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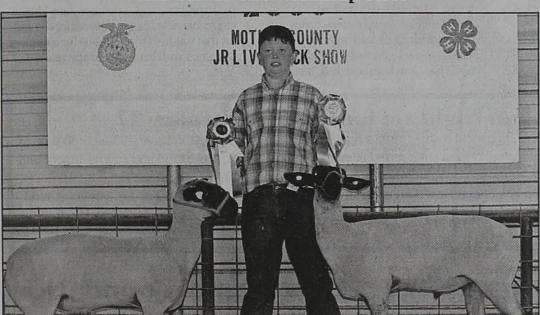
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2009 Motley County 69th Junior Livestock Show Awards



Courtney Alexander Reserve Champion Steer and Senior Showmanship Steer



Seth Baxter Grand and Reserve Lamb

Show last Saturday, February 21 began with a hearty breakfast sponsored by Lowe's and Heavy Weight Hampshire cooked by Richard Turner and Class: crew. FFA and 4-H members exhibited swine, lambs, goats, steers, rabits and bucket calves. The results are as follows:

Swine Show:

1st place, Sage Guerrero. 2nd place, Eric Simpson. 3rd place, Jonathon Osborn. 4th place, Braden Bigham. 5th place, Dode

The 69th Junior Livestock Gleghorn. 6th place, Matthew Faulks.

1st place, Sage Guerrero. 2nd place, Alexis Osborn. 3rd place, Dode Gleghorn. 4th place, Eric Simpson. 5th place, Andrew Martin. 6th place, Chloe Gleghorn.

Light Weight Hampshire Breed Cham-

pion: Sage Guerrero

Hampshire Reserve Breed Champion: Sage Guerrero

Chester Class:

1st place, Braden Bigham. 2nd place, Britt Simpson. 3rd place, Austin Taylor. 4th place, Andrew Martin. 5th place, Dayne

Chester Breed Champion:

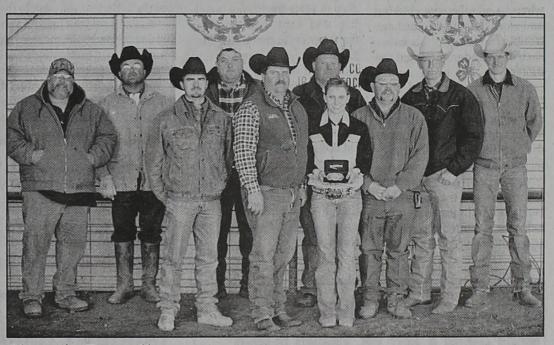
Braden Bigham **Chester Reserve Breed**

Champion:

Britt Simpson

Cross Class:

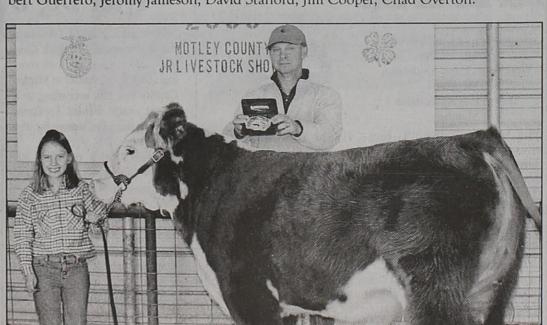
1st place, Natalie Jameson. 2nd place, Britt Simpson. 3rd continued on page 5



Shane'a Russell Memorial Herdsman Scholarship Award Front: (L to R) Ryan Martin, J.D. Russell, Shane'a Russell, Craig Turner. Back: (L to R)Mark Seigler, Gilbert Guerrero, Jeromy Jameson, David Stafford, Jim Cooper, Chad Overton.



Chloe Gleghorn Grand Champion Steer



Dode Gleghorn Dusty Burleson Memorial Hereford Award

Foothill Country Connections

Community, Diversity, Art

by Larry Vogt

March is almost here and we can see farmers out working the fields and also see that a few garden plots have been plowed. I keep expecting some daffodils and tulips to pop into bloom within a few days. There is still some cool weather ahead and although some of the spring flowers are showing some leaves, it will be awhile before the actual blooms show up.

That promise of spring and planting with the blossoming of shrubs and trees keeps up our anticipation and the lengthening of the daylight surely makes our spirits start

to soar. It actually seems appropriate to open windows in the house and let in some of that fresh spring air.

Keeping the house closed to the cold winter winds and freezing temperatures takes its toll on our attitudes and makes us want to have warm temperatures such as we have these last few February days. Just let us have a little rain with these nice warm temperatures, let us feel those precious raindrops on our face and watch the creeks and rivers run with water.

"Mercy drops round us are falling, but for the showers we plead," says the old hymn, and amen to that.

Johnson. Seldom, it seems, few are the recipients of a celebration by the citizenry as was Charlie. Jolene and I would like to add our thanks for his outstanding efforts while in retirement. His equal will be hard to find.

We are honored to have

TRAIL DUST

DOUGLAS, MEADOR

Congratulations to Charlie known Charlie and his wife these many years. Furthermore, we appreciate his guidance as superintendent, obviously with the help of dedicated teachers, in showing, by his actions, the true meaning of effective citizen-

> We wish the very best for him and his family.

Very truly yours,

Vernon G. Higginbotham



Matador Tribune February 13, 1936

There was a ghostly beauty in the moon swinging close to the grim hill where our horses trampled restlessly upon the sterile gypson rock and tugged at the bridle reins. Below lay the broad sandy river, bank-full of moonlight as molds at a silver smelter where a silence was choking and words seemed to hurt our troubled thoughts because each of us understood that the morrow would bring an intermission in what had been a happy companionship. He lit a cigarette with deliberate hesitancy and laughed into that awful silence. A strange terror tied my heart when a coyote's cry broke through the stillness where the sound had been and as an understood finale, we mounted our horses and rode away.

Matador Tribune February 13, 1936

Mercury To Zero County Shivers When Guns of Winter Cut Loose on Panhandle

The mercury skidded to zero in Matador Friday morning and sent citizens back for heavier under and outer garments, and farmers and stockmen of the county back for more feed for livestock, in the coldest spell of the season. The prolonged cold weather has made heavy inroads of local fuel supplies but fuel dealers declare there is no possibility of any acute shortage. Ranchers and stockmen say that livestock have suffered some but that no losses have resulted.

