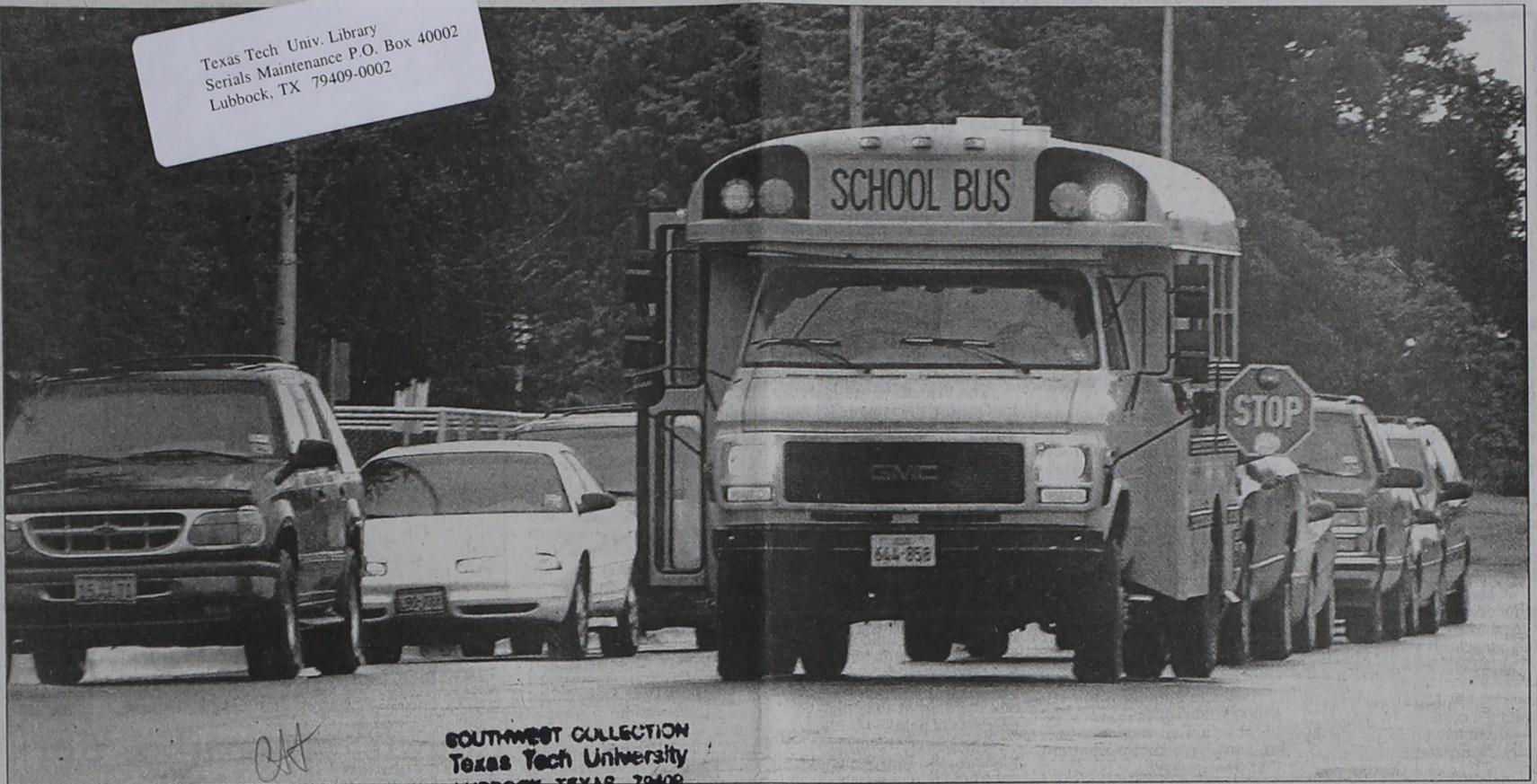


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ON THE ROAD AGAIN ...

Motley County School buses are on the road again, picking up and delivering children in the mornings and afternoons. Drivers are reminded to use caution

near school buses. Children will be running to the bus or exiting and darting out in the street at times. Drivers are also reminded that they must stop when the bus is stopped with the Stop sign displayed as seen in the picture above.

photo by Jim Meador

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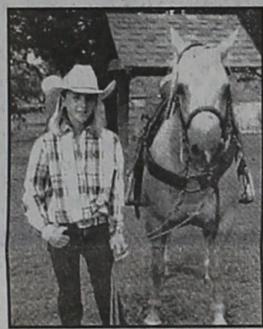
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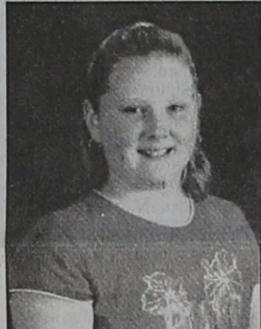
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ASHLEY VICKERY



KYLA SIMPSON



HANNA ALEXANDER



COURTNEY ALEXANDER

Four candidates vying for Rodeo Queen crown

2005 Queen will be crowned during Saturday night rodeo

Four young ladies will vie for the title of 2005 Old Settlers Rodeo Queen next weekend when the 82nd celebration is held in Roaring Springs.

Three Motley County candidates and one Dickens County candidate are selling tickets for a pair of Jim Bo Humphreys' handmade spurs. The girl selling the most tickets will be declared the queen and receive the crown during the Saturday night rodeo performance. A winner's name will also be drawn from the ticket stubs for the spurs.

Hanna Rose Alexander is the 11 year old daughter of Russell and Lori Alexander of Roaring Springs and Kim and Duane Watson of Lubbock. She is the granddaughter of the late Pauline Hand of Roaring Springs, Bill and Mozele Hand of Roaring Springs, Barbara Hill of Clarendon and Rick and Syd Alexander of Claude. She has two sisters, Jaci Zingerman of Roaring Springs and Abbigayle Watson of Lubbock.

Hanna enjoys riding horses, playing basketball and volleyball, talking on the phone, playing with her sisters, swimming, riding her bike, going to the lake, scrapbooking and photography.

Kyla Michelle Simpson is the 12 year old daughter of Terry and Tammy Simpson of Matador. She has one brother, Korbyn. She is the granddaughter of David and Frances Taylor and LaVon Simpson and the late James Simpson of Matador. She is a 7th grader at Motley County Jr High School.

Kyla enjoys roping with her Paupaw, riding her horse, Rainbow, and playing basketball.

Courtney Leigh Alexander is the 14 year old daughter of LeJeanna and Rick Faulks of Matador and Jerry and Linda Alexander of Lubbock. She has a brother, Matthew. She is the granddaughter of Leadell Martin of Matador and the late Ewell Gene Martin, and Becky and Marshall McGalliard of Spur.

Courtney is a freshman at Motley County High School where she serves as a Varsity Cheerleader. She has been named to the UCA All-Star Cheerleading squad for three years. She is also a member of 4-H and received Showmanship in Goats. She enjoys basketball, track, golf and power tumbling. She was named 8th grade Valedictorian. She enjoys riding and working with her horse, talking on the phone and spending time

with friends.

Ashley Vickery is the 17 year old daughter of Craig and Patti Hagar of Spur. She is the granddaughter of J.W. and the late Jean Vickery of Afton and C.V. and Nancy Hagar of Girard and the great-granddaughter of Lila Smitley of Girard.

Ashley is currently a senior at Patton Springs High School. She is active in FFA, 4-H, and

Basketball. She enjoys spending time with her family and friends, riding around with friends, working with her show pigs, and going to rodeos and dances on the weekends.

If you would like to purchase a ticket on the set of spurs, contact the queen candidate of your choice, and be sure to attend the Ranch Rodeo at Roaring Springs next weekend.

School board meets

by Tina Brooks,
School Board reporter

The Motley County ISD Board of Trustees met Monday, August 8 for a regular scheduled meeting. All board members were present with the exception of Ted Davey. Also present were Superintendent Randy Brown, Denise Ford, and Principal Marilyn Hicks.

The invocation was given by Mr. Brown.

No one was present for open forum.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The list of expenditures was read and approved for payment.

The board voted to hold a budget workshop, August 15, at 7:30 p.m.

Bids for the Roaring Springs property were opened and reviewed. The board accepted the bid from Jean E. Cook.

Only one bid was received for the 2005-06 Fuel contracts. The board approved awarding the bid to Cornelius Oil Company.

One bid was received for the 2005-06 L.P.G. contracts. Board approved the bid from Marshall Bros. Propane.

Carson Insurance was awarded the property insurance bid for the 2005-06 school year.

A contract with Schwartz and Eichelbaum, school attorneys for the 2005-06 year was reviewed and accepted.

A facility use contract was reviewed and tabled until revisions can be made.

Changes to the Student Code of Conduct Telecommunications policy as recommended by the Attorneys was accepted.

The board accepted a new transfer student policy with one correction.

A resolution to accept the cancellation of delinquent valorem taxes on 11 lots in Motley County and to allow the property back on the tax roll was accepted.

Mrs. Hicks reported that Motley County ISD is a Recognized School District for the third year. With a 100% passing on the writing section of the TAKS test.

The staff worked hard to get ready for back to school. The staff is working on a Positive Behavior Intervention Program, which has been implemented in various schools in order to focus on the positive things not just in school, but in life.

Mr. Brown checked into pricing a suburban for the Flomot bus route as asked by the board. He recommended that at this time the school not purchase a vehicle. After driving the routes, Mr. Brown feels that the Flomot bus route can be combined into one route.

Mr. Brown reported that he had accepted the resignation of Marsha Dillard as the Special

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School's back in session New superintendent impressed with MCISD

Motley County School is back in session with a new Superintendent, Randy Brown. Mr. Brown says he very impressed with Motley County ISD, the facilities and technology the school has available.

"A lot of schools, larger than Motley County, don't have the technology this school has," he said.

Mr. Brown comes to Motley County from Levelland where he was the Elementary Principal at Capitol Elementary School.

Mr. Brown is a 1986 graduate from Levelland High School. He attended Eastern New Mexico University where he played football, defensive tackle, four years. He received his Bachelor's degree from ENMU and began his teaching career at New Deal, where he taught History and Coached.

He has also taught PE, Health and his favorite subject, Geography, in Bastrop, Fort Stockton, North Mesquite High School, before moving back to Levelland.

After returning to Levelland he served as Assistant High School Principal before going to Capitol Elementary as principal.

Brown and his wife, Andrea, have one son, Zachary, 4, a Pre-K student at MC ISD.

Mrs. Brown is a native of Quitaque. She is a very busy woman, working part time at South Plains College as a Nursing Instructor. She is an RN and is currently attending Texas Tech University working to complete her Masters Degree in Nursing Education.

"We have been very impressed with Matador and Motley County and the friendly people here. Everyone has made us feel welcome," Brown said. "A lot of small towns like Matador have buildings that are crumbling and falling apart, but

Matador is neat and clean and that impressed us very much."

"Motley County ISD is a good school with a lot of potential. It's very important to make school fun, a place where the students and the staff look forward to coming everyday. With so many mandates and accountability requirements, which are not fun, it's so important to make a conscience effort to make school fun," Brown expressed.

"It's important that we, as a school, make everybody feel welcome, the parents, visitors and the students. We hope to build relationships with the parents and make everyone feel a part of the school. "It's a great accomplishment to be acknowledged as a Recognized School for three years. That is something the entire community should be very proud of. Only 25-30% of schools in the entire state of Texas receive Recognized status."

"We're pleased with enrollment," Brown continued. On Monday, the first day of school, enrollment was at 158. Last year's enrollment on the first day was 154. We are expecting more students, who were unable to be here the first days for various reasons, to enroll soon," he said.

"We're glad to be a part of this community and the school," Mr. Brown concluded.

