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# Brody Rankin Jr. Flag Race Winner at Old Settlers rodeo



Winning Ranch Rodeo team: Swenson Land & Cattle Company, Stamford, Texas photo by Cindi Taylor

By Cindi Taylor

Swenson Land & Cattle Company of Stamford, Texas won the Working Ranch Cowboys Association-sanctioned Invitational Ranch Rodeo during the 86th Annual Motley-Dickens Counties Old Settlers Reunion and Rodeo held August 27-29 at the Rodeo Arena in Roaring Springs.

Nail/EZ Ranches of Albany, Texas came in second place, Hunter/NT Ranches of Knox City, Texas placed third, and Sandhill Ranch of Earth, Texas was fourth in the weekend's event held Friday and Saturday nights. The Ranch Rodeo competition included bronc riding, wild cow milking, team doctoring, calf branding, and team sorting. Teams consisted of 4-6 members. "Smurf" was the Top Horse ridden by Hagen Lamb and owned by Crutch Ranch of Borger, Texas. Riley Smith was named Top Hand and rode for the Sandhill Ranch.

During Saturday Night's Ranch Rodeo events, the crowning of the Rodeo Queen and a drawing for spurs, handmade by Matt Humphreys, was held. Ronnie White of Spur won the drawing for the

Jacy Cabler of Spur sold the most chances for the spurs and was named Old Settlers Rodeo Queen. Miss Cabler is the 12 year old daughter of Jeremy and Jody Cabler of Spur. She is the granddaughter of Darl and Ann Walker of Crosbyton, John and Sally Barber of Purcell, OK, and Earl and Debbie Cabler of Memphis, TX.

The three-day Old Settlers Reunion began on Thursday, August 27 with a parade in downtown Roaring Springs. Winners in the parade were:

Best Float: Motley Clounty 4-H Club

Best Bicycle: Delynn Collett Best Antique Car: 1947 Ford pickup driven by Sue Maben Best Tractor: Jeremy Jame-

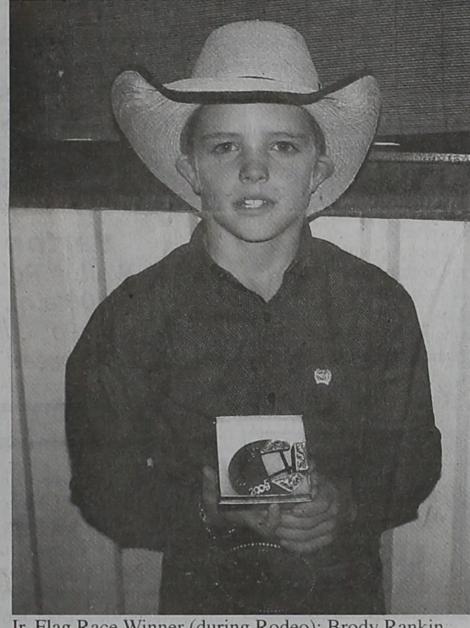
Best Horse-Drawn Carriage: Jimbo Humphreys

Best Old Time Cowboy & Cowgirl: Tommy Cooper & Glenda White

Best Modern Day Cowboy & Cowgirl: Cliff Foster & Jessica Ballard

Best Jr. Cowboy & Cowgirl: Brogan Rankin & Jacy Zinger-

Following the parade and 2nd Brody Rankin; 3rd Jett



Jr. Flag Race Winner (during Rodeo): Brody Rankin photo by Cindi Taylor

awards presentation a memorial service was held in the Tabernacle on the Old Settlers grounds. Albert Ozborn of Maljamar, New Mexico was recognized as the person who traveled the farthest to attend the memorial service. Awards presented following the service

Dickens County:

Oldest Man (attending) Snooks Williams; Oldest Woman (attending) Helen Arrington; Residing Longest in County: Snooks Williams

Motley County:

Oldest Man (attending) Bill Hand; Oldest Woman (attending) Margie Payne; Residing Longest in County: Buzz

On Thursday afternoon County events were held pitting Dickens and Motley County residents in various events.

Results were: Cutting: 1st David Baxter - Rules The Roost; 2nd Bill Smith - Tens Nine Zero; 3rd David Baxter- Smart Lil' Gun-

powder Barrel Race: 1st Sierra Fry;2nd Jacy Cabler; 3rd Janna Smith

Flags 6 & Under:1st Brogan Rankin; 2nd Kenzie Clary; 3rd Gunnir Bateman

Flags 7-12: 1st Sierra Fry;

Jr Team Roping: 1st Tee Bateman/Cole Clark; 2nd Tee Bateman/Tanner Arnold

Open Team Roping: Long Round - Shayne Harris/Ryan Rankin

Average -1st Barrett Bland/ Tom Stokes; 2nd Ryan Rankin/ billy Hale; 3rd Jed Middleton/ Mike Jones; 4th Tanner Ar-

nold/Jedd Middleton On Friday, August 28, the RHAA Ranch Horse Competition Cowboy Class winners were: 1st Billy Lamb "Indian Splash"; 2nd Yler Thompson "Ima Black Jack"; 3rd Buster Frierson "Playboone Dox"; 4th Billy Hale - "Ima Tens Snips"

Sr. Ranch Hand Class winners were: 1st Monte Hollar "Natural Future"; 2nd Ben Baldus "Doc O Boots"

Jr. Ranch Hand Class winners were: 1st Chance O'Neal "Royalty Return"; 2nd Tim Washington - "Ts Matador

The Youth Ranch Hand Class winners were: 1st Kevin Porter "Battleship Grey"; 2nd Kelsi Stokes "Whiskey"

On Saturday, August 30, the Team Knot Tying competition was held with teams of three members and three-head average. Winners of that event

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# Obama makes speech to school children: 'You make your own future'

Prepared Remarks of **President Barack Obama Back to School Event** Arlington, Virginia September 8, 2009

The President: Hello everyone - how's everybody doing today? I'm here with students at Wakefield High School in Arlington, Virginia. And we've got students tuning in from all either, buster." across America, kindergarten through twelfth grade. I'm still adjusting to being back glad you all could join us today.

