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2009 Motley County Homecoming set for September 25



The King and Queen couples are L-R, standing behind each other, Melissa Flores and Justin Newman, Anna Daniell and Augy Chavež, Jaci Zingerman and Dayne Butler, Kyla Simpson and Jon Osborn, Leanne Jameson and Austin Taylor, and Lexi Osborn and Juan Flores

Motley County I.S.D. has been filled with excitement and activity this week as students and staff alike enjoyed a variety of Homecoming festivities. The mood was set on Sunday September 20th when the Varsity Cheerleader Squad and student body joined efforts to decorate the school halls, in preparation for the coming week. To add to the fun and chaos, the Student Council sponsored spirit dress-up contests each day. Both staff and students enjoyed the zany costumes.

The following is an outline of planned school activities:

Tuesday

High School sign-painting party on the tennis courts at 5:00.

Thursday

Junior High Pep Rally will begin at 12:15 p.m. in the gymnasium.

Junior High Mavericks Football Game vs Southland Eagles in Southland at 5:00 p.m.

Bonfire @ 8:00 p.m.

Football players, Cheerleading Squads, and student body will meet in front of the field house at 8:00 p.m. to load onto the fire trucks, and make their way to the north end of Main Street where the bonfire will take place. Fans and parents are welcome to follow the fire trucks

Friday

Homecoming Pep Rally at the high school gym at 2:45 p.m.

Hamburger Supper sponsored by MCPC football at 6:30 p.m. at field concession stand

Homecoming Pre-Game Activities at 7:00 p.m. Introduction of the queen candidates and their fathers. Homecoming Queen and Coming Home Queen will be crowned at half-time.

Motley County Matadors vs. Southland Eagles at 7:30 p.m.

AFTER GAME

Fifth Quarter is being sponsored by the Full Gospel Church and will be held on the Motley County tennis courts.

County to develop county road map

Public Comment: Resident says county sponsors unfair competition

By Carol Campbell

The Commissioner's Court met in regular session on September 14, 2009, at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioner's Courtroom at the courthouse, covering a 12-item agenda.

A full court was in attendance, consisting of Judge Ed D. Smith, Roy Gene Stephens, Precinct One; Donnie Turner, Precinct Two; Franklin Jameson, Precinct Three; and Russell Alexander, Precinct Four. Also present was County Clerk Kate Hurt, Deputy Sheriff Chris Spence, and Jen Charette, assistant to the county judge and county attorney. Guests of the court were: Pat Smith, Mayor, who spoke in Open Forum, and Flomot resident Billy Meyer.

In the first order of business, Mayor Pat Smith thanked the Commissioner's Court for serving the county; and for "doing what is in the best interests of the county."

In his comments to the court, Smith said: "I know you are aware that Main Street Café closed its doors, which affects sales taxes and property taxes. I would really like to know why the county continues to fund a café open to the public?" The building belongs to the County and the county

supports the (Senior Citizen's) operation at \$3,000.00 a year," he said.

"When they (Senior Center) opened to the public, anyone can go over there and eat," he said. "My family has been in the restaurant business over 60 years. We have a pretty good idea how the restaurant business works; how to make money. If the County were to cut the \$3,000.00 a year, they would have to go up on a price of a meal by 30 cents. You should really be charging them \$3,000.00 a year for the use of the building," he said, "which would raise the meals by 60 cents per meal."

"It costs us (Billie Dean's Restaurant) \$5,000.00 a year for insurance for the public (liability). We pay insurance, property taxes; and we collect sales taxes for the city. You are actually taxing me for another restaurant to be open. I'm sure the county could use \$6,000 more a year in their budget," Smith said.

"I believe it is unfair competition," he said, adding, "Russell Alexander is the only one on the court that runs a business like me. How would it be if the county opened a business across the street, charged the public (a cheaper rate) for changing tires? I don't think

you would vote to do that," Smith said, concluding his comments.

Flomot resident Billy Meyer spoke in public forum, thanking Commissioner Jameson for "speaking up for us," he said, referring to the recent Public Budget Hearing. "I really think a personal income tax would be more fair," he added.

According to the rules of Public Forum, the Court is not required to respond to a public statement. A citizen has five minutes to address the court.

In further business, Judge Smith reported to the court that the county would be starting a process to adopt an official county road map. The purpose of this action is to clarify the public versus private status of the existing rural road network, Smith said. Once completed, the map will serve as the county's authority to spend public money to maintain the roads included on the map.

