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Layers of Time

by Ken Young

Matador Ranch offering select whitetail hunts

Matador Ranch is offering a select number of guests the opportunity to harvest a trophy whitetail buck at the ranch.

"We have a few openings for guests during November, December and January," says Geoff Baker, wildlife manager at the 128,500-acre ranch that covers parts of Motley, Floyd, Cottle and Dickens counties in Texas. "These deer will score between 160 and 240 inches."

Hunts in the managed area range from \$6,500 to \$20,000, with no trophy fees. Included

will be four nights lodging in a brand-new lodge; with prior notice, transportation may be arranged from Lubbock International Airport or from other local airports.

"Our hunting packages for the majority of the ranch have been booked for several months," Baker said. "This will be the only opportunity to hunt at Matador Ranch this year."

Matador Ranch has embarked upon a new phase and quality for its wildlife program, including a world-class wildlife

habitat management program, the new 10,000-square-foot lodge for guests, and a deer breeding program that will feature industry-recognized genetics.

Matador Ranch has recently acquired seven top bucks from a private breeder based in Ohio. Matador will use these bucks in its breeding program next fall. Jointly, World Class Whitetails of Ohio and Matador will market semen from these bucks through private treaty sales.

Texas Democrats to visit Matador

A current Texas House Representative and a candidate for the U.S. Congress will be honored with a reception in the historic Hotel Matador at 6:30 p.m. October 11, 2008.

The event will feature food, conversation, and music, featuring local musician Larry Vogt on guitar, and the Macedonia Baptist Church gospel singers, Jesse T. Sims and friends.

Friends and supporters are invited to come to the historic hotel and meet the Honorable Joe Heflin, the only Democrat to represent West Texas and the Panhandle in the Texas House of Representatives; and Roger Waun, former pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Childress and a Democratic candidate for U.S. Congress-

sional District 13.

"I am running because we need a Congressman who doesn't just go-along-to-get-along with party bosses or play politics with critical votes on the economy, our nation's defense, taxes, health care, bridge and highway safety, jobs, education, conservation and clean renewable energy, while ignoring the needs of working families, senior citizens and our brave war veterans," Waun said, in a published statement.

Heflin, who followed former Speaker James E. "Pete" Laney of Hale Center, defeated Republican challenger James "Jim" Landtroop, Jr., of Plainview, in November 2006, assuming office in 2007. He is currently a member of the

House Agriculture and Livestock and County Affairs committees, and represents a large region that borders Motley, including Floyd, Crosby, and Hale counties.

In addition, Heflin serves on a select Committee on Property Tax Relief and Appraisal Reform which has jurisdiction over all matters pertinent to the goals of providing relief from property taxes and reforming the property tax system. The select committee's jurisdiction includes examining the appropriateness of the provisions of the Texas Constitution and the Tax Code that limit or authorize limiting the appraised value or increases in the appraised value of certain property for property tax purposes.



WHITETAIL DEER on Matador Ranch

Photo by Geoff Baker

Bonfire Thursday

Kayla Simpson

There will be a bonfire Thursday night at eight thirty. This will replace the Homecoming Bonfire, which was rained out.

Students and supporters will meet at the football field

and proceed to the field just south of the nursing home.

This bonfire will kick off our first district game of the 2008 season. The football game will be at 7:30 on Bursleson Field. Everyone come out and support the Mighty Matadors against Silverton.

**MCISD
OPEN HOUSE
and
TITLE 1
Parents Meeting**
Tuesday, October 14th
6:30 pm

THIS WEEK'S NEWS

Matador News

Sandra Seago, assumes duties as the Director at Hackberry Creek Care Center.

School News

Mrs. Kautz's second grade class learns math from carving pumpkins.

Motley County News

Local area did not fare well during rains September 8-12. The 20.15, and 13 inches of rain reported caused chaotic problems.

Library News

Next book for discussion is "Water for Elephants" by Sara Gruen on Tuesday, October 21st, at 7:00pm.

County Agent News

The year 2008 marks 100 years of 4-H in Texas.

Foothill Country

Connections

Community, Diversity, Art



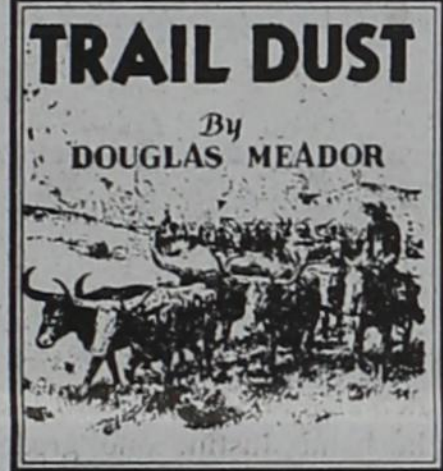
CHUCK AND AVERY LOGSDON, grandsons of Laverne Zabielski and Larry Vogt, and Don and Lou Wittler, select jack-o-lantern and pie pumpkins on a farm in Kentucky.

