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Roaring Springs exes will meet for School Reunion this weekend

Roaring Springs ex-students, teachers and friends will meet for the 2005 School Reunion this weekend, Friday and Saturday, June 17 and 18, at the Roaring Springs Community Center. The reunion was last held in 2000.

The Center will be open Friday afternoon until 10:00 p.m. for early visitors. Light refreshments will be served. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m., Saturday.

Classes which have notified directors of their intentions to meet are the class of '55, which will mark their golden anniversary; the class of '44 and '59, with members to join forces for a get-together at Traveler's Inn after the program.

The catered meal of beef, sausage, chicken, beans, potato salad, dessert and drink will be served at 1:00 p.m., which will be followed by the program, featuring entertainment by Friends In Harmony.

Vee Harmon Gordon donated an American Afghan, and Laverne Kingery donated a handmade embroidered baby quilt, to be raffled, with proceeds to benefit the ex-students association.

For more information contact Charlie Long at 348-7531 or 348-7510 or Devonne Dillard at 348-7963 or 348-7056.

Matador City Council meets

The Matador City Council met Thursday, June 8 for their regular monthly meeting. Council members present for the meeting were Pat Seigler, Chuck Ream and Jim Watson. Not in attendance were Council members Shane Jones and Bert Darsey. Also attending were Mayor Paul Westbrook, Water Superintendent Steve Barton, City Secretary Debra Scott, and employees Roy Moreno and Casey Lawrence.

Mayor Westbrook called the meeting to order. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. Bills were audited and approved.

Steve Barton informed the Council that he had learned the tank inspection contract, which was being considered for \$750 per year, was for inspecting only and did not include annual cleaning. The Council voted to decline the contract.

Mayor Westbrook has been approached about the sale of lots on the town square. After discussion, the Council voted not to sale at this time.

Doris Moore has inquired about the cost of sewer access to her home. She would stand the expense but would like an estimate of the cost to compare with installation of a new septic tank. Mr. Barton and Mr. Lawrence will measure and price the installation.

Nominations were held for Mayor Pro Tem. Shane Jones was nominated and elected.

Supt. Barton reported the water levels to be up about 6 inches due to the spring rains. He has not ordered the landfill tarp yet.

Since Operation Clean-up is complete, the City must start charging for disposal of tires and dumping. Council voted to

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Matador woman will celebrate 100th birthday Saturday

Saturday, June 19, will mark a very important day in the life of a longtime Matador resident. Mrs. Iris Blevins will celebrate her 100th birthday with a party to be held at the Matador Church of Christ fellowship hall.

Iris Hoover Blevins was born June 19, 1905 in Comanche County, Texas to Will and Mary Frances Hoover. She was born on the Hoover Ranch, the second of five children. Iris had two brothers, Joy and Thurman and two sisters, Mattie and Ruth, all of whom are now deceased.

Iris recalled the first time she saw an automobile. "In 1914, I was seven years old and my aunt married a man from Oklahoma who had a Ford touring car. They came to visit and he took all the kids for a ride around the ranch. I was scared to death," she remembered.

The Hoover family moved to Pritchett, Texas when Iris was 10 years old, where they farmed for several years. "Daddy became very ill and quit farming. We all wage worked then," Mrs. Blevins explained. Her father died in 1926.

After her father's death, Mrs. Hoover moved the family to Lamesa, where a friend of the family lived.

"We moved to Lamesa in a covered wagon," Iris recalled. "That was a scary time in life."

The family worked picking cotton and heading maize, and saved money to build a home. Mrs. Hoover lived as a widow over 50 years.

As a young woman Iris worked as a cook in a dining room for oil workers in McCamey. "I met my husband in the oil field at McCamey during the oil boom," she said.

Iris married Harvey Blevins, June 18, 1927, one day before her 22nd birthday.

The couple lived in McCamey where Mr. Blevins

worked as a deputy for Texas Ranger Bud Barfield, who was killed by the Sheriff of McCamey. When Ranger Barfield was killed, Mr. Blevins went to work for the Railroad as a fireman on the train. He later worked as a cowboy on a ranch at Mary Neil, Texas.

The couple had four children. "Three of our kids, Ray, Lewis and Pauline, were born on the ranch," Iris explained. "Our youngest daughter, Lois, was born in Spur."

Mr. Blevins worked on the ranch for four years before moving to Gilpin, east of Spur, where he farmed and raised horses.

Iris worked hard, with her children by her side. "One day, while working in the cotton patch, some bulls came around. I had to pull off my bonnet and shoo them away," she remembered.

After picking a crop for M.O. Gwinn at Teepee Flat, near Roaring Springs, the family decided to move to Motley County. They moved near Matador where they farmed for 17 years.

The family worked 1100 acres of farm land with a mule drawn plow until 1944 when they purchased their first tractor, a 2 row Farm-all. In 1945 they traded and brought two 4-row tractors.

The Blevins' moved to town in January of 1951 and bought the house in which Mrs. Blevins still resides.

Iris and Harvey were married over 50 years. The couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June, 1977 and Mr. Blevins died in August of that same year.

Mrs. Blevins has many memories of the years gone by. She has lived through WWI, WWII, the Korean Conflict, the Vietnam War, Persian Gulf War, and the present war, Operation Iraqi Freedom. Her brother,



Iris Blevins will celebrate her 100th birthday Saturday at a party hosted by her family at the Matador Church of Christ fellowship hall.

Thurman was a soldier in WWII.

Iris is a member of the Matador Church of Christ where she has attended since moving to Matador. "I was brought up in the Church of Christ," she said. "I was baptized in 1919 when I was 14, in the Tom McArthur cow tank."

Ma'am, as she is referred to by family, wears her beautiful white hair in a long braid pinned up. "I haven't had very many haircuts," she said. "When I was three years old, mama cut my hair, but I cried so much, she never cut it again."

"My husband took me to a beauty shop after an accident with a clothes ringer and an injury to my hand, in 1946. Irene Groves cut my hair to shoulder length, because I couldn't use my hand to braid it and put it up," she explained.

Mrs. Blevins said she has been very blessed and feels very

fortunate to have her two sons to care for her.

Both her daughters have passed away, Pauline in 1989 and Lois in 1995. Both died with cancer.

Iris is the oldest living Hoover in her generation.

The Blevins were blessed with 10 grandchildren, Nickie, Ray, Twanda, Jody, Casey, Clydene, Hal, Paula, Jim, Rooster and Terry. She has 14 great-grandchildren, Scarlett, Heath, Nicholas, Tucker, Jade, Becca, Dalton, Becca D., Casey, Katie, Abbie, Kathryn, and Emily.

"I am thankful I live in Matador, and for my friends. Everyone is so good to me, and I want to thank them," Iris said.

Iris said she has been looking forward to her 100th birthday celebration all year.

The event will be hosted by family members, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Everyone is invited.

31st Annual Motley County Jr. Rodeo to be held July 8-9

The 31st Annual Motley County Junior Rodeo will be held at the Old Settlers Arena in Roaring Springs, July 8 and 9. The Junior Rodeo is sponsored by the Motley County 4-H Adult Leaders Association.

There will be two performances. The Friday night performance will begin at 7:00 p.m. The Saturday evening performance will begin at 4:00 p.m. Rodeo books will close at 5:00 p.m. on July 5th.

