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Roaring Springs to be featured on A-Z Sports Tour

Pete Christy (back to camera), News Channel 11 Sports reporter, and his camera crew, interview Roaring Springs Mayor Corky Marshall for the A-Z Sports Tour, which will be featured Sunday night at 10:00 and Monday night at 6:00 p.m. Roaring Springs is the third Motley County town to be featured on Mr. Christy's 2006 tour.

Former Tribune employee remembers excitement of weekly deadlines

by Carolyn Limmer

I began working for Ben and Lila the summer before my senior year of Matador High School and continued until I went to Texas Tech in the fall of 1960. Ben taught me to set line-o-type for the Tribune and Lila

taught me to write and proof read news stories. I truly enjoyed them; they were a delight and a great influence on me. I loved the weekly excitement of meeting the deadline at the post office by 1:00 a.m. on Thursday mornings.

While at Tech I enrolled in some journalism courses and worked for the Texas Press and wrote for La Ventana yearbook and The Tech Toreador newspa-

per. During the summers I was employed by The Slaton Slatonite and Dennis Bro. Printing in Lubbock. Ben and Lila taught me to love journalism,

but I continued my studies in Home Economics Education and graduated from Texas Tech in 1965.

My most memorable event happened in the summer after I graduated high school in 1960. Ben and Lila invited me to accompany them on a trip to the

Texas Press Convention in Houston. We rode the Santa Fe passenger train from Lubbock to Houston. While at the convention I saw movie actress Jane Mansfield at our hotel and heard Vice President Richard Nixon speak to those attending

the press convention. During the convention Ben and Lila received the coveted award of the Best Small Town Newspaper in Texas for 1959-1960.

I am now a retired Home Economics teacher. I taught for 32 years in the Snyder ISD. I am married to Howard Limmer and we have two sons and their families: Bryan and Cari Limmer of Lubbock and Jayson and Kathy Limmer of Dallas. Our five grandchildren are Griffin, Bailey and Hannah Limmer of Dallas and Natalie and Allison Limmer of Dallas

I am the daughter of the late Lola and Frank Pohl, lifelong residents and former owners of Household Supply Co. in Matador.



Carolyn Limmer, in 1960 while a Matador Tribune employee, and editor for the school newspaper.

Grant writing produces bountiful results for Hackberry Creek Care Center

by Marisue Powell

The CH Foundation of Lubbock has awarded a grant in the amount of \$50,000 to the Hackberry Creek Care Center to cover the cost of the special Forbo sheet floor covering in the main hallways. The CH Grants Administrator, Kay Sanford, recently notified Darleen Fletcher that the five trustees of the foundation found favor with her grant proposal. Funds are normally awarded on December 31st, as directed by founder Christine DeVitt, a frugal person in her own lifestyle, but a generous one in the support of education, the arts, music and cultural events.

Miss DeVitt's father, David DeVitt, took a small investment in 1895 and turned it into the Mallet Land & Cattle, an operation that grew to be 100,000 acres. After her father's death, Miss DeVitt persuaded her mother and sister to hold onto the ranch despite the hard times of the depression. The

first oil production began in 1938. Today's ranch consists of 50,000 acres of pasture land and 5,000 acres of farm land in Hockley County. The property is dotted by 1,000 oil wells. Since Miss DeVitt had no children her holdings now supports the work of The CH Foundation.

"The mission of The CH Foundation is to significantly improve human services and cultural and educational opportunities for the residents of the South Plains of Texas. The Foundation supports initiatives, driven by innovative energetic leadership, that are designed for long-term visibility," so states the official website of the foundation.

Mrs. Fletcher's appeals to foundations has also turned up a \$2,000 memorial for Mr. and Mrs. James Rufus Moore family given by Mrs. Lou Dunn Diekemper. The Moore family consisted of four daughters: Charlotte (Hunsucker); Kara

(m. Sam Dunn); Bernice (m. Farris Fish); and Grace (m. Charles A. Guy, a longtime editor of the Lubbock Avalanche Journal).

According to *Of Such As These* by Eleanor Traweek, soon after their wedding in 1893, Ruf and Velma Bursleson Moore moved to the "White House" headquarters of the Matador Land & Cattle Company, where Mr. Moore was working as a cowboy. Later the couple built a house south of Matador; before moving to Matador where "they built a new home across the old cattle trail Mr. Moore had traveled from Childress to his job on the Matador Ranch."

Grants and memorials are so appreciated by the care center, but the grass roots giving from our friends and neighbors is absolutely essential to opening the center and getting it up and running. We can't thank these people enough. Pete and Bessie Williams recently hon-

ored Pat Rice with a memorial donation. James "Doc" and Lena Cook have been memorialized by a donation from Jimmie Jameson while Ed and Miriam Jameson were honored by Bob Jameson.

Since last reported, our faithful givers, Ronnie and Karen Davis, have remembered the following special friends with donations to the care center: Bill Durham, Cleo Watson, DeAlva Gillespie, LaVoe Thacker, Dean McInroe, Nadine Lolley, Marjorie King, and Miriam Bell.

To recap back to March 22, other memorials have included: the Seab Washingtons for Pat Rice, Marjorie King, and Nadine Lolley; the David Staffords for Pat Rice; Bobby Jameson for LaVoe Thacker; and Tex and Eva Barkley for Cleo Watson; Sammie Phillips for LaVoe Thacker, Pat Rice and E.A. Day. If this reporter has missed some

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Motley County schools back in session Aug. 15

The Motley County I.S.D. 2006-2007 school year will begin Tuesday, August 15. The students and staff are looking forward to a great school year.

School officials are excited about the addition of some new staff members. Anne Marey will be the Kindergarten teacher and comes from Iowa. Myra Brackem will serve as a Special Education Aide. Carolyn Lancaster will be the new ITV Facilitator. Tammy Simpson will be joining the cafeteria staff. Staff members will report back to work on Monday, August 7.

School will be in session this year on August 24th, which is the date of Old Settlers in Roaring Springs. The entire school will be loading up and heading down to the parade. Students and staff will enjoy showing their school pride in the wonderful community of Roaring Springs!

High school juniors and seniors will now be able to take Dual Credit classes from South

Plains College through the ITV Lab. Tuition and books will be paid for at least the first, if not all, of the Dual Credit class students take. Dual Credit courses will be weighted ten points. Staff members are excited about this new program and believe it will help prepare students for college and other opportunities when they graduate from Motley County High School.

A Gifted and Talented teacher will be added to the staff soon. The GT Teacher will provide enrichment activities designed to engage, challenge and help GT students reach their full potential.

The website is in the process of being updated. One of the new features is a calendar, which will include all school activities. The calendar will help staff members keep parents and the community better informed and more involved in the school. The website address is www.motleyco.org.

City of Matador awarded grant for new downtown sidewalks

The City of Matador was notified on Tuesday, July 25, that the city will be awarded a Downtown Revitalization Program grant in the amount of \$195,000. The city plans to use the funds for new sidewalks. Sidewalks will be replaced on Dundee street, from the Farm Service Agency to Knowles Cotton, both sides of Main Street, beginning at the Bank on the West side and continuing to Matador Variety, and from the north corner of New to You on the east side of

Main to the end of the sidewalk south, and on Hwy. 70 from the east corner of Matador Variety to the end of the sidewalk in front of Parson Brokerage.

Grant applications are reviewed and scored for eligibility. The scoring and ranking of the application determines the order in which the program staff will process the applications. Matador scored number 4 out of a list of 12.

More information will be released when available.

Matador City Council meets Corrections made to last month's minutes

The Matador City Council met Thursday, July 13 for their regular monthly meeting. Council members present were Terry Simpson, Chuck Ream, Bert Darsey and Lara Davey. Also present were Mayor Pat Smith, Water Superintendent Steve Barton, City Secretary Debra Scott, Landfill Manager Roy Moreno, Ronda Miller and Roy Moreno, Jr.

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

No one was present for open forum.

Mr. Barton reported that Mr. Moreno had passed his exam and is now a Licensed Landfill Operator. The current pit is almost half full and he feels like the tarp had made a difference in how slowly it is filling since they are not having to cover it with dirt. The boxcar at the landfill will need a new room since Mr. Moreno will be keeping paperwork there. The sewer line to the nursing home is now complete. The city is experiencing some trouble with the back up pump, but Mr. Barton will try to repair it.

Ms. Scott reported that she had checked into leasing a copier. The approximate cost is \$88 per month with all repair work and copier supplies furnished with the exception of paper. Council asked her to check into this further.

