

Three cheers for the Red, White & Blue! Some of you will receive this paper after the July 4th holiday, but we can all use a little patriotic reminder from time to time no matter what time of the year it is.

Do yourself a favor and reflect on the thirty-one words that make up the Pledge of Allegiance. Allow them to root in your mind and heart. Likely your patriotism will be reaffirmed and your passion for this country reignited as you consider the thirty-one words you learned in elementary school.

*I pledge allegiance...
to the flag
of the United States of
America
and to the Republic*

for which it stands,
one Nation
under God,
indivisible,
with liberty
and justice
for all.

ONE NATION UNDER GOD!
Regardless of our party preference or political stance, or which presidential candidate we support, in all of our diversity, we are the beneficiaries and the benefactors of a powerful democracy - the strongest republic in the civilized world.
We owe it all to a sovereign God, to our American citizenship, and in part to these thirty-one words.

Library Notes

By Suzanne Abbott,
Librarian

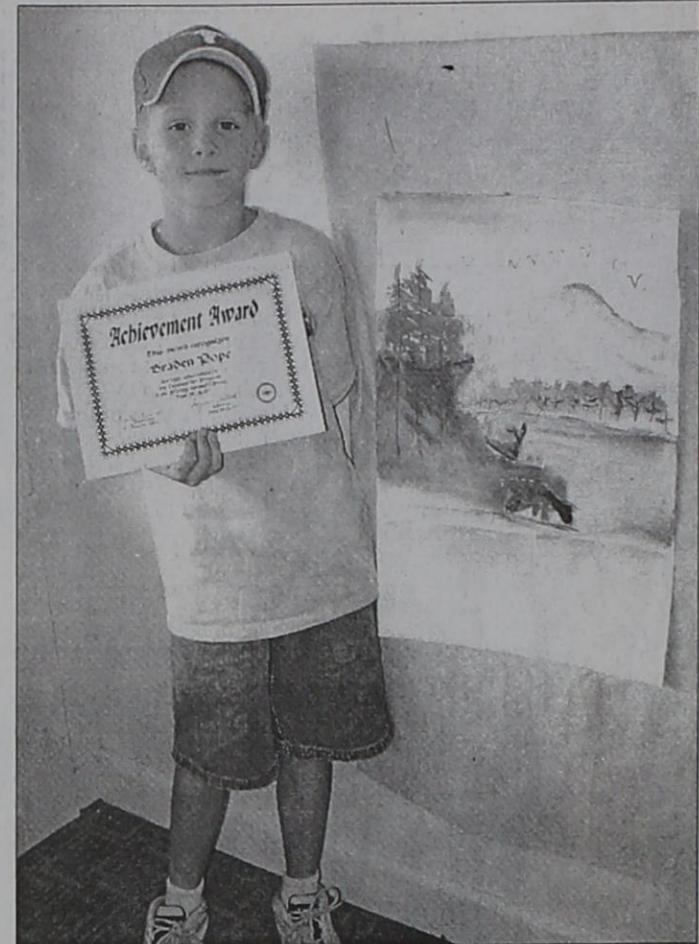


We appreciate the memorials that the library received last week. We thank Wilda Dixon, Marion Woodruff, Joanne and Steve Stevens, Winifred Darsey, the family of Varner and Lenna McWilliams, Gail King and Glynda Groves, Arvin and Joy Ellithorp, Alex and Jo Crowder, and D.D. McBride for their donations in memory of Rita Groves. We thank Marisue Potts for her donation in memory of Spencer Dixon.

We appreciate our volunteers that kept the library open in June when I couldn't be here. We thank Pina Sturdivant, Georgia Witcher, Penny Kline, Marihelen Wason and PK Green. We also thank the volunteers who put on the Summer Reading Program and the Summer Art Program. Fourteen

people volunteered their time and refreshments for the children at the library. I especially thank Betty Henry, Marihelen Wason and Patricia Green for their faithful help every Tuesday and Wednesday in June.

The library introduces a new series of mysteries. These are set in ancient China and feature the famous Judge Dee. The author is Robert Van Gulik from the Netherlands. The plot(s) are clever and surprising but the best part about these books, in my opinion, is the reference to Chinese culture. If you like mysteries and if you like history and culture, you will like these books about China. We have the Chinese Gold Murders, The Chinese Bell Murders and The Chinese Maze Murders.