DAYS GONE BY

Memories of the Old F Ranch

Dora Merrell Stroup, February 1949

Editor's note: With the recent passing of Wilson Barton of the Barton Community we lost another connection to the Old F Ranch, also known as the Quitaque Ranch. Wilson's father Al Barton worked under Charles Goodnight who managed it for John Adair of the JA Ranch near Clarendon. The ranch headquarters at the time of this writing was owned by Janie Hughes Blair, and it is currently owned by the family of Kinder Farris of Floydada. This account was shared by Mrs. Stroup's greatgrandson, Larry Irby of Odessa.

This evening Jane Hughs came and took me down to see the new home. She was building it on the site of the old F Ranch. It had been willed to her from her father, Henry Hughs. At one time the F Ranch had been a refuge and a joy to all of us old timers. It was a place we all admired and loved.

That old house was dear to my childhood. A joy to me as a young woman. It had been the resting place for the stranger sheltered and fed. It was a place child with my brothers and sisters. There my children had run

through the large house. As I stood there viewing the destruction of the old house being put aside for the new, all of these memories came to me. But old memories must be pushed aside and new memories take their place.

After returning home tonight, memories lingered on. As I cleared the dishes away I resolved in my mind that I would write some of those old memories I have in my heart. So with pen and paper here they are. And with God's help, for I feel He will be well pleased for us to remember some of the things of the past to pass them on to others. We only travel life's road once and we never retrace our steps. The Bible says the world is like an old vester (vessel), it wears out. So has the old friendly house that once stood beside the road, a friend to man. A new one has taken its place.

As I remember the old F Ranch it was a beautiful place. The first time I saw it was when it was being built at the same time our home was. The lumber was hauled from Fort Worth by four mule teams. The ranch house was about four miles down Quitaque Creek, on the south side of Quitaque. It was a seven room house with three porches. It fronted on the north.

The east side room was used for a post office. In there was two boxes. One to hold mail that came to our community and the other one was to drop your mail in you wanted to go to other places. If the cook was present when you went to the office, he went and got your mail for you. If not you went through the mail and picked out yours. The mail came twice a week. First it came by Clarendon carried in a buckboard.

To the east of the house stood the well with two wooden buckets. The well is still there but Miss Hughs has put a windmill

over it. To the south of the house stood the poultry house. It was a pretty house with a round roof. The sides slanted up, and it was painted red. On top was a big bell with a rope tied to it. They used to call the men to chuck.

Still further south was the barn, stalls, saddle house and corrals. They had four spans of work mules. Each mule had its stall. When they were taken away from the plow or wagon each mule knew where its stall was. He went there to be unharnessed and fed. Its harness was hung up over its feed bin and its name was written in big black letters. I remember Ned and Ed, Pete and Jack. I don't remember the others names.

They had a blacksmith shop between the barn and the house. Harry Adams was the blacksmith. I remember him so well. He had red hair. Sometimes he would let it women had died. Men and women had taken marriage vows. As I stood looking at the remains of that old house, my mind drifted to where the Bible says in Ecclesiastes 3-To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven...a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up...(11). He had made everything beautiful in his time; also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.

God made people beautiful at their time, so was the old house. It had served its time. Those people that had planned and built a home have served their purpose. Herein the new land they had stood many hardships that someone else might have a better life. They had blazed a trail into the unknown. They never turned back and worked with what little they had that others may profit

by their labor.

There are many things I can remember with joy. The cowboys enjoyed children. They used to make us swings in the big cottonwood trees in front of the house with their lariats. Mr. Goodnight enjoyed us children. He used to talk to us. It made us feel great

to talk to Mr. Goodnight. But Mr. Moore never gave us any mind. He was just hard to get acquainted with, for he got to be friendly after he knew us for a while.

I remember us going to the ranch one fourth of July. We had our dinner together. We stayed til late that night. A lot of people came in late that evening and they danced in three rooms. Mr. Goodnight liked to watch them dance. He went out and sat down on the porch floor and sung his feet off the side of the porch. He said he could rest best that way.

I remember they had camp meetings down the creek from the ranch. The men from the ranch came regular at night. I never will forget the two summer meetings. It was held under a brush arbor. It was not very good shade, but no one seemed to care. They had grove meetings. People in those days shouted. It made one feel good to see people praising the Lord. They also had two days of barbecue just up the creek two years in a row. I enjoyed them.

There was a large plum patch north of the ranch house. They put a fence around it and called it Aunt Molly's lum patch. She would come down and make the plum in preserves and jelly for the men. She would mend their clothes if it was a good garment that had been snagged.

All of those things are in the past and forgotten by most all that is still here to tell as far as I know. There are just a few. There are many here that do not know anything about it. I will lay my pen down and leave many things I could tell, but they don't appeal to anyone now. I do hope Jane Hughs enjoys her new home and am sure she will for that was her father's home for a number of years. I wish her many happy years.

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grow til it reached beyond his collar. I never saw him when he had it combed. Sometimes he would stop by to eat dinner like the other cowboys, and he would come to the table without combing his hair.

Southwest of the barn was a large orchard-mostly peaches, apples, grapes, and mulberries. Oh yes, there was a big mulberry tree that stood at the kitchen door. That was a gathering place for us children to eat berries. The orchard was irrigated from the creek til we had the cloudburst that washed the dam away. West of the ranch house was another building they called the white and store house. One room was used for an office and the other was a store house. There they stored the food and other things they needed.

The provisions were hauled from Clarendon drawn by four mules. The men working go there for their needs before going to some camp to see after the stock and fences. Those men worked for a dollar a day. They furnished their own saddle, blankets, bridle, and clothes. If they were living in a camp they went to the store house and got their food, coal oil, steeples, ropes, and matches.

The house was painted brown with white trim. It had stack chimneys. This house was a refuge in time of an Indian scare. The men from the Ranch were sent out to warn the people that the Indians were on the warpath. Everyone would pick up their firearms and come to the ranch. I think every family went but us. Father did not believe it, but the other families went there to find shelter. It turned out to be false.

In the old house were many happy memories for some, and man sad memories for others. In the walls of that old house babies had been born and died. Men and

Family Fun Night set for Friday, February 27

The annual Family Fun Night, sponsored by the Eternas Study Club, is set for Friday, February 27, at 6:30 p.m. at the Motley County ISD gymnasium. "The event highlights music, games, prizes, lots of fun and entertainment and good food," President Leadell Martin said. "Wear your favorite Western wear and come join the fun."

Tickets can be obtained from Annette at New To You or at the Shell Station from Leadell or LeJeanna. Attendees can also purchase tickets at the door. Sixth grade and up, and adults is \$8.00; Pre-kindergarten to 5th grade is \$6.00.