The minutes were read. Council member, Lara Davey, asked that these changes be made. The amount paid to the First State Bank for a letter of credit was \$8614.75, not \$10,548 as previously reported, due to the fact that the '06 payment of \$1,966 had not been paid at that time. The current interest rate on City CDs is 3.56%; 2.67% is the amount the city was receiving at the time the Letter of Credit was due in February, and the City has not lost \$15,000, it is merely an expense of having a Letter of Credit guarantee. The higher interest rate quoted

by Floydada and Paducah was probably on a yearly CD, not a 6 month. The motion to approve the minutes with these corrections was made by Chuck Ream, seconded by Bert Darsey; the motion carried 3/0 with Lara Davey abstaining.

Roy Moreno Jr., a Licensed Animal Control employee from Floydada talked with the council about trapping stray dogs and taking them to Floydada for a 3-day waiting period before being destroyed. He felt like it would require too much time to tend the traps properly and that the rising cost of fuel would make it too expensive to travel frequently. He suggested the city build its own cages and send someone to school to obtain their license. This can be done through the State, but technically a license is not required. Mr. Moreno Jr. said he would be glad to help train someone local for the job.

Council went into executive session at 7:58 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. Council present were Lara Davey, Charles Ream, Bert Darsey and Mayor Pat Smith. Ronda Miller was asked to join the meeting. Council reconvened at 8:30 a.m. and a motion was made by Bert Darsey to place the Matador Housing Authority on the agenda for the September meeting. The motion was seconded by Simpson and the motion carried 3/0 with Chuck Ream abstaining because he is on the MHA board.

After a review of the expenditures, council voted to pay all bills.

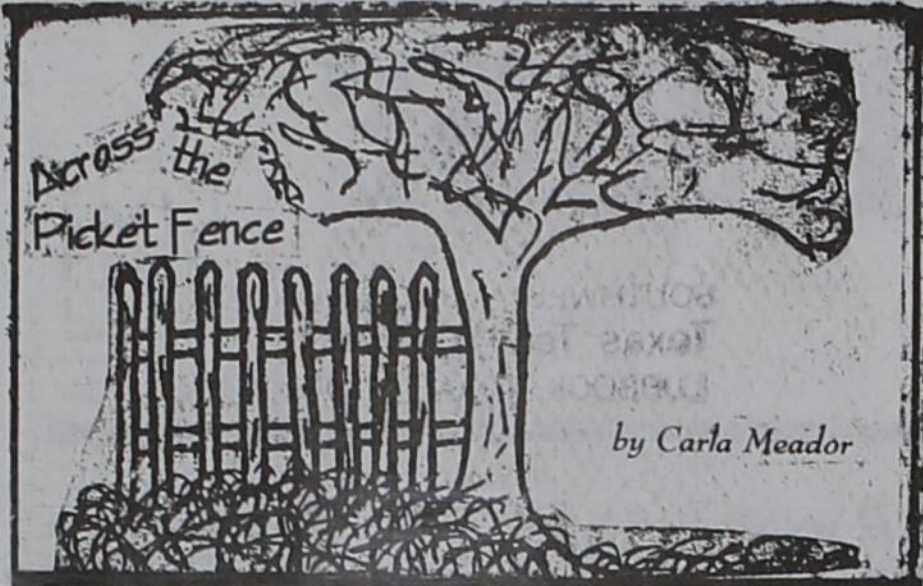
Council voted to request OJD Engineering to apply for another grant to replace water lines.

The only bid on Lot 7 Block 85 was \$100 made by Steve Barton. The bid was accepted.

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CONSTRUCTION PROGRESSING — As seen in this photo construction progress is being made everyday on the Hackberry Creek Care Center in Matador. Workers are now busy with inside work. Completion is expected by early Fall.



If these are not the "Dog Days of Summer" I don't know what is. I don't know about you, but I feel like a hot dog most of the time! A roasted hot dog! The 100+ degree temperatures, day after day, are taking a toll on people, our land, and dogs! We pray for rain and we all get discouraged and impatient, wondering if the rain will ever come. I've heard people say, "We must be doing something wrong!" Or the people in that area must be living right!"

The rain will surely come. God will send an outpouring of the wonderful wet drops to soak our land in His own good time. But, just in case some of us are doing something wrong, here are a few suggestions from "God Little Instruction Book."

* When God measures a

man, He puts the tape around the heart instead of the head.

* Patience is the ability to keep your motor idling when you feel like stripping your gears.

* Some people complain because God put thorns on roses, while others praise Him for putting roses among thorns.

* Conscience is God's built-in warning system. Be very happy when it hurts you. Be very worried when it doesn't.

* You should never let adversity get you down — except on your knees.

* Most men forget God all day and ask Him to remember them at night.

* Sometimes we are so busy adding up our troubles that we forget to count our blessings.

Library Notes

by Suzanne Abbott
Librarian



One week from today, on Thursday, August 3, there will be a meeting of the Friends of the Library at 4:00 p.m. at the library. Everyone is invited to attend. The Friends of the Library is a group that supports the Motley County Library. The Friends pay to have the library cleaned. They also sponsor the library's Summer Reading Program for kids by bringing refreshments, buying supplies for the arts and crafts projects and purchasing the prizes for the reading program.

These loyal Friends help at the library on Mondays and on other days when I have to work on reports in the back or when I have to be gone. When we have book discussions and other events at the library, the Friends supply delicious refreshments.

The Friends earn the money to support the library's activities by selling the Texas Capitol Ornaments and the postcards and magnets, both of which show scenes of Motley County. The Friends is a 501 (c) (3) organization and people can give tax-deductible donations to this group.

The big fund-raiser of the Friends is the Rootin' Tootin' Beans and Cornbread lunch on Friday of Old Settlers. That event is coming up on August 25. We appreciate all of the support that we have received at this event and in the past and hope that everyone will attend this year.

The library is having a paperback book sale. The books sell for .25¢ each.

We hope to see all our Friends at the meeting Thursday. If you have never attended a meeting of the Friends of the Library, you are welcome to come on Thursday, July 27, at 4:00 p.m. at the Library.

Motley County Arts & Crafts news

By Winifred Darsey

Motley County Arts and Crafts met at the Senior Citizens Center for its July 3rd meeting.

President Joy Archer presided over the business meeting held at 10:00 a.m. There were many items of business on the agenda. Plans for the November Bazaar were discussed, the yearbooks for the ensuing year were distributed, and items for the bazaar were planned.

The Bazaar will be held November 18 at the Senior Center, there will be many new items displayed and the old favorites.

Nova Dale Turner prepared the study and work for the lesson and decorating and painting French buckets. It was an extraordinary lesson, with these adorable embossed buckets, they are galvanized, medium sized, shaped like vases. Joy Archer assisted in the painting. They were an exquisite delight.

Members dined at noon with the Seniors. The bill of fare was very delicious with chicken-fried steak, vegetables, rolls and pineapple pie.

Members present were Joy Archer, Vee Gordon, Lorene Lancaster, Dorothy Knight, Jane King, Jo Trammell, Joyce Meredith, and Winifred Darsey.

The August lesson will be "Home Sweet Home," taught by Joy and Lorene. This will be an outstanding program. See you there!

Pitchfork Country

Photography by Bob Moorhouse

available at the
Motley County Tribune



YARD OF THE MONTH — This beautiful yard, belonging to Larry and Vickie Pierce, received the distinguished honor of being named Yard of the Month in Matador for June.

Fairways & Rough

by Geneva

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE
July 11
Winners: 1st., with a score of 31 (play off on card) Cody Dodson, Darrell Cruse, Stanley Level and Stan Hanesworth.
Others playing were Robert Osborn, Olivia Osborn, Kenneth Marshall, Moose, Jack Marshall and Tammy Marshall.

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE
July 18
Winners: 1st., with a score of 29, were Kenneth Marshall, Jack Marshall, Tammy Marshall and Geneva Wilson.
Second, with a score of 30, were Alan Bingham, Garland Cartwright, Bryan White, Kay Bingham, Darrell Cruse, Brandon Moore, Aaron Green, Stan Hanesworth, Larry McClenny, Christy McClenny, Reagan McClenny, Machia McClenny, Robert Osborn, Tim Brooks, Cody Dodson, Stan Level, Kenny Barton, Liv Barton, Louise Barton, and Buzz Thacker.

Garland got closest to pin on #3, 24' 7 3/4".