Saddles will be awarded to the All-Around Boy and Girl in the Senior Division (ages 16-19). A set of trophy spurs will be given to the All-Around Boy and Girl in the Junior Division (ages 13-15) and a set of trophy bits to the All-Around Pee-Wee Division (ages 9-12). Trophy buckles and ribbons will be awarded to the All-Around Pre-Kids (age 8 and under) Boy and Girl. Montana Silver Smith Buckles will also be awarded for first place in each event for all ages.

Rodeo events will include Barrel Race, Flag Race, Pole Bending, Goat Tying, Goat Ribbon Pull, Tie Down Roping, Ribbon Roping, Breakaway, Steer Daubing, Chute Dogging, Team Roping, Steer Riding and Calf Riding.

All interested youth are encouraged to enter the rodeo and spectators are invited to watch.

For more information or entry blanks, please call D'Anna Russell, Rodeo Secretary, at 806-347-2601 or 806-347-2621, or the Motley County Extension Office at 806-347-2733.

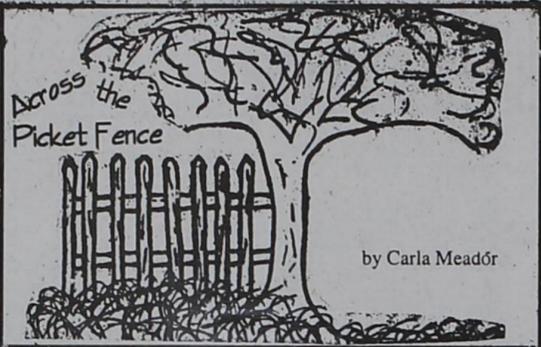
State and local sales tax revenues rise

(Austin) -- Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn announced last week that the state received \$1.45 billion in sales tax revenue in May, up 10.7 percent, compared to May 2004. Strayhorn sent \$344.8 million in June sales tax allocations to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, up 6.2 percent compared

to last June. Since January, sales tax allocations to local governments are running 6.8 percent ahead of last year.

The Comptroller said May's 10.7 percent increase in sales tax collections follows an 8.1 percent decline in April, but does not indicate an economic shift. Adjusting for the

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Sunday is Father's Day. Of course, my daddy is the best. He raised me, my sister and three brothers with love and discipline and I thank God for him everyday. Happy Father's Day, Daddy. In honor of Fathers ...

ONLY A DAD
by Edgar A. Guest

Only a dad with a tired face,
Coming home from the daily race,
Bringing little of gold or fame
To show how well he has played the game;
But glad in his heart that his own rejoice
To see him coming and to hear his voice.

Only a dad with a brood of four,
One of ten million men or more
Plodding along in the daily strife,
Bearing the whips and the scorns of life,
With never a whimper of pain or hate,
For the sake of those who at home await.

Only a dad, neither rich nor proud,
Merely one of the surging crowd,
Toiling, striving from day to day,
Facing whatever may come his way,
Silent whenever the harsh condemn,
And bearing it all for the love of them.

Only a dad but he gives his all,
To smooth the way for his children small,
Doing with courage stern and grim
The deeds that his father did for him.
This is the line that for him I pen:
Only a dad, but the best of men.

Tx Hwy. 70 Assoc. will sponsor Yard of the Month

The Texas Hwy. 70 Association announced this week they will sponsor a YARD OF THE MONTH contest in June, July and August.

A yard will be chosen from each town, Spur, Dickens, Roaring Springs, Matador, Flomot

and Turkey. Judges will be from another town in the Association, so yards won't be judged by hometown members.

The winner's yard will be featured in the local newspaper and presented a framed certificate.

Library Notes
By Suzanne Abbott, Librarian

We were saddened by the death of Jerry Green last week. Jerry was a loyal friend and patron of this library. When he found out that I read nothing but fiction, he gently began to educate me about the works of some of the non-fiction writers that he knew that the library should have. He introduced me to the great historian Stephen

Ambrose, many times purchasing the books himself and donating them to the library. He also taught me that C.S. Lewis had written religious books other than the Narnia Chronicles. Jerry was always ready to advise me when I asked for his opinion about certain books. We

will miss this true Friend of the Library.

We appreciate the donations that library has received recently. We thank Marihelen Wason, Ken and Dinah Young, Lois Merrick, Edna Ruth Green, Skeet and Earlyne Jameson, Mary Lou and Billy Ray Martin for their donations in memory of Jerry Green.

We also thank Barbara Huff for her donation in memory of Jimmie Hunter and Skeet and Earlyne Jameson for their donations in memory of Bill Moss and Bill Hemphill. Donations such as these help keep the library's collection up-to-date and make lasting memorials to special people in our lives.

Health Screening Clinic sponsored by Do Gooders

The Do Gooders' Club sponsored a Health Screening Clinic at the Community Center in Flomot Tuesday afternoon, June 7. Mrs. Jo Sandlin and Mrs. Tracy Vaughn, nurses with the Covenant Home Health Care of Spur were the special guests and gave free medical tests. They were pleased with the good turnout and entertaining afternoon.

Hostesses, Mrs. Trula Martin and Mrs. Geneva Martin presided at a pink service. The table was laid with a sheer white cloth edged with delicate embroidered pink flowers over a green cloth. The centerpiece was an oblong white basket with a floral arrangement of beautiful pastel spring flowers. They served cookies, banana nut bread with pink fruit creamed cheese between the slices and peach iced tea.

Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert conducted the busy agenda. Mrs. Alma Shorter read the minutes that were approved. They agreed to bring brownies, rice

krispy bars and freezers of ice cream to the Homecoming Concession stand. The Homecoming quilt will be on display at the Quitaque Bank and they will continue to sell chances for it. They voted to pay expenses for repair of gym roof gutters, sealing joints and rechanneling the water which Donnie Turner, County Commissioner, will oversee.

Mrs. Trula Martin presented the nurses with a gift. The hostess gift, a barbecue sauce bottle with an applicator brush, was won by Mrs. Leona Degan.

Members attending were Mesdames Barbara Payne, Connie Franks, Geneva Martin, Nada Starkey, Alma Shorter, Mary Jo Calvert, Anna Beth Clay, Trula Martin, Leona Degan, Kathy Shorter and Tommie Jo Cruse. Guests were Amanda Maner of Tulsa, Oklahoma and Mrs. Ruth Lee, who took pictures of the Homecoming quilt to be left at different locations.

Arts & Crafts news
By Winifred Darsey

Motley County Arts and Crafts Club enjoyed one of the most elegant and lovely workshops that the club has been fortunate to study and paint; at the Senior Citizens Center on June 6.

Club President, Joy Archer, after a regular business meeting, taught the class how to paint on Trio Boxes. These boxes were an ensemble of three boxes, graduated sized, rounded boxes. The results were exquisite in a detail of flowers, birds or abstract painting. A bountiful work of art.

The club dined at noon with the Senior Citizens on baked chicken, black-eyed peas, brussell sprouts, cornbread and cherry cobbler. It was a delicious luncheon and rated real high by the members.

The members present besides the club president, were Lorene Lancaster, Vee Gordon, Jo Trammell, Nova Dale Turner, Dorothy Knight, and Winifred Darsey.

