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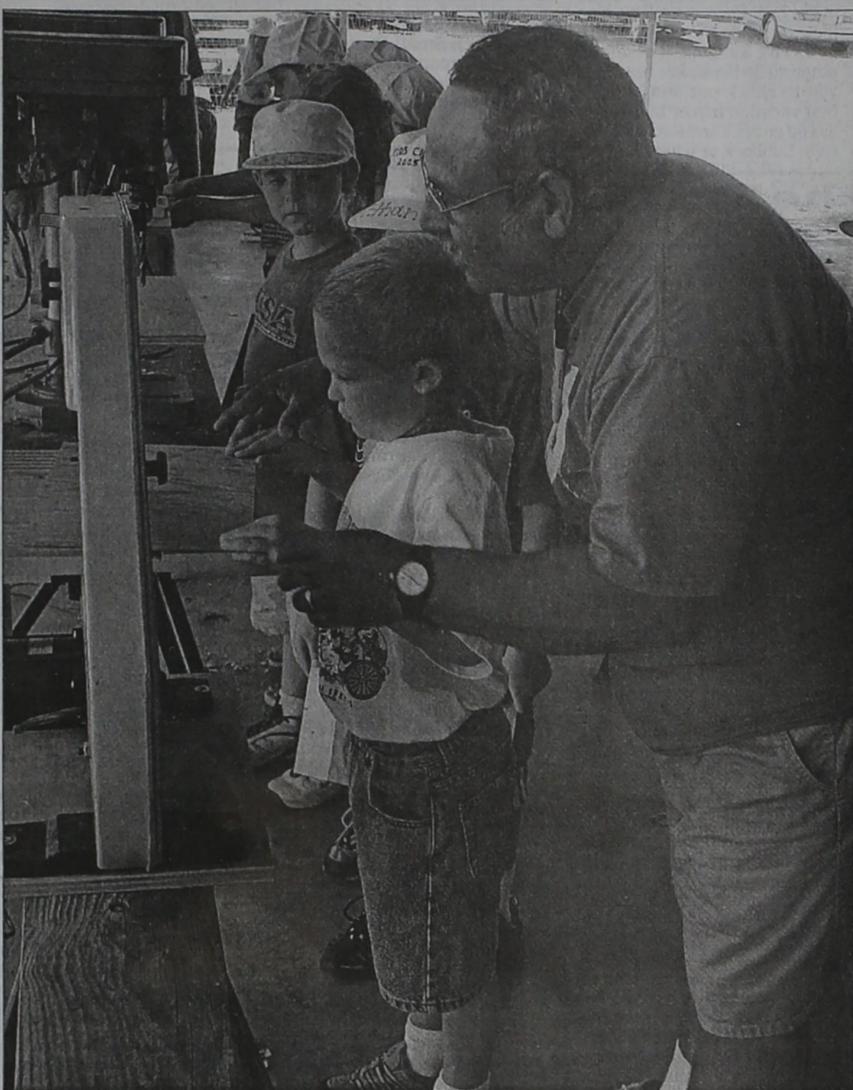
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Kids' Camp now in session

Seven-year-old Matthew Whittenberg, traveled many miles to attend Kids' Camp, all the way from Basel, Switzerland. He is visiting his grandparents, Don and Billie Stuckey in Roaring Springs. He was receiving instructions on how to saw a board from Camp Volunteer Joe Martinez, when this picture was taken, while another camper, Matthew Faulks, also 7, looks on. Birdhouses were the goal of these young builders. The day camp, which will continue through Friday, is filled with many fun and learning activities.

Motley County School Board prepares for new year

by Tina Brooks,
School Board reporter

The Motley County Board of Trustees met Monday, July 11, in a regular scheduled meeting. All board members were present, with the exception of Robert Fisk and Les Woolsey. Also present were Denise Ford, Marilynn Hicks, Dr. Thomas Alvis, Randy Brown, Rosalee Davis, Cathy Turner and Nova Dale Turner.

Invocation was given by Dr. Alvis.

No one was present for open forum.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Hicks reported about the new student transfer policy which will require a passing grade on the TAKS test for transfer students to Motley County.

High School students registered for the 2005-2006 year July 19.

Mrs. Hicks is working with the Matador City Council to

work on a safer loading and unloading zone for students.

Dr. Alvis reported that Paducah ISD is leasing a handicap van to the school. The school must keep up maintenance. The two Flomot bus routes will be combined this year. The board voted to re-search the option of buying a nine passenger suburban for the Flomot route to help with costs and enable the students to have a more comfortable ride.

The list of expenditures was read and approved. The budget was amended as described by Dr. Alvis.

The board voted to renew insurance for workers compensation with CAS.

The board voted to approve the student handbook after a consultation with the school's lawyers over wording.

Dr. Alvis informed the board that Gary Campbell would like to donate a new metal sign for Forest Park in honor of Forest Campbell. This sign will hang where the scoreboard now hangs, that Mr. Campbell do-

nated years ago. The board approved.

The board voted to put the Roaring Springs property back up for bids.

Auditor bids were reviewed. Dr. Alvis recommended hiring Williams, Meriwether, Smith & Co. The board accepted the bid from Williams, Meriwether, Smith & Co.

Kathy Gillespie was approved as the Chemical Hygiene Officer for Motley County schools.

The board entered executive session at 9:17 p.m. and exited at 9:44 p.m. Out of executive session, the board voted to hire Lori Alexander on a probationary contract for the fourth grade teaching position.

The board also voted to hire Randy Brown as the Superintendent to begin July 18, with a two year contract at a salary of \$64,500, which includes his insurance of \$250 per month, with the house to be furnished rent free, and reimbursed for his school travel at the state rate.

Bankers, LaEsperanza lawsuit settled

A lawsuit filed by Bankers Petroleum against its partner, LaEsperanza and Nancy Lois Shockey, earlier this month in the 110th District Court, Floyd County, Texas, has been settled.

The companies have lease agreements with several Motley County landowners.

The case went to court Friday, July 22 and was scheduled to re-convene Monday, July 25. An agreement was reached by both parties. The agreement states that Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. and LaEsperanza and Nancy Lois Shockey, defendants and counter-plaintiffs, move the Court to dismiss with prejudice all claims of Bankers against LaEsperanza and Shockey, and all claims of LaEsperanza and Shockey against Bankers for the reason that all matters of fact and things in controversy have been fully and finally compromised and settled.

