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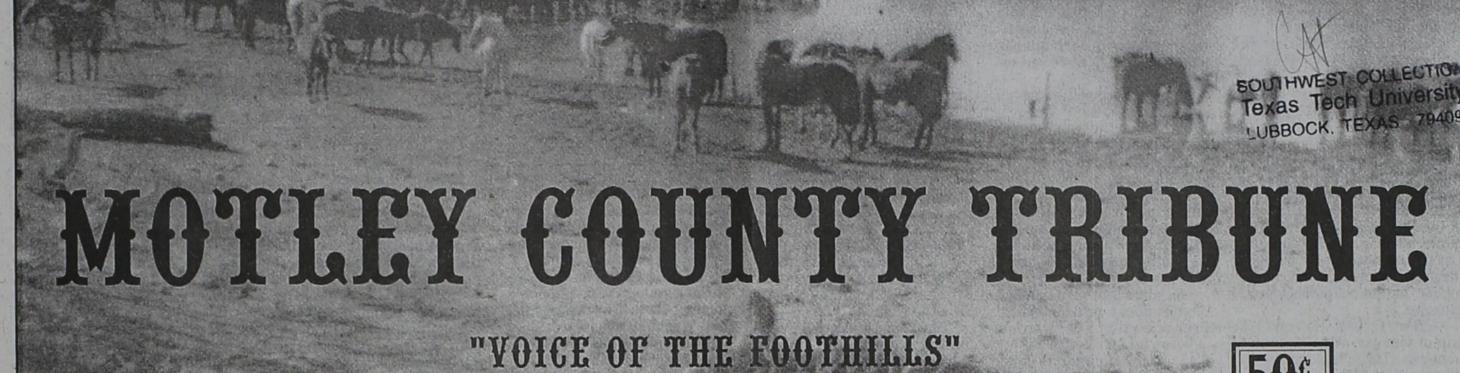


Photo by Johnny Davenport, Dec. 18, 1958, Cow Hollow Tank, Matador Ranch

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2005

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## Matador Mayor submits resignation

Matador Mayor Paul Westbrook submitted his resignation as Mayor and member of the 4B Tax Board at a called meeting Saturday, November 5. The matter was put on the agenda for the next meeting, scheduled for Thursday, November 10.

Mayor ProTem Shane Jones called the called meeting

to order at 9:00 a.m. Council members in attendance were Pat Seigler, Bert Darsey, Jim Watson, Chuck Ream and Shane Jones. Also in attendance were City Superinten-dent Steve Barton and City Secretary Debra Scott.

Minutes from the previous meeting were read by Ms. Scott and approved by the council.

Council went into Closed Session after requesting Steve Barton and Debra Scott to exit the meeting, at 9:07 a.m. At 9:55 a.m., council remained in Closed Session, but asked Barton and Scott to rejoin the meeting. Council reconvened from Closed Session at 10:40

a.m. After much discussion and

**Motley County** 

cotton farmers

outstanding yields

Farmers throughout Motley

County had an optimistic out-

look on cotton crops in October.

However, what Mother Nature

deals over the next few months

can make or break the region's

yield. Despite chilly tempera-

tures this fall, none have fallen

low enough to merit this year's

chines are crawling across de-

foliated cotton fields and fluffy

crops are being trucked to area

ported by Motley County Na-

tional Weather Service Volun-

teers: Buzz Thacker, Roaring

Springs, 3.37 inches; Brian Marshall, Matador, 1.53; Betty

Simpson, Northfield, 1.92; Jim

Stockton, Whiteflat, 2,95; and.

Tommie Jo Cruse, Flomot, 2.03.

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gins.

with regret the council voted to accept the resignation of City Superintendent Steve Barton.

Casey Lawrence was appointed as interim Superintendent, while applications are being taken to fill the vacancy. The job vacancy will be published in the newspaper for a period of two weeks.

## Veterans will be honored with program at school

A reminder to all Motley County Veterans: You are invited by the Motley County Study Body to attend the annual Veterans Day Program at Mot-ley County School on Friday, November 11. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. in the school

Breakfast/brunch will be served at 10:00 a.m., followed by the program at 11:00 a.m.

All Motley County Veterans are urged to attend. You do not have to be a member of the American Legion, the VFW, or any other veterans' organization. If you have served in the military, the students look forward to honoring you on this special day. Friends and family are welcome at the 11:00 o'clock program in the school gym. Please make plans to attend.



## Celebrates 102nd birthday ...

Mrs. Vera Mitchell, seated, was surrounded by family members while celebrating her 102nd birthday with a party at the Floydada Care Center, Saturday, November 5. Several Motley County residents attended the party. Mrs. Mitchell, who now resides at the Center, was a longtime resident of Roaring Springs.

## Fall Bazaars will kick off holiday season in Motley County

Two Fall Bazaars to be held Saturday, November 12 will kick off the holiday season in Motley County, with Christ-

mas shopping gift items made available by local clubs.
The annual Fall Bazaar Bonanza sponsored by the Do
Gooders' Club in Flomot will be held at the Community Center from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Candies, arts and crafts, stained glass, candles, new and used garage sale items are just a few of the many items to be available for shoppers. A concession stand will be available serving sandwiches, desserts, soft drinks and coffee. Club members are also selling tickets for a beautiful handmade quilt. A limited amount of rental booths are still available for \$10.00 each. For booth information contact Mrs. Doyle Calvert at 469-5212.

Profits made at this sale will be used for improvements at the Community Center.

The Motley County Arts and Crafts Club will hold their

annual bazaar at the Motley County Senior Citizens Center in Matador, 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Coffee and cookies will be served and a door prize will

be given. A nice variety of unique handmade gift items and baked goods will be available for purchase.

Don't miss your chance to do some early Christmas shopping and support these hometown Motley County Clubs.

Veterans Day: Their precious service; our renewed obligation

by House Committee on Veterans' Affairs Chairman Steve Buyer

America's veterans embody the ideals upon which America was founded more than 229 years ago. Since the Revolution, eight generations of America's veterans have established an unbroken commitment to freedom.

