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## 84th Annual Old Settlers Celebrated

Another year of dancing, roping and rodeoing has come and gone. Three days and nights last weekend were filled with celebration in Roaring Springs as the 84th Annual Old Settlers Reunion took place. The event got underway Thursday morning with the annual parade in downtown Roaring Springs. There were the usual cowboys and cowgirls outfitted on horses, as well as several floats, antique cars, bike, motorcycles, and other interesting entries including some real cute miniature horses.

Winning the plaque for the best float was the Dickens County Courthouse gang with their rendition of a 'You Might be a Redneck'. Best Bicycle winner was Jared Stephens. Sue Maben of Spur won the plaque for best antique car with her old bright red pickup. The best tractor plaque went to Rodney Randolph, while Jim Gamble of East Afton won for the best horse drawn carriage.

The best old time cowgirl plaque went to Glenda White of Spur, while Elmer Maben of Spur received the best old time cowboy plaque. Best modern day cowgirl was Charlsie Hendrick; best modern day cowboy, Tommy Cooper; best Jr. cowgirl, Nellie Shannon; and best Jr. cowboy, Matthew Hart.

The parade trailed through downtown and on to the Tabernacle where a Memorial Service was held. Kevin Rainwater of Ralls entertained the crowd with a variety of musical tunes. Dickens County Judge Linda Arnold read the memorial list for Dickens County and Chelsea Read of Matador read the list for Motley County. (See list on page 3)

Plaques were awarded to Slim Durham of Oklahoma for traveling the farthest (550 miles). Buzz Thacker, 80 years young, received the plaque for being Motley County's oldest man in attendance, while Phillis Marshall, 82, of Matador, was the oldest woman in attendance. Mr. Thacker also received the plaque for living the longest in Motley County (all 80 years of his life).

Bernice Rutledge, 85, of Dickens, received the plaque for being the oldest Dickens County woman in attendance, and Bob Forbis, 72, of Afton, was the oldest Dickens County man in attendance. Mr. Forbis also received the plaque for living the longest in Dickens County.

A business meeting was held after lunch. Old Settlers board members are as follows: Wayne Smith, president; Doc

Edwards, vice president; Mike Jones, secretary; and directors, Russell Alexander, Tom Stokes, Travis Bateman, Bobby Smith and Bob Forbis.

Mike Porter provided some beautiful music for an afternoon Waltz Contest. Charles and Linda Lee of Jayton danced their way to the winners' circle for the 55 and over division, while Lynn and Tammy Wylie of Canyon won in the 54 and under division.

The Rodeo arena was filled with excitement Thursday afternoon when Motley and Dickens County contestants competed in county events, including cutting, flag race, open age barrel racing, Jr. team roping and County Team Roping.

James Gholson took home the first place prize in the Cutting. Bill Smith and Ron Lane tied for 2nd and third. Colton Russell and Mark Voss tied for 4th and 5th.

Gunter Bateman won in the 6 and under division in the Flag Race; Brody Rankin won in the 7-12 division.

In the Open Barrell Race, Brody Rankin was the first place winner; Kelsey Stokes took home second, while Jordon Garwin took third.

The team of Cole Clark and Zack Harston were first place winners in the Jr. Team Roping event. Tanner Arnold and Zack Harston were second place winners.

In the Open Draw Pot Team Roping, Jack Cross and Ryan Rankin took first; Jed Middleton and Don Stuckey, second; Jed Middleton and Mitch Keeling, third; and Dana Graham and Jed Middleton, fourth.

The Working Cow Horse Competition took place Friday. First place, in the Cowboy Class, went to Tim Washington; second place, Kelby Phillips; third, Tom Stokes; fourth, Buddy Thomas; and fifth, Chad Braker.

In the Ranch Hand Class, Marty Daniel took home first place and Chad Smith, second.

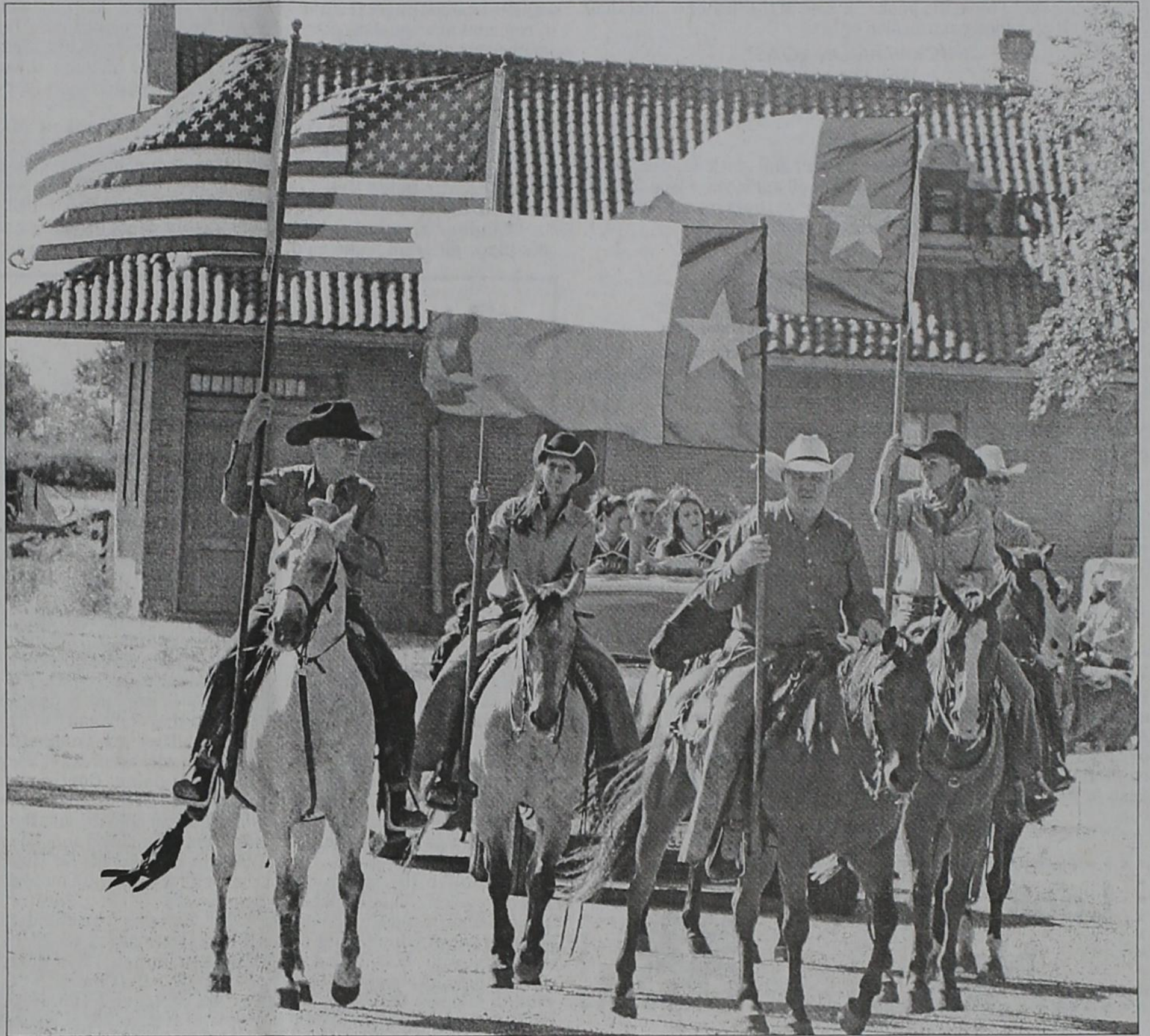
Mark Voss was the first prize winner in the Jr. Class, while Heath Owenbey won second.

James Gholson was the first place winner in the Sr. Class; Monty Hollar, second.

Kelsey Stokes took home the first place prize in the Youth division, while Zinn Lindsey was second.