Braden Pope proudly displays his certificate and artwork at the Art Show hosted by the Friends of the Library last Friday. Art students of Betty Henry displayed their works for family and friends in the Library Annex. Refreshments were served by Marihelen Wason, Betty Moore, Deanie Edwards and Beverly Vinson. (photo by Shirlene Cooper)

Fairways & Rough

by Geneva



TUESDAY SCRAMBLE June 12

First, with a score of 28, were Randy Martin, Ray Martin, David Taylor and Alan Bingham.

Second, with a score of 30, were Cole Grundy, Breanen, Michael and Daniel. Others playing were Ken Marshall, Buzz Thacker, Corky Marshall, Liv Barton, Kenny Barton, Jim Watson and Garland Cartwright. Closest to pin, Ray Martin, 37 ft.

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE June 19

First, with a score of 28, Ken Marshall, James Ball, Jonathon Osborn and Olivia Osborn. Jonathon Osborn got closest to pin on #3, 20' 3".

Second, with a score of 30, Kenny Barton, Liv Barton and Carolyn Hines.

Others playing were Alan Bingham, Mike Bigham, Pat Warren, Bill Hoover, Jean Hoover, Stan Hanesworth, Randy Martin, Roy Stephens, Jack Rex, Olivia Martin, Brandon Moore and Twilla Rex. Closest to pin, Ken Marshall, 20' 3".

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE June 26

First, with a score of 28 (play off on card), Robert Osborn, Christian Brooks, Jonathon Osborn and Stan Hanesworth.

Second, with a score of 28, Pat Smith, Mike, David, Ray and Billy.

Others playing were Kyle Moore, Bert Darsey, Leigh Ann Darsey, Darrell Cruse, Larry McClenny, Cole Grundy, Brennan, Daniel, Michael, John, Ken Marshall, Paul Westbrook, Dartha Westbrook and Corky Marshall. Larry McClenny got closest to pin on #3, 4' 6".

LADIES PLAYDAY June 28

18 hole players were Judy Cartwright, June Moss and Geneva Wilson. Geneva won the ball, most 1 putts.

There were no 9 hole players.

Thanks so much to Ken Marshall, June Moss, Alan Bingham and Ray Martin for measuring and marking the Ladies (over 70 years old) Tee Boxes.

It has been a long time coming. Thanks also to Butch Renfro for the plow disc that we used to mark the Tee Boxes.

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From the Pasadena (Calif.) Weekly Journal of Business, via the newsletter of this Associated Builders and Contractors of Southeastern Michigan, comes this essay intended to demonstrate that Xvxry Pxrson Is Important:

One manager let employees know how valuable they are with the following memo: "You Arx A Kxy Pxrson."

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"You may say to yoursxlf; Wxll I'm only onx pxrson. No onx will noticx if I don't do my bxst. But it doxs makx a diffrxnex bxxausx to bx xffctivx an organization nxxds activx participation by vxry onx to thx bxst of his or hxr ability. So thx nxxt time you think you arx not important, rxmxxbxx my old typxwritxr. You arx a kxy pxrson."

"From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work." (Ephesians 4:16)

Roaring Springs Church of Christ
Michael G. Crowley, Sr.
BIBLE STUDY - 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP - 9:00 A.M.



PUBLIC NOTICE

Request for information about the former Childress Army Airfield Bombing Range No. 1

Recently, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers completed a Site Inspection at the former **Childress Army Airfield Bombing Range No. 1**. This site operated as a practice bombing range for training personnel stationed at the Army Air Forces School at Childress Army Airfield from 1943 to 1947.

The former **Childress Army Airfield Bombing Range No. 1** is one of many former military installations throughout the United States that will be reviewed under the Department of Defense's Munitions Response Site Prioritization Protocol. This protocol is used to assess sites that may have unexploded ordnance, discarded military munitions or munitions constituents, and to assign priorities for any additional investigation or munitions removal that may be required.

The evaluation criteria, including types of munitions that may be present, ease of access to the site and number of people living near the site, are available for public review in the Site Inspection Report located at: **Memphis Public Library, 303 South 8th Street, Memphis, TX 79245.**

For more information or if you have additional information about past activities related to the former **Childress Army Airfield Bombing Range No. 1**, please contact:

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Chamber News & Views

By Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort

Consider:

A committee is a group of people who individually can do nothing, but who, as a group, can meet and decide that nothing can be done.

