing for the Courthouse utilities. Judge Smith informed the court that only one company has responded to his request. After discussion the Court decided to table this matter until a later date. The Commissioners had requested the Judge to see if the County could still get commodities. The Judge was informed that the Government no longer gives commodities to counties.

Commissioners discussed considering a burn ban for the County. No action was taken.

Judge Smith informed the Court that he needs added training in probate law. The Commissioners felt this would be a benefit for the County.

After discussion the Court decided to advertise for sealed bids on two tax suit properties.

Matador City Council appoints new Market Matador board members

The Matador City Council met for their regular monthly meeting, Thursday, January 8. Attending the meeting were Mayor Pro Tem Shane Jones, Council members Pat Seigler, Chuck Ream, Bert Darsey, Water Superintendent Steve Barton, and City Secretary Lara Davey.

No one was present for open forum. Minutes from the December 11 meeting were read and approved.

Expenditures were presented and approved for pay-

ment. Two positions were vacant on the Market Matador Board of Directors. Bert Darsey made a motion to appoint Charlie Johnson and Misty Jones to fill the vacated seats. A second was made by Pat Seigler and the motion passed.

A review of the lease of the upstairs office was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shane Jones. The lease between the City of Matador and Motley County Chamber of Commerce, expired in December. After some discussion Council tabled the

motion to renew the lease until a later time.

A brief budget review and financial summary was made by Shane Jones.

Steve Barton addressed the Council in his Water Superintendent report. He advised Council about the job vacancy out at the landfill. Applications are still being accepted until January 15. The city barn is in need of insulation and minor repair. Steve will prepare some estimates of the cost and will include that with next year's budget.

Jury finds Braselton Not Guilty

Jeff Braselton was found not guilty on two counts of aggravated sexual assault by a Mot-

ley County Jury of four men and eight women in the 110th Judicial District Court, last week.

Braselton was indicted on two counts of aggravated sexual assault by a Motley County Grand Jury in 2002.

Mr. Braselton, a resident of Roaring Springs, is a 1980 graduate of Motley County High School.



DONATION TO FIRE DEPARTMENT — Monte Williams of the First National Bank in Floydada presented Matador Volunteer Fire Department Secretary, James Gillespie, with a check for \$3,000 as a donation to the department, in December.

MC ISD will hold CATCH kick-off rally

Parents of Motley County ISD students, Kindergarten through 5th grade are urged to come with students to the Motley County School Lobby, January 21, at 5:00 p.m. to see what this important new program, CATCH, (Comprehensive Approach to Child Health), is about.

Assembly of God Church to hold Revival Services

The First Assembly of God Church in Matador will hold Revival Services, January 18-21. The Revival Services will begin Sunday morning, January 18, at 11:00 a.m. Services will be held each evening at 7:00 p.m.

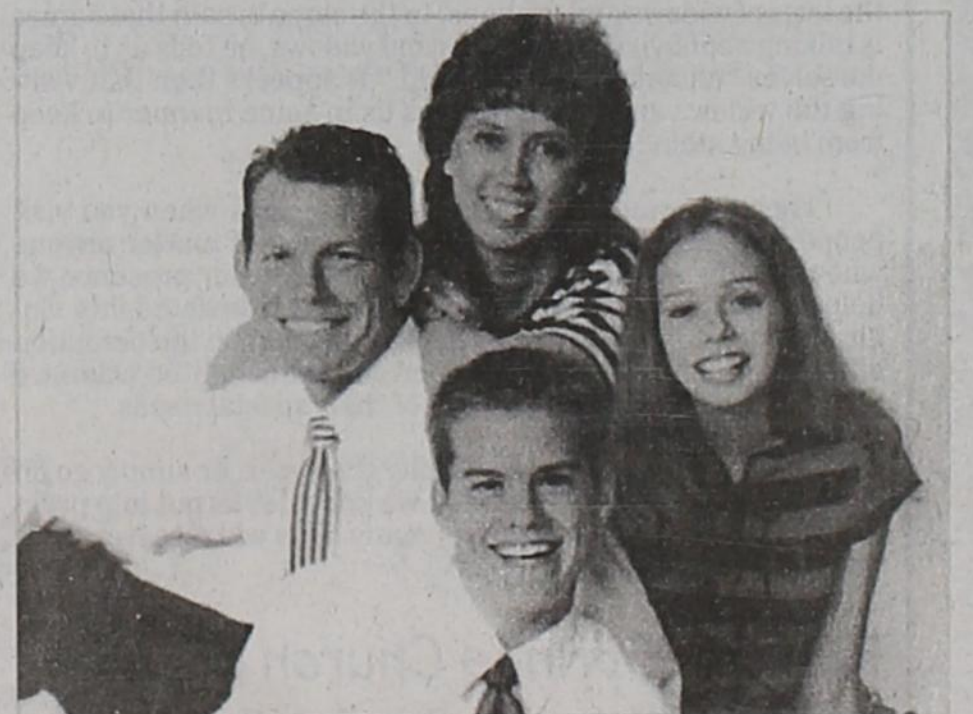
The Akins family of Elk City, Oklahoma will bring the services. The Akins family is a TEAM. They minister as a team and challenge church families to grow by decisions, discipleship and devotion.

Called by God to the Mission field, the Akins family believes that their mission field is right here in the United States of America. While they have an overwhelming desire to see souls saved, they also believe that God has given them a message to the church - to the remnant church members that have become inactive or discouraged.

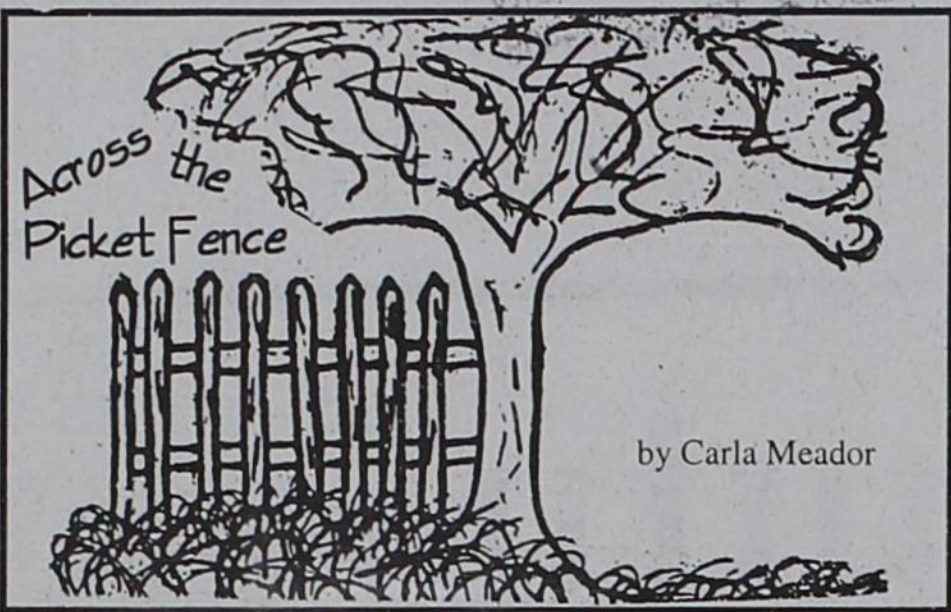
"We will challenge, excite and emotionally move your church to a 'higher standard.' Our desire is to effect people to love Jesus more. We do all of this because God has given us a vi-

sion and a willing heart to serve Him and we thank Him for these opportunities," Rev. Akins stated.

Rev. Vince Sandlin extends an invitation to everyone in the county to attend these services.



