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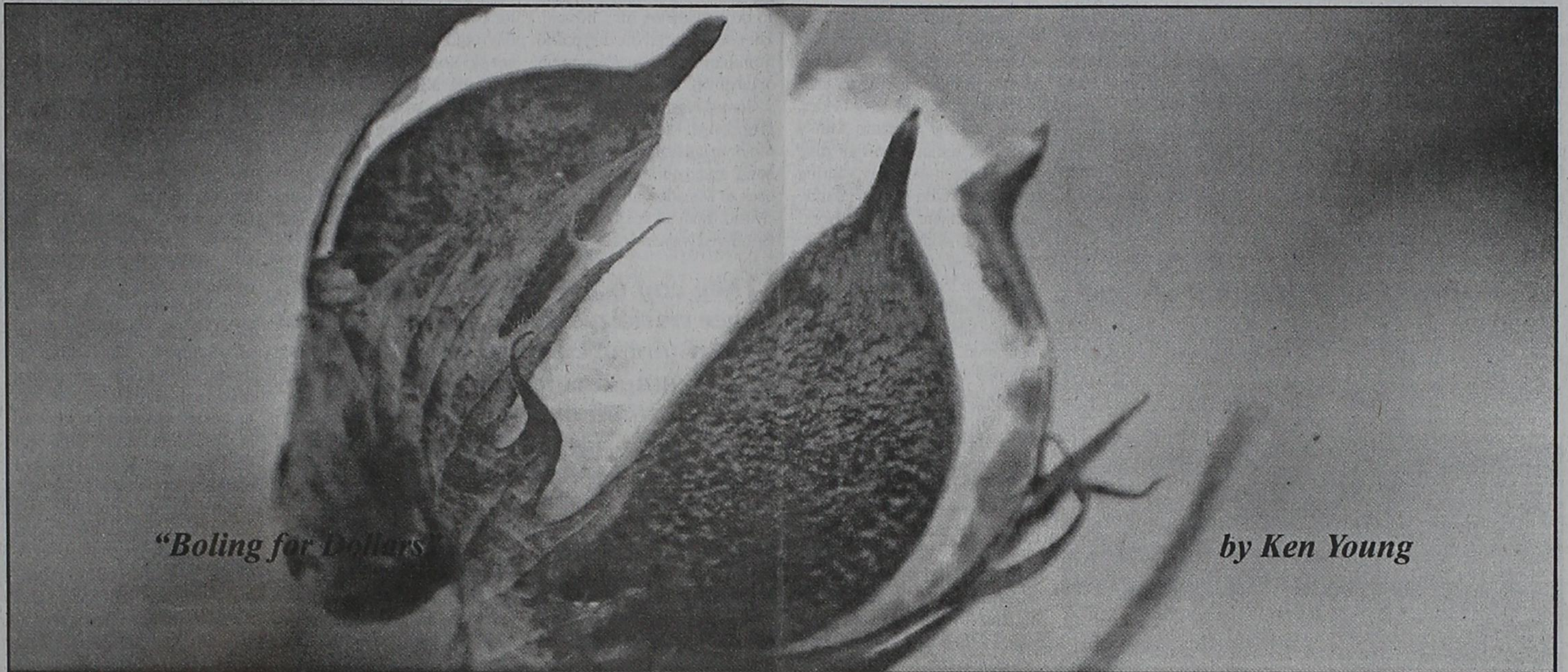
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"Boling for Dollars"

by Ken Young

## Commissioner's Court sets date to canvass vote Clerk reports largest countywide turnout in recent memory

By Carol Campbell

The Commissioner's Court met in regular session on Monday, November 10, 2008, in the Commissioner's Courtroom. A full quorum was present, consisting of County Judge Ed D. Smith; and Commissioner's Ronnie Davis, Donnie Turner, Russell Alexander, and Franklin Jameson. Also attending were Kate Hurt, County Clerk; Tom Edwards, County Attorney; Roy Gene Stephens, Commissioner Elect of Precinct 1; and Michael Crutchley, Sheriff.

In the first order of business, the court set a date to canvass the General Election on Friday, November 14, at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's Courtroom. County Clerk Kate Hurt reported that the county had the largest voter turnout she had ever experienced, totaling 70.30% countywide. "We had 613 voters in total," she said. "This is the most folks voting in General Election in my memory."

In a letter to Judge Smith, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) announced that the FY2009 County Assistance Program allotments from Austin had been received. The allocation for Motley County is \$6,261.00. The allotment should be satisfied with surplus materials, rather than with new material purchases, said Darwin Lankford, Director of Operations, Childress District.

"Occasionally, we ask for various items that TxDOT might have in surplus, but mostly we ask for Reclaimed Asphalt Paving (RAP), which they are most likely to have," Smith said. RAP is made by grinding up old existing pavement. Unless they are replacing a road in the immediate area, it is usually cost prohibitive to transport, according to Smith.

On wind energy, County Attorney Tom Edwards said that Dickens County's Invenery

Project is now online. "It is my understanding that the Federal bailout bill renewed the Federal Production Tax Credit for one more year. This is what drives construction, Edwards said. "The big dollars are now tied up," he said. "No one has a clue if we will have a real slowdown. We are waiting for executive orders from the new president."

Russell Alexander and Donnie Turner attended the Rolling Plains County Commissioners Court Conference, sponsored by the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center in Vernon on November 6. In addition to a full agenda, including topics like Meeting FEMA Requirements,

Landowner's Rights, and a Legislative Update from State Representatives Rick Hardcastle and David Farabee, the Commissioners also received an update on the annual County Judges and Commissioners Association conference in Austin in September.

Commissioner Alexander handed out the Association's 2008 Resolutions, consisting of 28 resolutions adopted by all 254 counties in the State of Texas. Resolutions included in part opposition to unfunded mandates; state-imposed property tax increases, mandated regional or statewide health care system, and appraisal and revenue caps; and resolutions in favor of expanding

the waste tire disposal fees, livestock protection, a request to extend the current deadline for the county road map program, and countywide vote centers, were some of the items approved. The county association supports the expedited development of competitive renewable energy zones in Texas, including infrastructure to export wind power from Texas.

In further business, a discussion was held regarding the flood assistance relief for the Motley County flood damage in Precinct 2 in mid-September. Judge Smith reported to the court that he had talked with

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## MC ISD hires new superintendent Expected to start work mid-December

By Carol Campbell

Dr. Thomas Alvis, Motley County Interim Superintendent, announced the hiring of Dr. Andrew Seigrist, as the new Motley County ISD Superintendent, effective mid-December, 2008. "We have to wait 21 days after naming the finalist, before we can actually finalize a contract," Alvis said.

The School Board met in closed session on October 31, 2008, and interviewed five finalists from a field of 29 applicants. Following a rigorous background and reference check, Alvis said Dr. Seigrist stood out above the rest. "He comes highly recommended, has all the credentials, and demonstrates great leadership qualities," Alvis said. "He seems to be very good in public relations," he said, "a must for this job."

Dr. Seigrist was raised in Hollis, Oklahoma, and is currently the Principal of Schools in Blue Ridge, Texas, a school between Denton and McKin-

ney, close to Dallas, of about 700 students.

"He graduated from South Western Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, and earned a doctorate degree from the University of Texas at Austin," Alvis said.

"He has a big background in music and administration, serving as a band director at one time, moving to Allison, Texas, then Blue Ridge as a principal," Alvis said. This is his first superintendent job.

Dr. Seigrist is married, and has three children; a third grade girl, a junior high boy, and a son who is a sophomore in high school.

Dr. Alvis will be available for a two-week transition period, then what? "I am going to play with my grandkids," he said. "I have a two-month old grandchild." In addition, Dr. Alvis is a Field Representative for Moak, Casey & Associates, and will be working with wind energy companies on tax abatements.

## 4th and 5th Grade classes attended Ag Day



The 4th and 5th Grade classes attended Ag Day held in Memphis, Texas on November 7th along with students from Hedley, Clarendon, Valley, and Memphis. The event was sponsored by Farm Bureau, as well as others. The students enjoyed a day that was led by the Hall county FFA and 4-H members. The stations conducted by local farmers, area county agents, and NRCS volunteers contained information about cotton, beef, wheat, pork, corn, and water conservation. They were also able to attend a session held by the Southwest Dairy Association on the mobile dairy, as well as an electrical safety presentation from the South Plains Electric Co-Op. Lastly, several 4-H and FFA members gave presentations on their stock show animals. Lunch was provided, and each student received a T-shirt and a packet of goodies to bring home.