- Fred A. Allen

What happened last Thursday at the Caprock Plains Wind Energy Association Inaugural Meeting at Muncy was definitely not a meeting where it was decided that nothing could be done.

On the contrary, about 102 people came together to listen to Dora Ross and Alan Carmichael talk about the association that is in the process of being formed and what it can do for the whole area.

Dora Ross conceded that wind turbines are not the solution to all the problems of rural Texas, but she pointed out that they will provide a great help by increasing the tax base and creating jobs in the communities, a point illustrated by Alan Carmichael, when he told of his experience in Sweetwater, a place carrying the distinction of declining faster than any other city in Texas in 2002, where the tax base went from \$500 million to \$5 billion, due to the presence of transmission lines.

Dora stressed that strong organization has a strong foundation, consisting of 3 pillars: The structure, provided by the by-laws; the membership, who participate and promote the organization; and the board of directors, who operate and make the decisions to move the organization forward.

Alan Carmichael then told a bit about his personal history and the effects wind energy has had on Sweetwater, and introduced the drafted by-laws.

The foundation for the association now forming was established at a meeting on May 3rd, where these "founding members" decided to appoint an interim board to develop the by-laws.

The organization will be formally launched in August and will include all the surrounding counties, not just Motley County.

Between now and then, several things will happen. Originally, the permanent CREZ designations were to be made public on July 5th, but that date has now been pushed back to August 20. If that date is kept, then when the first formal meeting of this organization is held, the fate of CREZ 2 (which includes part of Motley County) will be known.

The other main thing that should happen between now and the August meeting is the development of the membership of the association.

So if you want to get in on this development, fill out an application for membership and pay your membership fee. There are 5 categories of members, including, among others, land owners, wind energy companies, and groups and individuals who want to support work on developing the future of the county.

To get an application for membership and a copy of the by-laws, contact Ryan Martin at 347-2733 or Dora Ross at (806) 983-3318.

Area youth participate in summer camp

by Carol Campbell

Out where the deer and antelope play and an occasional rattlesnake roams, CrossView Christian Camp and Retreat Center provides jam-packed days of team building, individual challenges, and second-to-none Christian camping experiences for area youth.

Located about 5 miles west of Dickens on Highway 114, a total of 37 area youth, including at least six youth from Motley County (grades 6-12) participated in Teen Week, June 25-30.

Activities include fishing and canoeing, swimming, team building, high and low rope courses, a climbing wall, Frisbee golf, crafts, scavenger hunts, archery, riflery, and the ever-popular paintball course. Christian Rock Concerts provide entertainment, along with camp fires, teachings, live praise and worship.

Office manager and grant writer Jennifer Schmidt and her husband, P.J. Schmidt helped turn the old Spur Headquarters Ranch, later the Duck Creek Hunting Club, located on 235 acres of ranch land, into a haven for "at risk" inner-city and rural children and youth.

The Schmidts live on the property with their children, ages 5 and 8. "We don't want any other life," Jennifer said. "This is the most heartwarming and sometimes heart wrenching experience you can imagine. We have kids that come broken seemingly beyond repair," she said. But after a week at CrossView and a few repeat visits with follow-up mentoring by counselors and volunteers, they return "to (volunteer) work for us."

Ministries, churches and Christian organizations across the South Plains team up with CrossView Camp to bring children and youth to summer camp. The camp serves 36 children at a time: grades 2-5; grades 6-8; and a teen camp.

The property has two dormitories and can accommodate 18 girls and 18 boys. Also on the grounds is a kitchen and dining hall, and a donated building called the lions Den. The Lions Den provides an air-conditioned area for ping pong, foosball and a mini-basketball court. The acreage came with a full rodeo arena, Jennifer said, adding,

"The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord."
Lamentations 3:25-26



GOING TO CAMP — First day at Camp, (pictured left to right, back) Kevin Keltz, Counselor and Pastor of Full Gospel Church, Roaring Springs; Erin Braselton, 14, of Roaring Springs; James Sanders, counselor; Sean Braselton, 16, of Roaring Springs; Jennifer Schmidt; Ashley Kelsey, 17, Intern Counselor; (middle) Ashley Allred, 12, of Dickens; Jaci Little, 11, of McAdoo; Haley Braselton, 12, Roaring Springs; Larron Little, 14, McAdoo; (front) Hanson Schmidt, 5; Fletcher Schmidt, 8; Conner Mason, 11, and Jamie Jameson, 10, both of Matador.