MCISD will celebrate their Recognized Status with a "Celebration Walk," Friday, August 26. The entire school will walk to town and gather on the Courthouse lawn for a program, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Mayor Westbrook will speak and a band is tentatively being planned to perform. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to the celebration in honor of Motley County ISD.



NEW SUPERINTENDENT — Mr. Randy Brown is the new Superintendent at Motley County ISD. He says he and his family are glad to be in Matador and he is looking forward to a great year.

Matador cowboys will meet for annual reunion

The annual Matador Cowboy Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 27, at the Roaring Springs Community Volunteer Center, located across from the Old Settlers grounds.

Director, Ed D. Smith said, "All Matador Ranch employees (current and ex) and friends are invited to the reunion, which will open mid-morning and close when no one can think of an-

other pitchin' horse story."

Tea and coffee will be provided, but no dinner or program is planned. Bring old pictures and prepare for a good day of visiting in the air conditioned building or open air, covered pavilion.

For more information contact Mr. Smith at 806-348-7272, home, or 806-347-2334, work.



I received this email from a friend. I think I have run something similar to this in the past, but with this week being 'back to school' week, I thought this would be fun to share.

THE GOOD OLD DAYS....

* My Mom used to cut chicken, chop eggs and spread mayo on the same cutting board with the same knife and no bleach, but we didn't seem to get food poisoning.

* My Mom used to defrost hamburger on the counter, and I used to eat it raw sometimes too, our school sandwiches were wrapped in wax paper in a brown paper bag not in ice pack coolers, but I can't remember getting e-coli.

* Almost all of us would rather go swimming in the lake instead of a pristine pool, no beach closures then.

* The term cell phone would have conjured up a phone in a jail cell, and a pager was the school PA system.

* We all took gym, not PE ... and risked permanent injury with a pair of high top Keds (only worn in gym) instead of having cross-training athletic shoes with air cushion soles and built in light reflectors. I can't recall any injuries but they must have happened because they tell us how much safer we are now.

* Flunking gym was not an option...even for stupid kids! I guess PE must be much harder than gym.

* Every year, someone taught the whole school a lesson (and provided comic relief) by running in the halls with leather soles on linoleum tile and hitting the wet spot. How much better off would we be today if we only knew we could have sued the school system.

* Speaking of school, we all said prayers and sang the national anthem and staying in detention after school caught all sorts of negative attention. We must have had horribly damaged psyches.

* I can't understand it. Schools didn't offer 14 year olds an abortion or condoms (we wouldn't have known what either was anyway).

* I thought that I was supposed to accomplish something before I was allowed to be proud of myself.

* I just can't recall how bored we were without computers, Play Station, Nintendo, X-box or 270 digital TV cable stations.

* I must be repressing that memory as I try to rationalize through the denial of the dangers that could have befallen us as we trekked off each day about a mile down the road to some

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Motley County Chamber of Commerce News & Views



By Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort

Consider: Nature creates ability; luck provides it with opportunity.

- Francois LaRochefoucauld (1613-1680)

When the Chamber of Commerce sent out the yearly letter and the request for the membership dues, a survey was included. With it, it was hoped that some useful suggestions could be compiled for businesses that people would like to see or other activities that would improve the county.

Many people mentioned the clean-up project and the work done restoring Bob's Oil Well, so these compliments must be passed on to all those involved in these projects. Many hours of work went into both, but all the hard workers need to know that their efforts have not gone unnoticed and are much appreciated.

The next item that received by far the most comment in the surveys was the topic of restaurants in the area. Of course they exist, but it was pointed out that it would be good if they could cooperate and set up schedules so that they are not all open at the same times (and, as a consequence, closed at the same time). If the hours are staggered, they would not always be indirect competition, and the customers would have more choice.

The second point that was

made ever so often was that it would be important to have at least one restaurant in Matador open on Sunday. Some would love to have a restaurant open for breakfast on Sunday morning, others commented that just having a restaurant open at any time would be beneficial. Again, this might be an opportunity for cooperation, with restaurants trading off each Sunday.

The point was also made that, particularly during hunting season, there would be an opportunity for a restaurant-entrepreneur to make a mint by staying open during hunting season later than 8 p.m. That would provide a service to the hunters that come here from out of town.

And then there was a topic of the missing bakery. Admittedly, the county has a small population base, but this seems an ideal idea for someone who can bake and loves to do it. Personal experience has shown that there are many here who have the ability.

But, how could it be made to work? Perhaps several people could work together, perhaps along the lines of a co-op, and make some kind of arrangement with, say, one of the restaurants, to put up a display case where several people could display their baked goods, and gradually learn what it is the public wants, what could sell, and at what price. That way, no one person would have to do all the baking and run a store as well, and, with luck, we could all see what could develop. Just an idea.

The Word of Our God



There is a privilege that comes with "being made a little lower than the angels." Responsibility. That is the privilege. We are responsible before God. The Word of God tells us in Hebrews 9:27 of a reception or confrontation. After death we will meet with God.

The fact is that most of us enjoy responsibility. We were created for it. We should examine God's Word to insure ourselves that we are living according to God's precepts. We are responsible for our own behavior. The good news is that His Holy Word our guide and source of reliable knowledge of God. God's Word endures and so also does His great promises. Listen to the Word from God:

"The grass withes and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever." Isaiah 40:8

In Isaiah 40: 6-8 the prophet seeks to comfort Israel by telling them that the things around them will pass away but God's Word will not. This also comforts us today. It means that God's promises, His love, and His devotion to His children will never pass away. We enjoy the privilege of remaining close to God through His Word.

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

BIBLE STUDY, 10:00 A.M.

WORSHIP, 9:00 A.M.

Library Notes



by Suzanne Abbott, Librarian

We appreciate the memorial donations that the Library has recently received. We thank Ron and Kay Bailey for their donation in memory of Earline Vaughn and Jerry Green. We also thank Bob and Wanda Kilmer for their donation in memory of Darrel Woolsey.

The Friends of the Library fund-raiser, the famous Rootin' Tootin' Beans and Corn Bread will take place on Friday, August 26, from 11:30 to 1:30. All you can eat for a donation! Again, this year you will be served by Motley County Celebrities. This year the Rootin' Tootin' Beans will be served in the Friends' new building, next door to the Library. Please plan to take part in this fun event. Bring a friend!

We will set up for the beans and cornbread fund raiser on Tuesday, August 23 at 9:00 a.m. If anyone would like to help, please come to the Library Annex building at that time. We need lots of help!

The Library receives, each week, the Wall Street Journal from an anonymous donor. The Wednesday, August 3, issue features, in the middle column, the Bison herd at Caprock Canyon State Park. Come in and read this and other interesting items in the Journal. There is always something unusual in "the middle column."

Tee Time



by Judy

Ladies Play Day, Thursday, August 11, was for Most Bogies. Playing 18 holes were Jean H., Geneva and Louise. Glenna played 9 holes with the morning ladies. Jean H. won with 9 bogies.

Playing 9 holes that afternoon were Tommye, Frances, Brandy, Marihelen, and Tempie. Frances and Glenna tied with 6 bogies each.

18 ft. 2 in. won Conway closest to the pin on #6 in the Tuesday Scramble, August 9.

First place, with a score of 28, were Tommye, Frances, Conway, Crawford and Stan.

Second place, with a score of 29, were Tempie, Aaron, Jim, Garland and Judy.

Third place, with a score of 30, were Kenny, Liv, Sut, Fran, Brandon and Kay Bingham.

Others playing were Billy, Fredia, Billy Roy, Paige, Cody, Larry, Reagan, Bill, Kay, Paul, Dartha, Shawn, Shonda, Darrell, Daevin, Joy, Derick, Virginia and Matt.

PROOF OF THE TRUTH

BY TOM EDWARDS

THE FIRST AMENDMENT IS NOT A GRANT OR GUARANTEE OF RIGHTS!

The above statement tends to give the impression to certain members of society, particularly the press and ACLU, but it is nevertheless true. Even courts speak of rights, "guaranteed" by the First Amendment, and that's rubbish. Some Constitutional Amendments are a grant of rights, but the First isn't. Here's why.

Though much debate has been had on this point, it isn't debatable. The First Amendment, which addresses "freedoms" of religion, speech, press, and assembly, begins with "Congress shall make no law," and the Tenth Amendment reserves that lawmaking power to the States, exactly as Jefferson's 1804 and 1808 letters said.

This is critical to understanding the Framers' original intent. If the First Amendment was intended to be a grant of rights (a "substantive" statement of law), it would have said something like "No law shall be made infringing upon the freedom of religion, speech, press, or assembly," or "The freedom of religion, speech, etc., shall remain inviolate," but it doesn't! It says, "CONGRESS shall make no law." How plain.

This is also critical. There's a world of difference between a "substantive" statement of law (what the law on a subject is) and "jurisdictional" statement of law (who can make it). "Jurisdiction" is the "power to act."

How much plainer could a statement of "no-jurisdiction" be than a statement that the only "authorized" Federal law-making body "shall make no law" upon certain subjects?

Perhaps an easier way to understand this is to take the First Amendment's religion clauses, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof," and substitute "highway speed" in place of "religion," and see what we get. Are we told what the highway speed is? No. Is there a grant to freely speed? No! It simply says that Congress has no jurisdictional power to legislate (make law) on highway speed.

So, the next time someone hollers, "That's a violation of my Constitutional right to freedom of speech (or press)," tell them "It's not in the Constitution," and get ready for an argument. The general public is quite clueless on these matters.

The First Amendment is thus only a limited protection of certain perceived rights via "no jurisdiction" "Federal" lawmaking preclusions. But, under the Constitution, can anybody else make law on First Amendment subjects? Certainly. The States can, as the Framers intended. But, the Supreme Court says, "No." Will we continue to take it?



Betty Jean Swepton & Hal Vance Campbell
Wed July 21, 1945

Couple celebrates 60th wedding anniversary

To celebrate the Campbell's 60th Wedding Anniversary, a Triple T Smokehouse steak dinner was hosted by Polly Campbell, Wes and Lynn Campbell and Cheryl and Mike Stark. Present were Betty and Vance's grandchildren: Jason and Anna Campbell, Donna and husband, John Protsman, Wesley and wife, Tracy Campbell, Sonya Campbell, Vance and wife, Marilyn Stark, and Tracie Lyons. Also present were the great-grandchildren: Devin, Virginia and Kendra, Braydon and Kortney, Robert and Kristie. Special guests were Steve Thomas and Kimberly Jones.

Arts & Crafts news
By Winifred Darsey

Motley County Arts and Crafts Club found that "History does repeat itself," Monday, August 1, when it enjoyed another remarkable class on painting.

Vee Gordon taught the class to paint on terra-cotta flower pots and make a lovely wind-chime for garden or patio. The results were very attractive and a delight to make.

President Joy Archer held a business meeting at 10:00 o'clock. Plans are continuing for the Fall Bazaar, which will be held November 12, the antique quilt, and future club events.

The members dined at noon with the Senior Citizens and enjoyed beef tips with brown gravy, hominy, brussel sprouts, carrot sticks, cornbread and peach cobbler. It was delicious and plentiful.

Members present were Joy Archer, Vee Gordon, Dorothy Day, Joyce Meredith and granddaughter, Angelica Meredith, and Winifred Darsey.

Lorene Lancaster assisted by Joyce Meredith, will teach a class how to paint and decorate a wooden yardstick for the September meeting. See you there!

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

Proverbs 24: 14

Look Who's New



Cade Aaron Calvert

Cindy and Chad Calvert of Bogota, Colombia are proud to announce the arrival of a baby son, Cade Aaron, born Monday, July 18, 2005, at 7:44 p.m. at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. He weighed six pounds, seven ounces and was

20 inches long. Welcoming the new arrival were grandparents, Mrs. Wanda Calvert of Turkey, Ray Calvert, and Kathy and Clois Shorter of Flomot. Great grandparents are Alma and Everett Shorter and Mrs. Geneva Martin if Flomot.

