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Regency Health Network to Seek Input from Community Members, Search Continues for PA

Part I in a Series

By Linda Roy

A neutral, third-party federal project officer will conduct a community needs assessment following a Motley County "town hall meeting" in which community members be will be invited to provide feedback to executives of Regence Health Network (RHN) regarding the future of the Motley County Clinic and the search for a new physician assistant (PA), according to Rick Love, RHN Chief Executive Officer. The meeting will be in late August or early September, but the exact date has yet to been determined.

The resulting needs assessment will include recommen-

dations determined by the project officer following an evaluation of the community input. The document will be presented to the nine-member RHN Board of Directors

for their consideration. Love said Monday that the RHN Board members genuinely care about the future of the Motley County Clinic and have given him the directive to "do whatever it takes" to find a full-time replacement for Gail Ream, long-time PA at the clinic who submitted her resignation July 8 to take a position in Paducah.

RHN Human Resources Department utilizes Monster. com to attract applicants for unfilled positions throughout the network. A morning search of that web site Mon-

day, August 4, did not result in a listing for the Motley County Clinic PA position. However, the listing was posted by Monday afternoon.

Job openings at RHN are also posted on the Texas Association of Community Health Centers (TACHC) Physician and Healthcare Job Bank PracticeLink, but that site does not currently include a listing for the Motley County Clinic position. However, Love stated that he requested the listing be placed on the TACHC web site last week.

The PA position has also been placed on the job board at the University of North Texas, the site of one of the largest PA accreditation programs in the state. A hard-copy posting has been sent to West Texas

A&M and to the University of Texas at Permian Basin in Odessa, which both offer accreditation programs.

"Quality applicants who meet the requirements of RHN are difficult to find in today's fiercely competitive market for healthcare professionals," said Love.

"I might be able find someone who would come out there next month," said Love, "but that person would probably not be someone I would feel comfortable sending my family members or your family members to."

Contracting with a locum tenes or temporary PA is actually more expensive for the network, according to Love. Therefore, financial consid-

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The Quilts of Opal Bradford

By Suzanne Abbott

The late Opal Bradford was a master quilter. Her son, Van, says that he can't remember a time when his mother didn't have a quilt or two in frames. The quilting frames hung from the ceiling and when Opal would get ready to quilt, she would reach up and pull down the frame. Lee Bradford, Opal's daughterin-law, says that Opal made a quilt for every grandchild and

great-grandchild.

Van and Lee Bradford have graciously loaned Opal's quilts to the Friends of the Library for a show. This show will officially begin August 1 and continue through August 22. Everyone is invited to come by, during library hours, and see the artistry of Opal Bradford. Library hours are Monday, 2-5; Tuesday-Thursday, 1-6 and Friday, 9-2. There is no charge for this event.

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The Motley County Sheriff's Department needs your help in solving a serious crime. Sometime during the weekend of July 18-20 a suspect/s entered the Motley County School. The suspect/s made their way to the computer room and stole 36 Sparten Laptop computers.

The Motley County Sheriff's Department in conjunction with MCISD is now offering a \$750 reward for any information leading to the arrest and/or conviction of the parties responsible. If you have any information in regards to this case please contact the Sheriff at 806-269-3588.

Midnight Madness Friday, August 8th

immunizations

deadline set

School

Motley County Schools will begin on August 25. School immunizations need to be upto-date in the school office.

According to Carolyn Johnson, if your child received immunizations during the summer, please get this information to her as soon as possible.

"In order for your child's records to be in compliance with the minimum state vaccine requirements for Texas children," she said, "they must be up-to-date in the school office.'

Farmers' Market thrives in Roaring Springs



VIRGINIA SAILSBURY and Barbara Alexander sell vegetables, jams, cookies and brownies to Nona Long at the Farmers' Market in Roaring Springs every Friday morning.

Matador News

Dr. Tom Alvis, Lubbock, has been named as Interim Superintendent following the resignation of Superintendent Randy Brown.

School News

Motley County ISD registration for grades 9-12 is set for Thursday, August 14.

Hackberry Creek News

Change continues to be the order of the day for community care center.

County Agent News

Texas 4-H/FFA Lamb and Goat Validation. It is time once again to order state validation tags for goats and lambs.

Farm Service Agency News

Buy-in waiver for supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs underway in new Farm Bill.

Foothill Country Connections

Community, Diversity, Art

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By Larry Vogt

You are holding in your hand the first Tribune that has been published via use of the internet. All pages of this edition were layed out using the latest desktop publishing software, then shipped to the printer in a format that travels electronically on the internet to the printing house computer where the printer makes a negative which is burned on to an aluminum plate, then installed on the offset presses and printed in the same way that has been used for the last 40 years or so.

Not that we feel like pioneers or anything, given the incredulous looks we got at

ings when we told them we were still "pasting up." To us who are relative neophytes in the newspaper industry, this is a major step-stone of progress. To see the whole paper on the computer screen, looking pretty much the way it will look to our readers, this is exciting. We are not stopping here, though we may cruise with what we have gained while also perfecting the use of the software, but we also aim to get a web site with the Tribune available as an internet subscription, and other features that a web site can

Stay tuned and come to our clearance sale which will offer items we no longer need and some of which may be useful to you.

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TRAIL BUST By Douglas Meador

Matador Tribune August 5, 1948

Frost with a texture of crushed glass clung to the steel cables and pile-driver beams. It was on the river sand and broken pieces of sage scattered along the new fill. Despite the roaring jets of flame beneath the boiler, the steam was slow in rising. At last little funnel-shaped clouds spurted straight into the November dawn and the winch drums began to roll. Grim men watched the cable tighten like the string on a massive violin.

The broken pile slid from its cradle of sand pointed upward and was soon suspended above a wooden peg the engineer had set. The mighty hammer rained its blows on the pile and the riverbed shook with each stroke. Inch by inch the square shaft of concrete and steel pierced the sand like a thorn. Men watched the break in the concrete as it was forced downward and breathed easier as it passed out of sight. The pile driver continued it's hammering as the sun spread fingers of light on pile being dragged into position when the inspector arrived. He looked at his watch but made no comment. The broken pile stood as straight as the others in the bent. When cappers brought the piling into the pile it did not betray its hidden fault. In time it became part of a beautiful and enduring bridge that appears flawless after a score of years. Many secret flaws in the material of society are never betrayed; held in position by comrades, they serve like the broken pile, to support the splendid bridge of endeavor.

RETRO NEWS

Matador Tribune August 5, 1948

Magician Able to Take Money Out Of Handkerchief

With the same ease the government spends money, local magician Tom Tilson, is able at will to take the folding lettuce out of a handkerchief. He demonstrated the inflation-beating stunt in a magic program Tuesday for the Matador Lions Club regular meeting held in the basement of the Methodist Church.

