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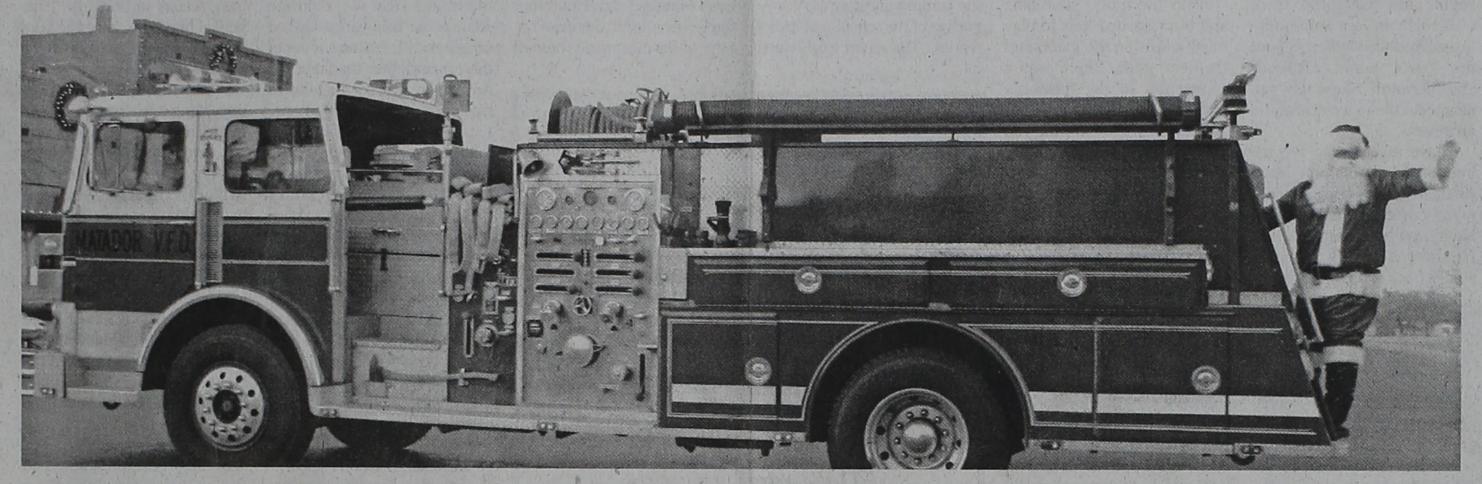
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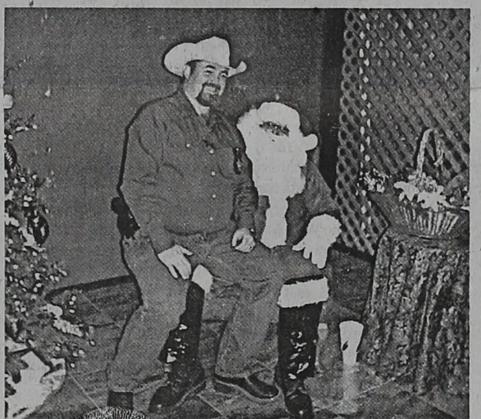
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Santa Claus hitches ride on Matador Fire Truck just in time for Late Night Shopping



GOLF CLUBS! Trace Osborn, 4, asks Santa for his favorite thing - golf-clubs! Santa says, "Granddad Billy Osborn better look out! He may have a new partner next year on the Roaring Springs links."



SHERIFF Michael Crutchley asked Santa for two new patrol units with new flashing lights!

Ribbon cutting ceremony held for new **Emergency Medical Service**

By Jennifer Lawler

An open house for the new EMS building held on Saturday, December 6th during Matador's Late Night Shopping was a real hit.

There were a number of visitors to the building; 15-20 people received free blood pressure checks on the new cardiac machines. A grant from the Farris Foundation in Floydada Texas, made it possible to buy the equipment.

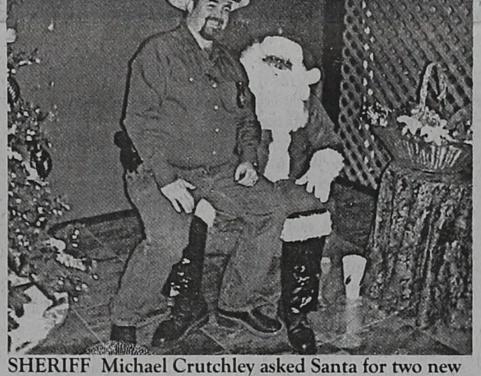
Matthew Faulks, Joshua and Michael Martin, took part in the flag raising.

Charlie Johnson performed the ribbon cutting, and Michael Crowley said the prayer.