By Laverne Zabielski

I guess I'd have to say that the weather during September and October is some of the most pleasant. It was also beautiful in Kentucky last week when we visited kids and grand kids. The air has that familiar smell of coolness and fall. There is a rustle when the wind blows through the trees. On our next trip we will visit West Virginia and another set

of grand kids, one being a six week old granddaughter.

While each trip is to a familiar landscape, our role as grandparents continues to evolve as we venture into a new terrain. A Grammy who lives a few blocks away has one kind of relationship; a casual dropping in, cookies in a cookie jar, or a presence at a ball game. A Grammy that lives 1000 miles away packs as many memories as possible into a busy and short visit; excursions to a pumpkin patch followed by pumpkin pie baking. And a long ride home filled with memories of smiles and laughter and the cookies forgotten to be baked.



Matador Tribune
March 2, 1939

Pouring a cup from the vintage of childhood it is satisfying to taste the pleasant wholesome memories of my first overtures of romance. Springtime and a handful of oxeys daises picked from the prairie to the freckled little girl with two plaited pigtails hanging down the back of her calico dress. My reward was a smile deposited to the order of many otherwise bankrupt dreams.

At a preview of paradise the lovers had witnessed a chalet on purple mountains above the insipid fumes of a bickering world; a retreat which the others before them had been unable to find. They did not know that affinity may be a mysterious cloak from the extensive wardrobe of fate, used to deftly conceal the disfigurements of reality.



Matador Tribune
March 2, 1939

Women no longer need to cover cooked foods placed in the refrigerator, according to C.A. Pitts, local manager of the West Texas Utilities Company, who said an outstanding scientific and engineering improvement had been added to the 1939 Frigidaire which will be introduced to the public here at a "premier showing" scheduled on March 16-17.

The new 1939 "Cold-Wall" model Frigidaire represents a unique application of a scientific principal, provides uniform low temperatures, very high humidity and eliminates moisture-robbing air circulation.

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WRITING COMMUNITY

My Grandmother Barton, the Doctor

By Jan Barton Hamilton

It was not unusual for my grandmother, Madline Barton, to look us Barton young'uns squarely in the eye, hold our cheeks and say "Sweet, you look a little peeked eyed." She was my first diagnostician. And although we had many physicians in the family, (when I attended that last large reunion in Salado, it was held in Surgeon Welbourn Barton's, M.D. home near the stage Coach Inn) her assessment came first.

We learned early in puberty that Barton women were prone to anemia. So the best cure was red meat. After all, when times were hard, and we couldn't go to town and buy the food that the Matador folks bought at Commercial Grocery, (Tom's grandfather Moore), or Spot Cash Grocery, (Uncle Melvin and Aunt Mary Meason), we had steak for breakfast. When we went into town from Flomot, we would go to the locker room on the north wall of Spot Cash grocery and get frozen packages of beef to take back home. That was before the days of our own deep freeze. I never remember running out of beef. And rarely did we have beef without a big pan of gravy and homemade biscuits. We were taught that these kinds of foods "stick to the ribs."

Looking back now, I am guessing that this concept played a role in my Master's Thesis topic at Texas Tech when I examined the best diet food. I already believed protein was the best way to keep from getting hungry. And that non-satisfying junk foods would likely be followed by subsequent cravings for empty calories. In the study at Tech, we

learned that when soy, chicken, fish and beef were compared, beef was the most satiating. Beef satisfies keeping us away from the bag of cookies and the half-gallon of ice cream at bedtime. Even now when our sons go out hunting, they pack the beef jerky and usually keep it in their pickups. I don't ever remember meeting an early day cowboy that was fat. And we didn't see so much diabetes when the native Americans ate dried meat, corn and squash... their native diet.

Strange how grandmother knew how to diagnose and treat long before we started going to Dr. Stanley for yearly checkups. Kay Stanley (his daughter who was my age) became my best friend in Mrs. Gilbreth's first grade class and we remained dear friends through Mrs. Reeves' 2nd grade, Mrs. White's 3rd grade and it was during Mrs. Keith's 4th grade class that I invited her to the Barton community to experience a weekend of ranching life. We pulled turtles from the old mud tank by the windmill, made a little boat from an old hog vat and tried to sail across but sunk about half way across and trudged through the black silt to the safety of the banks. From there we climbed the old cotton wood tree and began to investigate bird nests. We found eggs, fed wide mouthed sparrows, newly hatched, and dodged the warnings of the mother birds. We both had long blond curls and came down from the tree with string and straw entwined therein.

As friends do, we vowed to never part and spent the rest of the weekend investigating the barn where daddy kept the seed separated into bins for the cotton seed, corn and maize. A friendly scuffle

ensued and before we knew it, we had mixed the seed piles from what daddy had hoped would be clean and pure for spring planting. That was the only time I ever remember him raising his voice to us. He and Dr. Stanley were great golf buddies and would leave immediately after church on Sundays to go to either Floydada or Plainview to play. They enjoyed the outing and even won the Plainview tournament one year.