(photo by Barbara Armstrong)

"We would love to figure out what God wants us to do with it."

The camp has been open since 2000, providing summer camp for children "at risk" for negative behaviors such as drug use, alcohol abuse, teen pregnancy, crime, gangs and violence. They conduct 10 camps a year. Funding consists of donations from individuals and churches and grants. Currently, the camp has been awarded three grants, and they have nine grants pending. It costs \$190 per camper, but campers only pay \$15.00. "We pay \$175.00 through grants and donations. We are a non-denominational, faith-based organization," Jennifer said.

The ratio of adult to camper is very high. "We have one adult to every two campers," she said. Two adults live in the dormitories to sponsor, support and help young people follow the camp rules.

The next camp is August 6-10, and there are few slots left open. CrossView has two camps dedicated to Dickens and Motley County youth only. There are

72 camper spots still available for Motley and Dickens youth. For more information, call 806-294-5021, or check out the web site at www.crossviewcamp.org.

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AVISO

Aviso esta dado que Rolling Plains SSA tiene intencion de destruir documentos de estudiantes que recibieron servicio de Education Especial antes y durante el Afo 2000. Los unicos documentos que van estar destruidos son los que estan en la oficina de Rolling Plains SSA localizada en 1405 Scotch en Matador, Texas. Documentos en esto son de estudiantes que recibieron servicio de distrito en seguida: Motley County ISD, Turkey-Quitaque ISD, Paducah ISD, Patton Springs ISD, Spur ISD, Guthrie CSD y Jayton ISD. Padres/guardian legal o estudiantes adultos con incapacidades fisica/mentales pueden pedir copias de sus documentos. Pueden llamar o escribir a Beverly Mars en la oficina de Rolling Plains SSA, 1405 Scotch Street, Matador, Texas 79244, Numero de telefono es (806) 347-2663 antes de Augusto 1, 2007.

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News Around the County

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

CONGRATULATIONS ON RETIREMENT

Congratulations go to Kenneth Wayne Robbins, a graduate of Roaring Springs High School class of 1960. Kenneth is officially retiring as of July 1. He has worked for Arizona Portland Cement Co. for thirty-five years where he was a senior Analytical and Inorganic Chemist. His main responsibilities were testing the cement to make sure that it met strict government standards.

Kenneth says he and his wife, Kathleen, will travel some and enjoy grandkids. He will also help with their small home maintenance business in Tucson, Arizona.

I notice that the mowers are busy mowing our roadsides. With all the rain the growth was getting dangerously high making a good place for deer to spring out on the road unseen until the last minutes. It is surprising how much trash that lush grass was hiding; looks like we forgot we aren't to MESS WITH TEXAS! Trash really is an eye catcher and we notice it before we notice how beautiful everything else is.

Billy Hand had to have emergency gall bladder surgery Sunday night. He had a very bad night but is in stable condition at this time. Please remember Bill and Mozelle in your prayers. Hospital stays are scary in the best of times.

I am looking forward to the all day celebration on the fourth. I plan to take part in as many things I can. I didn't teach my old dog tricks so I'll have to skip that and the lawnmower races too. They told me

I was too old for the stickhorse races. Darn!

Dan Brandon is in the hospital following a wreck. He is in Covenant Hospital in Lubbock. He is doing pretty well at this time. Remember Dan in your prayers.

Remember the Garage Sale the Old Settlers' Cowboy Camp Meeting Association is holding on Saturday, July 14th. If you have anything you would like to donate please call Billie Stuckey at 348-7082.

Pearl Patten visited with her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Arnold Parker this past week at Boyd, Texas.

We have had word that Kenneth Ashley may be coming home within a couple or three weeks. He has been in California with his daughter recuperating from an illness; he has been away over two years and we have missed him.

The First Baptist Church will change their Sunday Worship time starting on the beginning August 5th. Sunday School will begin at 9:30 a.m. and Worship Service will begin at 10:45 a.m.

Corky Marshall celebrated his 74th birthday with a steak dinner at the Main Street Cafe. Don and Billie Stuckey were guests at the supper given by Monta. I hate it Corky is having another birthday, it makes me get older too; however, the alternative isn't too appealing either! (Pssst, just so you will know, he's considerably older than me!) Corky's one of the gang going on the next year's age the moment he has a birthday - for me, I'll stay on the same age until the morning of my birthday and it is necessary to move up.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

"If men were angels, no government would be necessary. If angels were to govern, neither external nor internal controls on government would be necessary. In forming a government which is to be administered by men over men, the great difficulty lies in this: you must first enable government to control the governed; and in the next place oblige it to control itself." Happy Birthday American the Beautiful!