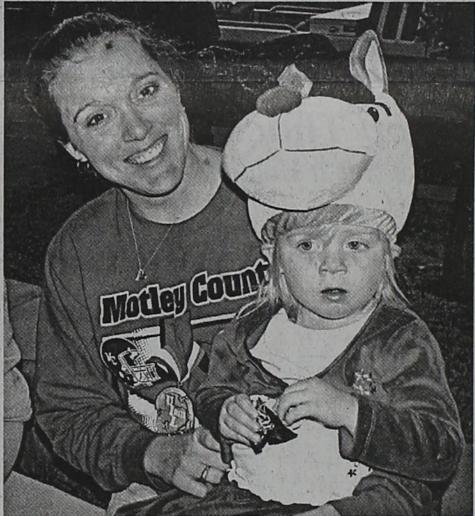
As you drive by, the beautiful rock faced exterior of the new 2,400 sq. ft. building will definitely catch your eye.



RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY was held at the new Emergency Medical Services building on Main Street December 6. The new building was open during Late Night Shopping for free blood pressure checks and a tour of the facility. Volunteers for EMS are pictured (L to R): Pat Smith, Tony Rose, D'Anna Russell, Debra Scott, Lejeanna Faulks, Nathan Shannon, Seven Alexander, and Lizabeth Estrada.



Only 14 days Christmas!



WAITING FOR SANTA Breann Brady, 2, dressed in a raindeer hat, waits with mom, Jennifer Brady, for a chance to meet with Santa. Children gather in Santa's Workshop to purchase gifts for parents and grandparents. The Children's Shopping Center was located adjacent to the Matador Floral. The annual shopping event is sponsored by the Eternas Study Club.

Grannies Tea Party benefits library

By Carol Campbell Sixteen girls ages 4-12 enjoy "High Tea" Matador style, complete with white linen table cloths and 'napkins, grandmother's best china, and dainty little tea cups filled to the brim with hot apple cider or lemonade. The girls were the 18th group to attend the Annual Grannies Tea Party hosted by Joyce and Janie Campbell to benefit programs

"Last year the tea party paid for more than 20 new video's at the library," Buffy Crutchley said.

Following introductions where each girl was required to stand in front of the v.hole group and state her name, describe her clothes and jewelry, and talk about her favorite hobbies or school subjects, the group was given brief instructions on "manners," including "Thank you; Yes, please; and May I? Janie Campbell continued on page 3



HIGH TEA (L to R) Kaitlyn and Kenzie Keltz, Alycia Silvia, Dodie Gleghorn, and Carley Turner, attended the annual Grannie's Tea Party, hosted by Janie and Joyce Campbell. Sixteen girls dressed up in their grandmother's clothes, jewelry, gloves, hats and shoes, to experience "High Tea" - Matador Style.

Foothill Country Connections

Community, Diversity, Art

By Larry Vogt

My tendency to get a bit cynical about the holiday season is easily dispelled when I pick up my guitar and play one of the old carols. The timeless melodies and messages in songs like "Silent Night" and "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem" are antidote to my self induced feelings about the "over commercialized" and "elevator" music that can permeate the video and audio airwaves.

I have my favorite recordings of the carols and listen to them every year and enjoy them even though they have been heard many times. However, it is when the music comes from my own heart and

hands that the healing and uplifting begins. Playing my own arrangements that are largely improvised from fragments of music heard since my early childhood renders my mind and spirit cleansed of all previous connotations and the wonder of childhood can be experienced again.

From the time I first sang and then learned how to play those carols on the piano and then the guitar there was a connection to the messages and the music that has lasted all these years. Next time you hear or play or listen to one of these songs thank the folks who composed the tunes and wrote the words and see if you can hear them as if for the first

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By Laverne Zabielski

How can it go from 70 degrees one day down to 30 degrees the next? Fortunately it was warm for a packed Late Night Shopping in Matador. Cars lined the streets, Santa arrived on the fire truck, the siren blared as it passed the Tribune office, and everywhere you turned shoppers were dressed in red and white and green. Long after most stores were closed the restaurants were still packed serving no matter how old you are.

soups, stew and chili.

All the festivities came just in time as inspiration for working on the Christmas edition which will be out next week. Seems early. Since Christmas falls on a Thursday this year that will be the 52nd week and the Tribune has a tradition of taking that week off. There's still time to get letters to Santa in, however, especially if something you saw during Late Night Shopping caught your eye. There's nothing like a wish list,

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WRITING COMMUNITY

My Family History by Rosa Aurora Smith Spray Chapter four, Whiteflat, 1917

...In 1917 Whiteflat was at its peak, there were many families living in the community. The school enrollment was near two hundred. The two story school building that had seemed quite adequate only a few years earlier was now practically overflowing with kids. The business men of the community were very supportive of the school and its activities. The report card issued

. . . We had gone only a short distance from Whiteflat when the friver pulled up to a rather neat looking frame house. "Well, this is it," he said. There was a windmill, a barn and other sheds out back, but there was not a tree or shrub around. The yard

eachmonth to the pupils carried was bare of grass or shrubs. The pastures had only a few small mesquite bushes. I loved trees and to me the place looked a little desolate. To Mama and the older girls, it must have looked

blead indeed.