Soon after Kay returned to their house on Eubank St. (where the Barkley's live now) Mrs. Stanley found lice in Kay's hair from the bird nest adventure. Mid year, Kay left Matador and went to Hockaday in Dallas for the remaining school years. Us "country bumpkin" Barton's were a little too crude for a doctor's daughter, I guess. However, now, after all the years, we still have an active friendship on email and I hope someday she will come back to Matador and we can go see the remains of the old cotton wood tree. As I recall, grandmother Barton soaked my hair in meat grease and smothered the lice. Grandmother was a good doctor and I have wished many times that she had treated Kay before she went back to town, before the lice were found and before she left Motley County and the rich experiences of the Barton Community. Memories like this are one of our greatest treasures.

Bring your stories to the Barton Reunion Oct. 18, 2008, 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. along with a favorite family covered dish at 914 Walton Rd. in Matador. We will have the old rock grill hot with mesquite coals if you want to bring a steak or two from a Barton herd.

MCISD second graders learn math from pumpkins

The second grade students in Mrs. Kautz's class started off the month of October with fun pumpkin activities.

First, the students did a math activity by estimating, weighing, measuring and counting the number of ribs on each pumpkin.

Next, the students "gutted" the pumpkins to take out all of the seeds and stringy parts.

The students then carved the pumpkins into jack-o-lanterns. On the next day, the second grade students enjoyed eating roasted pumpkin seeds prepared by their teacher, Mrs. Kautz.



MRS. KAUTZ'S second graders, Kyler Degan, Erin Gonzalez, Ethan Mason and Rivers Marshall, show off their pumpkin.

Trail Fixin's

By Dorothy Pope

Wasn't it a welcome rain yesterday? I laid down for a nap and slept like a baby. Seems I couldn't keep my eyes open. If you ever find yourself in that situation, here's an oven casserole for just that occasion.

NO PEEK CASSEROLE
2 lbs. round steak or sirloin (cut into cubes)
1 8-oz. can mushrooms with

liquid
1 pkg. (1.3 oz.) Lipton's dried onion soup mix
1 can golden (10 3/4-ozs.) mushroom soup
Undiluted, 1/2 cup burgundy wine or any similar red wine
Cooked rice or noodles
Place all ingredients in a 1 1/2-quart casserole dish. Cover tightly. Bake at 300 degrees for three hours. Do Not Uncover! until ready to serve over rice or noodles. Makes four servings.

I have very strong feelings about how you lead your life. You always look ahead; you never look back.
Ann Richards, former Governor

Look who's 75!

Happy Birthday
Billie Genell Dewbre Riley
Now living in
San Angelo, Texas

You are invited to
Poetry, Music and Art
Ken and Dinah Young
Laverne Zabielski
Larry Vogt
Hotel Matador
October 17, 2008
6-8 pm
refreshments

"BUZZ... BUZZ... BUZZ..."



all agree that the fly is active.

Here is our point: Activity doesn't always indicate achievement. The difference between activity and achievement lies in working toward a well-defined goal.

How annoying it must be for our Great God to look at His people buzzing about like so many flies and not really accomplishing the work He has given us to do. That work is taking the Gospel to the whole world.

No doubt Satan is delighted to see the buzzing of "busy work" instead of our commitment to the task of seeking and saving the lost. A Church which is not committed to the Divine directive is a church that may have activity but in the end will have little or no achievement. (The divine directive is found in Mark 16:15-16).

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ
Michael G. Crowley, Sr.
BIBLE STUDY 10:00 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m.

HCCC announces new administrator

Sandra Seago, former administrator of Floydada Rehabilitation and Care Center, started new duties as the Director at Hackberry Creek Care Center on Monday, September 29, 2008.

Seago, a graduate of Wayland Baptist College, has a degree in business administration with a specialty in healthcare.

"Working in a private center, far from a major city, is a new challenge for me," Seago said. "This is a beautiful home with a lot of involvement by the community," she said. "You have a lot of dependable people here."

Her biggest chal-



lenge? "Staffing and setting up a budget," she said.

Seago currently lives in Plainview with her husband, Kim. She has three children and three grandchildren.

Marge Edwards celebrates 95th birthday



Marge Edwards of Ventura Place in Lubbock was honored with a 95th birthday party at the Motley County Library Annex Building on Saturday, October 4. The party was hosted by Tom and Deanie Edwards and grandchildren, Grant and Shannon Edwards, Keller, Texas; Kristin Lane, Stephenville, Texas; Stephen, Lori and Haley Davis, Dalhart, Texas.

Guests were received by Marge at her special birthday table of fresh flowers, cards and streamers. The banquet table was decorated in red and white with birthday streamers, silver punch bowl and a cake decorated to look like a chalkboard with a math equa-

tion that equalled the number 95.

Out of town guests here for the occasion other than the grandchildren were Jerry and Pat Edwards, Palo Pinto, Texas; Harold and Ellen Edwards, Tulia, Texas; Carolyn Limmer, Snyder, Texas; Pup and Earle Price, Lubbock, Texas; Larry Keltz, Plainview, Texas; Terry Keltz, Brady, Texas and Kelly and Penny Keltz, Roaring Springs, Texas.