Judge Smith asked the commissioner's to look over a list of county roads, and to identify roads that they "do not" maintain. He asked for the list back as soon as possible. A public hearing will be held on February 8, 2010, at 1:15 p.m. in the Commission-

er's Courtroom. At that time, citizens may protest the county's claim of a public interest in a road included on the map, or they may submit a written protest to the County Judge. The map will be available for viewing 30 days prior to the public meeting during regular business hours at the Motley County Courthouse.

"This process is not meant to add roads; but rather to determine if there is public interest in the roads we have," Smith said.

If there is a conflict between the county and a private land owner the process is designed to resolve the conflict, Smith said. "If the land owner, for example, says the public does not have an interest in a road that the county maintains, then they can file a protest. At that point, the Commissioner's Court must appoint a Jury of View consisting of five people that have no interest in the road," he said. "They will take testimony, visit the road, then the decision that the jury view makes is binding upon Commissioner's Court. If the decision goes against the landowner, they have two years to file a suit in district court." This process is designed to eliminate costly law suits to the county, Smith said.

The Motley County Road List will go to every taxpayer in the tax bill on October 1.

Following the Public Hearing in February, another list will be compiled and inserted in the tax bill the following year after the map is adopted.

In other business, the Judge asked the court for an additional person as a bank signatory authority for the Flomot Water Project, informing the Commissioner's that when the funds were received from the Office of Rural Community Affairs, then the county only had five days to get the checks out, and they needed two signatures. Commissioner Turner agreed to provide the proper signature authority for the bank.

In other business, Judge Smith reported to the court that he had received a letter from the Court of Appeals, Seventh District of Texas, Amarillo, regarding a bill signed by the legislature on June 19, 2009, that would add a \$5 filing fee on most all civil cases filed in the county. The fee will then be sent to the Clerk of the Seventh Court of Appeals on a monthly basis. The county is required to adopt a resolution ordering the Clerk and Treasurer to pay the fee on the first of the month following collection. The court voted unanimously to submit a resolution to the Seventh District of the Court of Appeals.

**Motley County ISD
will be hosting an
open house and
Title One
Parent's meeting
Tuesday
September 29th from
6:30-8:00 pm.
Parents will be able
to pick up report
cards and visit with
teachers.**

Foothill Country

Connections

Community, Diversity, Art

By Larry Vogt

Do you every wonder about the process we call language and the written word? I have had conversations with some college teachers who bemoan the fact that there are many college freshmen who have difficulty with reading and writing. This seems to be a conversation in more than one region in our country. While it is true that we have many more distractions than we did 50 years ago, it is interesting to note that Douglas Meador in the column that we quote in today's edition was writing in 1953 that the television set was a device for someone with nothing to do.

There must be many factors that contribute to low reading and writing ability in students but it remains that a person without higher functioning reading and writing abilities will be handicapped in today's job market world. We still have not come up with a method to directly inject knowledge into the human brain and even if we do come up with a way to do it, there

remains the ability to identify and solve problems in a creative way.

We can be encouraged by the fact that libraries in schools and communities are encouraging reading programs and that there are many children who do seem to work well in the reading and writing subjects. There seem to be movements to encourage parents to limit television and (now) computer usage and spend time with children developing their reading and writing skills. I am impressed with some of my contact with elementary students who seem to be thinking outside the box and have remarkable skills when it comes to creative thinking and writing. I want to salute people who seem to have a balanced viewpoint about television and computer usage and are working with their children to develop adequate reading and writing skills. I also applaud people who visit their schools and libraries and volunteer to read and tutor children at all levels of ability.

WRITING COMMUNITY

Mercy

By Laverne Zabielski

Many say that government run health care is bad. That has not been my experience. I guess you could say I was born and raised on government run health care. When WWII was over my dad re-enlisted "for the health care," he said. Mom delivered seven babies in base hospitals. We always had a doctor to go to, never of our choosing, yet always good.

As an adult, my experience with our government run medical programs, Medicare and Medicaid, have also been nothing but good. Mom is now cared for in her old age and when my son, Donnie Wittler, had a paralyzing accident in 1998, his care was excellent and he had the very best doctors. No one asked whether or not he had insurance when he was taken by ambulance to the emergency room. He was taken care of.

An excerpt from my journal September 11, 1998

When I first received the call from the emergency room nurse I assumed she was telling me the worst so I wouldn't be getting my hopes up. I listened as she stated Donnie's condition: collapsed lung, paralyzed, no brain damage. I knew Don-

nie would pull through. And I knew I was strong and in control. I marched through those steel gray emergency room doors as if to say: Come on Donnie we can handle this, let's go on home. Of course we couldn't—not with all those tubes and that paralysis.