LADIES PLAYDAY
July 20
18 hole players were Liv Barton, Judy Cartwright, Louise Barton, Glenna Ross, and Geneva Wilson
Liv won the ball, Greenie on #3.

9 hole players were Pat Warren, Tommye Keith, Frances Hobbs and Judy Renfro.
No Greenie.

Chamber of Commerce News & Views

By Marie Louise Liebe-Harkort

Consider:
If a man does not make new acquaintances as he advances through life, he will soon find himself left alone; one should keep his friendships in constant repair.

— Samuel Johnson

The World Cup in Soccer was played out recently in Germany, and all the world (except the United States) went crazy over the event.

Thousands of spectators from all the countries in the competition, as well as from countries with no team in the play-offs, turned up to enjoy the spectacle, which included not only the games, but lots of events surrounding the games, planned to give the visitors lots to do when there was no game being played. Fan Zones were set up, where huge streets were blocked off and the games and other festivities were shown on huge screens. Over a million people crowded into the Zone in Berlin, while similar crowds populated the Fan Zones in other cities around the country.

The motto of the games was "Guests with Friends". And that is indeed the face Germany showed to the world. The majority of cars driving around had flags flying, German, Italian, British, Argentinian, Swedish, flags of all nations. But it was a good-natured patriotism that was on show. The atmosphere during the four weeks was that

of a huge party, and everyone joined in, wearing wigs with the national colors, or colorful leis, not to mention the shirts of the teams. The Turks in Germany (whose team had not qualified) all had German flags, while Algerians sported that of France.

In the final games, guests held up banners for the TV cameras that said "Thanks for the hospitality", and indeed Germany had come through the hosting of millions of guests with a great boost to its reputation in the world. They had truly treated the guests as friends, and even the Brits, who tend to take a dim view of the Germans, were impressed. Many of those interviewed said they wanted to come back and visit Germany on a holiday trip.

Just as Germany won new friends for itself, Motley County can and does win new friends for itself when it hosts events like the Boondockers Grand Prix races or joins with others for events like the Highway 70 70-Mile Garage Sale. Through such events, people from other places find out about Motley County, and see what we have to offer. They may unfurl banners reading "Thanks for the hospitality" (though the Boondockers did vote the Matador Grand Prix their favorite race), but they appreciate it, and it is the general friendliness that encourages them to return. And that is a benefit to all of us, so we thank all those who have participated in past events and made them a success.

Matador City Council

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A salary increase for Roy Moreno was tabled until Ms. Scott can check the budget to see if there is money in the salary fund for this increased expenditure.

Mayor Smith asked Council to review the Sub-Standard Building ordinance before the next meeting, when Tom Hamilton will be here to go over it with the Council.

No action was taken on the appointment to the Matador

Housing Authority Board.

Mayor Smith asked for a motion to pay the additional amount due on the Letter of Credit because the audit information will not be available by July 31. Lara Davey made the motion, with a second by Chuck and the motion carried 4/0.

Council did a financial review of the audit.

Additional street lights around the Nursing Home will be put on the September agenda.

Red Rovers enjoy trip to Ransom Canyon

by Mary Jones

The Red Hat Society met at the library Tuesday, July 13. Attending were Joyce Campbell, Dorothy Knight, Ruby McGuire, PK Green, Marihelen Wason, Dorothy Day, Eugenia Barton, Suzanne Abbott, Freida Burns, Dan Barton, June Level and Mary Jones. Eugenia extended an invitation from her daughter, Brigid Brooks of Ransom Canyon, to visit a house she and her daughter, Lindsay Saunders, had built there. Everyone was excited to accept this gracious invitation.

On Tuesday, July 18 this trip was made by Joyce, Norma, Dan, Dorothy D., June, Eugenia, Evelyn, Marihelen, Dorothy K., Mary and guests Lucretia Campbell, Winifred Darsey, Dixie Campbell, Karen

Davis, Lindy Stafford and JoEtta Bumgardner. We stopped for a delicious meal at Joe's Restaurant at the entrance to Ransom Canyon. Beverly Vinson, Brigid, Lindsay and daughters, Maegan and Anna joined us there.

While touring the beautiful home the two talented young women had designed, we were joined by Joannie Stephens and Earle Price of Lubbock. We continued on to Brigid's lovely home and were treated with an assortment of "mouth-watering" desserts. Carolyn (Perkins) Lucas of Ransom Canyon joined us there. There was much visiting, looking and eating!

The day was enjoyed by all. We appreciate and thank our gracious hostesses for a wonderful outing.

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In the letter to the church at Rome we find written what the Apostle Paul would proclaim there in person. The Good News: Jesus Christ is the Savior. The only Savior for the world. For Paul this message carried with it a note of excitement, enthusiasm and motivation. The message of Jesus was something to proclaim, to announce. For the message of Jesus is not meaningless theological jargon that few could understand. It was, for Paul, a saving message, not one of confusion.

The Apostle felt his obligation keenly. He was eager to fulfill his responsibility in doing his part. Paul was excited about the opportunity to share the precious message of eternity.

Paul has given to us all of that sense of obligation, responsibility and motivation to the church today. It should not be something we take for granted. There is no ho-hum way of being religious that pleases God. There is excitement in the message that motivates. For in the message is — life. The only life that we will ever have. It is found in Christ Jesus.

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Prayer Walk for School set for August 9

Motley County ISD teachers will be returning to work full-time Monday, August 7. The students will begin on Tuesday, August 15.

Members of the community, friends, parents, grandparents and prayer warriors will want to remember to pray daily for students, staff and school board members.

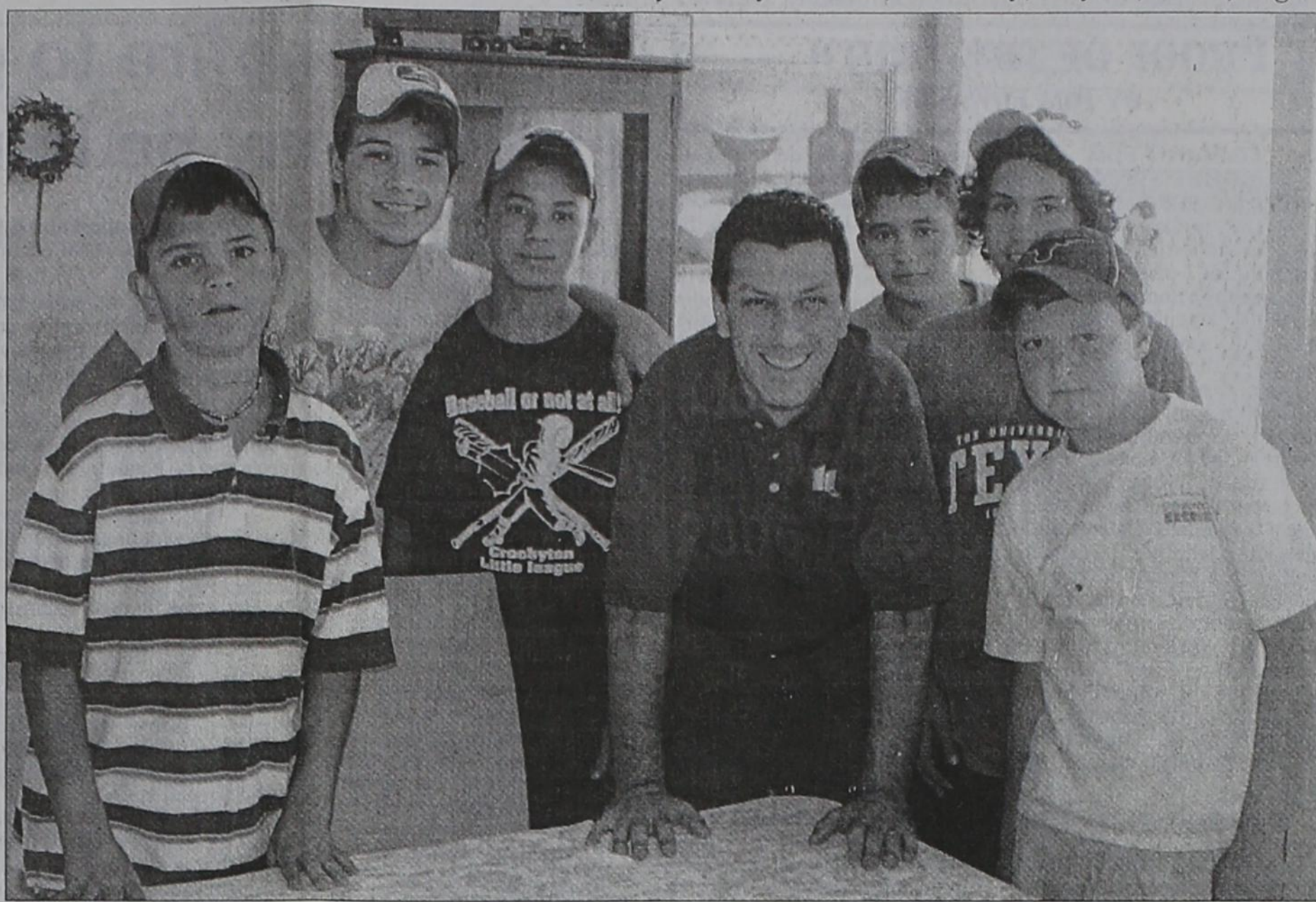
A special time of prayer in the form of Prayer Walking will be held at the school, Wednesday, August 9, at 7:00 p.m.