Bankers Petroleum issued a private and public apology and all parties dismissed all claims in the lawsuit filed July 6, 2005. Mr. Fred Nicholson, President of Bankers Petroleum 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 LaEsperanza and Nancy Shockey from many of the allegations of wrongdoing."

"Bankers hereby congratulates LaEsperanza on its monumental efforts in the Palo Duro Basin Shale Play. LaEsperanza 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 LaEsperanza and Bankers, and the company has the highest regard for LaEsperanza's achievements in the Palo Duro Basin Shale Play."

In an article published in the *Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon*, July 14, Editor Alice Gilroy, reported that Bankers Petroleum filed a civil lawsuit against its partner LaEsperanza and Nancy Lois Shockey in the 110th District Court in Floyd County claiming a "breach of Agreement" on the part of LaEsperanza.

Shockey is the principal owner of LaEsperanza Oil.

According to the suit, "By December 2004, LaEsperanza had been in business for approximately 1 year with its leasing efforts focused entirely within the Prospect Area (Floyd, Motley and Briscoe Counties)."

At that time LaEsperanza held a contract right to purchase from Quicksilver Resources all of Quicksilver leases covering approximately 50,000 net mineral acres, but according to the suit, "LaEsperanza was essentially broke."

"If LaEsperanza did not immediately find a source of capital, LaEsperanza would lose its investment in the Quicksilver leases...LaEsperanza's entire operation was going to collapse in a matter of weeks, or even

days, if it failed to find additional funds," the suit stated.

Bankers then entered into a formal agreement December 22, 2004, and bought LaEsperanza's position by paying all Lease Acquisition Costs, "so LaEsperanza's costs were reduced to zero."

LaEsperanza's ownership interest was "reduced to a variable overriding royalty of approximately 5% and the right to participate on a well-by-well basis in any well drilled on the leases for 1/16th of Banker's interest."

Bankers paid LaEsperanza \$550,000 which, according to the suit, LaEsperanza agreed to apply to outstanding lease bonus payments and lease acquisition costs.

Bankers and LaEsperanza agreed that LaEsperanza would continue leasing as agent for Bankers only until December, 2005.

Bankers also purchased the Quicksilver leases for \$1,750,000.

According to the suit any land that had been leased by LaEsperanza since this agreement had been paid for by Bankers (more than 50,000 acres), but, according to the suit LaEsperanza had refused to convey the leases to Bankers.

Bankers also contended that LaEsperanza was leasing against Bankers.

According to the suit, when Bankers demanded that LaEsperanza "cease acting as a Bankers' agent, LaEsperanza refused."

Bankers also complained of poor preparation on leases and of obtaining leases that were not valid.

Bankers alleged they were billed for unnecessary and unreasonable lease acquisition costs.

Bankers suit stated they believe Shockey was taking at least \$75,000 per month for herself, for a project on which Bankers was only obligated to pay 'costs.'

Bankers also alleged that LaEsperanza set up "escrow accounts" in which Bankers had no control over.

Bankers alleged that LaEsperanza had wrongfully withheld leases, with a minimum value in excess of \$25,000,000.

Bankers also sought a restraining order and temporary injunction against LaEsperanza, that restrained LaEsperanza from acting as an agent for anyone other than Bankers, or destroying any records pertaining to transactions between the two, or in general acting against the best interest of Bankers in any leasing transactions.

Bankers had asked for a jury trial.

An article printed in the *Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon*, July 21, stated that LaEsperanza Oil and Gas (LEOG) filed their "answer" to the civil lawsuit filed against them by Bankers.

In the answer, filed July 14, LEOG denied "each and every" allegation made in Bankers' suit.

According to LEOG's answer, "on or about December 22, 2004, LEOG, Bankers, and others, entered into an Agreement pertaining to the leasing and development of mineral interests in Floyd, Motley, and Briscoe Counties (the 3 County Area) ...

"LEOG and Bankers will cooperate in coordinating and

defining the buy area(s) in which leases are to be acquired, establishing leasing budgets, determining terms for leasing, sharing all geologic, engineering, well and land data, and as to any other matters reasonably necessary to lease within the areas of Floyd, Motley and Briscoe counties."

According to the agreement, as outlined in LEOG's answer, "LaEsperanza will continue to have responsibility for the direct contact with lessors and potential lessors and the general field work that the leasing requires. All leases, lease forms, addendums, legal descriptions and parties to the leases must be approved by Bankers prior to the delivery to the lessor and prior to the issuance of the bonus check. In general, it is expected that LaEsperanza will secure a commitment to lease from the lessor, the correct legal description, the correct parties and a title report to be submitted to Bankers. Bankers will approve the lease and deliver the bonus check to LaEsperanza."

In response to Bankers charges that lease information had not been given to them, LEOG said they had "paid all necessary costs associated with leasing activity to the extent possible," and "awaits payments from Bankers on outstanding invoices."

LEOG charged that Bankers failed to pay LEOG for expenses "incurred in connection with the leasing program."

LEOG's answer also complained that Bankers interfered with and disrupted LEOG's leasing activities by soliciting and then hiring away landmen and staff under contract with LEOG.

LEOG also contended that the lawsuit filed by Bankers was "bogus" and the Temporary Restraining Order being sought by Bankers was "Unmeritorious."

LEOG claimed a breach of agreement by Bankers, and further claimed "malicious prosecution" by Bankers and "commercial disparagement of LEOG in the 3 County Area."

LEOG answered that Bankers claim that LEOG was a mere "leasing agent" for Bankers was false, and stated that "LEOG was the principal owner of the leases obtained in connection with the Agreement, and Bankers was the funding partner."

LEOG denied "Leasing against Bankers," and "using lease forms that were not approved by Bankers."

LEOG also denied they were incurring unreasonable costs including Shockey's "taking at least \$75,000 per month for herself."

LEOG asked for damages from Bankers in the amount of \$810,663.27 for outstanding expenses not paid, plus damages caused by Bankers' commercial disparagement, court costs and attorney's fees.

The company also sought a temporary restraining order that would prohibit Bankers from contacting any potential lessors or engaging in any leasing activities in the 3 County Area until after December 2005, disrupting or interfering with LEOG's performance, and from commercially disparaging LEOG.

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Strayhorn reports healthy gains in state and local sales tax revenue

(Austin) - Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said Monday the state received \$1.29 billion in sales tax revenue in June, up 8.9 percent compared to June 2004.

