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**ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT** — Motley County High School Cheerleaders Courtney Alexander, Melissa Gilmore, Savannah Rose and Christy Smith were named to the District 7 Sixman Division II Academic All-District Team. "We are very proud of these young ladies," said Cheerleading Sponsor Rebekah Jameson. "They have worked hard and are dedicated to achieving excellence both athletically and academically. They did a great job cheerleading for the football team this season, and this award recognizes the same level of performance in the classroom."

## Motley County Commissioners meet for regular monthly court session

The Motley County Commissioners' Court met for their regular meeting Monday, December 11. Members of the Court present were Ed D. Smith, County Judge; Commissioners - Ronnie Davis, Precinct 1, Donnie Turner, Precinct 2, Franklin Jameson, Precinct 3, and Russell Alexander, Precinct 4; and Kate Hurt, County Clerk. Also in attendance were County Attorney Tom Edwards and Sheriff Jim Meador. Judge Smith called the meeting to order and Commissioner Alexander gave the invocation.

Mrs. Hurt read the minutes from the previous meeting. Outstanding bills were reviewed by the Commissioners, as well as reports by the Treasurer, Tax-Collector, Justice of the Peace and Library. Commissioners approved the minutes, all bills and reports.

Judge Smith informed the Court that Tx-DOT has allocated \$7,594.00 to Motley County for FY 2007. The amount will be requested in RAP materials.

The court was informed of a Regional Public Defender for Capital Murder cases that are being created for counties. There is an annual fee to be paid by the counties that join. This will help insure counties of necessary funds that are involved in holding a Capital murder case.

There will be a Safety Meeting December 12 at 8:30 a.m. for County Road hands and Court-house Maintenance.

County Attorney Tom Edwards reminded the court that all elected officials have until December 31 to complete the Open Government training in Open Records and Open Meetings certification.

Judge Smith presented the 2007 holiday schedule to the court for approval. Commissioner approved the schedule.

The official bonds for 2007 for elected officials and employees were presented to the court. All bonds were approved.

CPA Dianne Washington presented the 2005 County Audit for the Courts' approval. After reviewing the audit Commissioners approved.

The court discussed at length the County Attorney Legal Assistant/County Judge Secretary proposal presented to the court. This vacancy became available out of the Deputy County Clerk multi-task positions that were created two years ago. D'Anna Russell, Deputy County Clerk requested to be relieved of helping the County Attorney.

This position required one day a week out of the clerk's office. To hire an assistant for January through September, 2007, the cost will be \$5,522.00. This will result in a 24-hour week divided between the County Judges' office and the County Attorney's office. The funds for the fiscal year 2007 remaining will come from funds in the insurance line item of \$2,022.00, hot check fund, \$2,000.00 and V.A. Officer Travel, \$2,000.00 and V.A. Officer Travel.

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## Strayhorn delivers final local sales tax allocations for 2006

## Annual local sales tax revenues hit record high

Austin -- Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said on Friday the state collected \$1.73 billion in sales tax in November, up 9.4 percent compared to November 2005. The Comptroller sent local governments \$403.8 million in December sales tax allocations, up 8.4 percent compared to December 2005.

The final sales tax allocation of 2006 brings total local sales tax revenue for the calendar year to a record \$5.2 billion, Strayhorn said. "This makes the first time local sales tax revenues have reached \$5 billion in a single year."

"In 1999, in my first year as Comptroller, I distributed \$3.5 billion in local sales tax. Compared to that year, annual local sales tax revenue is up 47.8 percent," Strayhorn said.

"Texas' population growth, diversity and economic strength have helped the state recover from the '02-'03 economic slowdown that followed the triple economic whammy of 9/11, the Enron and WorldCom scandals and the high tech bubble bursting. Local communities have bounced back from economic setbacks and natural disasters like Hurricane Rita," said Strayhorn.

Strayhorn sent Texas cities December sales tax allocations of \$273.1 million, up 8 percent compared to December 2005. City sales tax allocations during calendar year 2006 totaled \$3.5 billion, up 13.5 percent compared to calendar year 2005. Counties' December sales tax allocations were \$24.8 million, up 13.9 percent compared to December 2005. Counties received \$312.7 million in sales tax during calendar year 2006, up 16 percent compared to last year.

Ten local transit systems received December sales tax allocations of \$93.2 million, a 7 percent increase over December 2005. Sales tax allocations to transit systems in 2006 totaled \$1.2 billion, up 14.1 percent compared to the 2005 total. December sales tax allocations of \$12.5 million went to 115 special purpose taxing districts, an increase of 17.6 percent compared to last December. Special purpose districts received \$153.1 million during 2006, up 17.1 percent compared to 2005.

Matador, with a current rate of 2.000%, received a net payment this period of \$3,714.50, compared to \$3,952.16 last year at this time, a -6.01% change. 2006 payments made to date total \$60,497.33, compared to

\$56,165.83 in 2005, a 7.71% change.

Roaring Springs, with a current rate of 2.000%, received a net payment of \$1,248.90, compared to \$1,167.82 last year, a 6.94% change. 2006 payments to

date total \$33,685.22, compared to \$31,963.31 last year, a 5.38% change.

The next local sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, Jan. 12.

## Hwy. 70 Christmas Lighting contest now in progress

The Texas Hwy. 70 Christmas Lighting contest is now in progress. Judging will take place during the week of December 18.

All homes and business within the city limits of each town included along Hwy. 70, and homes visible from the highway are eligible to win.

So, let your lights shine bright - you just might be the winner!

## Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

A Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Roaring Springs at 5:30 p.m.

Rev. Winfield Davenport and the congregation invites everyone to attend.

## Children's Choir will present Christmas program

"The Story of Christmas" will be presented by the Children's Choir at the First Baptist Church in Matador, Sunday, December 17, at 6:00 p.m. This is a very special Christmas pageant and the children have worked hard to present a loving

program telling of the birth of Christ on the first Christmas in Bethlehem.

Everyone in the area is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served in the basement after the program.

## Christmas lunch will be served at Roaring Springs Methodist Church

The First United Methodist Church in Roaring Springs invites everyone, regardless of race or religion, who do not have family or friends to join them for Christmas lunch in celebrating Christ's birth.

There will be no collection or donations asked for. Lunch will be served at 12:30

p.m. on Christmas Day at the First United Methodist Church in Roaring Springs.

For more information call Alex Crowder, 806-348-7336.

## Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Informational meeting today

An informational meeting about the Medicare Prescription Drug plans, Medicare Supplemental Insurance plans and more will be held at the Motley County Library in Matador, Thursday, December 14 at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Kirk Stubblefield of Stubblefield Insurance and Financial Planning Co. of Austin, will speak.

If you are close to retirement or already have retired and would like to change a drug plan, please come and be informed about all the Prescription Drug plans and other Medicare plans.

Mr. Stubblefield will answer questions.

For more information contact Deanie Edwards at 347-2396.

## Prison escapee tracks 70 miles before capture

Dickens County Correctional Center prisoner, Scott Noble Payne, 43, tracked 70 miles across rough terrain, before being captured approximately 10 miles southwest of Paducah about 11:30 a.m. Sunday morning, December 10.

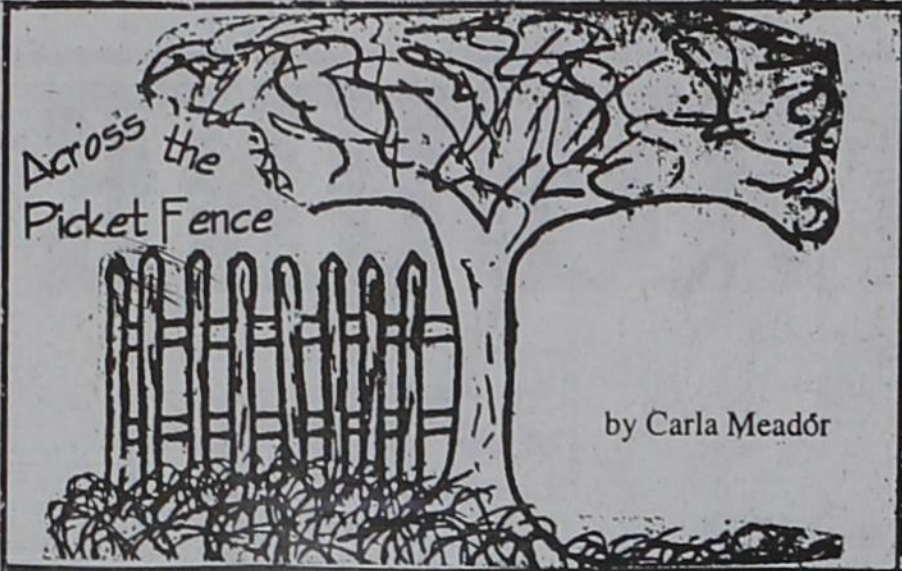
Payne, a transfer inmate of Idaho, scaled the prison fence at approximately 7:30 p.m. Sunday, December 3. Authorities tracked him into northern Dickens County on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 5. By Wednesday morning, the search was focused on the Dickens County/Motley County line.

Dickens and Motley County Law officials, DPS, Texas Rangers, a DPS helicopter, prison officials, guards, and tracking dogs from Childress, Amarillo, Snyder and Colorado City aided in the search through Motley County Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Payne was spotted near the Motley/Cottle county line on Thursday evening about 5:20 p.m., where search efforts continued through Cottle County. Payne was captured on Moon Camp, east of Paducah on Triangle Ranch. The prisoner was transported back to the Dickens County Correctional Center. Payne was serving a 20 year sentence for aggravated battery and lewd contact with a child under 16. He will now face escape charges under Texas law.



**HACKBERRY DIRECTOR OF NURSES** — Wendy (Lancaster) Flowers has been hired as the Director of Nurses for the Hackberry Creek Care Center, set to open soon. Mrs. Flowers is the daughter of Gary and Carolyn Lancaster of Matador and is a 1995 graduate of Motley County High School. She attended South Plains College and the Methodist Hospital School of Nursing obtaining her RN license in May, 1998. She and her husband, Jay and two children, Jaylee, 4, and Tyge, 2, recently moved to Matador from Guthrie. Mrs. Flowers most recently worked at the Spur Nursing Home. She is proud to be back in Matador and is looking forward to working with the community at the new Care Center.

**11 days left until Christmas**



One of the my greatest blessings is working with children. Their innocent faith, their trusting heart is a joy to share. The kids in my Sunday School class continue to amaze me weekly at their understanding. The comparisons they make to our lessons are sometimes funny, but always touching. You can just see in their faces that their little minds are thinking. And they do come up with some interesting questions.

"Why did God make mosquitoes?" That one was hard to explain. I really don't think I ever gave a very good explanation.

I wish I had kept a journal over the years of the funny and sweet things they have said.

In the last several weeks, my sister and I have been working with the children's choir to prepare a Christmas program. They're so excited and ready to learn. At every practice session, one of them will surely have something to say or do that touches my heart and warms my soul.

Their program will be the story of the nativity. Each part has been assigned - Mary and Joseph, the Wisemen, shepherds, angels and even sheep.

"How will Mary be pregnant," asked two children at a recent practice. "Well," I said,

"the Birth of Jesus was a miracle then, and it still is today." I don't know if that answered their question, but it seemed to satisfy their curiosity for the moment.

The willingness to participate by each child is great. Some who were shy at the beginning have come alive. One little girl even sang a solo the other day. At the beginning she really wasn't too happy about being in the play. But as the weeks have gone by, I've watched the hesitation she, and others, had turn into an anxious excitement. Her solo was beautiful and so touching. I wished for a video camera.

With Jim and Jeremy being in law enforcement, I have seen and heard some awful things happen to children. I will never understand how someone could harm a child. The very thought makes me sick.

I praise God for His allowing me the opportunity to work with children.

I hope our program goes off without a hitch and everyone remembers their lines and the words to the songs, but I know that no matter what happens, it will be special! And I know that God is smiling on these children as they tell the story of the birth of His Son.

## CHAMBER NEWS & VIEWS

By Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort



Consider:  
"A three year old child is a being who gets almost as much fun out of a fifty-six dollar set of swings as it does out of finding a small green worm."  
-- Bill Vaughn

This is not to suggest that you should give all the little ones near and dear to you small green worms for Christmas.

But who has not experienced that children unpack the gift, seem pleased with it, but then spent their time playing with the box....

So what can we learn from this? Maybe that we should spend less time in shops worrying about the gifts, and more time with the people we love making memories.