The first thing Donnie said to me, the very first thing was, "I'm sorry." That was before all the tubes were inserted and I'm sure neither one of us knew it would be weeks before any real conversation would take place and that I would learn to read lips and tell him things from some place inside me that could only be spoken then. Several weeks later as he became stronger and only a few tubes remained in his arm and his throat and other hidden places under sheets that I could never see, we moved on to the mundane. Who will care for his dog while he's in the hospital and can he live on his own, even if he is paralyzed? I didn't even ask, can he? I simply assumed.

This was not serious, this crisis I was entering. It would be over soon, as no doubt Donnie would snap out of it. I sat in an empty chair in a circle of empty chairs in the pale green intensive care waiting room. I was in my own fog of positivity. My mother flew in from Texas. Brothers and sis-

ters came also. And Donnie's father. We created a community in that room, a town bordered by chairs. "Surgery," the doctor said. "Yes, yes, do surgery. For what?" I asked. "To stabilize," he answered. "Stabilize?" I questioned. "That's not good enough. I want Donnie back the way he was." In a sympathetic tone the doctor said, "That's a possibility." It was an unconvincing stance. Yet, something in the way he stood so still, giving me his full attention made me feel he wanted it to be true as much as I did. "But not probable," I whispered. He nodded.

Because Donnie was paralyzed and disabled and we are a merciful country, his care was covered and it was excellent. However, if he had not been paralyzed and disabled, currently, there is no mercy. He would have been billed more than he could ever pay.

This is why we need health care reform with some form of government assistance when necessary. This is why if anyone cannot afford insurance, there must be a way for us have mercy and still take care of the very poor and the working poor.

After the hospital and rehab Donnie's challenge has been to learn to become independent. His social security and

disability income, also known as welfare, provided him with income to live on while going to school. What I don't understand is the contempt so many citizens have for people on welfare.

Last week I came upon a pickup, a new pickup, a \$35,000 pickup, silver, with several bumper stickers. They said WORK HARDER, MILLIONS ON WELFARE ARE COUNTING ON YOU and THE AMERICAN DREAM IS NOT A HANDOUT and BRING BACK CAPITALISM.

I wanted immediately to rear end that silver truck. Images of the movie "Fried Green Tomatoes" and Kathy Bates ramming her Volkswagen into the car that took her spot in the parking lot flashed across my windshield.

True, some abuse the system. However, welfare comes in many forms. Messages like these are mean spirited. Donnie didn't expect his life to turn out this way. He is grateful for what has been given him. If he could make it different he would.

When people cannot afford health care or insurance, how can we find solutions that provide choices and still be the merciful country we are meant to be and make sure there is health care for everyone?

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TRAIL DUST

BY DOUGLAS MEADOR
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Arrested during a moment of innocent laughter the heart trembles in its prison of moving shadows and whispered sounds, afraid to lunge against the crystal chains of love; afraid the door to ecstasy is unbolted. When the average citizen is aware of money in a considerable amount, he assumes it is taxes, flowing perhaps a little sluggishly in the process of collection. Liquor brings equality to its followers and there is no aristocracy among drunkards; the gutter has only one level. Fragile clouds were stacked in long windows across the field of twilight and the fragrance of rain, sweet and mysterious, rose out of the valleys. Laughter from the lips at children at play braced the languid wind, like fragments of music hurrying to a rendezvous with silence. It was a

splendid hour, furbished by passing of eons, with creation pausing to admire the achievements selected to remain eternal.

Youthful circumstances influenced my membership into the vegetarian cult with but slight resistance. In fact the experience later affected my political affiliation. I still enjoy blackeyed peas, corn bread, and wild plum cobbler, but my preferences for hog jowl in the peas and sugar in the cobbler swayed me to the Democrats.

A great amount of importance can be placed on some people without the slightest complaint from the weight. A friend of mine who is trying desperately to find a job for his wife so he can devote full time to loafing says there are only two kinds of people; the caught and the uncaught.

Definition of television "Texas Outlook" A device for the convenience of people who have nothing to do, that they may watch people who do nothing."

Letter to the Editor

Now, the Rest of the Story

It seems there are a few people that have moved back to Matador and want to make our town like the town they moved from when they retired. Instead of working to build our County and City they want to spend our County money. They also seem to like to twist or spin topics to upset people they have befriended. I hope I can set the record straight or at least put my "SPIN" on it. I met with the Motley County Commissioners at their regular meeting to voice some concerns I had. I told them that I was sure they all knew that Main Street Café had closed their doors. This was a business that paid property taxes to the County and collected sales tax that was paid to the City. I did not speculate on the reasons why, (although Fred and I have visited about the restaurant business in Matador before as have Jay and I). I told the Commissioners I felt that it is unfair competition for the County to fund a restaurant that was open to the public. (The people in charge told me it was open to anyone who walked thru the doors). I had a man come to my café when the Center first opened up and assure me it would never be open for meals to the public. I told him then I did not believe

that to be true. The Senior Citizens meals are great for the people who actually can't afford to pay much for a meal, and for the people who are not able to come to the Center. I also think it's great that the seniors have a place to go for fellowship