The thrills and spills of the Ranch Rodeo excited the crowd Friday and Saturday nights. Twenty area ranch teams demonstrated their cowboy skills in various events, including bronc

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A Patriotic start to lead the 84th Annual Motley-Dickens Old Settlers Parade

### Rodeo Royalty

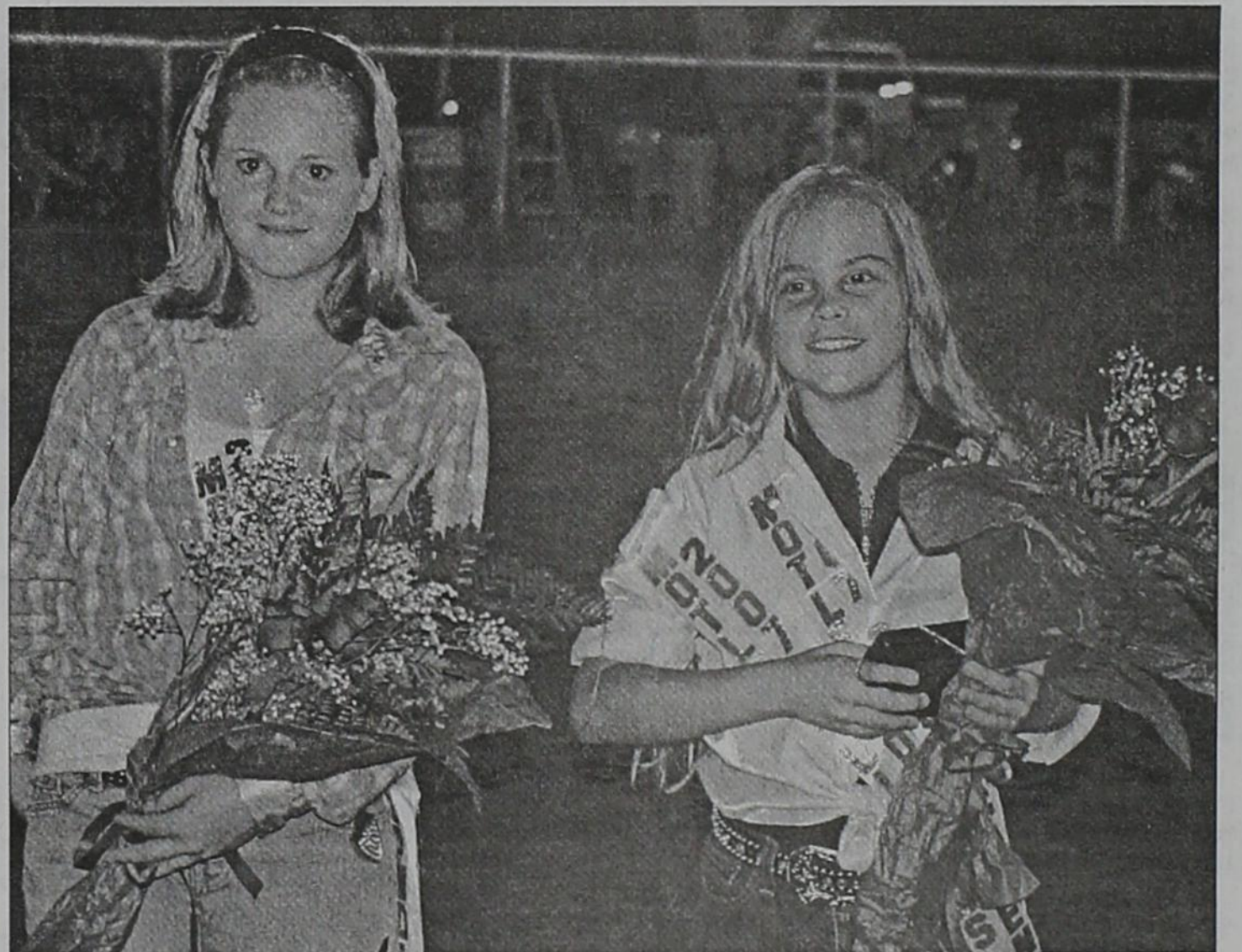
Mattie Brooks, right, was crowned the new Rodeo Queen during last Saturday night's Old Settlers Ranch Rodeo. First Runner-up was Ashley Brackeen.

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### Donations needed for East Mound Cemetery

As reported in last week's paper, donations are needed for the East Mound Cemetery in Matador.

Donations are very much appreciated and may be mailed in care the Matador Branch First National Bank, P.O. Box 60, Matador, Texas 79244 or to Marihelen Wason, P.O. Box 69, Matador, TX 79244.



RECOGNIZED AT MEMORIAL SERVICE — Receiving plaques at last Thursday's annual Old Settlers Memorial Service were (left to right) Bernice Rutledge, Dickens County's Oldest Woman in attendance; Buzz Thacker, Motley County's Oldest Man in attendance and Lived the Longest in Motley County; Phyllis Marshall, Motley County's Oldest Woman in attendance; Bob Forbis, Dickens County's Oldest Man in attendance and Lived the Longest in Dickens County; and Slim Durham, Traveled the Farthest, 550 miles from Oklahoma.

## Motley County School Board outlines goals

The Motley County I.S.D. School Board and administrative staff developed Board and District Goals in July and August. Board President David Stafford stated, "Speaking on behalf of the Board of Trustees, we feel that we have set these goals to give our school a sense of direction. We believe that these goals are obtainable because of a strong administration, great teachers, and an outstanding student body. We also invite the community and parents to be involved with us in obtaining the goals and making MCISD the best it can be for our children and community."

"We are fortunate to have a strong school board and administrative team at Motley County I.S.D.," said Superintendent Randy Brown. "The board is committed to working together as a team with the administrative staff to provide a quality school and positive learning environment for our students, parents and employees. That commitment is reflected in the board and district goals."

### MOTLEY COUNTY I.S.D. BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2007-08 BOARD & DISTRICT GOALS

The Motley County I.S.D. Board of Trustees, in conjunction with the administrative staff, has set the following Board and District goals for the 2007-08 school year. The board and administrative staff, working together as a team, will strive to provide the support and tools necessary to reach these goals. The board and administrative staff acknowledge the efforts and progress made by everyone involved in striving to reach these goals.

1. Emphasize continuous improvement
2. Promote positive public relations.
3. Welcome visitors, creating a warm and friendly environment at school.
4. Create an attractive school environment for students and staff.
5. Recognition of student

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The Roaring Springs First Baptist Church WOM recently put a cookbook together. It's very nice and has some wonderful recipes from former and current FBC members and friends. The ladies are selling the cookbooks as a fund-raiser for church projects, etc. Anyway, I thought I would share a couple of the recipes in my column today, just to give you a 'taste' of what can be found inside. And, by the way, I have the books for sale at the Tribune. Just their cost of \$15, no added commission or tax.

**CHUCK WAGON ROAST**  
Vera Mitchell

3 1/2 lb. round roast  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1/2 tsp black pepper

3/4 c. flour  
3 c. water

Preheat oven to 350°. Rub roast with salt and black pepper. Roll in flour. In a heavy skillet brown roast on all surfaces. Place in large roaster pan. Pour water and barbecue sauce over roast. Cover with tight fitting lid. Bake 2 hours checking often.

**Barbecue Sauce**

1 can tomatoes  
1 onion, finely chopped  
2 T. vinegar

Dash chili powder  
Dash cayenne pepper  
1 clove crushed garlic

Put all ingredients in the blender or food processor and puree. Pour into a medium sized sauce pan and bring to a simmer over low heat for 5 minutes. Pour over braised roast.

Note: In the olden days Vera had to press this through a sieve or colander to puree and make the sauce.

**COCONUT POUND CAKE**

Lula Swim

2 c. sugar  
5 eggs  
1 c. cooking oil  
1 T. coconut flavoring  
1 tsp. vanilla  
1/2 tsp. baking powder  
2 c. flour

1/2 tsp. salt  
1/2 c. sweet milk  
1 c. sugar  
1/2 c. water  
Dash Salt  
1/4 tsp. coconut flavoring

Preheat oven to 350°. Cream together sugar and cooking oil. Add eggs and vanilla. Sift together flour and baking powder and salt. Add to sugar and egg mixture alternately with milk. Bake in a tube or bundt pan for 55 minutes. Make a glaze of 1 cup sugar and 1/2 cup water. Boil about 1 minute; add 1/4 tsp. coconut flavoring and dash of salt. Punch holes in top of hot cake and spread glaze on cake.

**Look Who's New!**



**Joleigh Mae Darsey**

Bert and Leigh Ann Darsey would like to announce the arrival of their daughter, Joleigh Mae. She was born August 7, 2007, at 5:40 a.m. at University Medical Center in Lubbock. She weighed 6 pounds 2 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Grandparents are Jerry and Kelly Payne of Quitaque, Randy and Lisa Nielsen of Post, and Robin and Beverly Darsey of Afton.

Great grandparents are W.E. and Shirley Hawkins of Quitaque, Roger and Oveta



Nielsen of San Angelo, Winifred Darsey of Matador and Dumont and Margaret Bridge of Plainview.

**Dixon Roy Blair**



Roy, at 12:45 a.m. on August 13, 2007. He weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Dixon's grandparents are Fred and Elaine Risser of Matador; Max and Donna Graham of Kilgore; and Larry and Cathy Blair of Pennsylvania.

Great-grandparents are Frances Dixon of Matador; Walt and Mary Bailey of Clyde; Burnice Austin of Kilgore; and Fred and Barbara Cole of Florida.