I know that for many of you, today is the first day of school. And for those of you in kinor high school, it's your first day in a new school, so it's understandable if you're a little nervous. I imagine there are some seniors out there who are feeling pretty good right now, with just one more year to go. And no matter what grade you're in, some of you are probably wishing it were still summer, and you could'vestayed in bed just a little longer this morning.

I know that feeling. When I was young, my family lived in Indonesia for a few years, and my mother didn't have the money to send me where all the American kids went to school. So she decided to supporting teachers and prin-

teach me extra lessons herself, Monday through Friday – at 4:30 in the morning.

Now I wasn't too happy about getting up that early. A lot of times, I'd fall asleep right there at the kitchen table. But whenever I'd complain, my mother would just give me one of those looks and say, "This is no picnic for me

So I know some of you are at school. But I'm here today because I have something important to discuss with you. I'm here because I want to talk with you about your educadergarten, or starting middle tion and what's expected of all focus on today: the responsiof you in this new school year.

Now I've given a lot of speeches about education. And I've talked a lot about responsibility.

I've talked about your teachers' responsibility for inspiring you, and pushing you to

I've talked about your parents' responsibility for making sure you stay on track, and get your homework done, and don't spend every waking hour in front of the TV or with that Xbox.

I've talked a lot about your government's responsibility for setting high standards,

cipals, and turning around schools that aren't working where students aren't getting the opportunities they de-

But at the end of the day, we can have the most dedicated teachers, the most supportive parents, and the best schools in the world - and none of it will matter unless all of you fulfill your responsibilities. Unless you show up to those schools; pay attention to those teachers; listen to your parents, grandparents and other adults; and put in the hard work it takes to succeed.

And that's what I want to bility each of you has for your education. I want to start with the responsibility you have to yourself.

Every single one of you has something you're good at. Every single one of you has something to offer. And you have a responsibility to yourself to discover what that is. That's the opportunity an education can provide.

Maybe you could be a good writer - maybe even good enough to write a book or articles in a newspaper - but you might not know it until you write a paper for your English class. Maybe you could be an

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# Family and friends of Jerry Pitts hold fundraiser



The extended family of longtime Matador residents Jerline and Freddie Pitts pose at the All White Affair Dinner held at the Motley County High School on Saturday evening, September 5. Pictured (left to right) are: Doretha Brown, Melvin Pitts, Gloris Pitts, Jerry Pitts, Larry Pitts, Pamela Smith, and Preston Pitts.

The family and friends of Jerry Pitts sponsored four days of ey for medical expenses.

The Sorry Charlie Production Team consisting of the events organizers Vivian Campbell, Charlie Campbell and Yulanda Mitchell said they had a lot of help from extended family members, Erma Gene Campbell, Audrey Campbell, Jessie Mae Brown, Erma McCuen, Sharlene Britton, and Lester Campbell.

An invitation outlining the events activities said Jerry was diagnosed with kidney cancer. "This diagnosis is very frighten-

ing and has sent his family into a tailspin. At this time, Jerry activities from September 4-6, requires medicine that cost ap-2009, in Matador to raise mon-proximately \$9.000 per month. His insurance covers a portion of the cost, but he still has to pay thousands of dollars per month out of his pocket. With that, we need your help! This year the purpose of the "All White Affair" is to raise money to assist Jerry pay out-of-pocket expenses."

The event was titled, the "2nd Annual All White Affair" and began with a bake sale and car wash in downtown Matador, followed by a barbeque sandwich sale at noon.

At 6:00 p.m. the invitation only All White Affair Dinner

was held at Motley County High School where more than 30 guests dressed in all white attire enjoyed steak and chicken and all the trimmings. Dinner was followed by an All White Affair Dance at Roaring Springs Community Center.

On Sunday, September 6, the group held a "Gospel Explosion" from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. followed by a Family Fun Day in the Matador City Park,

Jerry is the son of longtime residents Jerline and Freddie Pitts, both deceased. Jerline retired from the Motley County ISD after a long career, and Freddie worked for Campbell Chevrolet.

# Foothill Country

## Connections

Community, Diversity, Art

By Larry Vogt

Labor Day originated with a series of parades and celebrations in Canada in the 1870's. The first celebration in America was in 1882 and was organized by Peter McGuire, a prominent labor movement leader at the time.

The actual Federal holiday was enacted in 1894 and signed into law by President Grover Cleveland. The holiday itself seems to have evolved from a celebration of the labor movement to the current observance of a holiday for end of summer activities and the start of sports

It is easy to take for granted the sacrifices and hard work that many people did to make this country the industrial gi-

By Laverne Zabielski

What a great idea to have a bipartisan townhall meeting to discuss the direction our country is taking. There are so many things that I love about our country. I love that our president takes time to talk to students to ecourage them to stay in school. I love that we have more diversity represented in, our government than ever before. I love that serious discussion is taking place on health care reform and that someday

ant that it became by the 1920's. The skyscrapers of New York City and the railroad lines that were the life line of the economic prowess that embodied the times were built by working folks who put in long hours for small wages and not much recognition.

It seemed appropriate at the time to honor these people with a parade and some celebration and even though we don't think about it much these days, they were the folks who helped put together the standard of living that we now expect.