Strayhorn delivered \$344.5 million in July sales tax allocations to cities, counties and other local taxing entities, up 9.2 percent compared to last July. So far this calendar year, sales tax allocations to local governments are running 7.1 percent higher than last year.

Comptroller Strayhorn sent July sales tax allocations of \$232.8 million to Texas cities, up 8.7 percent compared to July 2004. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax allocations are up 7.3

percent compared to the same period last year. Texas counties received sales tax payments of \$20.7 million, up 9.7 percent compared to last July. Calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations are 9.7 percent higher than last year.

Ninety-seven special purpose taxing districts around the state received July sales tax allocations totaling \$9.8 million, up 13.5 percent compared to last July. Ten local transit systems received \$81.1 million in sales tax allocations, up 9.8 percent compared to a year ago.

June state sales tax collections and July sales tax allocations to local governments

mostly represent sales that occurred in May.

Matador, with a current rate of 2.000%, received a net payment of \$4,190.70, compared to \$3,690.47 last year, a 13.55% change. 2005 payments to date total \$31,674.77, compared to \$29,192.09 at this time last year, a 8.50% change.

Roaring Springs, with a current rate of 2.000%, received a net payment of \$1,355.27, compared to \$3,019.89 last year, a -55.12% change. 2005 payments to date total \$22,986.85, compared to \$21,656.32 at this time last year, a 6.59% change.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, August 12.

Motley County Library is awarded grant

The Tocker Foundation joins with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the Texas A&M Press to benefit the Motley County Library. The Gates Foundation partially funded a new Dell computer for the library and the Tockers paid for the difference. This new computer features Windows XP and a space-age, flat-screen monitor. It will be online soon at the Library.

The Tocker Foundation and the Texas A&M Press joined forces to present to this Library twenty-one new books, mostly about Texas. Among the titles is *From a Water Grave: The Discovery and Excavation of LaSalle's Shipwreck, LaBelle*. We also received *Indomitable Sarah: the Life of Judge Sarah T. Hughes, Horned Toad Canyon, and Learning from Longhorns*. These books and the oth-

ers will be on shelves soon at the Motley County Library.

We appreciate these donations from the Tocker Foundation, the Gates Foundation and the Texas A&M Press. Having the new computer will make accessing the Internet faster and easier and it has new versions of Streets and Maps and all the kids' games. Our patrons are sure to enjoy the books about Texas.



I know I probably say this every year, but I'll say it again - hats off to all the Kids' Camp Volunteers. These fine folks give many hours to make this camp possible for the children of this area.

If you've never visited the camp, go by and see what's going on. I know you'll be impressed. There are so many things for the kids to do. Every day is filled with activities. They learn how to build, first aid, about insects and animals, hear Bible stories and stories about heroes, make new friends, and so much more.

As I reported the camp was originally operated from Grants. But, due to stipulations from some of the grants regarding

religious activities, organizers decided to try to raise the funds themselves. And they have been successful. For the last few years, the camp has been operated on local donations. Isn't that great? If you've thought about donating, but haven't yet, don't hesitate. This is such a great opportunity for the children of this area. Donations can be sent to Alex Crowder or Corky Marshall or City Hall in Roaring Springs.

The kids are our future and what they learn now will determine how they behave as adults. So, if you're looking for a worthwhile project to make a donation, this camp is certainly on the top of the list.



GRAHAM DEAN GRUNDY

Our little Texan arrived Wednesday, June 29, 2005, at 11:49 a.m. at Christus St. Michael's Hospital in Texarkana, Texas.

Graham weighed 7 pounds 14 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Proud parents are Dayton and Brittany Grundy of Taylor, Arkansas.

Grandparents are Ben and



Dvonna Grundy, Matador; Mary Lou Grundy, Floydada; David & Janet Brazzel, Taylor, Arkansas; Gary & Jerri McAdams, Magnolia, Arkansas.

Great-grandparents are Roncho Grundy, Quitaque; Imogene Sweet, Taylor, Arkansas; Henry & Bobbie McAdams, Magnolia, Arkansas and the late Lucretia Campbell of Matador.

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

Library Notes

By Suzanno Abbott, Librarian

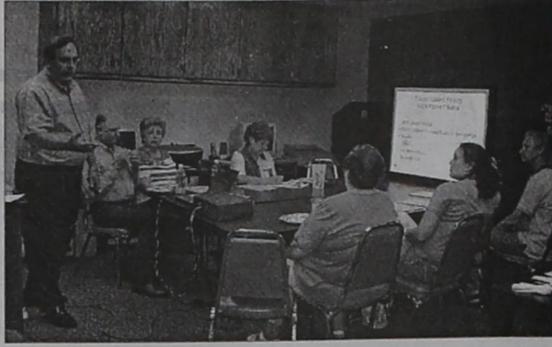
We appreciate the donation to the library by Larry, Annette and Kayla Hollinsworth in memory of Henry Baldrige. We also appreciate the help by PK Green, Marihelen Wason and Betty Henry, as they have been keeping the library open on Mondays.

We have a new DVD in the library on autism. It is called *Autism is a World* and was nominated for an Academy Award in 2004 as a Documentary Short Subject.

New audio books on CD include the very funny *Metro Girl* by Janet Evanovich. Also on CD, we have *Saturday* by Ian McEwan. This book was on the

top of the best-seller list for weeks. The library has audio CDs of *The Lovely Bones* by Alice Sebold, also on the best-seller list.

We have CD's of two of the very popular Tony Hillerman books, *The Dark Wind* and *Talking God*. Those of you who like stories about the tall ships will enjoy the CD of *The Way of a Ship: A Square-Rigger Voyage in the Last Days of Sail*. We also have on audio CD *Oh My Stars* by Lorna Landvik. These and other audio books are ready for you to check out and take on that vacation trip or to listen to as you go back and forth to Amarillo, Lubbock or wherever.



SMALL BUSINESS MEETING — Representatives from the Texas Tech Small Business Development Center spoke to current and prospective business owners at a meeting sponsored by the Motley County Chamber of Commerce last Thursday. Several Motley County residents attended.

Proof of the Truth

by Tom Edwards

WHO HAS RELIGIOUS LAWMAKING POWER UNDER THE U.S. CONSTITUTION?

Last week we learned that the only federal body with any granted lawmaking power is Congress, but the First Amendment provides that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." This is a clear lawmaking preclusion. It can't be better said than this: The First Amendment is an explicit statement of the nonexistence of Federal power! This raises the question, if there is no religious lawmaking power in the entire federal government (under the Constitution), then where is it? Or, is it anywhere?