The house faced the west and there was a long porch across the front. Here we could see some of our belongings stacked on either end. Mama got out of the car and after thanking the driver she walked gingerly to the house. She picked yer way to the front door, all of Ithe kids following warily behind. We entered a large room-sized hall, a large room was on each side of the entrance way. To the back of the room onthe north were two more rooms. there was a door leadingonto an l-sha;ed back porch. The south end of the porch had been walled up to make a small room. Outside of the l-shaped porch was a large

Everyday clothing was located and after a quick change we got downto the business of unpacking. I don't know if Papa had made a floor plan for Mama or not, in any case no time was lost in quibbling about what went where. The front south room would be the sitting room, it would also double as my parents' bedroom. This was the way it had always been and would always be. The hall would serve as Jim's bedroom, there was no door in the east end and thre was plenty of room for a bed, leaving a passage way with doors leading into the two would be the girls' bedroom, shae it with Laura and me.

Mama gave orders while Clara and Arrie set up beds. Laura, Jim and I brought inthings fromthe porch and ran errands for the others. Soon the wagon arrived and Mama left the household operation to the older girls while she tended the chickens and turkeys. Papa helped her there while the boys finished unloading the wagon and cared for the livestock.

While the older girls were unpacking kitchen utensils and dishes, it was noted that the carton containing coal oil lamps had not arrived. It had been left in the box car at Matador. Pap had met the Jameson family living just across the road from us and Laura was sent there to see if a lamp could be borrowed for a couple of nights. Mrs. Jameson not only graciously lent the lamp; she also gave Laura a bowl for fresh butter to carry home for breakfast. Nothing that Mrs. Jameson could have down would have please Mama more, she never forgot the kindness that Mrs. Jameson had shown. Laura found that there was Jameson girl about her age name Dora and a little boy anbout three years old by the name of J.E. There was also a niece of Mr. Jameson named Ethel, she was about nine years old. Laura had already made social contacts in he new commulnity.

By night fall the house had begun to look a little like home. Everyone had a bed to sleep in and there was a hot supper on the long table. Everyone was front rooms. The north room hungry and we all felt better as we found our places at the old Clara and Arrie would have to familiar table.

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RS Lions learn about Magi Story

The Roaring Springs Lions royalty, the frankincense, which met Thursday, December 4, at the Hitchin' Post in downtown Roaring Springs. A fine luncheon was served to 10 members and 9 guests including many spouses. Lion Michael Crowley presented a program about the story of the Wise Men or Magi that is related in the gospel of Matthew.

He pointed out that pictures often show three wise men with the shepherds adoring the Christ child, the scriptures do not mention the number of wise men or that they were there at the same time as the shepherds. The symbolism of the gifts of gold, which is a specific gift for was symbolic of the prayers of the people going up to God, and the myrrh, which was used at funerals, which symbolized the eventual death of Christ as Sav-

In the business portion of the meeting it was decided to hold the drawing for the ring at the Travelers' Inn at 3:00 p.m. on December 19. It was reported that Dorothy Willard sent a donation to be used to maintain the Veterans Memorial. The Roaring Springs Lions will cosponsor the December 16 Christmas boxes with the Matador Lions. The meeting was adjourned.

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Commissioner's Court sets date for swearing-in" ceremony Five elected officials to be sworn-in January 1

By Carol Campbell

The Commissioner's Court met in regular session on Monday, December 8, 2008, in the Commissioner's Courtroom. A full quorum was present, consisting of County Judge Ed D. Smith; and Commissioners Ronnie Davis. Donnie Turner, Russell Alexander, and Franklin Jame-Also attending were Kate Hurt, County Clerk; Tom Edwards, County Attorney; Roy Gene Stephens, Commissioner Elect of Precinct 1; and Michael Crutchley, Sheriff.

Judge Ed D. Smith announced the retirement of Commissioner Ronnie Davis effective January 1, 2009. "This is Ronnie's last meeting with the court, and I would like to publicly thank him for all his help and support in the past seven years," Smith said. "The court joins me in saying that it has been a real pleasure working with Ronnie, and we are sure going to miss him." Roy Gene Stephens will be sworn-in on January 1, 2009, to represent Precinct 1.

Program allotment for Motley County is \$6,261.00. The allotment will be satisfied with surplus materials, rather than with new material purchases, Judge Smith said.