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Motley County Deer Wins Tyler Big Buck Contest

Howard Britain of Tyler won the 29th annual Big Buck Contest with a 10-point buck scoring 158 5/8 harvested in Motley County last fall, according to a recent article written by Steve Knight, outdoor writer for the Tyler paper.

win of the North Texas Adult ber rifle and a mount of his Division of the competition.

After hunting the Texas Hill Country for 50 years, Britain moved to a lease in Motley County in 2007, according to Knight. He took a buck his first season scoring in the mid-140s.

Britain said that while hunting the lease in late November, he "put the crosshairs on the largest white-tailed buck I have ever had an opportunity to shoot."

The 10-pointer had an inside

spread of 16 6/8 inches and a longest main beam length of 23 3/8 inches. The longest tine was 11 3/4 inches, and the largest circumference at the base was 5 1/8 inches.

As the winner in an adult division of the contest, Britain Britain's buck qualified his received a Remington .270-calideer. The gun was furnished by Mac's Gun Shop, Noonday Gun Trader, and Lynch's Food Store, all of Tyler. The mount was provided by Still Life Taxidermy of

> In addition to the above merchants, the annual Big Buck Contest is also sponsored by the Army/Navy Store of Tyler, East Texas Seed, Gander Mountain, and Academy Sports and Outdoors, also all of Tyler.

Educational Foundation Public Announcement

James and Oneita Titus have established an educational foundation for the purposes of providing scholarships to Motley County ISD seniors and mini-grants to teachers in MCISD.

Every senior at Motley County ISD is eligible to apply. Each senior student that applies and submits all required information will receive a \$1,000.00 scholarship. Moreover, the scholarships will be available to the students in the amount of \$2,000.00 each year for four years. A total of five scholarships in the amount of \$8,000.00 may be awarded. At no time will the scholarship exceed the total cost of tuition and books including other grants. Seniors of Motley County ISD must make application for a scholarship by the March 1, 2009 deadline.

Students are required to submit the application forms and also a hand-written essay responding to the following questions: 1) What are your career plans/long term

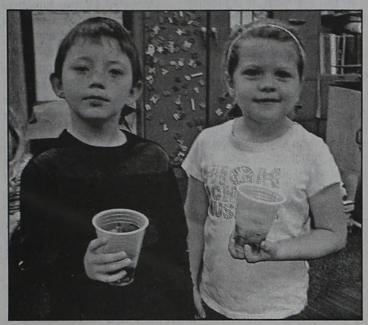
goals? 2) How will you give back to the community? 3) Why is a scholarship important to your college goals? 4) Why should you receive this scholarship? Each student's application will include a history of their extracurricular activities at Motley County ISD, cumulative GPA and ACT scores, leadership roles, community activity and work history. Students will also need to supply three letters of recommendation to the selection committee.

Motley County ISD teachers may apply for mini-grants from the Titus Foundation in the amount of \$1,500.00 per teacher, per year. Every teacher at Motley County ISD is eligible to apply for a mini-grant. The purpose of the mini-grant is to allow teachers the opportunity to purchase supplies, materials or programs that will improve the quality of education provided in the classroom. The application deadline for a teacher mini-grant is April 1, 2009.

The First Grade Learns **About the Mariana Trench**

Motley County School have been studying oceans this year in the Universal Literacy Program. They have recently read the book, The Earth is Mostly Ocean. In the book they learned that the world is covered with more water than land. They were fascinated to learn that the

The first grade students at Mariana Trench is 36,056 feet below sea level. That is the distance covered with a drive from Matador to Roaring Springs. The students then made a model of the Trench out of jello and cookies. The models later became an afternoon snack.



Dawson Baker and Jaylee Flowers display their models of the Mariana Trench

Seniors Practice Medical Tests

By Kayla Simpson

Mrs. Gillespie's Senior Anatomy class, consisting of Brittany Nutter, Kayla Simpson, Courtney Alexander, and Shane'a Russell, tried out some of the schools medical test equipment, on Feb. 6th 2009.

They learned how to check blood pressure and how to perform an EKG. In order to get the full experience, they practiced these procedures on each other.

This was a start in preparing Brittany Nutter for her future plans. She would like to become a registered nurse once she graduates and gets on her feet.

Brittany said "I think being a nurse is what I want to do and that class was a good experience for my future years to come, and thanks Mrs. Gillespie for enabling her to learn about these medical procedures."

Valentine's Day Parties

By Kayla Simpson

The Motley County Elementary had their yearly Valen-13th. All of the students had a dents, said "this party is their valentines cards, gifts class time to spend together and of course the sweets.

All that was seen at the kindergarten party was big bright smiling faces, along with icing mustaches. Gabriel Rivera. tines parties on Friday the one of the kindergarten stugreat time, and seemed to love awesome, because it gives my continued on page 4

FFA Activities Calendar Spring-Summer 2009

March	20	Texas Tech Invitational Judging Contest
	27	West Texas A&M Invitational Judging
April	2	District Land Contest at Wellington
100	4	State Qualifying Judging Contest at Texas Tech
	18	State Horse Contest at Texas Tech
	23	State Land and Dairy Cattle Contest at Tarleton
		State University
May	7	Greenbelt District Meeting at Valley High School
	13	Motley County FFA Chapter Banquet
	1-16	Area I Convention at Amarillo Tascosa High School
June	21-24	Area I Leadership Camp at Clarendon College
July	6-10	State FFA Convention in Dallas

Testing March 3

The majority of the students at MCISD will be taking a TAKS test on Tuesday, March 3, 2009. Students in grades 3 through 11, with the exception of the 6th grade, will test on this date.

We are asking that parents and guardians be aware of this important test and help by preparing your student for it. The students need to go to bed early the night before and need to have a good breakfast the morning of the test. We are also asking that parents refrain from making doctor or dental appointments on this date. The assistance of parents and guardians is greatly appreciated.

Grades 3, 5, 8, and 9 will be taking the reading portion of the TAKS test. Grades 4 and 7 will taking the writing portion and Grades 10 and 11 will be taking the ELA portion. Students who are absent on Tuesday will be given a make-up test.

Sixth grade students will be in the Ag Room on this date completing work that has been given to them by their classroom teachers. Students in grades PK through 2 will be taking a field trip on this date.

Students will not be allowed to have cell phones or other electronic devices in their possession during the testing period. Please help us maintain test integrity by requesting that your student not bring any electronic device or cell phone to school on

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As a project for the Lone Star Youth Leadership Program, Neal Potts developed a "Museum in a Box" to take to residents at the Hackberry Creek Nursing Home. Neal, along with his classmates, Keyan Kautz and Jaci Zingerman, visited with the residents who remembered experiences associated with each item. L-R Neal Potts, Keyan Kautz, and Jaci Zingerman.