This Veterans Day, we will honor more than 25 million living veterans and the memory of those patriots who came before them. With pride, we remember each soldier, Marine, sailor, airman and Coastguardsman who has served our country by taking up arms when called by our nation in a time of need. The sacrifices ordinary American men and women from communities large and small have been willing to make, often before they were past their teenage years, have secured our nation unprecedented freedoms and made us the world's bulwark of

Veterans Day celebrates what began as Armistice Day, marking on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918 the end of the bloody cataclysm known as World War I, the "war to end all

wars. The young patriots now returning from war in Iraq and Afghanistan and other deployments worldwide are joining the ranks of veterans to whom America owes an immense debt of gratitude. For those who have made the ultimate sacrifice, we are grateful that such men and women were among us. For those who continue to serve, we honor their commitment. For those who return to civilian life, we honor their service.

## **Love Fund** Established

A Love Fund has been established for Linda Mullins of Roaring Springs. Donations may be made at the Matador Branch First National Bank or The Hitchin' Post in Roaring Springs.

Our greatest privilege and responsibility as leaders of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs is to provide our veterans with a system that cares for their wounds and ensures that they have an opportunity to succeed. Every Member of the committee shares that calling.

Our nation has kept faith with its veterans. Funding for veterans healthcare and benefits is strong, and has increased more than 75 percent in the last decade. VA healthcare

is now synonymous with worldclass quality. An expansion of community-based outpatient

clinics is enhancing access to care, especially for rural veterans. Yet, we must never stop looking for ways to improve the services we provide veterans.

Our commitment to America's veterans is to provide them with a system that offers first-rate healthcare and a system of benefits that is administered fairly, swiftly, and consistently. Servicemembers return-ing from war deserve a "seam-less" transition from the military into the VA healthcare and benefits system. Our pledge to each veteran is to make that happen; when they took the oath, servicemembers volunteered to uphold the Constitution, not fight jealous bureaucracies.

And so, at the appointed hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, let us recall the precious service our veterans have rendered us and then let us renew our obligation to them.

May God bless our veterans and may God bless America.

## **Motley County voters** say yes to Prop. 2

Motley County voters said a definite yes to Proposition 2 at Tuesday's Constitutional Amendment election. The Proposition provided that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibited this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage. 327 Motley County voters voted in favor of the proposition with only 19 voting against.

A total of 348 votes were cast in Tuesday's election, with 93 voting early. With Proposition 2 being a hot topic to Texas voters, most areas have shown a larger voter turnout than usual for an amendment election.

Motley County voters voted against Proposition 1, which was to create the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and authorize grants of money and issuance of obligations for financing the relocation, rehabilitation and expansion of rail facilities. 198 voted against the proposition and 120 voted in favor.

Proposition 3, Economic development programs to not con-

stitute debt: 165 in favor; 137 against. Proposition 4, Bail denied for pre-trail release violations:

268 in favor; 53 against. Proposition 5, Commercial loan interest rates defined by

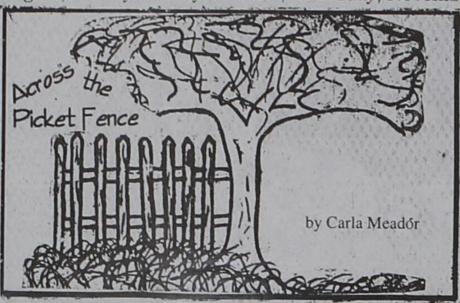
Legislature: 107 in favor; 195 against.

Proposition 6, Members added to State Commission on Judicial conduct: 168 in favor; 142 against.

Proposition 7, Line of credit advances under reverse mort-

gage: 149 in favor; 149 against. Proposition 8, Certain land titles cleared in Upshur & Smith counties: 147 in favor; 136 against.

Proposition 9, Six-year term for regional mobility authority: 135 in favor; 163 against.



This is another neat email from my friend, Janie. Lots of remedies that could come in handy...

#### GRANDMA'S CURES

 Did you know that? Drinking two glasses of Gatorade can relive headache pain almost immediately -- without the unpleasant side effects caused by traditional "pain relievers."

2. Did you know that Colgate toothpaste makes an excellent salve for burns.

3. Before you head to the drugstore for a high-priced inhaler filled with mysterious chemicals, try chewing on a couple of curiously strong Altoids peppermints. They'll clear up your stuffed nose.

4. Achy muscles from a bout of the flu? Mix 1 tablespoon of horseradish in 1 cup of olive oil. Let the mixture sit for 30 minutes, then apply it as a massage oil, for instant relief for aching muscles.

5. Sore throat? Just mix 1/4 cup of vinegar with 1/4 cup of honey and take 1 tablespoon six times a day. The vinegar kills the bacteria.

6. Cure urinary tract infections with Alka-Seltzer. Just dissolve two tablets in a glass of water and drink it at the onset of the symptoms. Alka-Seltzer begins eliminating urinary tract infections almost instantly -even though the product was never been advertised for this use (Note: Alka-Seltzer Plus Cold Medicine is not the same...and contains aspirin, which can cause stomach bleed-

ing if you have ulcers.)
7. Honey remedy for skin blemishes ... Cover the blemish with a dab of honey and place a Band-Aid over it. Honey kills the bacteria, keeps the skin sterile, and speeds healing. Works over-

8. Listerine therapy for toenail fungus ... Get rid of un-sightly toenail fungus by soaking your toes in Listerine mouthwash. The powerful antiseptic leaves your toenails looking healthy again.

9. Easy eyeglass protection . To prevent the screws in eyeglasses from loosening, apply a small drop of Maybelline Crystal Clear nail polish to the threads of the screws before tightening them.

10. Coca-Cola cure for rust ... Forget those expensive rust removers. Just saturate an abrasive sponge with Coca Cola and scrub the rust stain. The phosphoric acid in the coke is what gets the job done.