In other business, the court approved the 2009 Holiday Schedule, consisting of 15 designated Motley County Holidays. The court voted unanimously to close all county offices on Thursday-Friday, January 1-2. Five county officials are slated to be swornin on January 1. Swearing-in ceremonies will be held in the District Courtroom at 10:00 a.m. January 1, according to County Judge Ed D. Smith. For any officials that cannot make this date, an additional ceremony will be held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, January

court that in a letter from the Rolling Plains District Office of the Agrilife Extension Service, a performance appraisal conference has been set for February 9, 2009, with County Extension agent Ryan Martin. Judge Smith said this In the first order of busi- annual conference is a formal- created to provide support to ness, Ben Kautz of the Texas ity, scheduled each year with veterans that needed services Department of Transportation the Commissioners Court. from Veterans Affairs. "Mot-(TxDOT) announced that the "Ryan is doing a great job," he ley County doesn't have that

The judge informed the

grams have a unique partnership among local county commissioners courts, the Texas A&M University System and the U.S.D.A.

In further business, a discussion was held regarding the status of flood assistance relief for the Motley County flood damage in Precinct 2. Commissioner Turner's precinct was hit the hardest during the September floods, receiving more than 20 inches of rain in some parts of the Flomot area, washing out bridges and roads. Commissioner Turner said Regional Liaison Officer David Solis had agreed to make a personal inspection of the damage, Turner said, however, he has not followed through with this commitment. Judge Smith said he would follow-up with Solis to accomplish a one-on-one inspection of the damage. This inspection is necessary in order to apply for funds through FEMA.

A discussion was held on the position of Veterans Service Officer for Motley County. Historically, this position was FY2009 County Assistance said. County Extension pro- much activity," Judge Smith

said. "The budget for this position was changed from \$1,800 a year to \$500 a year." In order to be eligible for this position, a person must be a veteran, Judge Smith said. This matter was tabled until next meeting.

Two interlocal agreements were approved unanimously by the court. The West Texas Rural Counties Association (WTRCA) made minor changes to the Plan of Operation and By-Laws to the insurance Pool. The WTRCA is an unincorporated association of counties created to provide risk coverage through interlocal agreements.

Further, Hale County in partnership with Central Plains Center and the Llano Estacado Alliance for Families (LEAF), was awarded a federal grant through the Substance Abuse and Mental 'Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) for \$6 million, to be used over a six-year time period. Motley County was included in the service area for this grant. An interlocal agreement between Motley County and Hale County was requested by Hale County Commissioners Court, and was approved unanimously.

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instructed the girls in how to open their napkin, placing it properly in the lap.

Servers consisted Shane'a Russell who has attended tea parties until her freshman year in high school, and is now serving the young girls as part of her community service commitment. "I just love it," Shane'a said. Other servers were Buffy Crutchley and Marisue Potts-Powell.

Finger foods served included Petit Fours, cheese, fruit, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches (served in small bite sizes, without the crust); pretzels, marshmallows, sausage balls, and small cheese pizza squares.

Decorations included a small "ornament" tree with 18 assorted Christmas ornaments representing each year the girls have been attending Grannies Tea Party. Every year the girls receive a special tree ornament commemorating the experience. "We have all the ornaments since we began, except for 1989," Joyce said. "For some reason, we gave all the 1989 ornaments away. It is the only missing

Cora Hall celebrates 95th Birthday

Cora Hall celebrated her 95th birthday with family and friends at her son's home on Whidbey Island. Gathered around her were five generations with the youngest soon to be three. Cora had no trouble blowing out all 95 candles and delighted in shaing her gifts of hand embroidery and photos with those in attendance. She loves keeping



in touch with her community of may years through the Motley County Tribune and those who care to write her at The Homestead, P.O. Bos 1742, Coupeville, Washington, 98239.



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GUEST ARTICLE



Our article this week comes from a good friend and faithful Gospel Preacher of many years. He is brother Ted Kingery of Silverton, Texas. Here are his words.

"Jesus said in John 18:36, "My kingdom is not of this world." When and to the extent that we understand this statement of our Lord we will

understand that "our kingdom" is also not of his world. Our real and lasting person is our spirit. This body which houses our spirit is only a tattered garment, a vehicle by and in which we serve Him by our service to others.

His Spirit calls to our spirit and we can look forward to the time that we will rise and in the words of a songwriter, "fly away." Fly away from this world to the world promised us by the God that loves us. After all, His Kingdom never has been a part of this

The Devil, since Eden, tries and is all too successful in convincing us that the "here and now" is what is real and lasting. His dribble seeks to convince us to serve only the physical body and its desires. It is only through the strong eye of faith that we see the real and everlasting. We can with the strength of faith see far beyond the reach of the physical see. Can you see the "kingdom that is not of this world?"

Ted Kingery

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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News By Monta Marshall

If you're not into the Christmas spirit after two late night shoppings in our county you're behind! I enjoyed the shopping events very much. Until last year, we had always had Corky's family Christmas get together at our house. Last year was so different with my daughter being so ill and my being away from home so much. Pennie graciously held the Marshall Christmas party at their house. I really appreciated that and she has offered to do it again this year.