## Roaring Springs Lions Club Meets

The Roaring Springs Lions Club met Thursday, 11/6/08. President Wes Campbell called the meeting to order; the prayer was led by Lion Mike Crowley; the pledge to the flag was led by Lion Alex Crowder.

Secretary Corky Marshall made two presentations of patches to go on the club's banner to Lion President, Wes Campbell from Lions International; one for recruiting and growth and one for retention of members.

Secretary Corky Marshall

made a presentation of a pin from Lions International to Past President Ken Abbott for two new members joining during his year as President of the Roaring Springs Lions Club.

President Wes Campbell discussed the raffle ticket sales for a \$1635.00 ring donated to the Lions Club by Joe Thacker of Thacker Jewelry to raise money to help build Hope Lodge in Lubbock to house cancer patients and their family while in Lub-

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## THIS WEEK'S NEWS

### Matador News

William Paul "Bill" and Arlyce Krueger Manney accepted the position of pastor at the First United Methodist Church in Matador in June, 2008.

### School News

Matadors advance to the first playoff game at Lefors on November 14 at 7:30 pm.

### Coming Home

In 1995, nine years from retirement, Pina Sturdivant came home for good to take care of her ailing mother.

### Library News

New books, arriving this week by J.D. Robb, Robert Parker, David Morrell, and M.C Beaton.

### County Agent News

County Commissioners Attend Educational Conference in Vernon



# Foothill Country

## Connections

Community, Diversity, Art

By Larry Vogt

The tufts of cotton are appearing along the highways and the gins are starting to hum. The air is a bit cool at night and wind rushes through the mesquite. The pizzicato of the strings can be heard in the Autumn section of Vivaldi's "Four Seasons" orchestral music. Maybe you hear Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys and that lonesome fiddle sound. Any way you see it or hear it the fall of the year is upon us and winter will be shivering our bones before we know it.

This time of year always

seems like a relief after the heat and dust of the summer. The swimming was nice but it seemed as though one could never get out of that heat. The mosquitos have been replaced by flies and the cold weather will be welcome if only they are driven away. The movie set of our existence is taking on a sort of golden glow as evening falls and the night is upon us by late afternoon. Giving up the relentless heat of the summer is easy and the cold nights with warm blankets will give us a better sleep than those hot nights upstairs spent in restless tossing.

The Coffee Club named the puppies Rock and Gomer after Rock Hudson and Jim Nabors. They were twins, just a few months old when they showed up at the Senior Citizen's building—caramel color shorthairs with soft brown eyes, low to the ground, long wagging tails.

Those puppies soon became the mascots of Senior Citizen's Center, lounging in the grass, always available for ear scratches, nose rubs, and back tickles. They became a fixture with a group of senior men that dine at the Center every day, retiring to the east side of the building to smoke cigars, solve the world problems, address community issues, and gossip about who died, who lived, and who is doing what and with whom.

They say the puppies were couriered from Quitaque, stopped a while in Turkey, Texas, and finally landed in Matador, via doggie limousine service. They just "showed up" one day and the rest is history.

They say if you want someone who never criticizes what you do, doesn't care if you are pretty or ugly, fat or thin, young or old, who acts as if every word you say is especially worthy of listening to, and loves you unconditionally... then adopt a dog. Two are even better.

All leftover chicken fried steak and meatloaf went to Rock and Gomer, courtesy of the senior meal plan. They got bigger and sleeker, and never left the front door of the Center, waiting for the inevitable gourmet meal and good company. They only had one antagonist. It wasn't that the Center Director didn't love those mutts too, she said, she just had appearances to keep and human mouths to feed and regulators that watched her every move. Hey, they buried bones, lazed on the grass, and dug cool spots in the flower gardens. The dogs must go, she announced.

She wasn't the only detractor. Citizens had been complaining

for a while at City Council about the over-abundance of stray dogs in the community, speculating that n'ever-do-wells in Turkey load up all their strays and bring them to Matador to avoid expensive shelter fees. The Baptist preacher liked to jog, and by the time he got home, he had 10 dogs following him, he said. The council hired the dog police from Floydada to make a sweep of the town.

Gomer was the first to go to prison, then Rock. One attached senior in particular, paid the bail bond and couriered the pups back to Matador, attempting to civilize them in his back yard. He offered wieners for incentive.

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But those dogs had never been penned. They promptly jumped the old rock fence and headed to the Senior Center. It was only a matter of time. Finally Gomer met his fate in Floydada, but Rock came home in the back seat of the old red suburban one last time with his savior and best friend, Ronnie "Beetle" Bailey.

Beetle never tried to pen old Rock again. You just can't pen a dog that has always run free, he said. Rock had one peculiarity: he would never take a ride if he could walk. Even wieners couldn't entice him into the red suburban with his favorite friend. Nonetheless, he headed to the senior building every day to meet and greet his friends, not dependent now for hand-outs, but a purposeful, proud, OWNED dog. He had a home.

He didn't follow the old red vehicle, no-siree, Rock led the way. He had a job. He knew his mas-

ten he had to look in every business on Main Street to find his errant human. But he always found him. He watched, he waited, so he could clear a path and take Beetle home. When the early hot sun was on the bank building, Rock would recline in the shade across the street at the news office, keeping a steely eye for his master to emerge from the bank. The post office was a different matter. They had cool grass and a pecan tree for shade, just in case Beetle had business to attend to, people to see. The grocery store had a nice covered awning for shade. And I know for a fact that dogs aren't color blind. If Beetle needed to run an errand (like to the cemetery - too far for Rock's little legs) he would sneak off in his wife's green suburban.

He slept on the front porch of the old rock house with a blanket and rigged spot light for

warmth, and when Beetle was gone, another friend brought him Kibble and Bits. She told me last week that as she was leaving the rock house on Eubank, she unconsciously waved at 'ol Rock. Feeling a bit foolish, she said Rock didn't wave back, but she swears he smiled. Beetle was on the porch most late afternoons, early evenings, drinking his last cup of coffee for the day, smoking his cigar, watching the sunset, scratching Rock's ears.

Well, the inevitable happened. Rock was the victim of a hit-and-run, right across the street from his beloved home. Interestingly, the Senior Center chef (on her way home from work) saw him lying by the side of the road, and called his people.

He was alive, but badly injured. It was Saturday evening; no veterinarian clinic within 60 miles; and the clock was ticking down on his little life. Beetle lovingly laid him on the front porch, in his favorite spot with the heat light for warmth, and took vigil on the front porch with his loyal little friend. Rock-the-Dog passed from this life about 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 8, 2008. He is survived by his people, Beetle and Kay Bailey; and a host of friends. Beetle was at his side in the end; Kay couldn't watch; and left the pair to say their goodbyes, and experience the inevitable grief that comes when losing a trusted friend.

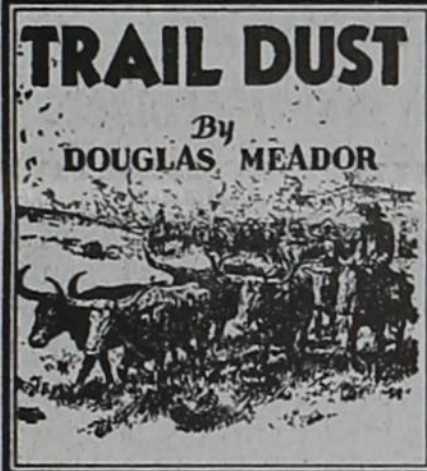
Surely there is a heaven for little animals, God's creatures of love and encouragement. Surely there is a place for old Rock with his litter mate Gomer, in heaven. And that comical parade to town that had become a fixture for all who knew will be sorely missed.

Rock was a good dog, and lived a free and purposeful life, spreading love and joy to all that knew him. He left some prodigy, they say, so if you see a Rock-look-alike, remember this story of his father.



Cotton Waiting

photo by Larry Vogt



Matador Tribune  
November 9, 1944

Brown leaves of many autumns are strewn between the summers that have passed since my mother stood at the door and called her two sons lost in slumber. Altho the stain of dawn might still be hidden, she would speak softly, describing tempting items that would be on the breakfast table, and the beauty of the new day through which we were sleeping.

Work is man's greatest friend. Through its flumes is escape from a thousand pains and life's pleasant but extensive boredom.

# RETRO NEWS

Matador Tribune  
November 9, 1944

Sgt. Joe Meador is Now En-route Home

Sgt. Joe Berry Meador has arrived in the United States from the Mediterranean theatre of operations, according to a wire received. Tuesday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Meador here. He will probably reach home within the coming week.

The Purple Heart which was awarded recently to Sgt. Meador for wounds received in Italy, was considered slight, Sgt. Meador was hospitalized for six days before returning to his company.