Brian and Kobbi Blair and Journey of Salem, Oregon, are proud to announce the birth of their son and brother, Dixon

**Doing Whatever He Says**

Do you recall the first miracle which Jesus did? It was at the marriage feast in Cana of Galilee. When the supply of wine was exhausted, the mother of Jesus came to inform Him. She said to the servants: "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it." (John 2:5).

Here we have recorded for us an open manifestation of His miraculous power. It was also an open declaration of authority which Jesus had. There was to be no back talk, no quibbling, no challenge. Simply, "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it." This pronouncement by His mother should be accepted as far more than uncanny wisdom and advice. The course of action which she advised can assure the salvation of your immortal soul.

Miracles, signs and wonders were performed, and recorded, to the end that we might have sufficient faith to be saved. (John 20: 30-31). But we learn this paramount truth: our faith must motivate obedience, or else it is powerless to save.

Study this Biblical illustration found in Hebrews 11:7: "By faith, Noah being warned of God of things not seen as yet, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by which he condemned the world, and became heir of righteous which is by faith."

Grace warned of the flood; faith accepted the message; and obedience obtained God's blessing. The grace of God instructs, faith accepts in obedience, and obedience receives the promised reward. "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it."

**Roaring Springs Church of Christ**

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

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

**Hackberry Creek board members brainstorm for marketing strategies**

by Marisue Potts

CapRock Telephone Community and Economic Development representative, Barbara Bogart, brainstormed with the board of directors of Hackberry Creek Care Center on August 27, 2007, on ways to market the facility and get the word out about the services offered at the care center.

Ms. Bogart suggested, among other things, that regional awareness could be promoted with a brochure, a website, special interest stories in regional newspapers, power point presentations to service clubs, and developing a network with other care centers and hospitals. She also proposed contacting discharge planners, Pastoral alliances, and resources within the industry to alert them about the attributes that are unique to the HBCC.

"Emphasize what makes this place different," she said.

"This is a great facility. It has a feeling of home. The staff is friendly and helpful. I know the residents receive good care here. What are your specialties?"

Administrator Rosie Rendon responded, "We specialize in wound care, injuries from falls, and swallowing problems. I believe in the 'one on one' approach and I myself spend time with each patient, talking with them and asking about their concerns."

Ms. Rendon reported to the board the care center has been approved for respite care for private pay and Medicaid. Medicaid approval through three layers of bureaucracy is very close she feels.

The board thanked Ms. Bogart for her ideas and noted that Ms. Rendon had some already in progress. There was interest in developing a website and the president asked her to come up with some prices.

Plans are continuing for the open house on September 13, scheduled throughout the day from 1 until 7. Everyone is welcome to come and visit the facility, take tours, and have refreshments.

Wonderful memorials and honorariums have been received lately, all will qualify for the matching grant from the Meadows Foundation which will purchase therapy equipment. Memorials for C.D. Garrison have been received from Bob and Jimmie Jameson, Lindy Stafford, Betty Campbell, Dorothy Day, Douglas and Janie Campbell, Barbara Renken, The Lynn Family (Lonnice,

Carlene, Alvin, Joyce, Daphene, Glenda and Gale), Charlie and Opal Johnson, Steve Hess family, June Moss, Seab and Diane Washington, Tex and Eva Barkley, Sammie Phillips; Bill Pallmeyer from Harold Campbell, Dorothy Day, and Sammie Phillips; Ruthie Stone from Tex and Eva Barkley; Inez Bailey from Betty Campbell; Eugenia Barton from Betty Campbell.

A big "IN HONOR" donation for L.V. Damron was received from Jo and Alex Crowder.

Thanks to all who give their time, money and effort for the Hackberry Care Center. Join us at the Open House!

**LIBRARY NOTES**



By Suzanne Abbott, Librarian

We appreciate all those who participated in and worked at the Rootin' Tootin' Beans last Friday. It was a lot of fun and quite a success.

We thank Jeff and Pam Thacker for their donation to the library in memory of Vance Campbell, C.D. Garrison and Eugenia Barton. Donations such as this help us keep the library's collection up-to-date and make lasting memorials to special people.

We have two new books for the younger readers. One is a biography of tennis player Althea Gibson, *Playing to Win* by Karen Deans. We also have

a chapter book, *Digory and the Lost King* by Angela McAllister.

The library also has five new large-pint westerns. We have *The Lonely Breed* by Frank Leslie, *The Accomplice* by Marcus Galloway, *Gunsmoke* by Joseph A. West, *Ride to Battle Mountain* by Luran Paine and *Rogue Lawman* by Peter Brandvold. The library has a number of new large-print books, not only westerns but also mysteries, clean reads and Christian fiction. Anyone can check out the large-print books. There is a thirteen-year-old boy who reads the mysteries.

**Thank you for reading the MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE**

*You Are Cordially Invited to our Open House*

*The much anticipated Grand Opening is here! We are very proud of our beautiful facility and want to share it with you!*

*Please join us Thursday, September 13, 2007 1:00 - 7:00 p.m.*

*at Hackberry Creek Care Center*

*Refreshments will be provided and tours will be given Please come by and meet our Residents and visit with our Staff*

**Chamber News & Views**  
By Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort

Consider: If you think you are too small to be effective, you have never been in bed with a mosquito.

-- Betty Reese

Ah, yes, being effective. Getting things done. In a rural county like Motley County, people have to be effective, get things done, and they have to do it themselves.

There are lots of rural communities where that is the case. What makes Motley County special is that there are ever so many people who work doing all kinds of things simply for the good of the community.

But unlike the mosquito, they do it quietly. They do not do it to get their picture in the paper or to win anything. They do it because that is the kind of people they are, because they want to improve their community, because they want to help their neighbors.

The Chamber of Commerce thinks that they deserve recognition, even though that is not the reason they do what they do.

So the time has come, once again, to ask you to let the Chamber know who the people are who do special things.

Maybe you remember the categories: Woman of the Year, Man of the Year, and Business of the Year.

The idea is to recognize people who do more than could be expected to make this a better place to live. Of course, people who do their job well are appreciated, but what is sought here are the people who go above and beyond, who cheerfully do things that are not in the job description of their business or community life.

So how are these people found so that they can be recognized? They are nominated by people who know what they have been doing. Continuous good deeds are often simply what these people do, and they don't ring the bell and announce them to the world. So their friends have to let the Chamber know.

This means you need to write a letter about what the person nominated has done, and send it to the Chamber, P.O. Box 788, Matador, TX 79244. Or drop it off at the office of Thayer and Washington. Or send an email if that is easier, to motcocm@caprock-spur.com.

So think about what your friends and neighbors have done, and then nominate them for Woman of the Year, Man of the Year or Business of the Year. We can't give them all that they deserve, but we can honor them in a modest way, and let them know that their actions have not gone unnoticed. We can thank them for all they do.

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# Motley County ISD enrollment remains stable

Motley County I.S.D. welcomed 177 students on August 27th, the first day of the 2007-08 school year.

"We are pleased with this year's enrollment," commented Superintendent Randy Brown. "We had 158 students on the first

day of the 2006-206 school year, and 171 students on the first day of school last year, so this is a

good sign. School districts traditionally hit their peak enrollment sometime after Labor Day. We are expecting a few

more students to enroll. Most school districts in the region are

facing declining enrollment. We are blessed to have good numbers, particularly in the Elementary and Middle School grades."



## Kids' Praise Sept. 5th

Hey kids - it's time for Kids' Praise again! The fun will start Wednesday, September 5 at 5:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Matador.

All kids, ages 3 through 6th grade are invited to attend.