My family has been rotating from year to year. At first we had both groups together and they outgrew us. It was getting a bit like the "Griswold Family Get Together." When my son married Tracie, an only child, she needed to include her parents and sometimes an aunt and an uncle. It is not always easy to 'co'-ordinate so many schedules so now we have two dinners and two Christmas package exchanges.

We had a very good time at Pennie's and Kelly's and I am looking forward to being there again. We're waiting to see how Katie is doing before scheduling my families' gathering.

The drawing for the diamond ring donated by Thacker Jewelry and raffled by the Roaring Springs Lions Club to help build Hope Lodge, a facility for providing lodging for families of Cancer patients, will be held on December 19th at 3:00 p.m. at Traveler's Inn in Roaring Springs. The facility will be doing the same kind of compassionate work that the Ronald McDonald House does for families of children in the hospital for long term care. The raffle has been very successful and many have had a chance to own a beautiful ring.

The monthly meeting of the Foothills Christian Fellowship will be held on Thursday, December 11th at the Roaring Springs Community Center at 7:00 p.m. A beans and cornbread supper will be served before the service. Come and enjoy this fellowship and hear timely messages from God's Word brought by Winfield Dav-

Billy Stuckey is in Briscoe helping her mother get ready for Christmas.

Mozelle Hand is with her daughter for a rest and Billy Hand is staying with Kim Watson and her family in Lubbock for a while. Mozelle has had some heart problems and has recently gotten a pacemaker.

The First United Church is busy with Christmas plans. They will have a Christmas Candlelight Service for Christmas Eve, December 24th at 6:00 p.m. They will also be serving their annual Christmas Dinner at noon on Christmas Day. Any one who is alone on Christmas Day is most welcome to come and enjoy fellowship and a wonderful meal. They are collecting personal items for children at the Sammy Baugh Home in Jayton. This is a Methodist Children's Home that has children that have been removed from unsafe situations by Child Protective Services. Most arrive without anything but the clothing they are wearing. Some toys are being provided, the most needed items are: underwear, socks, grooming items, pajamas, and other clothing, bandaids, school supplies.

The First Baptist Church will be providing some Christmas gift items for needy children. If you know of a needy child in our area let us know about them please. They will have a special Christmas Service on Sunday

or more

Flomot News By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

who make us happy. They are the charming gardeners who make our souls blossom.

Celebrating Birthdays

Trent and Trevor Barclay celebrated their second birthdays with a party Saturday in the home of their parents, Ty and Brittany Barclay and sister, Tylee in Matador. The theme of the party was the Walt Disney film, "Cars Movie," and their beautifully decorated cake featured cars. Special guests were grandparents, Jerry and Sandra Barclay of Flomot; great grandparents, Mrs. Erma Washington of Flomot and Mrs. Geneva Barclay of Lockney, and aunts, Mrs. Connie Franks of Flomot and Mrs. Wimma Barclay of Plainview.

Thanksgiving day guests of Brenda and Darrell Cruse were Allen and Shahala Holsher and daughter, Kenley of Sweetwater, Leah Cruse of Canyon and Mrs. Tommie Cruse of Turkey.

Mrs. Beverly Vinson, Roger and Doris' holiday visitors were Shannon Vinson, Bubba, Morgan, Dana and Crystal Vinson, Allison, Elise and Christopher of Lubbock.

Connie and Coy Franks, her mother, Mrs. Erma Washington, joined in Lubbock son and family, Amy and Cory Franks, Hudson and Madison of Idalou, and Penny and Gerald Pipkin of Lubbock, Friday. They enjoyed a ride on the Christmas Express Train to the North Pole.

Bengie, J.J. and Katie of Royce City and Tickey Hughes and Kason of Floydada visited with their parents, Janice and Butch Hughes. They joined sons, Roger Hughes of Floydada and Billy Don Hughes of

Lubbock in Petersburg, Saturday to attend the funeral ser-Let us be grateful to people vices of Janice's brother, Keith

> Wilburn Martin attended to business in Lubbock, Thurs-

Visiting Nada and Jack Starkey the weekend were Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch and son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Davis of Lovington, N.M.

Mrs. Shonda Lee and Mrs. Kathy Shorter enjoyed attending Late Night Shopping in Matador.

Local residents attending the Keith Rogers funeral in Petersburg Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shannon and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Meyers.

The Flomot Baptist church had their monthly covered dish luncheon Sunday following church services. They welcomed the return of Dorothy and Richard Turner of Matador following here hip surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Sperry, Savannah, Blayne, Gage and Cash visited during the Thanksgiving holidays in Lubbock with her grandmother, Mrs. Sue Pool.