THE AKINS FAMILY — Kevin, Kendra, Keith & Kristi, of Elk City, Oklahoma will bring Revival services at the First Assembly of God Church in Matador.



This is so funny - an email from my sister-in-law. These sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services. I'm glad that, even as Christians, we can still laugh at things like this.

— Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Methodist. Come hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.

— Announcement in a church bulletin for a national Prayer & Fasting Conference: "The cost for attending the Fasting and Prayer conference includes meals."

— The sermon this morning, "Jesus Walks on the Water." The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."

— "Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands."

— The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been canceled due to a conflict!

— Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say "hell" to someone who doesn't care much about you.

— Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.

— Miss Charlene Mason sang "I will not pass this way again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

— For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

— Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

— During the absence of our Pastor, we enjoyed the rare privilege of hearing a good sermon.

— The Rector will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing, "Break Forth into Joy."

— Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

— A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.

— At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.

— The church will host an evening of fine dining, superb entertainment, and gracious hospitality.

— Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 p.m. - prayer and medication to follow.

— The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

— This evening at 7 p.m. there will be a hymn sing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.

— Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.

— The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.

— Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. Please use the back door.

— The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new tithing campaign slogan last Sunday, "I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours."

— Our next song is "Angels We Have Heard Get High."

Wives to celebrate 50th Anniversary

Monte and Noma Wike will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Saturday, January 24th at First United Methodist Church, 4th and Chestnut, Colorado City, Texas with a reception at 2:30 p.m. They were married on January 24, 1954, at the First Baptist Church, Wetumka, Oklahoma while students at Oklahoma Baptist University.

The Wike's have five children, two daughters and three sons, twelve grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Monte grew up in Kirksville, Missouri, finishing two years of college there before his parents moved to Midland. After a year at Baylor, he met Noma Bumgarner on a summer mission tour in California. Noma was raised in Wetumka, Oklahoma. After finishing their degrees at OBU, they returned to California to attend Golden Gate Seminary. Monte pioneered a Baptist Church in Rancho Cordova during this time, and pastored another in East Barstow. Their first three children were born during this time.

In 1963, they moved to Midland. While there, Monte transferred to the Assemblies of God, and pastored in Imperial, Fort Stockton, Colorado City and Dimmitt. The last two children were born in Texas. They returned to Colorado City, and Monte worked for about 8 years at Higginbotham-Bartlett Home

Center. He then entered the Methodist ministry, pastoring at Ira/Union, Matador/Roaring Springs and Sudan. He retired in June of this year and they moved back to their home, which they had kept. He is now the pastor of First Christian Church in Colorado City.

Their children are: Laura and husband, Bruce Flack, of Wood River, Illinois, parents of two children, Mike and Susanne. Laura is an insurance accountant for a hospital in St. Louis, Mo. Greg and his wife, Kris, are in Portland, Oregon. Greg has four daughters, Lana, Mandy, Mallory and Regina. He is an independent contractor. Bruce and Lisa live in Kilgore, Texas, and are the parents of three daughters, Brittany, Cassie and Kaelie. He is an associate minister with an Independent Church in Longview. Doug and Pam live in Dallas, and have adopted a daughter, Chloe, from China. Doug is an Optometrist. Sarah married Tim Campbell, lives in Colorado City, and are the parents of Mary and Sam. Sarah is in the law office of Frank Conard in Sweetwater. They attend First United Methodist Church, where the reception will be held.

Their children are hosting the reception and cordially invite friends of Monte and Noma to celebrate this joyous occasion with them.



Monte & Noma Wike on their wedding day, January 24, 1954.



Monte & Noma Wike, January 2004.

El Progreso club studies "Heart Truths" at recent meeting

by Beverly Vinson

The heart was the theme for the program when El Progreso met for their January meeting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Clinton Burns, January 8. The aroma of coffee and tea, for those who wished it, greeted members so they could "sup" during the program. The meeting was called to order by the President, Lana Copp. Usual business was carried out and announcements made. It was brought to the attention of the group to attend the meeting January 12 for the purpose of showing our support for the Hackberry Creek Nursing Facility. We must lend that support in order for it to come to fruition. It was requested that the members wear a red dress in recognition of the Heart Program since the red dress is its symbol. If you see a person with a "red dress" pin on, you will know they are a supporter of the Heart Program.

Mrs. Copp brought a picture of her mother who died of a heart attack at the age of 46, then told of others in her immediate family who had died young from the same disease - heart disease. It was brought to the attention of members that heart attacks kill more women than breast cancer or any other disease. It can start early, even into the teens. Heart disease is a NOW problem.

The program continued with a video entitled "The Heart Truth." It stated the risk factors as being: family history, smoking, overweight, high blood pressure, diabetes and high cholesterol. There is life after a heart attack but there is no quick fix for one.

Mrs. Burns read a beautiful poem entitled "The Reception" by Dr. John B. Lake as very fitting tribute to Jerry Watson, a club member who was laid to rest Wednesday, January 7. Many words of her were spoken from members and what a valiant person she was in the years she had been plagued with Cancer.

Refreshments were prepared by Ruby McGuire and Winifred Darsey and served to Loys Campbell, Lucretia (R.E.) Campbell, Opal Pipkin, Lana Copp, Fredia Burns, Dorothy Day, Sharon Allen, Billie Koon and Beverly Vinson.

Bell - Patterson exchange wedding vows

Senaca Bell and Tony Patterson of Matador were married in a double ring ceremony, December 26, 2003, at the home of Gail Childs.

Out of town guests were Teila

and Jennifer Aubuchon, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Patterson, Brenda Rafferty and children, Jade, Sabian, and Razeal Rafferty, and Mrs. Roy Patterson, all of Abilene; and Bill Bell of Denton.



Library Notes

by Suzanne Abbott, Librarian

We thank Tom Sanders for the subscription to Biblical Archaeology Review that he has given to the library. This magazine has beautiful pictures and informative articles that our patrons enjoy very much.

We appreciate the donations received at the library last week. Bill and Lea Peacock donated in memory of J.W. Johnson and Cora Mitchell. Kenneth and Suzanne Abbott donated in

memory of Cora Mitchell. Mary Jones also donated in memory of Cora Mitchell. Lindy Stafford made a donation in memory of Bill Koon and Jerry Watson.

New books in the library include Crown Jewel by Fern Michaels and Kate Hannigan by Catherine Cookson. We also have Belva Plain's newest, Sight of the Stars and the new one by Sandra Brown Sunny Chandler's Return.

"JUST VISITING"



In the Bible James in his book, speaks bluntly about religion and the practice of it. There is much to be learned from this little book found toward the back of your Bible. First we learn that James isn't interested in being a fake, or impressing anyone including ourselves. He says that we ought not to deceive ourselves.

The book of James describes what real religion is. James informs us that our activities should include being involved in the lives of widows and orphans. In the same breath that James is talking about visiting orphans and widows, he tells us to keep ourselves "unstained by the world." It appears then that visiting the widows and orphans helps us in some manner to keep from being stained by the world.

There is something special that happens when you visit people who are widows or orphans or for that matter anyone who might be in a long-term care facility. By our presence we help define the word James uses which is translated into English as "visit." Caring and to care for, is found in the definition of the word. Most people young or old are delighted when we take the time to visit and inquire of their special needs.

So whether we visit a care facility this week, or simply go on our own to visit some widow that we know, let us put into practice, "pure religion." In so doing many of us will discover what real religion is all about.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ
Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

BIBLE STUDY, 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP, 9:00 A.M.

Shop at Home!

Inventory Sale!