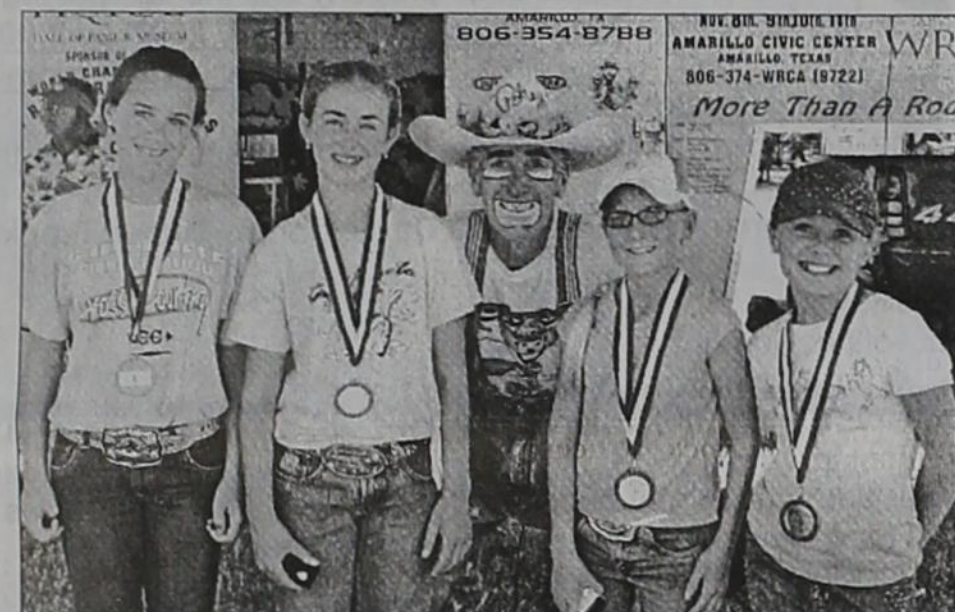
## September School Calendar

- September 3: Labor Day (No School)
- September 6: Spirit Rally, 7:00 p.m.
- September 7: Matadors vs. Spur, here, 7:30 p.m.
- September 8: Cross Country at Plainview.
- September 11: District FFA, here, 4:30 p.m.
- September 13: Mavericks vs. Rule, there, 5:30 p.m.
- September 14: Matadors vs. Rule, here, 7:30 p.m.
- September 15: Cross Country at Guthrie.
- September 17: Board meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- September 18: FCCLA, here, 4:30 p.m.
- September 21: Recognized Celebration, 10:00 a.m. at Court-house.
- September 27: Mavericks vs. Petersburg, here, 6:00 p.m.
- September 28: Matadors vs. Cotton Center, here, 7:30 p.m. (Homecoming!)

Motley County Matadors and cheerleaders rode on a float at the Old Settlers parade last Thursday in Roaring Springs.



FIRST PLACE, JR. TEAM (8-12 year division) in the Pokey the Clown Rodeo went to (left to right) Kara Hurt, Jaci Cabler, Sierra Fry and Kaitlyn Price.



SECOND PLACE, JR. TEAM, (left to right) Seth Baxter, Cassidy Turner, Taylor Perryman and Jake Bramlet.

## A Message from the Museum

by Neal Potts

I have been working for the Motley County Museum and the exhibits are great. The exhibit I like is the model town of Matador before 1916. The town is made out of little light bulb boxes and other cardboard boxes. The town was made by a local artist.

The other room I like is the Native American room. I did a report on the Caddo Indians. They traded with the Apache and the Kiowa Indians who lived around there.

My other favorite room is the Veterans' room. It has all the Veterans from Matador that went to the Civil War, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and World War I and II.

We have put some new stuff out, so come and see what they are.

We still have plaques so if you want your name to be recognized, you may donate \$100. All donations are welcome and appreciated.

## Memorial List Aug. 2006-Aug. 2007

- Inez Moss
- Margie Marshall Scott
- Ray Zabielski
- Charlotte Purdy Bloodworth
- June E. Tilson
- Walter Thomas Ross, Jr.
- Joseph "Gid" Simpson
- Robert Pritchett
- John M. "Sonny" Russell
- Gloria Gail Childs
- Alma Shorter
- J.W. Vickrey
- Antonio Marino
- George Mangram
- Raymond "Ray" Davis
- Dorothy Mae May
- Marian Burt
- Sharon Sperry Wickliffe
- Gus Seaphus
- Opal Estes Pipkin
- Gus Timmons
- William "Bill" Pharis, Jr.
- Mary Hamilton Meason
- Barbara Jeanne Adams
- Jerome Wallingsford
- Mack Kendle Jacobs
- Howard "Cocklebur" Smith
- William Kirk "Rusty" Birchfield
- R.L. "Buck" Webb
- Edith Mae Washington
- Leola McKelvey
- L.B. "Bundy" Campbell
- Freida Jo Maxey
- Marjoria Arlena Moore Harper
- Mildred Vinson Key
- Bill Dean Washington
- James Thurman Sherrod
- Marian Alice "Mitch" Jones
- Sue Maxey
- Velma Gillespie
- Mary Lee Watters
- Nancy Othel Bynum
- Benny Goss
- Lenna McWilliams
- Dorothy Martin Meador
- Thomas Lee Edmondson
- Ray "Tex" Blevins
- Eunice Mae Colvin Ross
- Joleta Cruse Johnson
- Carolyn Belle Jones McDowell
- Hal Vance Campbell
- Oma Lee Kuykendall George
- Inez Bailey
- Leon D. Cobb
- Eugenia Garrison Barton
- Spencer Dixon
- Rita Nichols Groves
- Richard "Rick" Cooper
- Ewel Jones
- William C. "Bill" Pallmeyer
- C.D. Garrison
- James Horace McDonald
- Joyce Thacker Smith
- Dora Elizabeth Keelin Turner
- Ruth Stone
- Stacy Watson
- "Billy" Clyde Williams
- Randy Barton

## School Supply Drive blesses area students

What started as a Women on Mission's project grew into a four church supply drive to bless students in Jayton and Motley County with essential school supplies. The initial goal was to collect supplies for 12-20 students in the Sammy Ball Children's Home in Jayton. After some discussion and a phone call to Motley County I.S.D. it was decided to collect supplies for students here in Motley County, also. The word was spread between the churches and shortly thereafter four churches were involved.

The Baptist and Methodist Churches in Roaring Springs and Matador collected school supplies for two weeks. The outcome was amazing. What organizers thought would be supplies for 10 to 20 turned out to be enough for 40 to 50 students.

Doris Moore and Barbara Alexander loaded the back of Mrs. Moore's car with 20 backpacks, lunch boxes, Kleenex,

pens, paper, and everything needed to help students in Jayton start the school year right.

The other half of the collected supplies were delivered to Motley County ISD Monday morning so students could make use of the blessing of school supplies.

If your child attends Motley County ISD and they need some school supplies, just go into the school office and ask. No catch, free to whomever needs them.

The churches extend thanks to everyone who gave or helped make the supply drive a success. It is an awesome thing to see the Body of Christ come together to meet needs and bless others.

Rev. Matt Crawford, pastor of the Matador First Baptist Church, said, "Our prayer and plans are that this will be the first Annual School Supply Drive."

## Thank You

Dear Friends of Motley County,

We would like to say thank you so much for all the calls, cards, emails and memorials that have been received in honor of Bill Pallmeyer. The old friends are always the greatest and we were reminded of that during this time. There were so many responses from "His 4-H Club Kids" that were all great to read! We all appreciated hearing from everyone. Please know how much Motley County always meant to him. Words really cannot express the gratitude that we all feel. May God bless each and everyone of you.

- The Family of William C. (Bill) Pallmeyer
- Maleta Pallmeyer
- Paula and Ronnie Welling
- Will and Deb Pallmeyer
- Karl and Lisa Pallmeyer
- Susan Mullin and Scott Welling
- Amy, William and Angie Pallmeyer

I want to thank everyone who supported me running for the Motley/Dickens Old Settlers Queen. I could not have done it without you. Thanks especially to those that went above and beyond. I really had fun doing it.

Thanks again,  
Mattie Brooks

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## School Board

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academic and extra-curricular achievement.

6. Provide students with quality, rigorous instruction designed to prepare them for life after graduation.

7. Build student pride in school.

8. Maintain and improve the appearance of grounds and facilities.

9. Emphasize visibility of school board members at school activities.

10. Employment of a conservative and efficient approach to fiscal management.

11. Recognition of achievements of staff, building staff morale.

12. Recruit and retain qualified staff.

13. Focus on dedication to excellence, commitment to children.

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SEPTEMBER 6, 7 & 8, 2007

A Cowboy and Family Camp Meeting experience for all ages with Christ at the Center. Two full days of Gospel Music, Bible Teaching, and Preaching

Thursday, Sept. 6 ..... Chuckwagon Supper, 6 p.m.

Preaching at 7:00 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 7 ..... Breakfast, 7:00 a.m.

Ladies Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

Deanie Edwards - Speaker

Noon - Lunch

Men's Prayer Tree, 3:00 p.m.

Chuckwagon Supper, 6:00 p.m.

PREACHING - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 8 ..... Breakfast, 7:00 a.m.