July's lesson will be watercolors by Jo Trammell. See you there!

Look Who's New



William Parker Echols

Katherine Elizabeth Echols welcomes her new baby brother, William Parker. He was born May 5 and weighed 8 pounds 1 ounce and was 21 inches long.

Proud parents are Brian and Pamela Echols of Keller, Texas.

Grandparents are Larry and Annette Hollinsworth of Roaring Springs.

Sladen Jack Varnell

Shawn and Penny Varnell, and big sister, Kamrin Jade, of Portales, NM, are happy to announce the arrival of Sladen Jack Varnell.

Sladen, who is named for his maternal great-grandfather, Sladen Warren and his paternal grandfather, Jerry Jack Varnell, was born in Clovis, NM, May 29,

2005. He weighed 7 pounds 12 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Jerry and Jeannie Varnell of Portales, NM and Jr. and Betty and Aunt Cindy Bearden of Quitaque.

Great-grandmother is Dorothy Orendorf of Portales, NM.

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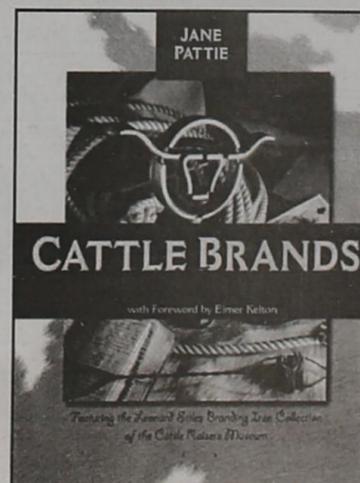
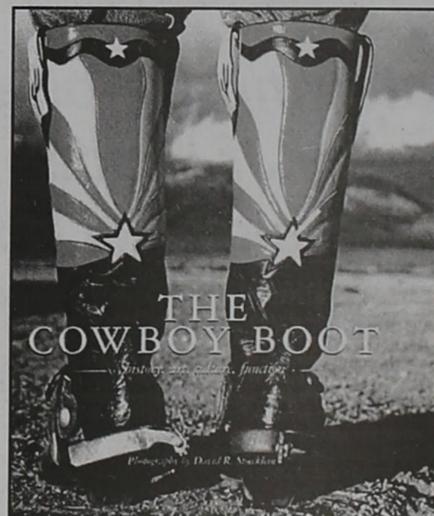
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— I Thessalonians 5: 16-18

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"Men no longer are bound together by ideas, but by interests; and it would seem as if human opinions were reduced to a sort of intellectual dusts, scattered on every side, unable to collect, unable to cohere."

— Alexis de Tocqueville

We live in a nation which is uniquely focused upon the rights of individuals and their opinions. This national interest is so strong that it threatens to dilute truth itself. We are instructed by many sources that each one of us is entitled to our own interests or opinion no matter what the consequences may be.

Our nation has become a massive group of individuals. We are no longer able to identify ourselves as just "Americans." There appears to be more a "common cause" or bond. Rather our "common bond" appears to be our differences.

There is one arena where our rights or opinions are of little value. I speak of the Kingdom of God. Our rights or opinions in matters of salvation are irrelevant. We are sinners! We have been saved by Grace, therefore we are dependent upon God for our deliverance. The Lord Jesus promised in John 8:32 that God's truth would set us free, God's truth, not our own ideas or opinions. We lack the wisdom to direct our own steps toward heaven (Jeremiah 10:23). Therefore, we must be willing to yield to God's Truth if we are to be blessed by Him.

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

BIBLE STUDY, 10:00 A.M.

WORSHIP, 9:00 A.M.

Motley County Chamber of Commerce News & Views by Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort

Consider:

There is a line from one of Charles Dickens' novels that goes something like this: Income 21 shillings, outgo 19 shillings equals bliss. Income 21 shillings, outgo 22 shillings equals misery.

-- Charley Reese

Well, we added up our shillings, and the result was not bliss, because we haven't gotten our membership letters for the year out yet, but the survey to accompany the letters is finished, so you will be getting the letters soon. We do hope you will renew your membership, or join for the first time, if you are not a member yet. We need your help to get on with all the projects planned for the year.

This was only one of the items on the agenda for the Chamber meeting on May 17th at the Library.

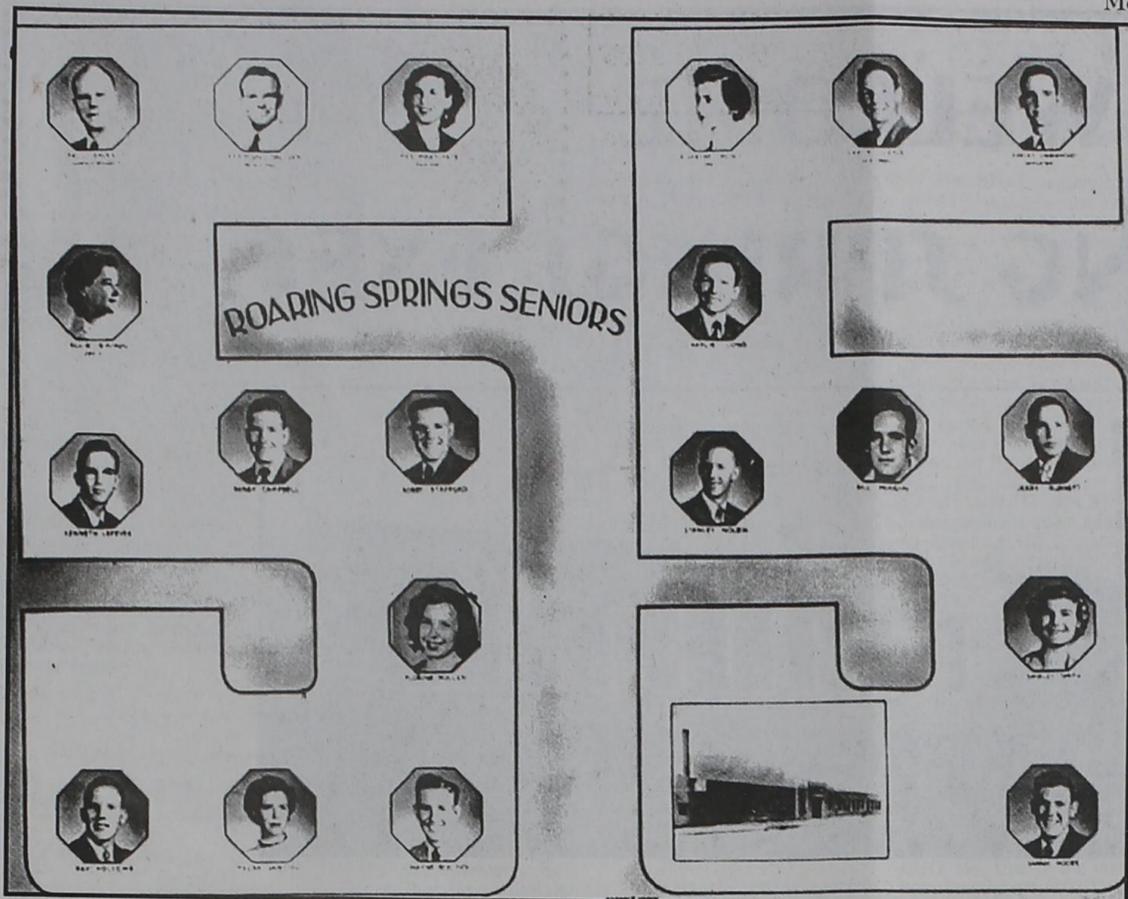
We talked about scheduling a workshop for small business owners and those who would like to become one through the Small Business Development Center, a representative of which was here in April. The

workshop would be a three-hour condensed version of the longer workshops they hold in Lubbock, but we would host it here in Motley County.