This Labor Day holiday might be a good time to reflect on the folks who are now suffering through job losses and hard times these days and pay some homage and respect to working folks everywhere.

soon all of Larry's and my 11 children will have health insurance instead of only two.

Hats off to the organizers of this meeting that will bring both politcal parties, people of color, Christians and non-Christians together. I am thankful that the "love or leave it" message of the sixties towards those that didn't like what was happening does not apply now. Today we gather to find common ground. My concern is that the violence in our country ends.

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# WRITING COMMUNITY

Continued from September 3,

From Pat [Groves] on 11 July 2009 -

The other embarrassing incident happened sometime in the summer of '57 after all the big floods of July that year. Karmen and I were on the way home from a date somewhere and decided we would stop and park for a few minutes on Pipkin Street before I took her home. (You do remember where Pipkin Street is, don't you?) Well, we may have done that once or twice before and so I may not have noticed before I pulled off to the side of the road just how muddy it was that night -- and

had the headlights off for the last block or so. The car slid way down into the bar ditch and I couldn't get it to drive out no matter what I tried.

of ways to solve that problem, but in the end, I just hiked the few blocks to our house and went in and told my parents [Rita & Algie Groves] that I had stuck the car on Pipkin Street. My dad -- who probably understood much better than I would have imagined at the time what I was doing there -- suggested (with a straight face) that we could just leave the car there until morning and then go back and get it. So, then I had to

it's possible that I may have admit that Karmen was there waiting in the car after which I got to endure several minutes of a very embarrassing and one-sided discussion ...

So, then Dad drove the '55 Karmen and I discussed a lot Chevy up there and pulled me out. He suggested that Emmett was probably getting pretty nervous about where his daughter was and that I should have been taking a more direct route home with her. So, I drove her straight home and then went back home to face another few minutes of interrogation about what we had been doing. Of course, at the time, it never occurred to me that my parents probably knew exactly what we had been doing -- or at

least planning to do; I always assumed that my generation had been the first one to come up with the concept of going to some dark deserted place on the way home from a date and parking for a few minutes to have a private conversation with a girl friend.

As a side result of things like that, I was in later years able to impress my classmates at Rice by being able to draw from memory a map of all the farm roads in Motley County. Looking back, I'm amazed at how much time we spent exploring all those back roads.

Ah, the good old days!

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To the Editor and the Citizens of Matador and **Motley County:** 

I was raised in Matador and was excited and pleased at the new spirit I had seen as I visited the area. People are moving there or moving back, junk was being cleaned up, events were happening and/or being planned, etc. I read the paper each week and was disturbed at a trend that appears to be taking place.

Things happen when people group together for a common objective (wind power, transmission lines, tourists, hunters). Associations are a group of people that are working for a common goal or purpose. Being a member of an association gives you a voice that is bigger than your lone voice. I thought wind power and transmission lines meant JOBS and BUSINESS and more people moving to Matador and Motley County?

How can you expect your County Attorney to type (whether manually or on the computer) his letters and legal opinions? Laws are changing every day so an electronic law

library would benefit a lawyer just like the internet benefits everyone for information, communication and pleasure.

I see where there are two houses for sale of some individuals who are using their energies and knowledge for the benefit of Matador and Motley County residents. What is happening?

Everyone has lost money to some extent in this economy, but you cannot make decisions going backward when momentum is being built. Tourists bring and spend their money. I live in Arlington where tourists are BIG business to the progress of our city and services to its citizens.

Small towns are a special place where people know and care about each other. Yes, business is tough and services few, but people working together for the benefit of all is priceless.

I look forward to coming to my 50th reunion of the class of 1959 and staying in a business that has benefited the whole community, the Hotel Matador. See you soon.

Peggy Welling James

### Motley County townhall meeting planned By Monta Marshall voices be heard through our

There is a Town Hall Meeting planned for Motley County at the Roaring Springs Community Center on Thursday evening, September 10th at 7:00 p.m.

This is a non-partisan meeting to discuss the direction our nation is heading. We are a government so far: Of the people and for the people and by the people. Folks, we are the people; we should come together as we still have the freedom to do and discuss issues and learn how to let our representatives and congress-

These meetings are beginning to take place in communities around our nation to express our wishes on the changes taking place in our national and state governments. It is my belief that we should stand for what we believe and not sit back passively and just let OUR GOV-ERNMENT become someone else's government.

All are urged to attend this

### Dan Barton's 91st Birthday

Hackberry Creek Nursing Home 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Sat. Sept 19th

### **Barton Reunion**

914 Walton Rd., Matador, Texas, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pot Luck Lunch Spread the Word

# TRAIL DUST DOUGLAS MEADOR

#### **Matador Tribune** 1934

Always I have tried to be talerant of others because my own life is reeled from the loom of imperfection and the pattern is without beauty or symmetry. Nor can I justify the indignation which kindled my thoughts into flame amid the Holly wreaths and gaiety of Christmas festivity. Some other time perhaps I would not have noticed that the dog wore a small red sweater made for a child and that the garment was new. But the day was shary and close by a mother sat, amid the ruins of something that had once been an automobile, trying to cover her child with a ragged old coat. The sweater the dog wore would have fitted the child.

Back in a decade when efficiency had not invaded the trenches of merchandising and there was a pleasant carelessness in the purchase of any article which seemed to be reflected in the vendors attitude, I sanctioned my fathers buying coal oil at a certain store. The merchant a jovial kindly man always went to the candy case for a giant gum drop, which he would place on the spout of the oil can. The gum drops were assorted and there was no monotony flavors also augmented with kerosene despite great effort to was it away after we reached home.