Introduced by program sponsor G.E. Hamilton, magician Tilson presented a program equal to a professional. His repertoire of tricks required an extension of time for the meeting.

The Methodist ladies served a delicious fried chicken luncheon topped off with homemade pie.

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WRITING COMMUNITY

RATTLESNAKES

By Tom Sanders

Part 2 of 4

An experienced observer can often note the difference between the various species, if he is close enough to see them well, and knows that he should make a quick look around him before jumping back because a rattler does not always rattle before it strikes, contrary to popular belief, as there could be another rattler behind the person. Therefore, the common sense rule is to wear heavy boots reaching near the knees when walking in a possible rattlesnake area.

The distance at which the sound of the rattle may be heard has been reported as from three to 160 yards (faintly at this distance, of course).

My uncle, Free Bird, worked for the Matadors several years during the early 1900s and once slept with a rattler in his bed roll for four or five nights, not knowing for sure it was a rattler wiggling only a

thickness of one blanket away from him until he took his bed apart that Sunday. The covers were probably too tight for the snake to raise any part to either rattle or bite. However, uncle Free never scared very easily and was just too pressed for time to take his bed apart Sunday.

A particularly dangerous time to walk around in rattle-snake country is after a heavy rain because the rattles can sometime become so water-soaked they make very little noise until they have dried out or had the water shaken out of them.

Being near a stream of water in rattler infested country can also be a serious problem because rattlers will swim across streams, making no attempt to keep their rattlers out of the water. They can also strike while they are in the water, but not as far as when they are on land, of course.

It hasn't been seen very of-

ten, but reliable people have seen rattlers drink water by putting their heads in the water with their mouths open. Scientists have also been able to observe this at a very close range with rattlers in captivity.

The study of rattlers in captivity has resulted in far more accurate information about them than trying to study them in the wild since in the wild it is often impossible to observe the same snake over a long period of time. People watching rattlers in the wild have contributed to the various myths we've long had about them, such as the one about being able to determine their age by the number of its rattles.

"The records for complete strings are also likely to be made by captives. The longest complete string (with the original button) of which we have knowledge was on a Tortugas Island diamond rattler...that was received by the San Diego Zoo in 1937 with a complete string of five rattles. By August 1941, it had 18 rattles, with the button still intact. Shortly afterward the rattle broke, eleven segments coming off in one piece. Complete strings of 15 or 16 rattles are not exceptional among caged rattlers." (Klauber, page 45).

It has been noted by herpetologists at zoos that rattlers sometimes shed their skin as often as four times a year, if they are young and growing fast, and it doesn't always result in a new rattle. For all snakes August is usually the time they shed their skin, which means this is the most dangerous month in Motley County since the Western diamondback is the quickest to anger of all the rattlers and would be particularly vicious if it's even only partially blinded by the shedding process.

Opinion Editorial

Pickens Gives New Meaning to 'Self-Government'

By Steven Milloy

The more you learn about
T. Boone Pickens' plan to
switch America to wind power, the more you realize that
he seems willing to say and do
just about anything to make
another billion or two.

Simply put, Pickens' pitch is "embrace wind power to help break our 'addiction' to foreign oil." There is, however, another intriguing component to Pickens' plan that goes unmentioned in his TV commercials, media interviews and web site -- water rights, which he owns more of than any other American.

Pickens hopes that his recent \$100 million investment in 200,000 acres worth of groundwater rights in Roberts County, Texas, located over the Ogallala Aquifer, will earn him \$1 billion. But there's more to earning such a profit than simply acquiring the water.

Rights-of-way must be purchased to install pipelines, and opposition from antidevelopment environmental groups must be overcome. Here's where it gets interesting, according to information compiled by the Water Research Group, a small grassroots group focusing on local water issues in Texas.

Purchasing rights-of-way is often expensive and time-consuming -- and what if landowners won't sell? While private entities may be frustrated, governments can exercise eminent domain to compel sales.

This is Pickens' route of choice. But wait, you say, Pickens is not a government entity. How can he use eminent domain? Are you sitting down?

At Pickens' behest, the Texas legislature changed state law to allow the two residents of an 8-acre parcel of land in Roberts County to vote to create a municipal water district, a government agency with eminent domain powers. Who were the voters? They were Pickens' wife and the manager of Pickens' nearby ranch. And who sits on the board of directors of this water district? They are the parcel's three other non-resident landowners, all Pickens' employees.

A member of a local water conservation board told -- as well as one of the most Bloomberg News that, "[Pickrapidly dissipating. If current

ens has] obtained the right of eminent domain like he was a big city. It's supposed to be for the public good, not a private company."

What's this got to do with Pickens' wind-power plan? Just as he needs pipelines to sell his water, he also needs transmission lines to sell his wind-generated power. Rights of way for transmission lines are also acquired through eminent domain — and, once again, the Texas legislature has come to Pickens' aid.

Earlier this year, Texas changed its law to allow renewable energy projects (like Pickens' wind farm) to obtain rights-of-way by piggybacking on a water district's eminent domain power. So Pickens can now use his water district's authority to also condemn land for his future wind farm's transmission lines.

Who will pay for the rightsof-way and the transmission lines and pipelines? Thanks to another gift from Texas politicians, Pickens' water district can sell tax-free, taxpayer-guaranteed municipal bonds to finance the \$2.2 billion cost of the water pipeline. And then earlier this month, the Texas legislature voted to spend \$4.93 billion for wind farm transmission lines. While Pickens has denied that this money is earmarked for him, he nevertheless is building the largest wind farm in the world.

Despite this legislative largesse, a fly in the ointment remains.

Although Pickens hopes to sell as much as \$165 million worth of water annually to Dallas alone, no city in Texas has signed up yet --partly because they don't yet need the water and partly because of resentment against water profiteering.

Enter the Sierra Club.

While Green groups support wind power, "the privatization of water is an entirely different thing," says the Sierra Club. Moreover, the activist group has long opposed further exploitation of the very groundwater Pickens wants to use -- the Ogallala Aquifer.

"The source of drinking water and irrigation for Plains residents from Nebraska to Texas, the Ogallala Aquifer is one of the world's largest -- as well as one of the most repidly dissipating. If current

irrigation practices continue, agribusiness will deplete the Ogallala Aquifer in the next century," says the Sierra Club.

In March 2002, the Sierra Club opposed the construction of a slaughterhouse in Pampa, Texas, because it would require a mere 275 million gallons per year from the Ogallala Aquifer. Yet Pickens wants to sell 65 billion gallons of water per year -- to Dallas alone. In a 2004 lamentation about local government facilitation of Pickens' plan for the Ogallala, the Sierra Club slammed Pickens as a "junk bond dealer" who wanted to make "Blue Gold" from the Ogallala.