Some years ago, an academic study questioned many young people to find out, among other things, why they seem disaffected and distant. The study showed that many, many young people today cannot remember events from their childhood. They have no memories of holiday celebrations, family events, or even the time they climbed

the tree out back, fell out of it, and broke their arm.

The only things they know exactly and can describe in detail are what went on in their favorite TV programs. The conclusion was that a great number of the children of today are more observers, outsiders, rather than participants in their own lives.

What is needed to make memories that children will treasure as they grow to adulthood? Not a lot. The fixings for things like baking Christmas cookies are all available locally. The thing is to bake them together with the ones you love.

And if the small green worm wins out over the \$56 swing set, there is no need to run off to the big city for a day of exhausting shopping. You can get all manner of things right here in Motley County, and you are helping your communities in the process, since the local merchants need your support, or soon we will have no option but to drive miles and miles for a roll of Scotch tape.

But most of all, the time you save can be spent with those you love making memories that will prevent the next generation from feeling like an observer of their own lives.

You also get the benefit of visiting with people you know and being treated like you are special instead of just another person in the store.

Keep our towns alive and shop at home.

## Holiday spirit evident at recent Do Gooders' meeting

The holiday spirit circulated at the Do Gooders' Club Tuesday afternoon, December 5, at the Community Center in Flomot in observance of Christmas.

Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert opened the program with the endearing poem, "My Christmas Card List," by George A. Gladden, Sr. Mrs. Waydetta Clay sang a beautiful solo, "Mary Knew."

Mrs. Calvert introduced the featured guest, Mrs. Kay Calvert of Quitaque, chairman of Tri County Meals. The meals are prepared by Mrs. Janice Hughes and Mrs. Kellie Payne at the Hope Center in Quitaque. Volunteers deliver the meals Monday, Wednesday and Friday to families in need and confined to their homes in Flomot, Quitaque, Turkey and Silverton.

The election of Do Gooders' Club officers that will serve in 2007 are Mrs. Kathy Shorter, president; Mrs. B. Rogers, vice

president; Mrs. Suzie Shannon, secretary and treasurer and Mrs. Anna Beth Clay, reporter. Mrs. Calvert who served as president of club the previous three years expressed here appreciation for the success of the club's special events and projects and gave each attending one of her famous crocheted snow flakes.

The refreshment table was laid with a white cloth, centered with a miniature Christmas tree complimented by a Yuletide designed service. Everyone brought their favorite holiday food with the recipe served with coffee and wassail.

Those attending were Mesdames Nada Starkey, B. Rogers, Anna Beth Clay, Suzie Shannon, Leona Degan, Kathy Shorter, Geneva Martin, Waydetta Clay, Mary Jo Calvert, Barbara Payne and Kay Calvert. A new member is Mrs. Brenda Brown.

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## Library Notes

By Suzanne Abbott  
Librarian



Are you soon to be 65 years old? Do you have questions about Medicare, Medicare supplements and Part "D" of Medicare? Today, Thursday, December 14, at the Motley County Library, there will be a meeting that will answer all your questions. If you want to take advantage of the window to change your coverage or add the drug coverage, you will find this meeting helpful, also. This is an informational meeting. No one will try to sell you any insurance.

We appreciate the donations that the library has received this past week. We thank Tom and Jan Hamilton for their donation to the library. We also appreciate the donation from Ruby and D.A. McGuire. We thank Jim and Judy Cooper for their continued support with a subscription to *Guideposts*. We thank Frank Traweek of San Francisco, CA, for the gift subscription to *Texas Monthly*. Our readers will enjoy these two publications.

We appreciate everyone who came to the book signing for Poly Gwinn. We also thank the Friends of the Library for hosting the event.

**LOST AND FOUND:** We had two items left in or near the library on Late-Night Shopping. We have a boys jacket and a billfold. The billfold has nothing in it. Some young lady left a pink scarf at Granny's Tea Party. These items can be claimed at the library.

## Ask about our Christmas specials!



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## You don't have to dine alone on CHRISTMAS DAY

The First United Methodist Church of Roaring Springs invites everyone, regardless of race or religion, who do not have family or friends to share Christmas lunch with, to come dine with us in celebrating Christ's Birth.



There will be no collection or donations asked for.

Lunch will be served at 12:30 on Christmas Day at the First United Methodist Church in Roaring Springs.

For more information call 348-7336

## Tuning the Heart for Worship



Acceptable worship of our God must be with a response from us that both captures our attitudes and engages our hearts. There is a big difference between institutional worship (just going through the formalities) and worship that is a natural response to what our God has done for us.

Some might be trapped in the institutional worship syndrome in which people worship because they feel forced to it. Then there might be an attitude developed that goes something like this: "Well since I'm already here I may as well go through the motions." There is a misunderstanding of some in thinking if a certain ritual is carried out or a prescribed formula is used, then worship has been achieved. This however would be worship that never engages the heart. It would be by the Bible's definition, "vain worship."

We can go through all the right motions and carry out all the right forms and still be cold and lifeless as a corpse. Our God desires from us, worship based on submissive lives and genuine hearts. What God wants is a relationship with us. Notice Psalm 51: 16-17:

- 16. For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering.
- 17. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit. A broken and contrite heart, These, O God, You will not despise.

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# Seat belt usage hits record high for state part of TxDOT's plan to increase safety

There's proof that more Texas motorists are buckling up. State transportation officials today announced safety belt usage in Texas topped 90 percent for the first time in history. A record 90.44 percent of motorists are using safety belts,

up from 89.9 percent last year. Since enforcement and education efforts began in 2002, safety belt usage in Texas has jumped more than 14 percentage points. This increase translates into an estimated 1,200 fewer fatalities and more than

28,000 injuries prevented as a result of traffic crashes since 2002, according to transportation officials.

"Increasing safety on Texas Highways in something we work on every day," said Hope Andrade, a member of the Texas Transportation Commission. "We are pleased that more and more Texans are doing their part to make our highways a safer place by the simple act of buckling their safety belt every time they get into their vehicle."

Transportation officials credit a safety belt awareness and enforcement campaign called "Click It or Ticket" with helping drive safety belt usage to an all time high in Texas.

The Texas Department of Transportation and its partners, the Texas Department of Public Safety and local law enforcement agencies across the state, engaged in the "Click It or Ticket" campaign last Memorial Day with a single objective: to watch for Texas drivers and passengers who were not buckled up and encourage them to comply with safety belt and child safety seat laws.