Ladies Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

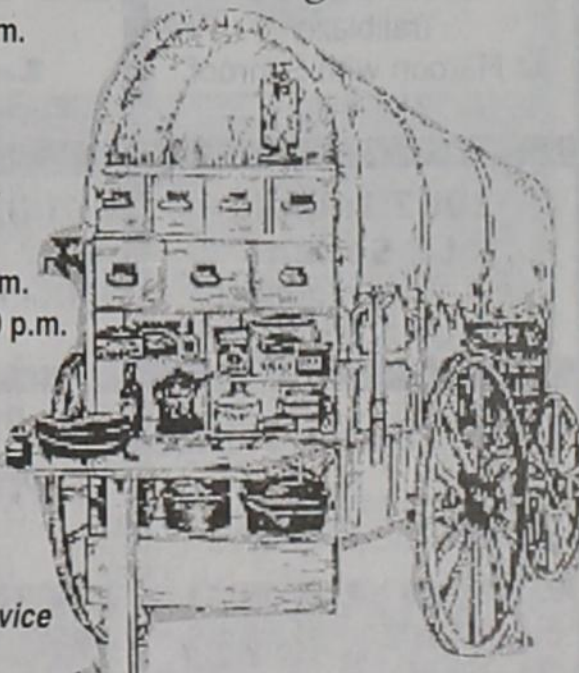
Chelsea Read - Speaker

Noon - Lunch

Roping - 3:00 p.m.

Fee: Attend 7:00 p.m. Service

PREACHING - 7:00 p.m.



Camp Preachers - Jack Martin, Lamar, CO & Johnny Morris, Afton, TX  
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Jim Gamble and his mule-drawn wagon won first place in the 'Horse Drawn Carriage' division at the Motley-Dickens Old Settlers Parade.



The Dickens County Courthouse gang won first place in the 'Best Float' Division.



Best Old Time Cowboy, Elmer Maben, left; Best Old Time Cowgirl, Glenda White, above.



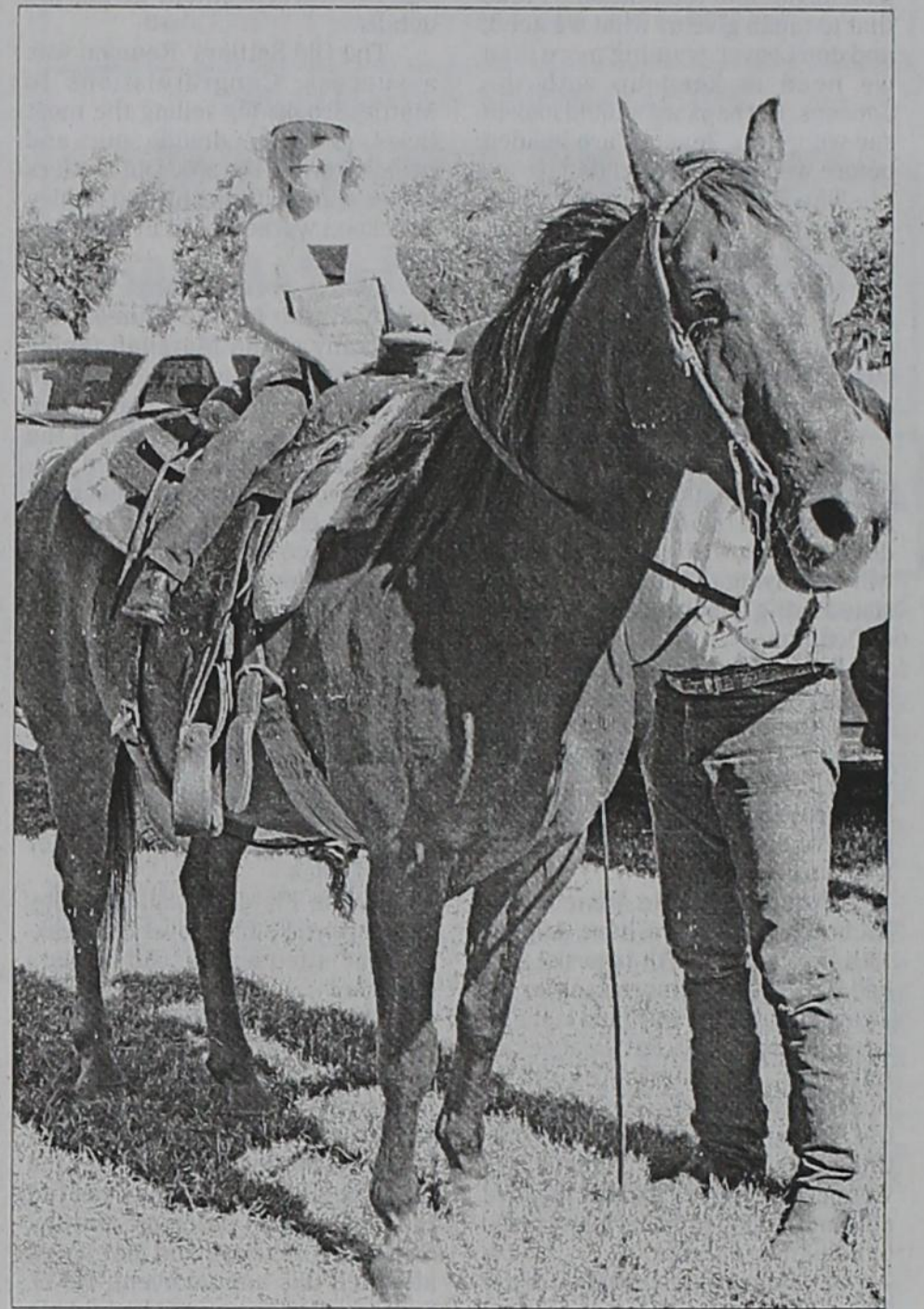
BEST ANTIQUE CAR - Sue Maben of Spur



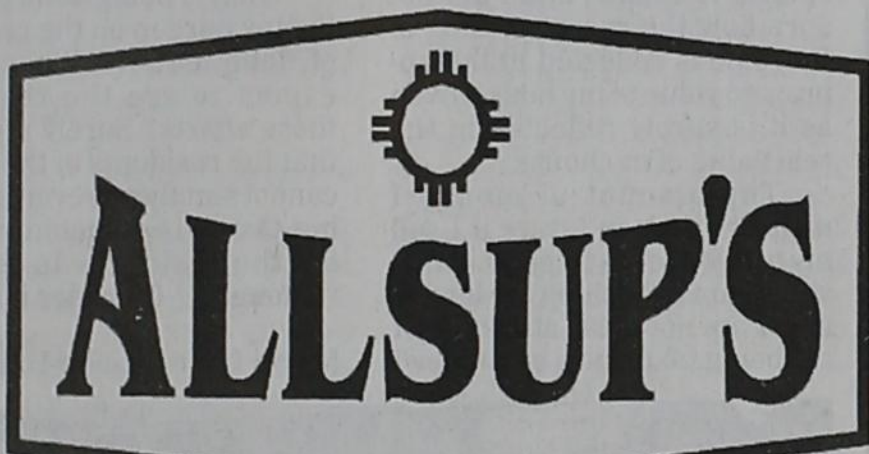
Best Modern Day Cowgirl, Charlie Hendrick, left; Best Jr. Cowboy, Matthew Hart, above



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# News Around the County

## Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

I have been reading an autobiography of Will Rogers. He was quite a character, statesman and comedian. He once said, "Give an American a one piece bathing suit, a hamburger, and five gallons of gas and they are just as tickled as a movie star with a new divorce." Ah, those were the days!

Nowadays everyone wants a skimpy thong, a bikini, steak with shrimp and a credit card with a \$10,000 credit limit. Do you really think all these things have made us happier? Looks to me like wanting too much and trying to emulate the folks of Hollywood gets us in a heap of trouble. The Lord's Prayer says, "Give us this day our daily bread and lead us not into temptation." I take that to mean give us what we need; and don't covet, wanting more than we need to keep up with the Joneses. Perhaps we should look to see where the Joneses are headed before we join their parade.

The Travelers' Inn has had guests from Oakland, CA and Denmark, Tennessee. They were Mary LeL (Groves) Fielder and Mitchell Dawn Kopetzky. They are the daughter and granddaughter of the late Dick Groves. Corky took them on a tour of the Springs Ranch.

A reception honoring Bill and Lea Peacock was held at the Roaring Springs Community Center on Sunday afternoon. Thirty folks dropped in to wish them well. They will be moving to Lubbock to an assisted living facility around the first of October.

Bill and Lea have been an active part of this community and the First United Methodist Church for many years. They will be greatly missed but we are glad that they have chosen a safe and wonderful place where their work load will be less burdensome.

Mike and Tobie Peacock of Richmond, VA were here August 13th through the 17th to assist Lea and Bill in getting things in order for a garage sale that was held last Friday and Saturday. Pat Peacock of Palacios, TX came August 21 through the 25th to help them run the sale and to mow and do other things that needed to be done. It is wonderful to have children that are able and willing to travel many miles to help their parents.