To my knowledge the County owns the building, collects 0.00 dollars in property taxes, furnishes insurance on the building and contents, and pays the Center 3000.00 per year. Hmm, I wonder if the County has the right to rent the building out for special events if they wanted to. As a restaurant owner I have to pay property taxes to the County. **My tax dollars are being used by the County to fund a café that's open to the public in direct competition with me and Jaybirds café.** I also collect sales tax that goes to the state and our City. Insurance costs for Restaurants can be as high as 5000.00 a year. My family also had to furnish our own building for our little restaurant. I told the Commissioners that if the Senior Citizens raised their prices approximately .30 cents per plate then that would offset the 3000.00 per year that our County desperately needs. I even suggested a .60 cent raise per plate, **and then they could also contribute**

to our County as the other restaurants already do. If you look around, some of the patrons in the Center could be paying a lot more than the minimum price. Our prices are a little higher because of our added costs to operate in our town.

I hated to single out one of our Commissioners as an example of what was happening here but Commissioner Alexander and I both own and operate a business that's open to the public, and pays City and County taxes. I asked Mr. Alexander how he would feel if the County opened a service station next to him, paid them 3000.00 dollars a year, furnished them a building, paid their insurance, and let them travel and fix flats for our farmers and ranchers in the County and charge a lot less than he did? Would he vote for something like that to happen as a Commissioner? How would his business do if that were to happen to him?

The whole point of my concern is about unfair competition with **any business** by our County or City. My family has been in the restaurant business for over 60 years, 45 years here in Matador and we just try to make a living like everyone else in our community. I work full time at the café, donate my time to the City as Mayor, work for EMS

as a paramedic, and have made donations to our school on behalf of Billie Dean's. I can say I do pay my school taxes, unlike some and I'm **NOT** trying to close our Senior Citizens building as some would like to suggest. Look around at the ones suggesting that and I would bet they have a lot more money than myself and could donate more per meal every day. The Senior Citizens should be thriving and would be doing so without County assistance if the right people who support the center would step up and do the right thing.

I would like to thank our Commissioners, for their dedication to our County, the time they put in making decisions that are in the best interest of our County and for all their help with issues we've had in our City. I can assure you our Commissioners want to see our County and Cities prosper. Our Commissioners have lived in our community for most or all of their lives and I believe **THEY** know what's best for our County. I also thank the City Council for their dedication and efforts for our City.

And that's the rest of the story!

Thank you.
Pat Smith

Motley County second grade students help donate one million books to children in need

The second graders from Motley County ISD are joining Super Bowl MVPs Peyton and Eli Manning Scholastic Book Clubs to help donate one million books to disadvantaged children.

This fall, students in Mrs. Kautz's class have pledged to read 100 books as part of **Scholastic Book Clubs' ClassroomsCare** program. The philanthropy-based literacy campaign is designed to teach children about the joys

and importance of reading and giving.

"Kids have big hearts, and nowhere is that more evident than when children help children through the ClassroomsCare program," said Judy Newman, President, Scholastic Books Clubs.

"Classes around the country are reading 100 books each. When they meet that goal, the Mannings, Scholastic, and our charity partners will put one million books into the hands

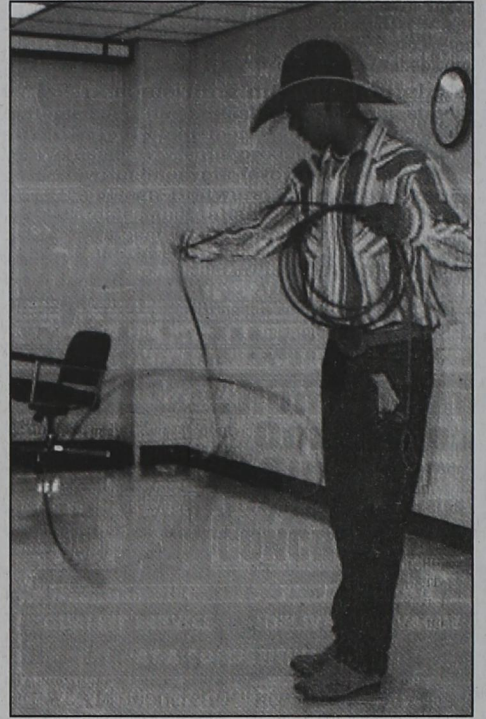
of the neediest children. The kids get to see firsthand that their efforts can make the world a better place," Newman explained.