Texas law requires drivers and front seat passengers in all vehicles to be secured by a safety belt. Children under 17 years old must be secured with a safety belt or a child safety seat. A child under five years old or under 36 inches tall must ride in a child safety seat.

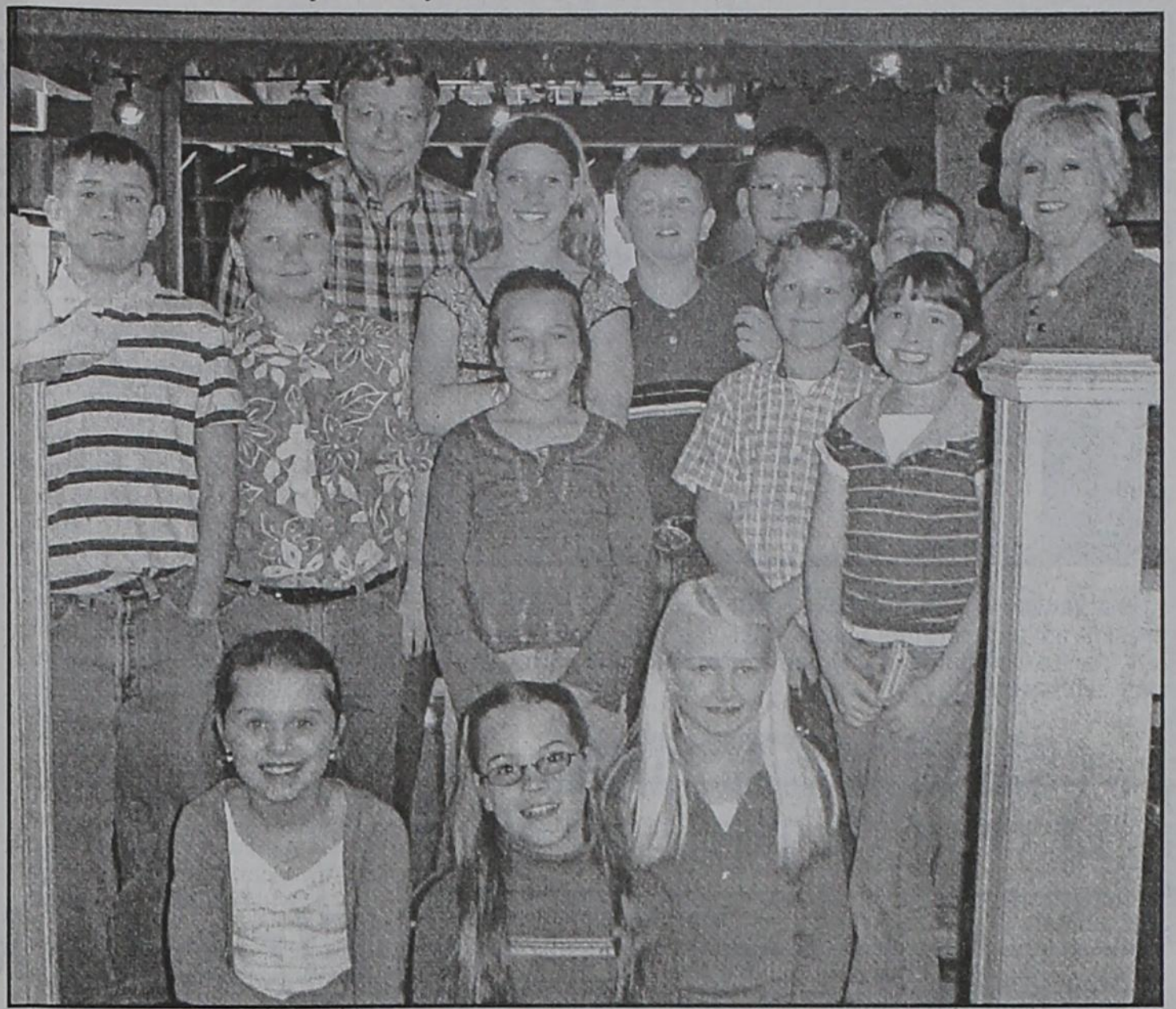
A safety belt violation can result in fines up to \$200, plus court costs.

Increasing safety on Texas highways is one of the five main TxDOT goals, along with reducing congestion, and increasing the value of transportation assets.

"Helping people get in the habit of using safety belts is just one of the many things we are doing every day to improve safety on our highways," said Andrade. Among the TxDOT initiatives she cited were efforts to install safety barriers in the center median of divided highways, installing rumble strips along pavement edges, building wider safety shoulders, dividing busy four-lane highways, adding dedicated left turn lanes at busy intersections and encouraging teen drivers to practice safe driving habits.

"Working together we can improve safety on Texas highways," said Andrade.

For more information, call Mark Cross, TxDOT Public Information Office, (512) 463-8585



**GIFTED & TALENTED STUDENTS TAKE FIELD TRIP** — The Gifted and Talented students from Motley County ISD, which included twelve students and three sponsors, visited the Studio of Kenneth Wyatt in Tulia, on Tuesday, November 28. Mr. Wyatt is a well-known artist in this area and is especially known for his western themes. He was a gracious hostess for the group, speaking to them and answering questions. The students enjoyed touring his Studio and his home and looking at his many paintings. They took pictures, made a few purchases and got some good ideas for future purchases. After their tour, the group enjoyed a Mexican Food dinner at the El Camino Restaurant in Tulia. "The students represented our school well and learned that becoming an artist certainly interested some of them," said director, Mrs. Donna Hoyle.

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## Commissioners Court

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\$1,500.00. Commissioner Jameson requested to go on record against the proposal as the County remains in a negative financial position. The Judge requested to go on record in response to Commissioner Jameson's statement that the FY 2007 funds are already in the budget and can be transferred as a line item transfer. Commissioner Davis made the motion to accept this proposal, seconded by Judge Smith. Motion passed by votes of: Commissioner Davis, for; Judge Smith, for; Commissioner Alexander, for; Commissioner Jameson, against; and Commissioner Turner, against.