75% off Selected Merchandise



Matador Variety

more movies. more channels. turn your remote into an action hero.

With Cebridge ConnectionsSM you're always in on the action. Choose from:

adventure // romance // education // local news, weather and sports movies // mystery // children's programming // and more!

All from a company that'll be there when you need us.

So if you want a little more action out of your TV, call Cebridge Connections to start your adventure — now!



Get Expanded Basic Cable installed for only \$9.95.

On Time Guarantee (we're on time or the installation is FREE)
30 day money back guarantee

Call 877.4.CEBRIDGE today!
(877.423.2743)

Offer subject to expiration without notice. Services may not be available in all areas and prices may vary by market. Franchise fees, taxes and other fees apply, with the actual amount depending on location and service ordered. Offer valid to new customers only. To be considered a new customer, customer's account must have been inactive for a minimum of 180 days and customer must have no outstanding obligation to Cebridge Connections. Other subject to change. Free additional quotes on all TVs are for standard installation only. Custom or wall fix installation is not included. Standard installation is on the outside walls. Additional charges will apply for wallfix or complex installation. Additional fees may apply for underground installation and more than one outlet. Program services are not available in all areas. Other restrictions may apply.

© Copyright 2004 Cebridge Connections.

THE MATADOR

— SCHOOL NEWS & HAPPENINGS —



MOTLEY COUNTY LADY MAVERICKS JR. HIGH BASKETBALL TEAM — Representing Motley County Jr. High School for the 2003-2004 girl's basketball team are (standing left to right) Kourtney Williams, Kayla Hollinsworth, Leatrice Gutierrez, Melissa Flores, Kaleigh Kerns, Crystal Saenz and Mylissa Gilmore; (kneeling) Shane'a Russell, Jessica Reyes, Courtney Alexander, Christy Smith, Karrie Martin and Nikki Sims.



MOTLEY COUNTY MAVERICKS — Pictured left to right are the young men representing Motley County Jr. High for the 2003-04 boy's basketball team, Alec Dodson, Stacy Perryman, Casey Fletcher, Isaiah Archer, Eric Simpson, Andrew Martin, Bradley Brown, Corey Durham, Aaron Bethard and Sam Fletcher.

Matadors' basketball action going strong

District play now in progress

by Amanda Hurt

Motley County basketball action continues and if you haven't attended a game yet, be sure to make time to support the MC Matadors as they participate in District play. The following is an overview of recent games.

The Lady Matadors played Valley on December 12 and were defeated 56-38. Lead scorer for the game was Brittany Moore with 14 points. Ashlee Green put in 8; Mandi Ream and Stachia Baxter each added 5; Chicagra Brown and Sierra Atherton, 2; and Griselda Flores, 1.

The Ladies faced Munday, Dec. 19, for a very exciting game, which ended in favor of the Ladies, 59-58. Brittany Moore was again lead scorer with 18 points. Mandi Ream added 13; Chicagra Brown, 9; Stachia Baxter, 7; Ashlee Green, 6; Griselda Flores, 4; and Sylvia Martinez put in 2.

The Ladies played Kress on January 2 for their first game of the New Year. The Ladies defeated the Lady Kangaroos, 48-29. Leading in scoring was Brittany Moore with 18 points; Sabrina Osborn and Mandi Ream each added 7; Chicagra Brown and Ashlee Green, 5; Griselda Flores, Charli Ream and Stachia Baxter each added 2.

The Ladies went up against Kress again January 6 and again the Ladies were victorious with a 44-32 win. Brittany was again lead scorer with 21 points; Sabrina Osborn added 6; Mandi Ream and Chicagra Brown added 5 each; Stachia Baxter put in 4; Sierra Atherton, 2; and Ashlee Green, 1.

The Matador men were defeated by Valley, 48-39. Matt Henzler led in scoring, putting in 11 points. Lorenzo Salazar wasn't far behind with 10. Clay Cooper put in 6; Quinten Rose and Chance Bingham added 4 each; Colton Russell and Seagram Sims put in 2 each.

The Matadors played a good game against Munday but fell short with a final score of 68-32. Quinten Rose was lead scorer with 15 points. Lorenzo Salazar, Matt Henzler and Clay Cooper put in 4 each; Seagram Sims, 3; and Aaron Dodson, 2.

In their first game against Kress, the Matadors were defeated 59-29. Clay Cooper led in scoring with 10 points. Colton Russell added 8; Quinten Rose, 6; Matt Henzler and Chance Bingham put in 2 each and Lorenzo Salazar added 1.

The Matadors also lost their second game to Kress, 49-20. The men played a good game. Quinten Rose led in scoring with 9 points. Lorenzo Salazar added 5; Clay Cooper, 4; and Aaron Dodson, 2.

Mary Engelbreit books
available at the
MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE

Just Around the Corner

Gift Shop & Catalog Orders
809 Bailey - Hwy. 70 - 3 doors West of the 4-way Stop
Matador, Texas 806-347-2404

Spun Glass, Porcelain,
We also have Black Angels
& Valentine's Day Selections

MC ★ Shining ★ Star

JANUARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Mandi Ream

Mandi is a 2004 Motley County Senior and the daughter of Chuck and Gail Ream of Matador. She is very involved in school activities including Basketball, Cheerleading, Track, Tennis, FCCLA, Cross Country. She has remained on the Honor Roll and has had Perfect Attendance for the past three years. She is Senior Class President. She received the Biology Award and the Bausch-Lomb Science Award. She has won the Miss MC South Plains title and was the 3-point shooter of the year for 2003.



SONGS OF JOY — Pictured above are only a few of the Motley County Elementary students who sang Christmas carols at the Senior Citizens Center the week before Christmas. The students presented songs of joy and brought a lot of smiles to listeners.



Rachelle Renfro named to Dean's List

Rachelle Renfro has been named to the Dean's Honor List for the fall 2003 semester at South Plains College.

Students named to the Dean's List must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while carrying at least 12 semester hours of college-level work with no failing grades.

"SPC is always pleased to announce the names of students who have made the college's honor rolls. They are to be commended for maintaining excellent grades and for representing SPC, themselves and their families so well," said Dr. Kelvin Sharp, vice president for academic affairs.

Rachelle is the daughter of Butch and Judy Renfro of Matador.

If you are reading this...
you know how even a small ad is effective!



ALL FURNITURE
and Selected Art Pieces
20% - 40% OFF

Custom Framing
Lay-away Available

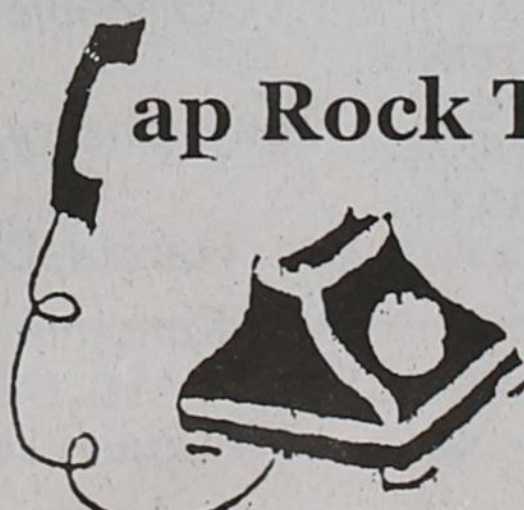
Come find a treasure at
**Calico Treasures
Decorator's Studio**

Matador

806-347-2003

God Bless
You!

Cap Rock Telephone
Cooperative,
Inc.