After the party, Tom and Grant Edwards took Marge back to Lubbock. Later in the evening at Tom and Deanie's, Lori and Haley were surprised with their own birthday cake. Their birthdays were Sunday and Monday.

Obituaries

Ethyl "Aunt Loys" Cox Campbell

Loys passed away October 5, 2008 in Childress, Texas. Before going to the nursing home she lived at Hedley with her brother and sister-in-law for three years, and in Matador, Gail, and Vealmoor for many years. Graveside Services were held October 7, 2008 at the East Mound Cemetery with her nephews, Carl Cox and Don Cox officiating.

Loys was born on June 8, 1926 to Francis and Lee Ashcraft Cox. She was married on February 2, 1947 to W.O. Cox whom she often described to family and friends as the "love of her life." W.O. preceded her in death in December of 1973. She later married Joe Campbell who preceded her in death in November of 2004. She was also preceded in death by her parents, a brother Pick Cox in September of this year and a brother Thomas Cox, Jr. in September, 1991.

Even though Loys had no children of her own she was a loving mother to lots of kids regardless of their age or whether they had family ties or not. She was a member of The Hedley Baptist Church

and a former member of the First Baptist Church of Matador. She was an avid golfer and loved it until her health prevented her from being able to participate.

She is survived by her sisters-in-law, Laqueta Cox of Hedley; Amy Cox of Victor, WV; Dorothy Russell of Matador; and Leona Terry of Matador. She is survived by her nieces Sondra and Ronald Hatcher; Jeanette and Jerry Wagner; Linda and Morris Crump; Lucy and Joe Poole; Marilyn and Randy Hicks; Linda and Tom Roy; Caron and Jesse Perkins; and Dea Coleman. And nephews, Carl and Christy Cox; Don and Dee Cox; Ronnie and Shelley Cox; and John Douglas and DeAnna Russell; Tim and Linda Cox; and David Cox. And special friends, Dorothy Day, Evelyn Garrison, and Glenna Dean Williams. And a host of great and great-great nieces and nephews and friends.

Loys had requested that in lieu of flowers donations be to Matador Senior Citizens, East Mound cemetery, or a charity of your choice.

Thomas Richard Smauley

Funeral Services for Thomas Richard Smauley, 65, of Lubbock were held October 7 at the First Baptist Church in Matador. Interment followed in the East Mound Cemetery in Matador under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador. He passed away October 3, 2008 in Guymon, Oklahoma. Thomas was born July 30, 1943 in Matador, Texas to Clarence C. 'Shorty' Smauley and Margie Cavitt Smauley. He was a member of the Lakeside Baptist Church in Lubbock. Mr. Smauley was a truck driver and had worked for Merchants, McCoy, U.S.F. Logistics, and for Wal-Mart for 5 years. He served his country in the U.S.

He married Judy Phillips on December 23, 1977 in Childress, Texas. Thomas loved his family very much. He is survived by his wife Judy Smauley of Lubbock, Texas; one son, Keith Henderson and wife Cindy of Lubbock; one daughter, Christi James and husband Wally of Lubbock; three grandchildren, Keri and Kaitlyn Henderson and Ashley Brown and husband Justin; one great-grandson Braxton Brown; two brothers, Gregory Smauley and wife Inga of Ramsey, NJ; and Robin Smauley and wife Chris of Michigan; and cousin Ed. D. Smith and wife Pat of Matador, Texas.

Alverna C. Watson

Graveside Services for Alverna C. Watson, 75, of Matador were held October 7, 2008 at the East Mound Cemetery in Matador with Matt Crawford officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador. Ms. Watson passed away October 5,

2008 in Crosbyton. Alverna was born April 30, 1933 to James A. Watson and Dora J. Spray Watson in Whiteflat, TX. Survivors include her mother, Dora Watson of Matador, Texas and one brother, James P. Watson of Matador, Texas.

Senior Citizens Menu

THURSDAY, October 9: Beef fajitas, lettuce/tomato/salsa, grilled vegetables, bean and corn salad, tortillas, pineapple cake.

FRIDAY, October 10: Fried fish, red beans, tossed salad, baked hush puppies, applesauce.

MONDAY, October 13: Sausage on bun, tator tots,

carrots, low fat cottage cheese and pears.

TUESDAY, October 14: BBQ chicken, broccoli, potato salad, bread and pickles, cinnamon applesauce.

WEDNESDAY, October 15: Ham salad/roll, cucumber tomato salad, 1/2 apple, and cinnamon apple coffee cake.

School Menu

THURSDAY, October 9: Breakfast: Cereal, blueberry muffin or toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Beef tips/rice, broccoli/cheese, biscuit, Jell-O, milk.

FRIDAY, October 10: Breakfast: Biscuit, sausage, gravy, or cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, creamed potatoes, gravy, salad, hot roll, honey, and milk.

MONDAY, October 13: Breakfast: Breakfast bagel, or cereal, toast, slice pears, milk.

Lunch: Soft taco/lettuce, tomato, cheese, tortilla chips, Jell-O, milk.

TUESDAY, October 14: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Fish sticks, mac/cheese, green peas, hush puppy, sherbet, milk.