FLOMOT CHURCH OF CHRIST GOSPEL MEETING

AUGUST 17-21

FEATURING EVANGELIST DEE TEAL OF PLAINVIEW

WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY

Gospel Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Morning Gospel Meeting - 10:30 a.m.
Lunch at Community Center - 12 noon
Afternoon Gospel Meeting - 2:00 p.m.

For more information call Darrell Cruse at 469-5385 or Donnie Cruse at 469-5318

The children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren of **Jr. & Betty Bearden** wish to announce their upcoming **60th Anniversary** August 22, 2005
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La Esperanza Oil Company makes donation to Motley County Sr. Citizens

La Esperanza Oil Company made an \$1,800 donation to the Motley County Senior Citizens organization in May. Chief Executive Officer, Nancy L. Shockey, said, "It really touched our hearts when we read that the Senior Citizens Center in Matador provides meals five days a week and also has meals on wheels for those who are not able to come into the Center."

"After learning that the population in Motley County is made up of mostly older citizens

that exist off their social security checks and that these funds were necessary for the operations, we answered the call for help."

La Esperanza Oil & Gas, LLC, is an independent US based Oil and Gas Development and Exploration Company, with offices in Arlington and Floydada. The company has leased in excess of 353,000 gross mineral acres in the Palo Duro Basin, with over 250,000 net mineral acres.

Board member, Judy Renfro, said, "These funds are a big help. The Center is not 100% government funded, and we have to have fund-raisers to make up the difference. This year SPAG added an administrative fee of over \$1800, which had to be paid by September. It takes several fund-raisers to clear \$1800. We are so thankful to the donation from La Esperanza and Nancy Shockey."

Parent's Club plans & projects

by Mary Ann Potts



The M.C. Parent's Club of officers want to welcome all students, teachers and administrators back to school. We anticipate the 2005-2006 school year will be the best year yet at MCS. Also, we want to extend a warm welcome to Randy Brown, our new superintendent, and his family.

On Thursday, August 11, 2005, the M.C. Parent's Club held an officer's meeting to discuss upcoming school activities and to set a regular monthly meeting schedule. We want all parents and teachers to mark their calendars for the second

Monday of each month. September 12 at 5:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria is our first official club meeting. The more parents and teachers we have involved in our club the better our school year will be.

Also, the Motley County Matador Football Team will have their first home game on Friday, September 2. Please come out and support our kids. M.C. Parent's Club will operate the concession stand and volunteers are needed for the evening.

And, just for your information, all those Lowe's Register

Receipts that were collected during the last school year, purchased much needed laminating paper and a variety of rotary cutters for this year. Also, MCS received a check from General Mills Box Tops for \$233.55. Thank you all for contributing to the future success of our school. Please continue to save Lowe's Register Receipts dated Sept. 1, 2005 - March 30, 2006. Also, MCS will continue to collect Box Tops this year. More information about upcoming contests will be sent home this week.

Have a great year.

School Menu

MONDAY, AUGUST 22

Breakfast: Biscuit, Sausage, Gravy, or Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Bean & Beef Burrito, Salad, Corn, Tortilla Chips, Sherbet, Milk.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, or Cereal, Toast, Pears, Milk.

Lunch: Salisbury Steak, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, California Blend, Biscuit, Honey, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Corn Dog, Baked Beans, Salad, Pickle Spear, Chocolate Pudding, Milk.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

NO SCHOOL!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

Breakfast: Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, or Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Hamburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Potato Chips, 1/2 Apple, Cookie, Milk.

Picket Fence

guy's vacant lot, built forts out of branches and pieces of plywood, made trails, and fought over who got to be the Lone Ranger. What was that property owner thinking, letting us play on that lot? He should have been locked up for not putting up a fence around the property, complete with a self-closing gate and an infrared intruder alarm.

* O yeah...and where was the Benadryl and sterilization kit when I got that bee sting? I could have been killed!

* We played king of the hill on piles of gravel left on vacant construction sites and when we got hurt, Mom pulled out the 48¢ bottle of Mercurochrome (kids liked it better because it didn't sting like iodine did) and then we got spanked. Now it's a trip to the emergency room followed by a 10-day dose of a \$49 bottle of antibiotics and then Mom calls the attorney to sue the contractor for leaving a horribly vicious pile of gravel where it was such a threat.

* We didn't act up at a neighbor's house either because if we did, we got a good spanking (physical abuse) there too and then we got spanked again when we got home.

* Mom invited the door to door salesman inside for coffee, kids choked down the dust from the gravel driveway while playing with tonka trucks (Remember why Tonka trucks were made tough... it wasn't so that they could take the rough Berber in the family room), and Dad drove a car with leaded gas.

* Our music had to be left inside when we went out to play and I am sure that I nearly exhausted my imagination a couple of times when we went on two week vacations. I should probably sue the folks now for the danger they put us in when we all slept in campgrounds in the family tent.

* Summers were spent behind the push lawn mower and I didn't even know that mowers came with motors until I was 13 and we got one without an automatic blade-stop or an auto-drive. How sick were my parents? Of course my parents weren't the only psychos. I recall the kid from next door coming over and doing his tricks on the front stoop just before he fell off. Little did his Mom know that she could have owned our house. Instead she picked him up and swatted him for being such a goof. It was a neighborhood run amuck.

* To top it off, not a single person I knew had ever been told that they were from a dysfunctional family. How could we possibly have known that? We needed to get into group therapy and anger management classes!

* We were obviously so duped by so many societal ills, that we didn't even notice that the entire country wasn't taking Prozac! How did we ever survive?

Love to all who shared this era!!



Ah'm goin' to get me some of them Rootin' Tootin' Beans!

Beans & Cornbread!
All you can eat!

Served by:

Motley County Celebrities

When: Friday of Old Settlers

August 26, 2005

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Motley County Library Annex

Donations gratefully accepted.

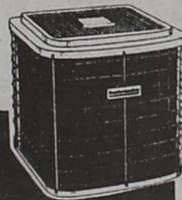
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BANKERS PETROLEUM ISSUES PRIVATE AND PUBLIC APOLOGY AND DISMISSES LAWSUIT FILED AGAINST LA ESPERANZA OIL & GAS, LLC AND NANCY SHOCKEY

July 26, 2005, Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. today issued a private and public apology and all parties dismissed all claims in the lawsuit filed July 6, 2005, in the 110th District Court, Floyd County, Texas against La Esperanza Oil & Gas and Nancy Shockey. Mr. Ford Nicholson, President of Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. stated in the apology that, "In the hearing held in Floydada on Monday, July 18, 2005, it became apparent that due to misinformation and miscommunications, some claims were erroneously stated in Bankers' pleadings filed in the lawsuit. It certainly appears to me that the facts revealed at the hearing exonerate La Esperanza and Nancy Shockey from many of the allegations of wrongdoing."

"Bankers hereby congratulates La Esperanza on its monumental efforts in the Palo Duro Basin Shale Play. La Esperanza has successfully acquired 50,000 Net Mineral Acres from a U.S. public company, then leased an additional 150,000 Gross Mineral Acres beginning in the summer of 2004 through March 2005, and then leased an additional 153,000 Gross Mineral Acres in the Shale Play in Briscoe, Motley, and Floyd Counties. These extraordinary results are to the mutual benefit of both La Esperanza and Bankers, and the company has the highest regard for La Esperanza's achievements in the Palo Duro Basin Shale Play."

La Esperanza has accepted the apology and both parties have agreed to settle the lawsuit and resolve any existing disputes they have, and move ahead in their respective future business activities.

Bankers at this time would also like to clarify that the above acreage mentioned equals about 255,000 net acres.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2005 — SALE TIME 10:00 A.M.

LOCATED: From Lubbock, Texas, 35 miles East on FR 40, then 8 miles South on FR 651; or from Crosbyton, Texas, 15 miles South on FR 651; or from Post, Texas, 23 miles North on FR 651; or from Spur, Texas, 23 miles West on FR 2794, then 1 mile South on FR 651; or from White River Lake, 8 miles West on FR 2794, then 1 mile South on FR 651.

Eaton Ranch Co. -- Owner

We have sold our ranch and will sell the following at Public Auction. Call Ron Eaton (806) 263-4598 or Bobby Fletcher & Company Auctioneers (806) 866-4201

VEHICLES - DITCH WITCH

1 - 1980 Ford F350 Truck with Flatbed, 4 sp Trans
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1 - Commuter 3 Wheeler, Gasoline Power

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1 - 1997 WW Gooseneck 6 ft x 20 ft Cattle Trailer, FMC, TA, Center Gate, 8 hole Wheels
1 - Felps Gooseneck 6 ft x 24 ft Cattle Trailer, FMC, TA, Center Gate, 6 hole wheels, Covered Nose Compartment
1 - Shop Made 5 ft x 16 ft OT Cattle Trailer, TA, Bow Top

UTILITY TRAILERS

1 - Gooseneck 24 ft. Flatbed Trailer, Triple Axle, 6 hole wheels, Steel Floor
1 - Factory 5 ft x 16 ft Utility Trailer, BP

SQUEEZE CHUTE & CATTLE WORKING TUB

1 - Priefert Cattle Squeeze Chute, Near New
2 - Priefert Palpatin Cages
1 - Model 700 Land Bar with Scale Platform
1 - Model 702 True Test Scale, Electronic ID Capable
1 - Priefert Slide Gate
1 - Priefert 180 Degree Cattle Tub

RANCH HORSES

(Contact Tom Taylor 806-675-0215)
1 - 6 year old Sorrel Grade Mare, Good Handle, Drug Calves to Fire, used in all aspects of Ranch Work
1 - 4 year old Buckskin Grade Mare, Halter Broke, Saddled Several Times, Bred to Foal in April or May
1 - 4 year old Bay Grade Mare, raised on Navajo Indian Reservation, Bred to Foal in April or May
1 - 2 year old Bay Grade Mare, raised on Navajo Indian Reservation, Bred to Foal in April or May

PORTABLE WELDER - COOKER

1 - Miller Bluestar 2E A4D Portable Welder with Leads on 2 wheel Trailer
1 - Bar-B-Que Cooker/Smoker with Fish Fryer, Bean Pot Mounted on 2 Wheel Trailer

CATTLE FEEDERS & PANELS

4 - Portable Cattle Feeders, approx 5 ton Capacity, TA
1 - Portable Cattle Feeder, approx 2 ton Capacity, SA
3 - Bulk Cattle Self Feeders
3 - 24 ft Metal Cattle Feeders with Hay Rack

NEW & USED LUMBER

10 - 4" x 4" Landscape Timbers
162 - 2" x 8" Lumber 8 ft.
16 - 2" x 8" Lumber 10 ft.
12 - 2" x 6" Lumber 10 ft.
44 - 2" x 4" Lumber 16 ft.
78 - 2" x 4" Lumber 14 ft.
40 - 1" x 4" Lumber 12 ft.