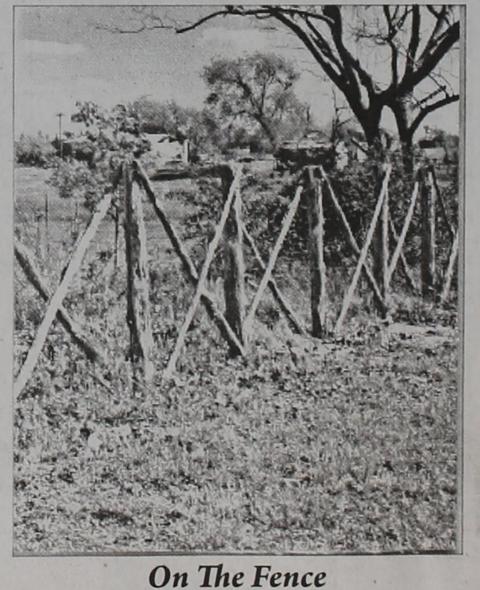
But while the Sierra Club can't seem to do anything about Pickens' influence with state legislators, they do have enough influence to make his water politically unpotable. This opposition may soon abate, however, now that Pickens has buddied up with Sierra Club president Carl Pope.

As noted last week, Pope now flies in Pickens' private jet and publicly lauds him. The two are newly-minted "friends," since Pope needs the famous Republican oilman to lend propaganda value to the Sierra Club's anti-oil agenda and Pickens needs Pope to ease up on the Ogallala water opposition.

This alliance isn't sitting well with everyone on the Left.

A TreeHugger.com writer recently observed, "I am left asking myself why the green media have neglected [the water] aspect of Pickens' windfarm plans? Have we been so distracted by the prospect of Texas' renewable energy portfolio growing by 4000 megawatts that we are willing to overlook some potentially dodgy aspects to the project?"

It shouldn't sit well with the rest of us either. Pickens has gamed Texas for his own ends, and now he's trying to game the rest of us, too. Worse, his gamesmanship includes lending his billionaire resources, prominent stature and feudal powers bestowed upon him by the Texas legislature to help the Greens gain control over the U.S. energy supply.



by Mattie Brooks
2007-2008 District 3
4-H Photography Contest
Blue Ribbon Winner

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The Quilts of Opal Bradford

play is a boots and hat pattern which Opal quilted when she

One of the quilts on dis- Hackberry Creek Care Center where residents and some community members are buswas 96 years old. The quilt ily finishing it. Van Bradford that Opal was working on took it to the Care Center in its when she died is now at the frame just as Opal had left it.



OPAL AND ROY BRADFORD. Opal died in October 2004; Roy, sometime before that. Their son Van Earl Bradford has loaned us the quilts for a show.

New Book Chronicles he Red River War

AUSTIN, Texas - For those who enjoy Texas history the new book Battles of the Red River War explores an often overlooked facet of our state's past. The book by J. Brett Cruse, which will be released in September, utilizes archeology to unearth the collision of two cultures.

The Red River War was a campaign carried out by the U.S. Army during 1874 in reaction to Southern Plains tribes' resistance to resettlement on reservation lands and attacks carried out on white settlers in the Texas Panhandle. A surprise attack led by Col. Ronald S. Mackenzie on several Cheyenne, Comanche and Kiowa bands that had taken refuge in Palo Duro Canyon, effectively brought a close to the struggle.

This defeat caused the destruction of the tribes' winter stores and horses, influencing many Native Americans to return to their reservations. As a result of the Red River War. the Southern Plains Indians would never again pose a coherent threat to expansion and settlement occurring across their ancestral homelands.

J. Brett Cruse is the cultural resources coordinator of the Historic Sites Division and former regional archeologist of the Archeology Division at the Texas Historical Commission, which sponsored the investigation of the Red River War battle sites.

For more information about Battles of the Red River War contact Texas A&M University Press at 800/826-8911 or www.tamu.edu/upress.

Motley County Clinic Hours

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District and county officials meet at Hotel Matador

A district judge, county judges, county attorneys, and probation officers of the 110th Judicial District, composed of Floyd, Briscoe, Motley and Dickens counties, met at Hotel Matador for lunch following a Juvenile Board meeting for the Parenting Adolescent Center in Floydada, on July 30, 2008. This group meets informally quarterly, rotating the hosting community from Floydada to Silverton to Matador to Dickens.

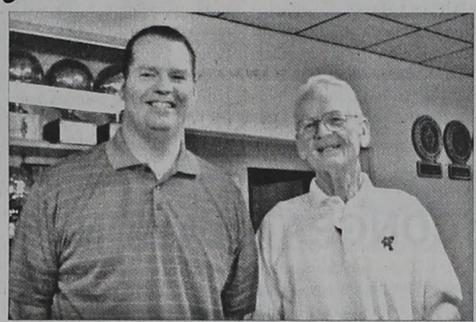
The host judge Ed D. Smith sponsored a luncheon at Hotel Matador for District Judge Bill Smith, Judge Penny Golightly, Floyd County; Judge Wayne Nance, Briscoe County; Judge Lesa Arnold, Dickens; and Amanda Fritch, Dickens County Judge's Assistant. Also representing the 110th Judicial District were county attorneys Trey Poage, Dickens; Lex Herrington,

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HOTEL MATADOR hosts 110 Judicial District. Left to Right; Amanda Fritch, Dickens County Judge Assistant; Lex Herrington, Floyd County Attorney; Lesa Arnold, Dickens C.J.; Trey Poage, Dickens County Attorney; Ed D. Smith, Motley Count Judge; Penny Golightly, Floyd County Judge; Emily Teegardin, Briscoe County Attorney; James Williams, Adult Probation, Floyd County; Wayne Nance, Briscoe County Judge; Gene Terry, Texas Association of Counties; Bernnie Ball, Adult Probation, Dickens County; Bill Smith, District Judge; Tom Edwards, Motley County Attorney.

Interim superintendent Matador Lions meet joins MCISD staff



Dr. Tom Alvis, (Right) Lubbock, has been named as Interim Superintendent following the resignation of Superintendent Randy Brown (Left). Brown will be taking a position of Superintendent of Schools in Coahoma ISD, effective August 1, 2008.

About 60 well-wishers attended a reception in honor of Randy at Motley County High School lobby area on July 31, 2008, enjoying cake, punch and coffee. Randy was presented a set of bronze school children bookends from the teachers and staff.

Dr. Alvis says he has "huge shoes to fill." "Randy is a brilliant young man, we wish him well wherever he goes."