It must be remembered that without the adoption of the Bill of Rights (the first ten amendments to the Constitution, there would have been no ratification of the Constitution, and it is vital to remember (as the Supreme Court conveniently forgets) that these ten amendments are related and were adopted as "package," with the Ninth and Tenth Amendments being "clean-up" amendments! One can't properly construe the First Amendments religion clauses without also considering the Tenth Amendment!

Now let's see the whole U.S. Constitutional treatment of matters religious covering Art. I, Sec. 1, the First Amendment,

and the Tenth Amendment." All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress," But "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof," And "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

There you have it, and there is Jefferson's "wall of separation." There is no Constitutional prohibition upon state lawmaking on religion, just upon the Federal Government, and the power to do it specifically reserved to the States by the Tenth Amendment! The only way the Supreme Court can get around the Tenth Amendment is to simply ignore it, and the Court regularly does just that.

Many have claimed the Constitution created a secular (devoid of religion) government. That is simply false! The "total" government involved dual sovereigns, the Federal Government and the several States, with all religious lawmaking power retained by and reserved to the States. Yes, under the U.S. Constitution, Texas could mandate school prayer, plaster the Ten Commandments everywhere, and declare that Baptist is the State-favored denomination! But, the latter is prohibited by the Texas Constitution.

PS. The President may have hit a home run. We'll see.

Tee Time

by Judy C.

Ladies Play Day, Thursday, July 21, was for Greenie on #3 and 12. Playing 18 were Louise, Geneva, Dartha, Glenna and Judy C. There was no ball given as no one got a greenie.

Playing 9 holes that afternoon were Mary, Marihelen, Lyndi, Tommye, Frances, Nell, Tempie and Judy R. No one got a greenie.

There were 34 players for the July 14th scramble. Conway won closest to the pin on #3 with 19 ft.

First place with a score of

29, were Billy, Fredia, Matt and Lisa.

Second place, with a score of 29, were Isiah, Kay, Cody and Matt.

Third place, with a score of 30, were Jack and Tammy Marshall, Weasel, Paula and Kevin.

Others playing were Larry, Reagan, Stan, Tempie, Conway, Virginia, Gerald, Dillon, Darrell, Brenda, Pat, Mike H., Sut, Fran, Bill, Kay, Aaron, Randa, Bert, LeAnn and Billy.

First Baptist Church to host Vacation Bible School

"Ramble across our spectacular nation on an unparalleled road trip. As we plot our course across the USA, we'll also learn to plot our course with God." Ramblers can gather for this Vacation Bible School road trip at First Baptist Church, Matador.

Children, age 4 through 6th grade, are invited to join Vacation Bible School from August 1-

5, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Built around an RV road trip across the USA, the week will be full of exciting Bible stories, a Souvenir Shop of crafts, fun music in the Tune-up Station, and RV camp related refreshments and recreation for everyone!

Pack your bags and hit the road with the Ramblin' Road Trip: Which Way Do I Go?

Red Rovers plan outings

The Motley County chapter of the Red Hat Society met at the library Thursday and made tentative plans for several group outings. On Sunday, August 7, the group will attend the Harley Sadler Tent Show, "Taming the Wild, Wild West in a Dress," at the Garza Theater in

Post. On Monday, August 15, the Red Rovers will eat brunch at the Traveler's Inn in Roaring Springs. On Thursday, September 15, the group will attend the Glenna Goodacre exhibit at the Texas Tech Museum. For more information, call Joyce Campbell.

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Greatness Redefined

Without controversy, the "old rugged cross" is the supreme sign of submission. It was the cross that taught us, "not mine but thy will be done." As the cross became the supreme sign for submission the towel of John 13 became the sign for Christian service. Our Lord demonstrated for us that the towel would be where true greatness is discovered.

When our Lord gathered his disciples for the Last Supper they were having great difficulty in deciding who was the greatest. This was not a new discussion between them. The Bible tells us in Luke 9:46, "And an argument arose among them as to which of them was the greatest." This was an ongoing discussion among them. The issue was ever present in their minds throughout their training process.

Here is the problem with which they struggled: Whenever you ask who is the greatest, then there is going to be a "least." And who wants to be least? Those early disciples knew that someone needed to be the foot washer. And understood that people who wash feet are considered the least. Not one of them wanted to be considered as the "least."

Our Lord then gave to them a new concept and in so doing He redefined Greatness. "If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you." (John 13: 14-15). It was a radical concept then and now. So, who is the greatest?

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

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

Arts & Crafts news

By Winifred Darsey

Motley County Arts and Crafts Club members were delighted by the lesson in Watercolor Painting, taught by Jo Trammell, July 11, at the Senior Citizens Center. She was assisted by Nova Dale Turner.

The class painted cards, with several designs. The colors were pastel of various hues. Boys, girls, flowers, birds, were some of the focal points. The results were beautiful and would regale the most austere of critics.

Joy Archer, Club President, held the regular business meeting at 10:00 a.m. She presented the members with the books for the new year. She designed and made for the ensuing year. They are attractive almost beyond description, with a western motif and an attractive talesman on each page. She reviewed the programs and they sound very good and will be a joy to those who participate.

The club dined at noon with the Senior Citizens. The bill of fare was delicious with chicken-fried steak, baked potatoes, green beans, wheat rolls and

Lawsuit

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The settlement stated "LaEsperanza 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."

The settlement ordered that as "between Bankers, LaEsperanza, and Shockey, all costs of court are taxed against the party incurring such costs, for the collection of which execution may issue and this case is fully dismissed."

Shop Motley County first!

apricots. Members present were Vee Gordon, Joyce Meredith and granddaughter Angelica Meredith, Jo Trammell, Joy Archer, Nova Dale Turner and Winifred Darsey. The club enjoyed having a visitor, Mrs. Monta Marshall of Roaring Springs.

The Annual Bazaar will be held November 12.

Work on the antique quilt is progressing. The program for August will be taught by Vee Gordon on clay pot chimes. See you there.

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Sales Tax Holiday August 5-7

This year's sales tax holiday for clothing and footwear begins at 12:01 a.m. Friday, August 5 and ends at midnight on Sunday, August 7. The tax break is expected to save Texas consumers millions in state and local sales taxes. This is one time hard-working Texans can keep their money in their pockets for their families' priorities.

Here are some highlights about the sales tax holiday:

- The tax holiday occurs every year on the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August. Qualifying items are exempt from state and local sales taxes.
- Most clothing and footwear priced at less than \$100 will be exempt from sales tax.