TRAILERS

5 - 24 ft. Cobay Cotton Trailers Rigged to feed burrs to Cattle
1 - 24 ft. Big 12 Cotton Trailer Rigged to Feed Burrs to Cattle
3 - Pickup Bed Trailers, SA
1 - 2 wheel 6 ft. Trailer Chassis
1 - 2 wheel 5 ft. FB Trailer, Sa, Metal Floor

1 - 2 wheel 4 ft. FB Trailer, Sa, Wood Floor

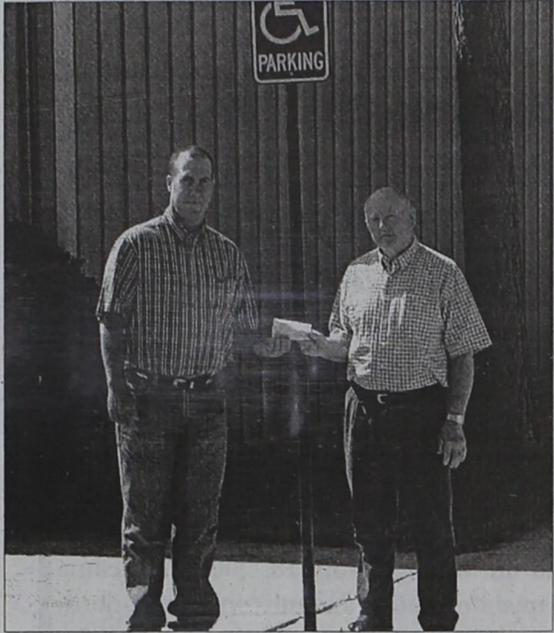
RANCH SUPPLIES

2 - 500 gallon Overhead Fuel Tanks with Stands
1 - 500 gallon Metal Pressure Tank for Water
1 - 12 ft Fiberglass Stock Tank
2 - Single Hole Hog Feeders
1 - Lot 8 ft Metal Feed Troughs
1 - 10 ft Metal Feed Trough with Hay Bunk
1 - 16 ft 42" Cattle Panels, Welded Wire
4 - 20 ft Welded Wire Goat Panels
4 - 16 ft Welded Wire Hog Panels
200 - Cedar Fence Stays
1 - Lot 6 ft Bull Wire
1 - Lot Mesh Wire
1 - Lot Tee Posts
1 - Bow Hunter Tri Pod
1 - Lot Re Bar Fence Posts
45 - Sheets 20 ft. Used Tin for Bldg.
1 - 20 ft Auger with Electric Motor
1 - Lot Sucker Rods, 3/4"
1 - Lot Scrap Pipe
1 - 24 ft 6" Channel Iron
1 - Lot 1", 1 1/4", 1 1/2" Conduit
1 - 35 Lot Telephone Corner Post
5 - Railroad Cross Ties
1 - 16 ft Pasture Aererator
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HANDICAP RAMP — Ted Davey, Motley County representative for 4-Winds RC&D (Rural Conservation Development), presents Matador Mayor Paul Westbrook with a check for the new handicap ramp at City Hall. RC&D is a non-profit organization to develop rural Texas.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Carla,

I recently read this information in one of my Christian magazines. I wanted to share it with your readers. We should all support our troops.

Operation Bless Our Troops

You can share the love of Jesus Christ with troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. If you have friends or family stationed in these areas, send their names and addresses, by October 1, to Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, Attn: Operation Bless Our Troops, 1 Billy Graham Parkway, Charlotte, NC 28201. A care package will be shipped to the soldier containing Now and Always: Songs of Hope and praise on CD and Billy Graham's feature movie Last Flight Out on DVD.

This packet will not only bless your loved ones, it will minister to those around them as they listen to the music or watch the film. A gift of \$10 or more will help cover the cost of sending a care package to one service member.

More information is available at www.billygraham.org.

Thank you for allowing me to share this information.

Dan Barton



ROARING SPRINGS AUGUST YARD OF THE MONTH — Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Fairley received recognition from the Texas Highway 70 Association for their yard in Roaring Springs, as the August Yard of the Month.



MATADOR AUGUST YARD OF THE MONTH — Larry and Vickie Pierce's yard received the "yard of the month" title for August in Matador.

IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE MOTLEY-DICKENS COUNTY OLD SETTLERS REUNION & RANCH RODEO

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We are proud to announce the Third Annual

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Double Elimination Tournament starts at 1:00 p.m.

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Books will close at 12:30 p.m. to complete brackets

Entry Fee - \$30 per team

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All money from Entry Fees will be returned in Prize Money to the first three places.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

Russell Alexander (806) 348-7958

If there is enough time and interest, a Single Elimination Jackpot Tournament may be held after the competition.

Matador men compete at Silvertown Lawnmower races

Four Matador men competed at last weekend's Lawnmower Race and Pull in Silvertown. The day was a success in spite of the hot and muggy weather.

Alvin Martin of Matador received first place in the Pull competition. Second place went to Able Asebedo of Silvertown. Other contestants were Odell Edwards, Gary McMullen and James McMorris of Silvertown and Ray Martin of Matador.

A crowd pleaser was a lawn tractor with a motorcycle engine brought in by Travis and

Justin Jameson from Matador as an exhibition.

The Lawnmower races were won by J.C. Pigg of Quitaque; second place went to Jr. Leal of Quitaque. Tricia Curry of Silvertown donated the use of her tractor to pull the sled back.

Also helping with the event were Clayton, J.C. and Blake Pigg from Quitaque, Jackie Lynn from Silvertown and D-Cat Trucking and Ben Pigg of Silvertown who donated their time and use of their truck.

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50-280 (Rev. 4-001)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The MOTLEY COUNTY I.S.D. will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. AUGUST 29, 2005 in THE MOTLEY COUNTY I.S.D. BOARDROOM. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

| | Maintenance & Operations | Interest & Sinking Fund* | Total | Local Revenue Per Student | State Revenue Per Student |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Last Year's Rate | \$ 1,495.94 | \$.00 | \$ 1,495.94 | \$ 11,647.00 | \$ 3,510.00 |
| Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service | \$ 1,530.33 | \$.00 | \$ 1,530.33 | \$ 6,138.00 | \$ 3,196.00 |
| Proposed Rate | \$ 1,500.00 | \$.00 | \$ 1,500.00 | \$ 5,950.00 | \$ 3,196.00 |

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

| | Last Year | This Year |
|---|--------------|---------------------|
| Average Market Value of Residences | \$ 15,909.66 | \$ 17,409.57 |
| Average Taxable Value of Residences | \$ 909.66 | \$ 2,409.57 |
| Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value | \$ 1.49595 | \$ 1.50000 |
| Taxes Due on Average Residence | \$ 13.60 | \$ 36.14 |
| Increase (Decrease) in Taxes | | \$ 22.54 (INCREASE) |

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person, if the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.64873. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.64873.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) | \$ 175,894.00 |
| Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s) | \$.00 |

50-211 (Rev. 07-05/7)

2005 Property Tax Rates in MOTLEY COUNTY

This notice concerns 2005 property tax rates for MOTLEY COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

| | General Fund | Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund | Special Road/ Bridge Fund |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Last year's tax rate: | | | |
| Last year's operating taxes | \$ 487,552.39 | \$ | \$ |
| Last year's debt taxes | \$.00 | \$ | \$ |
| Last year's total taxes | \$ 487,552.39 | \$ | \$ |
| Last year's tax base | \$ 3,037,687.00 | \$ | \$ |
| Last year's total tax rate | \$.77343 /\$100 | \$ /\$100 | \$ /\$100 |

This year's effective tax rate:

| | | | |
|---|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property) | \$ 487,169.99 | \$ | \$ |
| + This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property) | \$ 64,507,140.00 | \$ | \$ |
| = This year's effective tax rate for each fund | \$.75521 /\$100 | \$ /\$100 | \$ /\$100 |
| Total effective tax rate | \$.75521 /\$100 | | |

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)

This year's rollback tax rate:

| | | | |
|--|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures) | \$ 487,169.99 | \$ | \$ |
| + This year's adjusted tax base | \$ 64,507,140.00 | \$ | \$ |
| = This year's effective rate | \$.75521 /\$100 | \$ /\$100 | \$ /\$100 |
| x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate | \$.81562 /\$100 | \$ /\$100 | \$ /\$100 |
| + This year's debt rate | \$.00 /\$100 | \$ /\$100 | \$ /\$100 |
| = This year's rollback rate for each fund | \$.81562 /\$100 | \$ /\$100 | \$ /\$100 |
| This year's total rollback rate | \$.81562 /\$100 | | |

50-183 (Rev. 07-04/1)

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If MOTLEY COUNTY adopts a 2005 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of .75521 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2004 taxes by \$ 2,108.02

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

| Type of Property Tax Fund | Balance |
|---------------------------|---------|
| | .00 |

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at MOTLEY CO. TAX A/C OFFICE, COURTHOUSE, MATADOR, TEXAS

Name of person preparing this notice: ELAINE HART
Title: MOTLEY COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR
Date prepared: AUGUST 13, 2005

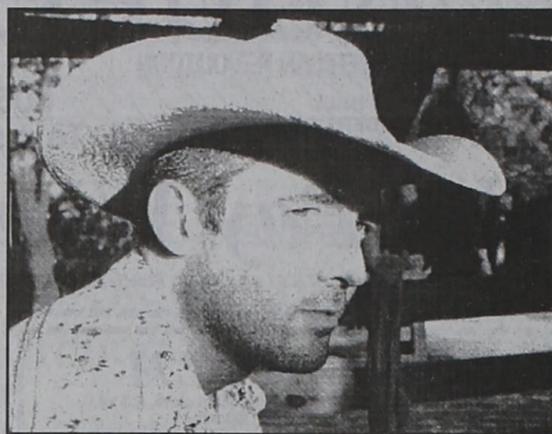
Hometown Nashville recording artist named to Hottest Bachelor list

Trent Willmon, this area's "hometown Nashville Star," has been named to the Hottest Bachelor's list in *Country Weekly Magazine*, which claims to be the world's number one selling country entertainment magazine.

Willmon, 32, a graduate of Patton Springs High School, is scheduled to perform at the Spur Homecoming celebration, Saturday, August 20, at 7:00 p.m.

The magazine featured a half-page layout of Willmon with a picture and information. The article stated that Willmon's loves are Team Roping, being on the water and cooking. He won a Tennessee chili-cooking championship. His dream woman would be a redhead, blonde or brunette. He said, "Seriously, someone easy-going like I am, and low maintenance. But, since I'm not the perfect man, I'm not sure I have the right to be demanding that I find the perfect woman."

The magazine's article said this divorced father of one is definitely open to walking down the aisle again. "Absolutely, he



exclaimed. "Right now, I don't have any plans along those lines at all, but if the right woman came along, I'd definitely be receptive to it. But she would have to be an understanding woman with me gone as much as I am."

Others named to the list included Keith Urban as number one; Joe Nichols, 2; Keith Ander-

son, 3; Dierks Bentley, 4; Jeff Bates, 5; Ira Dean, 6; Billy Currington, 7; John Rich, 8; Trent Willmon, 9; Keith Burks, 10; Blaine Larsen, 11; Jon Randall, 12; Dwight Yoakum, Jimmy Wayne, and Shooter Jennings.

Tickets are still available for Willmon's concert in Spur.



A DIP BEFORE SCHOOL — Jonah Meredith leaps with excitement as he enjoys a last summer dip in the Roaring Springs Ranch swimming pool. Motley County kids went back to school Monday, bringing a close to the lazy days of summer. Jonah lives in Las Vegas, NV and will start school August 29. He is visiting his grandparents, Joe and Joyce Meredith in Roaring Springs for Summer vacation.

photo by Carla Meador

PUBLIC HEARING

The Motley County Commissioners' Court will be in session in a Public Hearing Monday, August 29, 2005, at 8:30 a.m. at the Motley County Courthouse, Commissioners' Courtroom, 701 Dundee, Matador, Texas, for the purpose of adopting the budget for Fiscal Year 2005-2006.

The 2005-2006 Proposed Budget has been filed in the County Clerk's Office and may be inspected during normal business hours.

Notice of Public Hearing On Tax Increase

Last year, the Motley County property tax rate was \$.77343/\$100. That rate raised \$487,552.39, a portion of which was used to fund operations such as:

- Road and Bridge maintenance
- Courthouse Services
- Criminal Court
- Probate Court
- Library Services
- Senior Citizens

This year, Motley County is proposing a property tax rate of \$.80/\$100. That Rate would raise \$518,699.74, which is \$31,147.35 more than the taxes imposed last year.