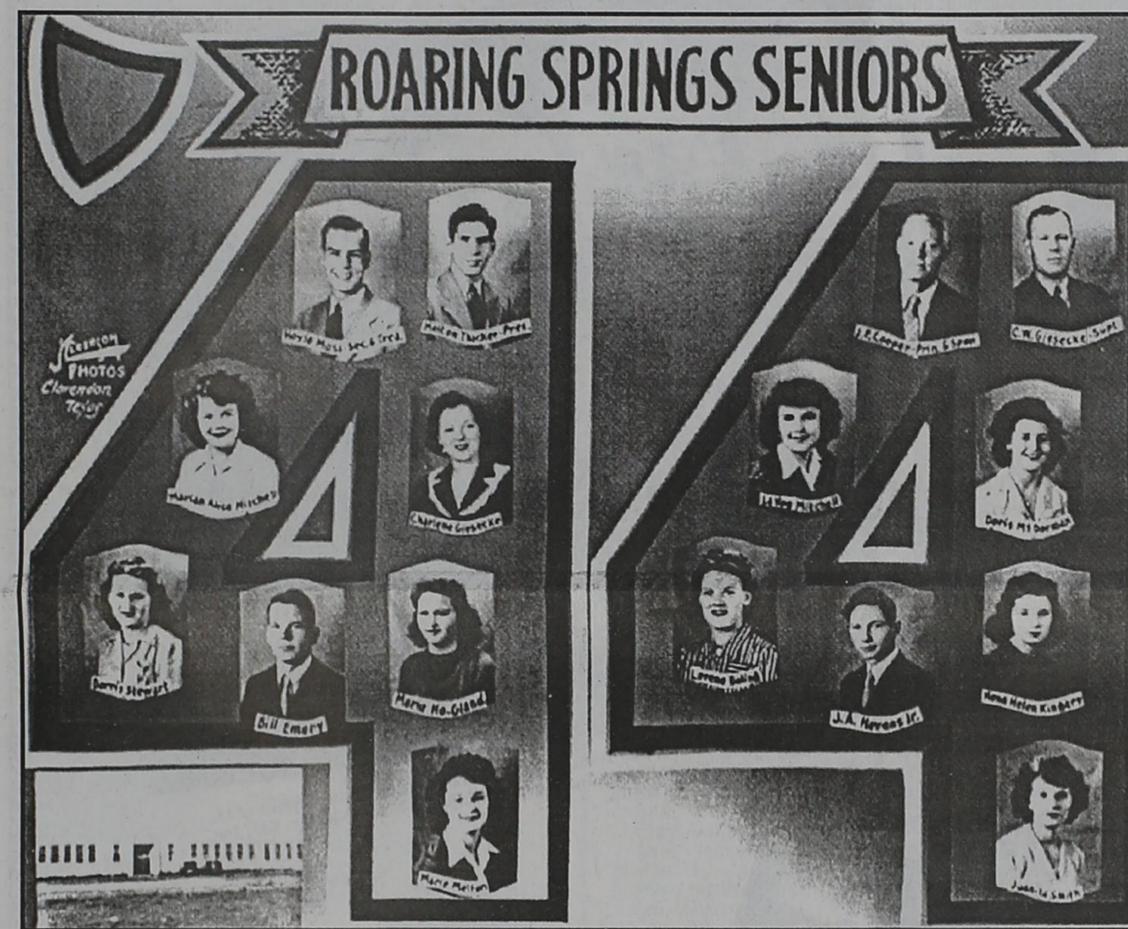
Leasing the office space above City Hall was also a topic for discussion, since the Chamber is the body that is responsible for renting it out. Anyone who is interested in leasing it should contact any of the board members, or drop by New to You and talk to the Chamber president, Annette Hollinsworth.

The banquet was the big topic of the meeting, since it is time to start with the planning for this year's event. It was decided to have a traditional banquet with a trade show this year, and not a picnic as was done last year. The next step is to contact the people about being on the program and setting up the dates. We will keep you posted on developments.

This brings you up to date on the discussions at the Chamber, so you are ready to attend the next meeting on Tuesday, June 21st at 5:30 p.m. in the Library. We would really enjoy having you there.



ROARING SPRINGS CLASS OF 1955



ROARING SPRINGS CLASS OF 1944

Matador residents named to SPC honor list

Amanda Hurt and Mandi Ream from Matador were among those named to the Dean's Honor List for the Spring 2005 semester at South Plains College.

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

"The college wishes to commend these students who have been named to the President and Dean's Honor Lists for their

diligence and hard work in maintaining excellent grades in their studies at SPC," said Dr. Kelvin Sharp, SPC president. "Grades are one measure of success in college, and we recognize these students for their efforts."

Amanda and Mandi graduated from Motley County High School in 2004. Amanda is the daughter of Tommy and Kate Hurt and Mandi is the daughter of Chuck and Gail Ream, of Matador.

Matador City Council

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leave landfill charges as they currently are:

Tires: Car, \$3.00; Truck, \$8.00; Tractor, \$20.
Waste to Landfill: RU, \$10; Trailer, \$15; all else, \$29 per ton.

City Trailers: \$20 if the City delivers, picks-up and unloads.

Comp Time and providing utility bill for free access to the landfill are two items to be added to next month's agenda.

Lance Cpl. Chase Carson deploys to Iraq

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Chase F. Carson and the Marines and Sailors of 2nd Force Service Support Group are in the middle of a scheduled deployment in Western Iraq.

Carson's wife, Cara, is the daughter of Coy and Connie Franks of Flomot. He is the son of Terry Carson and Rex Carson former Matador residents, and the grandson of Dortha Grundy of Matador.

Carson's unit deployed from

Camp Lejeune, N.C., in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and to provide logistical support including supplies, maintenance, transportation, landing support and health services for II Marine Expeditionary Force.

The 4,000 Marines and Sailor's primary mission is to assist in the reconstruction of Iraq, and develop a safe and represented Iraq that will contribute to the defeat of the global threat of terrorism.

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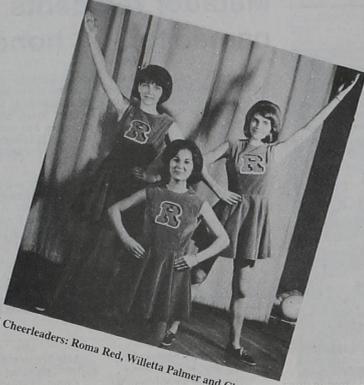
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1966 Cheerleaders: Roma Red, Willetta Palmer and Cheryl Moore.



1939 Roaring Springs Basketball Team, #50, Jack Parsons; #48, Caldwell Smith; #47, Sam Hunter; #43, John Sherwood; Coach John Paddock; #42, Joe Shirley; #45, Joe Bruce King; #46, Lewis McCarthy.