Dr. Alvis is a 1957 graduate of Tarleton State Junior College and a 1961 graduate of Texas Tech University with a degree in agriculture education. He taught agriculture in Munday, Texas, before attending Texas A&M, earning a master's degree in agriculture with emphasis in school administration, and a minor in science.

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dent in small Texas schools, except for one year of teaching at Hardin Simmons University. For 10 years, he has held interim positions in schools searching for school superintendent replacements.

Dr. Alvis says working as an interim super is a lot like the Forrest Gump box of chocolates: "You just never know what you are going to get," he said. He said his biggest job is to find a replacement for Randy Brown.

"It is going to be hard to replace Randy," he said. "It will take a good man to fill his shoes." But Dr. Alvis is "prepared to stay as long as they need me," adding, one interim job lasted a full school year.

Staff development day starts August 18, and school starts August 25. Dr. Alvis said he is "glad to be here, and looking forward to working with everyone," while keeping the

kids' best interest at heart. Dr. Alvis is married to Geneva, a retired school counselor. They have three children; one boy and two girls that all live in Lubbock. The Alvis's He said his career has pri- will be moving into the Brown

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The Matador Lions Club 1 guest. met at 12:30 p. m. at the Matador Methodist Church. After meeting, Fred Grant of Matathe appropriate introductory openings a fine luncheon prepared by Genetta Armeijite was enjoyed by 15 Lions and

During the regular business dor was inducted as a new member. Also discussed were the upcoming duties at the fall football games.

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From friends of the Motley County Clinic

THIS WORLD IS NOT MY HOME

We read in II Corinthians 5 that we as Christians have an identity crisis. We find ourselves inhabiting a worldly, physical body with all of its imperfections and limitations. We know, somewhere in the back of our minds, that our time on this earth is limited. And we also know that there is more to this life than what is seen with the eye.

It was C.S. Lewis who said, "If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probably explanation is that I was made for another world."

The fact is that God made us for something more than just this earth - something much better than this earth. In reading II Corinthians 5 we find that our God "prepared us for this very purpose," for example, to inhabit a "house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." Since we are a people who have a marvelous inheritance waiting for us in heaven, shouldn't we be a people of purpose. A "peculiar people" are the purposed people seeking to be well pleasing unto God. Why not join me in worship this Lord's day as we examine God's eternal purpose for us?

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

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

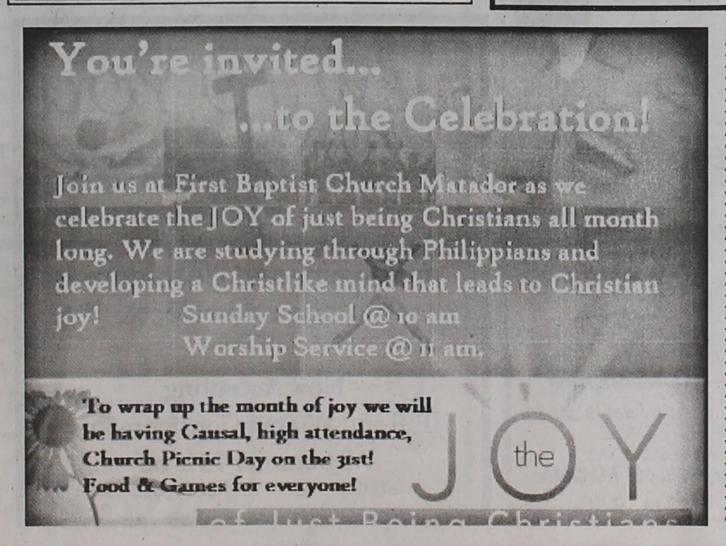
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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News By Monta Marshall

My niece called the other day from San Angelo and Corky told her it was raining. She told him that it was 110 degrees there. She didn't believe Corky but he believed her! Maybe the raining will come true. It is probably at least 45 days to much cooler weather unless it rains. I am looking forward to late September and October already. I think our trees, yard and animals are too! There is even a large toad or frog that has made himself at home in Prissy's water pan. I saw him reaching over the rim of her dog food pan the other day. I wondered if he was nibbling on her dry food. I watched awhile but I didn't see it catch a fly or eat dog food. Maybe he was just so full he was hanging over the rim to get relief from a tummy ache! I wish I had had the camera; it would have been a good picture for the Texas Co-op Power's photo contests.

The Roaring Springs First Baptist Church invites all children from ages 3-11 to our one-day Vacation Bible School on Saturday, August 9, from 9:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The theme will be "Jesus the True Super Hero."

Larry Hamilton and his grandson Ben have been visiting Larry's sister, Margaret Leonard. Larry is from Missouri and Margaret has been showing him around! Isn't Missouri the 'show me state'? He attended church services with her and Bill on Sunday and both Larry and his grand-

July 29 Scramble

First, with a score of 28,

Jonathon Osborn, Kyla Simp-

son, Ken Marshall and Ron-

nie Vandiver. Second, with a

score of 29, Pat Warren, Jim

Watson, Robert Osborn and

Others playing were Tam-

my Simpson, Tery Simpson,

Korbyn Simpson, David Tay-

lor, Alan Bingham, Jack Rex,

Twilla Rex, Ken Barton, Liv

Barton, Derrick Watson, Lu-

cas Dunaham, Pat Smith, Ray

Closest to the pin - Ray

First, with a score of 28 Barton 21'5 1/2'

Martin, Roy Gene Stephens.

July 22 Scramble

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Martin 11'7"

Garland Cartwright.

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son sang a special song that was enjoyed by all.

Plans are being made for the Old Settler's Parade and Reunion, Ranch Rodeo events, turtle races, washer pitching, and double mugging. A new cover has been built over the young people's dance floor so it won't be rained out again. Russell Alexander reported that much work has been done in preparation for the event. Quite a few folks have made camper reservations so people can look forward to a great time of visiting and events in which they can participate.

Bill Hand is at home and he and Mozelle are doing pretty good. They went to Lubbock to get Bill fitted for glasses. He has had cataracts on both eyes removed while he was staying with his daughter, Kim Watson and family. Kim, Duane and Abby Watson and Hanna Alexander visited Bill and Mozelle on Sunday. Also recent visitors were the Gerons from San Angelo.

I spent two nights at the farm last week and two days catching up on appointments, business and visiting. My daughter, Katie Miller and I went to San Angelo on Friday to visit my niece, Linda Ferguson. She had a fun day planned for us on Saturday, we attended church with her on Sunday morning and returned Sunday afternoon. Corky has had several days of pork 'n beans and viennas! I think he was glad to have me home!