There will be two public hearings to consider that increase. The first public hearing will be held on Monday, August 29, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom in the Motley County Courthouse at 701 Dundee, Matador, Texas. The second hearing will be held on Friday, September 2, 2005, at 8:30 a.m. at Commissioners' Courtroom, Motley County Courthouse, 701 Dundee, Matador, Texas.

You have a right to attend the hearings and make comments. You are encouraged to attend and make comments if you wish.

Join us for a "Party in the Park" Swenson Park - Spur, Texas Saturday, August 20 7:00 p.m.

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School Board

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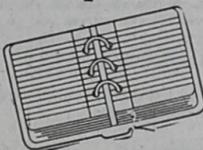
Ed education aide. Brittany Moore has been hired to fill that position. Mr. Brown and the Superintendent from Spur will be traveling together to the Superintendent's academy, to be held September 6-8, in order to cut costs.

The board entered into executive session at 9:07 p.m. and exited session at 9:15 p.m.

Out of executive session the board voted to hire Chuck Ream as a coaching assistant for the 2005-06 football season.

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We will have a representative at the following locations to assist with this service:

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|----------------|-----------|--------------|------------------------|
| Mon., Aug. 15 | Crosbyton | Jacky's TV | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon |
| | Floydada | ACE Hardware | 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. |
| Weds., Aug. 17 | Aspermont | Dairy Queen | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon |
| Fri., Aug. 19 | Post | Courthouse | 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. |
| Wed., Aug. 24 | Matador | Courthouse | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon |
| | Paducah | Courthouse | 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. |
| Mon., Aug. 29 | Turkey | CP Cellular | 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. |



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#5753



MSRP.....\$34,890
EMPLOYEE PRICE \$27,196

2005 2500 Crew Cab
4X4, white/tan cloth, 6.0 V8, W/T, positrac, cruise, HD tow pkg, 6.0 V8
#5728



MSRP.....\$35,505
EMPLOYEE PRICE \$27,672

2005 2500 HD
crew cab, 4X4, Duramax, white/charcoal cloth, power seat, tinted windows, aluminum wheels, XM radio, HD tow pkg
#5606



MSRP.....\$44,020
EMPLOYEE PRICE \$34,777

2005 2500 HD
reg cab, long bed, W/T, 4X4, white/charcoal cloth, 6.0 V8, 5 speed manual, cruise, HD tow pkg
#5697



MSRP.....\$28,970
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EMPLOYEE PRICE \$16,041

2005 Chevrolet 2500
Ext. Cab, 4x4, Silver-Charcoal Cloth, WT Pkg. Cab & Chassis
#5668



MSRP.....\$31,816
EMPLOYEE PRICE \$23,580

2005 Suburban LS
white/tan cloth, Onstar, steering wheel controls
#5759



MSRP.....\$39,615
EMPLOYEE PRICE \$30,680

2005 1500 Ext. Cab
2WD, W/T, white/tan cloth, tinted windows, cruise, V6 auto, CD
#5644



MSRP.....\$25,587
EMPLOYEE PRICE \$18,816

2005 1500 Ext. Cab
Z71, white/charcoal cloth, power seat, 5.3 V8, push button 4X4, 17" wheels, steering wheel controls
#5515



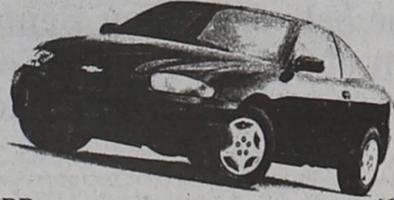
MSRP.....\$34,235
EMPLOYEE PRICE \$26,109

2005 1500 Crew Cab
2WD, silver/charcoal cloth, 5.3 V8, CD/cassette, HD tow pkg, LS, positrac
#5754



MSRP.....\$29,910
EMPLOYEE PRICE \$22,997

2005 Cavalier LS
2 door, red/charcoal cloth, 4 cylinder, auto, sport pkg, CD/MP3 player
#5403



MSRP.....\$17,860
EMPLOYEE PRICE \$14,246

Pre - Owned Vehicles

| | |
|--|----------|
| #3999 2003 Chevy Reg Cab, Short Bed, 2WD, Red Charcoal Cloth, V6, 6K..... | \$12,950 |
| #3505 2002 Ford F150 Reg Cab, Short Bed, 4X4, Red/Charcoal Cloth, V6, 5-Speed, 57K..... | \$11,850 |
| #3510 1997 Chevy 1500 Ext Cab, 2WD, Maroon/Tan Cloth, V8 Auto, 72K, LS..... | \$9,500 |
| #3475 2001 Dodge Quad Cab, Short Bed, 2WD, Black/Charcoal Cloth, SLT Pkg, 66K..... | \$12,500 |
| #3528 2002 Chevrolet Avalanche Z71, White/Charcoal Cloth, Body Hardware, V8, 86K, LS..... | \$18,800 |
| #3541 2002 Ford Ranger Ext Cab, Green/Grey Cloth, V6 Auto, 24K, XLT, All Pwr..... | \$12,800 |
| #3550 2003 Chevy Ext Cab, S/B, 2WD, Pewter/Tan Cloth, V6 Auto, 20K, LS, Nerf Bars..... | \$16,800 |
| #3603 2004 Chevy Suburban, Dark Green/Tan Leather, LT Pkg, XM Radio, Stabilitrack, Loaded..... | \$27,600 |
| #3599 2002 Chevrolet Tahoe, Pewter/Grey Cloth, Buckets, 5.3 V8 Auto, 2WD, 63K, LS, NICE..... | \$18,500 |
| #3587 2004 Ford Sport Trac, Silver/Grey Cloth, Auto, 2WD, V6, 17K, XLT, LIKE NEW..... | \$21,500 |
| #3567 2003 Ford F150, Super Cab, S/B, Black/Tan Cloth, V8, 2WD, 11K..... | \$20,500 |
| #3436 2004 Chevrolet Cavalier, 4 Dr, 17K, Red/Charcoal Cloth..... | \$9,500 |
| #3619 2002 Chevy Reg Cab, V6, 5-Speed, Red/Charcoal Cloth, Base Option Pkg, 84K..... | \$8,950 |
| #3641 2005 Chevrolet Malibu Classic Sedan, Silver/Grey Cloth, 4 Cyl, 16K, Buckets, Power Seat..... | \$10,900 |
| #3640 2005 Chevrolet Malibu Classic Sedan, Tan/Tan Cloth, 4 Cyl, 19K, Buckets, Power Seat..... | \$10,900 |
| #3637 2004 Pontiac Grand Am Sedan, Tan/Tan Cloth, V6, 29K, Loaded..... | \$10,900 |
| #3570 2002 Chevrolet Reg Cab 4X4, black/charcoal cloth, 96K, base option pkg..... | \$11,950 |
| #3593 2003 Chevrolet 1500 HD Crew Cab LT, 2WD, white/tan leather, 6.0 V8, 58K FULLY LOADED..... | \$21,000 |
| #3473 1999 Chevrolet Reg Cab, V6 auto, base option pkg, 99K green/tan cloth..... | \$7,000 |
| #3535 2004 Dodge Dakota Club Cab, 4X4, gold/tan cloth, V6 auto, 23K, SXT..... | \$16,950 |
| #3631 1999 Chevrolet Suburban 4X4, white/maroon cloth, V8, 209K, LS pkg, CLEAN..... | \$6,850 |
| #3632 2002 Chevrolet Tahoe, 2WD, red/tan leather, LT, LOADED, 139K..... | \$12,950 |
| #3536 1989 Chevy S-10 Blazer, tan/tan cloth, V6 auto..... | \$11,500 |
| #3643 2000 Oldsmobile Alero, 2 dr, red/grey cloth, 95K, V6 auto..... | \$4,850 |

Community Volunteers finalize plans for County Fair

It has been many years since a Fair has been held in Motley County, but the old fashioned event will bring back a sense of nostalgia when the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers sponsor the 2005 Motley County Fair, Saturday, October 15.

The day will feature a variety of categories for local competitors. Exhibits will include: Culinary (Baked Goods), pies, cakes, cookies. Adult and Junior divisions.

Decorated Cakes
Food preservation - canned goods, jams, jellies. Adult and Junior divisions.

Textiles (Needlework) Crochet, embroidery, etc. Adult and Junior divisions.

Quilts - Adults and children.

Wearable Art - garments, belts, jewelry, purses, vests, etc. Garments - adults and juniors.

Arts:
Drawings and Paintings - pencil, oils, pastels, acrylics, charcoal, etc. Adults & Juniors; Professional.

Carving and Sculpture - wood, clay, leatherwork, etc. Adults & Juniors; Professionals.

Metal Work - welding, ornamental, etc. Adults & Juniors; Professional.

Photography - Adults and Juniors; Professional.

Writing - short stories, essays, poetry and songs. Adults, Junior, Children.

Ceramics - pottery, porcelain, bisque.

Children's art - boys and girls.

Miscellaneous:
Toy Collections - adults, children and junior.

Antiques - glassware, china, textiles, photos, furniture, dolls, vignettes, etc.

Crafts and Hobbies:
Flower Arranging - Adults and Juniors.

Pot Plants - Adults and Juniors.

Kids and Models - Adults and Juniors.

Handmade Dolls - Cloth, Costumed, Wooden, China. Adults and Juniors.

Christmas decorations - Tree skirts, ornaments, wreaths, vignettes.

Stained Glass
Hand Painted Articles - boards, tole ware, gourds, pots, etc.

Criteria for judging exhibits:
Foods - color, texture, appearance, taste and originality. No cake or cookie mixes are allowed. Recipes must be made from scratch. Cakes should be displayed on purchased cardboard made for that purpose or on foil covered clean cardboard.

Cheesecakes or foods that need to be refrigerated will not be accepted.

Canned goods must be in Mason or Kerr jars and must be sealed; outsides of jars must be clean. No mayonnaise jars or reused pickle or relish jars will be accepted.

Needlework, Garments, Quilts, Flower Arrangements will be judged on workmanship, design, color, texture and color, appearance and originality.

Art, Sculpture Carving will be judged on color, texture, originality, perspective, design and representation.

Kits - neatness, appearance, specifications.

Collections and Antiques will be judged on the condition of item, age, uniqueness and display. Antiques must be at least 50 years old.

Photography will be judged on contrast, color where applicable, subject, sharpness and originality.

Writing, Poetry and Songs will be judged on plot, subject, spelling, grammar and originality.

Pot plants - healthy, arrangement, originality and container.

Exhibits will be received at the Center between 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. on the day of the Fair. No entries will be accepted before that time or kept after 5:00 p.m. No entry fees will be

charged.
All entries must be the work of the exhibitor. Articles must not have been completed for more than three years prior to the fair (e.g. articles made before 2003 are not allowed).

All entries should be clean. If special cases are needed for display the exhibitor must furnish.

Non-professionals are amateurs. All work must be the work of the exhibitor. If a quilt was pieced by one person and several quilted the quilt it must be specified. Quilts pieced by an amateur and quilted by a professional are not allowed.

Work done by professionals will be judged in professional categories. A professional is one who is paid for their work or teaches classes on their displayed item.

All items will be numbered for judging purposes so that no favoritism will be shown. If a judge recognizes an entered item, the judge must excuse themselves on that particular item.

A judge will not be permitted to enter an item in any category of which they are judging. Efforts will be made to obtain judges from neighboring counties. Judges will not discuss entries with volunteer workers. A judge may disqualify themselves for any reason.

First, second and third ribbons will be awarded. Each major division will have a Best of the Division. A covered box and paper will be provided for voting for People's Choice of the entire show.

Commercial exhibits will be in the pavilion. The charge for each commercial exhibit will be \$15 for a 10' x 10' space. A merchant may sell goods from their exhibit. Spaces will be determined on a first come - first serve basis.

The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers plan to sell

hot dogs, popcorn and soft drinks.

All Motley County residents are urged to take part in this old fashioned event. Get busy now and get your exhibits ready for the Fair!