To participate, classrooms join either "Team Peyton" or "Team Eli" and keep track of their progress using an over-size ClassroomsCare poster. A companion Web site lets classes share and compare their achievements with other participating classrooms around the nation. The Web

site also provides activities, motivational videos featuring the Mannings, e-cards, a sweepstakes and details on ClassroomsCare charity partners.

"Scholastic Book Clubs' ClassroomsCare lets both student and teachers demonstrate our spirit of service and sharing while also instilling a passion for reading," said Yolanda Kautz, Second Grade teacher

Local cowboy performs rope tricks for students



During the 4th and 5th grade Rodeo Day the students had an extra special treat when Senior and local cowboy, Utah Falcon who lives with his family on the Spade Ranch northeast of town, did some impressive rope tricks for the classes. Utah is shown in this picture doing the ropetrick called "The Butterfly."

FSA disaster assistance applications due

Amy Hackler, Executive Director of USDA's Farm Service Agency in Motley County, TX today announced that producers may now begin applying for benefits under the provisions of the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP) and the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP). These permanent disaster programs, authorized in the 2008 Farm Bill, replace previous ad-hoc disaster assistance programs and are funded through the Agricultural Disaster Relief Trust Fund.

"USDA is committed to meeting the needs of producers after suffering devastating losses due to a natural disaster," said Hackler. "These programs ensure that producers who have suffered agriculture losses receive the critical disaster assistance needed to remain financially solvent and help them continue on in their operations."

LFP provides payments to eligible livestock producers that have suffered livestock grazing losses due to qualifying drought

or fire. For drought, the losses must have occurred on land that is native or improved pastureland with permanent vegetative cover or a crop planted specifically for grazing for covered livestock due to a qualifying drought during the normal grazing period for the specific type of grazing land in the county. For fire, LFP provides payments to eligible livestock producers that have suffered grazing losses on rangeland managed by a federal agency if the eligible livestock producer is prohibited by the federal agency from grazing the normal permitted livestock on the managed rangeland due to a qualifying fire.

Eligible livestock under LFP include beef cattle, alpacas, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, deer, elk, emus, equine, goats, llamas, poultry, reindeer, sheep and swine. For losses due to drought, qualifying drought ratings are determined using the U.S. Drought Monitor located at [HYPERLINK "http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html"](http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html)

Old Settlers Best Tractor



Old Settlers Parade Best Tractor, Jeremy Jameson with daughter, Natalie

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The evaluation criteria, including types of munitions that may be present, ease of access to the site and number of people living near the site, are available for public review in the Site Inspection Report located at the Matador County Library, 1105 Main St., Matador, TX 79244 and the Dickens County Spur Public Library, 415 E. Hill Street, Spur, Texas 79370.

For more information or if you have additional information about past activities related to the former Childress Army Airfield Bombing Range No. 6 (S-11), please contact Patience Nwanna, project manager by email at Patience.N.Nwanna@usace.army.mil, via phone at (817) 886-1470 or by mail at USACE, Fort Worth District, ATTN: CESWF-PER-DI, 819 Taylor Street, Room 3A12 Fort Worth, Texas 76102-0300.

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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

Roaring Springs was a busy place last week. The fifth annual Cowboy Camp Meeting was held; Rodney Long's funeral was on Friday afternoon with many out of town family and friends attending. The church was filled and many were standing in the foyer and along the aisles. J. T. and Imogene's Swim's 70th anniversary reception was held Saturday afternoon at the Lula Swim Memorial Fellowship Hall at the First United Methodist Church. New sidewalks were poured in front of the Windmill Café and to the corner of Third Street. They are a welcome smooth sight. A much needed handicap ramp was made into the sidewalk.

About 25 people attended the Old Settlers' Cowboy Camp Meeting beginning last Thursday and ending on Saturday evening. Don Stuckey served some delicious meals from his chuck-wagon. His friend, Warren Pugh of Weatherford, TX came to help Don. Jerry Collins spent many hours helping get things set up. Johnny Morris preached on Thursday night and Friday morning. Thomas Peppers of Memphis preached on Friday evening and Saturday morning with Johnny closing the meeting on Saturday evening. Thomas and Charlotte and their two children, Kaitlyn and Landon were a pleasure to know. The children were nine and seven years old respectively.

Former pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jim and Janie Ritter were here for Rodney Long's funeral. They have many friends here. Jim officiated at the service.

Visiting with Boyd and Laura Long are her parents, Coy and Esther Wilkerson of Rainbow Valley, Arizona; Steven Meyer and his family, Bo Long and Chooch Meyer all of Big Spring, TX. All of Boyd's daughters were here for Rodney's funeral.