Gade Harte of Kerrville vis-

ited Mrs. Aleda Ross, Sunday. Beverly Whitaker, daughter of Lori and Bert Whitaker, celebrated her sixth birthday with a party in her home Sunday afternoon. Refreshments of decorated birthday cake, ice cream and punch were served. A fun filled time was had playing out door games. Those attending were Anna Cox and mother, Sheryl; Baylor and Brayson Cruse and mother, Jodie: Kara Luckett and mother, Kendra; Grant Oberheu and Mr. & Mrs. Orville Lee.

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Chelsea Read was in Austin Saturday for the University of Texas graduation. Her grandson, Chris Terry, received his chemical engineering degree from the Cockrell School of Engineering. The ceremony was held at the Frank Erwin Center. Chris is the oldest son of Debbie and Malcom Terry of Liberty Hill.

The family went to Waco Saturday night for a play-off football game at Baylor's Floyd Casey Stadium. Liberty Hill played Bridgeport for the Region I title. Grandson, Brandon Terry, Senior, is a three year starter at the offensive line position. This win gave them the 2-time class 3A defending state champion; their 37th straight win, the longest winning streak in the state, which stretches back to September 2006. They play Celina at Midlothian on December 13 in the state semifinal game. Grandson, Adam Terry, freshman, is getting to travel with the team during the playoffs.

Tom Edwards spent Thanksgiving day with his mother, Marge, at Ventura Retirement home. He enjoyed a Thanksgiving buffet with her and Grace Campbell. Deanie spent Tuesday through Friday with her son, Stephen Davis Lori and Haley in Dalhart. They had Thanksgiving dinner in Borger with Lori's grandparents, Paul and Violet Chance.

Tom and Deanie will join Marge for a Christmas Buffet at Ventura on December 13.

John Madden and his son Jack of Dallas joined Mark Wason and his son Dalton hunting in the county last weekend.

Bill Shearer and his son Will of Argyle were also hunting here last weekend. Shearer works in the IT department of Mooch Advertising in Dallas.

Jon Rudy of North Richland Hills, TX, joined friends Josh Cribbs of Virginia, Tim Evans of Krum, Bill Poteet of Fort Worth, and Gary Ellis of Flower Mound to hunt pheasant last weekend. They stayed in Hotel Matador but traveled to an area near Lockney to hunt.



CHRIS TERRY, grandson of Chelsea Read, graduates form the Unitversity of Texas.

Former Matador residents David Green of Sunray and brother Ricky Green of Plainview (husband of the former Jackie Bearden) were in town hunting last weekend. Ricky is currently remodeling the Reams' home.

New superintendent Andrew Siegrist and his family traveled through Matador Thanksgiving weekend from Hollis, OK. The family enjoyed lunch at Jaybird's Kitchen and later viewed their new home in preparation for their upcoming move to Matador.

Craig Turner had oral surgery last week to remove a tooth.

Lyndee Ward and Jody Watson have a new enterprise named Giggles. They create cookie bouquets and make gourmet candy. You may contact them at gigglesgourmet@ gmail.com or by calling 806-422-0325. Daughters Kat Ward and Shaylee Watson were top salesgirls of the delicious goods during Late-Night Shopping.

Gail Ream's sister and brother-in-law, Jill and Pat Schnepf of Wisconsin were in town recently visiting Gail and her family and the ladies' father, Ray Rice. Jill is an anesthetist.

Ronnie Cox injured his back recently while loading a fourwheeler. He is undergoing therapy and feeling better.

Misty and Lee Jones, daughter-in-law and son of Shane and Jerry Jones, have enrolled their children, Kylee and Logan, in Motley County ISD in preparation for a move back to Matador from Lubbock.

Jim Cooper traveled to Lubbock Saturday to watch the ag teacher from Silverton's son per-