The award came wrapped in an August issue of the Tribune.

# Trail Fixin's

By Dorothy Pope

I drove the Flomot bus route Friday afternoon and I noticed folks are digging up sweet potatoes; this means fall is really here. I've decided through the years that ham and sweet potatoes is a good pair, so head up to Turkey, Texas, pick up some potatoes and serve this recipe for Sunday dinner.

## Glazed Ham Steak

- 1 (8-oz.) can crushed pineapple, well drained
- 1/2-cup BAMA Peach or Apricot Preserves
- 2 Tablespoons Realemoná or lemon juice from concentrate
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch
- 1 (1- to 1 1/2 pound) center cut ham slice

In small saucepan, combine pineapple, preserves, Realemoná brand and cornstarch; mix well and bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer uncovered 10 to 15 minutes to blend flavors. Broil ham to desired doneness on both sides. Spoon pineapple mixture on top; heat until hot and bubbly. Makes 4 servings.

## continued from page one Commissioner's Court

Commissioner Manuel Cruz, Cottle County, who was successful in spearheading an effort to receive disaster relief for flooding in Cottle County in August, 2007. Cruz said they received \$20,000 for the precincts and \$10,000 for courthouse damage. He said it took eight months to complete the paperwork and get the check from FEMA. He worked with Regional Liaison Officer David Solis. According to Judge Smith, "our flood came three days before Hurricane Ike hit the coast," due to a tropical depression from the Pacific coast that dumped more than 20 inches of rain in some parts of Motley County.

In subsequent conversations with the Judge and Commissioner Donnie Turner, Solis suggested that the county go through TxDOT or the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) rather than FEMA to try and get funds. Commissioner Turner's precinct was hit the hardest during the recent floods, receiving more than 20 inches of rain in some parts of the Flomot area, washing out bridges and roads. Solis said he would have to make a personal inspection of the damage, Turner said. Commissioner Turner said he would follow-up with Solis to accomplish a one-on-one inspection of the dam-

age.

In the final order of business, Judge Smith reported to the court that Tax Assessor-Collector Elaine Hart had submitted a summary to date of the current collected taxes for the county, reporting 53.1 percent collected overall. "The current collection is going very well," Hart said. "For all five taxing entities, we have a 52.7 percent collection rate." In addition to Motley County, the Tax Assessor's office collects for the Motley County Hospital District, City of Matador, City of Roaring Springs, and Motley County ISD.

## continued from page one Roaring Springs Lions Club

bock for treatment. That is a much needed facility to help out cancer patients. Please contact any Roaring Springs Lion to purchase a chance for the ring. The club voted to order a Lions Club Sign to be put on the edge

of town. The president introduced Lion Alvin Alexander who with the help of Lion Michael Crutchley and Lion Chris Spence gave a program on the correct way to fold the American Flag and the

meaning of each of the thirteen folds.

Darrell Cruse was inducted as a new member of the Roaring Springs Lions Club. We welcome Lion Darrell to our group.

## Cumulative Report Motley County, Texas Local Election November 4, 2008

Party	Candidate	Early	Election	Total
Rep-County Attny	Tom Edwards	263 100%	187 100%	450 100%
Rep-Sheriff	Michael Crutchley	256 100%	175 100%	431 100%
Dem-Tax Assessor	Elaine Hart	197 100%	144 100%	341 100%
Rep-Comm, Pct. 1	Roy Gene Stephens	128 100%	47 100%	175 100%
Dem-Comm, Pct. 3	Franklin Jameson	35 100%	36 100%	71 100%

## Jr High UIL Awards

All parents and supporters are invited to attend a celebration on Thursday, November 13th at 9:30 a.m. in the gym at Motley County schools to present the awards for the Elementary and Junior High UIL Academic Meet this past week.

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# Coming Home

*As the traveler who has once been from home is wiser than he who has never left his own doorstep, so a knowledge of one other culture should sharpen our ability to scrutinize more steadily, to appreciate more lovingly, our own. -- Margaret Mead (1901-1978)*

By Carol Campbell

When you talk to Pina Sue Sturdivant you think of confidence, curiosity, and moral conviction: "Teach to the best, to hell with the rest," she was advised. Her life mission? to "get kids hooked on learning."

When school was out, Pina headed home most every summer for almost 40 years since graduating Matador High School in 1956. In 1995, nine years from retirement, she came home for good to take care of her ailing mother. Pina is the only daughter of three children to James and Tommie Sturdivant, longtime Whiteflat and Matador residents. "I came home kicking and screaming," she said, "so in that respect, I'm not your usual 'Support Matador' homecomer."

Admittedly, it might be hard to settle back after teaching and living abroad most of her adult life. This world traveler has circled the globe from Bogotá, Columbia, to Thessalonica, Greece, teaching English as a Second Language (ESL) and Speech Communication to eager students, young and old. She was often on the cutting edge of cultural conflicts that changed history, for example, a trip to Israel six months before the 1967 Arab-Israeli War; a war that changed the geopolitics of the region to this day. Interestingly, her most challenging cultural experience was in a black university in Charlotte, N.C. in the late '70s. "This was the most alien culture that I have ever taught in," she said. But that experience is getting way in front of the story.

Her love of learning was fostered early and often. "I guess you might say I was a mentally precocious child, maybe a bit more mature in my thinking, but physically immature," she said. Pina remembers discussing world affairs at the dinner table, where learning was emphasized and play became a waste of time. "I never associated with kids my own age," she said. "I was raised in an adult world." But that world was soon to be tested, turned upside down, and the adventure began.

Following high school graduation, she attended West Texas State College, now A&M University. Three years later, she graduated with a bachelor's degree in English. When she was a senior in college, she ac-

cepted a teaching fellowship at Centro Columbo-Americano in Bogotá, Columbia. There were two things to know about that experience, she said. "First, it was pre-Peace Corp; and two, cheap labor," she laughed. She was paid \$75 a month and taught ESL in an American school part-time. Later she was given extra courses to teach, and helped host cultural exchanges. She learned to read and understand Spanish, but not speak Spanish, she said. She called her Spanish elocution as "market place" Spanish. She taught 25-30 highly motivated students at a time, rotating classes every six weeks. "If students could speak English, then their opportunities were greater," she said. "I was 20 years old, all the students were older than me, but it was a great deal of fun."

The early '60s were an unsettling time to be in South America. The Fuerzas Armadas de Liberacion Nacional (FALN), a paramilitary organization advocating for the independence of Puerto Rico, promoted "clandestine armed struggles" against what they described as the "colonial condition" of Puerto Rico (Wikipedia). While Pina made "lifelong friends