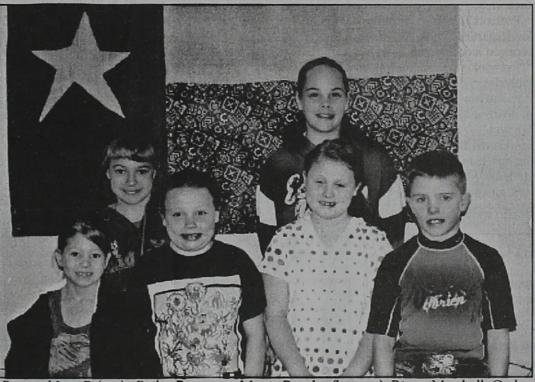
Second Grade Prepares to go to College. On Friday, February 27th, the second grade students are going to Wayland Baptist College to participate in an extended science experiment. Students at the college will prepare lab exercises for the students to complete. The college students learn about lesson plans and how to prepare and present to elementary students, and the second graders have the opportunity to visit a college classroom and learn some science. The field trip has been arranged by Yolanda Kautz, second grade teacher.

2009 Motley County Track Schedule

	riigh School			
Date	Place	Time		
March 6th	Spur	2:30		
March 13th	Jayton	TBA		
March 27th	Knox City	TBA		
April 6th	District Meet @ Crowell			
April 16th	Area Meet @ Munday			

May 1st & 2nd Regional Meet @ Abilene May 15th & 16th State Meet @ Austin

	Jr.	High	
March 5th		Spur	3:45
March 12th		Jayton	TBA
March 26th	TY.	Knox City	TBA
April 2nd		District @ Crowell	



Pictured L to R (top): Bailee Perryman, Mattie Brooks, (bottom): Rivers Marshall, Carley Turner, Mikenna Ford and Brody Rankin. Not pictured is Meagan Ford and Ashleigh Jones. Their next meet will be March 7 at Pampa. Good luck to each of them!

Gymnastics Meet in Lubbock

Seven students competed in a USAG meet at the Civic Center in Lubbock on Saturday February 14. Sherry Fogerson comes to the school on Wednesday each week and these students also go to Lockney to prepare for competition. Each of them competed in floor routine and a trampoline routine. They have been practicing every week and working hard on their passes. They all did a great job and performed

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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News By Monta Marshall

This must be visitation season. On Friday, my son Kevin McClaran and granddaughter Kenzie Renee came and visited and on Sunday my friend Phoebe Cypert from Tulia came and spent the night and most of Monday. Phoebe and I have been friends for 49 years. We lived neighbors north of Plainview when our children were small. Her voungest and my oldest were best of playmates. We did a lot of things together from canning, cleaning, art, sewing to community work together We would even haul our ironing boards and irons and iron together; I guess we had a lot of energy and didn't mind going to all that trouble if we could do work together. We would clean at my house for x amount of hours and then at hers for the same number of hours. We cooked a lot together and then we would play 42. Our husbands loved to spend cold days at Daffern's at Plainview junking. They hunted together too and Phoebe and I would stay together while they would be in Colorado on hunts. Bill is now in the Texas Veterans Home in Amarillo and of course my kid's dad died in 1984. We had a lot of laughs remembering things we used to and things the kids did.

On Thursday evening, Corky and P. K. Green attended a workshop for small towns at Spur. The theme of the meeting was Reviving Small Cities. Bobby Gierish of Austin was the speaker.

Monday a week ago, Devonne Dillard, Pauline House and I attended the Art Guild in Spur. Vickie Diggs of Girard gave les-

son on using soft pastels. We each did a picture using pastels and Mrs. Diggs helped us learn techniques. That was the first time I had ever had any instructions in pastels and I learned enough to like working with them! The Spur Art Guild meets the third Monday of each month and they are having a drive for new members so if you have an interest, you might like to go next month. They will be working with watercolors on Monday, March 16th. I believe Gloria Lee will be the instruc-

Jeanie Carpenter is still being taken care of in her home and Devonne reported that she was about the same.

Buzz and Tince Thacker visited her grandsons in Austin recently. They went on Friday the thirteenth and returned last Monday. They visited Justin and Amanda Terry and great grandson Everest. They helped Everest celebrate his first birthday. On Sunday they attended High Point Baptist Church where her grandson Todd Terry is on the staff. They missed hearing Todd preach as he preached the previous Sunday. Todd's title is Church Planter he is more involved in outreach ministry of the church.

Congratulations to the kids who showed their livestock in the Motley County Show.

Larry Vogt and Laverne Zabielski are back in Roaring Springs for a few days.

The new Windmill Café is beginning to look really nice. They hope to open the second week of March. That is coming up really

hoe Brody R

Flomot News By Earlyne Jameson

No Flomot news this week as the correspondent is ill.

Hackberry Creek Care Center

Employee of the Month

Resident of the Month



Kassi's co-workers say that she is very deserving of this award! She is a hard worker and is very good at what she does!

She loves the residents as if they were her own family, we think this says alot about the kind of person she is.

We are very glad to have her here at the Care Center!

> Congratulations Kassi!!!!!



Ida Farley is very well respected here at the Care Center. Everyone has such a positive opinion of her and we all love her happy spirit! She is so caring and thoughtful and would do anything to lend a helping hand. She is truly an asset to her roommate, Mrs. Edmondson. We are all very happy she is here with us at Hackberry Creek Care Center!

> Congratulations Mrs. Farley!!!!!

SCHOOL MENU

Thursday, February 26, 2009: BREAKFAST:

Cinnamon Rolls, or cereal, toast, applesauce, milkilise

LUNCH: Chicken Fajitas, lettuce, tomato, beans;

Friday, February 27, 2009: BREAKFAST:

Biscuit, sausage, gravy, or cereal, toast, juice, milk.

LUNCH: Hamburger/cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle

SENIOR CITIZEN MENU

Thursday, February 26, 2009: Cheeseburger

w/Bun, lettuce, tomato, onion, ranch beans, potato

Friday, February 27, 2009: Fried fish, red

beans, creamy coleslaw, baked hush puppies, or-

peppers, onions, tortilla chips, sherbet, milk.

slices, oven fries, cookie, fruit, milk.

Matador News

Lubbock were hunting quail in Motley County last weekend. Donnie is the drummer for the original Maines Brothers band. Son Chad is drummer for another band which will be featured during Bob Wills days this spring. Hunting with them was Donnie's father-inlaw and Chad's grandfather, B.G. Craft of Plains.