Ina Mae Baird of Lubbock, an aunt of the Long sons, (sister of Charles Long) and her son Mike Baird were here for Rodney's funeral service. Among the out of town relatives were; Carly and Sandy Long of Waxahachie, TX; cousins: Ina Beth, Andy persons, Sharon Kay King of the Metroplex, Shirley Dell and Diedra. A close personal friend of Rodney's, John Jones of California and a host of nieces and nephews from Lubbock, Big Spring, Leander and Ackerly, Texas. Many of Nona's family from out of town were here also. There were some eighty family members present. I did not have room or all the names to

include but your being there was a great comfort to the family.

Out of town guests attending the Swim's 70th Anniversary were: sons, J. R. and Stella Swim of Abilene and Sam and Reba Swim of Lubbock. Three of Imogene's cousins: Charles Hastings of Lubbock; Larry Hastings of Lubbock and Joe Richard Hastings of Midland were in attendance. Virgil Van Camp, cousin of J. T. and former resident of Roaring Springs was here from Amarillo. Out of town friends were: Mr. and Mrs. Don Hutchings of Paducah; Gilbert Perry of Childress, another former resident of Roaring Springs and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hesley of Amarillo. A number of friends from Motley County also attended. I am sure I left out some who were at the anniversary celebration. I am sorry if I left you out. I didn't intend to do so; you were all very important to the Swim family.

The ladies of the First Baptist Church would like to thank all of the people who brought food for the Long family and helped with the serving. There are many dishes left at the church. If you have dishes you need to pick up, call me and I will come and open the fellowship hall for you. My number is: 348-7000. Jo Trammell is at the church most Tuesday afternoons and sometimes on Thursday.

Karmen McCullough visited her son Jeff Braselton and family over the weekend. Karmen attended the 1959 Matador High School Class Reunion. On Sunday Karmen and the Braselton family enjoyed lunch at the Windmill Café.

Lesa Keltz was honored with a baby shower on Saturday afternoon in Spur. The expected baby girl will be Kelly and Pennie Keltz' fifth grandchild and Corky's eleventh great grandchild.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

Words are the clothes in which we dress our thoughts. To read is to shop for a new wardrobe.

BOY SCOUT ACHIEVEMENT DAY

Tim Kendall and his Boy Scout Troop 274 met Saturday afternoon at the Kendall Home location in Flomot. The boys worked on their scout achievement merits including climbing a rock wall. It was an entertaining work day and they were served refreshments before returning to their respective homes.

Those attending were Tim's sons, Jere and Jacob Kendall, Tucker Barton of Matador, Dax Allen of Quitaque, Will and Ian Farley, Brad Cruse and sons, Branson and Baylor of Turkey.

Linda and Travis Kendall visited in Lubbock, Saturday with Gwen and Eldon Martin.

Joey and Brenda Lee of Clarendon visited Sunday with his parents Ruth and Orville Lee. Their luncheon guest was grandson, Josh Lee of Flomot.

Clois and Kathy Shorter attended the Ragtime Gospel Theater in Post Saturday afternoon.

They were impressed with John The Baptist performance.

Visiting Sunday with Mrs. B. Rogers and Donnie Rogers were Donna Sue and Stanley Degan of Kalgary. They also visited in Quitaque with Mrs. Leona Degan.

Jack Starkey was in Amarillo Monday and Tuesday for dental appointments. His wife, Nada was a patient Wednesday in Amarillo at St Anthony-Baptist Hospital for medical tests. Their son, Michael Starkey of Canyon and daughter, Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch were with them.

Nita and Ervin Merritt en route to their home in Granbury from their home in Angel Fire visited recently with her brother, Wilburn Martin and sister and husband, Waydette and Ronald Clay.

Alvia Joe Calvert, son, Justin Calvert and daughter, Betty Beatrice "B.B." of Dumas visited Sunday with his family, Mary Jo and Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert.

Visiting the weekend in Big Spring with Cara and Clint Cowart were her parents, Connie and Coy Franks and grandmother, Mrs. Erma Washington.

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Matador News

Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson were in Lubbock, Wednesday for him a check up on his injured hand. He received a good report. En route home, they visited in Floydada with Leatrice and John Moss.

Mrs. Marion Woodruff had out patient dermatologist surgery in Lubbock, Wednesday. She is doing fine.

Melinda and Clay Jameson are enjoying the month of September at their vacation home in Creede, Colorado.

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Saturday
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82/57



Sunday
Mostly Sunny
84/61



Monday
Partly Cloudy
81/59



Tuesday
Mostly Cloudy
80/55



Wednesday
Partly Cloudy
78/54

Weather Trivia

What is the sunniest place on Earth?
Answer: In terms of annual average sunshine, the sunniest recorded place on Earth is Yuma, Arizona with 4,300 hours per year.