Groups will walk the halls, go to classrooms, the gym, cafeteria, ag building, playground, football field and everywhere students and staff will be during school hours, and pray for their safety, wisdom, behavior, their

learning skills, teaching skills and for God's guidance in their lives and hearts.

Coordinator, Carolyn Ewing, said, "Prayer is a very special freedom we have that we can share with everyone. God will bless and hear each prayer offered by each of us if offered to Him for His Glory. Let's be known as a praying community who lovingly supports our school and each other in sincere prayer."

"Please join us on Wednesday, August 9, at 7:00 p.m. in a prayer walk to cover our school, students, staff and activities for the coming year. You will also receive a great blessing for being a part of this."



SPORTS CELEBRITY — These Roaring Springs boys enjoyed meeting and visiting with Pete Christy, Sports reporter for Lubbock's News Channel 11, on Tuesday while in Roaring Springs for interviews for the A-Z Sports Tour. Pictured left to right are Christian Brooks, Eric Simpson, Jonathon Osborn, Pete Christy, Chase Buckner, Ky Christopher and Brett Simpson.



Strayhorn predicts \$49 million in tax savings for Texas families during Sales Tax Holiday

(Austin) — Tax Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn announced last week that Texas' annual opportunity to shop tax-free for clothes and shoes is coming up August 4-6. Strayhorn predicted Texas families will save \$49 million in sales taxes during the eighth annual Sales Tax Holiday. The estimated savings include \$38.5 million in state sales tax and \$10.5 million in local sales taxes.

"I love the Sales Tax Holiday," Strayhorn said. "It's the one time hard-working Texans keep their money in their pockets for their families' priorities. 'This tax break is real and it is available to everyone,'" Strayhorn said. "Families save about \$8 for every \$100 they spend on school clothes for the kids and new outfits for mom and dad."

"I have repeatedly asked the Legislature to add backpacks and school supplies to the Sales Tax Holiday, along with kids' safety gear such as bicycle helmets and car safety seats, and also sewing supplies such as fabric, buttons and zippers for families that make their clothes," Strayhorn said.

"Regrettably, the Legislature has not acted upon my recommendations, and requests from parents across the state, to add backpacks and school supplies to the Sales Tax Holiday to help reduce the cost of getting the kids ready for back-to-school," Strayhorn said.

"And I want to extend the Sales Tax Holiday from three days to five days, so we don't have a three-day traffic jam," Strayhorn said. "I also support creating a second Sales Tax Holiday during December to help families stretch their holiday shopping budgets. And I want to ease the sticker shock of buying college textbooks by exempting them from sales tax year round."

During the Sales Tax Holiday, most clothing and footwear priced under \$100 are tax-free. Examples of items that can be purchased tax-free August 4-6 include kid's clothes and school uniforms, adult's clothes and work uniforms, shoes -- including tennis shoes, socks and underwear. Items that cannot be purchased tax-free include handbags and wallets, jewelry, accessories, and athletic shoes, uniforms and safety gear. Backpacks and school supplies are not exempt from sales tax.

Shoppers saved an estimated \$47.7 million in state and local sales during the 2005 Sales Tax Holiday. Since Strayhorn implemented the first Sales Tax Holiday in 1999, taxpayers have saved \$287 million, including \$226 million in state sales tax and \$61 million in local sales taxes.

More information about the Sales Tax Holiday, including a list of tax-exempt items, can be found on the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us.



CHEERLEADER CAMP — The Motley County Jr. High Cheerleaders attended Camp at McMurry College in Abilene, June 13-16. They were accompanied by sponsors Bethany Overton and Brittany Moore. They are pictured here with their NCA Buddy (Coach), Kacie, (left to right) Alyx Smith, Kyla Simpson, Kacie, Leanne Jameson, Lexie Osborn, and Sabra Pope (in front). The girls learned new cheerleading techniques and cheers. Leanne, Kyla and Lexie were nominated for the All-American team.

Motley County High School MC MATADORS 2006 Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Aug. 19 (S)	Crowell & Harold	Crowell	10:00 a.m.
Aug. 25 (S)	Southland	Matador	6:00 p.m.
Sept. 1	Kress	Matador	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 8	Spur	Spur	8:30 p.m.
Sept. 15	Open		
Sept. 22 **	Guthrie	Matador	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	Cotton Center	Cotton Center	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 6	Patton Springs	Matador	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 13 *	Lazbuddie	Lazbuddie	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 20 *	Samnorwood	Matador	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 27 *	McLean	McLean	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 3	Lorenzo	Lorenzo	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 10 *	Groom	Matador	7:30 p.m.

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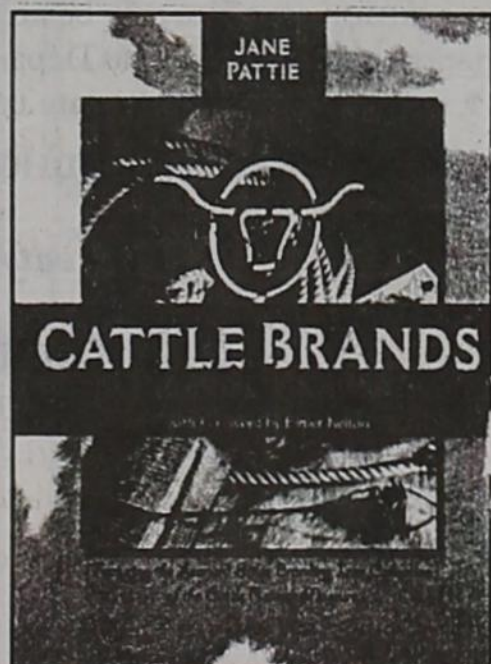
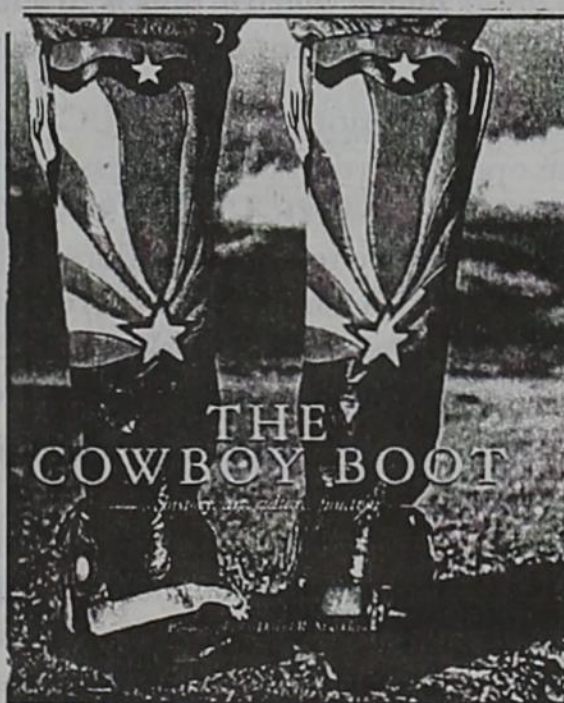
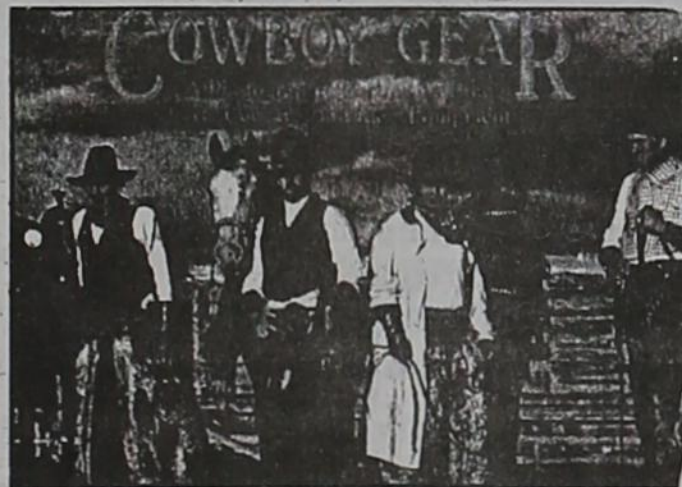


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TIME OUT FOR CURRENT EVENTS!