11. Cleaning liquid that doubles as bug killer ... If menacing bees, wasps, hornets, or yellow jackets get in your home and you can't find the insecticide, try a spray of Formula 409. Insects drop to the ground in-

12. Smart splinter remover just pour a drop of Elmer's Glue-All over the splinter, let dry, and peel the dried glue off the skin. The splinter sticks to the dried glue.

13. Hunt's tomato paste boil cure ... cover the boil with Hunt's tomato paste as a compress. The acids from the tomatoes soothe the pain and bring the boil to a head.

14. Balm for broken blisters To disinfect a broken blister, dab on a few drops of Listerine ... a powerful antiseptic.

15. Heinz vinegar to heal bruises ... Soak a cotton ball in white vinegar and apply it to the bruise for 1 hour. The vinegar reduces the blueness and speeds up the healing process.

16. Kills fleas instantly. Dawn dish washing liquid does the trick. Add a few drips to your dog's bath and shampoo the animal thoroughly. Rinse well to avoid skin irritations, Good-bye

17. Rainy day cure for dog odor ... Next time your dog comes in from the rain, simply wipe down the animal with Bounce or any dryer sheet, instantly making your dog smell springtime fresh.

18. Eliminate ear mites ... All it takes is a few drops of Wesson corn oil in your cat's ear. Massage it in, then clean with a cotton ball. Repeat daily for 3 days The oil soothes the cat's skin, smothers the mites, and accelerates healing.

19. Quaker Oats for fast pain relief ... It's not for breakfast anymore! Mix 2 cups of Quaker Oats and 1 cup of water in a bowl and warm in the microwave for 1 minute, cool slightly, and apply the mixture to your hands for soothing relief from arthritis pain.

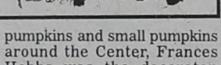
## Senior Notes

by Tommye Keith, Director

The Center has received memorial donations in memory of Kathryn King from Dude Barton, Milda Morrison, Barbara and Bob Campbell, Charles and Johnnie Barton, Bundy and Dixie Campbell, June and Stanley Levell, Charlie and Opal Johnson and Keith and Joan Patton. Opal and Charlie Johnson also gave a memorial in memory of Valta Deaton. Leo and Joy Archer gave a memorial in memory of Letha Faye Waters Thomas. We thank you all so very much.

If you have noticed the big

**Freedom Rings** 



around the Center, Frances Hobbs was the decorator. Thanks Frances.

This is probably a little late, but maybe not, we are having a Thanksgiving celebration November 10, with Turkey & Dressing and all the trimmings. Hope to see you at the Center.

With winter around the corner, "somewhere" don't forget the exercise at 7:30 a.m. Gotta stay in shape!

The Center is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m. Y'all come to see us!

With the coming of Veterans

Day of 2005, we recall the words

of Beth Pratt, "America breaks

countries than with the wealthy

nations of the world." I believe

she is correct. I also believe one

of the reasons for this is because we as Americans understand freedom. In our defense of our

freedom we have fought to insure the right of the individual to wor-ship. This Freedom must be closely watched. There are some

who seek to strip it from us.

John Adams, one of America's great men once said, "pos-

terity, you will never know how much it has cost my genera-

tion to preserve your freedom. I hope you will make good

use of it." In the main, we have understood and appreciated

those of Mister Adams stripe. Someone has written, "What

we attain too cheaply, we esteem too lightly: it is dearness

only that gives everything its value." May we never count our assembling on the Lord's Day for worship, an insignifi-

which is good and it would be said indeed if such a precious

freedom is lost in trivia. Our freedom to assemble to wor-

ship our God can be easily lost in just one careless genera-

tion. We can purpose to be at the worship assembly this com-

ing Lord's Day and by our very presence, we are declaring

our understanding of our precious freedom. Freedoms

dearly paid for by our nations finest. Without question, our

God has been good to us. God has blessed America far beyond any expectation. Freedom does indeed have a ring to

Roaring Springs Church of Christ

The God of heaven knows how to put a price upon that

the mold on religion, showing

more in common with poorer

#### MOTLEY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE **NEWS & VIEWS**

By Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort



To put the matter in per-

spective, we ought to recall the observation of Andre Gide: There are very few monsters who warrant the fear we have of them.

-- Butler Schaffer

The idea of starting your own business frightens many people, but like the monsters Gide was referring to, it does not warrant the fear people have of it. Lots of people have overcome their fears and started a business, and you know lots of the business people in Motley County -- they are just folks who have overcome that fear.

Helping people overcome their fears was the main idea behind the workshop the Chamber of Commerce sponsored back in July, where the evening was devoted to starting your own business.

There were three main topics: The first covered the Programs and Services of the Small **Business Development Center** in Lubbock. The second dealt with the Basics of Starting and Operating your own Business. The third section had to do with Financial Statements and Record keeping.

The Small Business Development Center in Lubbock should not be confused with the

Small Business Administration - the latter helps small businesses financially. The Lubbock Center provides businesses counseling, technical assistance, training workshops, research services and referral services, among other things.

The areas of counseling include start-up (or acquisition), business plan preparation, marketing research, financial management, accounting systems, on-going management issues, and technical assistance, to name the most important areas. They are set up to aid both startups and ongoing businesses, and work in conjunction with a number of other organizations in the high plains area.

In their opinion, the most important critical issues facing clients in this area are a willingness to plan, general business and financial knowledge, equity, credit, marketing skills, and growth in the area.

The main thing to remember is that all these problems can be overcome, after you have gotten rid of your fear of even trying. The Center in Lubbock is there to help you, and has a number of other workshops you may want to participate in, and of course, the Chamber is here to help you in any way we can.