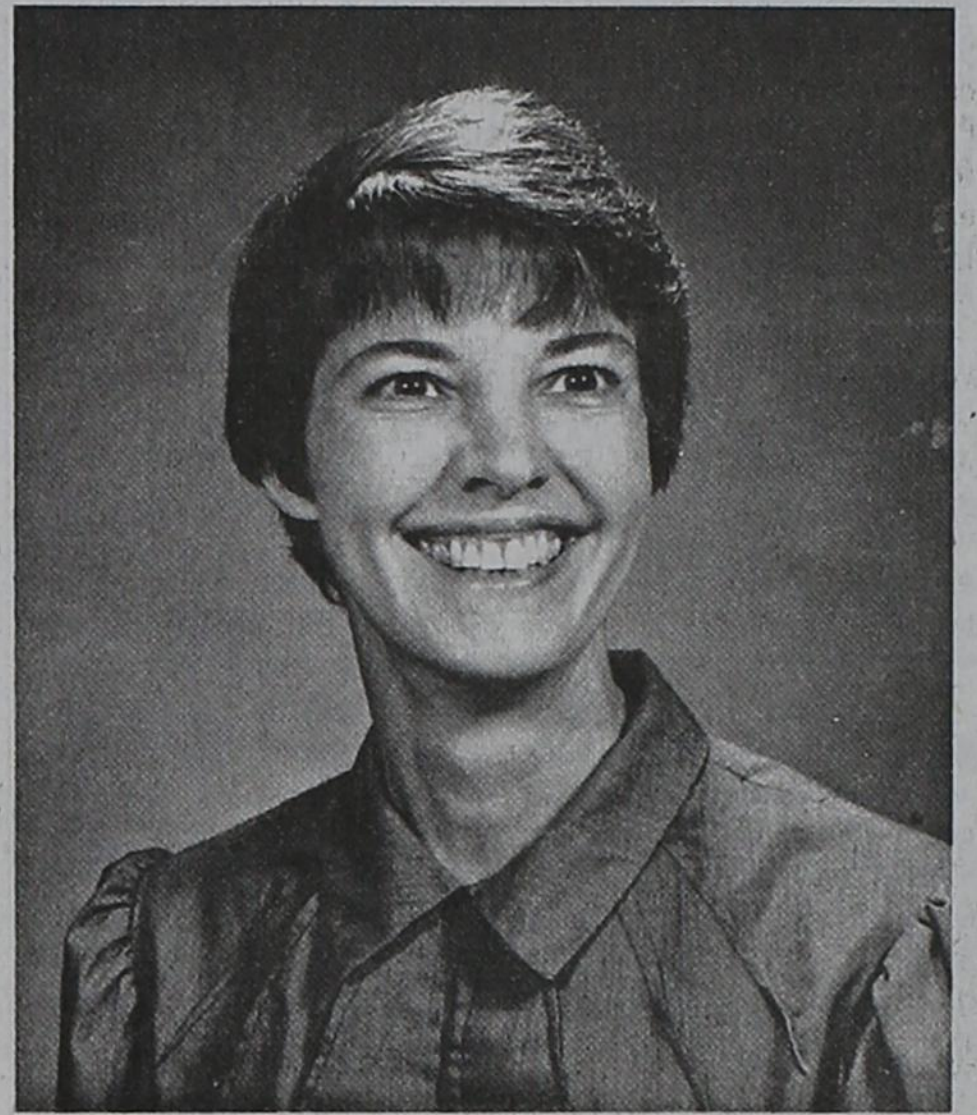
that she still communicates with," she came home after one year. She taught for one year in Matador (1960-1961), earning her master's degree at the University of Texas in the summer of '61, then took a job in Cuero, Texas (near Victoria). But while she loved teaching, it was "deadly dull outside of school," she said. She lasted one year, and then accepted a fellowship for Teachers of Foreign Languages in Norman, Oklahoma. This move launched her in a new direction. She was "bitten by the overseas bug." So Pina did what every young, patriotic citizen with adventure on the brain does: she applied for an opening in Aerial Photography with the U.S. Army. She not only didn't get this assignment, she was contacted by the Air Force who offered her an overseas secretarial position. As fate would have it, the very next day after this bit of disappointing news, she received a response from an application to an overseas American oil company in San Tome, Venezuela.

Venezuela, bordering with Guyana to the east, Brazil to the south, and Colombia to the west, is known for its petroleum industry.

Pina was hired to teach English 6-9th grades, and Physical Education in an American oil camp. She taught three years, traveling in her spare time. She spent two weeks in the deep jungle "exploring the last vestiges of civilization," traveling to the northern fringes of the Amazon Basin to the world's highest waterfall. She traveled with a group and a guide by dugout canoes, camped with an indigenous Indian tribe that "were sorta civilized," hiked to a base camp to acclimate, then hiked 1/2-day to the foot of the most spectacular water falls in the world.

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## Matadors win at Lazbuddie

The Motley County Matadors traveled 123 miles to Lazbuddie to win a football game by a score of 74 to 54. The games had some ups and downs with the lead changing between the teams. Jonathan Osborn led the team with 196 yards rushing and 5 touchdowns. Augustine Chavez scored 2 touchdowns and rushed for a total of 168 yards. Eric Simpson rushed for 47 yards and scored 2 touchdowns. Justin Newman

was 1 for 3 on passing with Andrew Martin catching the completed pass for a 23 yard touchdown. Andrew did very well on extra points at 7 for 10 tries.

Coach Bigham said he was very proud of his team for getting into the playoffs. The first playoff is at Lefors on November 14 at 7:30 pm. Coach also said he appreciated the fans' support this season and hopes everyone will turn out for the playoff game this Friday.

### SENIOR MENU

**Thursday, November 13:** Polish sausage, red beans, steamed cabbage, veggie of the day, cornbread, and plums.

**Friday, November 14:** Fried fish, red beans, tossed salad, baked hush puppies, tropical fruit mix.

**Monday, November 17:** Hamburger/bun, with all the trimmings, oven fries, veggie of the day, peaches.

**Tuesday, November 18:** Meatloaf, black-eye peas, steamed carrots, mashed potatoes, snickerdoodle bars.

### SCHOOL MENU

**Thursday, November 13:** BREAKFAST: French toast sticks, or cereal, toast, applesauce, milk. LUNCH: Chicken fajitas, peppers, onions, beans, lettuce, tomato, cheese, tortilla chips, sherbet, milk.

**Friday, November 14:** BREAKFAST: Pancakes, sausage, or cereal, toast, juice, milk. LUNCH: Cheese pizza, salad, pineapple chunks, vanilla wafers, and milk.

**Monday, November 17:** BREAKFAST: Pancake, sausage, or cereal, toast, juice, milk. LUNCH: Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, honey, milk.

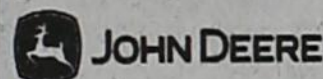
**Tuesday, November 18:** BREAKFAST: Cereal, toast, juice, milk. LUNCH: Pizza, salad, pineapple chunks, vanilla wafers, milk.

**Wednesday, November 19:** BREAKFAST: Biscuit, sausage, gravy, or cereal, toast, juice, milk. LUNCH: Hamburger with cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle slices, potato chips, applesauce, milk.

## Freshman focus on World Geography



Mrs. Ballard's freshmen World Geography class just completed a successful 5 weeks of school by learning about different places in the world through news articles such as National Geographic, Time, Newsweek, and the internet. Students were required to find one news article of their choice per day and research the country that the news article took place in. The students used their knowledge of geography and map skills to present their findings in a news book. An average of 50 countries and cities were researched by the students while each location learned was designated by a thumb tac on the world map.



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Dear Western Customers,

In our experience we have come to know that farm equipment dealerships must be at a certain scale to achieve high levels of customer satisfaction.

Small businesses, such as Western Equipment, must overcome staffing and inventory problems as well as keep pace with state of the art practices. In order to continue to provide mutual satisfaction to our customers, employees and owners, we must consolidate our operations at Memphis, TX and Hollis, OK to a central location at Childress, TX.

As agricultural consolidation has swept through America, farmers and equipment dealers have learned that change is the order of the day. This change is a renewal of Western Equipment's promise to provide our customers with the best service within our abilities.

Our company is investing heavily in this endeavor. Childress will see a completely remodeled, larger facility with more than double the existing staff and inventory. Jarrett Jameson will continue to be the general manager of the enlarged Childress location. Western Equipment has the utmost confidence that these changes will be beneficial to all.

Sincerely,  
Jeff DeFehr  
Bob Lorenz

### Consolidation Advantages

- **Parts Inventory**
  - a. A wider selection of parts will be available by eliminating duplication.
  - b. Daily parts deliveries will become available for Memphis and Hollis.
- **Staff**
  - a. Less affected by turnover
  - b. More experience and larger shared pool of knowledge between employees
  - c. More competition between employees equals better service
  - d. Handle seasonal workload more efficiently
  - e. More efficient for management costs (i.e. only three department managers instead of seven)
  - f. A larger group of employees allows us to be open longer hours and extra days.
- **Better Facilities**
- **Better Tools**
- **Complete Goods Inventory**
  - a. All equipment at the same location thereby giving the customer a better selection
- **Customer Convenience**
  - a. On the first trip to Western Equipment there is more opportunity to be satisfied by a better selection, less special orders and quicker service.
- **Field Service Trucks**
  - a. Available to offset further hauling costs for repairs.
- **Consolidation secures a dealership for the area**
- **Brings dealership in line with John Deere's Dealership Development Plan**

### Friendship



Friendship is a beautiful thing. Such a relationship describes the union of two kindred spirits, two hearts that are joined by some common bond. These unions are often very strong and extremely durable, surviving such stresses as change, distance, even time. What would you do for your friend, how far would you go?

One of the key factors in friendships is loyalty. Loyalty in its essence is the ability and desire to support someone no matter the cost. Such relationships also require commonality in direction and purpose. How would you describe your best friend? What kind of things do you share with each other? How has your friend affected your life?

Our friendships affect who we are, and how we live. It is for this reason that the Lord warns us to prayerfully consider who are friends are and what influence they have on us. "Do not be deceived: Bad company corrupts good morals." 1 Cor 15:33.

The most important consideration is our friendship or allegiance with the world. While we must live in the world, we must take care that we are not lead or influenced by the world. God's direction and the direction of our world are not parallel or compatible. We need to habitually remind ourselves that we are children of God's, redeemed for His purpose. When we are making decision, charting our future, seeking to balance our time, prioritizing our activities, let us be influenced by God. Let us live as God's best friend.