# RETRO NEWS

**Matador Tribune** 1934

Million and Half **Pounds** Ice to Spur

The Leon Independent Ice Company plant in Matador has trucked more than 1,5000,00 pounds of ice to Spur since the present owner acquired the property in February, according to Solon Lea, present plant manager and former owner. Until July 1 the plant had owner. Until July 1the plant had manufactured a fraction over 523 tons of 1,465,000 pounds for the Spur distribution station, besides supplying Matador and neighboring communities. The Ice is moved to Spur storage vaults by means of independently owned trucks.

### Plant at Capacity

The Matador plant has been operated at full capacity which is about 11 tons daily, since the 15th of April. Mr. Lea said. While the production has been able to keep up with the demand, it has taxed the capacity to the limit requiring 24-hour daily running.

The storage vault at Spurhold 180 tons and the demand in that section has required constant trucking to keep a supply on hand it was declared.

# Automatic Car Wash TOUCH FREE Block North of Dairy Queen Floydada, TX Owner Eric Cornelius ~ Cornelius Conoco

Please Join Us

To Celebrate

J. T. and Imogene

Swim's

70th Wedding

Anniversary

Saturday,

## Obama makes speech to school children: 'You make your own future' continued from page one

innovator or an inventor maybe even good enough to come up with the next iPhone or a new medicine or vaccine but you might not know it until you do a project for your science class. Maybe you could be a mayor or a Senator or a Supreme Court Justice, but you might not know that until you join student government or the debate team.

And no matter what you want to do with your life - I guarantee that you'll need an education to do it. You want to be a doctor, or a teacher, or a police officer? You

want to be a nurse or an architect, a lawyer or a member of our military? You're going to need a good education for every single one of those careers. You can't drop out of school a good job. You've got to work for it and train for it and learn for it.

And this isn't just important for your own life and your own future. What you make of your education will decide nothing less than the future of this country. What you're learning in school today will determine whether we as a nation can meet our greatest challenges in the future.

You'll need the knowledge you learn in science and math to cure diseases like cancer and AIDS, and to develop new energy technologies and protect our environment. You'll need the insights and critical thinking skills you gain in history and social studies to fight poverty and homelessness, crime and discrimination, and make our nation more fair and more free. You'll need the creativity and ingenuity you develop in all your classes to build new companies that will create new jobs and boost our economy.

We need every single one of you to develop your talents, skills and intellect so you can help solve our most difficult problems. If you don't do that - if you quit on school - you're not just quitting on yourself, you're quitting on your coun-

Now I know it's not always easy to do well in school. I know a lot of you have challenges in your lives right now that can make it hard to focus on your schoolwork.

I get it. I know what that's like. My father left my family when I was two years old, and I was raised by a single mother who struggled at times to pay the bills and wasn't always able to give us things the other kids had. There were times when I missed having a father in my life. There were times when I was lonely and felt like I didn't fit in.

So I wasn't always as focused as I should have been. I did some things I'm not proud of, and got in more trouble than I should have. And my life could have easily taken a turn for the worse.

But I was fortunate. I got a lot of second chances and had the opportunity to go to college, and law school, and follow my dreams. My wife, our of her parents had gone to college, and they didn't have much. But they worked hard, and she worked hard, so that she could go to the best schools in this country.

Some of you might not have those advantages. Maybe you don't have adults in your life who give you the support that you need. Maybe someone in your family has lost their job, and there's not enough money

to go around. Maybe you live in a neighborhood where you don't feel safe, or have friends who are pressuring you to do things you know aren't right.

But at the end of the day, the circumstances of your life - what you look like, where you come from, how much money you have, what you've got going on at home - that's no excuse for neglecting your homework or having a bad attitude. That's no excuse for talking back to your teacher, or cutting class, or dropping out of school. That's no excuse

lot, and stay home from school when you don't feel well, so we can keep people from getting the flu this fall and winter.

Whatever you resolve to do, I want you to commit to it. I want you to really work at it.

I know that sometimes, you get the sense from TV that you can be rich and successful without any hard work that your ticket to success is through rapping or basketball or being a reality TV star, when chances are, you're not going to be any of those things.

But the truth is, being suc-

It's the story of students who sat where you sit 250 years ago, and went on to wage a revolution and found this nation. Students who sat where you sit 75 years ago who overcame a Depression and won a world war; who fought for civil rights and put a man on the moon. Students who sat where you sit 20 years ago who founded Google, Twitter and Facebook and changed the way we communicate with each other.

So today, I want to ask you, what's your contribution go-

> going to What discoveries will you make? ·What will a president who comes here in twenty or fifty or one hundred years say about what all of you did for this country?

Your families, your teachers, and I are doing everything we can to make sure you have the education you need to answer these questions. I'm working hard to fix up your classrooms and get you the books, equipment and computers you need to learn. But you've got to do your part too. So I expect you to get serious this year. I expect you to put your best effort into everything you do. I expect great things from each of you. So don't let us down don't let your family or your country or yourself down. Make us all proud. I know you can do it.

Thank you, God bless you, and God bless America.

September 19th, 2009 2 to 4 PM At the Roaring Springs United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall ing to be? What problems are



## Old Settlers rodeo

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1st Round-1st Agen Lamb, Billy Lamb, Jake Mitchell; 2nd Coby Schneeman, Jed Middleton, Cody Long

2nd Round-1st Coby Schneeman, Chad Smith, Jed Middleton; 2nd Coby Schneeman, Jed Middleton, Hayes Worthington

Average-1st Wayne Smith, Chad Smith, Coby Schneeman; 2nd Pecos Thomas, Buddy Thomas, Hayes Worthington, 3rd Ty Smith, Ryan Rankin, Hagem Lamb; 4th Hagen Lamb, Hayes Worthington Jed Middleton

A Jr. Flag Race was held on Friday and Saturday nights during the Ranch Rodeo for kids ages 12 and under. Brody Rankin won the event.