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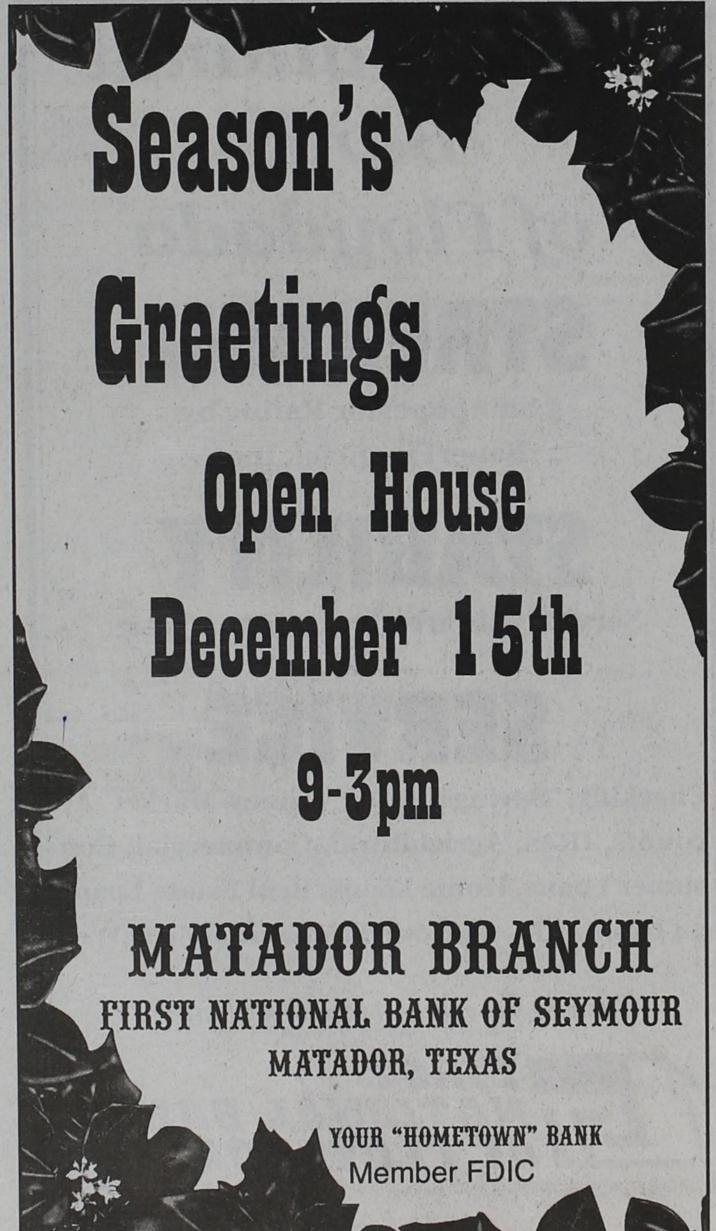
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Notes from the Library

By Buffy Crutchley



GRANNIES TEA PARTY BENEFIT. Sixteen girls dressed up in their grandmother's clothes, jewelry, gloves, hats and shoes, to experience "High Tea" - Matador Style. This annual event started with Joyce Campbell's own grandchildren in 1990. All proceeds from the tea benefit programs at the Motley County Library.

Matador News continued

form in a playoff game against Borden County.

Members of the First United Methodist Church gathered for a Christmas celebration Sunday night. They enjoyed delicious party food and warm fellowship, and Dartha Westbrook accompanied the group on her accordion as the group sang Christmas carols.

Randy Hick rattled up deer for hunters last weekend during a hunt at a ranch between Spur and Claremont. Wayne Wiggins of Picayune, Mississippi, is in town hunting birds this week. He hunts with Jack Tolley, who

rents a house from Judy Renfro and keeps his hunting dogs at Dale Bumgardner's.

Danika Jameson's mother, Cindy Carthel of Plainview, sold handmade silver jewelry in front of Hotel Matador during Late-Night Shopping. She is co-owner of C&J Silver in Plainview with fellow silversmith Jeff Erickson. Cindy will teach a class on silversmithing design in conjunction with Wayland Baptist University after the first of the year. Anyone interested in taking the class should call her at 806-292-9543. The only cost will be the cost of supplies.

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Boyd and Laura Long returned from Buckeye, AZ on Sunday after a week's visit with Laura's family, the Coy Wilkersons and other family members. Laura's mother and sister have recently been released from the hospital. Her brother remains in rehab recovering from a very serious injury. They spent Saturday night in Big Spring on the way home with sons, Chooch Meyer and Steven Meyer and his family.

Gary Crockett from Rose Hill, VA has been hunting and enjoying visiting with Don Stuckey and other friends in Roaring Springs.

Ruby Hipp had her 90th birthday on December 5th. I talked with her son Charles today, he told me they had other family members coming on the 9th and would be having a party for her at Heritage Oakes Nursing Home. I am sure she would enjoy a belated birthday card since we did not know about it last week. Her address is: Ruby Hipp; c/o Heritage Oakes Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at 5301 University, Lubbock, TX

Several have asked about my daughter, Kay Miller. She is doing well after her hip replacement surgery. The recovery is slower than she had hoped but I think she is doing well. Thank you for your prayers and for asking about her.

Dinah Young will be returning home on December the 16th.

Keith Rogers

Keith Rogers, 70, of Petersburg, brother of Mrs. Janice Hughes of Flomot, passed away Wednesday, December 3, 2008 in Abilene. Services were held at 3:00 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Petersbury. Burial was in the Petersburg Cemetery under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home of Eastland.