Attending the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Joe and Joyce Meredith held August 18, from out of town, were Wylie Hodges of Levelland, Roger and Linda Ashley and grandson Jubal of Littlefield, Jarod and Deanna Ashley of Slaton, Ray and Peggy Williamson, Johnny Meredith and Jeremy, Whitney, Morgan and Judson Jones of Lubbock. Over 50 friends and family attended the celebration.

Billie Stuckey celebrated her birthday on Saturday with cake and ice cream. Those attending her party were Lou Dean Douthit, Peggy North and Debbie Kinnamon of Briscoe, Texas; the mother and sisters of Billie respectively. Also attending her party were Donna Kennedy, Joy Beeson, Pearl Patten, Corky and Monta Marshall.

Don Stuckey traveled to Weatherford, Texas on Monday to bring home a chuck wagon that he purchased. Don plans to use it in his work.

We are looking forward to the Old Settlers Cowboy Camp Meeting to be held on September 6th, 7th, and 8th at the Old Settlers pavilion. See the advertisement giving the details.

The Old Settlers' Reunion was a success. Congratulations to Mattie Brooks for selling the most tickets for the handmade spurs and being crowned the 2007 Old Settlers Rodeo Queen. Both she and Ashley Brackeen worked hard in that contest.

There were many out of towners here for the reunion. We saw many of the Marshall family that comes home for this each year. Lots of old friends attend and have great times catching up on all the year's happenings. We missed seeing some of the old timers that have always been such a part of the Old Folks Dance. The old timers are dwindling down; it is sad. We particularly enjoyed Mike Porter's music at the Old Folks Dance. On Saturday night Kelly Keltz accompanied him on the bass guitar.

Joel Rieger and his fiance' attended the pre-wedding festivities for his step-brother, Matthew West and fiance' in Dallas on Saturday. Their wedding will be September 8th in Dallas.

Wayne Fletcher visited Bobby and Carolyn Fletcher over the weekend and attended the Old Settlers Reunion.

Albert (Sucker Rod) Ozborn of Lovington, NM and Curtis Ozborn of Spur; Corky Morris from Barksdale, TX; Jimmy Wynn of NM were some of the out of town cowboys that were here to attend the Matador Cowboy Reunion held at the Community Center on Saturday. Seventeen cowboys and four wives attended this annual event. Ed D. Smith hosted the event; he told me that likely Banty Brandon was the oldest cowboy attending.

On Sunday, September 2nd, the Caballeros in Concert will be bringing a sermon in song at the First Baptist Church in Roaring Springs. A love offering will be taken. A pot luck lunch will follow the service. The public is invited. The service begins at 10:45 a.m.



Matt and Ashley Washington and sons, Blu and Brazos, enjoyed being a part of the Old Settlers Parade and even brought their windmill along.

Thank you for reading the Motley County Tribune!

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

### OVERHEARD

The younger generation may not know the name of John F. Kennedy's famous boat in World War II or can name all the families that have been in the White House, but I need their help navigating my computer, the VCR and even my TV. remote control!

Mrs. Roger (Shonda) Lee visited in Dallas last weekend with daughter, Janie and new baby son, Paxton. He was born August 16th and weighed seven pounds, 10 1/2 ounces and was 20 inches long. Her niece, Erin and son Travis of Dallas accompanied Jenne and Paxton to Flomot and visited the weekend with Shonda and Roger. They were escorted here by their dog, Max!

Tommy Ross and daughters, Cheyenne, Ciara, Anjoli and Elisa Ann of Castroville visited from August 10 to 20 with his mother, Mrs. Aleda Ross. They enjoyed fishing and keeping their cameras busy for scenic and amusing pictures.

Linda and Travis Kendall visited the weekend in Midland with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cory Kendall, Chancey and Connor.

L.T. Starkey of Ralls accompanied his brother, Johnie Starkey to the Veterans Hospital in Amarillo, Tuesday. He received a good report.

Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton enjoyed the Old Settlers parade in Roaring Springs Saturday morning. Visiting the weekend with Mrs.

Aleda Ross were granddaughter, Aleda Elaine Ross of Castroville, friend, Paul Batchelder of Houston and daughter, Mrs. Elisa Wigley of Lubbock. Mrs. Ross was in Plainview, Tuesday for an optical appointment.

Mrs. Elsie Beard of Dallas visited from Wednesday until Monday with her brother, Everett Shorter. She also visited Kathy and Clois Shorter.

Ruth and Orville Lee enjoyed lunch and entertainment in Lubbock, Sunday.

Johnie Starkey left Friday for Lebanon, Missouri to visit son and wife, Ricky and Merry Starkey and their daughter, U.S. Marine Johna Starkey who is home on furlough.

Mrs. Kathy Shorter accompanied grandchildren, Emily and Haley Milam of Petersburg and Brian Sehon of Ropesville, who had visited here the past week, to Plainview Wednesday where they met Mrs. Keri Sehon for their return trip to their respective homes.

Visiting Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Beverly Vinson were grandsons, Dana Vinson and Shannon Vinson and son, Bubba of Lubbock.

Donna Sue and Stanley Degan of Calgary visited Sunday with her mother, Mrs. B. Rogers and brother, Donnie Rogers.

Mrs. Wanda Lane of Lockney visited Wilburn Martin, Friday.

## Matador News

Marge Edwards and Grace Campbell visited recently in Matador with their families, Tom and Deanie Edwards and Guy and Diane Campbell. They ate at Senior Citizens on Friday and enjoyed a gathering at Dorothy Day's on Saturday evening with members of the Stitch and Chatter group. They attended the Stitch and Chatter meeting on Monday at Winifred Darsey's. They returned to Lubbock on Tuesday morning. Grace attended a revival with her son, Guy and Marge attended Sunday School with Tom and Deanie on Sunday morning.

Deanie Edwards visited recently in Dalhart with her son and family, Stephen, Lori and Haley Davis. They spent Saturday in Amarillo where Deanie and Haley got in some back-to-school shopping.

Deanie enjoyed touring familiar sights in Dalhart and was amazed at the growth. Many new Dairy farms, housing developments, and a new cheese factory have gone in. She returned on Monday and had a short visit in Amarillo with her brother, Alvin and wife, Nadyne.

Elaine Risser traveled to Salem, Oregon for a visit on August 2 and was joined by Fred Risser and Frances Dixon on August 18. They all returned home on August 25. Kaci Risser of Lubbock also visited the family August 11-15.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Hobbs of Milsap visited Frances and Roy Hobbs last week. They enjoyed lunch at the Senior Citizens and re-newing friendships.

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## OBITUARIES

### Gaines Duff Green

Gaines Duff Green was born September 20, 1940, in Roaring Springs, Texas, to John Kelly Green and Annie Fern Green.

He attended elementary school through sixth grade in Texas. The family moved to Bakersfield, California in 1953, where he attended Sierra Junior High, then graduated from East Bakersfield High, class of 1958.

He graduated from Chico State University in 1962 as a Civil Engineer and began law school at Fresno, California.

In 1964, he worked as a Project Civil Engineer on the Oroville Dam of California, also receiving his pilot's license while there.

As a commissioned officer Captain in the U.S. Air Force, stationed at Tule Air Base, Greenland, he was one of the officers in charge of keeping shipping plane runways open in winter than transported cargo and troops to Vietnam from the Greenland Air Base.

Upon his discharge from the Air Force, he was hired as a Civil Engineer by Bectahl Construction Company in Saudi Arabia. This job was contracted to build a cargo shipping port in Bahrain; this was done by King Fasel who often visited the site.

Green worked for Inyo County through 1998 as a Civil Engineer. His latest employment was with Kern County as a Civil Engineer for the Waste Management Department.



Gaines Duff Green passed away August 14, 2007.

He leaves as survivors his wife, Rebecca Green; his sister, Kelly Anne Graham; four nieces and one nephew and two great nieces and four great nephews as follows: Vickie Findley, husband Timothy, sons Byron and Andrew; Duetta Anne Reilly and husband Paul; Tori Reape and son Brendan Reape; John Lane Graham; Regina Gottwald, husband Tom, daughter Ashten, son Nicholas, daughter, Madeline.

He is also survived by stepsons Steven Barraza and family, Ryan Barraza and family, and Jamie Ritter.

Services were held on August 18, 2007, at Valley Baptist Church and he was laid to rest at Hillcrest Cemetery in Bakersfield, California.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

When I got my 2007 Notice of Appraised Value for my house from the Motley County Appraisal District, I was astonished. The value of my house supposedly went up in one year by 21%, although I had made no major (or even minor) improvements to it.

Not only that, but the estimated taxes for a small house in Motley County are higher than the taxes I pay on a larger flat in the city of Berlin, Germany, the capitol city of that country.