(playoff on card), Brandon

Moore, Kyle Moore, William

Cochran, Jim Watson and

Darrell Cruse. Second, with

a score of 28, Ken Marshall,

Olivia Osborn, Devin Ballard,

Lucas Danaham and Derrick

Others playing were Ronnie

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Jonathon Osborn, Roy Gene

Stephens Kay Bingham and

Closest to the pin - Kenny

Alan Bingham.

Watson.

Flomot News By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

The nice thing about procrastination is that you always have something planned tomorrow.

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Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton was a guest last Sunday night at a family dinner honoring Bret Campbell of Turkey on his birthday. Hosting the festive occasion were his parents, Dixie and Bundy Hall Campbell of Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay and their weekend visitors, sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Cody Barclay, Ashton and Lane of Borger and Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay, Colton and Kayla of Lubbock attended the wedding ceremony of Cara Franks of Flomot and Clint Cowart of Post at 7:30 p.m. Saturday held at the Roaring Springs Pavillion.

Jackie and Bonita Christian of Amarillo visited Satu4rday with Mary Jo and Doyle Calvert.

Butch Hughes, a patient in UMC in Lubbock is reported to be in stable condition following major surgery. His wife, Janice was at home on Saturday afternoon and Sunday before returning to Lubbock.

Coy Franks and Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton reported 80-to 90-mile winds last Sunday night at their farms east of Flomot. They had barn and workshop damages, trailers turned over, numerous tree limbs broken and baled hay blown everywhere.

Mrs. Nada Starkey was a patient Tuesday and Wednesday at St. Anthony-Baptist Hospital in Amarillo, and received blood transfusions.

Lindsay Martin of Amarillo visited Tuesday with her grandfather, Wilburn Mart5in. Wilburn visited Sunday in Matador with Mrs. Geneva Martin at the Care Center.

Barry Pickett of Garland visited the weekend with Connie and Coy Franks. He is an ex-college roommate of Coy.

Mrs. Christi Milam and daughters, Emily and Haley of Petersburg visited Wednesday with her parents, Kathy and Clois Shorter. They visited grandmother, Mrs. Geneva Martin at Care Center in Matador. Haley remained to visit until Friday.

Mrs. Ruth Lee visited Saturday in Matador with Mrs. Geneva Martin at the Care Center.

Sherrlyn and Dan Foster of Lubbock visited Sunday with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert.

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Matador News

Randy Hicks as just returned from a successful 10day hunting safari in South Africa. He has lots of pictures and even more stories.

Robert Fisk returned to duty in Iraq Friday, July 25, after being home visiting his wife, Christie, and their four sons during a short leave.

Bill and Arylce Manney were honored and welcomed during a Sunday lunch by members of the First United Methodist Church. The Rev. Manney has recently been assigned as pastor of the Matador and Roaring Springs congregations.

Adrian and Lara Escobar and their children, Jaxon and Isabel, visited her parents, Marilynn and Randy Hicks, last week. The young family will be moving from College Station to Lubbock in August. Adrian will be a transfer student at Texas Tech this fall; he will be completing requirements for a degree in geology. Lara has a Masters in Public Health from Texas A&M and is job hunting in Lubbock.

Sharlene (Smith) and Terry Brittian of Lewisville were in Matador last weekend along with her mother, Pauline Smith, formerly of Matador. Along with other family members, they were getting Pauline's house ready for sale and going through the accumulations of a lifetime.

Sharlene is a former track star at MCHS, and she attended San Angelo State University on a four-year track scholarship. She has worked for Verizon for almost 2 decades. Her husband, Terry, formerly of Quitaque, works in corporate apartment leasing in the Metroplex.

Bob and Bennie Nietz of Findley, Ohio, are in Matador visiting their daughter, Sara Sullivan, and her family.

Steven Auld and Mike Thorne, both of Wichita Falls, were in town recently on their way to Denver, Colorado. The two were helping transport modular houses to the oil fields in that state.

Leslie Hutchinson, Erika Moore, Karen Deaton, Beth Ann Wilks, Nicole Thompson, and Dana Park, all of Paducah, spent a couple of days at Hotel Matador last week on a "scrapbooking retreat."

Chris Petty, Howard Britain, and A.D. Clark, all of Tyler, were in Matador over the weekend, along with Jim and Ann Schmidt of Granbury. They are partners on a hunting lease at the Cook Ranch northeast of town. Jim is a banker in Granbury, and Ann is a retired high school counselor.

Marilynn and Randy Hicks enjoyed three days in the cool mountain air of Ruidoso, NM, this week with friends Billy and Stinson of Colorado City, TX.

Shane'a and D'anna Russell traveled to Quitaque Saturday to attend the 50th high school reunion of Dale Smith, D'anna's father and Shane'a's grandfather. As president of the Homecoming Committee, Smith was a speaker at the event.

Chad, Kelly, and son Cal Lesley of Post stayed at Hotel Matador B&B Friday and Saturday nights when they were in town to attend the marriage of Cara (Franks) and Clint Cowart. Also attending were Joe L. and Kelly Warren of Archer City; Andi and Randy Moore of Post; Kurt, Monica, Katie, and Carson Warren of Panhandle; Gordon and Rita Craft of Diboll; Hal and Marilyn Phillips of Huntsville; Shelly Owens and son Eric, also of Huntsville. Friends Chad, Kurt, and Clint all attended and graduated from the TCU Ranch Management program in Fort Worth.

Newlyweds Cara and Clint will make their home in Flomont.

Randy Hicks recently returned from a fishing trip on the Brazos in the Breckenridge area. On the trip with him were son Kevin Hicks, a special agent for the FBI, and grandson Jake Hicks of Cedar Park. Son Jason Hicks, a resident in anesthesiology at Scott and White in Temple, also attended. Friends joining the group were Joe and Billy Stinson of Colorado City, Blake Hammond, also of Colorado City, and Michael Sweeten of Kermit. Besides by catching lots of catfish, they passed the time by shooting 8 pounds of potatoes from a potato cannon and cooked gourmet meals on coals in their fire pit.

Visiting Ronnie and Shelley Cox last week were son Ron, grandson Riley, and granddaughter Augie. The youngsters also visited great-grandparents Leona and Ellis

Terry.
Sue Stephens Patterson of
Abilene was in town recently visiting family members
Shane Jones, Shelley Cox,
Sandra Francis, and Steve
Stevens.

Bob and Bonnie Nietz of Findley, Ohio, were in Matador for a week visiting daughter Sara Sullivan and her husband Eric. Sara has recently been hired by Head Start of Floydada. Eric is pastor of Matador's Assembly of God

Following lunch at Senior Citizens, visiting friends and family on Monday were Grace Campbell and her son Harry from Lubbock.