STAFF SGT. DON MARTIN is serving the U.S. Army in Baghdad. He is a Green Beret and will complete Special Forces training when he returns to his home base at Savannah, Georgia, where his wife, Shawna and sons, Benjamin, 6, and Steven, 3, are waiting. Don is a 1995 graduate of Motley County High School and the son of Howard and Debbie Martin of Matador.

Customers will receive the break on individual items, regardless of the total amount they buy. For example, sales tax is not due if a customer buys six shirts each priced at \$99.99. But full tax is due on a shirt sold for \$100; the first \$99.99 cannot be exempted.

- Clothing and footwear used primarily for athletic activities or for protective wear are not eligible for the exemption. Customers buying golf cleats or football pads, for instance, must pay sales tax. Athletic wear that is also used for participation in other non-athletic activities can qualify for tax exemption. For example, tennis shoes, baseball caps, and jogging suits are worn during everyday activities and thus may be purchased tax free during the holiday.

- Also excluded from the sales tax holiday are accessories such as jewelry and watches; items that are carried rather than worn, including handbags, briefcases and wallets; clothing rentals, such as formal wear and costumes; and repairs and alterations.

Below is a selected list of items and their exemption status during the sales tax holiday.

TAX FREE

Baby clothes, belts with attached buckles; boots - (cowboy, hiking); caps/hats - (baseball, fishing, golf, knitted); coats and wraps; diapers - adult and baby; dresses; gloves (generally); gym suits and uniforms; hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts; hosiery; jackets; jeans; jerseys - baseball and football; jogging apparel; neckwear and ties; pajamas; pants and trousers; rain-

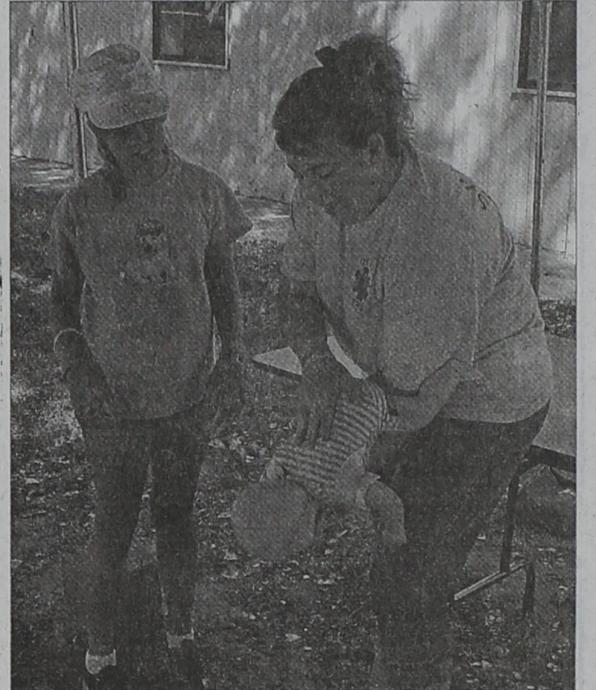
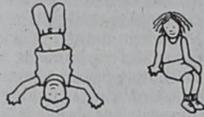
coats and ponchos; robes; shirts; shoes - sandals; slippers; sneakers - tennis, walking; socks (including athletic); shorts; suits; slacks; and jackets; sweatshirts; sweat suits; sweaters; swimsuits; underclothes; work clothes and uniforms.

TAXED

Accessories (generally) - barrettes, elastic, ponytail holders, wallets, watches; backpacks; baseball cleats and pants; belt buckles (without belt); boots - climbing, fishing, rubber work boots, ski, waders; buttons and zippers; cloth and lace, knitting yarns, and other fabrics; dry cleaning services; football pants; golf gloves; handbags and purses; handkerchiefs; hard hats; helmets - bike, baseball, football, hockey, motorcycle, sports; ice skates; jewelry; laundering services; leather goods - except belts with buckles and wearing apparel; pads - football, hockey, soccer, elbow, knee, shoulder; personal flotation devices; rented clothing (including uniforms, formal wear, and costumes); roller blades and skates; safety clothing, glasses; shoes - bicycle (cleated), bowling, golf.



A representative from the Science Spectrum in Lubbock shows a group a large green lizard during a session at Kids' Camp. The Science Spectrum is one of the most popular activities at the camp each year.



FIRST AID LESSON — Motley County EMT, LaJeanna Faulks, demonstrates how to perform the Heimlich maneuver on a baby (dummy) at Kids' Camp. Mrs. Faulks' first aid courses are only one of several activities the children are taking part in this week at the Roaring Springs camp.

Motley County I.S.D.
A Note from the Office ...

This first notice is for all faculty and staff. After visiting with Mr. Brown and looking at our schedule, the faculty will report for duty on August 8th instead of 9th. That day will be in Matador and we will have an intense local schedule. We will then not have an inservice day as we come back from Christmas. Our GT training will be arranged at another time.

A second reminder that school will start at 7:55 with the morning exercises in the gym. All students will report to the gym when arriving at school. If you have a Pre-K student that you want to come in with the first day, we will save some extra seats for you. I know that the first day of school is a sad and happy day.

Another reminder that Pre-K students must have begun their two new vaccinations in addition to being complete with the old requirements before school starts in order to enroll. The clinic can tell you about

availability of vaccines. We will send all of the forms for the year with the students on the first day of school. You do not have to come by and complete any of them before the 15th.

Our school family is saddened at the death of Mr. Woolsey. Judy is a valuable staff member as well as a friend. Les is a board member and therefore volunteers his time for the well-being of the school. In short, the Woolsey family is necessary for us to function well. At this time of sorrow, we ask for comfort for each of them, and want them to know that we love them.

Clint Cooper named to WTAMU Dean's List

Clint Cooper, a Junior Wildlife Biology at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, was named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2005 semester.

Students named to the Dean's List must have a GPA between 3.25 and 3.85 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Clint is a graduate of Motley County High School and the son of Jim and Judy Cooper of Matador.

Volunteers for area Nursing Homes needed.

South Plains Association of Governments' Area Agency on Aging will hold an orientation on Saturday, August 6, for nursing home volunteer advocates. The special session will be from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. at MHMR, 1602-10th St. in Lubbock.