# · El Progresso Club enjoys Fall meeting

by Beverly Vinson

El Progresso Club met October 13 in the home of Beverly Vinson with all but two members present. The day was beautiful, as Fall is one of the prettiest months in our area. The home was decorated with pumpkins to open the Halloween season and to set the stage for the program of the after-

JoAnn Dickson, club president, opened the business meeting. She related her trip to Austin to the Board meeting where a good turnout was reported. There is always a Past President's luncheon during this session and JoAnn was asked to sit at the head table for this will be her last time to attend the state meetings due to problems in traveling. She was honored for all the contributions she has made to TFWC.

The yearbooks were passed out and a very colorful book they are! The title of the book is DARE TO DREAM with the programs having that in the title of the program for the day. The title of the program for Oct. 13 was "Dare to Have Fun.

With Halloween celebrated this month that was the theme for Winifred Darsey's program. She gave the history of Halloween stating the American tradition of Halloween probably dates to the early All Souls' Day in England. During the festival poor citizens would beg for food and families, would give the pastries called "soul cakes" in return for their promise to pray to the family's dead relatives. The traditions of dressing in costume for Halloween has both European and Celtic roots. On Halloween, to keep "ghosts" away from their houses, people would place bowls of food out-

side the door to appease the ghosts and prevent them from attempting mahem. Costume wearing probably started during a time 2000 years ago when the Celts celebrated Samhain when it was believed the ghosts of the dead returned to earth. To commemorate the event, Druids built huge sacred bonfires, where the people gathered to burn crops and animals as sacrifices to the Celtic deities. During the celebration, the Celts wore costumes, typically con-sisting of animal heads and skins and attempted to read each others' fortunes. During the proceeding years other events were celebrated during the Fall season.

Thought for the Day was brought by Grace Campbell concerning Volunteerism. Awards presented to El

Progresso Club were as follows: From TFWC, El Progresso took second place in category 1 for their yearbook cover and Superior in the TFWC yearbook scorecard.

The Club was awarded from the District, first place in category 1 for their Americanism program, first place for yearbook cover in category 1; first place in Texas Heritage in category 1; second in Outstanding Club Program; first in yearbook in category 1. With the awarding of these certificates and honors the club will continue to meet and carry on.

Refreshments were served to Lucretia Campbell, Dorothy Day, Winifred Darsey, Jo Ann Dickson, Grace Campbell, Opal Pipkin and Beverly Vinson.

The next meeting will be held November 10 in the home of Billie Koon.

If anyone would like to join El Progresso please contact one of the members mentioned.

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## Library Notes

by Suzanne Abbott, Librarian



The library has received some new, up-to-date biographies, thanks to Lee Cook. We appreciate Lee for adding these interesting books about fascinating people to our biography section. We have Arafat: From Defender to Dictator by Said K. Aburish. We also have Once Upon a Time: Behind the Fairy Tale of Princess Grace and Prince Rainer by J. Randy Taraborrelli.

Other biographies include Bill Clinton: An American Journey by Nigel Hamilton. Also new in the biography section is <u>Silent</u> <u>Justice</u>: The Clarence Thomas Story by John Greenya. Finally, we have the biography of the noted scientist Carl Sagan. This book, Carl Sagan, is by Keay

Davidson.

In the Young Adult Section we have a new book for the 16-18 age group. It is called All Rivers Flow to the Sea and is by Alison McGhee. In the Juvenile Section we have two items that will help children (or adults, for that matter) learn Spanish. We have Spanish for Children that features three cassettes and a book and we have Let's Learn Spanish Dictionary that teaches words with pictures. We thank Darla Gwinn for donating these Spanish items.

We thank Sharon Allen, Regina Sheffield, June Moss and PK Green for helping at the library on Mondays and other days that I was unable to be

#### **Proof of the Truth**

by Tom Edwards

#### THE STATE OF THINGS IN PLAIN ENGLISH (continued)

There are two different major aspects of the Supreme Court's wrong rulings on the First Amendment that trigger the results so appalling to most

The first is wrongly decreeing the Amendment as binding upon the States ("incorporation"). That makes the Amendment's lawmaking preclusions on religion, speech and press subject to Federal Court regulation, and is how we get such absurd things as pornography and flag-burning decreed as protected "free speech." The States are thus prohibited from controlling it, though most would if they could. The same is true of the so-called "freedoms" of religion and press. "Incorporation" renders these subjects 'Federal Questions," thus subject to Federal Court jurisdiction, in which any "Offended" person can make a claim and, if successful, recover attorney's fees from the offending party pursuant to the Civil Rights Laws. The threat of having to pay attorney fees naturally causes most public entities to be overly cautious in what they do or allow, resulting in a form of "reverse discrimination," for example, infringing upon the

free exercise of religion. The second aspect has to do with the Court's "out-of-thin-

air" absurd decree that the "no establishment of religion clause" requires "complete government neutrality." This re-write of the Constitution is made binding nationwide by "incorporation." We've already established that both "incorporation" of the First Amendment, and "complete neutrality" are ridiculous rulings, but that's where we are, and explains the "why" of so many anti-religion and anti-God court rulings. A crusading atheist could not have a better legal foundation!

The "complete government neutrality" requirement can be or has been used to-attack the National Motto, the Pledge of Allegiance, "America the Beautiful," Ten Commandments displays, public prayer, and the Bible and prayer in public schools. The neutrality requirement has been successfully used to prevent teaching any theory of origins, whether scientific or not, except Darwinian evolution, in our public schools - and on and on. The current law could declare the Declaration of Independence unconstitutional, because it mentions God! Then there's the Constitution. It is signed "in the year of our Lord!" The Supreme Court's bizarre current constitutional law could render the Constitution unconstitutional! Is this weird, or

## Stories told of heirloom jewelry at recent Do Gooder's club meeting

The Do Gooders' Club met Tuesday afternoon at the Community Center in Flomot. Each member arrived wearing treasured heirloom jewelry and told the historical family story relating to the piece. Memories their families cre-

ated included a five dollar gold piece necklace that had been in the family for over a hundred years, a beautiful bracelet a brother sent his sister when serving in the U.S. Army in Germany and a ruby ring that had been in the family for generations. Others added interesting heritage jewelry stories that proved to an unusual and entertaining program.
Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert con-

ducted the short business session. The king sized Bazaar quilt for which the club sold tickets is complete. They made final plans for the Bazaar with is scheduled for Saturday, November 12. The club's Christmas party will be held in the home of Mrs. Trula Martin.