WEDNESDAY, October 15: Breakfast: Waffle, sausage, or cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickle spears, French fries, cookie, 1/2 apple, and milk.

Bonfire

Thursday, October 9th
8:30 p.m.

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the registered voters of the County of MOTLEY, Texas: (a los votantes registrados del Condado de MOTLEY, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from **7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., November 4, 2008**, for voting in a general election to elect (presidential electors, if applicable), Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, and state, district, county, and precinct officers:

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 4 de noviembre de 2008 para votar en la Elección General para elegir (electores presidenciales, si es aplicable), Miembros del Congreso, Miembros de la Legislatura, y oficiales del estado, distrito, condado y del precinto

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Precinct #1 - Motley County Courthouse Precinct #4 - R. S. Community Center
Precinct #2 - Flomot Community Center Precinct #5 - Motley County Courthouse
Precinct #3 - Northfield Church Precinct #6 - Motley County Courthouse

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: (La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en:)

County & District Clerk's Office, Motley County Courthouse, 701 Dundee, Matador, Tx. (location) (sitio) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on (entre las 9:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el October 20, 2008 (date) (fecha)

and ending on (y terminando el) October 31, 2008. (date) (fecha)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Kate Hurt (Name of Early Voting Clerk) (Nombre del Secretario de la Votación Adelantada)

P.O. Box 660 (Address/Dirección)

Matador, Texas 79244 (City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el:)

October 28, 2008 (date) (fecha)

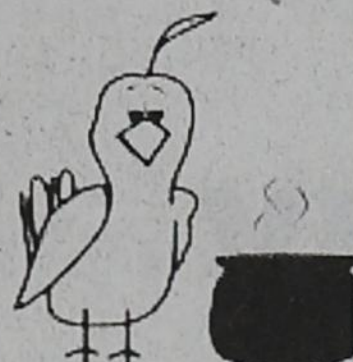
Issued this the 9th day of October, 2008. (Emitada este día 9th de October, 2008.)

Ed D. Smith
Signature of County Judge (Firma del Juez del Condado)

Thank You

I thank you all, my friends and relatives who attended my birthday bash on Saturday, October 4. What fun. I especially enjoyed getting to see relatives I have not seen in a while. I so appreciate all the cards and letters from friends, students and relatives. I will treasure the memories. Thank you.
Marguerite Edwards

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Barton Reunion

October 18, 2008

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

914 Walton Rd. Matador, Texas
Home of the Jan Barton Hamilton Family

Jan Barton Hamilton, Cherri Barton Karr, Mitchell Max Barton, Larry Melvin Keltz, Benjamin Terry Keltz and James Kelly Keltz

Bring Family Pictures & Stories & Recipes
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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

We are back from our wanderings. We stayed mostly on back roads and traveled almost 2500 miles in nine days. We went to Kentucky. I do believe I saw some of the most beautiful country I have ever seen. Everything was beautiful and green; places were mowed as much as an acre around each house. The land looked prosperous; they were cutting corn, tobacco and harvesting soy beans. The crops looked better than irrigated farms where we had plenty of water in Parmer County; and I had thought they were the best I had ever seen.

We saw some cotton; some being picked but we never saw a cotton gin! We saw elevators for the grain and soybeans. We never did ask about this in Kentucky but we did in Arkansas and they told us there were gins, just not on the main roads. We saw tobacco being harvested and barns filled to capacity with racks of drying tobacco leaves. I will try to write about the highlight of my trip next week. The tobacco harvest was Corky's favorite!

I think Dinah did a good job of covering the news while I was gone; she sees more people each week than I do. I think I'll make her my other 'foreign correspondent' along with Corky!

Pearl Patten reported on the Methodist Study Guild. It met in the home of Jo Etta Bumgardener last Wednesday afternoon. There were five members present: Jo Etta, Chelsea Read; Ethel Smith, Callie Giesecke and Pearl Patten. Pearl opened the meet-

ing with prayer. Chelsea Read brought a very good lesson.

Don and Billie Stuckey visited their daughter in Flower Mound, Texas and Don accompanied a friend to Houston on business. They returned early last week.

Shiela Lefevre celebrated her birthday and was feted with a cake at Thacker Jewelry. The employees helped her celebrate and enjoyed a cake baked by Linda Hess. On Sunday she was taken to lunch to celebrate more by Walter and Jo Trammell at the Hitchin' Post.

Johnny and Connie Morris attended a pastor's retreat in Cloudercroft, New Mexico over the weekend. Winfield Davenport filled the pulpit at the First Baptist Church in his place.

Ken and Dinah Young attended business in Lubbock on Monday and also took in a movie; Dinah said it was a very good Christian movie. The name of the movie is *Fireproof*. She highly recommended it as a worth while movie with good Christian morals and a good story.

Travis McPherson was at home this week-end; he attended church at the First United Methodist Church and had lunch at the Hitchin' Post. We miss seeing our neighbor about while he is working in Lubbock. He drives a bus on the Texas Tech Campus.