Individuals must be willing to attend several classes of comprehensive training in a three-month period. Training emphasis is on advocacy for long-term care residents; advocates will learn the importance for quality of care and life through a program called the Ombudsman. Volunteers are especially

needed at several nursing facilities in twelve surrounding counties of the region as well as in Lubbock. Special training sessions will be scheduled in communities throughout the next year. Call the Area Agency on Aging at 687-0940 or 1-888-418-6564 to pre-register or to receive more information.

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News Around the County

Roaring Springs News by Lula Swim

Only five children attended the House of Faith meeting at the Park last Wednesday morning. Monta Marshall gave the Bible story. Other adults helping were Corky Marshall, Jo Trammell, Joyce Meredith, Alex Crowder, Ken Abbott and Lula Swim.

Larry Watson drove his mother to Lubbock last week to see her doctor. He returned to Austin, Friday. Sammie Phillips drove Lula Swim to Lubbock on Thursday. Rev. and Mrs. Johnnie Williams met them for lunch and to visit.

Mr. J.R. Swim of Abilene came Friday night in time to eat supper at the Hitchin' Post with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Swim and aunt, Lula Swim. On Saturday, he drove his parents to Lubbock where they attended a Hastings Reunion. Imogene was a Hastings. Sam and Reba Swim and Ruston Swim of Lubbock, also attended. J.R. also visited in the home of his aunt, Lula Swim. He returned home Saturday night.

Sammie Phillips drove Lula Swim to Hobbs, NM on Saturday, where they attended a lunch for Ruth Trice's 80th birthday, hosted by her children.

Suzanne Abbott, Zella Palmer, Pearl Patten, Lea Peacock and Monta Marshall hosted a housewarming party for Don and Billie Stuckey. There was a good attendance.

Visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Crowder are their daughter and granddaughter of Connecticut. Another daughter of Iran is also here. They are helping with Kids' Camp.

Robena King reported she has a new great-grandson who arrived recently.

Graveside services for Vicki Hull of Brownwood were held at the Roaring Springs Cemetery on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

Bud Roller of Lubbock was here Friday and visited his sister, Margie Payne, and family.

Flomot News by Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

Despite my 78 years, I usually feel pretty much the same as I did 20 years ago. On the other hand, I didn't have to take a bunch of pills and visit medical specialists to feel that way then. Today I feel like an antique car that is being kept in running condition by high priced mechanics!

Don Turner of Turkey and Tim Kendall were in Seattle, Washington from Sunday until Wednesday night, July 24-27 to attend a Medical Telecommunications conference.

Mrs. Leona Degan attended the Degan family reunion held in Post, Saturday. She visited in Chillicothe Sunday with son and wife, Morris, and Lou Degan of Medicine Mound. Lou had recent surgery at Altus, Oklahoma and is recuperating in the home of her mother, Mrs. Gladys Brannon in Chillicothe.

Ruth and Orville Lee were in Lubbock, Thursday for him a medical appointment and in Plainview for her a medical appointment.

Jessica, daughter of Brenda and Lee J. Browning, is visiting in Rising Star with her grandparents, Mary Ann and E.J. Browning.

Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch visited Sunday with her par-

ents, Nada and Jack Starkey. Nada had a medical appointment in Amarillo, Monday.

Jerry Rogers of Las Lumas, N.M. visited his uncle and wife, Howard and B. Rogers, Wednesday. He also visited Donnie Rogers.

Blayne and Savannah, children of Cally and Will Sperry, are visiting in Spur with their grandparents, Jackie and Darlene Young.

Chad Calvert of Bogota, Colombia arrived Saturday, July 16, and was here to be with his wife, Cindy and welcome the arrival of their son, Cade Aaron. Other weekend guests in the home of Kathy and Clois Shorter were Mrs. Keri Sehon and son, Brian of Ropesville and Christi

and Dwain Milam, Emily and Haley of Petersburg. Keri and Brian remained to visit as well as Chad, Cindy and Cade.

Captain and Mrs. Wes Stark of Little Rock, Arkansas visited last weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stark. They attended the picnic celebration in Tulia, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross visited overnight last Sunday in Mangum, Oklahoma and attended Monday, July 18, the funeral services of friend, Cowley Bankes, 85, held at the Baptist Church in Lakecreek, Okla. and burial in Willow, Okla.

Turkey Gem Theatre will feature Payton Kane



Wellington, along with his band, Saturday, July 30, at 8:00 p.m.

Kane will be a senior at Wellington High School and has performed at the 'Johnny High Country Review' in Arlington on several occasions and has also performed at Branson, Missouri.

The price for the show will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

"This young man is destined to go to the top of the music world. So we need to have him perform for the folks in the Turkey area before he gets beyond our reach," stated Turkey Heritage Foundation Director, Marie Cruse.

The Gem Theatre in Turkey will feature Payton Kane, the 18-year-old singing sensation from

Matador News

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Jameson returned home Saturday from a vacation trip to Lake City, Colorado along with three couples from Lake Kemp. Mr. and Mrs. Jameson have a lakeside home at Lake Kemp.

Visitors last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bumgardner were cousins, Vernon and Susan Dennett of Bourbon, Kansas. Visiting them this week is their son, Joe Dean Bumgardner of Wichita, Kansas.

Mrs. Bessie Jean Williams had Endoscopy surgery in Lubbock, Friday. Her son, Rodney Williams was with her during surgery and accompanied her home. They visited overnight Thursday in Lubbock with Lindsey and Randy Westbrook and son, Andrew.

Billie Ray Slover returned home Thursday, July 28, from Lubbock where he was a patient at the Southwest Regional Specialist Hospital. He is reported to be recovering just fine.

Gordon and Elwanda Simmons accompanied her father, Jack Green to Crosbyton, Sunday to visit her mother and his wife, Decima Green at the Nursing Home.

Mrs. Sammie Phillips was a patient Saturday night and Sunday at the Crosbyton Hospital. She will return Wednesday for additional medical tests. Visiting her Sunday were Glenda and Rodney Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Dixon attended the 60th wedding anniversary July 10th of aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Steele in Denver City. They attended the Baker family reunion in Denver City, July 17th. They visited her mother, Mrs. Ted Hester in Lovington, N.M. from July 10-18 and accompanied her to these events.

Weekend guests of Tom and Deanie Edwards were Stephen, Lori and Haley Davis of Dalhart. They enjoyed a day of swimming at the Roaring Springs pool.

OBITUARIES

Darrell Woolsey

Graveside rites for Darrell Woolsey, 57, of Roaring Springs, were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, July 25, at the Roaring Springs Cemetery. Officiating was Ricky Lawrence.