Mike Caruthers of Richardson and Bruce Klingman of Dallas were also in the county quail hunting, as was Max Masterson, also of Dallas.

The family of Pauline Smith will be gathering this weekend for her funeral. Pauline passed away in Lewisville last Saturday. She had been living there with daughter Sharlene Brittian and her family. Viewing will be Friday beginning at 10 a.m. at Seigler Funeral Home. The funeral will be at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at the nephew Bob Kilmer and wife Methodist Church.

Cassie and Russ Pfeiffer of San Angelo, daughter and son-in-law of Janie and Douglas Campbell and grand-

Donnie and Chad Maines of daughter of Joyce Campbell, were in town last weekend. They attended the Stock Show and visited with friends and relations.

> Dale and Donna Smith of Ouitaque were here to see granddaughter Shane'a Russell compete at the Stock Show.

> Carol Ann and Johnnie Turner of Lubbock and formerly of Matador were here for the Stock Show.

> Charla Marricle of Snyder, daughter of Mary Helen Wason, was in town for Cora Smallwood's funeral, as were Bert and Dorothy Schweitzer of Lubbock and many more friends and relatives of Cora.

Judy Crowley got a good report on her heart last week. They did not have to insert a

Foye Kilmer's brother died last week in Oklahoma, and Wanda of Matador will be traveling to his funeral. He was the last of that Kilmer generation.

By Winifred Darsey

Motley County Arts and Crafts Club met February 2nd for its regular meeting at the Senior Citizens Center.

presided over the business meeting, Club Secretary Vee Gordon read the minutes of the previous meeting. It was brief and informative.

Vee taught the members the workshop for the lesson; it was a delightful class of embroidering, using silk ribbon. This is an old form of embroidery, but is lovely to see and will beautify and adorn any article of choice.

Members dined at noon with Senior Citizens; the food was plentiful and savory.

The club adjourned at 3:00 pm., members present were: Joy Archer, Ray Baxter, Vee

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Gordon, Dorothy Knight, Joyce Meredith, Nova Dale Turner, Jo Trammell, Loretta Thompson, Bonnie Vandiver, a guest, Judy President Nova Dale Turner Huett and Winifred Darsey.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the club was unable to meet on the regular schedule and date in January. The class was held at the Motley County Library annex. Buffy Crutchley, the librarian, was instructor for the class on constructing memory books, by using any paper of one's choice. The results were outstanding.

The March meeting will be at the Senior Citizens Center. It will be taught by Joy Archer. Bring paint brushes, styles, graphic paper and water container.

See you there!

Ida Foye Kilmer Obituary Correction

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorial contribu-

Hackberry Creek Care Center, PO Box 347, Matador, TX

tions may be made to New Mexico Children's Home, 1356

Valentine's Day Parties continued from page 3

not doing work, and show- their kids. ing each other how much we care."

Along with all of the things the students got at the parties, parents and grandparents sent them toys with balloons and candy, which added a little more to it.

This year people had a new choice of the gift they sent to the school. Our new pizza place "Giggles" made huge cookies for people to order for

Prescott Falcon is one of the kindergarten students that received a cookie and he says "That cookie was so huge and looked very delicious, and that it was so big I might even have to share with my big brother Wichita."

All in all the parties were a big success this year and the students have something to look forward to next year.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all those who came to my 90th birthday celebration. Thank you for the cards, phone calls, flowers and balloons.

I especially thank Sam and Reba, J.R. and Stella and J.T. for making my 90th birthday a very happy occasion!

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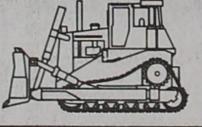
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Notes from the Library

By Buffy Crutchley

Last weekend I had a quite a bit of fun shopping the Lubbock Public Library book sale. I found bargain after bargain, all of which now grace the shelves of the Motley County Library. I purchased almost 40 books, including a few new Large Print books, along with several Young Adult fiction (which, for all you "young at hearts" out there, I strongly recommend browsing this section. We have some really good books there!). I also found a few new items for our Texas Collection, including a "Country Reporter" cookbook that has been very popular, and a few non fiction, including 2 books by Western historian Robert Utley. I also found some Christian fiction, and general fiction books too. I urge you to check out our "New Arrivals" section to see all the interesting goodies I found.

I imagine when Suzanne Abbott told her husband that

she would be retiring from the library, Ken breathed a huge sigh of relief. He could finally stow away his handy tool belt. But this has not been the case. The trouble is, Michael & I have the combined handyman skills of a newborn baby. We know just enough to get us in trouble. So, without Ken Abbott's help, I don't really know what would happen at the library. Once again, Ken came to our rescue to help with a stubborn lock. And I feel like I can never say the words "Thank You" enough. So, I'm shouting those words one more time... "Thank you Ken!!!"

New books arriving this week: "Eclipse" by Richard North Patterson, "Whisper to Blood" by Dana Stabenow, "One Day at a Time" by Danielle Steel, and "Death of a Witch" by M.C. Beaton.

See you Friday at the book discussion!

FSA Reminders

By Amy Hackler, CED

IMPORTANT:

Please note that producers who have coverage under the NAP (Non-Insured Assistance Program) for Wheat for Grazing and who have not yet filed a notice of loss, need to do so ASAP. It is crucial that this notice of loss be filed timely. Not timely reporting a loss could result in a loss of payment.

Also be reminded of the requirements under the new Farm Bill of 2008. New Disaster Programs have been implemented and certain requirements need to be met in order for producers to be eligible for disaster assistance. All CROPS must have insurance coverage at least at the CAT level either from Federal Crop or with the NAP program in order to be eligible EVEN ON ONE CROP. If insurance is not provided on one crop then all crops will be ineligible for disaster. This is a BIG change from past years. Please call the office with any questions or talk to your local Federal

crop insurance agent. If you have a crop that is strictly for grazing or meets the De Minimus Exception, coverage is not required, however those grazing crops need to have NAP coverage in order to be eligible for Livestock Disaster programs.

It is that time again, where coverage needs to be bought for spring seeded crops. NAP is available for those crops such as Sorghum Forage. Please make an appointment today to buy your coverage.

REMINDER: Producers can now sign up for 2009 DCP programs. Please be aware that new payment limitation forms will also need to be filled out when signing up for the new year. This can take some extra time, so please make an appointment. Advance payments are also an option for producers. Also, if you are cash leasing a farm and you have a cash lease please bring that in at the time of signup.

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the testing day.