1966 Football Squad



Coach Boyce, Sam Davis, Kelly Hand, James Palmer; (second row) Dan Brandon, Johnny Thacker, Bo Owens, Pat Nichols; (third row) Harold Parks, Ronnie Clifton, Chester Dye, Bruce Lefevre, Jeff Thacker.

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T-Ball Coach, Danika Jameson, instructs Logan Ferguson to stop on third base during a recent game. Summer softball season will wrap up this Friday night. Looking on is Lorenzo Salazar, base umpire.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

Carla, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and news coverage for the City of Matador on Operation Cleanup. Our last cleanup on our Grant was June 4, 2005.

I would like to express my appreciation to the individuals who cleaned up their own lots and yards, as well as ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS. There are not enough words to express our thanks for the many hours donated to this effort. For fear of leaving someone out, I won't list each individual by name, but I am so thankful for your support. Matador is truly blessed to have individuals who are willing to work hard to improve our town.

Thanks to all the businesses who donated food, drinks, ice, money and time.

Not only did volunteers work, but they also donated money and food for our breaks and lunches.

This cleanup was a GREAT SUCCESS. We hauled off approximately 90 tons of materials, and 10 buildings were destroyed. The City received a \$23,000.00 dump truck and a \$7,642.00 multi-purpose bucket

for our back hoe from this grant. This equipment helped greatly in this cleanup, and will be an asset to the City in the future.

I have received many compliments on how nice our town is looking. We still have work to be done, but with everyone working together, we can keep our town clean.

A BIG THANKS to S.P.A.G. and T.C.E.Q. for the grant funds. THANKS MATADOR FOR A JOB WELL DONE.

Mayor Paul Westbrook

NEW SHIPMENT OF BOOKS GREAT SELECTION

Motley County Tribune

Dear Carla,

We want to apologize for being late thanking all who helped to make the First Annual Old Settlers' Cowboy Camp Meeting a success. All the help was certainly appreciated and deserves more than a belated Thank You.

First I would like to thank Steve & Mary Cody from Lenapah, OK for coming our way and bringing fresh insight from the Word of God. Johnny Morris of Afton also brought thought provoking lessons we needed to hear. Fredia Burns and Monta Marshall led the morning ladies Bible studies.

Music was provided by Kelly and Pennie Keltz. Pennie led the singing, with Devonne Dillard, Dana Graham, Ken Young, Susan Gahr, Kelly and Brant Bearden accompanying. On Saturday night, Friends in Harmony provided special music.

David and Cynthia Stafford, along with Ryan Rankin, Les Woolsey and Gilbert Guerrero were fantastic cooks providing us with good cowboy fare.

Robert and Dean Osborne did some much needed tree trimming, dead tree removal and mowing. Don and Billie Stuckey also mowed. Corky Marshall helped Russell Alexander repair some plumbing for the restrooms. Johnny Morris, Jeff Braselton and Rick Collett did a lot of raking up dry grass and limbs. Brit Simpson, Chase Buckner and Schyler Tomlison helped haul away the dead grass and limbs. It was great to have these young boys helping. Travis McPherson, Harley Alsup, Don Stuckey, Johnny Morris and Corky Marshall helped to get the benches repaired and placed in the old tabernacle.

P.J. and Jennifer Schmidt came and brought the Crossview Camp chuckwagon to add to the western flavor. Don Stuckey brought in the South Pease River Ranch's chuckwagon. P.J. and Jennifer, along with Rick and Minnie Collett served as youth ministers.

Billie Stuckey and Monta Marshall did some heavy duty cleaning in the restrooms and the kitchen.

Plans have been made to make this an annual affair. If anyone who helped was overlooked in the list of names we apologize. All the help was so appreciated.

Sincerely,
The Old Settlers' Cowboy Camp Meeting Board

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Texas Legislature reinstates important CHIP benefits

The Texas Legislature restored several important benefits to the Children's Health Insurance Program, but fell short in fully funding the program for the 2006-07 biennium.

Dental, vision, hospice and mental health services were restored to the CHIP benefits package, monthly premiums have been replaced with more affordable and convenient enrollment fees, and lawmakers added funds to increase enrollment. An important provision also requires that the Texas Health and Human Services Commission request additional funding from the Legislature if there is a CHIP shortfall before imposing a wait list, enrollment cap, or cuts to eligibility or benefits.

"These restorations are significant victories for uninsured children and represent the hard work and commitment of hundreds of organizations across the State that worked to restore the Texas CHIP program," said Barbara Best, Texas Executive Director of the Children's Defense Fund.

The Campaign to Restore CHIP also thanks the lawmakers who supported CHIP restoration, particularly Senator Kip Averitt (R-Waco), who filed legislation to fully restore CHIP and championed an unsuccessful effort to restore 12 months continuous eligibility for children; and Senator Judith Zaffirini (D-Laredo) who developed the rider language to seek additional funds before creating a wait list or enrollment cap.

"Without such strong leadership for children's health, these restorations would not

have been achieved," said Anne Dunkelberg, Assistant Director of the Center for Public Policy Priorities. "We thank the legislators who worked tirelessly for restoration and achieved these successes despite many competing demands. Their commitment has made important progress for children."

Although these restorations are positive developments for low-income families on CHIP, critical program challenges remain for CHIP during the biennium. Renewed investment in outreach efforts to inform Texas families about the improved coverage and more family-friendly cost sharing will be essential to rebuilding the Texas CHIP program. If enrollment does not recover, Texas will miss out on an estimated \$370 million in federal matching funds for the 2006-07 biennium. Texas receives \$2.65 in federal matching funds for every \$1 of State funds invested in CHIP.

In addition, the Legislature provides funding for only about 24,000 additional children to be covered, yet CHIP enrollment declined by over 180,000 children since cuts took effect on September 1, 2003. Texas lawmakers pledged that they would find additional funds for CHIP in the case of a budget shortfall. It will be critically important to ensure that this provision is implemented and that CHIP eligible children are enrolled without a waiting list or benefit reductions throughout the 2006-2007 biennium.

According to 2003 U.S. Census data, Texas currently has the highest rate of uninsured children in the nation, with

21.6% of children lacking coverage. Nearly 90% of uninsured children have at least one working parent.

Restorations that were not achieved include:

- A final push for 12 months continuous eligibility, led by Senator Kip Averitt and passed by the Texas Senate, did not succeed, and 6 month coverage was made permanent in SB 1863.
- A 90-day wait for coverage remains in place for children who enroll in CHIP, including newborns.
- Income offsets for work-related expenses were not removed.
- A CHIP asset test remains in place, preventing families with more than \$5,000 in assets from qualifying for CHIP. Assets include cash, checking and savings accounts and certain vehicle values.
- Provider rate cuts remain in place, making it more difficult for CHIP health plans to recruit and retain providers.
- Funding is not adequate to restore CHIP enrollment to pre-September 1, 2003 levels.

New CHIP Perinatal Program

A last-minute addition to the budget creates new CHIP coverage of prenatal care and maternity services for women whose children, when born, would be under 200% of poverty and qualify for CHIP or Medicaid. HHSC estimates that coverage of these "perinates" will increase the CHIP rolls in FY 2007 by almost 48,000, most of whom under current rules would have been eligible for Medicaid as newborns.