MC Matador BASKETBALL



LADY MATADORS — Standing left to right, Charli Ream, Amanda Ashby, Sierra Atherton, Brittany Moore, Mandi Ream, Sylvia Martinez, Stachia Baxter and Sabrina Osborn; (front) Ashlee Green, Griselda Flores, Angelica Mendoza, Chicagra Brown, Tamara Simmons, and Ashley Fonseca.



MOTLEY COUNTY MATADORS — Pictured left to right, Manager Emily Hurt, Chance Bingham, Quinten Rose, Gene Salazar, Clay Cooper, Seagram Sims, Lorenzo Salazar, Matt Henzler, Cody Cooper, Aaron Dodson, Marc Henzler, and Manager Kittie Campbell. Not pictured is Colton Russell.

We Support the Mighty Matadors ...

January 16: MC Matadors vs. Wilson, there, 6:30 p.m.
January 20: MC Matadors vs. Spur, here, 6:30 p.m.

- | | | |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Motley County Tribune
Jim & Carla Meador | Higginbotham-Bartlett | Graham Supply |
| Meredith Construction,
Gas & Supply | Anna's Mexican Restaurant | Doris, Kyle & Jeannie Moore
Brandon & Rebecca Moore
Memaw Betty & Tommy West |
| First Ag Credit of Texas | Thacker Jewelry | Tommy, Kate, Tommy & Zachary
and Amanda Hurt |
| Calico Treasures
Decorator's Studio | First State Bank | Billy, Brenda, Sam & Alexis Osborn |
| Billie Dean's Restaurant | Matador Implement | Chuck & Gail Ream,
Grandpa & Grandma Rice,
Grandma Ream |
| New To You | Matador Variety | Charlie & Mary Renfro |
| Flomot Gin | Gillespie Communications | Alan & Coach Kay Bingham |
| CapRock Telephone | Tony, Sherry, Sean & Shea Rose | Dale & JoEtta Bumgardner |
| Matador Floral
Designs by Vickie | Harold, Bobbie & Bradley
Renomia & Joe Campbell | Jim, Judy & Clint Cooper |
| | Coach Dodson, Darlene,
Aaron, Alec & Bradie | |

Local pilots commemorate Wright Brothers first flight

Two brothers, Orville and Wilburn Wright made history on December 17, 1903, when their home-built Wright Flyer flew 120 feet at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina. To commemorate this historic event on its 100 anniversary, six pilots from Floydada and Matador graciously donated their time, planes and fuel, December 6 and 13, to give sixty-three children that same kind of exhilarating experience the Wright Brothers must have felt a century ago.

The flights took place at Floydada Airport, at no charge, and even though the temperature hovered in the 20's at the

beginning, nothing could curtail the excitement and anticipation of the children waiting to climb aboard and fly. Mitch Probasco of Probasco Flying Service allowed use of his facility along with Jimmy Cervantes who helped by being available to assist the pilots. Each child also received a First Flight Certificate recognizing their participation in the event.

The extraordinary pilots giving this priceless gift included Dr. Charles Craig, Jim Crawford, Dr. Bill Dean, Bill Harvin and Louis Lloyd all of Floydada, and Joel Spray of Matador.



FIRST FLIGHT PILOTS — Pictured left to right are Louis Lloyd, Jim Crawford, Dr. Charles Craig, Bill Harbin, Dr. Bill Dean and Joel Spray.

Special awards presented to members of Masonic Lodge

A special awards meeting was held at the Floydada Masonic Lodge in November. The meal was prepared by Mike Bishop and Mac Willson and they served 35 family and friends. Robert Bearden of Petersburg welcomed everyone and prayer was led by Jimmy Willson. Willson presented H.S. Calahand, Jr. of Abilene a 50-Year Certificate and pin along with a 50-Year Service to the Craft Card for his years of ser-

vice to the Masonic Lodge. Calahand and his wife, June, were escorted to the Lodge by Doyle Walls. Wes Campbell presented and escorted Harold Campbell of Matador to the Lodge. Billie Farley of Turkey started the second presentation to brother Campbell and Marvin Porr of Lubbock finished the presentation of the Cryptic Triangle Award, one of the highest awards to be presented to a York Rite Mason, for the years of ser-

vice by Brother Campbell. Campbell thanked the membership for the award and said he would cherish this award. He said he had taught many lessons to other members. Mr. Campbell holds certificate of works in the Blue Lodge, York Rite, and Eastern Star Bodies containing about 120,000 words to remember. The Lodge recognized the family of Brothers Campbell and Calahand.

"God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells."

Psalm 46: 1-4



RECEIVE SPECIAL AWARDS — Pictured left to right are Marvin Porr, Harold Campbell, Billie Farley, H.S. Calahand, Jr. and Jimmy Willson.

Mane Place

1134 1/2 Main St. ~ Matador

Hair Care for the Entire Family

SISTER'S GIFTS

Hours: Tues. - Fri., 9:00 - 5:00

347-2953 Saturday - by Appointment 347-2350



Traveler's Inn Bed & Breakfast

Major Credit Cards Accepted
201 Broadway ~ Roaring Springs ~ 806-348-7304
www.travelersinnbandb.com
email: edith_daniell@hotmail.com

Office Supplies,
Rubber Stamps,
Plaques, Banners,
Signs,
Business Cards,
Wedding Invitations
Custom Printing
MOTLEY COUNTY
TRIBUNE

Valentine Brag Pages

Will be printed in the Feb. 12th issue

SHOW OFF YOUR SPECIAL VALENTINE!

Or write a special poem, letter, etc.

Mail your picture and details to the
Motley County Tribune

P.O. Box 490, Matador, TX 79244

PLEASE INCLUDE A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOUR PICTURE RETURNED
Or Email (jpg format) to mctrib@hotmail.com
Or bring by the Tribune office

DEADLINE IS WED. FEB. 4

Only \$12.00 for single heart
\$20.00 for double heart

For more information call
347-2400



Sweetheart at the Prom
Shea Rose
2004 MC Senior

Happy
Valentine's
Day February 14th

Keep your shopping dollars at home!

MOTLEY COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT

QUARTERLY REPORT

OF EVA BARKLEY, COUNTY TREASURER OF MOTLEY COUNTY, TEXAS

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM OCTOBER 1, 2003 TO DECEMBER 31, 2003

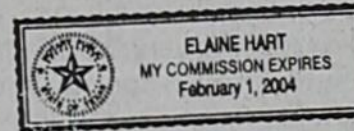
FUND	BALANCE	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	BALANCE
	October 1, 2003			December 31, 2003
GENERAL ACCOUNT	\$ 7,172.98	\$ 265,246.41	\$ 271,506.20	\$ 913.19
SPECIAL FUND	\$ 18,501.19	\$ 12,712.29	\$ 22,420.58	\$ 8,792.90
ROAD & BRIDGE # 1	\$ 1,385.46	\$ 25,584.50	\$ 24,234.80	\$ 2,735.16
ROAD & BRIDGE # 2	\$ 2,678.16	\$ 30,075.94	\$ 30,336.67	\$ 2,417.43
ROAD & BRIDGE # 3	\$ 2,407.83	\$ 26,763.59	\$ 25,033.03	\$ 4,138.39
ROAD & BRIDGE # 4	\$ 2,494.82	\$ 27,642.52	\$ 26,596.37	\$ 3,540.97
LIBRARY	\$ 41,462.33	\$ 2,092.00	\$ 32,921.13	\$ 10,633.20
LATERAL ROAD	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
CAPITAL ACQUISITION	\$ 968.32	\$ 31,476.60	\$ 25,685.81	\$ 6,759.11
COURT COST & ARREST FEES	\$ 9,611.70	\$ 11,338.30	\$ 12,207.47	\$ 8,742.53
BOND PROGRAM	\$ 241.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 241.50
HOT CHECK	\$ 3,077.00	\$ 314.54	\$ 204.54	\$ 3,187.00
SHERIFF SEIZURE FUND	\$ 8,834.55	\$ -	\$ 8,834.55	\$ -
INVESTMENT	\$ 168,200.00	\$ 196,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 361,200.00
TOTALS	\$ 267,035.84	\$ 629,246.69	\$ 482,981.15	\$ 413,301.38