**Roaring Springs Church of Christ**  
**Michael G. Crowley, Sr.**  
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# NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

## Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

Texas was dressed in splendor in her fall colors last week. I traveled to San Angelo to help my niece get ready for her wedding later this month. I went via Roby and Sweetwater. The trees were very colorful especially south of Sweetwater in the hills. I enjoyed seeing the crops. I returned via Big Spring and Lubbock and saw lots of milo ready to cut. Fields around Ackerly which normally would have been white with cotton were reddish brown with milo planted after hailstorms. Many farmers were working late Friday evening stripping cotton from Lubbock back toward home. There are 'module villages' springing up all over fields and the highways were busy with module trucks and tractors moving from field to field.

Joe Glen and Joyce Meredith visited Cody, Leah, Angelica and Jonah Meredith in San Angelo on Saturday and Sunday. They enjoyed going to church together, walking, shopping and a little bit of fishing while they were there. They returned home Sunday evening.

Glennard and Edith Daniell took a short trip to visit with Glennard's family. On Saturday they went to Wichita Falls to spend the night with Glennard's sister, Billie Ruth Clark. On Sunday they went to Dallas to visit their brother, Dean Daniell who is in a nursing home there. They had lunch with their nephew, Richard Daniell. They returned home Sunday night. In their absence, their grandson Brad Daniell with the help of granddaughter, Anna was the inn keeper and cook at the Traveler's Inn. Edith said it was good to have a holiday.

Dinah Young is doing well taking treatments in Mexico. Ken joined her for the weekend and they made a tour of Big Bend National Park and visited

the town of Marfa, TX.

Billie and Don Stuckey spent the weekend in Brisco, TX visiting her mother, Lou Dean Douthit and sisters, Peggy North and Debbie. Don went hunting in Oklahoma with friends.

Johnny Morris underwent surgery at UMC this morning. He expects to be back home in a couple of days.

The Foothills Community Fellowship meeting will be on Thursday, Nov. 13th at 6:30 p.m. for supper and singing and a Bible lesson at 7:00 p.m. at the Roaring Springs Community Center. The supper is free although donations will be accepted. Come join in the fellowship and hear a good lesson.

Kaitlyn Keltz celebrated her seventh birthday with a party at the Full Gospel Teen Center. Our town guests were her grandmother, Sherry Prather, Aunt Stephanie of Azle, TX; Aunt Kandi and Uncle Jared Johnson of Lubbock and great grandparents, June and Stan Level of Matador. Pop, great grandpa Corky Marshall also attended.

Twenty seven people including one school board member and one minister attended the meeting with Joe Taylor of Crosbyton, paleoanthropologist and curator of the Fossil Museum in Crosbyton. Mike Crowley led the opening prayer and Corky Marshall led the pledge to the flag. Tom Edwards of Matador introduced Mr. Taylor.

The Trent Willmon Concert held Saturday was a great success. The tickets were sold out on Friday!

Laverne Zabielski and Larry Vogt traveled to Kentucky and broke ground on a small cabin in the woods which will provide them a place to stay when they visit grandchildren.

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

### OVERHEARD

If people were not tone deaf to ancient truths, they would embrace wisdom instead of rejecting it!

### DO GOODERS' BAZAAR DECLARED A SUCCESS

The Fall Bazaar sponsored by the Do Gooders' Club of Flomot Saturday, November 8, at the community Center was declared a success. All vendors were pleased with their sales and the Club's concession was a sell-out. E.G. Reed's name was drawn for the beautiful Blue Bonnet designed quilt.

### CHRISTENING CEREMONY

Christopher Roy Vinson, 8-month-old baby son of Dana and Crystal Vinson of Lubbock had a christening baptism Sunday morning at the United Methodist Church in Matador. Officiating at the ceremony was the Methodist district superintendent, Richard Edwards.

Others at the altar were his sisters, Elise and Allison Vinson; paternal grandparents, Doris and Roger Vinson of Flomot; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mildred Cantrell of Lubbock; paternal great grandmother, Mrs. Beverly Vinson of Flomot; Shannon and Melinda Vinson, Bubba and Morgan of Lubbock.

Wilburn Martin, chairman of the Flomot Cemetery Association, is appreciative of the \$500 donation made by Jim Meece and wife, June of Wichita Falls. Jim is a former resident of Flomot and a 1954 graduate of Flomot High School. He has family members buried at the Flomot Cemetery.

Ruth and Orville Lee and son, Joey Lee of Clarendon attended the graveside rites of

Orville's niece, Louise Rains held Monday, November 3 at the Resthaven memorial Park in Midland.

Members of the Do Gooders' Club met at the Community Center in Flomot Wednesday and following a sort business session made preparations for their Bazaar held Saturday, November 8.

Mrs. Betty Simpson of Northfield, National Weather Service Volunteer, reported 3.54 inches of total rainfall for October. She and husband, Billy Paul, were in Amarillo last week for a medical treatment.

Shannon Nall of Bushland visited Sunday with Mrs. B. Rogers and Donnie Rogers.

Mrs. Janice Hughes visited in Floydada, Saturday with son and family, Roger, Tiffany, Tara and Brody Hughes and son, Rickey Hughes.

Mrs. Marilee Cooper and grandson, Gavin Cooper of Borger, visited the weekend with her father, Wilburn Martin. They visited Sunday morning in Matador at the Hackberry Care Center with Mrs. Geneva Martin.

Mrs. Gwen Mandrell, daughter Peyton, and friend, Joshlyn of Lubbock, visited Saturday afternoon with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert. Weekend visitors were daughter and husband, Sherrlyn and Dan foster of Lubbock.

Luncheon guests Sunday of Kathy and Clois Shorter were daughters and families, Christi, Dwain, Haley and Emily Milam of Petersburg and Kerri, Kevin and Brian Sehon of Ropesville and his father, L.E. Shorter of Flomot. They visited Sunday afternoon in Matador at the hackberry Care Center with Kathy's mother, Mrs. Geneva Martin.

### RSCV meet

The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers met in the home of Pearl Patten on November 11, 2008. After discussion a motion was made and passed to purchase the fireworks for the next 4th of July celebration as soon as possible. It was also decided to purchase Christmas gifts for residents at Hackberry Creek Care Center. The next meeting will be the 2nd Tuesday in December at the home of Margaret Leonard.

## Matador News

Mrs. Evelyn Garrison, her daughter Mrs. Debra Scott, her sister and husband, Sue and Richard Lancaster of Breckenridge were in Branson, Missouri, from Tuesday until Saturday. They enjoyed the tourist attractions, many musical performances including The Twelve Irish Tenors and the beautiful weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Jameson of Santa Fe, N.M., visited from Friday until Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson. Joining them to visit Saturday was their other son, Lance Jameson of Vernon.

Frances Hobbs and Deanie Edwards visited with Heather Haile and family from Octo-

ber 31 through November 3. They spent Friday in Stephenville with Heather and were promptly dressed up as Mr. and Mrs. Witch and handed out candy to all the neighborhood kids while the grandchildren went trick or treating. Great fun.

On Saturday, Heather, Frances, Deanie, Meagen Lee, and two of Heather's friends, went to Canton and spent all day doing the First Monday Antique sale. They spent Saturday night in Tyler, Texas. Sunday morning the group enjoyed a tour through the Tyler Rose Garden and then back to Canton. Frances and Deanie returned home on Monday.

### First United Methodist Church announces new pastor

William Paul "Bill" and Arlyce Krueger Manney accepted the position of pastor at the First United Methodist Church in Matador in June, 2008. The Manneys have been living in Lubbock for the past 15 years.

Bill was born and raised in Wisconsin. "I was introduced to the great state of Texas by the U.S. Army," he said.

They have two daughters, Lorelee, married to Michael Shannon, and daughter Tegan of Pflugerville, Texas; and Gwen, married to Adam Rice, of Austin.

Manney became a licensed local pastor in 2005, serving at Vigo Park and Wayside before coming to Matador in June of this year.

## Birth Announcement Kingston Garrett Salinas



Kristi Williams and Angelo Salinas are proud to announce the birth of Kingston Garrett Salinas. Kingston was born on October 30, 2008 at 4:46p.m. at Medical City in Dallas, Texas. He weighed 7 pounds 1 ounce and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Rodney and Glenda Williams of Matador and Manuel Salinas and Maria Rodriguez of Carrollton. Great grand parents are Jim and Wanda Stockton and Bessie Jean Williams and the late Pete Williams of Matador, Manuel and Elisa Salinas of Forny and the late Ignacio and Josefina Avila of Sahuayo Michoacan Mexico.