Tax Payments

from page 1

Comptroller's successful tax amnesty program in 2003, April state sales tax revenue increased 3.6 percent compared to April 2004.

Comptroller Strayhorn sent June sales tax allocations of \$233.4 million to Texas cities, up 5.5 percent compared to June 2004. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax allocations are up 7

percent compared to the same period last year. Texas counties received sales tax payments of \$20.3 million, up 6.1 percent compared to one year ago. Calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations are 9.8 percent higher than last year.

Another \$9.9 million went to 97 special purpose taxing districts around the state, up 15.8 percent compared to last June. Ten local transit systems received \$81 million in sales tax allocations, up 7.5 percent compared to a year ago.

State sales tax collections in May and local sales tax allocations in June represent sales that occurred in April and were

reported to the Comptroller in May.

Matador, with a current rate of 2.000%, received a net payment of \$4,073.81, compared to \$3,527.96 last year, a 15.47% change. To date, Matador has received a total of \$27,484.07 for 2005, compared to \$25,501.62 in 2004, a 7.77% change.

Roaring Springs, with a 2.000% rate, received a net payment of \$4,044.77, compared to \$3,148.53 at this time last year, a 28.46% change. To date Roaring Springs has received a total of \$21,631.58, compared to \$18,545.43 in 2004, a 16.64% change.

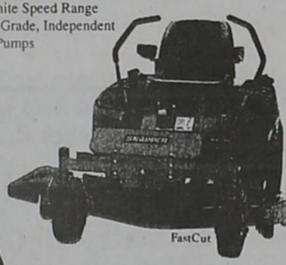


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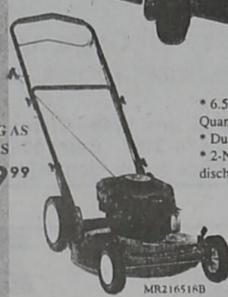
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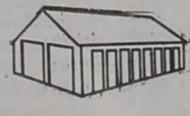
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Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

Father's Day is a special day for those Americans who are fathers and for those who have love and respect for their fathers. It is all the nicer for those fortunate people who fall into both categories. May God bless you and your family this Father's Day.

SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY

Tim Washington of Roaring Springs was honored on his 50th birthday with a surprise supper and party Saturday, June 11, at 5 p.m. at the Matador Ranch Headquarters. A brisket supper, decorated cake, freezers of ice cream and soft drinks, followed by a dance was an entertaining evening.

Hosting the festivities was his wife, Mrs. Deana Washington, children and families, Lacy and Conway Clarey, Mickey, Caleb and Kenzie of Matador and Matt and Ashley Washington and Brazos of Roaring Springs.

Family members attending were Mr. and Mrs. Cory Franks, Madison and Hudson and Cary Franks of Lubbock; Bill and Erma Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks and Mrs. Cara Carter of Flomot; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Ludwig and family of Hereford; Billy McWilliams, Kyle and Jim McWilliams of Quitaque and many friends.

Danielle Gwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Gwin, enjoyed a Caprock Canyons Park camp-out Tuesday until Thursday given for Valley School 5th graders that were recognized for achieving the Accelerated Reading Goal.

Lori and Kevon Kliebrink, Karlee and Kyler of Clifton visited during the Memorial holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike

Clay. Visiting in the Clay home from Monday until Wednesday were his brother, Mark Clay of Terrell and Amanda and Kayla Maner of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Visiting during the Memorial holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay were sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay, Colton and Kayla of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Cody Barclay, Ashton and Lane of Borger. The families visited Sunday in Matador with Mr. and Mrs. Ty Barclay.

Kellan Roberts of San Antonio visited last weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee and in Turkey with his mother, Mrs. Teresa Lee. He attended the 50th wedding anniversary reception in Plainview of his paternal grandparents, Kent and Barbara Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall, son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Kendall, Jere and Jacob visited from June 3-9 in Endicott, New York with her mother, Mrs. Frances Long. En route and on return trip home they visited in Hermitage, Missouri with her aunt and uncle, Barbara and Fred March.

Emily and Haley Milam of Petersburg visited overnight Thursday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter and their houseguest, Mrs. Cindy Calvert of Bogota, Columbia.

Lynn and Judy Stark attended the wedding ceremony of their son, Captain Wes Stark and Erin Nelson Saturday, June 11, held at the United Methodist Church in Dripping Springs. The reception was held at the Woodward Convention Center in Austin. When they return from their honeymoon, Wes will attend a C1-30 Air Force Training School for six months in Little Rock, Arkansas and then be stationed at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene.

Roaring Springs News

by Lula Swim

Miss Cindy Swim of Bella Vista, Ark. visited her aunt, Lula Swim, on Monday night, June 6. Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Swim also visited.

Mrs. Sammie Phillips drove Lula Swim to Plainview, Tuesday morning, June 7 to keep a doctor appointment. Rev. and Mrs. Donnie Howell met them for lunch.

Dr. Coe T. Branch filled the pulpit Sunday, June 12, at the Roaring Springs and Matador Methodist Churches.

Monty Watson drove his mother, Mrs. Cleo Watson to Lubbock last week to keep a doctor appointment. Miss Sherri Harris went with them.

Rev. Winfield Davenport received the appointment at the Matador and Roaring Springs Methodist Churches. He and his family will continue to live on their land outside of Floydada.

MEREDITH FAMILY REUNION

The descendants of Luster and Agnes Meredith met for their second annual family reunion, Saturday and Sunday, June 11-12, at the Roaring Springs Community Center. Family members enjoyed visiting, singing sessions, playing games and reminiscing.

Those attending were local residents, Joe and Joyce Meredith and grandchildren, Angelica and Jonah Meredith who are visiting from Las Vegas, NV, Randy & Holly Meredith, Wylie and John, Yancy & Daphne Meredith and Parker, Bennie and Connie Meredith, Karen Mount, Larissa and Aaron Bethard, Ky Christopher and Casey Osborn; from Matador were Jim and Carla Meador, Tony & Sherry Rose, Sean Rose, Shea Rose, Lisa McClure, and Kristopher Bethard and family of Jayton; Jeremy and Whitney Jones, Morgan and Judson, Johnny Meredith, Ray and Peggy Williamson, Brian and Shelly Williamson and children, and Jarod and Deanna Ashley, all of Lubbock; Harold Williamson of Artesia, NM; Raymond and Verlon Lindsey of Temple, Marilyn Weiss of Temple; Roger & Linda Ashley, Kimberly and Jubal Ashley, Ronda and Rachel Ashley, all of Sudan; Cory, Becky and Cagen Ashley of Plainview; Shirrarr and Keisha Ashley, Colby, Tamara and Colton Ashley of Dimmitt.

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Senior Notes

by Tommye Keith, Director



The Center has received memorial donations in memory of Jerry Green from David Keith, Geraldine and Ellis Key, Barbara and Jimmy West, Bertha Moore, Rusty Birchfield and Carolyn Ewing. In memory of Bill Moss they have been made from Edna Ruth Green and family, Judy and Butch Renfro, Bertha Moore, Carolyn Ewing and David Keith. Memorials received in memory of Bill Hemphill have been from Rusty Birchfield and David Keith. Joyce Campbell gave a memorial in memory of Audie Cross and Bertha Moore also gave a memorial in memory of Christine Briscoe.