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MOTLEY

BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, ON THIS DAY PERSONALLY APPEARED EVA BARKLEY, MOTLEY COUNTY TREASURER, WHO BEING SWORN, AND UPON OATH, SAYS THAT THE WITHIN AND FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Eva Barkley
COUNTY TREASURER

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 12th DAY OF JANUARY, 2004



Elaine Hart
Notary Public

Motley County, Texas

Tuesday, January 20, 2004 — Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATED: Floydada, Texas 14 Miles East On Hwy. 70 Then 1/4 Mile North,
Or From Matador, Texas 17 Miles West On Hwy. 70 Then 1/4 Mile North.

MELVIN LLOYD — OWNER

Telephone: (806) 983-3450, Home, Or Auctioneers: Merv Evans (806) 864-3721,
Jim Sumners (806) 864-3611, Auctioneer
LUNCH BY T-C B.B.Q. & CATERING

NOTE: THIS IS A GOOD CLEAN LINE OF EQUIPMENT. ROLLING STOCK WAS SHEDDED IN BARN.
Melvin Lloyd is Quitting Farming And Will Sell The Following At Public Auction:

TRACTORS
SPRAY EQUIPMENT, TRAILERS, TANKS
PICKUPS
KAWASAKI MULE LAWN MOWER
EQUIPMENT
LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT
MILLER BOB CAT, SHOP EQUIPMENT
IRRIGATION, L.P.G. TANK
SPRAY EQUIPMENT
TRACTOR & TOOLBAR MAKEUPS

Five Star Auctioneers

Box 1030 • Plainview, TX 79073-1030 • (806) 296-0379

MERVIN W. EVANS (6427) (806) 864-3721
JIM SUMNERS (10006) (806) 864-3611
JIMMY REEVES (Clerk) (806) 864-3362

Terms of Sale: Cash, Personal or
Business Check, Cashier's Check
All Accounts Settled Day of Sale
WE ARE AGENTS AND AGENTS ONLY!

News Around the County

Roaring Springs News

By Lula Swim

Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Swim and Miss Lula Swim met Mr. and Mrs. Sam Swim of Lubbock in Dickens Sunday to celebrate J.T.'s birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Swim also visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Swim in their home in Roaring Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Peacock of Lubbock visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Peacock for the weekend. They also attended Methodist Church services, Sunday.

Mrs. Jo Ann Reagan of Quitaque visited with Mrs. Pearl Patten, Saturday.

BIBLE GROUP MEETS

The Bible group, which is being taught by Mrs. Fredia Burns, met in the home of Mrs. D.A. McGuire on Monday morning, Jan. 12, with 19 ladies present. The group enjoyed a variety of soups for lunch.

Matador News

Dale and JoEtta Bumgardner visited during the Christmas holidays with their son, Joe Dean Bumgardner in Wichita, Kansas. They joined family members Christmas day in Benton, Kansas in the home of her nephew, Michael Wyant.

JoEtta and Dale Bumgardner were in Oklahoma City this week to be with his sister, Mrs. June Cheevers who had heart valve surgery, Friday at the Baptist Cardiac Medical Center.

Aileen and Bill Mantooth of Cape Gerardeau, Missouri visited during

Christmas holidays with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. John M. "Sonny" Russell.

Mrs. Sharon Martin Davis of Fritch, daughter of Mrs. Kathryn Martin, had aneurysm surgery in Dallas, Friday. She is reported to be in stable condition.

Guests of Mrs. Frances Dixon of Whiteflat, Sunday were Elaine and Fred Risser of Matador and daughter, Kaci Risser of Plainview. They celebrated the birthday of Elaine with all the trimmings.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD
I believe God sends angels in any form He chooses to help people experiencing difficult times.

WHITAKER FAMILY CRUISE
Dusty and Julie Whitaker joined his parents, Brent and Teresa Whitaker and brother, David Whitaker of Matador for a new year's vacation cruise in Old Mexico and the Caribbean. Among the tourist attractions on tour were Isla De Cozumel and ocean resorts at LaPaz and Playa Del Carmen.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall and son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Kendall, Jere and Jacob were her nephew and wife, Tony and Marie March of Roger, Arkansas, who visited from December 27 to January 3. Also visiting them during the week was Richard March of Quitaque.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay were in Childress last Sunday to visit his sister, Mrs. Margaret Lane of Turkey who is hospitalized under treatment for pneumonia. Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clay the past week were grandchildren, Tanner, Kelsey and Sarah Clay of Panhandle.

Mrs. Pete Meyer of Turkey and Mrs. Janice Hughes visited in Mason and Llano from Monday until Thursday with Mrs. Meyer's mother, Mrs. Ella Schuch.

Dusty and Julie Whitaker visited during the Christmas holidays in Sterling City with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mackey McEntire. They and her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Brad McInn of Lubbock enjoyed New Year's holidays in

Ruidoso, N.M.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers were in Lubbock, Wednesday for him a medical appointment. He received a good report. They had lunch with Mrs. Ronnie (Lou) Rogers of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross and daughter, Mrs. Elisa Wigley of Lubbock visited in Castroville from Jan. 1 to Jan. 4 with Mrs. Tommy Ross, Aleda Elaine, Megan, Ciara and Cheyenne. They enjoyed tourist attractions and shopping in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin visited in Granbury, Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Merritt.

Mr. and Mrs. M.C. Jones visited in Kress Thursday with his uncle, Ewell Jones. They also visited Fish Wilson of Quitaque, a patient at Mangold Hospital in Lockney and Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin of Flomot.

Micah and Kacee, children of Mrs. Teresa Lee of Turkey, who is under medical care at Mangold Hospital and Clinic in Lockney, are staying with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks and daughter, Mrs. Chase Carson visited in Lubbock, Saturday with Cary Franks and Mr. and Mrs. Cory Franks and Madison.

Mrs. Janice Hughes attended the Livestock Show in Floydada, Saturday in which her grandchildren, Tara and Reagan Hughes participated. Tara won a Breed Champion trophy in the hog division. They are the children of Roger and Tiffany Hughes of Floydada.

NOTE OF THANKS

We would like to express our sincere appreciation for the cards, flowers, love and concern at the loss of our loved one, Mrs. Merle Davidson Nall. May God Bless you.

The Howard Rogers Family

We want to thank the wonderful friends who provided so much love and support after the loss of our beloved Jerry Watson. The flowers were beautiful and the food was very much appreciated. The number who provided memorials at the Senior Center has been overwhelming. Jerry would have been so happy to know that she was loved by so many in this world.

Sincerely,
Jim Watson and family
Tommye Keith and family

"Angel In Disguise"

By Brad Thacker

In memory of Cora Mitchell

(Brad is the great-grandson of Mrs. Mitchell. This was written as a song, and Brad sang it to her at her 100th birthday celebration in 2001.)

She was born when the roads were rough,
West was wild but not wild enough,
And a horse was all you needed to ride.

Her mom supported the family,
By training horses for the army,
And teaching her daughter how to survive.

Started education in a one-room school,
There she learned the golden rule,
And anything else she might need to know.