Weather History

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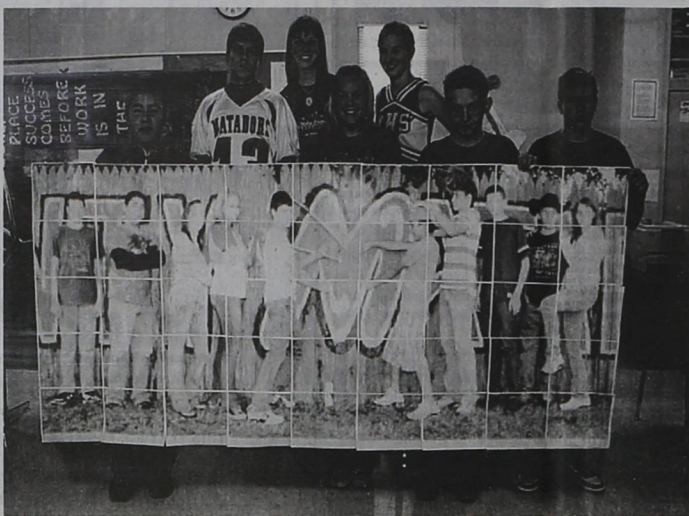


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Sunday
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Motley County Shining Stars



Freshmen class holding the picture they are going to put on the wall for Homecoming. They worked on this in their art class and have made homecoming 'door covers'. Each person was responsible for a door on the high school side. Come by and see them before the pep rally. Those in the picture, L-R Dominique Quilimaco, Juan Flores, Jaci Zingerman, Stormy Guerrero, Sabra Pope, Aaron Woodruff, Wesley McNair. Austin Taylor and Britt Simpson were absent when the picture was taken.



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in I Kings 19: 10-13.

We, like Elijah, need to pause in the pursuit of our whatever...and in the stillness seek our God. We generally make a lot of noise and speak lots of words, even to God or about God. It is difficult to stop and be still and let the quietness overtake us. It seems that there is some matter always pressing and urgent. The idea of just sitting there and 'doing nothing' seem to trouble some of us more than it helps.

In the stillness will come the desire for prayer. Prayer is taking time to let God refresh us, touch us as the artist who is making a sculpture of our lives. Quiet! Well that happens when there is nothing to say? When we are with friends and we stop talking, is that the end of the relationship? Of course not! So it is with God. Be still! Soon with a little practice, these moments of quietness will bring about meaningful depth to our spiritual lives. Why? Because we communing with our God.

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Motley County Matadors



Back Row: Coach Ream, Christian Brooks, Chase Buckner, Augy Chavez, Dayne Butler, Colby McCleskey, Austin Taylor, Britt Simpson, Justin Newman, Jon Osborn, Cody Martin, Coach Bigham. Front Row: Braden Mason, Juan Flores, Reagan Elliott, Mark Quintero. Missing: Andrew Martin.

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Fast breathing or trouble breathing
 Bluish or gray skin color
 Not drinking enough fluids
 Severe or persistent vomiting
 Not waking up or not interacting
 Being so irritable that the child does not want to be held
 Flu-like symptoms improve but then return with fever and worse cough
 In adults, emergency warning signs that need urgent medical attention include:
 Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
 Pain or pressure in the chest or abdomen

Sudden dizziness
 Confusion
 Severe or persistent vomiting
 Flu-like symptoms improve but then return with fever and worse cough
 How do you catch H1N1 (swine) flu?
 Through contact with a person with H1N1 flu. Human-to-human spread of H1N1 flu has been documented also and is thought to occur in the same way as seasonal flu. Influenza is thought to spread mainly person-to-person through coughing or sneezing of infected people.
 What should I do to keep

from getting the flu?
 First and most important: wash your hands. Try to stay in good general health. Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food. Try not touch surfaces that may be contaminated with the flu virus. Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
 What should I do if I get sick?
 Contact your health care provider regarding the flu vaccine, or should you or a family member develop flu-like symptoms.

MCISD Cross-Country

The Motley County Cross-Country teams competed in a meet in Floydada, on Saturday, Sept. 12th. Those participating in the race were:

Jr. High Girls: Shayla Clay, Virginia Gutierrez, Katie Barton, Shelby Elliott, Meagan Ford, Lorien McNair, Gabby Silva, Cassidy Turner, and Catherine Ward.

Jr. High Boys: Connor Mason, Caleb Clary, Michael Martin, and Tallon Pollard.

High School Girls: Lianne Jameson, Kyla Simpson, Alyx Smith, Danielle Gwinn, Alexis Osborn, Sabra Pope, and Jaci Zingerman.