Payton Fletcher visited his dad, Bobby Fletcher over the weekend. He said that Bobby was improving and enjoying being at home after his hospital stay.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

A preacher was trying to start his pull-start lawn mower when a young man walked by and said, "preacher you have to cuss at those things to get them to run."

"Son," the preacher said, "I haven't cussed in a long, long, time." A moment went by and the young man replied, "Well, just keep pulling that rope and it will come back to you!"

Alvia Joe Calvert of Dumas visited from Monday until Wednesday of last week with his family. Mr. and Ms. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert. He and his son, Justin Calvert of Dumas visited Saturday and Sunday. Other Saturday night supper guests were Brandon Lee of Plainview and Josh Lee of Flomot. Joining them in the Calvert home Sunday to visit were Dan and Sherrilyn Foster of Lubbock.

Bengie Hughes of Royce City visited overnight Tuesday with his parents, Janice and Butch Hughes. Janice was in Floydada, Thursday to baby-sit

with her two grandsons, Kason Hughes and Brodie Hughes. Saturday, she and Butch visited in Abilene with her brother, Keith Rogers, a patient in the Hendrick Hospital.

Mrs. B. Rogers and son, Donnie Rogers visited in Roaring Springs, Thursday with Mozell and Billy Hand.

Ruth and Orville Lee enjoyed the Jamboree Saturday night held at the Gem Theatre in Turkey.

Luncheon guests and attending church services with Kathy and Clois Shorter, Sunday were his brother and wife, Louis and Beverly Shorter of Fort Worth and daughter and children, Mrs. Jennifer Moncrief, Allison, Braedan and Matthew of Matador.

Wilburn Martin attended the Revival services Sunday night held at the United Methodist Church in Quitaque.

Mrs. Aleda Ross was in Lubbock Thursday for a medical appointment. She visited overnight with daughter and husband, Elisa and Stan Wigley and returned home, Friday.

Matador News

Betty and Billy Paul Simpson of Northfield and cousins, Charles and Betty Martin of Chico, Texas, were on a vacation trip from September 25 to October 1. Tourist attractions they enjoyed was the Pioneer Village Museum in Mandin, Nebraska that featured thousands of indoor and outdoor exhibits dealing with life in the West from 1830 on. They continued to Keystone, South Dakota and toured Mount Rushmore National Memorial near Rapid City and were impressed by Crazy Horse memorial in the process of being sculptured near Carter, En route home, they visited in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

GWINN FAMILY REUNION

Descendants of the C.H. Gwinn family held their annual reunion Saturday, October 4th at the Church of Christ fellowship hall in Matador. They enjoyed visiting, renew-

ing memories and a sumptuous meal.

Those attending the festivity were Bonnie and Bob Fullingem of Harlingen; Mrs. Rosemary Byers of Austin; Mrs. Patti Embrom of San Antonio; Marilyn and Ray Holcomb, Johnny and Carol Redding of Floydada; Aly Gwinn, Mrs. Alta Earl Price, and Emily Hurt of Lubbock; Mrs. Codene Myrtle of Golden City, Missouri; Melvin and Marjorie Holcomb of Lockney; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bolting of Ralls; Darla and James Gwinn and Danielle of Whiteflat; Charles "Chig" Gwinn, Josie and bill Raetz, Fannin and Rebecca Gwinn and Shane of Matador; Tommy and Carl Holcomb and granddaughter of Childress; Gloria and Alvis Lee of Spur, and Patricia Edwards of Palo Pinto.

Bessie Jean Williams is a patient at Mangold Memorial Hospital, 320 N. Main Street, Room 118, Lockney, TX

Historic rain in Motley County September, 2008

Motley County localized areas did not fare well during rains September 8-12. A bad situation got increasingly worse as time passed. The 20, 15, and 13 inches of rain reported caused chaotic problems in the county. Out hats are off to everyone who helped weather the rains and assisted stranded residents.

The last two weeks in September had autumn beauty with nighttime temperatures dropping to lower 50s and daytime temperatures in lower 80s

and light winds. Cotton and sorghum continues to mature and wheat planting under way. Pastures and ranges are in good condition as well as cattle.

The National Weather Service volunteers in Motley County registered September total rain: Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs, 10.62 inches; Ronnie Bailey, Matador, 11.10 inches; Betty Simpson, Northfield, 8.52 inches; Lawrence Allen, Whiteflat, 13.02 inches and Clois Shorter, Flomot, 10.45 inches.

Birth Announcement

CANYON LEE SCOTT

Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Scott of White River Lake announce the arrival of a baby son, Canyon Lee. He arrived Sunday, September 28, 2008, at the Medical Covenant Centre in Lubbock. He weighed seven pounds, seven ounces and was 21 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Debra Scott of Matador and Johnny Scott of Roosevelt. Great grandparent is Mrs. Evelyn Garrison of Matador.

Maternal grandparents are Mrs. Tami Witt and Lance Egbert of Post. Great grandparents are Wallace and Deloris Johnson of Crosbyton, JoAnn Bailey of Wichita, Kansas, Gary Egbert and Colleen Witt of Post.