Mr. Woolsey died Friday, July 22, 2005, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born December 20, 1947, at Canyon, Texas, and had been a resident of Roaring Springs since 1970. He was married to the former Judy Payne in 1968 at Amarillo.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and was a stock farmer.

His survivors include his wife; two sons and daughters-in-law, Les and Kim Woolsey, and Matt and Teresa Woolsey, of Roaring Springs; one daughter and son-in-law, Amy and Brandt Bearden of Roaring Springs; his parents, Harold and Pauline Woolsey of Canyon; one brother, David Woolsey of Hobbs, NM; two sisters, Paula Harris and Pam Woolsey, both of Canyon; five grandchildren, Jacob, Kaylee, Autumn and Keygen Woolsey and Tanner Bearden.

Pallbearers were Gilbert Guerrero, David Stafford, David Watson, Scotty Palmer, Tim Washington, Russell Alexander, Andy Renfro and Vic Read.

The family has suggested memorials to the Motley County Fire Department, the Motley County Library or the Scottish Rite Hospital.

Hubert Holcomb

Services for Hubert Holcomb, 90, of Lubbock, were held at 10 a.m. Monday, July 11, at the Crosbyton Church of Christ with Terry Ellison and Jim York officiating. Burial followed in Floyd County Memorial Park in Floydada under direction of Adams Funeral Home of Crosbyton. Mr. Holcomb passed away Saturday, July 9, 2005, at Lakeside Rehabilitation and Care Center in Lubbock. He was born Aug. 31, 1914, in

Childress County, Texas to Isaac Sampson and Lena Leora (Jackson) Holcomb. On April 21, 1934, he married Eudria Watson in Roaring Springs, Texas. She preceded him in death on March 3, 2005. He moved to Crosbyton in 1952 from Roaring Springs. He was a member of the Church of Christ and worked as a maintainer operator for Crosby County for 21 years.

Survivors include two daughters, Carolyn Leatherwood of Lubbock and Charleece Wheelless and her husband Richard of Shoreacres, Texas; a sister, Juanita Bradford of Roswell, NM; five grandchildren, Maury Probasco, Matt Probasco, Charles Leatherwood, Kristi Wheelless and Jami Wheelless; and six great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by a daughter, Wanda Probasco, who passed away Sept. 19, 1965.

A Note of Thanks

To Our Motley County Friends:

We would like to take the time to thank each of you for the wonderful house-warming you gave us this week. Your friendship and generosity are cherished and we look forward to many more years in Roaring Springs knowing we have friends like you. Also, thank you for all the cards, flowers, thoughts and prayers during Billie's recent hospital stay. Everything was very much appreciated.

Your friends,
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AWARDED LONE STAR DEGREES — Motley County FFA members, pictured left to right, Emily Hurt, Kenny Johannes, Brittany Moore and Colton Russell, were awarded their Lone Star Degrees at the recent State FFA Convention held in Lubbock.

FFA members awarded Lone Star Degrees

Four members of the Motley County FFA Chapter were recognized for their accomplishments during a special ceremony on Tuesday, July 12th, at the State FFA Convention, held in the United Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

As part of the special ceremony, nearly 1,100 Texas FFA members were recognized for their excellence in leadership, cooperation, citizenship, and their involvement in an SAE, or supervised project program. State President Brandi Christi conferred the gold key that is symbolic of the State FFA Degree upon each recipient. The Lone Star Degree is the highest degree awarded on the State level by the FFA Association.

FFA members from Motley County that were recognized for their participation and dedication to the FFA were:

Emily Hurt, a graduating senior who has conducted a show lamb project each year and has been active in FFA Leadership and Judging teams including Radio Broadcasting, Ag. Communications, Wool, and Horse Judging;

Brittany Moore, a graduating senior who has conducted a show goat and show pig project

program and has been on the FFA Radio Broadcasting, Ag. Communications, and Cotton judging teams;

Colton Russell, a senior at Motley County is conducting a project program that includes goats, show pigs, and show steers. Colton has been a member of the Range and Pasture judging team that has qualified for the State FFA Contest the last three years. He has also attended numerous District and Area Meetings;

Kenny Johannes, a graduating senior has conducted a supervised project program that includes show pigs, and attended the Ft. Worth Stock Show and Rodeo this year to exhibit a Hampshire barrow. Kenny was on the FFA Skill Team and the Horse Judging team. Kenny also attended District and Area FFA meetings.

Congratulations to these outstanding FFA members on their accomplishments not only in FFA but all of their other school activities. The FFA is the largest youth organization in Texas with over 60,000 members. Its mission is to promote leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education.

FARM SERVICE AGENCY NEWS

By John Bird, Motley County CED

NOMINATION DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Nominations for candidates to run for the Farm Service Agency county committee election representing producers in Local Administrative Area 3 will now be accepted until August 15. This change was announced last week.

To be eligible, a producer must live in the county, farm or ranch in the LAA with the election and cooperate with FSA.

LAAs are elective areas. Single counties are divided into three LAAs. Elections are held each year to replace a member whose three-year term will expire.

Motley County will be holding an election for a person to represent LAA 3. That position is currently held by Truitt Read. LAA3. That position is currently held by Truitt Read. LAA 3 includes Roaring Springs.

Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by Nov. 4, and must be returned to the FSA county office or postmarked by Dec. 5, 2005.

All farmers, ranchers and other producers are encouraged to participate. The county committee provides local input on commodity price support loans and payments; allotment and yields; conservation pro-

grams; disaster assistance payments and programs.

County Committee Election Meeting

A meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. on August 10, 2005, during the regular Motley County Committee meeting to promote and explain the COC nomination and election process. All interested producers are encouraged to attend or call the office for more information. The meeting is expected to last between 15 and 30 minutes.

Livestock Assistance Program Signup Deadline Announced

The end of the 2003/2004 LAP signup period is close of business September 9, 2005. The signup deadline applies to the receipt of a signed and dated application in the FSA Office along with all the supporting documentation and required forms.

As of this time there is no word of when payments will be made.

Crop Disaster Signup Deadline Announced

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Cattle Markets adjust to Summer supplies

College Station -- Seasonal declines in the beef market have already absorbed some of the impact of a recent federal appeals' court ruling, lifting the ban on Canadian cattle imported into the United States, a Texas Cooperative Extension economist said.