This article was going to be on physics - delayed until next week. A number of you have requested that I print my 4th of July speech at Roaring Springs. Can't do it - was off the top of the head. But, many of you have expressed surprise on learning that one of my proposed solutions to the stupid anti-God and other First Amendment rulings by the Federal Courts is in the Constitution! It gives Congress the power to limit the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts, but I questioned whether they would ever get the guts to do it. Well, hooray! On July 19, the House of Representatives passed a bill doing just that - denying jurisdiction of the Federal Courts to rule on the constitutionality of the Pledge of Allegiance, which says "under God." The vote was 260-167. The bill now goes to the Senate.

This action was necessary because of a stupid 9th Circuit ruling that the Pledge is unconstitutional, and a waffling Supreme Court. It should have been done in 1925, after the Court blatantly and wrongly held that the First Amendment is binding upon the State's via "incorporation" in the Fourteenth Amendment. That's where things "went to Hell in a handbasket," and legislation

should be passed denying Federal Court jurisdiction on ANY First Amendment issue! The Constitution leaves that to the States!

My liberal brethren will scream about "judicial independence," but the runaway Federal Courts have gotten too big for their britches, and if this Nation is to survive, they must be reined in, and our Country reclaimed. The level of evil we are facing was revealed in a statement by the Democratic House Minority leader, Nancy Pelosi, who said: "We are making an all-out assault on the Constitution of the United States which, thank god, will fail." Pray that she's wrong. She either has no clue as to what the Constitution says and the Founders intended, or doesn't care. I suspect the latter. She champions the liberal and absurd idea that the Constitution is an evolving "living document" to be reinterpreted at the whim of the Supreme Court, which destroys its status as a Constitution and allows the Court to function as an unconstitutional Constitutional Convention to further liberal causes that Congress would never pass. This is a small, but very good start. Pray that the Senate rises above itself and passes the bill - but don't hold your breath. May God move them to do it.

Hackberry Care Center

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donations, please be assured that our secretary has a complete listing and is making a beautiful scrapbook for each honoree. Also Mrs. Fletcher notifies the family of each one with an acknowledgment of the donation or memorial.

"Wish List Donations" have brought a great response from the following: Bob Ham of Quitaque, Pete and Bessie Jean Williams of Chapel Furnishings, Wilburn Martin, J.C. Green, Geneva Martin, C.D. Garrison, Billie Koon, Alan and Kay Bingham, Nathan Shannon, Craig Turner, Patricia Green, Seab & Dianne Washington, Bill & Kendra Luckett, Leo & Joyce Archer, Vann & Sondra Francis.

The Boondockers, a recreational motorcycle group that sponsored the Matador Grand Prix, also made a special contribution to the care center. Did you ever hear of that before? Maybe the next race will be

routed by the care center to provide entertainment for the residents.

The dog days of summer have taken their toll on the pace of the completion of the care center. Just as it's been too hot for most of us to work in the 100 degree weather, the workmen have found it difficult to complete tasks.

However, much work has been accomplished. Some of the five subcontractors that have been working at any given time have worked on AC/Heating Duct work, electrical and mechanical hookups, hardware, framing and Hardy plank concrete sidewalks, and irrigation lines.

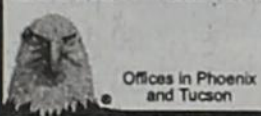
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From campfire to gas tank, mesquite energy may be harnessed for Ethanol

Vernon -- the dense mesquite-covered mid-section of Texas could provide fuel for about 400 small ethanol plants, according to one Texas Agricultural Experiment Station researcher.

Dr. Jim Ansley, Experiment Station rangeland researcher at Vernon, is determining the feasibility of developing a bio-energy industry in rural West Central Texas. The industry would be based on the harvest and use of rangeland woody plants, such as mesquite and red berry juniper, as an energy source.

"We've had so much more interest in this since gas prices went up last summer," Ansley said. "That's going to be a real driving variable. If gas prices continue to go up, I think we could very well see a first generation refinery built in Texas to handle mesquite within five years."

The vision is to build as many as 400 refineries around the state based on mesquite wood. If other woods are considered, the number could go as high as 1,000, he said.

Working with an Aberdeen, Miss. company, Ansley is studying the supply, harvest technologies, ethanol conversion rates and ecological effects of mesquite-to-ethanol production.

One ton of mesquite wood will yield about 200 gallons of ethanol, he said. An acre of the densely populated mesquite standing 10 to 12 feet tall will yield about 8 to 10 tons of wood.

A commercial refinery producing 5 million gallons of ethanol per year will require about 30,000 acres to sustain it, an approximate four-to-five-mile radius if the refinery is located near the middle of the mesquite stand, Ansley said.

"The thing that will make this fail is if people think a bigger refinery in the big cities is better," he said. "That's where it will fail. The transport costs to get the feedstock to the refinery will kill you."

Building smaller refineries in the rural regions where the mesquite is located is the key to making this work, he said. Each

refinery would support about 30 jobs and enhance rural economies.

"One aspect of mesquite that makes it an attractive renewable fuel is once the above ground growth has been harvested, it sprouts back pretty vigorously," Ansley said. "We're looking at how long it takes before it can be economically harvested again."

A State Energy Conservation office grant has allowed his team to study harvest of different regrowth rates, as well as develop a mechanized system of harvesting mesquite.

Working with private cooperators, Ansley has helped design a harvester that is in the patent-pending stages. He hopes to have it ready for demonstration at an Oct. 5 field day at the Vernon station.

"We've run some trials with it and we think we have a technique that is workable for gathering this mesquite wood," he said. "That has not been done before."

Ranchers have long been looking for a way to utilize the mesquite growing wild on their

pasture lands, but until now, nothing has looked economical, Ansley said.

Mesquite could be used in a wood-fired power plant, but "we think there's much greater potential with ethanol."

A patented process to convert the wood into ethanol is being tested in a prototype plant in Mississippi, Ansley said.

In Texas, the prime area to harvest mesquite is the middle third of the state: a band bordered on the west by a line from Childress to Del Rio and on the east from Decatur to Austin.

"We're talking small travel distance from wood source to these refineries, about 4 to 5 miles," Ansley said. "They would process about 5 million gallons per year of ethanol, which would require about 30,000 acres. Only about 10 percent would be harvested each year, with about 10 years needed for regrowth."

Livestock and wildlife operations should co-exist with a harvest area and be improved with enhanced grass growth and patterned harvest of mesquite, he said.

"The economics are good now," Ansley said. "It just looks tremendously profitable to me today."

The largest expense -- building a refinery -- is expected to be about \$8 million with a profitability of \$2 million a year after expenses, he said.

"We're in the process of trying to measure how much energy it takes to harvest mesquite in the field," Ansley said. "That's probably our least researched area. Now that we have this machine constructed, we can start working on that."

Researchers will study different sizes and densities of mesquite and look at the time needed to harvest the fuel used by the machinery and factor that into the total cost per acre.

"Right now we're estimating \$300 per acre, but even if the cost was three times that, we'd still show a profit," Ansley said. "Honestly, I don't know why we haven't done this already, when I look at the numbers."

More information on the mesquite-to-ethanol plan can be found at <http://vernon.tamu.edu/brush>.

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Additionally, many community action agencies may be able to help with electric bills or energy efficiency programs. For more information, contact the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) at 1-800-525-0657, e-mail at info@tdhca.state.tx.us or visiting one of the following websites.

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News Around the County

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

While on a road trip, an elderly couple stopped at a roadside restaurant for lunch. After lunch, and about 20 minutes down the road, the woman realized she had left her eyeglasses at the restaurant. To add to the aggravation, the couple went quite a distance before finding a place to turn around.

The husband fussed, complained and scolded his wife during the return drive, becoming markedly agitated.

To the wife's relief, they finally arrived at the restaurant. As she got out of the car, her old geezer husband yelled at her, "While you are in there, you might as well get my hat and credit card."