## Obituary: Lona Mae (Liston) Smallwood

IOWA PARK - Lona Mae (Liston) Smallwood, 79, passed away Friday, November 07, 2008 in Wichita Falls. Funeral Services were held on Tuesday, November 11, 2008 at 2:00 PM at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Wichita Falls with Rev. Dale Snyder, Pastor officiating. Graveside Services followed at Highland Cemetery under the direction of Dutton Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smallwood was born

May 20, 1929 in Beloit, WI to the late Conrad and Laura Liston. She married Herbert Smallwood on December 31, 1949 in Beloit. She enjoyed arts and crafts such as knitting and painting, and worked for 37 years as a clerk at the Midwestern State University Library. She was a member of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church.

Surviving relatives include her husband, Herbert; daughter, Cathy Loucks and her husband,

Buck all of Iowa Park; Son, Jon and his wife, Ellen of Bedford, TX; four grandchildren; two great grandchildren; two sisters, Lois McGowan of Beloit and Eleanor Mendell of Portage, WI; and special friends, Su and M.J.

Memorials may be made to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 4605 Cypress Street, Wichita Falls, TX 76310 or to the charity of choice. Please visit www.mem.com to share your tributes with the family.

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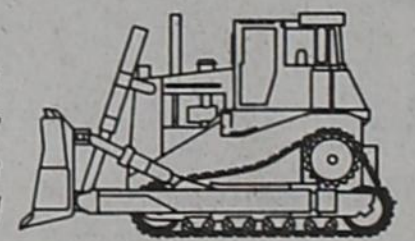
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# Notes from the Library

By Buffy Crutchley

Thanks to everyone who attended the Friends of the Library meeting last week. We got a lot of business handled, and ate a tootsie pop or two!

However, I do come to you this week needing your help. We're trying to revive our book discussions, and I wonder if you have any suggestions. I want to make the next discussion we have the biggest one yet. If you have an idea for a book, or any other idea that will help us draw a crowd, I'd love to hear from you. Our discussions really are a lot of fun, but if there is anything the library can do to make them better, I want to hear what it is!

For those of you who are fans of the Mossy Creek series (located in the large print section!) I have some good news. I've ordered the final book in the Mossy series, to complete our set. And I found 2 other books by the same authors which promise to be just as enjoyable. One is called "On Grandma's Porch", and the other is called "Sweet Tea & Jesus Shoes." These two books tell humorous stories about life in the south. I'm anxious to read them myself!

And speaking of new books, arriving this week are the new J.D. Robb, Robert Parker, David Morrell, and M.C. Beaton.

## ARTS AND CRAFTS

By Winifred Darsey

The November meeting for Arts and Crafts Club was memorable. Nova Dale Turner taught the members the art of molding clay. It was a wonderful lesson. The members were pleased and delighted over the lovely objects, for example, Madonna and Child and Praying Hands. These items and others will be historical. To set the clay, it requires an oven or kiln. The result of these objects will be classical, and will be on display at the Fall Bazaar on November 22nd at the Senior Center.

The Club met at 10:00 a.m. Nova Dale, Club President, pre-

sided over the regular business meeting. Plans were finalized for the Bazaar, and the annual Christmas Party and luncheon.

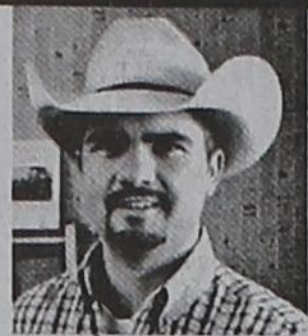
The party will be held at Hotel Matador. Food and fun are in the offing.

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

All members are invited to come help prepare for the Bazaar, and also bring cookies to serve at the tea table on Friday afternoon at 1:30 p.m.

See you there!

# County Agent's News



by Ryan Martin, AgriLIFE EXTENSION AGENT

## County Commissioners Attend Educational Conference in Vernon

VERNON- Motley County commissioners, Russell Alexander and Donnie Turner attended the November 6, Rolling Plains County Commissioners Court Conference at the Texas AgriLIFE Research and Extension Center, said Ryan Martin, county Extension agent.

Texas AgriLife Extension Service District III includes Childress, Motley, Cottle, Hardeman, Foard, Wilbarger, Wichita, Clay, Montague, Dickens, King, Knox, Baylor, Archer, Kent, Stonewall, Haskell, Throckmorton, Young, Jack, Wise, Stephens, Palo Pinto and Parker counties.

"This conference provided a wealth of information for county commissioners," Ryan Martin said. The conference agenda included presentations on Dealing with Media, Meeting FEMA Requirements, Update on Renewable Energy Transmission Lines and Water Transfer Lines, and Landowners Rights. Legislative Updates from State Representatives Rick Harcastle, and David Farabee along with a Legislative

Update Affecting Counties.

The conference also provided county commissioners an excellent opportunity for networking with their peers on the Rolling Plains and they received six (6) commissioners' continuing educational units.

The November 6, conference was co-sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension Service and the Continuing Education Department at Vernon College.

For more information on statewide programs and services available through Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Texans should call their local county Extension office.

## Texas 4-H Centennial Concert

I wanted to take time to thank everyone that helped out with the Texas 4-H Centennial Concert Saturday night. Whether you worked the gate, concession stand, helped setup or cleanup, this event would not have been possible without you. I hope everyone had a great time and enjoyed the concert. Once again, thanks to everyone that helped out.

## Red Rover Club travels to Memphis

By Winifred Darsey

Matador's Red Rovers of the Red Hat Society of West Texas enjoyed a visit to Memphis, Texas, to tour the First Presbyterian Church of Memphis. It was an awe-inspiring trip.

Established in 1890 under the leadership of the Rev. A.W. Rogers, this church began with 13 members. This place of worship, the second for the congregation, was completed in 1911. It was built to last forever from brick fired in the Memphis kiln.

It features neoclassical revival detailing in the use of arched windows and a domed roof. Beautiful European stained glass windows, both plain and portrait, cover every

window in memory of those gone on to glory.

All of the interior wood surfaces, including the organ, are made of solid oak. Interior furnishing includes a large pipe organ originally powered by water pressure and later electrified. This two manual, 18-tracker, Kilgen organ was built and installed by the Kilgen and Son organ company of St. Louis, Missouri, when the church was built.

Sometime between 1927 and 1930 Mr. "Kit" (Kittinger) was able to fulfill his dream and build the little church in the basement, a place for the children to worship. It was an awesome sight to see 190 women in attendance, all wearing red hats and purple at

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By Ace Reid



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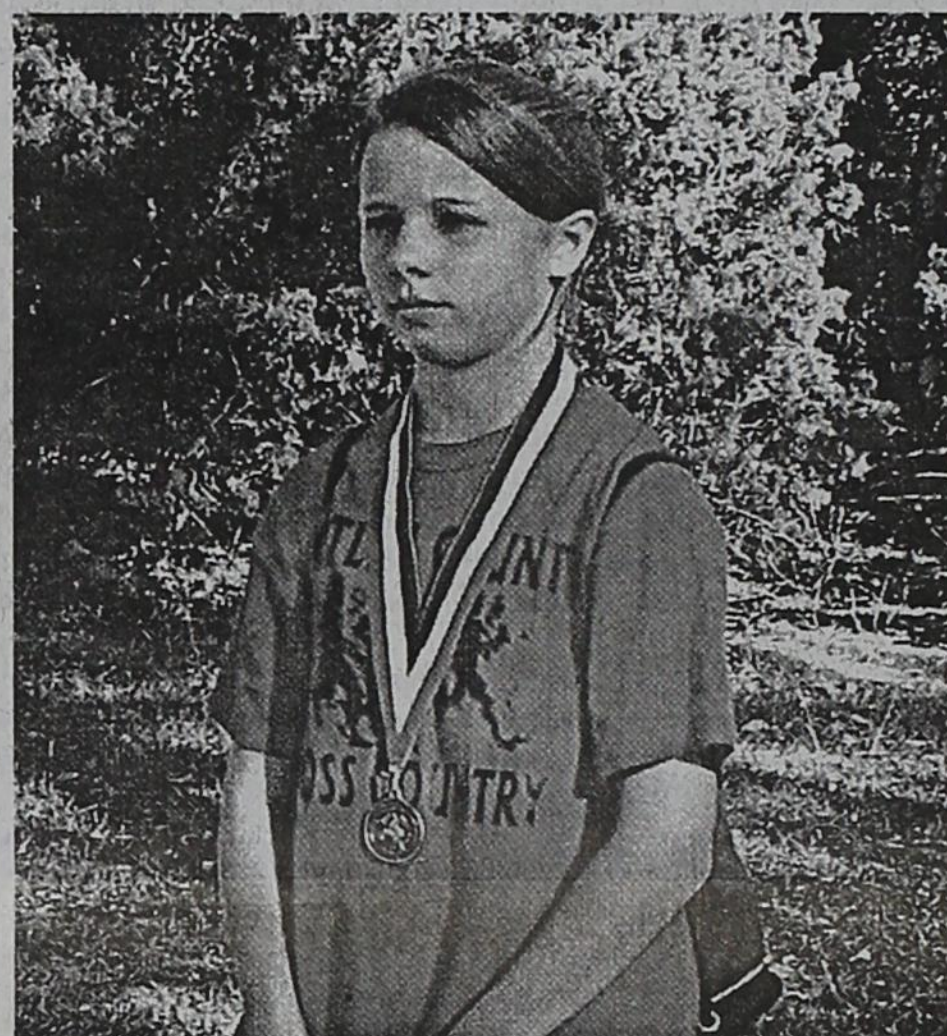
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## Regional Cross-Country



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## Hospice Hands

August

Employee of the Month

Kristi Carstensen, Social Worker



Kristi started working at Hospice Hands of West Texas in July 2008, shortly after moving to Lockney with her family. Kristi's husband, Ricky, is the Pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Lockney.