But there shouldn't be a "flood of cattle" crossing the U.S. border as a result of the ruling, said Dr. David Anderson. "Cattle prices will be pressured lower, but not a large impact should be expected," he said.

Expansion in the Canadian packing industry will limit the number of cattle coming south.

"Most of the expansion that has already occurred was in the Canadian Cargill and Tyson plants in Alberta," Anderson said. "We will see Canadian cattle prices move higher, closer to U.S. prices. More cattle may stay in Canada than before the ban due to the expanded capacity. Those that are exported to the U.S. will offset boxed beef that would have come down here otherwise, so the price impact will be less than expected earlier."

The recent appeals' court ruling overturned a Montana judge's decision that kept the border closed. The United States banned Canadian cattle in May 2003 after Canada's first

case of mad cow disease. Those in opposition of the ban said it hurt the U.S. meat packing industry, which cost an estimated 8,000 jobs. More than 1 million head of Canadian cattle were shipped to the U.S. each year prior to the ban. Anderson said it's important to note cattle prices were already declining prior to the ruling "and some of this decline is seasonal."

"Summer usually brings the lowest cattle prices of the year in the fed cattle market," Anderson said. "Expectations were for third quarter beef production to be close to year-ago levels. More cattle from Canada will increase U.S. beef production and result in lower prices. As a result, we should expect beef production to increase more than 2 percent over a year ago in the third quarter."

Feeder cattle have also seen large declines in recent days due to increases in corn, Anderson said.

"Corn prices continue to increase as the yield expectation of the crop declines due to dry conditions in parts of the Midwest," he said.

"Secondly, there is some rationalization of the spread between fed and feeder cattle with some red-ink beginning to flow for cattle feeders. The spread on the board widened as fed cattle prices declined and finally feed-

ers declined also. More Canadian cattle should add some pressure to feeders as well."

Anderson said supplies of Canadian feeder cattle will be "more than usual" because of large inventories.

"But given good grass con-

ditions, they may not come south until later in the year. Recent threats of a labor strike at

one of the Canadian packing plants would move more cattle south later in the year if they materialized."

Jones re-elected to Electric Cooperative board

Spur, Texas -- Incumbent Glenn Jones was re-elected to the South Plains Electric Cooperative Board of Directors at the Dickens Division annual membership meeting on Thursday, July 21, at the local office in Spur. Jones was re-elected by the member-owners of the cooperative, which is one of the many unique differences about an electric cooperative. The members are the customers and are responsible for electing their board representation. This local control is extremely valuable in today's volatile business world.

About 420 members and guests enjoyed a BBQ dinner catered by Johnny's Bar-B-Que of Odessa. This year's entertainment was Charles Schovajsa from Crosbyton. Door prizes are also a meeting tradition and after 30 plus prizes were awarded, Rodney and Kathy Green of Spur took home the grand prize of a Zenith television.

SPEC President Tommy Joines and General Manager James Driver highlighted

events and activities over the past year. Both cooperative leaders talked about cooperative advantages, the highly-trained employees and the use of technology to keep electricity flowing reliably.

Seven employees, representing 95 years of service, received awards at the meeting. Bear Long, apprentice lineman received a 5-year award. Elaine Lovell, billing coordinator, Frankie McAlpin, system operator/service clerk and Bucky Phelps, utility technician received 10-year awards. Melva Harris, general accountant and Shane Shobert, division operations manager received 15-year awards. One 30-year award was given to Lightning Rainbolt, field service technician/warehouseman.

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a #3 roping, three head for \$30. A full concession stand will be provided and all proceeds will benefit the Cottle County 4-H

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Motley County Tribune Weather July 28, 2005

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Saturday
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Sunday
Mostly Sunny
High: 94 Low: 70



Monday
Mostly Sunny
High: 93 Low: 68



Tuesday
Partly Cloudy
High: 90 Low: 67



Wednesday
Partly Cloudy
High: 91 Low: 65

In-Depth Forecast

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Tuesday	95	72	96/71	0.00"	-0.42"
Wednesday	98	75	96/71	0.00"	0.84°
Thursday	98	70	96/71	0.00"	0.83°
Friday	101	74	96/71	0.00"	+1.5°
Saturday	100	71	96/71	0.00"	

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BID NOTICES

MOTLEY COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT will receive bids for the purchase of Gasoline & Diesel for the 2005-2006 school year. All bids should show the vendor's constant price. The posted terminal price should accompany each invoice and shall not exceed the posted terminal price at the specified location for the delivery date. All bids are to be submitted to the Superintendent's office by 4:00 p.m. on August 5, 2005. The bids will cover service from September 1, 2005, through August 31, 2006. Please place bids in a sealed envelope, marked "BID". The school board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Bids will be awarded at the regular board meeting on August 8, 2005.

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MOTLEY COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT will receive bids for the purchase of L.P.G. for the 2005-2006 school year. All bids are to be submitted to the Superintendent's office by 4:00 p.m. on August 5, 2005. The bids will cover service from September 1, 2005, through August 31, 2006. Please place bids in a sealed envelope, marked "BID". The school board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Bids will be awarded at the regular board meeting on August 8, 2005.

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MOTLEY COUNTY ISD hereby serves notice that they are now taking bids on:

PROPERTY INSURANCE
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1. Sealed proposals will be received in the Superintendent's office, P.O. Box 310, Matador, Texas 79244 until 4:00 p.m., August 5, 2004.

2. Each proposal received shall be in a sealed envelope plainly marked:

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3. Proposals will be awarded during a called board meeting. Bids received after the 4:00 p.m. deadline will be returned to the bidder unopened.

4. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Randy Brown at Motley County ISD (806) 347-2677.

5. Bidders may not withdraw their proposals after the closing time for Submission of proposals.

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MOTLEY COUNTY ISD is accepting sealed bids on the property located at 1008-3rd Street in Roaring Springs, Texas. It consists of lots 5 through 12 in block 49. Each lot is 25' wide and 140 feet deep. A 1300 square foot house is located on the property and will be sold as is to the highest bidder. The minimum bid is \$10,000. The school board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. A good faith check of \$1,000 dollars must be sent with the bid. The checks will be returned for all bids that are not accepted. Sealed bids must be received in the administration office by 4:00 p.m., Friday, August 5, 2005. Bids will be awarded on August 8, 2005, at a regular meeting of the school board. For more information call 806-347-2676.

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MOTLEY COUNTY ISD is now accepting applications for one full time Special Education Aide. Applications may be picked up at the school office. For more information call 347-2676.

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