NALL-FOLLEY FAMILY REUNION

The Nall-Folley families held their 59th reunion Saturday and Sunday, July 22-23 at the Ashmore Inn in Lubbock. They had White Elephant and Silent Auctions. They enjoyed catered meals, visiting and renewing memories.

Among the 47 attending from New Mexico, Houston, Childress, Lubbock, Glen Rose, Hamlin, Canyon, Amarillo and Snyder were Erma and Bill D. Washington and Mrs. Connie Franks of Flomot.

Arriving Saturday for a work week at the Starkey Family Center to repair and clean the area, to can vegetables and fruits and to visit Jack and Nada Starkey and Johnie

Starkey were Mrs. Nola Long of Winnewood, Okla., Mrs. Bobbie Hanna of Warner, Okla., Mrs. Phylis Gladson and Crystal of Austin, Lola Jewel Starkey of Clyde and L.T. Starkey and grandson of Ralls.

A farewell party was given for Mrs. Judy Stark Tuesday night by members of the Baptist Church in Flomot. They served refreshments including homemade freezer ice cream. Judy and husband, Lynn moved to Brady Wednesday, July 19. They will be missed in the Flomot community.

Kathy and Clois Shorter attended to business in Lubbock, Saturday. En route home, they visited in Petersburg with daughter and family, Christi and Dwain Milam, Emily and Haley. Christi had just returned home from a visit in Bogota, Colombia with her sister and family, Cindy and Chad Calvert and son, Cade.

Visiting the weekend with Sandra and Jerry Barclay was son and family, Ty, Brittany and Tylee Barclay of Matador.

Guests of Ruth and Orville Lee, Sunday were her niece and husband, Shannon and Earl Jones of Carlsbad, N.M.

Mrs. Lori Kleibrink and children, Kyler and Karlee of Clifton visited Thursday and Friday with her parents, Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay. Kyler and Karlee remained to visit.

Stanley Degan of Kalgary had lunch with his mother, Mrs. Leona Degan, Sunday.

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

Twenty-one kids and nine adults from the Full Gospel Youth Group returned Sunday night from Pensacola, FL. They attended the youth conference Branded by Fire. This was the 10th year for this annual event. It takes place at the Civic Center in Pensacola. There were nine speakers from over the whole world. Pastor Kevin Keltz, the Rick Collettes, Ida Smith and Mike and Rachel Pesina went as sponsors. There were three sponsors from the Church Kevin was affiliated with in Lubbock who accompanied them. Kevin said they had an 'awesome time' and he believed the kids learned a lot as well as had a good time. Kids attending were Brad and Chicagra Brown, Kelsi Bush, Casey Carnes, Delyne Collett, Brett and Sam Fletcher, Nikki Freeman, Tia Freeman, Hector Gutierrez, Ashley Kesey, Cody Martin, Braden Mason, Stacy Perryman, Savannah Rose, Ciara Shaw, Eric Simpson, Clarissa Zarate and Whitney Zarate.

Jeanie Adams has returned to the hospital for her second direct chemo treatment. This treatment takes five days. The medication is put directly into her liver. She also goes for another treatment that is on an outpatient basis. Jeanie was scheduled to return home Tuesday.

Summer is passing quickly. Kids are already beginning to get ready for school to start.

Kenneth Ashley called today from California where he is a resident in a rehab facility. He reported that he was making some progress and missed home. Kenneth has been away either in the hospital or this facility for 15 months now. We miss his kind smile and seeing him out driving. He said that he was saving gas so that was a plus! He remains very upbeat and says that though it is slow he is progressing and hopes to be able to return home soon.

Pete Christy, Sports Director with KDBD Channel 11 News was in Roaring Springs Tuesday afternoon to talk about sports in our town. We will be featured in his feature "A to Z Sports Tour." He met with some former Roaring Springs Yellowjackets at Traveler's Inn. Some of those Yellowjackets present for the interview were Devonnie Dillard, Charlie Long, J.N. Fletcher, Coach Truitt Read, Linda Hess, Harold Parks, Vee Gordon and Myrna Stevens. Mayor Corky Marshall and Councilman Alex Crowder were also present. We appreciate Traveler's Inn making everyone welcome. Others present were Chelsea Read, Harold Gordon, Brett & Eric Simpson, Chase Buckner, Jonathon Osborn, Christian Brooks, Ky Christopher, Brody Rankin, Barbara Parks, Monta Marshall, Rhonda McCleskey, Glennard and Edith Daniell. Pete Christy was here for the turtle races at Old Settlers Days last year. He is a fun person to be around.

Hanna Alexander has been visiting with her granddad, Billy and Mozelle Hand this week. Kim and Abbi Watson, Hanna's mother and little sister were also visitors of the Hands on Sunday. Hanna will be returning to Lubbock later this week.

Angelica Meredith accompanied her aunt, Carla Meador to Lubbock Saturday for an overnight visit with cousins, Jeremy, Whitney, Morgan and Judson Jones in Lubbock. The group celebrated her uncle Jim Meador's birthday with a barbecue supper and birthday cake. Jim was already in Lubbock to attend the State Sheriff's Convention. They also enjoyed a movie before returning home Sunday afternoon.

Haley Braselton has been visiting her dad, Jeff Braselton and Debbie this week. It is fun to see the kids coming and going during the summer.

OBITUARIES

Teddy Norris Green

Services for Teddy Norris Green, 71, of Plainview, were held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 18, at Colonial Baptist Church in Plainview with Rev. Robert Malcom, pastor officiating. Graveside services followed at 2:30 p.m. at East Mound Cemetery in Matador.

Mr. Green died Saturday, July 15, 2006, at Prairie House Living Center in Plainview. He was born September 25, 1934, in Matador to J.C. and Leona Mae Slover Green, Sr. He married Nelta Edwards on February 20, 1954, in Matador. He grew up and went to schools at Matador and was a painter, carpenter and an avid gardener. He was a member of Colonial Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and a daughter, Mary Sharece Green.

Survivors include his wife, Nelta Green of Plainview; two daughters, Sherry and husband, Keith Paschal of Tahoka, Sharla and husband Tom Miller of Tulia; two sons, Rickey and wife Jackie Green of Tahoka and David and wife Elaine Green of Sunray; four brothers, J.C.



Green, Jr. of Matador, Richard Green of Plano, Don Green of Floydada, Pat Green of Sinton; two sisters, Bessie Jean Williams of Matador, Juanita Pritchett of Flint; and nine grandchildren, Nicole and husband Levi Hasteley, Bradley Paschal, Eric Green, Stacie Green, Chad Miller, Jody Miller, Kevin Green, Kaley Green.

Memorials may be made in memory of Ted Green to the Dialysis Patient of Plainview, c/o Colonial Baptist Church, 9th & Kokomo, Plainview, TX 79072.

Matador News

FIRE IN WHITEFLAT

When Wilda and Spencer Dixon were returning home around 9:15 Saturday night, July 11 after checking on livestock on Dixon land (former Bloodworth land) they encountered a fire around the base of an electrical pole west of Highway 70 on the farm to market road to their home. The Matador Fire Department responded to their call and the fire was extinguished in record time. No wind was a factor. Whiteflat residents had an electrical outage for over two hours.

VISITORS FROM OREGON

Mrs. Kobbi Blair and daughter, Journey of Salem, Oregon and Ms. Kaci Risser of Lubbock visited from Wednesday until Tuesday, July 12-18 in the home of their parents, Elaine and Fred Risser and also with their grandmother, Mrs. Frances Dixon.

During their visit, the families were in Abilene from Friday until Sunday morning to attend the Reeves family reunion, the family of Fred's mother. Monday, the family had an early celebration of Journey's third birthday in the home of Mrs. Dixon with decorated cake, all the trimmings and a fun

filled time.

Tuesday, Elaine, Kobbi and Journey had lunch with Kaci in Lubbock before Kobbi and Journey explained home from the Lubbock airport.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. Bessie Jean Williams had ankle fusion surgery Monday morning, July 24 at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. Accompanying her to Lubbock was daughter, Mrs. Ronda Miller and granddaughter, Brittany Moore.

Fred Risser was a patient from Monday night until Thursday, July 17-20 at the United Medical Center in Lubbock for cardiac medical tests and treatment.

Pat Seigler who had recent cardiac surgery at the Alliance Medical Center in Odessa has returned home. He is reported to be doing fine.

Friends may keep in touch with Cora Hall, former Matador resident, at the following address: Cora Hall, PO. Box 1742, Coupeville, WA 98239. Cora enjoys hearing from home.