We thank each one of you so very much. This helps the Center out very much.

The Appreciation Dinner and Open House was a great success. The food was great and we had a lot of people come and look the Center over. The Site Council did a great job. Thank you so much for working so hard for your Center.

The early morning exercise is still going on at 7:30 a.m. Just roll out of bed and come join us. They say it's good for you!

The Center is open Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The food is good, the visiting great. Please come join us.

Proof of the Truth

by Tom Edwards

Ours was NOT founded as a Christian nation!

How's that for an eyebrow-raising statement? Notwithstanding Jerry Falwell and others, it is nevertheless true.

The only way to get a correct handle and understanding on all this is a review of history. The most authoritative book on colonial church/state matters is "The First Freedoms," by Thomas J. Curry. It is a deep hard read.

Any study of the founding and experiences of the original colonies will reveal the hand of God in all sorts of ways. By far, the colonies were made up of deeply religious folks, almost all Christian. Most colonial charters required a vow of Christianity as a condition to hold public office, AND here's a major fact worth remembering. A majority of the colonies had (and kept) state-favored Christian church denominations! The last one (Mass.) lasted until 1833, some 40 years after the First Amendment was adopted. Does anyone really think Massachusetts maintained an unconstitutional state-favored church for 40 years? it wasn't then, and wouldn't be now, upon a correct reading of the Constitution! The states retained religious law-making power via the Tenth

Amendment.

The very best book detailing the strong religious and Christian positions of the Founding Fathers is David Barton's "Original Intent." It's also a "must-read."

It must be remembered that the founders intended to create a federal government with only limited powers, the rest being reserved to the states. The colonial states were very jealous of their individual state sovereignty, and without the Bill of Rights (the first being freedom of religion) there would have been no ratification of the Constitution. This gave rise to the doctrine known as "dual sovereignty," state and federal.

They laid out their religious position in the Declaration of Independence "self-evident truths" (absolute truth), and 4 separate references to the Deity. The Constitution is dated, "in the year of our Lord."

So, ours was not founded as a Christian nation, IT ALREADY WAS! But, it was founded upon Christian principles, and the Founders prayed that it would stay that way. It did, into the 20th century. As late as 1892, in Holy Trinity Church vs. U.S., the Supreme Court (yes, the Court), declared that "this is a Christian nation."

Obituaries

Audie Cross

Services were held on June 10, 2005, for Audie Cross of Carlin, Nevada. Audie passed away on June 3, 2005, following an on the job accident. He worked for the Nevada Division of Forestry as a Crew Supervisor. He was also a member of the Sexton's National Type I Incident Management Team.

He is survived by his wife, Lori Cross of Carlin, Nevada; seven children, Seth, Sarah, Kamaria, Zachery, Trevyr, Colten and Katie; his father, Jim Cross of Matador; two sisters, Tonda Dale of Las Vegas, NM and Loretta Weekes of Rogerson, Idaho. He was preceded in death by his mother, Karlene Cross of Matador.

Full Gospel Church to feature guest ministers

Full Gospel Church of Roaring Springs invites you to morning and evening worship services Sunday, June 19, with guest ministers, Dave and Sandy Noel.

Whether leading worship, sharing on marriage and family issues, or simply encouraging the discouraged, their humor, warmth, and sincerity have endeared the Noels to many hearts. They have traveled extensively throughout their ministry since 1975, leading marriage seminars, youth revivals, and speaking at various retreats and conventions. They have served churches in North Carolina, Oklahoma and Indiana. Accomplished musicians, Dave and Sandy have led worship in settings from local churches to national conventions.

Dave is a Dove Award-winning song writer with numerous published works, including children's musicals, worship music, and a song recorded by Steve Green, Christian recording artist. Sandy is also a gifted musician and communicator, sharing practical applications of the Word of God to which people can easily relate. Together, Dave and Sandy, along with their daughter, Jill, have a newly released worship album, BLAZE AWAY, containing twelve original songs.

The Noels make their home in Indianapolis, and have two grown children, Ryan and Jill.

Everyone is invited to Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., morning worship service at 10:30, and evening worship service at 6:00.

Matador News

Don and Dee Cox of Andrews and their grandchildren, Hunter Campbell and Mackie Edwards of Amarillo visited from Saturday until Monday with his mother and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Terry.

Guests of Mrs. Inez Bailey during the week were daughter and family, Marlene and Dick Hamm, Mrs. Sandra Hamm and son, Brian of Brownfield, Mrs. Cindy Everett, West and Will of Sundown. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Ron Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Garrison had a pre-Father's Day celebration Wednesday, June 15, in the home of

son and family, David and Susan Garrison in Childress.

Billie Ray Slover had stomach removal surgery Tuesday, June 7 at the United Medical Center in Lubbock. At newstime, he was reported to be doing fine. With him during surgery and hospitalization were his wife, Faye and daughter, Mrs. Barbara Luster of Cisco.

Glenda and Rodney Williams attended the United Methodist Church annual conference held in Lubbock, Friday. They visited daughter and family, Lindsey and Randy Westbrook and son, Andrew. Andrew returned home with them to visit.

Tee Time

by Judy C.



Ladies Playday, Thursday, June 9, was for Most Putts on Odd Holes. Playing 18 holes were Geneva, Judy C. and Louise. Glenna and Tempie joined us for 9 holes. There was no ball in for the 18 hole players.

Playing 9 holes that afternoon were Frances, Nell, Judy R., Tommye and Mary. Glenna and Tempie received balls with 3 pars each.

There were 13 players for the June 7th Scramble. First place, with a score of 31, were Brandon, Kyle, James Logan and Bryan.

Second place, with a score of 31, were Wes, Shane, Olivia, Tim and Christian.

Others playing were Alan,

Buzz, Larry and Paul.

James Logan won closest to the pin on #3 with 18 ft., 2 in.

There were 61 players for the Fun Day Scramble, Saturday, June 11. First place were Ken, Corky, V.V. Scott, Ceaman Scott and David Mead.

Second place were Alan, Kay, Chance and Isiah.

Third place were Robert, Olivia, Shane, Austin and Bryant.

Fourth place were Steve Bexkemper, Ryan, David Sue and Clayton Thompson.

Fifth place were Jack Marshall, Tammy, Cody and Bobby Hines.

Everyone reported having a very good time.

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FARM SERVICE AGENCY NEWS

By John Bird, Motley County CED

Farm Reconstitution Deadline

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Late DCP Signup

Although the June 1 deadline has passed to sign up for the 2005 Direct and Counter cyclical payment program, you may still sign up for a fee of \$100.00 per farm until September 30. After September 30 there will be no way to sign up for the 2005 crop year payments.

Please remember, this is an annual contract only.

Certification Deadline

The deadline to report 100% of your cropland is July 15. This is a requirement to receive any payments. This does apply to farms that are all CRP or pasture. Please be sure before you sign the certification form to verify that 100% of the cropland

on every tract has been accounted for.

NOMINATIONS FOR COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

It is again time to make your nominations for the county committee. This year's election will be held in LAA 3 which is the south 1/3 of the county and is currently held by Truitt Read. Mr. Read is eligible for re-election.