ATTEND MEMORIAL SERVICES

Jack and Nada Starkey attended the memorial services of her nephew, Edwin "Bill" Hammons, 75, of Amarillo at 2 p.m., Saturday, June 23 held at the Schooler Funeral Home in Amarillo. He was cremated.

Mr. Hammons graduated from Durham, Oklahoma High School. He served in the Korean War and was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star. He received his degree from Austin Pharmacy School and was with the Baptist-St. Anthony Hospital Pharmacy in Amarillo for 17 years.

He is survived by his wife, Kay of Amarillo; one son, Robert Hammons and a daughter, Daria Griffin; two grandchildren and a great grandson.

BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED

Mrs. Erma Washington had a party at her home Saturday celebrating the birthdays of her great-grandchildren, Kayla, 10 and Colton, 14, of Lubbock. Refreshments of decorated cake and colorful chip cookies, freezer ice cream, punch and soft drinks were served.

Those enjoying the happy occasion and fireworks display were their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay of Lubbock; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay of Flomot; Tim and Dena Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Washington, Brazos and Blu of Roaring Springs, Cary Franks of Idalou, Anissa Huckert of Lubbock, Tylee, Trent and Trevor Barclay of Matador, Berry Pickett of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks of Flomot.

Jack and Nada Starkey attended the 30th birthday party of their granddaughter, Mrs. Christina Brawley in Amarillo last Saturday night. They visited in Fritch Sunday with daughter and family, Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis, Michael and Virginia.

Weekend visitors of Sandra and

Jerry Barclay were grandchildren, Tylee, Trent and Trevor, children of Mr. and Mrs. Ty Barclay of Matador, Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay, Colton and Kayla of Lubbock.

Guests this weekend of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert were Mr. and Mrs. Tim Mandrell and Peyton of Lubbock.

Barry Pickett of Dallas visited during the weekend with his ex-college roommate and wife, Coy and Connie Franks. They were students at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Mrs. Ruth Lee was involved in an accident when working at one of the family's rent homes Saturday and suffered injured ribs.

The First Baptist Church at Flomot enjoyed the fellowship of a covered dish luncheon following the morning services.

Motley County weather brings Cooler temperatures and frequent rains in June

by Earlyne Jameson

God spared Motley County in June from flooding rains, hail and damaging winds to homes and structures that other counties across the South Plains had this month.

The cotton and feed crops are up to a good stand, the moisture has filled farm ponds making for green pastures and improving the health of the local

cattle herds. Those that had a wheat harvest report a good turn out and price.

Motley County National Weather Service Volunteers total rain report for June: Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs, 3.93; Ronnie Bailey, Matador, 5.75; Lawrence Allen, Whiteflat, 4.30; Clois Shorter, Flomot, 2.51; and Betty Simpson, Northfield, 5.08 inches.

Fireworks Safety from page 1

RELIABILITY

Fireworks should be bought only from reliable and licensed dealers. Licensed and reliable dealers only carry products that meet standards set forth by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. Do not use illegal

explosives, alter any fireworks devices, or attempt to make your own fireworks.

Please visit The National Council on Fireworks Safety, a special website promoting responsible and safe fireworks fun.



VISITING THE CARE CENTER — Matador Church of Christ Wednesday night girls, Mikenna Ford, Cassidy Turner, Meagan Ford and Carley Turner (pictured left to right) along with their teachers, Janie Campbell and Cathey Turner (not pictured) visited with residents at Hackberry Creek Care Center last week. The girls enjoyed talking with the residents.

(photo by Janie Campbell)

Matador News

Adam Terry of Liberty Hill is visiting this month with his grandparents, Chelsea and Truit Read.

Rebekah Jameson and cousin, Aaron Woodruff are enjoying the

holidays at the family vacation home at Possum Kingdom Lake.

Mrs. Wilda Dixon attended to business in Plainview last Monday.

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Cassidy Turner and Shane'a Russell (pictured left to right) participated in the District 4-H Horse Show recently.