Kristi and Ricky have two daughters, Sarah and Karis.

Kristi says she really enjoys working for hospice, and views it as a ministry in itself. "Serving terminally ill patients and their families is an opportunity to show the love of Jesus to those in perhaps their darkest hour."

Way to go, Kristi, and thanks for all your hard work!

Hospice Hands has been proudly serving the surrounding area since 1997! If we can ever help you and your family please contact us at (806) 652-3000 or toll Free (888) 795-1212

## PALO DURO BASIN OIL AND GAS UPDATE

BRISCOE COUNTY: Gunn Oil Company has rigged-up and begun drilling operations on the Turner Lease Well #1. The Turner #1 is located 6-1/4 miles southeast of Quitaque in Section 66, 1163 feet from the North Line and 1190 feet from the West Line of the Section.

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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0010260001

**APPLICATION.** City of Roaring Springs, P.O. Box 247, Roaring Springs, Texas 79256, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to renew wastewater disposal Permit No. WQ0010260001 to authorize the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 50,000 gallons per day via irrigation of 22 acres of non-public access agricultural land. The domestic wastewater treatment facility and disposal site are located adjacent to the east side of State Highway 70, approximately 500 feet south of the SLSFT Railroad tracks and approximately 3,600 feet north of the intersection of State Highway 70 and Farm-to-Market Road 684 in Motley County, Texas. TCEQ received this application on September 30, 2008. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at Roaring Springs City Hall, 209 Broadway Street, Roaring Springs, Texas.

**ADDITIONAL NOTICE.** TCEQ's Executive Director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After technical review of the application is complete, the Executive Director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list and to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the deadline for submitting public comments.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comments or request a public meeting on this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments, and the Executive Director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.

**TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST:** your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and, the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

**MAILING LIST.** If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number, and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION.** All written public comments and requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about TCEQ can be found at our web site at [www.tceq.state.tx.us](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us).

Further information may also be obtained from the City of Roaring Springs at the address stated above or by calling Robert Osborn at (806) 348-7231.

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 May God Bless America.  
 Franklin Jameson, Commissioner, Precinct 3

**THANK YOU**  
 I would like to thank the citizens of Motley County for their support in the recent election.  
 Tom Edwards  
 County Attorney

**THANK YOU**  
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 Roy Stephens  
 Commissioner, Precinct 1

Comisión de Calidad Ambiental del Estado de Texas



AVISO DE RECIBO DE LA SOLICITUD E INTENCION DE OBTENER PERMISO PARA LA CALIDAD DEL AGUA RENOVACION

PERMISO NO. WQ001026001

**SOLICITUD.** *City of Roaring Springs 79256* [Applicant's name and address] ha solicitado a la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ) para renovar el Permiso No. WQ001026001 de disposición de aguas residuales para autorizar *treated wastewater* [activity or facility being authorized, choose appropriate, la disposición de aguas residuales tratadas en un volumen que no sobrepasa un flujo promedio diario de *50,000* galones por día por medio de *22 acres*]. La planta de *wastewater treatment* [type of facility; choose appropriate: tratamiento de aguas domésticas residuales or tratamiento de agua potable] y el área de disposición están ubicados en *East of Highway 70* [plant site location] en el Condado de *Motley County* Texas. La TCEQ recibió esta solicitud el día *Sept 30, 2008* [date received]. La solicitud para el permiso está disponible para leer y copiar en *City Hall, 209 Broadway* [street address of public place in county in which facility is located].  
*Roaring Springs, TX, 79256*

**AVISO ADICIONAL.** El Director Ejecutivo de la TCEQ ha determinado que la solicitud es administrativamente completa y conducirá una revisión técnica de la solicitud. Después de completar la revisión técnica, el Director Ejecutivo puede preparar un borrador del permiso y emitirá una Decisión Preliminar sobre la solicitud. El aviso de la solicitud y la decisión preliminar serán publicados y enviado a los que están en la lista de correo de las personas a lo largo del condado que desean recibir los avisos y los que están en la lista de correo que desean recibir avisos de esta solicitud. El aviso dará la fecha límite para someter comentarios públicos.

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**CONTACTOS E INFORMACIÓN DE LA TCEQ.** Todos los comentarios escritos del público y los pedidos para una reunión deben ser presentados a la Oficina del Secretario Principal, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087. Si necesita más información en Español sobre esta solicitud para un permiso o el proceso del permiso, por favor llame a la oficina de Asistencia al Público de la TCEQ, sin cobro, al 1-800-687-4040. La información general sobre la TCEQ puede ser encontrada en nuestro sitio de la red: [www.tceq.state.tx.us](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us).

También se puede obtener información adicional del *City of Roaring Springs* [nombre del solicitante] a la dirección indicada arriba o llamando a *Robert Osborn* [nombre del representante del solicitante] al *806-348-7231* [número telefónico del solicitante].

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# Coming Home continued

The official height of Angel Falls is 3,212 feet. Pina called her Venezuela experience a "tremendous cultural learning experience." But other cultural experiences were in store when she took a job with an American run school for Greek students in Thessalonica, the second largest city-state in Athens, Greece.

Political chaos in Greece was the norm in '66 when Pina accepted this teaching assignment. She was there in April 1967, when a coup d'etat in Greece brought a military administration to power; and she was there in November 1967, when Cyprus, an island nation in the eastern Mediterranean Sea, witnessed its most severe bout of intercommunal fighting since 1964 (Wikipedia). But Pina had her own worries, like running water and a roommate crisis. "If you worked for two years in Greece, you didn't have to pay U.S. income taxes," she said. She was determined to make it, so she moved into a sheppard's hut with no running water for \$10 a month (versus \$800 for an apartment with a roommate and no running water). The school provided her a refrigerator. Her living arrangements forced another cultural experience - the Turkish baths.

The hamam is a Middle Eastern variation of a steam bath, dating back to 1000 A.D., Pina said. A typical hamam has three interconnected rooms, similar to its Roman ancestors - a hot room, a warm room, and the cool room. "You pay a fee, rent a towel and go into the alcodes, where you steam in hot boiling water," she said. "Then the scrubbing ladies come in, lay you down on a marble slab, and give you a scrub massage." You wash with soap and water in the warm room; and relax, dress up, and have a refreshing drink in the cool room.

The school arranged field trips for the teachers, and Pina made her first trip to a communist country, Yugoslavia. "You could 'feel' (the oppression) when you stepped over the line," she said. She also visited

Egypt, Jordon, Lebanon, and Jerusalem. She was in Isreal six months before the Six-day War. She took a two-week photo safari to Africa, visiting Kenya, Uganda, and Tanzania; and a boat trip around all the Greek Islands; then to Istanbul, Turkey, Tehran, Iran, Syria and Iraq.

Her next assignment was in Ilo, Peru. She taught Grades 4-8 in a mining camp in the Andes Mountains on the Chilian border. She spent two years "isolated in a desert" and just happened to be there for the quarter-century rain. "I woke up in the night, and it was raining," she said, an unusual event that occurred once every 25 years. "The desert bloomed over night," she said, "it was beautiful."