As an answer to my questions about this appraised value, I was informed that people from Austin had required this increase, although it is not clear to me what people from Austin know about land values in Motley County. Given the amount appraised on my small house, I shudder to think what has been appraised on the ranch - and farmland in the county. Furthermore, values change in response to events, and I am not sure how the recent closing of Polypipe is reflected in the appraised value of my house, even as it is surely reflected in the real value of my house.

The amount of money I might receive in future if I sell my house is of no interest to me, since I am not selling my house. And I am not clear about why I am being taxed now on money I

might (or might not) receive in future if I sold my house. Are these taxes on income or future income? If they are taxes on the future value of my possessions, can I lower my taxes by getting rid of my piano?

It is unclear to me what these taxes are paying for. Every time I go to the courthouse for something, I have to pay a separate tax for it. And I get a monthly bill on other services.

It is clear that there are people working in the courthouse, and they need money. But there is no way little Motley County can pay salaries commensurate with Spur, Jayton and Lubbock or Austin.

When I learned about making a budget, I was told to divide my income among various expenditures expected. In the case of the recent budgets for Motley County, I cannot escape the feeling that the expenditures that are desired were divided among the taxpayers, and it is not clear to me whether it was even done in a manner that could be considered fair.

What is being done to lower the tax burden on the residents of Motley County? When can we expect to see the results of those efforts? Surely it is clear that the residents of the county cannot simply pay ever-increasing taxes. Is someone waiting for the residents to exclaim "Enough!?" Consider it said.

Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort



PRETTY FANCY CAR — Nancy (Traweck) Barrow and her husband, from Vernon, drove their beautiful car in the Old Settlers Parade last Thursday.

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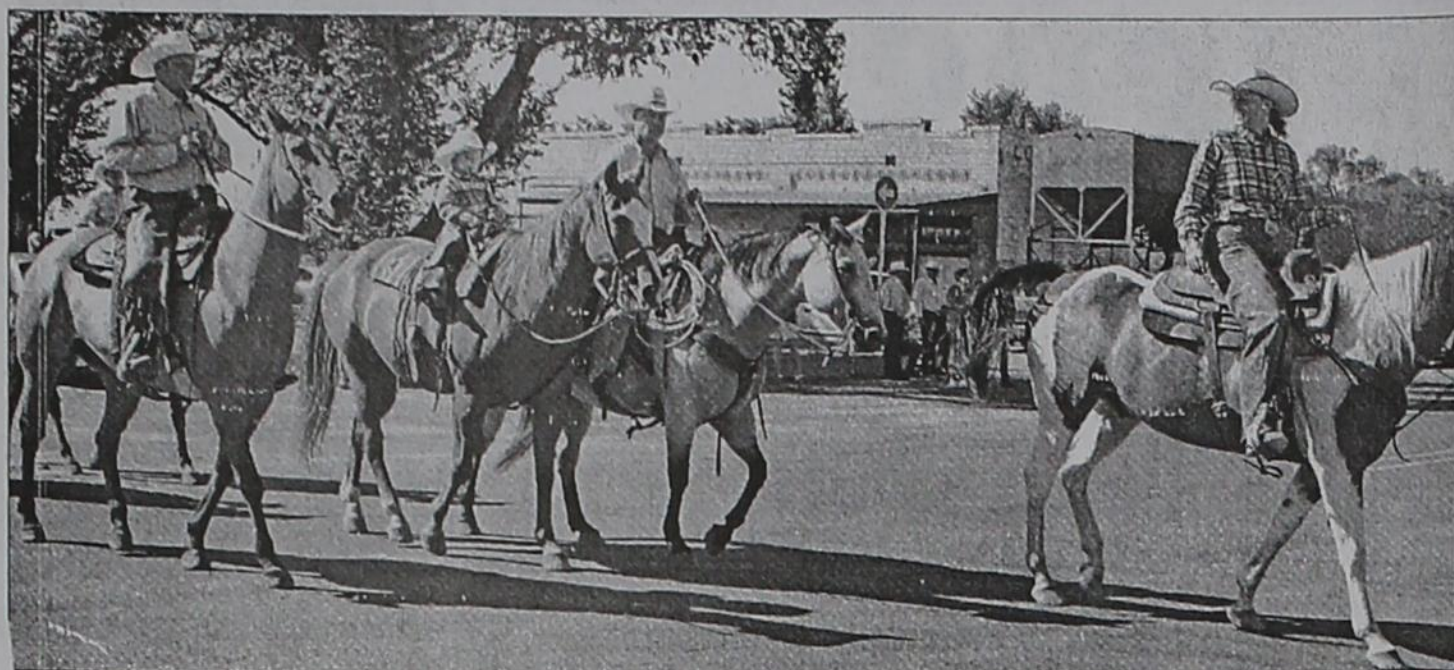
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Parks family members riding their horses in the Old Settlers parade last Thursday in Roaring Springs.

## Thornberry announces Ag Disaster Programs Sign-up to begin in September and October

Washington, DC -- Congressman Mac Thornberry announced Monday that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has set sign-up dates for the new Livestock Compensation Program, Livestock Indemnity Program and Crop Disaster Program. The three disaster programs, funded in the "U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, 2007" provide benefits to farmers and ranchers who suffered losses caused by natural disasters in calendar years 2005, 2006, or 2007.

Eligible ranchers and other livestock producers can apply to receive benefits under the Livestock Compensation Program (LCP) and Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) beginning September 10, 2007. Eligible farmers can sign up for the Crop Disaster Program (CDP) beginning October 15, 2007, if they suffered quantity losses to their crops. USDA will announce and conduct CDP sign-up for quality losses as soon as possible.

On May 25, 2007, President George W. Bush signed into law the "U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, 2007" (2007 Act). The 2007 Act authorizes LCP, LIP and CDP. It also authorizes funding for the Emergency Forestry Conservation Reserve Program (EFCRP), Emergency Conservation Program and Dairy Disaster Assistance Program III (DDAP-III). USDA recently announced sign-up for EFCRP and the distribution of funds to 18 states under ECP. USDA will announce and conduct sign-up for DDAP-III as soon as possible. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) is charged with administering the programs.

LCP compensates livestock producers for feed losses occurring between January 1, 2006, and February 28, 2007, due to a natural disaster. This can include producers who suffered

losses resulting from blizzards that started in 2006 and continued into January 2007. Livestock producers may elect to receive compensation for calendar year 2007 grazing season losses that are attributable to wildfire natural disaster occurring during the applicable period as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture. Producers in primary counties declared secretarial disaster areas or certain counties declared presidential disaster areas between January 1, 2005 and February 28, 2007, are eligible as are producers located in counties contiguous to those counties. Also, producers in a primary (or contiguous) county that received an Administrator's Physical Loss Notice directly associated with a disaster declaration made by President Bush may also be eligible. Producers incurring a loss in more than one of the 2005, 2006 or 2007 calendar years must choose only one year for which they want to apply for benefits.

LIP compensates livestock producers for livestock losses between January 1, 2005, and February 28, 2007, which resulted from natural disasters, including losses due to blizzards that started in 2006 and continued into January 2007. Producers in primary counties declared secretarial disaster areas or certain counties declared presidential disaster areas between January 1, 2005 and February 28, 2007, are eligible as are producers located in counties contiguous to those counties. Also, producers in a primary (or contiguous) county that received an Administrator's Physical Loss Notice directly associated with a disaster declaration made by President Bush may also be eligible. Producers incurring eligible livestock losses in more than one of the 2005, 2006, or 2007 calendar years must choose only one year for which they want to apply for benefits.

CDP provides benefits to farmers who suffered quantity and quality losses to 2005, 2006, or 2007 crops from natural disasters if the crop was planted before February 28, 2007, or, in the case of prevented plantings, for crops that would have been planted before February 28, 2007. Producers who incurred qualifying losses in 2005, 2006 or 2007 must choose only one year to apply for benefits. Producers may apply for benefits for losses to multiple commodities as long as the losses occurred in the same crop year. Only producers who obtained crop insurance coverage or coverage under the Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) for the year of loss will be eligible for

CDP benefits. Producers must have suffered quantity losses in excess of 35 percent to be eligible for CDP.

More information about LCP, LIP and CDP is available in a fact sheet titled, Agricultural Assistance Act of 2007, found on FSA's web site, <http://www.fsa.usda.gov> click on Disaster Assistance Programs. USDA is developing individual fact sheets about these programs that will be posted online.

## TxDOT releases list of State's structurally deficient bridges

Austin -- After careful review of state and federal regulations governing the release of infrastructure data, the Texas Department of Transportation released a list of the state's critical infrastructure.

TxDOT's records indicate that 4 percent of the state's bridges are listed as structurally deficient. The Bureau of Transportation Statistics reports that in 2006, 12 percent of the nation's bridges were identified as structurally deficient. TxDOT's aggressive program to inspect all 50,000 of the state's bridges and rehabilitate and replace bridges that require improvement is producing results. In 2002, Texas was home to 2,928 structurally deficient bridges. The current figure is a 31 percent reduction in structurally deficient bridges.