Senior students will take the ASVAB test on March 3. This test is administered by the Army and is a tool that the students can use to assess their occupational strengths and weaknesses.

Once again, all assistance by parents and guardians is truly appreciated by the staff at MCISD. It takes all of us (parents/guardians, staff, and students) working together to insure student success on these state mandated tests.

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by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent

Junior Livestock Awards continued from page one

place, Chloe Gleghorn. 4th place, Shane'a Russell. 5th place, Natalie Jameson. 6th place, Mathew Faulks.

Cross Breed Champion: Natalie Jameson Cross Reserve Breed Champion:

Britt Simpson

Grand Champion Hog:

Natalie Jameson

Reserve Grand Champion:
Sage Guerrero

Jr. Showmanship:
Braden Bigham

Braden Bigham Sr. Showmanship: Shane'a Russell

Lamb Show Light Weight Lambs:

1st place, Seth Baxter. 2nd place, Seth Baxter. 3rd place, Mattie Brooks. 4th place, Danielle Gwinn. 5th place, Chris Ward. 6th place, Mattie Brooks. 7th place, Wyatt Hackler.

Medium Weight Lambs:

1st place, Seth Baxter. 2nd place, Seth Baxter. 3rd place, Catherine Ward. 4th place, Danielle Gwinn. 5th place, Jamie Jameson. 6th place, Wyatt Hackler.

Heavy Weight Lambs:

1st place, Seth Baxter. 2nd place-Korbyn Simpson. 3rd place, Leanne Jameson. 4th place, Kyla Simpson. 5th place, Korbyn Simpson. 6th place, Kyla Simpson.

Grand Champion Lamb: Seth Baxter

Reserve Champion Lamb: Seth Baxter

Jr. Showmanship: Catherine Ward Sr. Showmanship:

Danielle Gwinn

Goat Show Light Weight Goats:

1st place, Bryant Taylor. 2nd place, Austin Taylor. 3rd place, Shane'a Russell. 4th place, Christian Brooks. 5th place, Mattie Brooks, 6th place, Caleb Clary. 7th place, Reagan Elliott. 8th place Bryson Elliott.

Medium Light Weight Goats:

1st place, Brody Rankin. 2nd place, Cassidy Turner. 3rd place, Keyan Kautz. 4th place, Michael Seigler. 5th place, Michael Silva. 6th place, Mickie Clary. 7th place, Reagan Elliott.

Medium Heavy Weight Goats:

1st place, Brody Rankin. 2nd place, Austin Taylor. 3rd place, Michael Seigler. 4th place, Shane'a Russell. 5th place, Keyan Kautz. 6th place, Cassidy Turner. 7th place, Jaci Zingerman.

Heavy Weight Goats:

1st place, Shane'a Russell. 2nd place, Michael Seigler. 3rd place, Jaci Zingerman. 4th place, Christian Brooks, 5th place, Cassidy Turner. 6th place, Keyan Kautz. 7th place, Gabby Silva.

Grand Champion Goat: Shane'a Russell

Reserve Champion Goat:
Brody Rankin
Jr. Showmanship:

Cassidy Turner
Sr. Showmanship:
Austin Taylor

Rabbit Show Light Weight Rabbits 1st place, Dominique Quil-

limaco. 2nd place, Thalia Quillimaco. 3rd place, Thalia Quillimaco. 4th place, Samantha Quillimaco. 5th place, Domin-

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Grand Champion RabbitGrant Potts

Reserve Champion Rabbit:
Dominique Quillimaco
Showmanship:
Thalia Quillimaco

Steer Show

Dusty Burleson Memorial Hereford Show:

1st place, Dode Gleghorn, 2nd place, Courtney Alexander.

Light Weight Steers: 1st place, Dode Gleghorn. 2nd place, Shane'a Russell. 3rd place, Courtney Alexander. 4th

place, Brody Rankin.

Heavy Weight Steers:

1st place, Chloe Gleghorn. 2nd placem, Courtney Alexander. 3rd place, Cassidy Turner. 4th place, Shane'a Russell. 5th

place, Cassidy Turner

Grand Champion Steer:

Chloe Gleghorn

Reserve Champion Steer:
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Bucket Calf Show
Tatum Guerrero, Emily
Jameson, Colton Martin, Carley

Motley County Livestock Show Memorial Herdsman Award:

Shane'a Russell

Tyrrell, Moyer Lead Week of Worship at Full Gospel Church

Michael Tyrrell, renowned Christian musician and man of faith of Margate, Florida (http://michaeltyrrell.com), along with Christian leader and counselor Rick Moyer of Sarasota, Florida, met last week with members of Full Gospel Church. They lead praise and worship services and met individually with many church members.

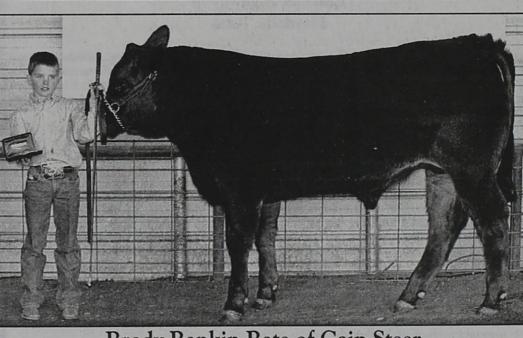
Both are friends with Rick and Winnie Collett of Matador, who invited them to visit the Roaring Springs church.

Tyrrell uses his gifts "to network Christians for a greater impact on the world." This vision is shared by Collett, who along with Winnie, hopes to transform the old Spot Cash Grocery property they recently attained into a venue where faith-based artists of all media can demonstrate their gifts to the edification of establishment guests.

Collett stated that the large door at the back of the structure symbolically represents the welcoming spirit with which he will operate his venture—an entrance that is large enough to admit the many and varied who will gather. Realistically, the large door also will well facilitate the set-up of musical and dramatic performers.

Tyrrell has witnessed the success of such a venture in Ottertail, Minnesota, a town about the size of Matador.