The Peruvian government provided an "air club" or a "flying club," Pina said. This was open to anyone, and for a mere 160 pesos (\$10 per hour) for a plane and a free instructor, you could learn to fly. Pina joined the air club and earned her pilots license. "I flew solo a lot," she said, "there was no place to go, so my fun was doing 360 degree dead-stick landings." For the uninitiated, that means climbing 10,000 feet, killing the engine, spiraling the plane to Earth, kicking the engine back in, and landing. "I'm not courageous," she said, "just curious." The world traveler returned to the U.S. in one piece, and in August 1977, she earned her doctorate degree at the University of Texas at Austin in Speech Communication.

Her first assignment out of doctoral studies, she encountered the "most alien culture that I had ever taught in" at Johnson C. Smith University, an all-black school in Charlotte, N.C. According to Pina, there were only four white professors. She said she experienced what it meant to be a minority. Nonetheless, she stuck it out, won over her detractors, and taught for five years. By now, it was 1983, and Pina was getting that old "itchy feeling to travel overseas again." She spent eight weeks at Duke University in Arabic and Islamic studies, then applied for a position at King Faisal University in Hafuf, Saudia Arabia.

It was 1984, she was teaching advanced students, all women. "Women could not teach men in school," she said. "The students were paid to go to school," she said. "Keep in mind that Saudia Arabia only abolished slavery in 1958, and it was in the '60s before women could get an education at all."

Sometimes, everything you learn, all past experiences, all study and language, all art and culture, come to full meaning. "I learned how to utilize the culture moray's to accomplish what I wanted to do." This may seem like a simple concept, but in Saudi at the time, women couldn't go to the bank, post office, school, or shop alone.

The professors were escorted everywhere they went by male "protectors." Women had segregated "caboose's" attached to the main buses where the men rode. While Pina was prepared to work within the culture, she was frustrated in all her attempts to take care of her own

personal business. The school had promised her a private apartment (she got stuck with a roommate); and they reneged on Arabic lessons. She had an epiphany. The Saudi culture is "very, very tribal," she said. She got her own private apartment by reminding her male counterparts that "you wouldn't expect to live with someone that was not in your tribe, would you?" She learned how to maneuver, how to deport herself in public according to custom, how to wear traditional Islamic scarfs, how to lower her gaze, how to disappear. She not only managed her own banking and postal visits, but that of all the other American professors. But at the end of two years, Pina came home, none the worse for wear, with her overseas travel grinding to a halt due to family responsibilities.

"One week after I came home, daddy died," Pina said. "It was too late to get a university job, so I taught English at Spur," closer to home. During this year, she got a call from Lyon College in Batesville, Arkansas, and they needed an English and Speech professor. "I wanted to teach at the university level, so I headed to Arkansas. I was there eight years," she said.

She found her voice in the Oral Interpretation Club (art performance), the Reader's Club, staging novels, and other theater productions. This was a small Presbyterian, private university, and only the "cream of the crop" studied there, she said. She took her mother to Arkansas, but her mother's health continued to fail, and in 1995, she came home.

Her mother died in 2001, and shortly thereafter, Pina went on an 18-month mission trip to Chile for her church. She returned in 2004, and has been in Matador ever since. She goes to Childress to her church, volunteers at the Morman Temple in Lubbock two days a week, every other week; delivers meals for the Senior Citizens, and volunteers at the library. Her days are full. She has recently faced her own health problems, but as you can imagine, with courage and fortitude. Somehow, you can't imagine Pina staying in one place for too long. That overseas bug bite usually lasts a lifetime.

Margaret Mead's wise counsel to travelers is an expression of Pina Sue Sturdivant's life. Her study in culture has prepared her for a real appreciation of her own community. She lives in the home her parents built on Eubank, and this world traveler considers Matador the "perfect place for a "snowbird" retirement village. "We are centrally located, 60 miles from Childress and 90 miles from Lubbock, two major cities. It is cheaper to live here than in the city, we have Roaring Springs Ranch in our backyard and Wayland Baptist College only 60 miles away. Matador is an ideal place for a retirement community," she said.



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## Obituary: Louise Rains

Louise Rains, 78, of Midland, died Friday, October 31, 2008, at Hospice House in Odessa. Graveside services were held at Resthaven Memorial Park on Monday, November 3, 2008, at 1:00 pm.

Louise was born September 6, 1930, in Post, Texas, to the Reverend J.E. and Edna Lee. She was raised in the Flomot area and graduated from Flomot High School. She then moved to Plainview, Texas, and attended Wayland Baptist College, where she was the Captain of the "Flying Queens" Women's Basketball Team.

At the age of 19, she met the love of her life, Paul Rains; it was love at first sight. They later married in Clovis, New Mexico, on June 30, 1951. They began their marriage in San Antonio, Texas, at Lackland Air Force Base where Paul was stationed and Louise worked as a secretary for

the American Red Cross. After several years of farming in the Panhandle of Texas, the couple moved to Dimmitt where Louise continued to work as a secretary for both the County Clerks and Abstract Office. In 1966, they moved to Midland, where they raised their three daughters.

Louise delighted in her family and took great pride in their accomplishments. Her hobbies included sports, sewing, gardening, and most of all, being a homemaker. In addition, she participated as a MHS Band Booster. Her greatest joy, however, came from her husband, her three daughters, and her six grandchildren, whom she adored. Above all, Louise's Christian faith, gentle spirit, and kindness were a gift to everyone around her.

She is preceded in death by her parents, and her beloved husband, Paul Rains. She is survived by her three daughters, Vicki

Henderson, Cindy Meile, and Ginger Yowell, all of Midland; her two sons-in-law, David Henderson and Al Yowell, of Midland; six grandchildren, Andrea Lake, of North Richland Hills, Kevin Henderson, of Lubbock, Amanda Henderson, of Midland, Rachael Hines, of Mesa, Arizona, Paul Meile, of Mesa, Arizona, and Nicole Meile, of Midland; as well as one great grandson, David Hines, of Mesa, Arizona; one brother and sister-in-law, Orville and Ruth Lee, of Flomot, Texas; and one sister and brother-in-law, Carolyn and C.R. Horn, of Ranger, Texas.

The family would like to thank all of the caring staff and nurses at Home Hospice in Midland and the Hospice House of Odessa, for their kindness and care of our Mother. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to Home Hospice, 901 W. Missouri, Midland, Texas 79701.

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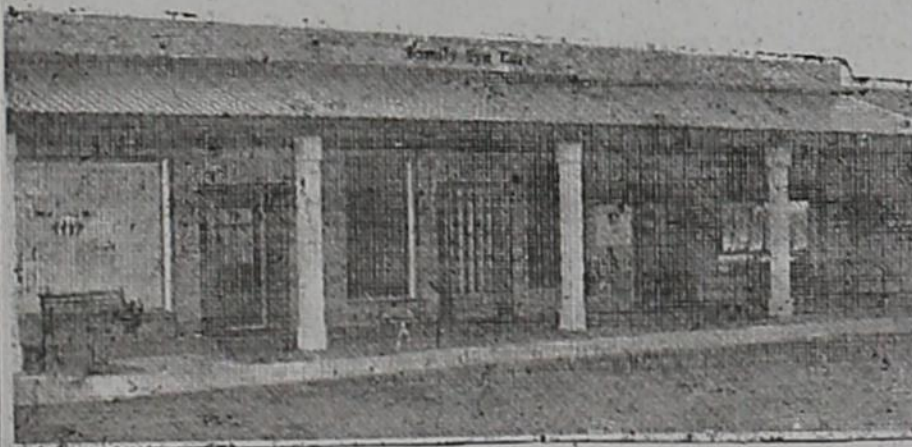


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- 13 Matador City Council, 6:30
- 14 MCISD PLAYOFFS at Lefors, 7:30
- 15 - District 4-H Food Show - Vernon
- 15 Japanese Bookbinding w/Laverne at Library
- 16 Turkey FD/EMS Chicken Dinner, Donations, Bob Wills Cafeteria
- 17 MCISD School Board Meeting, 7:30
- 18 Matador Lions Club, Meth Church 12:30 pm
- 18 Chamber Meeting, 5:30
- 20 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
- 22 Arts and Craft Bazaar, Senior Citizen Center
- 23 Senior Citizen Fundraiser, Turkey Dinner, 11:30

### December

- 2 Matador Lions Club, Meth Church 12:30 pm
- 3 Kids Praise
- 4 RS Lions Club
- 6 Christmas Bazaar, Crosby County Pioneer Memorial Museum, 9-3 pm
- 8 Commissioners Ct 9:30
- 8 RS City Council
- 9 RS Comm Vol 6:30
- 11 M City Council, 6:30
- 11 Foothills Fellowship 7 PM.
- 15 MCISD School Board
- 16 Matador Lions Club, Meth Church 12:30 pm

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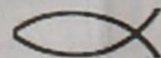
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