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Notes**

By Tommye Keith, Director

We would like to thank Jim Watson, Joel Dean Spray, Kenny Johannes, Tim Ward, Lewis Drum, Roy Hobbs, Ed D. Smith and Stan Hanesworth for giving up their time helping get the Vent-a-Hood hung, very heavy. Thank you guys so much.

The Center has received a memorial in memory of Ted Bruce from Judy and Butch Renfro. Lorene Lancaster donated in memory of Ruby Ellithorp. We really appreciate it.

The Center received a donation from Roy Hobbs in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay, we really appreciate the donation. The Center received an appreciation donation from Beetle and Kay Bailey in appreciation of Tommye, Kellie and Margie, gee whiz, thank you Beetle and Kay. Marihelen Wason gave a donation toward the new "professional" can opener, we go

through lots of cans and can openers so this is going to be really nice. We received a donation in memory of Jerry Green, a great American Soldier, from Rebecca H. Lu; thank you so much.

The Center will be having a Free Health Fair, August 11, 2006, 10:30 a.m. till 2:00 p.m., Friday, August 11. The booths will be Medication Management, Blood Pressure, Home Safety, Bone Density Screening, Diabetes Screening, Nutritional Screening, Cholesterol Screening, Hearing Screening and 211 Texas. Door prizes will be given out. This will be sponsored by the South Plains Association of Governments. If you need any information contact Tommye at 347-2496.

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During the upcoming hunting seasons, more than 5,000 hunters will be selected through random computer drawings allowing access to some of the state's high-quality managed wildlife habitat.

Wildlife management areas, state parks and leased private property will be offering quality supervised hunts for white-tailed deer, mule deer, pronghorn, javelina, alligator, exotics, feral hog and spring turkey.

Through an application process, hunters can select from among 28 different hunt categories and choose a preferred hunt date and location from 67 hunt areas stretching across the state. There's even a provision for hunting buddies to apply as a group -- in some cases four hunters can apply together on one application.

Eight free youth-only hunt categories are available to hunters who are between the ages of 8-16 at the time of application. All hunt positions are randomly selected in a computer drawing from all correctly completed entries received by the specified deadline.

A guided bighorn sheep hunt at a West Texas Wildlife Management Area will be offered this year depending on the availability of a bighorn sheep permit. There are also some unique guided hunt opportunities on Mason Mountain Wildlife Management Area, including hunts for antelope, waterbuck, white-tailed deer, scimitar-horned oryx and gemsbok.

Hunters who have been drawn in the special permit hunts are not required to use a tag off their hunting license on white-tailed or mule deer that are taken. The hunters will be issued the free TPWD Legal

Deer Tag at the area when they bring their harvested animal to the check station. This will allow the public hunters additional opportunity to use their license tags.

The application fee for adult applicants in most of the public hunt drawings is \$3 per adult person on the application. Successfully drawn hunters pay an additional Special Permit fee (\$75 - \$125 in most cases) for a one-to-four day hunt.

Special Permit fees do not apply to drawn hunts for pronghorn antelope, bighorn sheep, guided hunts at Mason Mountain Wildlife Management Area, and drawn hunts on private land. Guided hunts and private land hunts cost \$10 per adult person on the application.

The application deadline for alligator hunts is Aug. 2. For pronghorn antelope hunts on the Rita Blanca National Grasslands north of Dalhart, the deadline is Aug. 17. Bowhunters also have until Aug. 17 to apply for special drawn public archery hunts. Deadline for the Guided Bighorn Sheep Hunt is August 31. Entries for the general (gun) season deer hunts must be received by Sept. 7.

Last year TPWD received 33,999 applications for the 5,737 positions offered in special drawn hunt categories.

Information and applications for Special Permit hunts are available on the Public Hunting Web site. Application booklets are currently being mailed to hunters who applied for special permit drawn hunts last year. The booklets will also be available at TPWD law enforcement offices in late July. Information about Special Permit drawn hunts can be found on-line or by calling toll free (800) 792-1112.

In addition to the drawn hunts, hunters can enter for the opportunity to win one or more of TPWD's Big Time Texas Hunts exciting hunt packages.

The BTTH program offers some of the finest guided hunts in the state. Proceeds from BTTH pay for wildlife conservation work and additional public

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This year's BTTH line-up offers the following hunt packages:

- Texas Grand Slam -- one winner experiences a series of four separate hunts for desert bighorn sheep, white-tailed deer, mule deer, and pronghorn antelope.

- Texas Exotic Safari -- two winners get to hunt a choice of African big game species.

- Texas Whitetail Bonanza -- 10 winners and their hunting companions receive a high-quality 3-5 day white-tailed deer hunt.

- Texas Premium Buck Hunt -- one winner and a hunting guest get the chance to hunt mature trophy white-tailed deer.

- Texas Waterfowl Adventure -- one winner can bring up to 3 hunting guests on a coastal prairie goose hunt and East Texas and coastal duck hunts.

- Texas Big Time Bird Hunt -- one winner and guests will enjoy quality quail, pheasant, dove and turkey hunts in some

of the best places Texas has to offer.

- Texas Gator Hunt -- a rare opportunity for a 3-day alligator hunt on the J.D. Murphree Wildlife Management Area.

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USDA Rural Development announces \$6.2 million available for Rural Community Development

Temple, Texas -- USDA Rural Development State Director, Bryan Daniel, announced last week the availability of more than \$6.2 million in Rural Community Development Initiative Program (RCDI) grant funds. The RCDI Program provides technical assistance and training funds to qualified intermediary organizations to develop their capacity to undertake housing, community facilities and community and economic development projects in rural areas.

USDA Rural Development in Texas is dedicated to ensuring that local community leaders have the resources they need to assist their community in creating new economic opportunities and improving their quality of life, said Daniel. The Rural Community Development Initiative Program is one of the instruments we can utilize to provide them with this service. The \$6,286,500 in RCDI grant funds are available to intermediaries and have a dollar for dollar matching fund requirement, intended to double the impact of the grants. Qualified organizations can be public or private that have been legally organized for at least three years and have experience

working with eligible recipients. Recipients of the funds from the intermediary can be non-profit organizations, low-income communities, or federally recognized tribes.

Complete information about the program is available in the July 12th, 2006 edition of the Federal Register or by going to: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/rcdi/>. Information is also available by contacting Connie Petru, USDA Rural Development State Office, at 254-742-9793. Applications must be received by USDA Rural Development within 90 days of the Federal Register publication date. Late applications will not be considered for funding.

USDA Rural Development has invested over \$63 billion since the beginning of the Bush Administration to provide equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in home ownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure. Over 1.1 million jobs have been created or saved through these investments. Further information on rural programs is available by visiting our web site at: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/>.

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OIL & GAS UPDATE

There is no new Oil and Gas activity to report this week in the Palo Duro Basin. The current activity can best be described as: "Waiting on..."

FLOYD COUNTY:
Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. Misener Lease Well #1 is waiting on frac schedule for the lower bend shale zone. The Misener #1 has been fraced in the granite wash sands of the Lower Bend as described by Bankers Petroleum in their June 27, 2006, news release (this work done on July 7).

BASA Resources, Inc. Foster Lease Well #1 is waiting on frac schedule for the second stage of the planned five stage frac job. The preparatory work for this second stage frac has been completed on the Foster #1.

Tyner Texas Operating Company, Kenneth Broseh Lease Well #1 is waiting on swabbing unit to swab well and to conduct flow test of well.

MOTLEY COUNTY:
Tyner Texas Operating Company, R.G. Stephens Lease

Well #1 is waiting on Pipeline connection. Tyner Resources Ltd. has previously reported on their flow test of the R.G. Stephens #1 which flowed at a rate of 250 mcf per day of gas and 20 barrels per day of oil from the Lower Bend Shale perforations and flowed at a rate of 200 mcf per day of gas from the lower sand interval.

Unrelated to the Oil and Gas activity, but an Energy issue: Several Briscoe and Floyd County folks have reported that they have been contacted recently by representatives of companies interested in leasing for Wind Turbine projects along the edge of the Caprock through Briscoe and Floyd counties. There have been reported to be at least five different companies talking with various-area landowners about Wind Turbine leases.

Mrs. Dora Ross, Executive Director of the Floydada Economic Development Corporation, has been keeping informed on these Wind Turbine leasing developments.