MCISD Football at Whitharral Friday, 7:30pm

# And no matter what you want to do with your life - I guarantee that you'll and just drop into a good job. You've need an education to do it.

for not trying.

Where you are right now doesn't have to determine where you'll end up. No one's written your destiny for you. Here in America, you write your own destiny. You make your own future.

That's what young people like you are doing every day, all across America.

and problem-solving skills Perez, from Roma, Texas. Jazmin didn't speak English when she first started school. Hardly anyone in her hometown went to college, and neither of her parents had gone either. But she worked hard, earned good grades, got a scholarship to Brown University, and is now in graduate school, studying public health, on her way to being Dr. Jazmin Perez.

I'm thinking about Andoni Schultz, from Los Altos, California, who's fought brain cancer since he was three. He's endured all sorts of treatments and surgeries, one of which affected his memory, so it took him much longer - hundreds of extra hours to do his schoolwork. But he never fell behind, and he's

headed to college this fall. And then there's Shantell Steve, from my hometown of Chicago, Illinois. Even when bouncing from foster home to foster home in the toughest neighborhoods, she managed to get a job at a local health center; start a program to keep young people out of gangs; and she's on track to graduate high school with honors and go on to college.

Jazmin, Andoni and Shantell aren't any different from any of you. They faced challenges in their lives just like you do. But they refused to give up. They chose to take responsibility for their education and set goals for themselves. And I expect all of you to do the same.

That's why today, I'm calling on each of you to set your own goals for your education - and to do everything you can to meet them. Your goal can be something as simple as doing all your homework, paying attention in class, or spending time each day reading a book. Maybe you'll decide to get in-First Lady Michelle Obama, volved in an extracurricular has a similar story. Neither activity, or volunteer in your community. Maybe you'll decide to stand up for kids who are being teased or bullied because of who they are or how they look, because you believe, like I do, that all kids deserve a safe environment to study and learn. Maybe you'll decide to take better care of yourself so you can be more ready to learn.

you'll all wash your hands a

cessful is hard. You won't love every subject you study. You won't click with every teacher. Not every homework assignment will seem completely relevant to your life right this minute. And you won't necessarily succeed at everything the first time you try.

That's OK. Some of the most successful people in the world Young people like Jazmin are the ones who've had the most failures. JK Rowling's first Harry Potter book was rejected twelve times before it was finally published. Michael Jordan was cut from his high school basketball team, and he lost hundreds of games and missed thousands of shots during his career. But he once said, "I have failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed."

These people succeeded because they understand that you can't let your failures define you - you have to let them teach you. You have to let them show you what to do differently next time. If you get in trouble, that doesn't mean you're a troublemaker, it means you need to try harder to behave. If you get a bad grade, that doesn't mean you're stupid, it just means you need to spend

more time studying. No one's born being good at things, you become good at things through hard work. You're not a varsity athlete the first time you play a new sport. You don't hit every note the first time you sing a song. You've got to practice. It's the same with your schoolwork. You might have to do a math problem a few times before you get it right, or read something a few times before you understand it, or do a few drafts of a paper before it's good enough to hand in.

Don't be afraid to ask questions. Don't be afraid to ask for help when you need it. I do that every day. Asking for help isn't a sign of weakness, it's a sign of strength. It shows you have the courage to admit when you don't know something, and to learn something new. So find an adult you trust - a parent, grandparent or teacher; a coach or counselor - and ask them to help you stay on track to meet your

And even when you're struggling, even when you're discouraged, and you feel like other people have given up on you - don't ever give up on yourself. Because when you give up on yourself, you give up on your country.

The story of America isn't about people who quit when things got tough. It's about people who kept going, who tried harder, who loved their And along those lines, I hope country too much to do anything less than their best.

# First National Bank of Floydada STRENGTH

5 Star Superior Rating by BauerFinancial, Inc.

# STABILITY

Serving this area for over 100 years

# **SERVICE**

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COME TO WHERE THE STRENGTH IS...

"Helping you change things for the better"



Member F.D.I.C.



# NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

## Roaring Springs News By Monta Marshall

It's so good to have a bit cooler weather and the wonderful rain. Even the animals were getting 'gripey'. Lil Toot was mad for two days at the other cats and us. She went around picking fights and even slapped at my leg as I passed. If I was wearing a fur like hers I wouldn't be able to stand the heat either. Even though cats shed and shed they still have an abundance of fur all through the summer. I have seen pictures of hairless cats and I am glad they don't shed all their fur! Even so it must be a bit warm but maybe not much warmer than our clothes.

Fred and Clyde took the brunt of her ire; they had some yowling scraps. In case you are wondering, all three are neutered so surely it wasn't hormonal! She wasn't real happy with Prissy and Wixie. Reckon she just needs a vacation?

Graham Supply is the place to go to see a bit of Roaring Springs' history. Casey Osborn has cleaned and hung all the Roaring Springs High School Senior pictures in chronological order on the walls. Post office boxes from the old post office are displayed there as well as a nice mural depicting life in Roaring Springs by June (J.J.) Mitchell Lowrance.

Four of our community who have been hospitalized are at home now doing much better. They are: Barbara Alexander, J. T. Swim, Bennie D. Dillard and J. N. Fletcher. Barbara was diagnosed as having Lupus; she was hospitalized 12 days. J. T. Swim is learning to get around after falling and breaking his hip. He was in the re-hab unit following his surgery at Carillon. Bennie had knee replacement in Altus, OK and then was transferred to Lubbock by helicopter. Because of a blocked artery a stint was put into his heart. J. N. had knee surgery at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

On August 28th a surprise morning.