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Hackberry Creek Happenings By Marisue Potts Powell

Change continues to be the order of the day with our community care center with different personnel changes, but the constant that remains the same is the dedication the staff and board of directors have toward Hackberry Creek Care Center and its residents. Many people have bought into the concept that the board, staff and employees are a team striving to make this unusual non-profit center work. Although the price of fuel has hurt those employees driving in from other towns, it does open up job possibilities for those who live nearer to Matador.

While Rosie Rendon, the current administrator, has other business obligations to fulfill she remains on staff until her successor can be found. Some very promising leads have come in recently. We know that the right person can make this facility sing.

Another position opened up when Andrea Brown, director of nurses, and her family decided to relocate at Cohoma so she could teach at a junior college in Big Spring. Lyndee Ward, the assistant DON, and many other nurses have pitched in to cover all bases. Ward, an LVN and busy mother, is working toward the credentials of a DON position.

The housekeeping staff and the kitchen staff are always looking for help. These key positions are often filled by young mothers who, without warning, must stay home and care for sick children. So extra help is essential to cover such unexpected circumstances. When a cook is unable to come to work, aides and nurses have to pitch in and help as necessary to get the coffee made and breakfast on the table. In fact, when any employee doesn't show up for work, other people have to pitch in and do their work.

Sometimes, when an employee is unable to show up for work, the person going off that shift has to stay and work another 12-hour shift. Can you imagine working 24 hours straight? I can't, but it happens sometimes. More help, full or part-time, is needed to make things run smoothly and take the best care of the twenty-seven residents. As our number of resi-

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dents increases, more help will be necessary. So, if things are short at your house, if you need more money, and desire a satisfying career, put in your application with one of the department heads.

One thing that has not faltered is the generous memorials and donations that come in to the care center. Each gift is acknowledged to the giver and family. If your donation is not yet reported here, it will be in a future article. The wheels of volunteerism sometimes turn slowly in getting the information to you. The board will be meeting soon for another update.

Memorials for Doyle Rose have been received from Tommy and Kate Hurt, Carolyn Ewing, Bob and Jimmie Jameson, Frank and Tomi Covington of Dougherty, Larry and Donna Hoyle, Ellis and Leona Terry, H.R. and Earlyne Jameson, C. W. and Pat Moore, Jeff and Pam Thacker, Marisue and Ralph Powell, Sammie Phillips, and June

Memorials for Keith Patton have been received from Tommy and Kate Hurt, Carolyn Ewing, Steve and Linda Hess, Ellis and Leona Terry, C. W. and Pat Moore, Jeff and Pam Thacker, Marisue and Ralph Powell, Sammie Phillips, Larry and Dona Hoyle, and June Moss.

Rhonda Norrell was remembered by Roddy and Joann Shipma of Guthrie, Judy Renfro, Evelyn Garrison, Grady and Kim Phillips, Edith Bannister, Guy and Katie Hufstedler and Heather Sawyer of Canadian, H.R. and Earlyne Jameson, Erick and Carol Fletcher of Dumas, Jeff and Pam Thacker, Sammie Phillips, of estron commune to

Among the memorials for Donnie Cruse were Larry and Joely Beam of Sanger, Carolyn Ewing, Jimmie Irwin of San Antonio, Evelyn Garrison, Don and Ray Baxter, H.R. and Earlyne Jameson, Jeff and Pam Thacker, Sammie Phillips, and Aly Gwinn of Lubbock.

Other memorials include Jovce Bynum by Edward and Judith Barkowsky of Snyder, and Geneva Martin; Dona Browning by Carolyn Ewing; Mickey Hurt by H.R. and Earlyne Jameson.

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Notes from the Library

By Buffy Crutchley





CADE DRUM AND THALIA QUILIMACO were the Grand Prize winners of the Summer Reading Bingo at the Library. The lucky readers each won a Portable DVD Player, made possible by the Friends of the Library, Special Thanks to Michael & Joshua Martin for their help drawing the winning names.

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Agent's News



by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent

Texas 4-H/FFA Lamb and Goat Validation

It is time once again to order state validation tags for goats and lambs. If you are planning on competing in a major stock show with goats are lambs, please contact the Extension Office and let me know how many goat or lamb tags you will need. The deadline for getting your order into the Extension office is August 26, 2008. Once tags have been received from the state office, we will set up a validation day to validate animals in the county. Validations tags are \$7 each. If any tags have to be ordered after the deadline, the cost is \$20 per tag.

President George W. Bush Honors 100 Year of Texas 4-H

WASHINGTON, D.C. --The Texas AgriLife Extension Service 4-H Program was honored by President George W. Bush at the White House on July 28 for "100 years of developing young people into future leaders of our country," said Martha Couch, AgriLife Extension associate director for 4-H and youth.

Texas 4-H has been celebrating its centennial anniversary all year, Couch said.

While at the White House, Texas 4-H members, volunteers and AgriLife Extension faculty members were greeted in the East Room by Bush, where he posed for photographs from the official White House photographer and members of the White House Press Corp.

Texas 4-H Council President Loni Woolley, Johnson County, presented Bush with a centennial plate on behalf of 4-H members in Texas.

Bush told the 4-H members that it is important for each of them to serve others throughout their adult lives, Couch said.

State 4-H Council members representing the North Region, which includes the Lubbock-, Amarillo- and Vernon-based districts, were Justin Benevidez of Tulia, Ryan Hoelscher of Hereford, Brady Ragland of Floydada,

Molly Dudensing of Rule, Leslie Montalvo of Palo Pinto, and Jake Williams of Decatur.

They were accompanied by Angela Burkham, AgriLife Extension North Region 4-H program director of Amarillo, and Wendy Scott, AgriLife Extension 4-H and youth specialist in Lubbock.

QuickBooks Pro Computer Courses Scheduled in Amarillo, Lubbock

AMARILLO – QuickBooks Pro computer short courses will be taught in a two-day format Aug. 20-21 in Amarillo and Aug. 26-27 in Lubbock.

Each day of training will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., said DeDe Jones, Texas AgriLife Extension Service risk management specialist in Amarillo. Both courses will be at the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center in their respective cities.

QuickBooks Pro is a double-entry business accounting program utilized by agricultural lenders and producers, Jones said. In the two-day course, participants will develop cost and profit centers, enter transactions and create reports.

The course registration fee is \$75 and will cover computer-lease payments and teaching materials, Jones said. Couples are encouraged to attend and will be charged only one registration fee if they share a computer.

Class size for each course is limited to 15 to provide a "hands-on" experience for all participants, she said.

Program tips will be discussed throughout the course, she said. No prior computer experience is necessary. For more information, con-

tact Jones at 806-677-5667 or a county AgriLife Extension office.

To register for the course, send name, address and phone number to DeDe Jones, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd., Amarillo, Texas 79106. Payment is due upon arrival the first day of the course.