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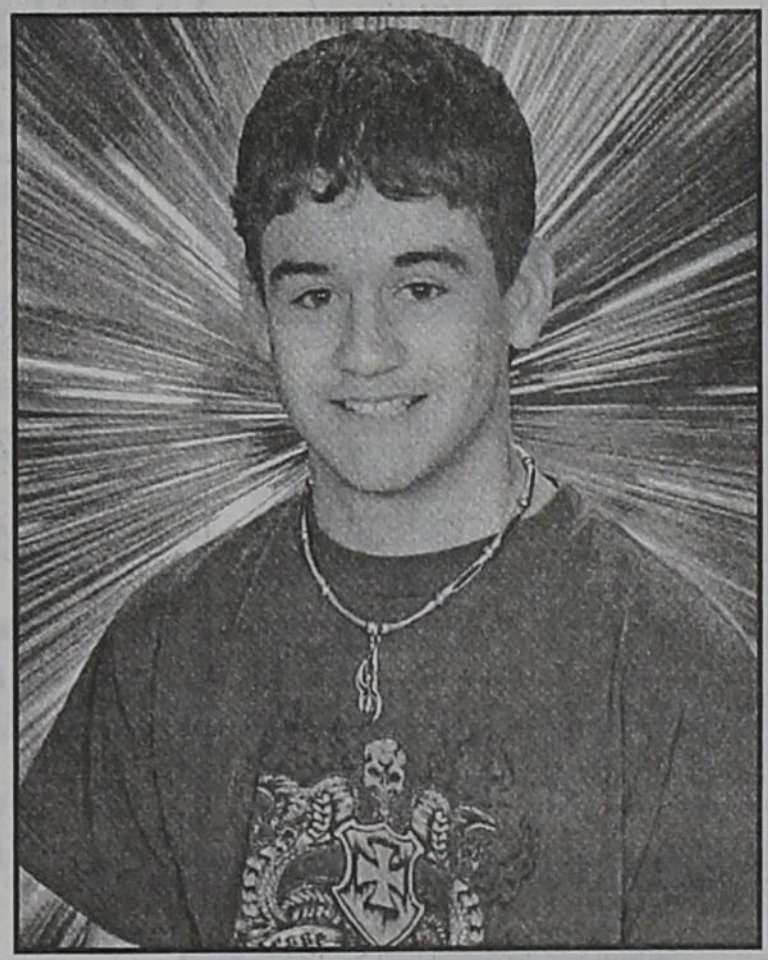
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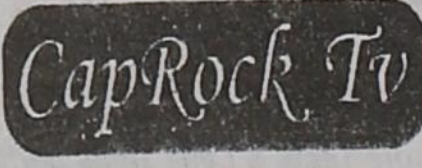
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## December Student of the Month



Brendan Wiltshire is the December Student of the Month at Motley County ISD. Brendan is active in the One-Act Play. He enjoys playing on the Tennis Team and is a member of FFA. Brendan worked at school in the Summer and throughout the year. He also runs the Sound System for Dances, Christmas programs, and many other various events in the School and Community. Brendan is a Junior and the son of Rhonda Wiltshire of Matador.

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Lewis Jewelers' Sandy Lewis, Slade Lewis and Claude Lewis present a check totaling nearly \$10,000 to Elizabeth Burroway, left, for Texas Children's Hospital during their 25th anniversary celebration.

## Former Roaring Springs residents celebrate 25th anniversary in jewelry business

Former Roaring Springs residents, Claude and Sandy Lewis, recently celebrated 25 years in the jewelry business with a celebration in their store in Clear Lake, a community outside of Houston. The grand party helped raise more than \$10,000 for Texas Children Hospital.

and Dorothy Braselton, longtime Roaring Springs residents. Sandy was raised at the heels of her parent's business, Braselton Implement Company.

Claude is the son of the late Irene and Walter Lewis, owners of Lewis Blacksmith in Roaring Springs.

"I began this business in 1981 with all the help one could ever have - Joey Thacker helped me design my store and was my mentor in the industry. My husband, Claude, was the mentor for my business plan," Mrs. Lewis said.

Today, Lewis Jewelers is a multi-million dollar corporation.

The Lewis' son, Slade and wife, Cindy manage the business. Granddaughter, Hannah Hilton, a new graduate of Texas State University, recently joined the business.

Lewis Jewelers staffs 16 sales associates and designers. The store carries Rolex, Cartier, Breitling, Tag and Mont Blanc watch lines and major jewelry designers David Yurman and John Hardy as well as many bridal lines.

"My views have never changed; be the best at customer service and be honest in business and your business will be blessed.

"I am always proud to say that Roaring Springs was my home, and my teachers, friends and family taught me and showed me life. I am forever grateful to the Havis, Smiths, Thackers, Davis, Williams and McInroes as business owners who without knowing, helped guide my path as a child and encouraged me to become a visionary," Mrs. Lewis said.

The family has operated their store from the same location on Highway 3 in Webster for 25 years. The family recently took over the storefront next to them and expanded the store to 5,000 square feet, allowing them to add new designers to their lines.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Just a note!

As we go to church we turn east at the Church of Christ and then turn north at the tire repair shop to the church. Recently, on a Sunday morning, we missed the turn at Martin's shop; just kept going to Main St. then turned north to get back to the church. And there they were - "the wreaths"!

They are such simple decorations which add a simple charm of Christmas to our community. I'm so pleased that

someone thought of wreaths.

Over the years the wreaths have been put in place for so many to enjoy. I do not know who all is involved in taking care of this project, but we appreciate their time, effort and money.

There are many more wreaths over the town on homes, fences, churches and all. Our "thanks" to all those who can help our community to be ready for Christmas.

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## Tips to keep your holiday merry

As we approach the holiday season, your community bankers encourage you to take precautions to ensure your personal safety as well as your financial safety.

### Holiday Shopping at the Mall

- Be sure to park as close to the door as possible, especially after dark.
- Park in well-lighted areas and always be aware of your surroundings.
- Make sure your purse is closed at all times. An open handbag is an easy target for someone walking behind you or standing behind you in a line. They could easily reach in and grab your wallet before you even realize it.
- Be sure not to overload

yourself with packages. Should an emergency arise, you don't want to be fumbling with packages and possibly drop your keys.

• Try not to park next to a van, as you could easily be pulled in through the sliding door.

• If shopping alone, walk to your car with authority, purpose and confidence. Have your keys ready and if you have a remote control, unlock your door as you are walking up to it so you can get into your car quickly. After you get into your car with your door open while you are arranging your packages.

### ATM Safety

When stopping to make an ATM withdrawal before heading

off to the mall, keep these safeguards in mind:

- Make sure your ATM is in a well-lighted area and be aware of your surroundings.
- Try to make your ATM transactions during daylight hours.
- A drive-up ATM is generally safer than a walk-up facility. But if you have an uneasy feeling, drive to another ATM location.