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7-Day Forecast	In-Depth Forecast	Moon Phases								
Thursday Partly Cloudy High: 99 Low: 69 	Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 99°, humidity of 41% and an overnight low of 69°. The record high temperature for today is 108° set in 1986. The record low is 61° set in 1994. Friday, skies will remain partly cloudy with a high temperature of 98°.	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>First</th> <th>Full</th> <th>Last</th> <th>New</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>8/2</td> <td>8/9</td> <td>8/15</td> <td>8/23</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	First	Full	Last	New	8/2	8/9	8/15	8/23
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Saturday Partly Cloudy High: 98 Low: 70 										
Sunday Partly Cloudy High: 97 Low: 65 										
Monday Partly Cloudy High: 96 Low: 68 										
Tuesday Partly Cloudy High: 95 Low: 66 										
Wednesday Partly Cloudy High: 98 Low: 69 										

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Sunday	101	74	95/71	0.00"
Monday	104	75	95/71	0.00"
Tuesday	105	75	96/71	0.00"
Wednesday	103	74	96/71	0.00"
Thursday	103	73	96/71	0.00"
Friday	101	75	96/71	0.13"
Saturday	92	72	96/71	0.00"

Precipitation 0.13"
Normal precipitation 0.42"
Departure from normal -0.29"

Average temperature 87.6°
Average normal temperature 83.4°
Departure from normal +4.2°
Data as reported from Childress, Texas

Weather History
July 27, 1943 - On a whim and flying a single engine AT-6, Lieutenant Ralph O' Hair and Colonel Duckworth were the first to fly into a hurricane. This flight was the first of what would become regular Air Force flights into hurricanes.

Sun & Moon Times
Sunrise today 6:51 a.m.
Sunset tonight 8:48 p.m.
Moonrise today 9:03 a.m.
Moonset today 10:29 p.m.

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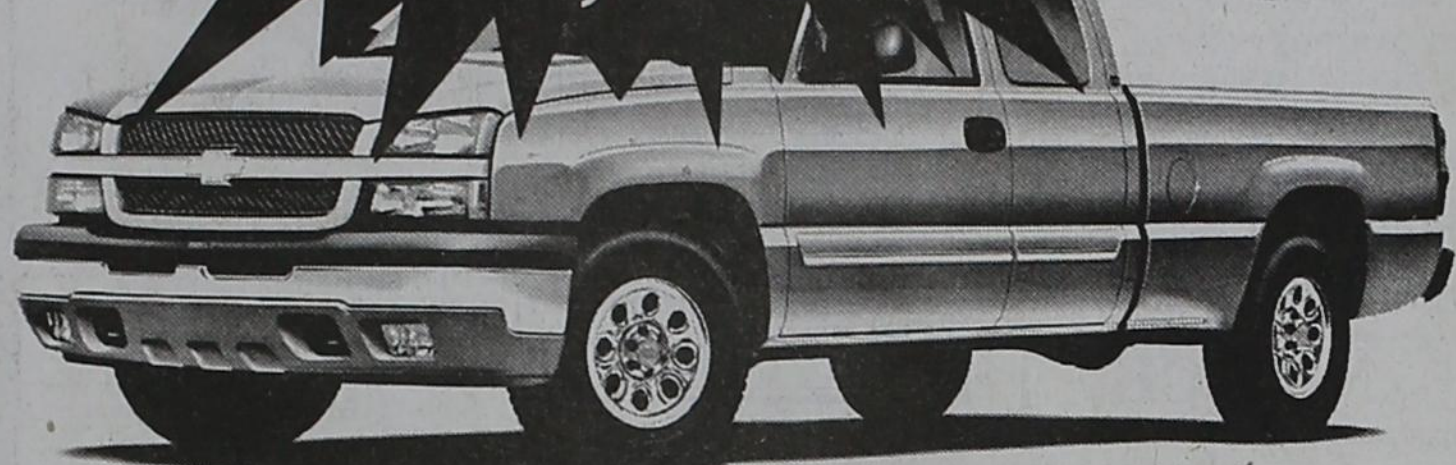
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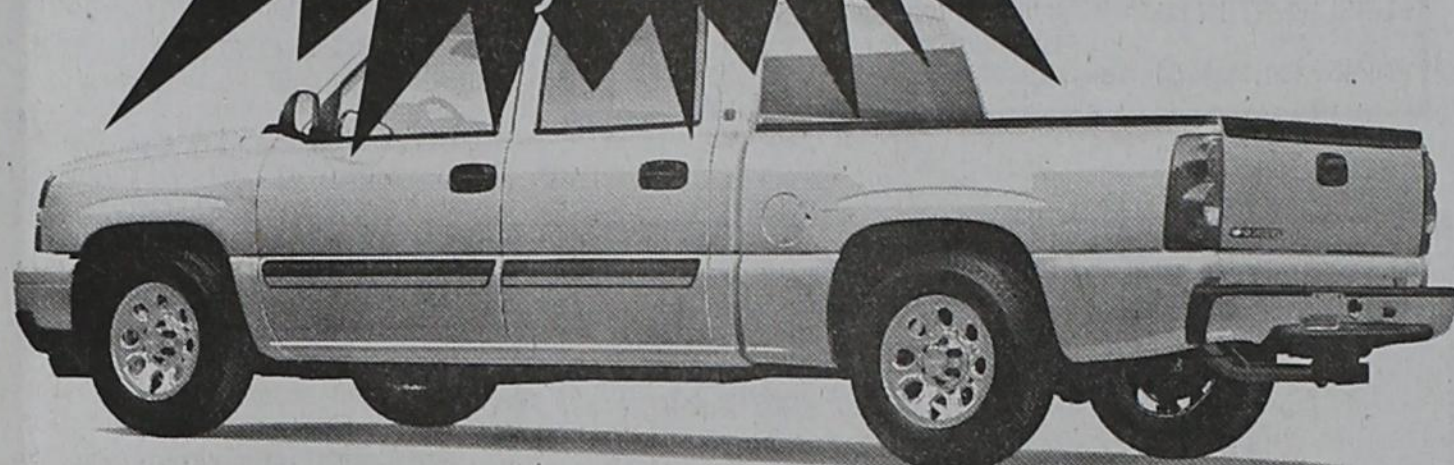


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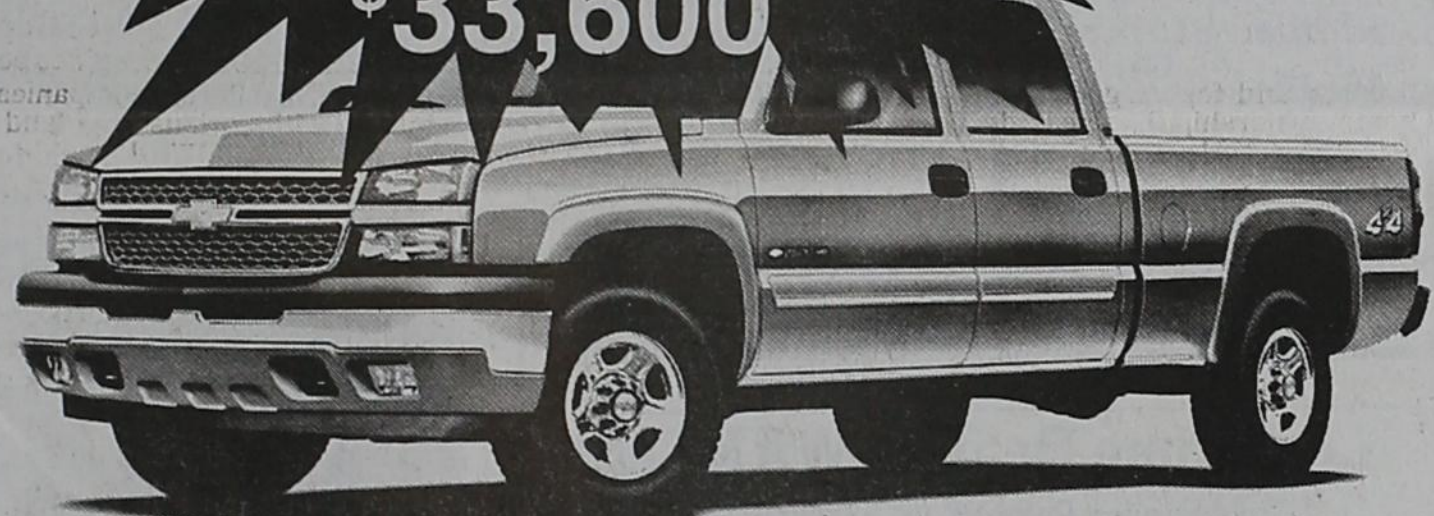


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