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Search Continues for PA

vide consistent patient care as motivating factors to finding a permanent PA as quickly as possible.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the RHN Board of Directors will be at 7 p.m. Monday, August 25, at 2801 W. Eighth Street in Plainview. During the meeting, the future of the Motley County Clinic will be discussed. Seven Alexander, the RHN Board member representing Motley County, said that the Board will consider the following four options: hiring a fulltime PA for the clinic and restoring its full-time operation, closing the clinic, keeping the clinic open part-time and seeing patients only a few days a week, or continuing to search for a PA and maintaining the current "interim" schedule (see schedule in this issue of the Tribune) and staffing.

Love said that he believes the Board is committed to continue the search for a PA. However, he also foresees the utilization of telemedicine to possibly one day per week.

According to Title 1, Texas Administrative Code, § 354.1430(7), "Telemedicine is a method of health care service delivery used to facilitate medical consultations by a physician to health care providers in rural and underserved areas for purposes

erations join a desire to pro- of patient diagnosis or treatment that requires advanced telecommunications technologies."

> While providing service in the traditional patient-to-PA personal contact manner, however, the Motley County clinic has earned the distinction of posting the second highest productivity rate in the seven-clinic cluster with a rate of 2.58 encounters per hour, exceeding the benchmark rate of 2.4 by 7.5%.

> Motley County Clinic was allocated 4.9% of the 330 Grant monies awarded RHN, vet accounts for 9% of the total network encounters or patient contacts.

> Those impressive figures will be impossible to duplicate, however, with the current reduction in clinic operational hours and staffing.

Board member Seven Alexander, former RHN Board member Shane Jones, and Dianne Washington, a member of the Motley County Hospital District Board of Directors, attended the July RHN supplement patient services, Board meeting. They encourage community members to be aware and informed about the Motley County Clinic situation. Access to reliable healthcare is vital to the quality of life in any community, and rural West Texas areas such as Motley County are especially vulnerable to the loss

of such services.

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District and county officials meet

Floyd; Emily Teegardin, Briscoe; and Tom Edwards, Motley County.

Also attending were Adult Probation officers, Bennie Ball, Dickens, and James Williams, Floyd County; assistant to the Motley County Judge Carol Campbell, and Gene Terry, Director of Operations for the Texas Association of Counties...

According to Judge Ed D. Smith, the Judges' Quarterly Meeting is "not required, is strictly informal with no chairman, no agenda and no

"It's a time to discuss mutual or individual problems, solutions, accomplishments, and to learn from our peers," Smith said. "When I started, I had the benefit of the wisdom of 35 to 40 years of experience, the total time in office by three other judges. I could not have made it without them," Judge Smith said.

"A few short years and a couple of elections later. I became the guy with the gray whiskers. There were two lost elections and one retirement," Smith said. "Even with the "baby judges," I still get as much or more out of our sessions as I contribute."

Following a gourmet lunch of cheese soup, layered vegetable salad, Adrian potatoes, green beans, rolled stuffed beef brisket, and Northfield Bread Pudding with Butter Cream Sauce, the group retired to the Library Annex where Gene Terry, Director of Operations for the Texas Association of Counties conducted a training session on "The Ten Guiding Principles of DWI Courts." Mr. Terry said DWI Courts were the wave of the future where offenders charged with driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs are placed in a specialized court focusing on treatment and behavior

MCISD sets registration schedule and school supplies

Motley County ISD registration for grades 9-12 is set for Thursday, August 14. Students and their parents are invited to come by the school and visit with the principal and counselor about their

schedule for the upcoming school year and pick up their registration packet. Registration times will be from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon; and from 1-4

School Supply Lists

Pre-K School Supplies

Construction Paper (assorted colors); sleeping mat; Big Back Pack; two boxes of Kleenex; two rolls of paper towels; school box, beach towel and little pillow; one watercolor set; two pencils; one pair of scissors; 16-count Crayons; two glue sticks; one package markers; and gallon size Ziploc freezer bags.

Kindergarten Supply List

Two boxes of Crayons (16-count); pencils, one box of washable markers; two bottles of glue; scissors; one package watercolor paints; small pencil box; two boxes of Kleenex; one box of reclosable sandwich bags; one package colored construction paper; one package lined notebook paper; and a bath towel to be left at school.

Second Grade School Supplies

School Bag; three one-subject spiral notebooks; one package wide ruled notebook paper; one bottle of glue or two glue sticks; one pair of scissors; one box of 24 Crayons; watercolors; two packages of #2-pencils; two big erasers; one package of manila paper; two pocket folders without brads; two boxes of Kleenex; one school box; one second grand handwriting tablet. Note: Please label all school supplies with your child's name.

Third Grade School Supplies

Two packages of pencils (NO mechanical); one 12-inch ruler (inches/centimeters); 16-count Crayons; scissors, two bottles of glue; two boxes of Kleenex; small school box; two packages paper (wide rule); one package construction paper; one package manila paper (18" x 11.4") (Long Sheets); two folders/pockets (no brads); one 5-subject notebook; one 3-ring notebook; two big erasers; and a pencil sharpener (hand-operated).

Fourth and Fifth Grade Supplies

#2-pencils; erasable pens; red pens; one box 16-count Crayons; three glue sticks; Elmer's Glue; one package of highlighters; two-3-subject OR six 1-subject spirals; three folders with pockets; one pair of scissors; four cloth book covers; two packages of wide ruled notebook paper; one box of 10-count classic color markers; one box of colored pencils; pencil top erasers; Big Eraser; Trapper Keeper or binder to take from class to class; box to keep in top of desk to put supplies in; three boxes of Kleenex; one package of EXPO Broad Tip Dry Erase Markers; three packages of note cards (3x5); and a water bottle.

Sixth Grade Supply List

3-ring binder; one package of insertable dividers; notebook paper; pen (blue or black ink or #2-pencils; and a box of Kleenex tissue.

Freshmen - Art Appreciation

Two or three pencils; eraser, 12-inch ruler; map colors; compass; scissors; protractor; Crayons (16-count) and a sharpener (that works for map colors too); notebook with rings (no brads); a bag/box to keep the supplies together. Other useful items: Fine line marker, Sharpies, Glue stick.