Moyer and Tyrrell plan to meet again with members of the Full Gospel Church in the



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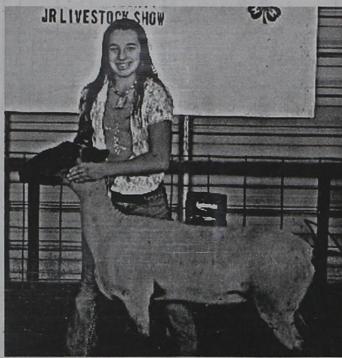
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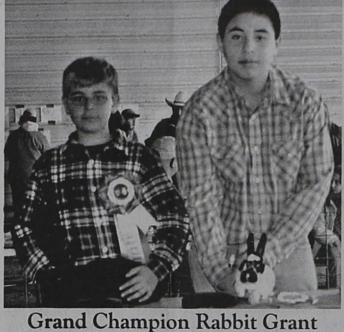
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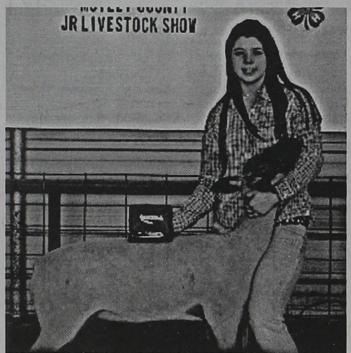
Catherine Ward, Jr. Dividsion Showmanship Award, Sheep



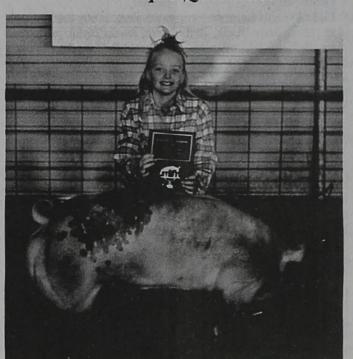
Grand Champion Rabbit Grant Potts and Reserve Champion Rabbit Dominique Quilimaco



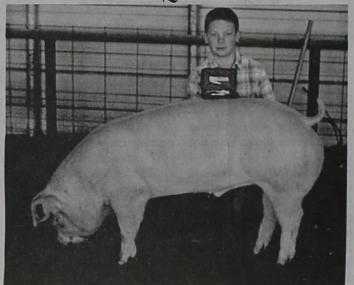
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Danielle Gwinn, Sr Division Showmanship Award for the Sheep



Natalie Jameson Grand Champion Hog



Braden Bigham Jr. Hog Showmanship

Official Notice of Nominating Committee Meeting 10:00 a.m. March 3, 2009 Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc. Headquarters East U.S. Highway 70 Floydada, Texas

In accordance with Article IV, Section 4.06 of the Bylaws of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc., the Board of Directors as appointed a Committee on Nominations to prepare a list of nominations for Directors to be elected at the annual memberhip meeting of the Cooperative on April 30, 2009. Three (3) Directors, one each from District 2, District 5, and District 8, vill be elected in 2009. Although Directors are nominated from the District they represent, all members in attendance at the nnual meeting vote on all candidates who may be properly nominated.

SECTION 4.02 QUALIFICATIONS:

No person shall be eligible to become or remain a director of the Cooperative who is a close relative of an incumbent direcor or an employee of the Cooperative, or is not a member in good standing of the Cooperative and receiving service within ne District he/she represents; PROVIDED, that the operating or chief executive of any member which is not a natural person, ich as a corporation, church, etc., or his/her designee, shall be eligible to become a director, from the Directorate District in which such member is located, if he/she or such designee (1) is in substantial permanent occupancy, direction or use of the remises served by the Cooperative, and (2) is a permanent and year-round resident within or in close proximity to an area erved by the Cooperative; BUT PROVIDED FURTHER, that no more than one (1) such person may serve on the Board of Directors at the same time. No person shall be eligible to become or remain a director of, or to hold any other position of ust in, the Cooperative who does not have the legal capacity to enter into a binding contract or is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise, or a business selling electric energy or supplies to the Cooperative, or a usiness primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures or supplies to, among others, the members of ne Cooperative. No person shall take or hold office as a Director who is the incumbent of or candidate for an elective public office in connection with which a salary is paid.

SECTION 4.05 DIRECTORATE DISTRICTS

The territory served by the Cooperative shall be divided into nine (9) Directorate Districts. Each District shall be repreented by one director and the Districts are described upon the map of the territory served by the Cooperative attached to the Bylaws and made a part hereof.

SECTION 4.06 NOMINATIONS

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to appoint, not less than thirty (30) days nor more than one hundred eighty 180) days prior to the date of the meeting of the members at which directors are to be elected, a Committee on Nominations onsisting of not less than five (5) nor more than eleven (11) members. The Committee shall prepare and post at the principal office of the Cooperative at least twenty (20) days prior to the meeting a list of nominations for directors to be elected, listing eparately the nominee(s) for each Directorate District from or with respect to which a director must, pursuant to this Article, be elected at the meeting. The Committee may include as many nominees for any director to be elected from or with respect to a Directorate District as it deems desirable. Any fifteen (15) or more members of the Cooperative, acting together, may make additional nominations in writing over their signatures, listing their nominee(s) in like manner, not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting, and the Secretary shall post such nominations at the same place where the list of nominations made by the Committee is posted. The Secretary shall mail to the members with the notice of the meeting, or separately, but at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting, a statement of the names and addresses of all nominee(s) for each Directorate District from or with respect to which a director must be elected, showing clearly those nominated by the Committee and hose nominated by petition, if any. The chairman at such meeting, after all nominations so made have been duly announced, shall call for additional nominations from the floor and shall ascertain and announce, after any nominations made from the floor, the particular Directorate District from or with respect to which any additional candidates have been nominated.