High School Boys: Weston Griswold.

This was the first race of the season, and everyone did a great job. In the High School division, Alexis Osborn finished 2nd, and Weston Griswold won the JV Boys race. Connor Mason and Caleb Clary both earned a medal by placing 10th and 15th respectively. None of the Jr. High girls finished in the top 15 but they also competed very well. The next meet will be at Spur on Oct. 3rd.

Mavericks
at
Southland,
Thursday
5:00 P.M.

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Motley County whops Wilson 58 to 6

By Jennifer Lawler

Stats
 Score MC 58 – Wilson 6
 Ended at half

Motley County Matadors finally put it all together. “The boys played a physical football game Friday night,” said Coach Bigham. “Our blocking was the best we have had this year.”

Coach Bigham also said that the fans were great and once again were on the road. “We are very proud of our boys at this time and we are looking forward to a big turn out for the homecoming game against Southland this Friday night.”

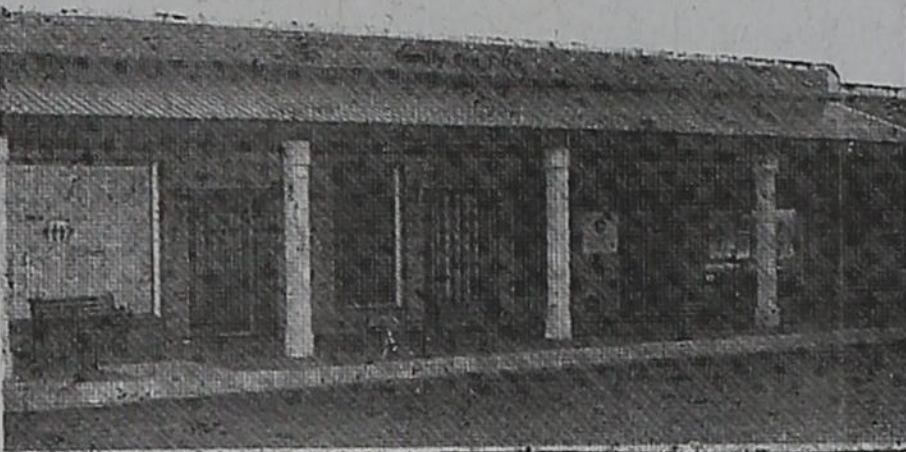
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 135yds. #4, 9 carries, 4 TD's
 165 yds. #7, 3 carries
 33 yds.
 Passing: #7, 1-2 , 25 yds
 1 TD.
 Receiving #17, 1, 25 yds, 1 TD. #13, 5-8 Extra points.
 Fumble Recovery: # 7 -1,
 #13- 1, # 4- 1
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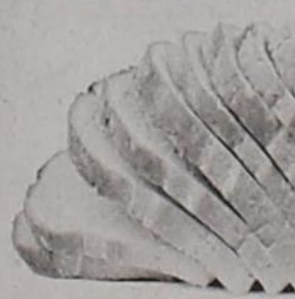
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September

- 24 Jr. H Mavericks, Southland at Southland, 5:00 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
- 28 American Legion Post 337 at 7 PM at the Senior Citizens Center in Matador.
- 29 - Cotton Turn Row Tours Field Day (Dickens, Motley, Briscoe and Hall)

October

- 1 Jr. H Mavericks, McLean at Matador 5:00 P.M.
- 1 Roaring Springs Lion's Club sponsors bingo AT HCCC
- 2 MCISD Football at McLean, 7:30pm
- 2-3 - South Plains Fair Junior Lamb Show
- 3 Cross Country, Spur
- 3 Northfield's Homecoming 10 A.M. at the Senior Citizens Building. Covered Dish Luncheon.
- 4 Motley 4-H Club Meeting at 2:30pm
- 4-10 National 4-H Week
- 8 Jr. H Mavericks, Silverton at Matador, 5:00 P.M.
- 9 MCISD Football at Silverton, 7:30pm
- 10 - One Day 4-H
- 10 Copper Breaks State Park, Sun Fun, 5pm Starwalk, 9pm
- 15 Jr. H Mavericks, Cotton Center at Matador, 5 P.M.
- 16 MCISD Football at Cotton Center at Matador, 7:30pm
- 17 Cross Country, Abernathy
- 17 Barton Reunion, 914 Walton Rd., Matador, Texas, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pot Luck Lunch
- 19 - Motley 4-H Club Meeting - 6:30pm courtroom
- 24 - King County Fair
- 26 Cross Country, District Meet @Crowell

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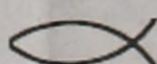
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