USDA-FSA offers farm ownership and operating loans for socially disadvantaged

Memphis, Texas -- The USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) offers specially-targeted farm loans known as Socially Disadvantaged Applicant (SDA) Loans. These loan programs are designated to help farmers purchase and operate family farms, Larry J. Goetze said today.

With these loan programs, FSA hopes to help reverse the declining number of farmers and ranchers across the United States and to encourage and assist them in owning and operating their own farms and ranches, participate in agricultural programs, and become integral parts of the agricultural community.

FSA reserves a portion of its loan guarantee funds each year for SDA loans. Goetze says that USDA defines socially disadvantaged applicants as a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic, or gender prejudice because of their identity as members of the group without regard to their individual qualities. For purposes of this program, socially disadvantaged groups are women, African Americans, American Indians and Alaskan Natives, Hispanics, and Asians and Pacific Islanders.

In fiscal year 2006, FSA obligated more than \$330 million in SDA loans across the nation.

Direct loans are made to applicants by FSA and include both farm operating and farm ownership loans.

Guaranteed loans also may be made for farm ownership or operating purposes, and may be made by any lending institution subject to Federal or State supervision (banks, savings and loans, credit unions, and units of the Farm Credit System in-

cluding the Bank for Cooperatives) and guaranteed by FSA. Typically, FSA guarantees 90 or 95 percent of a loan against any loss that might be incurred if the loan fails.

According to Goetze, "Repayment terms for direct operating loans depend on the collateral securing the loan and usually run from 1 to 7 years and repayment terms for direct ownership loans can be as long as 40 years."

Guaranteed loan terms are set by the lender. Interest rates for direct loans are set periodically according to the Government's cost of borrowing. Interest rates for guaranteed loans are established by the lender.

Farm ownership loan funds may be used to purchase or enlarge a farm or ranch, purchase easements or rights of way needed in the farm's operation, build or improve buildings such as a dwelling or barn, promote soil and water conservation and development, and pay closing costs.

Farm operating loan funds may be used to purchase livestock, poultry, farm equipment, fertilizer, and other materials necessary to operate a successful farm. Operating Loan funds can also be used for family living expenses, refinancing debts under certain conditions, paying salaries for hired farm laborers, installing or improving water systems for home, livestock, or irrigation use, and other similar improvements.

Applications for all FSA direct loan programs are made through FSA's Hall County office. Call 806-259-3666 for eligibility, application and related program details.

Two Motley County 4-H'ers compete at District Horse Show

Top young riders throughout the Rolling Plains District matched their skills June 13-16 at the annual Rolling Plains District 4-H Horse Show.

More than 175 4-H'ers competed in Cutting, Reining, Cowhorse, Roping and Team Penning and then Showmanship, Halter, Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Stake Race and Futurity Classes. In addition to prizes and ribbons, 4-H'ers from the Rolling Plains will represent their County and District in the State 4-H Horse Show to be held July 22-28, 2007.

Representing Motley County were Cassidy Turner in the Stake Race and Grade Gelding Halter. Cassidy and her horse, Snoopy, received 5th place in the grade halter and did an excellent job in the Stake Race for their first time.

Shane'a Russell competed

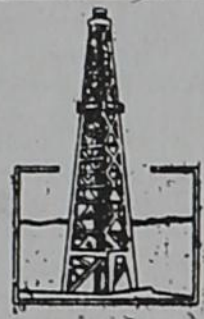
in the Barrel Race and the Stake Race. She and her new horse Quannah Doll, whom she has been training, did an excellent job for their first 4-H competition and made the top 15 in the Stake Race. Shane'a will be representing Motley County at the State Horse Show in July in Team Penning. Her dad J.D. Russell is on the State Horse Show Management Team.

Motley County Extension Agent, Ryan Martin, was awarded a 78 by the judge for his efforts with a mad yearling during the cow-horse competition who tried to run over Ryan when he was trying to pen him. Who says County Agents don't earn their keep?

With the kids at the horse show were Craig, Cathey and Carley Turner, D'anna Russell, Ryan, Jamie and Cade Martin and Steve and Linda Hess.

OIL & GAS REPORT

BY THOMAS MUSSER



OIL AND GAS:

At the June 21 PetroGlobe Inc. annual meeting the Shareholders elected new members to their Board of Directors including new chairman, Mr. Bill Powers of Powers Asset Management, LLC of Evanston, Illinois. Mr. Powers has expressed his interest in seeing the Palo Duro Basin be successfully developed, and Mr. Powers has kept himself informed as to the progress of the Palo Duro Basin Oil and Gas Activity.