The term "structurally deficient" is a technical term that has recently been used in news accounts and public discussions to describe a bridge that is unsafe or presents an imminent danger to the driving public. It is a term used by the Federal Highway Administration to classify and prioritize bridges for federal funding. Structurally deficient bridges receive priority for limited rehabilitation on replacement funds from the federal government. Bridges that are unsafe or present an imminent public danger are closed to traffic.

Of the state's bridges classified as "structurally deficient", 445 are on the state highway system and 1,579 are off-system structures. 282 bridges classified as structurally deficient are currently under contract to be rehabilitated or replaced. Another 1,303 bridges classified as structurally deficient are under development as part of the state's Unified Transportation Plan. The State's remaining 439 bridges classified as structurally deficient are not currently scheduled for rehabilitation or replacement, and no funding has been identified for them.

Improving safety is TxDOT's most important goal and is a sacred obligation to the state's driving public. TxDOT will continue to monitor the state's bridges through its aggressive inspection program. In addition to enhancing safety, TxDOT is committed to reducing congestion and expanding economic opportunity, improving air quality and increasing the value of the state's transportation assets.

## REMEMBERING DAYS GONE BY

Stories of days gone by in and around Motley County

Horses, like men, differed materially. Every lead man had his night horse, a pack horse provided he left the home range to work, and cutting horses he rode on making drives for a roundup or holding a roundup or a day herd. Men loved their saddle horses and used them in the main where best suited. Those horses could be used most everywhere, but were seldom used everywhere. There were special lines of work they were more adapted to.

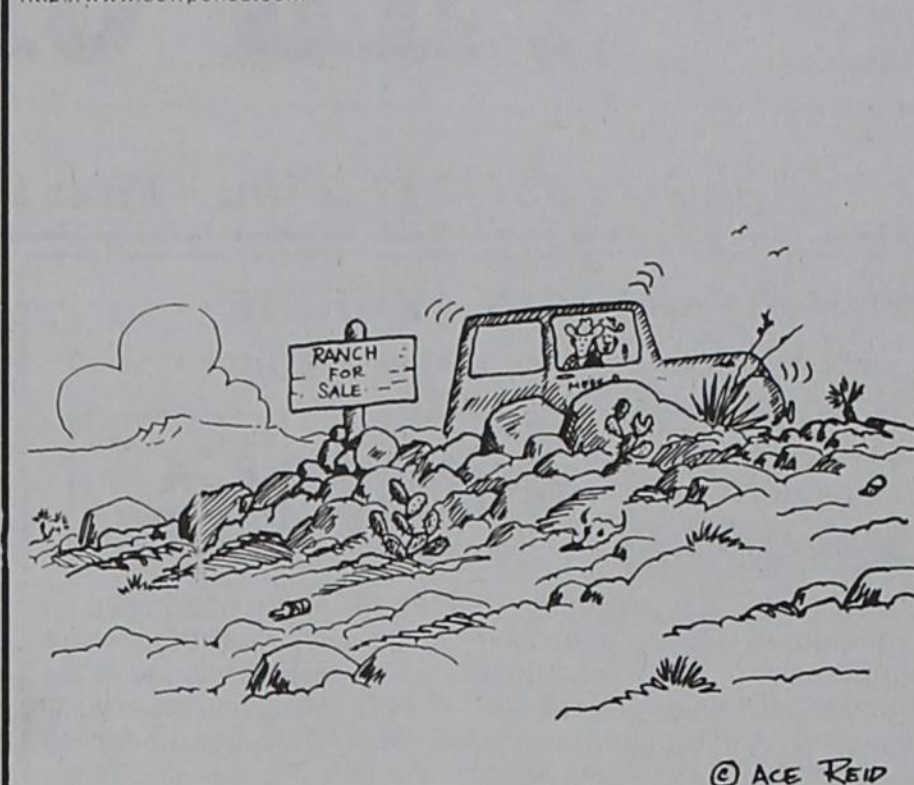
The night horse was ridden at night for guard duty, not on herd during the daytime. That night horse, as a rule, was something extra. He needed to be clear-eyed, quick, active and sure-footed; if he was a comfortable saddler, the better. It may not be generally known, but some otherwise good horses couldn't see very clearly at night and were called moon-eyed. You night horse was a smart cow horse, if of the first water, and saw and was after many spoilt steers as they slipped away in the darkness; he saw them where a rider never would have seen them. Many a good night horse has carried his rider unerringly through the darkness of the night to the wagon when the rider had little or no idea where to find it. Yes, your night horse was one of the best, if not the best, horse you rode. When the herd stampeded, that faithful, dependable steed knew exactly where he should be and soon managed to get there while the man's essential part was to ride on his bridle reins and trust his horse to carry him safely through.

Cutting horses were reserved for cutting or separating cattle, so seldom were used anywhere else, and never on long hard runs in rounding cattle. A good rider could ride a bronco at night quite as well as he could in daylight, but it seldom was done, for a man on a raw bronco could be of little help on guard. In fact, it would have been better for him to have stayed at the wagon.

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## Proof of the Truth

By Tom Edwards

### CREATION VS. INTELLIGENT DESIGN?

Yes, there is a major difference between the two, and it is very important. Opponents of teaching Intelligent Design trumpet that it is simply an attempt to "backdoor" creationism into the classroom. They are dead wrong and it is a fraudulent claim!

The Intelligent Design (ID) movement is strictly secular (non-religious) in its method, scope and purpose, and is purely scientific. It makes NO attempt to define the higher power (or powers) and intelligent responsible for the obvious ID. Those actively engaged in ID include not only religious

persons, but also atheists and disillusioned evolutionists who have become convinced that Darwin's Theory is hopelessly wrong and flawed. Their main goal is to demonstrate that ID is a much better explanation of things than evolution - and it is.

On the other hand, creationism can be described as "ID Plus." Creationists, which include not only Christians, but also Muslims and followers of Judaism, identify that higher power, intelligence, and cause, as God, giving Him the glory for His creation. Thus Creationism is both scientific and religious, whereas ID is scientific only.

BUT, ID is not new to creationists. Second only to the cosmological argument for the existence of God, Theists have relied upon the Teleological (Design) Argument for the existence of God for centuries. Following the law of cause and effect, the argument asserts that you can't have obviously intelligent design in nature and the universe without the pre-existence of an awesomely powerful and intelligent designer. "The heavens declare His glory!"

Therefore, Creationists don't dispute the ID movement, but consider it insufficient. ID certainly points to God, though it is purely scientific. Being scientific, ID qualifies to be taught now in schools. But being "consistent" with God, ID scares its opponents, who worship Darwin. They are scared or learning what we already know - that true science and scientific discoveries do not and cannot contradict our true understanding of God, but be complimentary of Him!

## Farm Service Agency News

by Amy A. Hackler  
County Executive Director

Producers are reminded that September 1, 2007, is the deadline to purchase NAP insurance for the 2008 Wheat crop. This coverage will include

usages for Grazing and Forage. Please contact the office if you need coverage for the 2008 Wheat crop.

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## LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

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	<b>Thursday</b> Isolated T-storms High: 89 Low: 67
	<b>Friday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 88 Low: 65
	<b>Saturday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 85 Low: 65
	<b>Sunday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 89 Low: 68
	<b>Monday</b> Isolated T-storms High: 90 Low: 68
	<b>Tuesday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 88 Low: 64
	<b>Wednesday</b> Mostly Sunny High: 86 Low: 65

### In-Depth Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 89°, humidity of 58% and an overnight low of 67°. The record high temperature for today is 103° set in 1952. The record low is 55° set in 1950.

### Moon Phases

Last 9/3	New 9/11	First 9/19	Full 9/26
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### Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Sunday	95	71	93/69	0.00"	0.03"
Monday	93	72	93/69	0.00"	0.52"
Tuesday	91	71	93/68	0.00"	-0.49"
Wednesday	91	70	93/68	0.00"	0.819"
Thursday	93	73	93/68	0.00"	0.805"
Friday	92	73	92/68	0.02"	+1.4"
Saturday	92	70	92/68	0.01"	

Data as reported from Childress, Texas

### Weather History

**Aug. 30, 1982** - A tropical depression brought torrential rains to portions of southern Texas. Up to 12 inches fell south of Houston and as much as 18 inches fell southeast of Austin. The tropical depression spawned 14 tornadoes in three days.

### Sun & Moon Times

Sunrise today	7:15 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:12 p.m.
Moonrise today	9:31 p.m.
Moonsset today	9:41 a.m.

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