Entry to the Fair is free!

Note: *The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers will not be responsible for breakage or theft of any entry.*

Texas joins National Crackdown on Impaired Driving Aug. 19 - Sept. 5

From August 19 until September 5, Texas will join the "You Drink & Drive. You Lose" national crackdown on the criminal offense of alcohol impaired driving, according to Regional Administrator Georgia S. Chakiris of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

"During the Labor Day Weekend, there will be thousands of law enforcement officers out taking care of business, getting drunk drivers off the road and into jail. Don't be one of them," she said.

According to NHTSA records, 47 percent of Texas' crash fatalities in 2003 were alcohol related.

Traffic Safety Director of the Texas Department of Transportation Terry Pence said, "Every year too many fathers, sons, mothers, and daughters do not come home because of impaired drivers. That's the reason we will be strictly enforcing the state's impaired driving laws."

Impaired driving is one of

America's deadliest crimes. Nationally in 2003, more than 13,000 people died in impaired-driving-related traffic crashes involving a driver with an alcohol level at or above the legal limit of 0.08. Every 31 minutes, or about 46 times a day, someone in America dies in an alcohol-related crash. Hundreds of thousands more are injured each year. According to NHTSA, nearly one in every three Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related crash at some point in their lives.

Ms. Chakiris said, "Our message around this Labor Day weekend is simple. If you get caught driving impaired, there will be no warnings - no excuses. Law enforcement will arrest you. You Drink & Drive. You Lose."

For more information on impaired driving prevention and resources communities can use to reduce deaths and injuries, visit www.stopimpaireddriving.org/

Great Western Trail on display at area Museum

"The Great Western Trail" exhibit which depicts history of the cattle drives from the Rio Grande through Doan's Crossing to Dodge City, Kansas, Ogalala, Nebraska and areas on north, is currently on display at the Red River Valley Museum, 4600 College Drive, Vernon, Texas. Most people have heard of the Chisholm Trail because movies made the name so popular but more cattle and horses were driven up the Great Western Trail than any other trail. In fact, six million cattle and one million horses went up the trail during the late 1800's.

This exhibit features a "Great Western Trail" marker, which has been donated by the Vernon Rotary Club. The marker is resting in a "realistic" landscape. This display was recently on display in the State Capital ground floor rotunda at the invitation of Representative Rick Hardeste from Vernon who sponsored a resolution about marking the Western Trail in the House of Representatives and Senator Madla from Bandera sponsored a similar resolution in the Senate. The museum has also been invited to have a display on the Western Trail and to participate in a program on the Western Trail at the Cowboy Symposium, September 8, 9, 10 & 11 in Lubbock.

Doan's Crossing was the last point where the cattle drives could buy supplies before crossing the Red River into Indian Territory so this was a very important area as it was about half-way to Dodge City, Kansas. Interesting information about cattle drives and the Great Western Trail from an article written by Sylvia Gann

Mahoney of Vernon adds a unique perspective to the display.

The Red River Valley Museum has received a \$5,000 Lakes Trails Partnership grant from the Texas Historical Commission. Partners in the grant are the Vernon Rotary Club, Vernon Chamber of Commerce, City of Vernon, Wilbarger County Historical Commission and the museum. The grant will provide a display case at the museum for items about the Western Trail and Doan's Crossing. It also is providing the funds to create a "Saddle Bag Show," which will be available for booking at area schools in the Fall.

The Vernon Rotary Club has taken as their centennial project the marking of the Great Western Cattle Trail across the entire state of Texas. The concrete posts are 7 feet tall and weigh approximately 220 pounds each. They will be placed approximately every six miles along the historic cattle trail in Texas. Oklahoma has almost completed marking the trail across their state and Kansas has started the project. When completed, tourists will be able to plan a weekend or longer trips following the trail markers to each town to learn more about this important period in history.

The Red River Valley Museum is open free to the public, 1-5 p.m., Tuesdays through Sundays and is closed on Mondays. For further information about the exhibit or "Saddle Bag Show" bookings, contact the museum at 553-1848 or e-mail Mary Ann McCuiston at museum@chipshot.net

82nd Annual Motley-Dickens Counties Old Settlers Reunion & Rodeo

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| THURSDAY AUGUST 25th | FRIDAY AUGUST 26th | SATURDAY AUGUST 27th |
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| <p>Free Admission All Day</p> <p>PARADE - 10:00 A.M.</p> <p>MEMORIAL SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.</p> <p>BUSINESS MEETING - 1:00 P.M.</p> <p>FREE DANCE - 4:00-6:00 P.M.</p> | <p>RHAA RANCH HORSE COMPETITION</p> <p>Books Open at 8:00 A.M. Competition Starts at 9:00 A.M.</p> <p>COWBOY CLASS \$60 Entry Fee \$30 Stock Charge RANCH HAND CLASS \$60 Entry Fee \$30 Stock Charge JUNIOR CLASS \$75 Entry Fee \$30 Stock Charge SENIOR CLASS \$75 Entry Fee \$30 Stock Charge YOUTH CLASS \$25 Entry Fee \$12.50 Stock Charge <small>18 Years and Under (As of Day of Competition)</small></p> <p>RANGER BUCKLE Sets To Class Winners</p> | <p>CUTTING COMPETITION (Open to Anyone or Any Horse) Books Open at 9:00 A.M. Cutting Begins at 10:00 A.M.</p> <p>CLASSES: Junior Horse - 5 Years Old & Younger Entry Fee \$100 \$45 Stock Charge Senior Horse - 6 Years Old & Older Entry Fee \$100 \$45 Stock Charge Youth Class - 18 Years Old & Younger (As of Day of Competition) Entry Fee \$50 \$20 Stock Charge</p> <p>RANGER BUCKLE to Winner of Each Class</p> |
| <p>MOTLEY-DICKENS COUNTIES ARENA EVENTS</p> <p>Books Open at 4:30 P.M. Events Begin at 5:00 P.M.</p> | <p>JR. FLAG RACE Friday & Saturday - 6:30 P.M. 12 Years Old & Under (As of That Day) Entry Fee \$5 (Stock Charge \$5) Trophy Buckle to Winner</p> | <p>WASHER PITCH CONTEST 1:00 P.M. - Saturday Belt Buckles to Winners</p> |
| <p>CUTTING Entry Fee \$40 (Stock Charge \$20) Ranger Buckle Set to Winner</p> | <p>RANCH RODEO Friday & Saturday 7:00 P.M.</p> <p>BRONC RIDING WILD COW MILKING TEAM DOCTORING CALF BRANDING TEAM SORTING DOUBLE GUNNING</p> <p>Team of 4-6 members 20 Teams @ \$500 Each Prizes to Event Winners Four Monies Paid in Average Bits to Top Hand & Top Horse Winners Enter July 28, 7-10 P.M. Call 806-348-7987 First Call, First to Register</p> | <p>KID'S SNAPPING TURTLE RACES 3:00 P.M. - Saturday \$50 to Winners of Each Division 0-4 yrs. 5-9 yrs. 10-14 yrs. Call Russell Alexander @ 806-348-7958</p> |
| <p>FLAG RACE 6 Years & Under - Free 7 Years to 12 Years - Free (As of That Day) Trophy Buckle to Winners</p> | <p>OPEN AGE BARREL RACE Entry Fee \$15 (Office Charge \$5) Ranger Buckle Set to Winner</p> | <p>POKEY THE CLOWN'S WRCA JR. RANCH RODEO</p> <p>STICK HORSE RELAYS FOR KIDS Saturday Only 3:00-5:00 P.M.</p> |
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| <p>MOTLEY-DICKENS COUNTIES TEAM ROPING Entry Fee \$60 (Stock Charge \$25) Draw Pot - Draw 4 Partners 3 Hd - Progressive After 1 Top 12 Back for Short Go Ranger Buckle Set to Winners</p> | <p>During Saturday Night's Ranch Rodeo:</p> <p>CROWNING OF QUEEN and DRAWING FOR SPURS Handmade by JIM BO HUMPHREYS</p> | <p>3 AGE DIVISIONS: 3-7 yrs. 8-11 yrs. 12-16 yrs. Entry fee per team: \$20</p> <p>Pre-entry & Practice 9:30 A.M. The team with the most points wins and qualifies for WRCA World Championship Finals at Amarillo</p> |
| <p>OLD SETTLERS' PAVILION DANCE Thursday, Friday & Saturday - 8:30 P.M. DANCE FREE - 4:00-6:00 P.M. Waltz Contest Saturday WELDON TURPIN & TEXAS FIDDLE BAND</p> | <p>COWBOY CHURCH BAND Friday - 5:00 P.M. Rodeo Arena Ron & Marianne Brunson</p> | <p>2 DANCES SATURDAY NIGHT Live Country Music - 8:30 P.M. TEXAS HIGHWAY 114 BAND</p> |
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News around the County

Roaring Springs News

by Lula Swim

Phyllis and Chelsea Weech of Whiteside, TN visited in the home of their father and grandfather, Harley Alsop.

There were seven children in attendance for House of Faith, August 10. Mrs. Jo Trammell presented the Bible story. Other adults helping with the children were Corky and Monta Marshall, Walter Trammell and Lula Swim. Meetings will now be held after school on Wednesdays.

Suzanne Abbott had surgery on her shoulder at Lubbock on Wednesday, Aug. 10. She is now at home and doing okay.

Mrs. Vera Mitchell entered the Nursing Home at Floydada this past week.

Mrs. Jo Crowder is in San Antonio to help care for her great-grandson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Adams, Dylan and Ty of Lubbock visited Mrs. Zella Palmer over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Watson, Abby and Hanna of Lubbock visited

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hand over the weekend. Hanna Alexander also visited her dad, Russell Alexander.

The Baptist Church had a potluck lunch at their church on Sunday welcoming Bro. Jack Boggs and wife. The church has called Bro. Boggs to be their pastor for another year.

Mrs. Lea Peacock is home from the hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Pat Peacock spent the weekend with his parents.

The Red Rovers Red Hat Club enjoyed brunch at Traveler's Inn Bed and Breakfast Monday. Those enjoying a delicious meal were Mother Queen Joyce Campbell, Marihelen Wason, Dan Barton, Mary Jones, Norma Marrs, Betty Henry and Eugenia Barton, all from Matador; and P.K. Green, Ruby McGuire, Robena King, Joy Beeson, Suzanne Abbott and Lula Swim, local residents.

Mrs. Edith Daniell served quiche, muffins, spiced cake, cantaloupe, strawberries, rolls, kiwi, orange juice and coffee.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

You know you are old when you watch an event on the History Channel and can say you were there!

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Luke Shannon of Turkey was honored on his 15th birthday Sunday evening, Aug. 14, at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shannon. A cook-out meal, decorated cake and ice cream added to the festivities.

Those attending was his family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Neal Shannon, Chisum and Shelby, great-grandmother, Mrs. Annie Shannon, sister and family, Peggy and Stan Price and Tiffany Woods of Turkey, aunt, Mrs. Velma Winston of Monroe, Washington and Carol and Donnie Martin of Silvertown.

GRAVESIDE SERVICES

Graveside services were held at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, August 13, at the Flomot Community Cemetery for Mrs. Oletta June Purdy Wimmer, 80, of Plainview under the direction of Lemmons Funeral Home of Plainview. Robert Malcolm officiated. Preceding the graveside rites, memorial services were held at 10:00 a.m. at the Colonial Baptist Church in Plainview. Mrs. Wimmer was a former resident of the Flomot Community.

She was survived by two daughters, Marsha Ellis of Hamilton and Betty of California; two sons, William Wimmer of Hamilton and a son of Washington. She was a cousin of Mrs. Annie Shannon of Turkey.

Whiteflat and Flomot received what was needed Aug. 13-14, a good general rain. Reported was a slow soaking rain of 1.25 to 1.80 inches in all locations!