A nomination form signed by the nominee is needed to nominate an individual. The form includes a statement that the nominee agrees to serve if elected.

The nomination form (FSA-669A) is available at USDA Service Centers and online at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/elections/FSA0669A050517Vo1.pdf>

These forms were also included in the June/July newsletter.

Nomination forms for the 2005 election must be post-marked or received by close of business in the local USDA Service Center on August 1, 2005.

COUNTY AGENT'S NEWS

BY ERIC LEWIS, MOTLEY COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT

BSE: WHAT DO WE KNOW?

With the recent possible case of BSE or "Mad Cow Disease" it is important to know what the disease is and how it affects animals.

Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy or BSE is one of a number of TSE (Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy) diseases. The first known case of a TSE involved scrapie in sheep in 1732. BSE was first seen in the United Kingdom in 1984 and was diagnosed in 1987. A recent review by Illinois researchers summarized 217 references on the subject.

These findings were:
 — TSE's are thought to be caused by an abnormal prion protein;
 — Effects are primarily neurological;

— Transmission is by exposure to infected tissue or residue and the primary method of BSE seems to be through meat and bone meal from infected animals;
 — Most mammals are susceptible to TSE's;

— Transmission between species is rare but BSE may have been spread from sheep to cattle;
 — TSE can develop at low levels in non nervous tissue;

— There is a minimum risk to humans from consumption of traditional animals.

Biological risk to humans may be minimal but an outbreak would be disastrous to the US cattle market.

More information can be found at: <http://bsinfo.org/>

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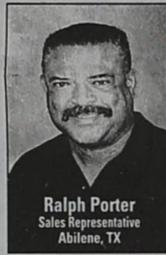
Use of *Bt* cotton varieties has reduced some of the risk surrounding these pests. But due to movement and feeding habits of bollworms, experience has shown that an overspray of a worm treatment is usually needed on *Bt* varieties. And, of course, planned worm control programs are still needed for use on herbicide-tolerant and conventional cotton acres.

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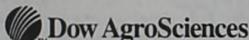
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Avoiding common mosquito bites key to preventing West Nile virus

The name may sound exotic - West Nile virus.

But, it is the common backyard mosquito that is the troublemaker, the potential carrier of this and other infectious diseases. Most mosquitoes are simply an annoyance, but avoiding mosquito bites is the key to preventing illness.

"We do not know the extent to which West Nile infections or the other mosquito-borne illnesses will affect Texans this year," said Jim Schuermann, staff epidemiologist for vectorborne and zoonotic diseases with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). "But we do know that mosquitoes are a problem in every part of the state every year. And there are steps people can take to protect themselves."

At the top of the list is to use an insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus. According to a 2003 DSHS survey, 77 percent of the people who got the most serious forms of West Nile infection never used repellent. This year the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention added picaridin and oil of lemon eucalyptus to the list of recommended repellent ingredients.

"People should read and follow the label instructions," Schuermann said. DSHS offers the following additional recommendations:

- Drain standing water from around your home. Empty cans, buckets, tires, rain gutters, tree holes and saucers under potted plants regularly. Change the water in pet bowls, bird baths and wading pools several times a week. It only takes a thimble of water for mosquitoes to breed.
- Limit the amount of time outdoors between dusk and dawn when those mosquitoes likely to carry infections are most active.
- Dress appropriately when outside in mosquito-infested areas. Cover as much skin as possible to reduce exposure to mosquito bites and use a recommended repellent on exposed skin. Mosquitoes may bite through thin clothing, so spray clothes with repellent containing either DEET or permethrin for extra protection. Studies show that permethrin sprayed on clothing lasts through several washings.

Schuermann said it also is important to keep mosquitos out of the house. "Be sure door, porch and window screens are in good condition," he said.

West Nile virus and other mosquito-borne infections can result in serious illness or death. "With West Nile virus, older people, especially those who already have medical problems, are most likely to develop the more serious forms of illness including encephalitis and meningitis," Schuermann said.

In 2004 West Nile was detected in 101 Texas counties. A total of 119 human cases of serious West Nile illnesses from 40 counties were reported, including eight deaths.

West Nile infection is caused by the bite of an infected mosquito that gets the virus when feeding on infected birds and other wild animals. It is not transmitted from person to person.

The risk of exposure to West Nile virus is relatively small. Not all mosquito species are able to transmit the virus. Of the species that do, only one in 100 mosquitoes will be infected; and only a small number of people bitten by infected mosquitoes will become sick. In general, out of 100 people infected with the virus, only 20 will develop any illness at all.

Symptoms usually appear from three to 14 days after a person is bitten. For most who do develop symptoms, the illness is relatively mild. The most common symptoms of mild infections include fever, headache, muscle aches and drowsiness. About one of 150 people infected with the virus will develop a severe form of the illness with symptoms that include intense headache, high fever, nausea, stiff neck, muscle tenderness, shivering and mental confusion. Convulsions, coma, and death may follow. For those who survive, recovery may take months.

Other mosquito-borne illnesses include St. Louis encephalitis, eastern equine encephalitis, western equine encephalitis and dengue fever. There is no specific treatment for these infections. For more information visit the DSHS Web site: www.dshs.state.tx.us.

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

Motley County Tribune Weather June 16, 2005

7-Day Forecast

	Thursday Partly Cloudy High: 95 Low: 68
	Friday Mostly Sunny High: 92 Low: 67
	Saturday Mostly Sunny High: 94 Low: 67
	Sunday Mostly Sunny High: 98 Low: 69
	Monday Partly Cloudy High: 98 Low: 70
	Tuesday Partly Cloudy High: 96 Low: 68
	Wednesday Partly Cloudy High: 95 Low: 68

In-Depth Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 95°. The record high temperature for today is 107° set in 1948. Friday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 92°.

Moon Phases

Full	Last	New	First
6/21	6/28	7/6	7/14

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Sunday	87	61	88/64	0.00"	0.00"
Monday	89	62	89/64	0.00"	0.90"
Tuesday	93	70	89/64	0.00"	-0.90"
Wednesday	99	73	89/64	0.00"	78.1°
Thursday	92	70	90/65	0.00"	76.9°
Friday	83	65	90/65	0.00"	76.2°
Saturday	87	63	90/65	0.00"	+1.2°

Data as reported from Childress, Texas

Weather History

June 16, 1987 - Temperatures soared above 100 degrees in the Upper Midwest, reaching 104 degrees at Lincoln, Neb. Thunderstorms produced wind gusts to 96 mph at Valley City, N.D. and baseball size hail near Red Oak, Iowa.

Sun & Moon Times

Sunrise today	6:31 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:57 p.m.
Moonrise today	3:20 p.m.
Moonset today	2:33 a.m.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

CHILDRESS - The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public meeting on July 15, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. in the TxDOT District Office, 7599 US 287, Childress, Texas. The purpose of the meeting is to help plan transportation services for elderly person and persons with disabilities in the Childress District. Counties in the Childress District are Briscoe, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Dickens, Donley, Foard, Hall, Hardeman, King, Knox, Motley and Wheeler.

Interested organizations, public entities and individuals within the Childress District are invited to attend this meeting. Those interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Kim Butler at 940/937-7248 at least two days prior to the meeting. Because the public meeting will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two days prior to the meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

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