### Financial Safeguards

- Try to avoid the last minute crowds by shopping early to avoid impulse buying.
- Ask about refund policies before you buy and save all receipts.
- Set a budget and stick to it. By not overspending, you will avoid the stress of trying to find

the financial resources to pay for gifts long after the holidays are over.

• When shopping online, be sure to deal with reputable companies and order only on a secure server.

• Using debit and credit cards when holiday shopping is always safer than carrying around a large amount of cash.

• By deducting the money straight from your bank account with a debit card, you bypass the chance of racking up a big balance on your credit card.

We are always at risk, but should take steps to minimize the chances of bad things happening. Early preparation and planning will allow you to handle and react to emergencies and ensure you a safe and happy holiday season and beyond.

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# News Around the County

## Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

The vacuum cleaner is standing sentinel under the Christmas tree. That is the only thing Little Toot is afraid of. She loves climbing the tree and pulling off the tinsel and batting the ornaments. I may have to put a bow on the vacuum and decorate it as it may have to stay in place. Looks like Toot is a little more stubborn than I am! She leaves quickly when I plug it in and remembers for a short while. I hope she soon thinks that the tree is going to eat her up if she bothers it!

There are two Christmas programs planned in Roaring Springs. The first is at the First Baptist Church on Sunday, December 17th at the morning service at 9:30 a.m. It will be the Christmas story in song. All are invited to come.

The Full Gospel Church will be having a Christmas program at the evening service on Sunday, November 17th. It starts at 6:00 p.m. and there will be a birthday party for Jesus for the little children after the service in the fellowship hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Trammell traveled again to Nacogdoches, Texas for the wedding of their grandson, Shea Overman and Carrie Smith. (Jo attended wedding showers there in mid November). Shea is the son of their daughter, Tina and her husband, Jerry Overman of Lubbock. They left on Friday of last week and returned on Monday. The wedding was held at Millard's Crossing in a 102 year old church. Jo told me that the little settlement of Millard's Crossing looked like something out of a Charles Dickens setting. The beautiful old church was decorated in red poinsettias that were stacked in tiers. The pews were decorated with gold ribbon with cedar sprigs. A reception dinner was held in a Victorian house adjacent to the church. The house is used especially for receptions, each room was beautifully decorated. A ten foot tree was in the main dining room. The bride's uncle played beautiful music throughout the reception. Jo said the cutest thing happened at the end of the ceremony, the little ring bearer and flower girl ran back down the aisle to the back and began pulling light ropes that rang the wedding bells 5

times as the bride and groom exited. There were 22 family members on the groom's side in attendance and two best friends from Lubbock also made the trip.

Parker Meredith enjoyed an early birthday party on December 10th in Plainview hosted by his parents Yancy and Daphne Meredith. They attended the movie Happy Feet and had a late lunch at the Subway Sandwich Shop. Parker and his parents went to Hale Center afterward to visit Daphne's parents, the Farmers. Joyce's other grandson, Jonah Meredith and great-grandson Judson Jones recently celebrated their birthdays, too. They celebrated with a breakfast at the Kettle Restaurant in Plainview and went to see the movie Santa Claus III. They returned to birthday cake and presents at the home of Joe and Joyce Meredith.

It is nice to be able to not have to keep the doors locked for fear of the escapee from the Dickens Prison Unit being in our area. That created quite a bit of excitement here. It was reassuring to see all the lawmen, their horses and bloodhounds on the job. Personally I did not see the helicopters but I was told they were very busy tracking the fugitive. They did a tremendous job and I am thankful.

It is pleasant to see all the good will and generosity that is going on in our community. The Lions Club, the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers and the churches are all busy seeing that no one is left without during Christmas.

PK Green's brother, Mike, from Colorado is visiting with her. He almost seems like a resident now. He fits in well in our town and we would love to have him stay and become a full fledged Texan! He is like Penny and George Kline and Dennis and Donald Letkeman when he is here; he seems to belong in Roaring Springs and participates in whatever is happening they recently traveled to Fredericksburg to visit Rimmer, a nephew of Jerry Green, the son of the late Mary Helen Green. While there they toured many interesting sights, shops and restaurants there and also in Mason. Mike left to return home on Monday.

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

### OVERHEARD

Dear Santa, Bradley Drake said you are not real, but what does he know? Bring me a chemistry set so I can turn him into a toad. When you come to my house please bring me a teddy bear, a doll and a wagon. If that's too much to ask, you can take my baby sister in exchange. She cries all the time and I'm tired of being BIG sister. Love, Elizabeth.

Derrick Cruse visited overnight Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse. He was en route home to Casper, Wyoming after attending to business in Bowie the past week.

Wilburn Martin visited from Friday until Sunday of last week in Grandbury with his sister and husband, Nita and Ervin Merritt. En route home, he visited in Anson with J.C. Moss, Mrs. LaRay Gilbert and Mrs. Nona Anglin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey were in Amarillo, Thursday for her medical tests. On return trip home, they visited in Canyon with son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey.

Glen D. Tiffin received medical care at the Clinic in Lockney, Friday. He is reported to be improving from his illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay visited at the Lockney Hospital during the week with new arrivals, twin grandson, Trent and Trevor and their mother Mrs. Ty (Brittany) Barclay of Matador.

Brandon Lee of Plainview is visiting his brother, Jason Lee. He is also visiting Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lee.

Chad Gilbert of Bogota, Colombia arrived Friday and joined his wife, Cindy and son, Cade to visit through the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter. He will also visit in Turkey with his mother, Mrs. Wanda Calvert.

James and Darla Gwinn and daughter, Danielle visited last weekend in Lubbock with his sister, Aly Gwinn. Other visitors were Michelle and Mark Jeffers of San Marcos. They enjoyed the Hank Williams, "Lost Highway" performance at the Cactus Theater, Saturday night.

## Matador News

Mrs. Frances Dixon, daughter and husband, Elaine and Fred Risser attended the Christmas Cantata presented at the First Baptist Church in Lubbock Sunday night. Her granddaughter and their daughter respectively, Kaci Risser, is a member of the choir. They visited with Kaci before returning home.