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birthday party was given for Mildred (Tincey) Parr on her 78th birthday. She enjoyed a luncheon at the Wind Mill Café. After lunch they went to Audrey Jones' home for birthday cake and to open gifts. Attending were: Audrey Jones, Dora Mae Hurt; Barbara Marvel; Joyce Meredith, Sarah Ross and Mitzie Christopher.

The Old Settlers Cowboy Camp Meeting will be held 17th, 18th and 19th at the Old Settlers Grounds in Roaring Springs. Don Stuckey will be serving meals from his chuck wagon. Preaching will be done by Thomas Peppers of Wheeler, TX and Johnny Morris of Afton, TX. The public is invited.

A Town Meeting will be held at the Roaring Springs Community Center on Thursday, September 10th at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the freedoms we as Americans have always taken for granted. Changes are taking place that will affect what we have always held dear and hopefully will remain for our children and grandchildren and great grandchildren and the generations following. Plan to be there to learn how you can best express your views to your Congressmen and Representatives. Our district includes several counties and all are invited

Rodney Long and his family need our prayers as he battles cancer. He has had a long fight. Rodney is at home.

Today being Labor Day, the Lions Club put out 42 American Flags in celebration of this national holiday. The weather is beautiful and the flags are so pretty and colorful. If you haven't seen the all the flags in the Roaring Springs Memorial Park, you have missed a lovely sight. Lions: Jeff Thacker, Buzz Thacker, Floyd Carter, Kenneth Abbott, Alex Crowder and Corky Marshall put them out early this

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Budgeting is like golf. You drive hard to reach the green.

#### **Birthday Celebrated**

L.E. Shorter was honored on his 89th birthday Friday night, Sept.4 with family dinner with all the trimmings in the home of his son and wife Clois and Katy Shorter. Those enjoying the celebration were his granddaughters and families, Mrs. (Chad) Cindy Calvert and son, Cade of Istanbul, Turkey. Mrs. Christie Milam, Emily and Haley of Lake Kiowa and Keri and Kevin Sehon and son, Brian of Wolforth.

Mrs. Elisa Wiggley of Lubbock visited during the Labor Day holidays with her mother, Mrs. Aleda Ross. They attended the Baker family reunion Saturday held in Margaret. They visited in Crowell Cemetery and left bouquets of beautiful flowers at the graves of the late Tom and James

The birthday of Butch Hughes was celebrated Sunday with a family luncheon by his wife, Janice Hughes and sons and families, Bengie, J.J and Kaitlynn Hughes of Royce City, Rickey, Tasha, Kason and Kendal Hughes, Roger, Tiffany, Tara, Reagan and Brodie Hughes of Floydada and sister in law, Mrs. Mary Hughes of Sublette.

Tim Kendall, Scout leader and his Boy Scout Troop 274 attended the Fishing Clinic held Saturday at the Caprock Canyons State Park. The Clinic was conducted by the Texas Parks and Wildlife. Those attending were Jere and Jacob Kendall of Flomot; Brazos Washington and mother, Mrs. Ashley Washington of Roaring Springs; Ryan Baird of Silverton; Branson and Baylor Cruse and father, Brandi Cruse of Turkey; Dicklin Chandler and Dax Allen of Quitaque.

Monty George, son Chad and friends of Lubbock, camped and hunted this weekend on the C.W. Starkey land.

Richard and Tina Rogers of Lubbock visited Saturday with Mrs. B. Rogers and Donnie Rogers.

Labor Day holiday visitors of Connie and Coy Franks were Barry Pickett of Dallas, Cary Franks, Amy and Cory Franks, Madison, Hudson and Heston of Idalou and Mary Morse of Lubbock.

Mrs. (Chad) Cindy Calvert and son, Cade of Istanbul, Turkey arrived Thursday for an indefinite visit with her parents, Clois and Kathy Shorter. Visiting from Friday until Sunday were Mrs. Christi Milam, Emily and Haley of Lake Kiowa. Visiting Friday were Keri and Kevin Sehon and Brian of Wolforth.

Donna Sue and Stanley Degan of Kalgary visited Sunday with her mother, Mrs. B. Rogers and brother, Donnie Rogers. They also visited in Quitaque with his mother, Mrs. Leona Degan.

Brandon Lee of Plainview was a luncheon guests Sunday of his grandparents, Ruth and Orville Lee.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert during Labor Day holidays were Gwen and Tim Mandrell and daughter, Peyton of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Vinson, Allyson, Elise and Christopher of Lubbock visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Vinson and grandmother, Mrs. Beverly Vinson during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay visited in the Panhandle Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clay, Kelsey and Sarah. They attended the football game Friday night in which grandson, Tanner Clay played. Panhandle team defeated White Deer.

## **Matador News**

Tuesday, Sept. 1st, a group of United Methodist Women from St. Luke U.M.C., Lubbock, visited with Pastor Bill and Arlyce Manney. They enjoyed lunch at Main Street Café, toured the Methodist parsonage on Dundee St., the Methodist churches in Matador and Roaring Springs, and the Matador Hotel Bed and Breakfast. Visitors included Marlene Williams Wellman, formerly of Roaring Springs, daughter of Johnnie and Juana Williams. Also in the group were Neva Brenningmeyer, Mary Driggers, Carole Hall,

Rosie Hurd, Barbara Wombi, Maxine Louder, Iza Reynolds, Ann Schoonvelt, JoAnn Smith, Janice Stephens, Kathy Waldron and Alice Starnes. Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Jameson of Santa Fe, N.M. visited during the Labor Day holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson.

Correction: Charlie Johnson had Knee surgery in Amarillo rather than Lubbock as reported. Also, Mrs. Sammie Phillips rather than Mrs. Sammie Davis, had knee surgery in Lubbock.