Visiting last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay were Mrs. Lance Barclay, Colton and Kayla of Lubbock. They visited in Matador with Mr. and Mrs. Ty Barclay and Tylee.

Guest of Mrs. Furman (Beverly) Vinson from Friday until Tuesday was her sister, Mrs. Betty Schroeder of Santa Ana, California. Joining them to visit during the weekend and attending the funeral services of Mr. Vinson Saturday in Matador were family members, Doris and Roger Vinson, sons and families, Shannon and Dana Vinson of Lubbock and daughter and husband, Linda and Bill Perryman of Roaring Springs. Also visiting was Anthony Brocato of Huntsville, Alabama.

Mrs. Lou Burleson of Floydada and Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton attended the Art Show presented by Ken Young of Roaring Springs held in Lubbock Friday night.

Mrs. Elizabeth Pitts of Lovington, N.M. and Mrs. Lou Pitts Cogsdell of San Angelo visited during the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Cruse and attended the funeral of Furman Vinson in Matador, Saturday.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Butch Hughes from Friday until Monday

was son, Bengie Hughes and daughter, Kaitlynn of Royce City. Other sons and families, Ricky, Tasha and Kendal Hughes, Roger, Tiffany, Tara and Reagan Hughes of Floydada and Billy Don, Becky, Brennan and Baylee Hughes of Lubbock joined them in New Deal, Saturday for the Hughes family reunion held at the Community Center. The 50 family members attended from New Mexico, Oklahoma and throughout Texas. Those attending from Matador were Jim and Judy Cooper and sons, Clay and Cody.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnney Turner of Lubbock visited at their home in Flomot during the weekend and attended the funeral of Furman Vinson in Matador, Saturday. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bumgardner in Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Kendall, Jere and Jacob visited from Friday until Sunday in Clyde with her grandmother, Mrs. Oddie Gray. Joining them there to visit were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gray of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Roger (Shonda) Lee visited in Plainview, Thursday with her parents, Wanda and Rex Davey. Mr. Davey was hospitalized recently, but has returned home and reported to be recovering just fine.

Randy Rogers of Lubbock was a luncheon guest Thursday of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers.

Visiting last weekend with Cally and Will Sperry, Blayne, Savannah and Gage were her brother and friend, Kip Pool and Joy Ledezma of Lubbock.

Karlee Kleibrink of Clifton visited last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay. They accompanied her home, Wednesday and visited with her family, Lori and Kevon Kleibrink, and Kyler. Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clay overnight Sunday were grandchildren, Walker, Parker and Ryleigh, children of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Carson of Turkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin met granddaughter, Lindsay Martin of Amarillo in Plainview, Friday and enjoyed visiting and lunch.

Mrs. James Gwinn and daughter, Danielle attended to business in Lubbock, Friday and enjoyed entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter hosted a farewell fish fry supper Friday night at their home for son-in-law, Chad Calvert who is returning to Bogota, Colombia after visiting here with wife, Cindy and baby son, Cade. Others enjoying the supper were Chad's mother, Mrs. Wanda Calvert of Turkey, Mrs. Christi Milam, Emily and Haley of Petersburg, Brian Sehon of Ropesville, Mrs. Geneva Martin and Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Shorter of Flomot. Emily and Haley visited overnight Friday. Brian visited until Sunday when his parents, Keri and Kevin Sehon visited and accompanied him home.

Obituaries



Furman Vinson

Funeral services for Furman Vinson, 84, of Flomot, were held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 13, at the First United Methodist Church in Matador. Officiating was Rev. Kenny Kirk and Rev. Winfred Davenport. Interment with Masonic Graveside rites were at East Mound Cemetery in Matador.

Mr. Vinson died early Wednesday at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born April 15, 1921, at Matador, the son of Oscar and Maud Hudson Vinson. He attended schools in Matador, and Texas Tech in Lubbock, until being called into service with the US Army in World War II. He served as a First Lieutenant in the Pacific area with the 77th Infantry Division, receiving two Bronze Stars and a Purple Heart. He was a charter member and past commander of the Matador VFW and American Legion.

He was married to Beverly Gray November 27, 1943, in Santa Barbara, CA.

He was a farmer and rancher and a lifelong resident of Motley County.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Matador, where he served in numerous leadership positions, including Lay Leader, Sunday school teacher, and other committees.

He has been a member of the Matador Masonic Lodge #824, since 1946 and served as Master of the Matador Lodge in 1950 and 1951 and District Deputy Grand Master of District 119 in 1952.

He received Chapter and council degrees in 1947 from Matador Chapter #283 and Matador Council #218, R&SM. He was a Past High Priest of his Chapter and Past Illustrious Master of his Council, and Past Commander of Plainview Commandery #53 KT. He was a Past District Deputy Grand High Priest and Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Chapter and Grand Council. He was Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Texas in 1973-74.

He was Grand Chaplain of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter in 1974 and Grand Chaplain of the Grand Council in 1987. He also served on the Scholarship Committee in 1987.

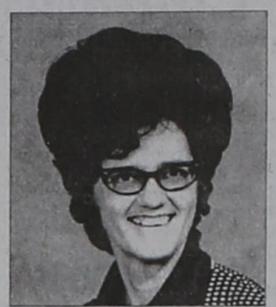
Mr. Vinson was a Scottish Rite Mason, having received the degrees in Dallas in 1956. In 1963 he was elected to receive the KCCH. He was a charter member of the Lubbock Scottish Rite Bodies and received the honorary 33 degree December 1, 1973. In January 1981 he was appointed Chairman of the Lubbock Scottish Rite bodies, a position he held until his retirement in 2002.

Other Masonic memberships and honors include: Past Grand High Priest of the Order of High Priesthood of Texas, Past Grand Master of the Order of the Silver Trowel, Past Prior of Texas Priority #23, Knight of the York Cross of Honor, Past Governor of West Texas York Rite College #36, Past Preceptor of Ascension Tabernacle XX, Holy Royal Arch Knights Templar Priests, Texas Lodge of Research, Past Sovereign, Crusader Conclave Red Cross of Constantine, Grand Senior Deacon, Grand Lodge of Texas - 1972-73, Royal Order of the Scotland, Khiva Shrine Temple - 1950, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, near the Grand Loge of Texas, Grand Representative of Colorado Grand Commandery near the Grand Commandery of Texas, Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Idaho, R&SM, Past Patron of Matador Chapter #66 O.E.S., Knight Templar Cross of Honor in 1977, Honorary Legion of Honor in DeMolay 1977, Sojourners, Lubbock Chapter 1990 MIP, Heroes of '76 Lubbock, Texas College Rosicrucian Society in the US 1982, South Plains Daylight Lodge #1443 - 1979, El Texas Grotto, Fort Worth - 1978, Grand Chaplain Pro-Tem Grand Lodge of Texas during Grand Lodge - 1987, Joint Advisory Committee, Texas Scottish Rite Hospital - 1984, Rocker B. Ranch Committee - 1989, Executive Committee - 1989, Masonic Home and School Board - 1979, Lifetime Certificate, Committee on Work, Issued Dec. 4, 1982, Member 14 degree team - Lubbock Scottish Rite, George Washington, in THE TRAITOR for many years.

His survivors include his wife, Beverly; one son, Roger Vinson of Lubbock; one daughter, Linda Perryman of Roaring Springs; three grandchildren, Shannon and Dana Roy Vinson and Wendy Gonzales; 8 great-grandchildren, Heather Gonzales, Kaitlyn Vinson, Morgan Vinson, Joshua Rice, Andrew Vinson, Allyson Vinson, Beverly Elise Vinson and Alexis Rice.

The family has suggested memorials to the Matador Methodist Church or the Scottish Rite Learning Center of West Texas, P.O. Box 10135, Lubbock, TX 79408, or a favorite charity.

Pallbearers were Bob Clemments, Robin Darsey, Dale Tanner, Wes Campbell, Alvin Alexander, and Billy Farley.



Vada Green

Funeral services for Vada Juanita Green, 82, of Lawton, OK were held at 1:30 p.m., Friday, August 12, at the Becker Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Lawton.

Mrs. Green died Tuesday, Aug. 9, at her home.

Burial was in Elgin Memorial Lawn Cemetery.

She was born June 26, 1923, in Childress, Texas to Carl Eugene and Bertie Letha (Burgin) Mize. She married Phil M. Green on May 22, 1943, in Motley County. He died April 9, 1999. Mrs. Green was a retired bank teller.

Survivors include a daughter, Carlita D. Hutchinson, of the home; four grandchildren, Ty Hutchinson, Lawton, Sabre Hutchinson, Yuma, Arizona, Chandra Goodin and Rachel Diehl, both of Lawton; eight great-grandchildren, and two brothers, Amos Mize, Amarillo, and C.E. Mize, Abilene.

Sympathy cards may be sent to the family online at www.beckerfuneral.com.

Senior Notes

by Tommye Keith
Director

Sure hate to say this, but I left out a couple or more folks when I was recognizing the people that have donated memorials. Truly, I am sorry. Johnny and Jean Davenport gave a memorial donation in memory of Audie Cross. Vernon and Jolene Higginbotham gave memorials in memory of Joe and Arlene Bloodworth, W.E. and Mary Higginbotham, and John Barnhill. Nell and Wade Berryman gave a memorial donation in memory of Furman Vinson. Thank y'all so much for your memorials.

Would also like to thank D'anna Russell, Roy Hobbs, Eva Barkley, Charles Gwinn, Kathy Shorter, Douglas Campbell, Casey Lawrence, Harold Brown, Carl Michael Jones, Jason McMillan, Kay Jones, Randa Green, Frances Hobbs, Bob Kilmer, Charles Ream, VOLLIE BEARDEN, Brittany Moore, Brandon Moore, LeJeanna Faulks, Debbie Braselton and Thomas Davey for their donations to the Senior Citizens. Memorial donations and donations help us keep the groceries coming in.

Sometimes when you get between a rock and a hard place you can call on some friends and here they come. Thanks Frances, Deanie, Marihelen and Lindy. A few days awhile back you sure helped out.

Deanie Edwards and Gid Simpson have been sharing their garden vegetables with us. Deanie has been donating tomatoes and Gid cucumbers and zucchini. Thanks so much.

Don't have a lot of information yet but September 14th we will be having a health fair here at the Center. Please keep this in mind and when SPAG gets the info to me I'll let you know all about it.

The Center is open 8:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m. Y'all come see us.

Matador News

Wilda and Spencer Dixon visited from August 5-9 in Lovington, N.M. with her mother, Mrs. Ted Hester. They attended Saturday, Aug. 6, the former Prairie View School Homecoming in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phillips in Lovington. Attending were 12 former students and 34 guests registered. Mrs. Hester was in the last graduating class, 1940, at the Prairie View School located northeast of Lovington.

Mrs. Jean Cooper had recent hip surgery at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock followed by rehabilitation treatments in Lockney. Her daughter, Nancy Cooper of Oklahoma has been with her.

C.D. Garrison suffered a bruised right eye and lacerations on chin and forehead following an accident when he was working in his shop at home. He received medical treatment at the Motley County Clinic and escaped a concussion.

A NOTE OF THANKS

Words are so futile at times like this when it comes to saying "Thank You." For all the phone calls, food, visits and words of comfort, we thank you; for services rendered at the funeral service, we thank you; and for the love of everyone, we thank you. God bless you all.

Furman's family
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Strange looking dove in the bag for hunters

Uvalde - Fashions at most rural Texas convenience stores run to camo-green starting Sept. 1, leading one to believe "camouflage" may suddenly be the next big thing.

Though that's probably not the case, the influx of camouflaged clothes signals an exodus from cool air-conditioned comfort to the blistering late-summer heat of the dove hunting fields.

Jim Cathey, Uvalde-based Extension wildlife specialist, said mourning dove have traditionally ruled the roost over much of Texas, making it the dominant species in most hunters' bags. Another native, the white-winged dove, has become established across parts of the state, and is fast expanding its number and range.