Hostesses, Mrs. Calvert and Mrs. Erma Washington presided at a crystal service. An autumn scenic beauty embroidery runner was on a white cloth. The centerpiece was a crystal cornucopia filled with colorful fruit, vegetables and nuts that spilled out onto the table intermingled with rustic leaves. Refreshments of pumpkin bread, cookies, creamed cheese spread, Tropical Mix and club crackers were served with hot spiced tea and coffee. Mrs. Geneva Martin was the

lucky receptor of the hostess gift, jars of spiced tea mix and chocolate mix and crocheted snowflakes.

Those attending were Mesdames Alma Shorter, Suzie Shannon, Kathy Shorter, Tommie Jo Cruse, Mary Jo Calvert, Erma Washington, Judy Stark, Anna Beth Clay, Nada Starkey, Geneva Martin and Leona Degan. Guest was Vince Taylor, editor of Valley Tribune.

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Michael G. Crowley, Sr. BIBLE STUDY, 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP, 9:00 A.M.

## Children now have **Food Guide Pyramid** designed just for them

by Linda Anderson Texas A&M University

College Station -- Remember the "four basic food groups" of meat and poultry, dairy products, fruits and vegetables, and breads and cereals? That nutrition advice got a facelift a few years ago when it was redesigned as the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Guide Pyramid. Then, earlier this year, that food guide was reissued as MyPyramid.

This new guide to more healthful eating is based less on strict rules about serving sizes and more on the "one size does not fit all" theory. On the department's Web site at http:// w w w . m y p y r a m i d . g o v / index.html, each individual can workup an eating plan that best fits his or her needs. Age, gender and level of physical activity are all taken into account.

That same kind of healthful eating guide has now been developed for the younger genera-tion, said an expert from Texas Cooperative Extension.

"The children's version,

'MyPyramid for Kids,' was developed in recognition of the fact that many children have diets that are poor, and children often do not get the physical activity they need to stay healthy," said Dr. Sharon Robinson, Extension

to understand age-appropriate serving amounts," she said. "Children consume less milk, vegetables, breads and juices than two decades ago but have increased their consumption of fruit juices and sweetened beverages at the same time. Children are not eating the recommended amounts of fruits and

"It's little wonder that the diets of children tend to be low in calcium and fiber and high in

In addition, Robinson said, many children are not getting enough exercise.

"Many children do not engage in the daily 60 minutes of physical activity recommended," she said. "Forty-eight percent of girls and 26 percent of boys do not exercise vigorously on a regular basis. This is evident by the fact that 16 percent of children 6 to 11 years of cent of children 6 to 11 years of

age are overweight."

According to the American Dietetic Association, by eating a more healthful diet and getting more physical activity, children in the U.S. can reduce their risk of developing long-term health problems such as obesity, heart disease, diabetes, cancer, osteoporosis and stroke.

## School Menu

MONDAY, NOV. 14

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

Lunch: Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, 1/2 Apple, Cookie, Milk.

**TUESDAY, NOV. 15** Breakfast: Waffle, Sausage,

or Cereal, Toast, Pears, Milk. Lunch: Enchiladas, Salad, Mexican Beans, Tortilla Chips, Frozen Yogurt, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 16

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Steak Fingers, Creamed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Roll, Honey, Milk.

THURSDAY, NOV. 17 Breakfast: Biscuit, Sau-

sage, Gravy, or Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Vegetable-Beef Soup, Carrot Sticks, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Jello.

FRIDAY, NOV. 18



Motley County Matador, #22, Bradley Brown, carries the ball in an attempt to make A Matador touchdown during last Friday night's game with the Patton Springs Rangers. The Matadors suffered a disappointing loss for their last game of the season, with a final score of 56-13.

"Listen to your father, who gave you life, and do not despise your mother when she is old.

Proverbs 23: 22

(photo by Winfield Davenport)



Thank you for reading the Motley County Tribune

## God is never wrong

He never rendered a wrong decision, experienced the wrong attitude, taken the wrong path, said the wrong thing, or acted the wrong way

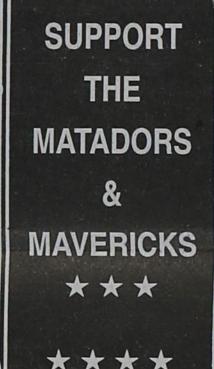
He is never too late or too early, too loud or too soft, too fast or too slow. He has always been and always will be right. He is righteous.

Max Lucado

"The Lord our God is right in everything he does."

Daniel 9:14

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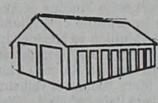
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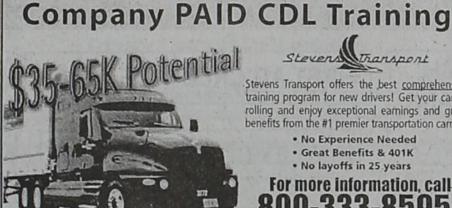
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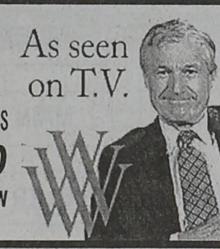
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## **NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY**

Flomot News by Earlyne Jameson

**OVERHEARD** 

The peace and welfare of this and coming generations of Americans will be secure only as we cling to the watchword of true patriotism. Honor Veterans' Day.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin, Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Moss of Anson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, Danielle and Fannin visited in Rising Star, Saturday at the Care Center with her grandmother, Mrs. Dona Browning.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Moseley of Amarillo visited last Friday with Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton.

Weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert were Gwen and Tim Mandrell and daughter, Peyton, Sherrilyn and Dan Foster, Dustin Reed and Elisa Pace of Lubbock and Glen Calvert of Flomot. They attended the W.E. Lyle family reunion, Saturday held at the

Turkey Hotel in Turkey. 35 family

members attended. Barry Pickett of Garland was a

weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Cov Mrs. Tim (Melissa) Kendall re-

turned home Sunday after being in Abilene the past week with her grandmother, Mrs. Ottlie Gray of Clyde, a patient at the Regional Hospital.

Visiting Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey was Cindy Stalling of Canyon. Visiting them Sunday was Lewis Rigdon of Amarillo.

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

Mrs. Christi Milam and daughters, Emily and Haley of Petersburg visited Friday night and Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois

Nada and Jack Starkey were in

## Roaring Springs News

There were several from here that attended the Birthday party for Mrs. Vera Mitchell at the Nursing Home in Floydada, Saturday. It was well attended by family and friends. Mrs. Mitchell celebrated her 102nd birthday, Tuesday.

Those attending the Harvest Festival at the Matador Methodist Church were Mr. and Mrs. Alex Crowder, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Abbott, Mrs. Darleen Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Letkeman, Mr. and Mrs. Bill peacock, Mr. and Mrs. Don Stuckey, and Lula Swim. It was well attended and they had a wonderful lunch.

There were eight kids that attended the House of Faith meeting at the park Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 2. Mrs. Jo Trammell presented the Bible story. Other adults helping were Mr. Ken Abbott, Corky Marshall, Roy Carter, Diane Carter, Joyce Meredith, Lula Swim and Walter Trammell. This was the last

meeting until Spring.

METHODIST GUILD MEETS Mrs. Robena King was hostess to the Guild that met at the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday afternoon, November 2. Debbie Martin was in charge. Jane King gave the opening prayer. Callie Giesecke read the minutes, which were approved. Pearl Patten gave the devotional. Chelsea Read continued the study on Methodism, with the topic on songs and how they are a part of the worship.

Mrs. Joy Beeson helped Robena with hostess duties. Those attending, in addition to those already mentioned were Lula Swim, Mrs. Billie Stuckey, and Mrs. Lea Peacock.

#### **Obituaries**



### Lester A. Mullins

Funeral services for Lester A. Mullins, 67, of Roaring Springs will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, November 11, 2005, at the First Baptist Church in Roaring Springs with the Rev. Jack Boggs officiating. Interment will be in the Roaring Springs Cemetery under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador.

Mr. Mullins passed away Tuesday, November 8, 2005, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. He had been a resident of Arlington for 3 years before returning to the Roaring Springs Community about 4

He married Linda Cruz on April 22, 2000, in Lubbock. He had served in the U.S. Navy with 4 years of service. He was a member of the Lions Club and the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Linda of Roaring Springs; three sons, Leslie Mullins of Midland, Stoney Mullins of Midland, and Eddy Mullins of Hereford; three daughters, Becky Anderson of Fort Worth, Jessica Ramos of Lubbock and Mary Ramos of Houston; two brothers Bobby Mullins of Plainview and Harley Alsup of Roaring Springs; 17 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

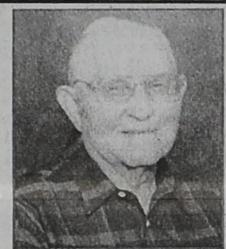
### Willie B. Davis, Jr.

Graveside services for Willie B. Davis, Jr. "Tree Top," 72, of Matador were held at 3:00 p.m. October 29 in the Memorial Park Cemetery at Floydada with the Rev. Jackson officiating. Willie was born on January 22, 1933, in Jefferson, Texas, to Willie Davis, Sr. and Dora Seigler Davis. Willie worked throughout his life in the agricultural field. He moved to Matador from Floydada a number of years ago.

He is survived by his daughter, Dorothy Collins of Floydada; his mother, Dora of Matador; and by several grandchildren.

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### Elwyn L. Fulfer

Elwyn L. Fulfer, 76, a retired conductor, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 2, at his home in Weatherford.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7, 2005, at Highland Baptist Church in Lubbock. Arrangements were by White's Funeral Home in Weatherford.

Mr. Fulfer was born in Matador and was a resident of Lubbock for

He was a former member of Highland Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon for 31 years. Mr. Fulfer was ordained a deacon at College Ave. Baptist Church in 1955. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Weatherford and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. In 1948, he married Dorothy Bearden. Mr. Fulfer was a U.S. Navy

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Dorothy; son, Michael Fulfer and wife Cecile, all of Weatherford; daughter, Sherri Harvey and husband, Richard of Wichita Falls; brother, Rev. Norris Fulfer of Los Angeles, Calif.; sister, Chloye McGowen of Lubbock; four grandchildren, Amanda Fulfer Wallace of Weatherford, Matthew Allen Rampy of Austin, Holly Brooke Rampy of Wichita Falls, and Cameron Michael Fulfer of Weatherford; and two greatgrandchildren, Taylor and Chelcie Wallace of Weatherford.

#### Joe Herald Lancaster

Graveside Services for Joe Herald Lancaster, 72, of Lubbock were held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, October 28, 2005, at East Mound Cemetery in Matador with Ted Kingery of Silverton, Texas officiating. Arrange-ments were under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador. Mr. Lancaster died October 18, 2005, in Lubbock.

He was the son of Joe S. and Jessie Lee Archer Lancaster. He was born May 26, 1933, in Motley County. He was a hearing aid company. He had taught various business and insurance seminars at West Texas A&M University through the years. He was a member of the Church

of Christ. Survivors include one son; and his sister, Palma Smiley of

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Amarillo, Monday for her an optical check-up following recent surgery: They visited daughter, Mrs. Bessie Reid and en route home, visited in Canyon with son, Michael Starkey.

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Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers and Donnie Rogers Thursday were Tina and Richard Rogers and son, Jerod of Lubbock. Visiting them Saturday were Dane and Crystal Degan, Kason and Kyler of Crosbyton. Donnie accompanied his mother, B. to Plainview, Tuesday, Nov. 1 for an auditory medical appointment.