Do Gooders' Club met Tuesday afternoon, Sept.1 at the Community Center in Flomot in observance of Labor Day.

Following a short business session conducted by Mrs. Connie Franks, Mrs. Judy Stark gave a historical presentation on Labor Day. Labor means work. It is the way people make a living and provide food, clothing and shelter for their families. Labor also means, the men and women who work for wages.

The first Labor Day was celebrated September 5, 1882 in New York City. Individual states first recognized Labor Day 1885-1886. It became a nationwide holiday when enacted in 1909, the first weekend in September. The U.S. Department of Labor was the first Cabinet office to have a woman as its head when Frances Perkins became the Secretary of Labor in 1933. Labor, workers and unions have become one of the most important economic forces in the world.

Hostesses, Mrs. Stark and Mrs. Suzie Shannon presided at a table laid with a red cloth and centered with a beautiful autumn floral arrangement. They

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# Scattered Showers In August

Motley County National Weather Service Volunteers report the total moisture for August 2009; Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs 0.78; Ronnie Bailey, Matador 0.95; Lawrence Allen, Whiteflat 0.90; Clois Shorter, Flomot 1.90 and Betty Simpson, Northfield\_\_\_\_? Yea! Welcomed rain across Motley County appeared Labor Day weekend!

at Whitharral Friday, 7:30pm

# Registered In Motley County

Small scattered thunderstorms dropped rain over isolated rural locations in Motley County during the month of August. However, much needed rain continued to elude the area. Clouds gathered, but never produced more than a few sprinkles of rain. Cooler temperatures at night and in the mornings the last of the month was a benefit for the stressed cotton and feed

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Friday Partly Cloudy

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Weather History

Monday Partly Cloudy

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# Hackberry Happenings

While Administrator John Vunk was taking in the music and eating hamburgers at the Chamber function in August, he was introduced to Frank Covington of Dougherty. Frank happens to own a refurbished turn-of-the-century chuck wagon. This meeting led to Frank agreeing to bring his chuck wagon to Hackberry Creek during Old Settlers for a display. "It is built to earlyday specifications," Vunk said. "Frank said the axles and hubs are more than 100 years old. He has won awards with it."

Frank and Tomi Covington, Dougherty, brought their fully remodeled blue and yellow ranch chuck wagon to HCCC during Old Settlers. According to Covington, while the wagon has its original axles and wheels from the early 1800s, the rest of the wagon was built from blue prints from the Studebakers.

I made a trip to Wyoming one year," Frank said, "and brought back the axles and wheels of the wagon. Then, I began to research the wagon; ordered blueprints from the Studebakers, and rebuilt it."

"In the early days, the Studebakers had all kinds of water wagons and chuck wagons," he explained, "they made wagons for ranches." This venture was a precursor to the Studebaker automobile, Covington said.

Frank built his wagon to original specifications, and when completed, he entered

it into competition for about five years during the 1990s. "I competed in the Cowboy Symposium in the early '90s, and the wagon placed first two different times; once in the Trail Wagon Division, and once in the Ranch Class Division. Trail wagons were used on cattle drives to Dodge City, Wyoming, and Canada, Covington explained. The Ranch Class Division was judged on setting up a chuck wagon and cooking. Frank and his two cousins from Dougherty cooked on Dutch ovens when they were completing, he said, adding, "We cooked for people all over the world."

Frank and his wife Tomi retired from the school system in Lubbock and moved back to his old home place. The chuck wagon is still a family affair. Frank and his cousins cook Dutch oven style out of the old chuck wagon every July 4 for the community of Dougherty, he said.

In other news, Charlie Johnson was admitted to HCCC to complete rehab following knee surgery.

Activities Director Brooke Barton would like to remind the community of a Town Hall Meeting on "How to Plan for the Costs of Long-term Care." The meeting will be conducted by the Ladyman Law Office for Senior Planning Services, and will be held at Hackberry Creek on Tuesday, September 22, at 6:00 p.m.



Pictured is Frank Covington, Daugherty, builder of the authentic, completely refubished turn-of-the-century chtick wagon with admirer Tucker Barton, son of Brooke and Bobby Barton, Matador. (Photo courtesy of Brooke Barton).

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When we read of David's earlier life as a shepherd charged with the care of his father's sheep, we find the background for his confidence in God. He had fought the Lion that had carried off a lamb, he had fought the Bear that would have destroyed the sheep. Perhaps David is most remembered for fighting and defeating the Giant. One of the things that impresses me about David was his awareness of the presence of God.

David was aware of that which we often forget. That God is mindful and caring of the work of His hands. Read Psalm eight. David understood that which we need to learn. That lesson to learn is: To place our confidence in God, then regardless of circumstance or difficulty, we too can say, "I will fear no evil, for thou art with me."

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

# **Annual Old Settlers** cowboy camp meeting

The fifth annual Old Settlers Camp Meeting will be held next week at the Old Settlers Grounds in Roaring Springs next week

Beginning Thursday, Sept. 17th at 6:00 p.m. with hamburgers and trimmings, Church service at 7:30 p.m. Friday's schedule begins with a full cowboy breakfast at 7:00 a.m. Bible study at 9:00 a.m. with church service at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be immediately following and prayer tree is at 3:00 p.m. Evening chuck wagon meal served at 6:00 p.m. and church service immediately afterward. Saturdays schedule is the same. All attendance is free.

Roll up your bedroll, your weather cover and come camp with us at the Old Settlers rodeo grounds and tabernacle in Roaring Springs, Texas. We even have a tentative team roping scheduled (weather permitting) this will be at 4:00 p.m. on Sat. Sept 19th at the

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By Ace Reid



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"People are surprised to learn that most snakes, even venomous ones, have a profound impact on the landscape. Without them, we would be neck deep in rats, mice, and other vermin," says Hall. "But for many, the risks posed by a venomous snake are not acceptable."