URANIUM:

Uranerz Energy Corporation of Casper, Wyoming has filed Memorandums of Mining Lease Agreements in the Briscoe County Clerk's office deed records for exploration of Uranium within Briscoe County. In Briscoe County Uranium has been found within the Dockum Group of Triassic Age Sediments. Representatives of Uranium Mining Companies have recently been studying the possibility of renewing exploration for Uranium in Briscoe County. These company representatives have collected local information on both the 1955 Briscoe County Mining operating and on the 1970's French American Metals Corporation Briscoe County Core Holes.

For many areas the most common Uranium Mining process is In-Situ Recovery Mining. The In-Situ Recovery Mining Process has less surface disturbance and also has safe guards to protect surface waters and underground water. In-Situ Recovery is a mining process which uses Injection Wells pumping a leaching solution down to the Uranium Bearing

formation, thus dissolving the Uranium, then pumping this solution with Uranium back to surface for processing. This process would have surface facilities, injection wells, recovery wells, and monitor wells.

In Texas In-Situ Recovery Mining is permitted and regulated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

WIND:

On Thursday evening, June 28, the inaugural meeting of the CapRock Plains Wind Energy Association was held. The CapRock Plains Wind Energy Association was formed to promote Wind Energy Industry in the CREZ Two Region (the CapRock Plains Area) which includes Briscoe, Crosby, Floyd, Hale, Hall and Motley Counties. The primary goal of the Association is to "Recruit and/or construct major transmission lines for the CREZ Two Region (the CapRock Plains Area)." At the inaugural meeting the Association's bylaws were presented and explained and membership applications were handed out. The CapRock Plains Wind Energy Association is headquartered at the Office of the Floydada Economic Development Corporation. Mrs. Dora Ross at 105 South 5th Street, Floydada, (806) 983-3318 is the contact person for anyone wishing more information on the CapRock Plains Wind Energy Association or requesting a membership application. Also there are several copies of the CapRock Plains Wind Energy Association Bylaws and Membership Applications at the Floyd County Historical Museum which folks may pickup.

REMEMBERING DAYS GONE BY

Stories of days gone by in and around Motley County

Many people look upon the destruction of the buffalo herds as the work of men who were ruthless wanton wastrels. Whatever the opinion may be, it is quite certain that the big game hunter with his fifty-one hundred and ten rifle that reached out to incredible distances with certain death, did as much and possibly more to tame the Red Men of the Plains than all the soldiers ever sent against them.

The hunter's work was done for gain and without any thought of advancing civilization. True at heart, he was a bold Minrod who loved the wide open spaces with their dangers and excitement. But fundamentally the money to be made from the sale of buffalo hides and meat was the propelling motive that held him to the job regardless of dangers, hardships, exposures and privations he well knew confronted him on every hand.

Opinions seem to vary about the buffalo and their habits. Charlie Goodnight, who was supposed to be an authority on buffalo, I believe, claimed there were two separate and distinct herds on the North American Continent, a northern and a southern herd, the same animal with like attributes that shifted northward and southward according to their desires and the seasons. They possibly mixed to a degree, but were separate and distinct in the main. If correct, one would infer that the southern limit of migration for the northern herd would be about the northern limit of the southern herd. It is just a bit difficult to visualize this was so.

William D. Street of Decatur County, Kansas, a trooper belonging to the Kansas State Militia Frontier Forces, reported to the Kansas Historical Society that in the spring of 1860, while on a scout for marauding Indians in the northern part of Kansas on the Solomon River, they came in contact with a mighty herd of buffalo and though they were in an open country, the lim-