Brandon Lee of Plainview visited during the weekend with his brother, Josh Lee and helped him with cotton modules.

B.T. O'Connell of Denton visited his cousin and wife, Tom and Aleda Ross from Thursday until Sunday.

## Matador News

HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. Sue Shelton Lancaster of Breckenridge, former resident of Matador, had four by-pass heart surgery, Tuesday, Nov. 1 at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. She is reported to be recovering just fine following the five hour surgery. With her during surgery were her husband, Richard, sister, Mrs. Evelyn Garrison and children, David Garrison of Childress and Mrs. Debra Scott of Matador.

Tyne Marshall, daughter of Nancy and Brian Marshall, had bladder reflex surgery at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock, Tuesday, Nov. 1. She has returned home and doing just fine.

Mrs. Spencer (Wilda) Dixon had knee surgery Tuesday, Nov. 1 at the Covenant Surgeri Center in Lubbock. Mrs. Frances Dixon accompanied her to Lubbock Monday and on return trip home, Wednesday. With Wilda during surgery were Spencer and her mother, Mrs. Ted Hester of Lovington, N.M.

Steve Smith had hernia surgery Monday, Oct. 31, at the Covenant Surgeri Center in Lubbock. He was released that evening and is doing

Mrs. JoEtta Bumgardner is in Lubbock undergoing medical treat-

Jason Jameson was in Lubbock the past week for medical tests.

Shane and Jerry Jones visited recently in Portland, Texas with daughter and family, Lisa and Noel Guerrero, Stormy, Noah and Addie.



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#### Ola Mae **Thomas**

Services for Ola Mae Thomas, 96, of Lubbock were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 8, 2005, at Shallowater First United Methodist Church with Rev Everett Statler of-ficiating, assisted by Rev. Jay Stinson. Interment followed at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Resthaven Funeral

Mrs. Thomas passed away November 5, 2005, in Lubbock.

She was born February 15, 1909, in Roaring Springs to the late J.C. and Rebecca Collett. She married Commodore M. Thomas March 23, 1924, in Roaring Springs. He preceded her in death in 1980. They moved to Shallowater December 24, 1934. Ola Mae was a lifetime member of Shallowater Methodist Church and the UMW. She also served as their hospitality chairman for 20 years. She owned, operated, and cooked in the Shallowater Cafe from 1947 until her retirement in

Mrs. Thomas is preceded in death by a daughter, Madeline Thomas Kinder, in 1961, a son, Maurry Thomas, in 1973, one great-grand-daughter, one great-grandson, and

one great-great grandson. She is survived by 2 daughters, Orilla Jernigan of Slaton and Wyoma Burleson of Lubbock; one son, B.J. Thomas of Lubbock; 15 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren and great-great

grandchildren. The family suggests memorials to Vista Care Hospice at 1717 Norfolk, Lubbock 79416 or Shallowater ing specialist in Lubbock where First United Methodist Church at he owned and operated a hear- 809 Texas Avenue, Shallowater, TX

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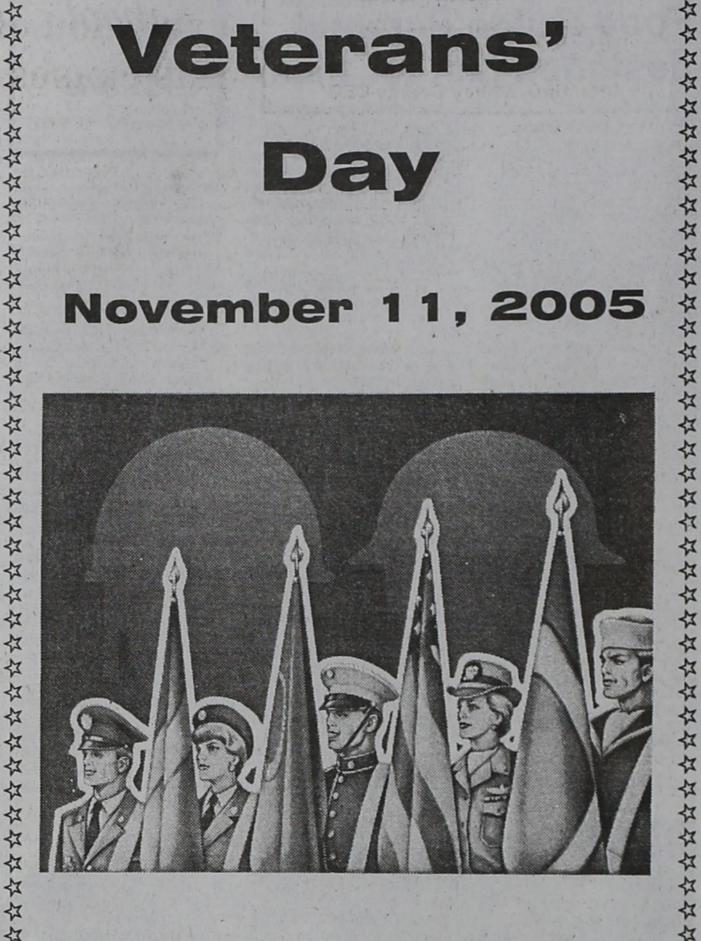
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I Corinthians 3:19

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by John Bird, Motley County CED

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### CRP haying and grazing has Ended

Our office conducted signup for managed having and grazing of CRP. The final removal date for livestock was Oct. 29, 2005. After this date, CRP spotchecks will again be conducted to insure that there are no animals grazing CRP. Please be aware that there are very strict and serious penalties for grazing, haying, or doing anything else unauthorized on CRP.

#### **Foreign Investors Must** Report Land Holdings

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Any foreign person who ac2 quires or transfers any interest, other than a security interest, in agricultural land in the United States is required by law to re-

port the transaction no later than 90 days after the date of the transaction.