Hall's presentation focuses on the snakes' life cycle, anatomy, and place in the food chain. She will also discuss the snakes program will start at the park headquarters at 3 p.m. right after "Meet the Longhorns" at 2 p.m.

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Brief Explanatory Statements of Proposed **Constitutional Amendments** Special Election November 3, 2009

### **PROPOSITION 1**

HJR 132 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to allow a municipality or a county to issue bonds and notes to finance the purchase of buffer areas or open spaces adjacent to military installations. The buffer areas would be used to prevent encroachment or to construct roadways utilities, or other infrastructure to protect or promote the mission of the military installation. The municipality or county may pledge increases in ad valorem tax revenues for repayment of the bonds or notes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the financing, including through tax increment financing, of the acquisition by municipalities and counties of buffer areas or open spaces adjacent to a military installation for the prevention of encroachment or for the construction of roadways, utilities, or other infrastructure to protect or promote the mission of the military installation."

### **PROPOSITION 2**

HJR 36 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide for the taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead, regardless of whether the property may have a higher value if it were used for other purposes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the ad valorem taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead."

### **PROPOSITION 3**

HJR 36 would amend the constitution to require the legislature to provide for the administration and enforcement of uniform standards and procedures for appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for uniform standards and procedures for the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes."

### **PROPOSITION 4**

HJR 14 would amend the constitution to establish the national research university fund to provide a source of funding that will enable emerging research universities in this state to develop into major research universities. The amendment would require the legislature to dedicate state revenue to the fund and to transfer the balance of the existing higher education fund to the national research university fund. This amendment would further require the legislature to establish the criteria by which a to receive and use distributions from

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment establishing the national research university fund to enable emerging research universities in this state to achieve national prominence as major research universities and transferring the balance of the higher education fund to the national research university fund."

### **PROPOSITION 5**

HJR 36 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to state." allow for a single appraisal review board for two or more adjoining appraisal entities that elect to provide for consolidated reviews of tax ap- HJR 102 would define what is a

pear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to authorize a single board of equalization for two or more adjoining appraisal entities that elect to provide for consolidated equalizations."

The proposed amendment would ap-

### **PROPOSITION 6**

HJR 116 would amend the constitu-

Board to issue general obligation bonds, subject to certain constitutional limits, for the purpose of selling land and providing home or land mortgage loans to veterans of the

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue general obligation bonds in amounts equal to or less than amounts previously authorized."

### PROPOSITION 7

HJR 127 would amend the constitution to allow an officer or enlisted member of the Texas State Guard or other state militia or military force to hold other civil offices.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow an officer or enlisted member of the Texas State Guard or other state mistate university may become eligible litia or military force to hold other civil offices."

### **PROPOSITION 8**

HJR 7 would amend the constitution to authorize the state to contribute money, property, and other resources for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of veterans' hospitals in this state.

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### **PROPOSITION 9**

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The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to protect the right of the public, individually and collectively, to access and use

tion to authorize the Veterans' Land the public beaches bordering the seaward shore of the Gulf of Mexico."

### **PROPOSITION 10**

HJR 85 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide that members of the governing board of an emergency services district may serve terms not to exceed four years.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that elected members of the governing boards of emergency services districts may serve terms not to exceed four years."

### **PROPOSITION 11**

HJR 14 would amend the constitution to provide that the taking of private property for public use ("eminent domain") is authorized only if it is for the ownership, use, and enjoyment of the property by the State, its political subdivisions, the public at large, or by entities granted the power of eminent domain, or for the removal of urban blight. The amendment would prohibit the taking of private property for transfer to a private entity for the purpose of economic development or to increase tax revenues. The amendment would also limit the legislature's authority to grant the power of eminent domain in the future unless it is approved by a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to each

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit the taking, damaging, or destroying of private property for public use unless the action is for the ownership, use, and enjoyment of the property by the State, a political subdivision of the State, the public at large, or entities granted the power of eminent domain under law or for the elimination of urban blight on a particular parcel of property, but not for certain economic development or enhancement of tax revenue purposes, and to limit the legislature 's authority to grant the power of eminent domain to an entity."

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- 11 MCISD Football at Whitharral, 7:30pm
- 14 Commissioners' Court 9am
- 14 Matador City Council
- 15 Matador Lions
- 17 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
- 17 Foothills Fellowship 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center in Roaring Spr
- 18 MCISD Football at Wilson at 7:30pm
- 19 Copper Breaks State Park, Sun Fun, 5pm Starwalk,
- 21 Motley 4-H Club Meeting 6:30pm courtroom
- 21 MCISD School Board, 7:30pm
- 22 "How to Plan for the Costs of Long-term Care." Theonducted by the Ladyman Law Office for Senior Planning Services, Hackberry Creek 6:00 p.m.
- 24 Eastern Star, 6:30pm
- 25 MCISD Football and Homecoming, Southland at Matador, 7:30pm
- 25-26 South Plains Fair Junior Goat Show 29 - Cotton Turn Row Tours Field Day (Dickens, Motley, Briscoe and Hall)

#### October

- 1 Roaring Springs Lion's Club sponsors bingo AT
- 2 MCISD Football at McLean, 7:30pm
- 2-3 South Plains Fair Junior Lamb Show
- 9 MCISD Football at Silverton, 7:30pm
- 10 Copper Breaks State Park, Sun Fun, 5pm Starwalk,
- 16 MCISD Football at Cotton Center at Matador, 7:30pm
- 19 Motley 4-H Club Meeting 6:30pm courtroom
- 8 Food Challenge Jacksboro
- 30 MCISD Football at Amherst, 7:30pm

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