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Notes from the Library

By Buffy Crutchley

Like many folks, I am completely ignorant when it comes to the business of our nation's financial woes. That is why, when I was approached this week about holding a round table discussion at the library, I thought that it sure couldn't hurt. I think it might be kind of nice for concerned citizens to get together and discuss exactly what the nation's troubles mean for us everyday folks. Marie-Louise Lieber-Harkort is willing to use her expertise as a Financial Planner to help us better understand. She assures me she talks in terms of "apples and ham sandwiches", instead of all that Wall Street gobblegook. If you're interested in learning more about the situation, or you feel frustrated and want to be around some

like-minded citizens, the discussion will be held in the Library Annex Thursday evening, October 9th at 7:00pm.

On a higher note, I am happy to announce we've finally set a date for our next book discussion "Water for Elephants" by Sara Gruen. The date for this event is Tuesday, October 21st, at 7:00pm. I've had folks as far away as Crosbyton express interest in attending, so I'm hoping we'll have quite a turn-out. If you haven't read the book yet, the library has 5 copies available for checkout, so hurry on in. It's the best book I've read in quite some time!

I want to say a quick note of thanks to the Sheriff of Motley County for donating an office chair to the library. It looks beautiful! Thanks so much.

County Agent's News



by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent

Texas 4-H Centennial Concert Celebration

The year 2008 marks 100 years of 4-H in Texas. To celebrate the Texas 4-H Centennial, the Motley and Dickens 4-H clubs will sponsor a concert featuring Trent Willmon. The concert is scheduled for November 8, 2008 at the Old Settlers Grounds in Roaring Springs starting at 7:00 pm. Tickets are on sale for \$10 each, \$15 at the gate and ages 7 and under get in free.

Since Trent Willmon is a Motley and Dickens 4-H alumni, it is only suitable to have him come back to this area to play for the Texas 4-H Centennial. Tickets are on sale at Matador Motor, Motley County ISD, and the Motley County Courthouse. For more information contact the Motley County Extension office at 806-347-2733 or the Dickens County Extension office at 806-623-5552.

Country of Origin Labeling Begins for Rolling Plains Cattle Producers

Effective September 30, 2008, retailers who sell fresh and frozen beef, pork, lamb, chicken, goat meat muscle cuts and ground meat products must notify their customers of the country of origin. Cow-calf producers and stocker cattle operators, as indirect suppliers of animals that produce meat covered by this law are obligated to provide buyers with information to establish the origin of meat products derived from animals they sell. Therefore, at the cow-calf level, cattle sellers must declare the origin of the animals with the implication that they have sufficient records to verify the claim if needed.

Because this law directly affects retailers and not cattle operators, little guidance from USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service was given to the cattle producers as to what information was needed to be sent up the marketing chain as the cattle moved through to the retail beef industry. However, according to the law, a producer affidavit shall be considered acceptable evidence on which the buyer may rely to initiate the origin claim, provided it is made by someone having first-hand knowledge of the origin of the animal(s) and identifies the animal(s) unique to the transaction. In late August, a cattle

industry coalition met in Kansas City to develop a universal affidavit that minimizes the burden on cattle producers and simultaneously assures animal buyers of compliance with COOL requirements. The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association have the universal affidavits posted on their websites.

Rolling Plains cow-calf producers should be ready to complete an affidavit on the calves they intend to sell in the coming months. Being the first-hand knowledge entity as to the origin of their cattle, ranchers will be required to provide an affidavit to the buyer of the cattle. In the case of a supply chain audit back to the rancher, the law states that records maintained in the course of the normal conduct of the business of such person, including animal birth records, animal health papers, animal inventory documents, feeding records, and other similar documents may serve as such verification. These records should be kept for one year.

For those stocker cattle operators that intend to purchase and graze cattle on small grains pastures over the winter, particular attention will need to be paid to getting a country of origin affidavit from the seller of the cattle. In cases where the cattle are from multiple locations, multiple affidavits will be required. Those operators will need the previous affidavits as they become the next seller of the cattle. The subsequent buyer (in this case, probably a feedlot) will need to be able to identify all previous owners of the cattle in case of a supply chain audit.

Cool-What proof might you need?

Under the mandatory Country of Origin Labeling that will go into effect the end of this month, producers can be responsible for certifying the origin of cattle that eventually wind up as retail product. The USDA has set out requirements for complying but has said they will not develop any documents to be used for this purpose. In response, a group of 70 representatives from the livestock, packing, and retail sectors met in late August to develop materials that would be suitable for complying with COOL. Those materials can be found at <http://www.beefusa.org/uDoes/countryoforiginaffidavit453.pdf> and other industry sites. Also, some entities such as local livestock marketing facilities may have developed their own in-house documents for sellers to sign.

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By Ace Reid



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West Nile Virus

Due to the recent rains and warmer weather, mosquito populations have exploded and with mosquitoes come West Nile Virus. Three cases have already been reported for our region over the past month. One in Castro, one in Hale and one in Randall county. This brings the total number of cases reported in Texas so far in 2008 to 48; 30 cases of West Nile Neurologic Disease and 18 cases of West Nile Fever.