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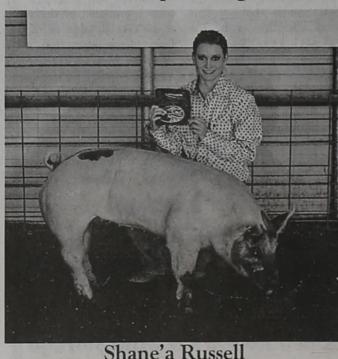
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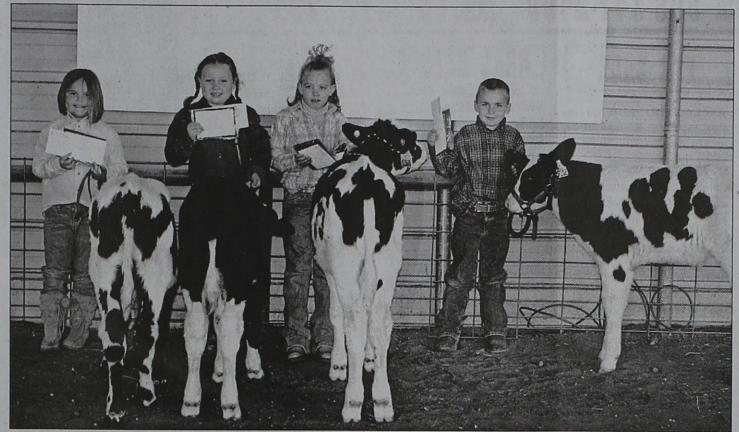
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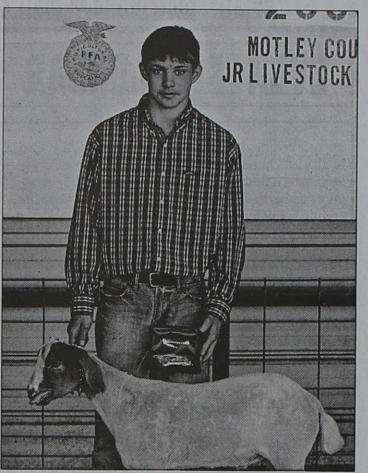
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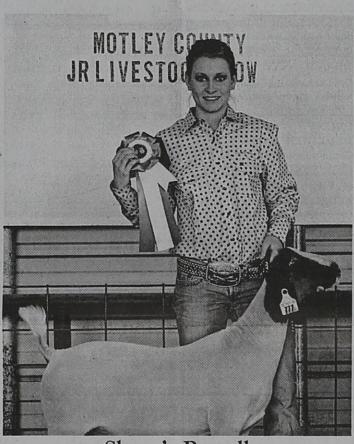
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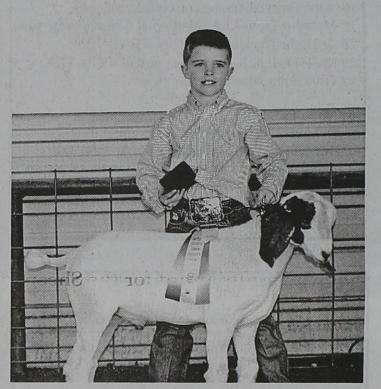
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and protects those who place their trust in Him.

It is no wonder that the subject of prayer captivates and holds the interest of all who believe in God. I believe that it is imperative that we study this subject and learn more of it. It seems that far too many of God's people claims to believe in prayer, yet are reluctant to participate in the practice of it. Perhaps a more diligent study would strengthen us to pray more frequently and fervently. It is interesting to note that the apostle Paul exhorted God's people no less than 42 times to pray! This should reveal to us the importance of prayer in our lives.

The Bible tells us that our God provides for His own. He hears and cares for His family. I realize that such a short article cannot adequately explain such a grand subject. Allow these few words to stimulate you into an investigation of "What is Prayer?" Perhaps that then will lead you into a greater practice of prayer in your life?

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25 Ash Wednesday Service at 7:30 a.m., at First United Methodist Church in Matador.

26 Eastern Star, 6:30pm

26 Hackberry Creek, Pot luck lunch 12:00 noon, everyone is invited!

27 Library book discussion at Noon.

27 Eternas Study, Family Fun Night

28 Living Like a Queen Ladies' Salad Luncheon on Saturday, 12:00 noon at First Baptist Church, Matador.

March

3 Matador Lions Club, Methodist Church, 12:30 pm

4 Kids Praise

5 RS Lions Club, 11:30 am

5 JR High Track at Spur 3:45

6 MCISD High School Track Spur at Spur 2:30

7 Men's Breakfast, Matador Baptist Church, 7:00 am

9 Commissioners Court, 9:30 am

9 RS City Council, 6:00 pm

10 RS Community Volunteers, place TBA

12 Matador City Council, City Hall, 6:30 pm

12 JR High Track at Jayton TBA

13 MCISD High School Track at Jayton, TBA

16 MCISD School Board, 7:30 pm

16 2009 Farm Bill Impacts on Cotton Producers

17 Matador Lions Club, Methodist Church, 12:30 pm

26 Jr Hight Track at Knox City, TBA

27 MCISD High School Track at Knox City TBA

27 Titus Foundation meeting 10 am.

April

1 Kids Praise

2 RS Lions Club, place TBA 11:30 am

4 Men's Breakfast, Methodist Church, 7:00 am

7 Matador Lions Club, Methodist Church, 12:30 pm

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9 Matador City Council, 6:30 pm

13 Commissioners' Court, 9:30 am

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Due to the untimely death of Motley County Justice of the Peace, Cora Smallwood, it is the sad duty of the Motley County Commissioners' Court to appoint someone to fill this position. Persons interested in this position should apply to Motley County Judge Ed D. Smith at P.O. Box 719, Matador, Texas 79244 or esmith@caprock-spur.com or appear at the courthouse during normal business hours. A Letter of Interest and a Resume are required. Both items must be received in the Courthouse by end of business on March 2, 2009. Eligibility requirements will be posted on the South court house door. For any additional information call Motley County Judge Ed D. Smith @ 806-347-2334.

Ed D. Smith Motley County Judge

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET

The City Council, City of Matador, will hold a meeting on March 12, 2009, at 6:15 p.m. for the purpose of a Public Hearing on the 2009/10 Budget. The hearing will be conducted at City Hall, 706 Dundee, in the City of Matador. ct10

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF MATADOR TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROGRAM

The City of Matador is considering a proposed amendment to its approved 2006 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program/ Downtown Revitalization Program (DRP) contract with the Texas Department of Agriculture to include increasing the linear feet of curb and gutter installed, adding ramps and concrete stamping since the city handled demolition rather than hiring a contractor to do it, allowing them to complete additional construction activities, and to address changes that occurred during construction. The improvements included in this contract amendment request are proposed to be made on Main St. from Dundee Ave. to Bailey Ave. in the City of Matador. These improvements will be in the general vicinity of the downtown area of the City of Matador.

A public hearing concerning the proposed amendment is scheduled to be held at 5:05 p.m. on Wednesday, March 4, 2009, at City Hall, located at 706 Dundee, Matador, TX. The purpose of this public hearing will be to discuss the proposed amendment and solicit citizen input on the proposed change in the scope of the city's 2006 DRP project.

All citizens are encouraged to attend this public hearing and present their views to the city. City Hall is accessible to the disabled; disabled individuals who might have difficulty in attending this public hearing should contact City Secretary Debra Scott to arrange for special assistance. If anyone interested in attending the public hearing requires a translator, please contact Debra Scott prior to the public hearing so arrangements may be made. If you cannot attend in person, written comments may be submitted and will be accepted by the city until this public hearing is concluded.

A copy of the proposed amendment is available for review during normal business hours at the City Hall address listed above. For further information concerning the city's 2006 DRP project and/or this proposed contract amendment, please contact Debra Scott, City Secretary, City of Matador, (806) 347-2255.

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