Is seeking information about the following classmates

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Flomot Bluegrass **Bread Pudding**

4 tablespoons vanilla

4 tablespoons melted

5 cups half & half

2/3 cup chopped pecans

4 cups sourdough bread

Cut bread into 1-inch cubes and place in the bottom of a 9x13-inch

pan. Beat eggs; add melted butter, sugar,

vanilla, and milk. Pour

liquid over bread cubes, making sure that all are

wet. Sprinkle pecans over bread and press

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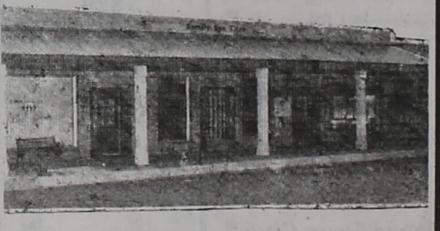
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Buy-in waiver for supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs underway in new Farm Bill

WASHINGTON, July 11, 2008 - USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) will allow producers who would otherwise be ineligible for the new disaster assistance programs to become eligible by paying a fee as required by the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008 (the 2008 Act).

The 2008 Act requires producers who wish to participate in the new disaster programs to have crop insurance or non-insured crop disaster assistance (NAP) coverage for the land for which assistance is being requested, and for all farms in all counties in which they have an interest. Since the 2008 Act was enacted

after the application periods had closed for those programs, producers who did not have such coverage could not comply with this requirement in order to be eligible for the new disaster programs. However, the 2008 Act authorizes a waiver that allows producers to pay a fee, called a "buy-in" fee, to be eligible for this new disaster assistance.

Every producer whose crops, including grazing lands, are not fully covered by crop insurance or NAP may take advantage of this onetime opportunity. The buy-in fee is due no later than Sept. 16, 2008, 90 days after the date of enactment, as required by the 2008 Act. Those who miss this opportunity will not be eligible for disaster assistance.

Producers are also reminded that the payment of the applicable buy-in fee does not afford the producer crop insurance or NAP coverage; it only affords eligibility for the 2008 disaster programs.

The crop insurance and NAP coverage requirements will be waived in 2008 for producers who did not obtain crop insurance or NAP coverage by the applicable sales closing date, if the producer files an application for waiver and pays a buy-in fee in an amount equal to the 2008 applicable NAP coverage or catastrophic risk protection plan fee for the crop or grazing lands.

Producers who meet the definition of "Socially Disadvantaged, Limited Resource," or "Beginning Farmer or Rancher," do not have to meet the Risk Management Purchase Requirement, and, therefore, are not required to

pay the buy-in fee.

CAT and/or NAP.

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gibility only for either the cata-

ance (CAT) or NAP is \$100 per

crop, but not more than \$300

tive county, or \$900 total per

producer for all counties less

must be completed and ap-

plicable fees paid by Sept. 16,

2008. Payment of the appli-

cable fees will allow the pro-

ducer to be eligible for benefits

for losses under Supplemental

Revenue Assistance Payments

(SURE) Program, Livestock

Forage Disaster Program

(LFP), Tree Assistance Pro-

gram (TAP), and Emergency

Assistance Livestock, Honev-

bees and Farm-Raised Fish

The 2008 Act authorizes

funds to be used to make pay-

ments to farmers and ranch-

ers incurring eligible crop pro-

Program (ELAP).

duction/quality losses under the SURE Program, grazing losses under LFP, livestock death losses under LIP, and losses suffered by producers of livestock, honeybees, and farm-raised fish under ELAP. The 2008 Act also authorizes

To be eligible for SURE, TAP, and ELAP, producers must meet the Risk Management Purchase Requirement by purchasing at least the CAT level of crop insurance for all insurable crops and/or NAP coverage for non-insurable crops. To be eligible for LFP. producers must meet the Risk

Producers can contact their local adminis-

trative FSA County Office to file the applica-

than 50 percent of the normal production of the farm.

The LFP program will be available to eligible livestock producers who suffered grazing losses for eligible livestock, because of drought on land that is either native or improved pastureland with permanent vegetative cover or planted to a crop specifically for providing grazing. The LFP program will also be available to eligible livestock producers who suffered grazing losses for eligible livestock, because of fire on rangeland managed by a Federal agency, if the eligible livestock pro-

> ducer is prohibited from grazing the normal permitted livestock on the managed rangeland.

The LIP program will be available to eli-

gible livestock producers on farms that have incurred livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality, because of adverse weather, as determined by the Secretary during the calendar year, including losses because of hurricanes, floods, blizzards, disease, wildfires, extreme heat and extreme cold.

The ELAP program will provide emergency relief to producers of livestock, honey bees and farm-raised fish, because of losses from adverse weather or other conditions, such as blizzards and wildfires, as determined by the Secretary.

Because Congress did not provide a rulemaking exception for these programs, FSA must first publish a proposed rule seeking public comment, followed by a final rule. FSA is working to develop detailed regulations and software for these programs. Sign up for these programs is not expected to be held until this winter.

tion for waiver and pay the applicable fees. Management Purchase Re-

The buy-in fee for 2008 eliquirement by purchasing or obtaining for the grazing land strophic risk protection insurincurring the losses where assistance is being requested, a policy or plan of insurance per producer per administraunder the Federal Crop Insurance Act, including pilot programs such as the Pasture,

any previously paid fees for Rangeland, Forage Program (PRF) or NAP coverage by Producers can contact their filing the required paperwork local administrative FSA and paying the administrative County Office to file the applifee by the applicable State filing deadline. The Risk Mancation for waiver and pay the agement Purchase Require-The applicable buy-in form ment does not apply to LIP.

> The SURE program will be available to eligible producers on farms in disaster counties, designated by the Secretary, including contiguous counties that have incurred crop production losses and/or crop quality losses during the crop However, Congress determined that payments would not occur until the calculation at the end of the marketing year.

> It also will be available to any farm where, during the calendar year, the total loss of production on the farm, because of weather, is greater

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Way to go Lisa and thanks for all your hard work!

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Property tax and appraisal reform hearing in Lubbock

An informal hearing before the Select Committee on Property Tax and Appraisal Reform will be held in Lubbock on August 12 at 1 p.m. at Texas Tech University International Cultural Center at 601 Indiana Avenue. The purpose of the hearing is to provide an opportunity for the committee members to listen to testimony of citizens and of professionals about your property appraisals and your property taxes.

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Democrats plan organizational meeting

Motley County Democrats will meet on Wednesday, August 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Motley County Democratic Chairman, C. W. Moore, to develop plans for a float in the Old Settlers' Parade, and a street dance during homecoming. All are invited to attend. For more information call 347-2999 or 348-7041.

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- Friends of the Library, Library, 3:30 pm MC class 1983 reunion, Hotel Matador
- 11 Commissioners Court, 9:30 am
- 11 Roaring Springs City Council, 6:30 pm 11 MCISD School Board, School, 7:30 pm
- 12 Roaring Springs Community Volunteers, R S Community Center, 7:00 pm
- 14 Matador City Council, 6:30 pm
- 14 Foothills Fellowship, Roaring Springs Community Center, 7:00 pm

19 Matador Lions, Methodist Church, 12:30 pm

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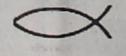
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