Didn't take long before high school came,
She hung out with Lillian and Nettie Mae,
Turned the boys heads and kept them on their toes.

She's the rainbow at the end of the storm,
She's a blanket when you want to be warm,
She's the reason why I'm alive.
She must be an angel in disguise.

She went to Dallas to get some business skills,
And to see how the big city feels,
But ended up moving back to the small town.

She married my Grandad in '21,
Had three daughters and two sons,
Trusted in the Lord and put her faith on solid ground.

Friends and family are too many to count,
She was always the first one to help out,
Plenty of tenderness and love to give away.

She's a mom, an aunt and a grandma
She's means the most to us all
We celebrate her life today

She's the rainbow at the end of the storm,
She's a blanket when you want to be warm,
She's the reason why I'm alive.
I know she is an angel in disguise.

You are invited to attend a

Wedding Shower

honoring

J.J. & Trisha Christopher

Sunday, January 18

3:30 p.m.

at the Hitchin' Post Cafe

Roaring Springs

Hosted by Hitchin' Post Staff
Selections at Matador Variety
& Graham Supply

All Christmas Items
1/2 Price!
Matador Floral
Designs by Vickie
Downtown Matador ~ 806-347-2018

NEW IN MATADOR!
KEN'S
MINI-STORAGE
1 block of Apartments
347-2290 or 347-2455

SEEDS FROM THE SOWER
Michael A. Guido
Metter, Georgia

When Leonardo da Vinci was working on his painting *The Last Supper*, he became angry with a certain man. He lost his temper and lashed the man with bitter words.

He returned to his canvas to paint the face of Christ, but he couldn't. His anger made him miserable.

Finally, he put down his brushes, hurried to the man, and asked his forgiveness. The man accepted his apology, and Leonardo finished painting the face of our Lord.

Anger is like acid. It does more harm to the person in which it's stored than to the one on whom it's poured.

David said, "Don't give in to anger. It leads to trouble."

Interested in
Ranching History?
THE
MOTLEY COUNTY
TRIBUNE
has the book for you!

Historic Ranches of
the Old West &
Historic Ranches of Texas
Other great selections available!

Thank you
for reading the
Motley County
Tribune

Office Supplies,
Rubber Stamps,
Plaques, Banners,
Signs,
Business Cards,
Wedding Invitations
Custom Printing
MOTLEY COUNTY
TRIBUNE

FRIDAY NIGHT
FISH FRY

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BUFFET

CHECK OUT OUR
CONVENIENCE STORE!

WASHETERIA,
FOOD BAR, GROCERIES

"A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING!"

Lottery Tickets &
Scratch Off Tickets Available!

THE
HITCHIN'
POST

Downtown Roaring Springs ★ 348-7205

January
Clearance Sale

Now In Progress!

50% - 75% OFF

New to You

The
BEST
Just got
BETTER

CFL announces industry
leading pay increase!

Company Drivers earn
up to 45¢ per mile

Company Teams earn
up to 53¢ per mile

Owner Operators earn
up to 98¢ per mile

800-CFI-DRIVE www.cfidrive.com

Kaleigh,

**We believe you,
and we know
you are a
wonderful person!!**

**"For we know ALL things work
together for the good to those
who love God, to those who are
called according to His purpose."**

Romans 8:28

Love and Prayers,

**Uncle Terry, Aunt Becky
Jeff, Justin and Chris**



FARM & RANCH NEWS



COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT



by Lonnie Jenschke
Motley County Extension Agent

GOAT BREEDERS TO BENEFIT FROM NEW PROGRAM

Expected progeny differences, or EPDs, will now be available for boer goat breeders. Thanks to the American Boer Goat Association and Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, producers will now be able to select breeding stock based on specific measurable traits. Members of the ABGA will collect performance information needed to help breeders make genetic improvement. Documentation of animals which are genetically superior for growth and reproduction will be available to all goat producers. This will lead to increased efficiency of production. Selecting breeding stock gives producers the ability to predict how next year's kid crop will perform. EPDs have been available to cattle breeders for years.

CATFISH NEED CARE IN THE WINTER MONTHS

Many farm ponds that were at all-time highs are now running low due to the lack of rain in Texas. Those intensively raising catfish should not suspend management efforts until spring. Landowners who heavily stocked and intensively fed their catfish throughout the warm months should prepare to switch to a winter feeding program. If ponds are heavily stocked and fish are fed during the winter, catfish may become emaciated and be more susceptible to disease and parasite

problems. To properly feed fish, stay with a good quality floating ration that contains at least 28 percent crude protein. Feed fish during warm, sunny afternoons. The fish will not feed as aggressively as they did in September and October, so offer a little feed at a time until fish activity is evident. Typically, the fish will only consume a maximum of one-third of the feed they were consuming before the onset of cool weather.

PROTECTING CATTLE FROM EXTREME COLD

Livestock owners need to be prepared to protect their animals in the cold winter months. Extension beef specialist Larry Boleman says older cattle withstand cold better because their hides and hair are thicker. But no matter how old they are, wet, windy weather can be harmful. Feeding is crucial. In cold

weather, animals need more food to keep their energy level up. Boleman says ideally, you would give cattle all the hay they can eat plus three to five pounds of supplemental feed. The animals also need water. Ranchers should cut the ice off their farm ponds and tanks so cattle can drink. Boleman says in those situations you also have to be careful the cattle don't fall through the ice. He suggests setting up a water supply with a heater if you expect long spells of freezing weather.

Caprock Cotton Conference scheduled for January 28

The 2004 Caprock Cotton Conference is scheduled for Wednesday, January 28, 2004, at the Plains Baptist Assembly Camp located between Ralls and Floydada (7 miles South of Floydada on US Highway 62, look for camp sign on east side of highway). Registration begins at 8 a.m. The cost for this year's conference is \$25 per participant (good through January 23, 2004) after that a \$10 late fee will be charged. This will include lunch, conference cap and program materials. The conference is open to all area producers as well as anyone interested in the cotton production industry. Over twenty booth exhibitors will be on hand introducing the latest in cotton related technology and equipment.

In addition, Continuing Education Units (CEU's) will be available by attending the conference. We have applied for a total of 5 CEU's through TDA and we are waiting approval at this time. However, we can guarantee a total of 3 CEU's for those who attend.

The program will start at 8:30 a.m. with topics on Cotton Insects, Plains Cotton Growers Update, Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Program, Cotton Production Technology and Research, Replant Options, Alternative Crops, Cotton/Water Relationships and Cotton Marketing Strategies concerning Hedging, County Cyclical Payments. The conference will conclude at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture and the county Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating. Persons with disabilities wishing to attend the meeting, should contact the Floyd or Crosby County Extension Offices as soon as possible to advise of any auxiliary and/or services needed.

COW POKES®

By Ace Reid



"It's all time, chop post, chop wood, chop ice. Boy, I break out with a sweat when jist look at an axe handle."

THIS FEATURE IS SPONSORED BY THE
FIRST STATE BANK

MATADOR, TX
YOUR "HOMETOWN" BANK MEMBER FDIC

Motley County monthly and yearly end moisture report

Motley County National Weather Service volunteers reported December and year end moisture reports for 2003 in Motley County:
Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs: December, 0.02; 2003 total 16.56 inches.
Kelly Meyer, Matador: December, 0.04; 2003 total 13.05

inches.
Jim Stockton, Whiteflat: December 00; 2003 total 14.27 inches.
Tommie J. Cruse, Flomott: December 00; 2003 total 16.11 inches.
Betty Simpson, Northfield: December 00; 2003 total 13.98 inches.