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For AFIDA purposes, agri-cultural land is defined as any land used for farming, ranching or timber production, if the tracts total 10 acres or more.

Disclosure reports are also required when there are changes in land use. For example, reports are required when land use changes from nonagricultural to agricultural or from agricultural to nonagricultural.

Foreign investors must also file a report when there is a change in the status of ownership such as owner changes from foreign to non-foreign, from non-foreign to foreign or from foreign to foreign.

When the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act was signed into law in 1978, the reporting requirement was adopted as part of the same legislation. Data gained from these disclosures is used in the preparation of periodic reports to the President and Congress concerning the effect of such hold. cerning the effect of such holdings upon family farms and ru-ral communities in the United States.

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## Cyclical population explosion of cotton rats causes concerns

by Kay Ledbetter Texas A&M Agriculture News

Canyon -- The Texas Panhandle and South Plains needed a pied piper this summer to deal with a population explosion of cotton rats.

The cotton rat, properly known as the hispid cotton rat, hasn't been seen in these numbers since the 1950s, Texas Cooperative Extension specialists said. And while the rat has little or nothing to do with cotton, it can damage melons, pumpkins and gourds.

Alarm was raised this year when the normally range-habitat rat started showing up in towns, getting the attention of homeowners, said Ken Cearley, Extension Wildlife specialist in

Canyon. Rick Gilliland, Extension/ Texas Wildlife Services district supervisor, received as many as 30 to 40 calls, averaging three to four a day for a couple of weeks. Gilliland is responsible for 61 counties in the Panhandle and South Plains.

A pumpkin producer in Yoakum County reported up to 60 percent of his pumpkins were damaged by the rats gnawing on them. One homeowner reported trapping 10 in her home.

After the first call from Parmer County came in, Gilliland said he began researching the cotton rat and found this rodent species is subject to violent fluctuations in numbers.

The last outbreak in Texas occurred in 1958, when millions of these rodents seemed to appear from nowhere and caused serious losses to farm crops, particularly peas, peanuts, watermelons and cauliflower, according to "The Mammals of Texas - On-line Edition."

As in 1958, this year's population peak was preceded by bountiful rains, which resulted in an abundance of grass and suitable habitat, Gilliland said.

No toxicants are registered for control of the rodent, he said, so the recommendation is to try traps in home areas and to mow all grassy or vegetative areas extremely short to decrease their protective habitat.

'The more you make the country less desirable to them, the more control you will have,' Cearley said. That includes making sure field borders are kept mowed.

"Even if we had a grain bait,

it's not likely it would be very effective," Gilliland said. "These rats, for the most part, are vegetative eaters. They can do a lot of damage to gardens and

While most people assume a rat is a rat and are concerned their homes and barns will be invaded, that's not the typical behavior of the cotton rat, he

The rats may find their way into garages and other structures, but typically they are range dwellers. Also, there are more showing up dead in yards because cats find them easy prey in such high numbers,

Gilliland said. The prolific rodent can give birth to as many as nine litters a year, with two to 10 young per litter, according to The Mam-mals of Texas. Females breed as soon as 10 hours after having a litter, and the gestation period is approximately 27 days. Females begin breeding when they are only 40 days old, the online report states.

Their life cycle is about a year, Gilliland said. Already a high mortality is being seen.

"We were finding when people were seeing the dead rats, it was because they were reaching the end of their mortality and not that there was a disease among them," Gilliland said. "Nature takes care of its own population peaks and explosions.

Reports of high raptor numbers, hawks and owls, in the region where these rates are easy prey are also coming in, he said.

Being a true rodent, the rats are susceptible to plague and tularemia, and have been linked to hantavirus. But Karen McDonald, public health technician in Lubbock, and Kathy Parker, public health technician in Midland, have helped conduct tests on dead rats in die-off and did not find a disease agent to be the cause.

"This thing exploded rather quickly and we didn't know how broad and wide it would be,"
Gilliland said. "It has been a fire intermediate casing to 4,000 feet on Tuesday morning, November 8.
Floyd County: BASA Resources, Inc. Foster Lease Well #1 had set 9 5/ drill for us."

Cearley said producers should be aware that a similar increase in some predators coyotes, skunks, raccoons, bad-gers, foxes - can be expected due to a generous food supply of cotton rats and other rodents that have proliferated this sum-

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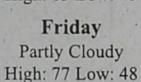
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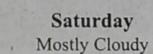
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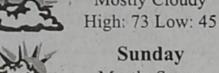
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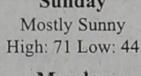


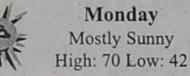
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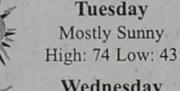


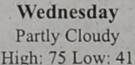










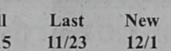


### In-Depth Forecast

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Tuesday	77	38	69/44	0.00"	
Wednesday	83	41	68/43	.0.00"	Average temperature
Thursday	93	48	68/43	0.00"	Average normal temperature55.7
Friday	89	55	67/42	0.00"	Departure from normal +8.5
Saturday	79	47	67/42	0.00"	Data as reported from Childress Texas

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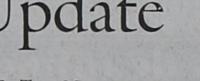
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## Oil & Gas Update



By Tom Musser

Floyd County: Apollo Energy Operating Company LP, W.D. Miller Inc. received a drilling permit on Lease Well #1 began well completion October 31, 2005 for the Vikki Yeary work on Tuesday morning, Novem- 1 Lease Well #l. This well will be lo-

Operating Company LP Ceretha Section 68, Block 1, AB&M Survey. Watson Lease Well #1 set 9 5/8 inch Three miles East of Floydada, North intermediate casing to 4,000 feet on of Highway 70 and West of County

8 inch intermediate casing to 4,010 feet and on Tuesday morning was drilling at a depth of 8,320 feet.

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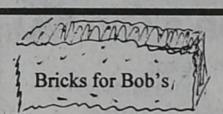
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