Tom and Deanie Edwards spent Thanksgiving day with Marge

Edwards at Ventura Retirement home in Lubbock. They traveled to Dalhart for Thanksgiving with Stephen, Lori and Haley on Friday. Tom and Deanie were in Hale Center on Tuesday for the funeral of W.J. Davis, Sr. He was Deanie's former father-in-law and Stephen's grandfather.

Tom was in Amarillo on Thursday for a legal conference.

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Case No. 2

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# Quail hunting has positive impact on rural economics

by Tim W. McAlavy  
Texas Ag News

Wichita Falls — Leasing land for quail hunting has a positive impact on many rural economies in the state, said a Texas Cooperative Extension economist.

"The economic impact of hunting in Texas exceeds \$1.5 billion annually," said Jason Johnson, Extension economist based at Stephenville. He addressed a capacity crowd at the recent Red River Quail Symposium in Wichita Falls.

"Quail are the third most hunted species of game in Texas, ranking behind deer and dove, based on the number of active hunters," he said. "But quail rank fifth behind deer, dove, duck and wild turkey in terms of the number of days spent hunting. This suggests that insufficient quail habitat or the distance to suitable quail habitat restricts hunting activity for this game bird."

The recent Red River Quail Symposium included two ranch tours and a one-day seminar on landowner resources for habitat and hunting management.

Hunting's economic impact reaches beyond landowners and into other sectors/businesses that cater to the hunting and travel industries. In many areas of Texas, hunting is second only to Friday night football in terms of visitors and money drawn in to local communities, Johnson said.

"Approximately 65 percent of Texas hunters come from urban areas, so this economic impact is essentially an urban-to-rural transfer," he said. "According to a United States Fish and Wildlife Service survey, the average Texas hunter spends more than \$1,300 each year on hunting and travel amenities."

A 2001 survey of Texas Quail Unlimited members revealed more specific information about avid quail hunters in Texas, he added.

"The typical Quail Unlim-

ited member responding to our Texas survey was a middle-aged, affluent white male," Johnson said. "Most were college graduates, and 42 percent reported household incomes above \$125,000. They lived in rural areas, small cities and medium- and large-sized urban areas."

"The relevant point is that the average expenditure per hunter responding exceeded more than \$10,000 each year on quail hunting," he said. "That's money spent on lease fees, dogs, vehicles, transportation, feeds/feeder/food plots, lodging, guns and ammunition, meals and other expenses. A large portion of these expenditures, averaging around 40 percent to 50 percent, are made in the destination county of the quail hunt."

These hunters listed 79 Texas counties among their favorite hunting destinations.

"If you want to attract this type of hunter clientele, you have to ask: How does my livestock management compliment

wildlife habitat?" Johnson said. "What we call carrying capacity - the number of animals we can run on our acreage - is not the same thing as stocking rate. Carrying capacity is defined and provided by Mother Nature. Stocking rate is determined by the land manager."

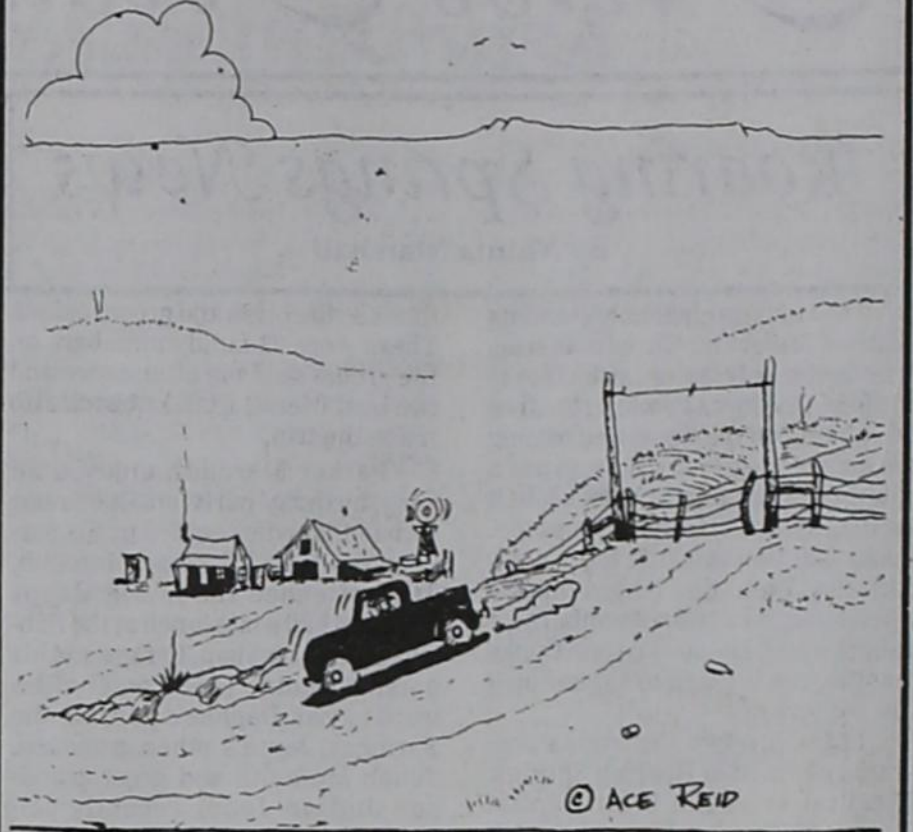
An appropriate stocking rate based on several environmental factors encourages more and better wildlife habitat conducive to quail and other wildlife, he said.

"Quail will follow the habitat, especially if the habitat provides necessary cover and food when they are nesting and rearing their young," Johnson said. "And the avid quail hunter will find the birds."

"Long-term lease arrangements with these hunters can lend stability to land management strategies, which in turn can benefit wildlife and livestock. This type of stability helps appreciate land values and that ripples through local economies."

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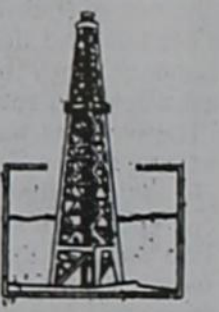
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## OIL & GAS REPORT



BY THOMAS MUSSER

FLOYD COUNTY: The generator has been removed from the location for the BASA Resources, Inc. Foster Lease Well #1 and the well was currently shut-in. The pumpjack was still on location as of Friday, December 8.

The PetroGlobe Energy USA Ltd. Cox Lease Well #1013 is setting longstring casing and

expects to be back drilling later this week.