Tax Tips

Earned Income Credit (EIC) is a refundable Federal income tax credit for low-income working individuals and families. EIC reduces the amount of Federal tax owed and can result in a refund check. To qualify for the credit, both the earned income and the adjusted gross income for 2003 must be less than \$29,666 for a taxpayer with one qualifying child (\$30,666 for married filing jointly), \$33,692 for a taxpayer with more than one qualifying child (\$34,692 for married filing jointly), and \$11,230 for a taxpayer with no qualifying children (\$12,230 for married filing jointly). To claim the EIC taxpayers must have a valid social security number, a social security number for your spouse and a qualifying child, must have earned income during the year, investment income of less than \$2,600, the filing status cannot be married filing separately, you cannot be the qualifying child of another person, and the qualifying child cannot be claimed by more than one person to claim the EIC. If you have any questions regarding EIC, please fee free to contact Thayer & Washington, CPAs.

Tax Tips Provided by:
Thayer & Washington
Certified Public Accountants
P.O. Box 6
Matador, TX 79244
Monday - Friday (806) 347-2636
Thursday (806) 455-1087

Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established.

— Proverbs 16:3

Ronnie Davis

seeks re-election

for Motley County Commissioner, Precinct # 1

"Your Vote & Support is Appreciated"

Pol. Adv. Paid for by Ronnie Davis

We're starting off the New Year right ... with a great selection of Gift items, Western Art, Furniture, Appliances, Small Appliances, Dishes, Cookware, Unique Rustic Pieces, Fencing Supplies, Yard & Garden Supplies and Much More!

Graham Supply

Downtown Roaring Springs • 806-348-7216

BEST LITTLE CAR LOT IN TEXAS!

Arvis Davis Chevrolet

Paducah, Texas

2001 Chevy Short Wide TexOk Package, Automatic, Chrome Wheel, Power Locks One Owner	1994 4X4 Jeep Cherokee Nice Truck with lots of miles left in it!
2001 Suburban Local One Owner, 27K Miles, Cleaner than most new ones!!	1999 Chev Ext Cab - 3/4 4X4 Red, One Owner, Good Truck
1995 Chev Ext. Cab Nice loaded Pickup with only 75K Miles	2003 Buick Lesabre Program car with factory warranty remaining
2002 RED GRAND AM Program Car, Nice, Nice Car	2000 Chev Ext Cab 3/4 4X4, One Owner Nice Unit
2001 Chev Ext Cab 2 WD Loaded, Local, One Owner	2003 Cavalier Red Program Car, Factory Warranty Remaining

806-492-3663

Bibles, Books, Office Supplies, Business Cards, Plaques, Printing & More at the MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE

STOP BY OR GIVE US A CALL

PANHANDLE-PLAINS FLBA
629 Baltimore - Plainview, TX (806) 296-5579



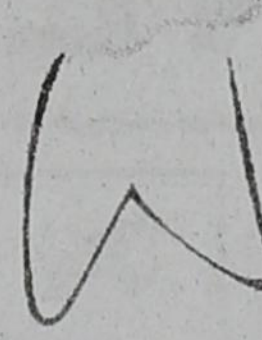
Part of the fabric of rural life

Pray for Rain!

Shop Motley County First!

Stock show kids are part of our electric cooperative.

Best of luck to all of the competitors!



South Plains Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Your Touchstone Energy Cooperative
The power of human connections

Lubbock • Spur • Childress • www.SPEC.coop

HIGGINBOTHAM-BARTLETT

Hi-Pro Feeds N-Timidator Goat & Pig Feed T&S Trip Hopper Cake Feeders

Good Selection of Hi-Pro Horse Feed and Vet Supplies



Since 1881

J & J Sirens

Farm & Ranch Supplies Storage Buildings

Angle Iron, Flat Metal, 4x4 Tubing, C-Purlin Ammunition - Deer Corn

— APPLIANCES —

Washers & Dryers, Stoves, Freezers, Microwaves, TV's, VCR's & Stereos



Port-A-Hut Hog Raising Systems

AVAILABLE FOR RENT

Chop Saw • Roto-Rooter • Ditch Witch • Roto Tiller • Tandem Trailer • Steam Cleaner

STORE HOURS, 7:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. MONDAY - FRIDAY & 7-12 SATURDAY • FREE LOCAL DELIVERY MATADOR "WE APPRECIATE YOUR BUSINESS!" 806-347-2445

The Classifieds

P.O. Box 490 • Matador, TX 79244 • 806-347-2400 • email - mctrib@hotmail.com

Motley County Tribune

Carla M. Meador ~ Publisher & Editor



The Motley County Tribune, (ISSN: 0897-4322), purchased on September 3, 1996, is published weekly each Thursday, except Christmas week, at Matador, Texas. The office is located at 724 Dundee, telephone number, 806/347-2400. Periodical-class postage paid at Matador, Texas. Postmaster: Send address changes to Motley County Tribune, P.O. Box 490, Matador, Texas 79244. NOTICE: Any erroneous reflection upon the character, firm, or corporation, which may appear in the columns of the Motley County Tribune will gladly be corrected upon being brought to the attention of the Publisher. Only signed Letters to the Editor will be considered for publication. PUBLICATION NO: 333770 SUBSCRIPTION RATES: Motley County - \$22.50; All others, \$24.50 P.O. Box 490, Matador, TX 79244

JANUARY Subscriptions
 Motley County - \$24.00
 Elsewhere - \$25.00
 (\$1.00 discount if over 60)

P.O. Box 490
 Matador, TX 79244

MOTLEY COUNTY

Matador:
 Eugenia Barton
 Harold Campbell
 Pearl Simpson
 Motley County FSA
 Gale Stafford
 Luther Green
 Rickey Lawrence
 Gid Simpson

Roaring Springs:
 Carl Barton
 Lester Mullins
 Hank Mount

Flomot:
 Bert Whitaker

ELSEWHERE

Lighthouse Electric Coop, Inc., Floydada
 Mike Bishop, Floydada
 Greg Bishop, Floydada
 Don Brothers, Paducah
 Griffin Oil, Quitaque
 R. Webb, Idalou
 Johnny Meredith, Lubbock
 Blair Thacker, Lubbock
 James Stanley, Lubbock
 Sue Parson, Lubbock
 Dan Mitchell, Lubbock
 Contact Lubbock, Lubbock

Support your hometown Businesses!

Hon. Richard Hardcastle, Graham
 Stephen Crowell, Spring Wade Vandiver, Richmond
 Linda K. Evans, Winnie
 Larry Elliott, Beaumont
 H.N. Seigler, Kerrville
 Jeff & DeAnn Burkes, Floresville
 Charles Cammack, San Antonio
 Charles R. Keith, Georgetown
 Dickie Garrison, Red Rock
 Key Vaughn, Austin
 Charley Dorsey, Canyon Roy & Gloria McMahan, Dumas
 Charles Tanner, Tulia
 Dan Bevers, Amarillo
 W.L. Rattan, Amarillo
 George Fulkerson, Amarillo
 Nancy & Chuck Wall, Aspen, CO
 Dean Stotts, Winslow, AZ
 Shelby & Betty Jackson, Jemez Springs, NM
 Tom Melton, Ruidoso, NM
 Billy Nichols, Apple Valley, C
 Frank C. Traweek, San Francisco, CA
 Adell Powell, Richland, WA
 Richard Hamilton, Willow, AK
 John Griffith, Chippewa Falls, WI
 Harold Gatlin, St. Louis, Missouri
 Harvey C. Guinn, Golden City, MO
 Ruby Anders, LaPlace, LA
 Pat Williams, Pryor, OK
 James E. (Jim) Dewbre, Shady Point, OK
 Robert L. (Petey) Davis, Brownfield
 Gerald Fugit, Odessa
 Nancy Tsagaris, El Paso
 Benny & Maxine Gwinn, Nacogdoches
 Jim C. Welling, Midlothian
 Jerline Pitts, Fort Worth
 Tom Binder, Era
 Nancy Barrow, Vernon
 Jennifer Trufan, Vernon