"Hunters once traveled to South Texas to take white-wings," Cathey said. "Not it is fairly common to find these birds traveling back and forth from roosting sites within the city limits to foraging areas just outside many Texas towns. Most Texas hunters now can expect to take a white-wing from time to time, particularly if they hunt from Waco on south. Limits of white-wings can be had in deeper South Texas, which still serves as their stronghold."

But now, Cathey said, there's yet another new dove in town; one that may not be welcome. The Eurasian collared dove, unlike the native mourning and white-winged varieties, is an exotic or introduced species now being seen frequently.

"Originally this bird lived in India and spread to Europe several hundred years ago," Cathey said. "Reports indicated that their numbers held steady until the 1930s and then dramatically increased. Some people noted big jumps in geographical distance from known dove colonies to previously uninhabited areas."

Cathey said the Eurasian collared dove came to the Bahama Islands in the 1970s as a substitute for the Ring-necked turtle dove sold in the pet industry. Eurasian collared dove escapees in the 1980s made the short flight from the islands to Florida.

Cathey said the problem with exotic species is that they often compete with native animals for food, water, shelter and space, and may introduce for-

eign diseases to susceptible native species.

"There is concern within the wildlife community that the Eurasian collared dove is expanding its range at the expense of other dove species," Cathey said. "It's true impact on native dove is poorly understood as this interaction is only in its early stages. Since its discovery in the 1980s, the Eurasian collared dove has expanded its range from Florida to Texas and now there are reports of it in California. This bird has also moved northward to Illinois and Indiana."

Hunters may wonder if it is legal to harvest Eurasian collared doves. As with any game species, it's best to consult the regulations found in Texas Parks and Wildlife's Outdoor Annual for any changes. For now Eurasian collared dove are legal to harvest and there is no closed season or bag limit, Cathey said.

"This rule allows hunters to play a more active role in the conservation of native species," he said. "By removing more Eurasian collared doves, native species may gain a competitive advantage."

How will hunters know if they have taken an Eurasian collared dove?

Cathey said Eurasian collared doves lack white marks on their wings, making them easily distinguishable from white-winged dove. He explained that hunters may confuse a Eurasian collared dove and a mourning dove at first glance, but the Eurasian collared dove is much larger in body size.

This difference in size can also be noted for birds in flight, he added.

The Eurasian collared dove's feathers are tan, merging with pale grey and seem to be lighter in color than mourning doves. Its common name, Eurasian collared dove, was given because of its origin and the prominent black band on the back of its neck. This mark is not found on mourning doves.

"If all three species are taken this season, it may be helpful to take photographs comparing the markings of each and discussing them with other hunting companions," Cathey said. "Hunters have the opportunity to aid the conservation of native dove, being well-informed about this invading species will help them accomplish this task."

FARM SERVICE AGENCY NEWS

By John Bird, Motley County CED

NEW LDP FORM CCC-633 EZ

August will see the introduction of a new form, the CCC-633 EZ, for requesting loan deficiency payments. The new form is designed to simplify the LDP process by combining the old CCC-633 and CCC-709. The new form will be effective for 2005 and subsequent crop years.

One thing that has not changed is the statutory requirement that producers request an LDP before beneficial interest is an eligible commodity is lost. Once beneficial interest in a commodity is lost, the commodity is ineligible for an LDP even if beneficial interest is regained.

With the new form, producers will be able to indicate their intentions to receive LDP benefits before losing beneficial interest. Once the form has been signed, producers can submit an LDP request at any time during the loan availability period — before or after losing beneficial interest. The CCC-633 EZ is a three-page form. Page 1 is completed once per crop year for all eligible crops and indicates the producer's intention to receive LDP benefits. To receive an LDP benefit, the producer must complete and submit page 2 to the county staff. Page 3 is used for cotton LDPs.

For the 2005 crop year, county offices will honor CCC-709s and CCC-633 LDP requests that have been submitted and are currently on file. Beginning with the 2006 crop year, CCC-633 EZ and eLDP online requests will be the only methods available to request LDPs.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE HOSTS TOWN HALL MEETINGS

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs will visit with agricultural producers and rural communities at town hall meet-

ings throughout the state to discuss issues impacting rural Texas and the agricultural industry.

The town hall meetings, hosted by the Texas Department of Agriculture, are open forums where producers and community members can discuss issues as well as present their ideas and solutions to the commissioner.

Town hall meetings scheduled include:

Friday, September 9:
• Childress County, 8 a.m., Fair Park Auditorium, Reunion Room, 1000 N. Commerce St., Childress.

Wednesday, September 14:
• Dallam County, 8 a.m., Rita Blanca Coliseum, 1219 W. FM 281, Dalhart.

• Gray County, 10:30 a.m., Pampa Chamber of Commerce, M.K. Brown Room, 200 N. Ballard, Pampa.
• Deaf Smith County, 1 p.m., Hereford Independent School District Administration Building, Southwest Corner of Brownfield Highway and Indiana Avenue, Lubbock.

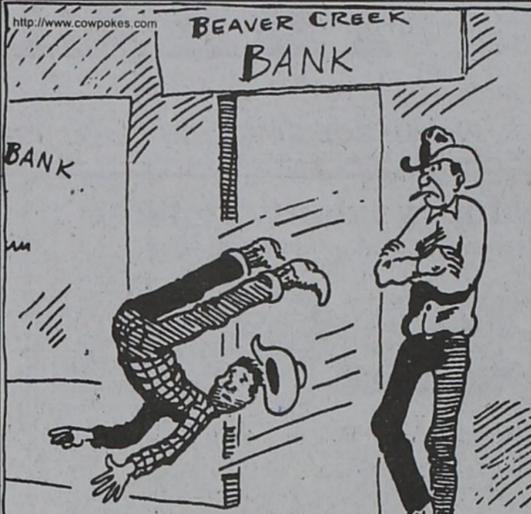
The town hall meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Ryan O'Neal, producer relations specialist at TDA, at (512) 463-4879.

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DCP participants are required to control water and wind erosion and weeds including noxious weeds on ALL DCP base acres. Weeds are not an acceptable cover. Failure to control weeds or limit erosion on contract acres will cost you an amount determined by the county committee. Program benefits will be lost if the County Committee determines you failed to demonstrate a good faith effort to control weeds and/or erosion.

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Avoiding ticks best way to prevent diseases

Warm days and sunny skies draw many people outdoors this time of year. The same environment also brings out the insects, some of which carry diseases.

"It's tick time in Texas," said Glenna Teltow, a medical entomologist with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). "Ticks often are found in the same spots people like to visit -- wooded, brush, and grassy areas."

A bite from an infected tick can cause illnesses such as Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, tularemia and human ehrlichiosis. With prompt medical attention, these illnesses almost always can be successfully treated with antibiotics. But if people do not recognize the symptoms and seek treatment, the illnesses can be serious, some even fatal, Teltow said.

In Texas, the tick most likely to attach to humans is the lone star tick. "This tick, which is about the size of a watermelon seed, will readily feed on human blood," Teltow said. "The lone star female tick is easily recognized by a single white dot on her back, while the male tick has white markings around the edges of his back."

The most frequently diagnosed tick-borne illness in Texas is Lyme disease, a bacterial infection that can cause skin, joint, heart and nervous system problems. The disease usually begins with a characteristic "bull's-eye" rash followed by fatigue, headache, fever, stiff neck and joint pain. Symptoms usually appear in 7 to 14 days.

Rocky Mountain spotted fever is a serious disease transmitted most commonly by the bite of an infected tick. People who remove ticks also can become infected if they crush ticks between their fingers, allowing the bacteria to penetrate the skin or come in contact with mucous membranes. Initial symptoms, following an incubation period of 3 to 14 days, include sudden onset of high fever, headache, chills and muscle aches. A rash often appears a few days later. Prompt medical attention is extremely important because Rocky Mountain spotted fever can be fatal without prompt treatment with antibiotics.

Tularemia is a bacterial disease affecting animals and humans. It can be spread through a tick bite or through contact with blood or tissue from infected animals, especially wild rabbits, or by handling or eating undercooked meat from infected animals. Symptoms include fever, an ulcerative skin sore at the site of the tick bite and painful swollen lymph

glands. If the organism is ingested, the person may have a throat infection, abdominal pain, diarrhea and vomiting.

In Texas, human ehrlichiosis is a rare disease with fewer than 10 cases reported each year. Most infections cause a sudden onset of illness with fever, chills and headache, usually beginning about 12 days after the tick bite.

"Avoiding ticks is always the best prevention for any of these diseases," Teltow said. "Keep ticks off pets and discourage unwanted animals such as rats, mice and stray dogs and cats around the home." Other suggestions from DSHS (Department of State Health Services):

- If you are in an area with ticks, check your body carefully for them every few hours. Ticks are small and can be hard to see, and they can attach to any part of the body.

- Stay on trails, avoiding areas of overgrown brush and tall grasses.

- Wear light-colored clothes so that ticks are more easily spotted. Protect skin from ticks by wearing a hat, long-sleeved shirt and long pants tucked into boots or socks.

- Use insect repellent containing DEET applied to the skin or permethrin applied to clothing. Follow label directions.

- Check pets frequently and remove ticks from them immediately.

To remove an attached tick, use fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick at the skin surface. If tweezers are not available, use a tissue or paper towel to protect your fingers from possible exposure to the tick's body fluids. With a steady motion, gently pull the tick straight out. Do not twist, jerk or crush the tick's body. After removal, clean site and hands with soap and water.

Only ticks that were attached to humans may be submitted to DSHS for identification and testing. They should be put in a small container or vial with a leak-proof lid. Ticks may be submitted live or preserved in a 70 percent ethyl or isopropyl alcohol. Never mail ticks loose in an envelope. A tick submission form should be completed for each tick.

A copy of the tick submission form can be found online at: <http://www.tdh.state.tx.us/zoonosis/forms>. Place the tick container in a padded envelope or mailing tube and mail to: Texas Department of State Health Services, Health Service Region 7, ATTN: Zoonosis Control, 2408 S. 37th St., Temple, TX 76704. There is no testing charge.

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7-Day Forecast

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| | Thursday Partly Cloudy High: 93 Low: 69 |
| | Friday Partly Cloudy High: 93 Low: 70 |
| | Saturday Partly Cloudy High: 92 Low: 68 |
| | Sunday Partly Cloudy High: 93 Low: 69 |
| | Monday Mostly Sunny High: 91 Low: 66 |
| | Tuesday Mostly Sunny High: 90 Low: 67 |
| | Wednesday Partly Cloudy High: 92 Low: 69 |

In-Depth Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 93°, humidity of 40% and an overnight low of 69°. The record high temperature for today is 108° set in 1978. The record low is 59° set in 1950.

Moon Phases

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| Full | Last | New | First |
| 8/19 | 8/26 | 9/3 | 9/11 |

Last Week's Local Almanac

| Day | High | Low | Normals | Precip | Precipitation |
|-----------|------|-----|---------|--------|--|
| Sunday | 87 | 71 | 95/71 | 0.00" | 0.64" |
| Monday | 85 | 67 | 95/70 | 0.00" | 0.48" |
| Tuesday | 89 | 67 | 95/70 | 0.00" | +0.16" |
| Wednesday | 91 | 66 | 95/70 | 0.00" | Average temperature 79.1° |
| Thursday | 93 | 69 | 95/70 | 0.00" | Average normal temperature . . . 82.5° |
| Friday | 93 | 72 | 95/70 | 0.00" | Departure from normal -3.4° |
| Saturday | 89 | 69 | 94/70 | 0.64" | Data as reported from Childress, Texas |

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Sun & Moon Times

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| Sunrise today | 7:07 a.m. |
| Sunset tonight | 8:27 p.m. |
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| Moonset today | 5:30 a.m. |

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