SWISHER COUNTY: The Workover Unit has left the location of the PetroGlobe Energy USA Ltd. Young Lease Well #1032. It has been reported that the operator will move another workover unit to this location and continue testing various zones.

*Jesus is the Reason for the Season!*

## Proof of the Truth

by Tom Edwards

### THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD (Part 11)

Here we look at the major misunderstandings (heresies) that have arisen regarding the Trinity. There are four: Tritheism, Modalism, Arianism, and Subordinationism. Tritheism (a form of polytheism-many Gods) asserts that in the Trinity there are 3 Gods. Wrong! There is only One God, but composed of 3 divine persons. Tritheism is claimed by Muslims (of Christianity) because they don't begin to understand the Trinity or that Christians also affirm ONE God (Monotheism). Modalism wrongly denies that there are 3 distinct, co-eternal "persons" in the Godhead. Modalists claim that God is one "person" (not "being") who "manifests" himself in different "modes" or "forms" at "different" times. The justification for the view is the same as the wrong Muslim claim that Christians worship 3 Gods. If you think on it, Modalism would render Jesus a lunatic, for if God is one "person" manifesting Himself (at that time) as Jesus when He is praying to the Father in John 17, then Jesus would be praying to no one but Himself, which is ridiculous! Modalism is claimed by the group known as Oneness Pentecostals, and it is simply wrong. God is simultaneously all 3 persons at the

same time!

While some translations of the Bible refer to the Son, as the only "begotten" Son of God, that does NOT mean that God the Son is a "creation" of the Father (Arianism), nor does it mean that Jesus resulted from a physical sex act between God and Mary (a spirit being can't have sexual relations with a physical being and produce offspring). Arianism is claimed by Jehovah's Witnesses and some Mormons. "Only begotten" does not refer to any physical generation, but to a special relationship between the Son and the Father. They are co-eternal. If the Son was a created creature of the Father, He could not have brought redemption! The sacrifice would not have been sufficient. God is omnipotent, but not even God can create God!

Finally, subordinationism holds that the Son and Spirit are subordinate to the Father. Wrong also. They are co-equal, but differ in function. The Father planned salvation; the Son accomplished it on the cross and at the Resurrection; and the Spirit applies it to the lives of believers, as well as glorifying the Son, who, by the way, was the prime over in creation! See John 1:1-3, 14, and Colossians 1:16.

Next: God is Infinite, Eternal, and Immutable.

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## FARM SERVICE AGENCY NEWS

BY JOHN BIRD, CEB



### BILL LUCKETT RETIRES

After 16 years of serving the farmers and ranchers of Motley County by being on the FSA County Committee, Bill Luckett has retired. Mr. Luckett began serving in 1990. After serving for several years, the rules regarding term limits changed and all three of the members at that time, Bill Luckett, Seab Washington, and Lucretia Campbell, were about to start their time over. Since then Bill has served the maximum three term limit. His last meeting was December 6.

While on the County Committee, Mr. Luckett worked hard for the farmers. He always kept up with the latest in agriculture and FSA programs, maintained good relationships and close contact with the USDA leaders, and pushed for the best for Motley County and this office.

Mr. Luckett's experience and dedication will be missed. He will be eligible to run again in 3 more years if he chooses.

### COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTION RESULTS

The 2006 County Committee election ballots were counted for Motley County on December 6. Rob Francis was elected to the committee with Kendra Luckett being the first alternate.

The committee and office look forward to working with Rob for the next three years. We also appreciate the willingness of each candidate to run and to serve the agriculture producers of Motley County.

The FSA County Committee will be as follows for 2007: Craig Turner, LAA1, Rob Francis, LAA2, Truitt Read, LAA3, and Pam Morris, Advisor.

These are your representatives. They serve as a "link" be-

tween the producer and the USDA. If you are unsure of the LAA that you are in or who your representative is, come by or call the office.

Thank you to everyone that took the time to vote.

### SPRAYING TREES ON CRP

There have been several questions about the aerial spraying of trees on CRP. Please keep in mind a few things that will make this hard for you. First, the soil temperature needs to be high enough for the herbicide to be effective, probably around 60 degrees. Second, cotton can't be growing near your field where the spray can drift. Third, your conservation plan says that you cannot spray your field between March 1 and July 1, which is the primary nesting season. This gives you some time in August and September to spray (if you are not too close to cotton). Otherwise, get out your backpack sprayer, grubber, hoe or nippers if you think you need to kill some trees.

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Motley County Tribune Weather Dec. 14, 2006

### 7-Day Forecast

Day	Forecast	High	Low
Thursday	Sunny	67	37
Friday	Mostly Sunny	69	38
Saturday	Sunny	70	38
Sunday	Mostly Sunny	67	35
Monday	Mostly Sunny	65	34
Tuesday	Partly Cloudy	68	38
Wednesday	Partly Cloudy	72	40

### In-Depth Forecast

Today we will see sunny skies with a high temperature of 67°, humidity of 29% and an overnight low of 37°. The record high temperature for today is 81° set in 1995. The record low is 13° set in 1985. Friday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 69°.

### Moon Phases

Phase	Date	Time
New	12/20	
First	12/27	
Full	1/3	
Last	1/11	

### Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Sunday	40	23	56/32	0.00"
Monday	54	24	56/32	0.00"
Tuesday	64	27	56/31	0.00"
Wednesday	58	32	55/31	0.00"
Thursday	39	20	55/31	0.00"
Friday	52	19	55/31	0.00"
Saturday	57	28	55/30	0.00"

Precipitation ..... 0.00"  
Normal precipitation ..... 0.21"  
Departure from normal ..... -0.21"

Average temperature ..... 38.4°  
Average normal temperature ..... 43.3°  
Departure from normal ..... -4.9°

Data as reported from Childress, Texas

### Weather History

Dec. 14, 1924 - The temperature at Helena, Mont. plunged 88 degrees in 34 hours. The mercury plummeted from 63 above to 25 below zero. At Fairfield, Mont., the temperature plunged 84 degrees in just 12 hours, from 63 at noon to 21 below zero at midnight.

### Sun & Moon Times

Sunrise today	7:40 a.m.
Sunset tonight	5:36 p.m.
Moonrise today	2:05 a.m.
Moonset today	1:44 p.m.

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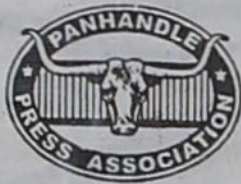
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