To prevent West Nile Virus, vaccinate horses, mules, and donkeys annually. Also, if you are planning on going outside, use a repellent. Repellents are an important tool to assist people in protecting themselves from mosquito-borne diseases. There are several repellents on the market today. However, products that do not contain DEET offer protection for a short period of time. If you are planning on being outside for a long period of time and possibly perspire a lot, a product with higher concentrations of DEET is recommended.

EPA recommends the following precautions when using insect repellents:

1. Apply repellents only to exposed skin and/or clothing (as directed on the product label.) Do not use repellents under clothing.
2. Never use repellents over cuts, wounds or irritated skin.
3. Do not apply to eyes or mouth, and apply sparingly around ears. When using sprays, do not spray directly

on face—spray on hands first and then apply to face.

4. Do not allow children to handle the product. When using on children, apply to your own hands first and then put it on the child. You may not want to apply to children's hands.

5. Use just enough repellent to cover exposed skin and/or clothing. Heavy application and saturation are generally unnecessary for effectiveness. If biting insects do not respond to a thin film of repellent, then apply a bit more.

6. After returning indoors, wash treated skin with soap and water or bathe. This is particularly important when repellents are used repeatedly in a day or on consecutive days. Also, wash treated clothing before wearing it again. (This precaution may vary with different repellents—check the product label.)

7. If you or your child gets a rash or other bad reaction from an insect repellent, stop using the repellent, wash the repellent off with mild soap and water, and call a local poison control center for further guidance. If you go to a doctor because of the repellent, take the repellent with you to show the doctor.

Upcoming Events:

- Oct. 5-11 - National 4-H Week
- Oct. 11 - Motley 4-H Awards Banquet
- Oct. 20 - Motley 4-H Club meeting 6:30 pm courtroom
- Oct. 20 - King County Fair Entries Due
- Oct. 25 - Quality Counts Course 6 pm
- Nov. 8 - King County Fair in Guthrie
- Nov. 8 - Trent Willmon Concert in Roaring Springs 7pm
- Nov. 15 - District Food Show - Vernon

Arts and Crafts

By Winifred Darsey

September meeting of Arts and Crafts Club was a special day. The members learned a new art form.

Etching on metal was taught by Bonnie Vandiver, one of the newest members of Arts and Crafts Club. She moved to Matador to make her home with her son, Ronnie.

A business meeting was held by the club president. There were several items to be discussed. The Fall Bazaar is planned for November 18th. It will be held at the Senior Center. There will be many new items, and the old favorites.

A special quilt will be displayed. The late, Mrs. Derickson made the quilt blocks and her granddaughter, the

former Paula Patton, donated them to the club. Club member Vee Gordon finished the quilt. Chances on the quilt will be sold at the Bazaar for \$1.00 apiece or six tickets for \$5.00. This is an antique and will enhance any home.

The club dined at noon with the Seniors. It was a delightful hour with good food and fun.

Members present were: Bonnie Vandiver, Vee Gordon, Joy Archer, Nova Dale Turner, Joyce Meredith, Dorothy Knight, Jo Trammell, Ray Baxter, Loretta Thompson and Winifred Darsey.

The program for October will be taught by Joy Archer and Lorene Lancaster.

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October

- 9 MCISD JH vs Silverton, 5:30
- 9 M City Council, 6:30
- 9 Foothills Fellowship, Roaring Springs Community Center, 7pm
- 10 MCISD vs Silverton, Home, 7:30
- 11 Motley 4H awards banquet
- 11 Come Hear What Democrats have to Say, 6:30 pm Hotel Matador
- 13 Commissioners Court, 9:30
- 13 Roaring Springs City Council, 6 pm
- 14 RS Community Volunteers, Com. Center, 7:00 pm

BOIL WATER NOTIFICATION

Due to a mechanical failure with the disinfection system, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission has required the City to notify all customers to boil their water prior to consumption for the next 48 hours. By 12:00 noon Thursday, October 9, the water will no longer need to be boiled prior to consumption. To ensure destruction of all harmful bacteria and other microbes, water for drinking, cooking, and ice making should be boiled and cooled prior to consumption. The water should be brought to a vigorous rolling boil and then boiled for two minutes. In lieu of boiling, you may purchase bottled water or obtain water from some other suitable source.

If you have questions regarding this matter you may contact City Hall at 806-347-2255 or Debra Scott, City Secretary at 806-347-2749 or the City cell phone number 806-347-2256.

City of Matador, P O Box 367, Matador, Texas 79244

Public Notice

The City of Matador will hold a public hearing at City Hall on Tuesday, October 14, 2008 at 1:00 pm, in regard to the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program project that has recently been completed in Matador.

This public hearing is being held to review the outcome of the water system improvements. The grant was used to replace water mains and paint above ground water storage tanks.

Citizens who wish to comment, but are unable to attend this hearing may submit their written comments to Debra Scott, City Secretary, PO Box 367 Matador, TX 79244. Anyone needing additional information or special assistance may call Kelly Davila at South Plains Association of Governments at (806) 762-8721.

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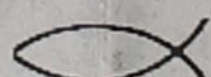
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