Don's Muffler Shop
 210 W. Calif. - Floydada
 FREE ESTIMATES
 1-877-212-8222

REAL ESTATE

HOUSE FOR SALE in Dickens, 1007 N. Crow Drive - 2 BR, 1 Bath, 2 Living areas, Fireplace, Dishwasher, Ref. Air & Central Heat, 2 Car Garage with electric door on large lot. Metal roof, exterior recently painted. Patton Springs School Dist. Call 806-561-4215.

ctfn
SCOTT LAND COMPANY, DIMMITT, TEXAS is pleased to welcome Gerald M. Smith - Silvertown, Texas to our company and we encourage you to visit with Gerald concerning any real estate needs regardless of the type, size or location.

WE NEED YOUR LISTINGS
 8 SECTION RANCH - mule deer & quail, excellent fencing & water, pavement on two sides. Seller will divide.
 PLEASE CALL or check our website for details on this and other ranches from 558 to 118,000 ac. in Texas & New Mexico. Also good irrigated farms and commercial properties.
 www.scottlandcompany.com
 Ben G. Scott - Broker, 800-933-9698
 Gerald M. Smith - Agent, 806-292-0197.

ctfn
DUE TO HEALTH - Must sell building, 2500 sq. ft. New roof, central heat & air, working 3 station Beauty Salon, Gift Shop with show-cases, storage room in back. All for \$20,000. Main St. in Matador, next to Library. Call 348-7948 or 347-2350.

VEHICLES

FOR SALE: 1996 Triumph Adventurer Motorcycle. Gold & White, sharp looking and great condition. 18,000 miles. 806-793-8734.

FOR SALE: 1986 GMC Sierra Classic pick-up. \$1200. 348-7218.

WANTED

PANHANDLE FARMER seeking Ranch from 100-4000 acres. Please call 806-441-4868.

8tc-7

HELP WANTED

NOW HIRING CASHIERS: Apply in person at Preferred Choice convenience Store.

SERVICES

WANTED: Swathing and Baling and Hauling, Round or Square Bales. Quality work. Will do at competitive rates or on shares. Good market for wheat hay now. Call Crawford W. Wesley, 806-668-4448 or 995-5053; or David Wesley, 995-3687 or 296-3255.

ANNOUNCEMENT

COMPUTER CLASSES will be taught over Microsoft Office XP on Monday, 5:30-7:00 p.m., beginning January 19. Instructor for the class will be Shellie Cox. Sponsored by SPAG.

MOTLEY COUNTY EMS will be sponsoring a basic EMT class beginning January 21. Scholarships available for first 10 applicants. For more information contact Seven Alexander, 806-346-7400 or Tony Rose, 806-347-2412, after 6:00 p.m.

3tc-3

PETS

ARE YOU A LONELY COWBOY needing a companion? Free, to very good home only, Red Heeler mix male dog, about 6 months old, clipped tail. Pretty dog. Very loving and friendly. Loves to ride and come inside. The perfect friend for a lonely cowboy! Call 347-2400 or 347-2246.

KEN'S RV PARK
 Full Hook-ups Available
 Mini-Storage Rooms for Rent
 Golf Cart Sales
 347-2290 or 347-2455

Pray for Rain!

VIAGRA®
 Prescription Strength Alternative
 Now Available Without Prescription
 (30 tabs-blue 100mg \$79.95)
 TOLL FREE **1-888-527-0870** FREE SHIPPING!
 Mail Order: Send Check or M.O. to: P.E. Laboratories
 1025 SW 59th st.
 OKC, OK. 73109
 www.rxsexpill.com

Do More in 2004!
 Do your part this year to help Motley County stay alive!

New Program!
 O/O Leasing Program
 with purchase option

Now Hiring:
 Company • O/O • Singles & Teams
 800-CFI-DRIVE www.cfidrive.com

Cerebral Palsy NO FEE FOR FIRST VISIT

Cerebral palsy may be caused by professional neglect during prenatal care or childbirth. Its causes may include premature birth, birth trauma, and neonatal asphyxia (lack of oxygen). Call us for professional insight.

Ryan A. Krebs, MD, JD
 Doctor-Lawyer in full time Law Practice
 Richard A. Dodd, L.C.
 Timothy R. Cappolino, P.C.
 Board Certified Personal Injury Trial Law & Civil Trial Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization
 Comerton, Texas

1-800-460-0606
 www.birthtraumalaw.com

Books, Bibles, Office Supplies, Business Cards, Plaques, Banners and much more available at the MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE

It's not the coffee that's giving you the jitters.

H&R BLOCK

106 W. MISSOURI
 FLOYDADA, TEXAS
 806-983-5233

Need a gift that will keep on giving week after week?

A Subscription to the MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE is the answer!

One Year Subscription
 \$24.00 - Motley County
 \$25.00 - Elsewhere

BUSINESS REVIEW

Call Day or Night for Propane Services

Marshall Brothers, Incorporated

806-347-2290

Turner Outfitters

Full Line of Guided Hunts
 Day Leasing
 Lodging for Hunters, Reunions & Get-togethers
 Can Accommodate 2 - 20

RILEY WAYNE TURNER
 806-347-2116 or 806-983-0262

MEREDITH Gas & Supply
 24-Hr. Service
 Propane Tanks & Supplies

PROPANE
 ENERGY FOR THE LIFE YOU LIVE
 Roaring Springs • (806) 348-7332

Jameson Machinery Co.
 General Contractors

Dozier Service
 Grubbing & Raking
 Tank Building
 Tank Cleaning
 Road Clearing
 Fence Line Clearing

Welding Service
 All Types of Metal Fabrication
 Portable or In-Shop
 Minor Machine Work

"You design - we will build it!"
BRAD JAMESON - OWNER
 Mobile - (806) 773-7862 Home - (806) 347-2002

MEREDITH CONSTRUCTION

New Construction
 Remodeling, Painting & Electrical Work
 Complete turn-key work
 Concrete Work and All Types of Roofing

(806) 348-7218 348-7528 348-7516

Motley County Abstract Company
 Phone: 806-492-3573 Fax: 806-492-3574
 P.O. Drawer 1 • Paducah, TX 79248
Complete Abstracts and Title Insurance for all of Motley County

Nelda Hightower - Owner
 Kay Heatly - Manager
 W.H. (Bill) Heatly - Attorney

Document Preparation and Closing Services

Germania Insurance & Lee's Insurance Agency
 "A Proud Past With A Solid Future"

Turkey Ernie Lee 423-1020
 Flomot Ruth Lee 469-5370

"Serving People Like You Since 1975"

LegalPharmacy.com
 Your source for legal online prescriptions

Phentermine, Soma, Fioricet Ambien, Tramadol & more.

\$10 Off All Orders
 Type Promo Code - "Discount"

www.legalpharmacy.com 1-866-278-7082
 Safe • Secure • Discreet.

Payne Pharmacy
 200 S. Main - Floydada, TX 79235
 Ph: 983-5111 or 1-800-345-7961

Denise Payne, R.Ph.

M-F, 8:30 - 6:00 & Sat., 8:30 - 2:00
 We will be happy to mail your prescriptions!