Keith was born on September 22, 1938 in Estelline to Clyde W. and Opal Faye (Tyner) Rogers. He graduated from Estelline High School in 1957. He owned and operated a gas station Quitaque. He later worked as a Purchasing Agent for Wylie Manufacturing for 40 years, retiring in 2008. He was Sergeant in the Military Police in the U.S. Army. He married Rebecca Holcomb on April 8, 1960

in Turkey. They raised their family in Petersburg where he was a member of the Petersburg Fire Deprtment and had served as Fire Chief and Firefighter. Rebecca preceded him in death on November 28, 2003. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Petersburg. Keith enjoyed spending time at his home at Lake Kemp with family and special friends, Bert and Rose Grimes.

Survivors include two children, Brian Rogers and wife Nancy of Eastland, and Jayne Rogers of Petersburg; brother, Tommy Rogers and wife, Jan and Lodi, Wis.; two sisters, Jance Huges and husband Butch of Flomot and Marsha Blake of Lubbock, eight grandchildren and two great grandsons.

Harlee Childers

Funeral Services for Harlee Childers, 53, of Matador were held Wednesday, at the First Baptist Church in Matador with Larry Burton, officiating. Interment followed in the Spur Cemetery in Spur, Texas. Mr. Childers passed away Thursday Dec. 4, 2008 in Hardeman Co.

Harlee grew up in Dickens County, Texas where he attended school. Mr. Childers moved to Matador from Spur worked in the oil field, farmed, and had numerous other occupations. He currently was working for the Flatline Company. Harlee was married to Jimmie Brown in 1999 at Matador. He was a very loving husband, father, and friend. Harlee was a good and kindhearted person. He never met a person who didn't like him and left his memories every-

where he went, he will surly be missed.

He is survived by his wife, Jimmie of Matador; two sons, Cory Andre Childers of Lubbock and Harlee Childers, Jr. of Lubbock; two daughters, Tamara LaShae Childers of Lubbock, and Lanika LaMore Green of Midland; five brothers, Jessie Lee Childers of Crosbyton, Bobby Joe Lee, Jr. of Spur, L.C. Childers of Spur, Louis Childers of Crosbyton, 10 years ago. Harlee had Bobby Joe Childers of Crosbyton; five sisters, Betty Joe Harris of Clovis, N.M., Annie Fay Walker of Spur, Lula Fay Childers of Lubbock, Linda Mae Perry of Dallas, Brenda Mae Barnes of Lubbock; three step-children, Bridget Henderson of Plainview, Jermaine Hendrix of Matador, and Herbert Sims of Pueblo, Colorado; 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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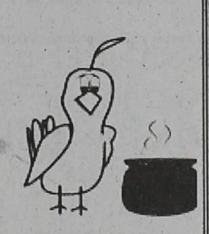
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Foothills Fellowship

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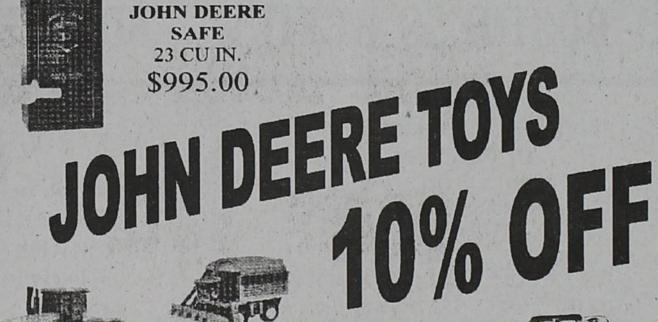
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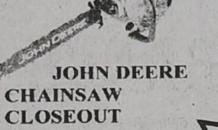
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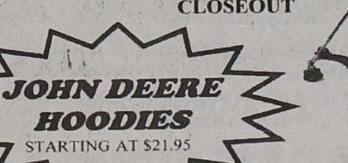
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- 11 Foothills Fellowship 7 pm, Roaring Springs Commu nity Center, beans and combread supper.
- 15 MCISD School Board, 7:30pm
- 16 Matador Lions Club, Methodist Church 12:30 pm
- 18 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
- 20 First Annual Virginia Wylie Christmas Tea, 4-5:00 p.m., 914 Walton Rd.
- 21 First Baptist Chruch, Roaring Sprints, Christmas Service, 10:45 a.m.
- 21 First Baptist Church, Matador, Christmas Cantata, 11:00am.
- 24 Methodist Church, Matador, Candlelight Service, 7:30pm
- 24 The First United Church, Christmas Candlelight Service,
- 25 The First United Church will also serving their annual Christmas Dinner at noon on Christmas Day.
- January 6 Matador Lions Club, Methodist Church 12:30 pm
- 8 RS Lions
- 8 M City Council, 6:30pm
- 12 Commissioners Ct, 9am
- 12 RS City Council, 6pm
- 13 RS Comm Vol 6:30
- 14 Kids Praise
- 15 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
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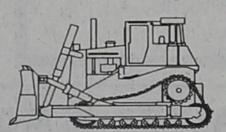
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