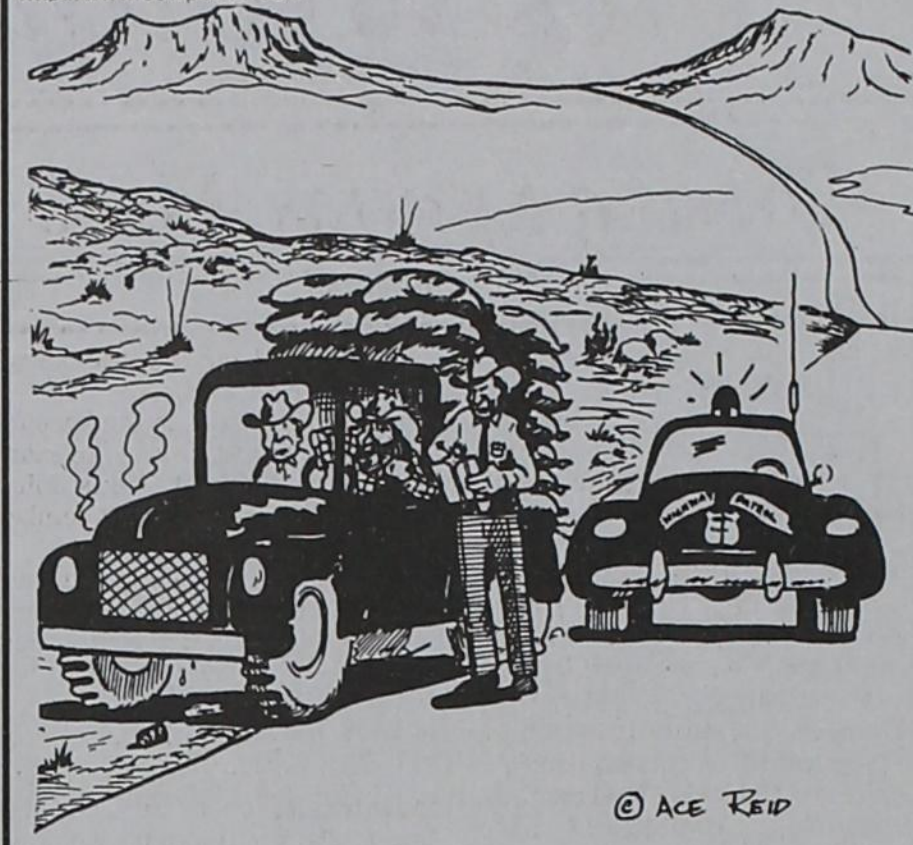
its and bounds of the herd could not be outlined with the help of field glasses. Countless thousands of the shaggy brown creatures made the plains black with their numbers and were slowly moving to the northwest.

In the story, "Buffalo Days", as told by J. Wright Moorar (hunter par excellent) and written by J. Winford Hunt and published in the Hollands magazine, Mr. Moorar tells of his first buffalo hunting; it began around Dodge City, Kansas in the early seventies. He speaks of a very large herd of prime animals (that is, no old ones nor yet any young ones) that originated somewhere to the south of Dodge City and moved north clear beyond the southern border of Canada, where most of them perished in the snows of the following winter. An exceptionally strange migration that was, and is beyond man's ability to account for.

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Motley County Tribune Weather July 5, 2007

7-Day Forecast	In-Depth Forecast	Moon Phases	
Thursday Partly Cloudy High: 92 Low: 69	Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 92°, humidity of 46% and an overnight low of 69°. The record high temperature for today is 111° set in 1971. The record low is 59° set in 1950.	Last 7/7 New 7/14 First 7/22 Full 7/29	
Friday Partly Cloudy High: 93 Low: 69			
Saturday Partly Cloudy High: 94 Low: 70		Last Week's Local Almanac	
Sunday Partly Cloudy High: 96 Low: 72		Day High Low Normals Precip Sunday 89 68 93/68 0.00" Monday 84 68 93/68 0.49" Tuesday 85 71 93/68 0.00" Wednesday 82 67 93/69 0.36" Thursday 73 68 94/69 0.03" Friday 80 65 94/69 0.02" Saturday 89 67 94/69 0.00"	Precipitation0.90" Normal precipitation0.69" Departure from normal+0.21" Average temperature75.4° Average normal temperature81.0° Departure from normal-5.6° <i>Data as reported from Childress, Texas</i>
Monday Mostly Sunny High: 95 Low: 73		Weather History	Sun & Moon Times
Tuesday Mostly Sunny High: 92 Low: 70		July 5, 1937 - The temperature at Medicine Lake, Mont. soared to 117 degrees to establish a state record. Midale and Yellow Grass in Saskatchewan hit 113 degrees to establish an all-time record high for Canada that same day.	Sunrise today6:37 a.m. Sunset tonight8:58 p.m. Moonrise today12:00 a.m. Moonset today11:50 a.m. © 2007 Accessweather.com, Inc.
Wednesday Partly Cloudy High: 94 Low: 72			

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