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Roaring Springs resident awarded plaque for 55 years of weather reporting

By Carol Campbell Motley County Tribune

J.M. "Buzz" Thacker, just as his father Melton Thacker before him, has been reporting temperatures, barometric pressure, rain and snowfall for as long as he can remember. "When I was growing up, we had a weather station behind the hardware store," Buzz explained. "We recorded the weather every morning." He called his passion for weather reporting "a labor of love."

Buzz was awarded the Benjamin Franklin Award from the National Weather Service for 55 years of reporting at the monthly Roaring Springs Lions Club meeting on Thursday, May 3, 2012. "Buzz's award is the longest length of service award we have ever presented,' said Justin Weaver, National Weather Service Meteorologist in Charge.

Accompanying Weaver to the Lions Club meeting was John W. Lipe, Senior Service Hydrologist Meteorologist; Mike Turner, Observations Program Leader; and Shawn Ellis, Fore-

Weaver began his remarks by placing the audience in the context of the world scene in 1957: "When Buzz began reporting to the weather service, (Ike) Eisenhower was President; a first class stamp was three

cents; we were paying 24 cents for a gallon of gas; and Elvis was on the Ed Sullivan show," he said. "We have seen a lot of changes in that time, but there is one thing that didn't change and that is Buzz Thacker's dedication to reporting the weath-

"He also donated land to place an automated weather station that records the weather on 1- to 5-minute intervals," Weaver added. In addition to the Benjamin Franklin Award, Buzz also received a letter from Director John L. Hayes, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the U.S. Department of Com-

"Cooperative weather observers like you serve a critical role by contributing to our knowledge and understanding of the local, national and global climate," Hayes said, adding, "Thank you for your dedication and faithful service over so many years."

Buzz captures measurements every 24 hours, usually about 7:30 a.m., he said. Then he reports to the weather station on the computer. Measuring rain or snow when it is horizontal can be a real challenge, Buzz said, referring to the oftentimes windybreezy weather in this part of the world. He has a snow gage that holds about 2-inches of



55 Years of Weather Reporting At the monthly Roaring Springs Lions Club meeting on May 3, 2012, Justin Weaver, National Weather Service Meteorologist in Charge. presents Buzz Thacker of Roaring Springs the Benjamin Franklin Award for 55 years of weather reporting, the longest length of service award ever presented by the National Weather Service.

freshly fallen snow. But how / and day out. often does the snow come floating down without the wind? Buzz laments. However, he faithfully melts the captured snow and measures - then reports to the weather service, over and over, day in

Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs historian, faithful Lion's Club member, entrepreneur and civic leader, said, "I've recorded every drop of rain in Roaring Springs since 1957. It's been a fun trip."

Thirteen Students Receive Scholarships from the James and Oneita Titus **Educational Foundation**

By Marisue Potts, Secretary Motley County Tribune

At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Titus Educational Foundation Board of Directors on April 20, 2012, Motley County ISD Superintendent, William Cochran, reported that 13 of 14 seniors had applied for the Titus scholarships. Five full scholarships of \$2,000 will be awarded this year. Each student may reapply for scholarship money if he or she meets the qualifications and a grade point average of 2.5, up to a total of \$8,000. In addition, eight partial scholarships of \$1,000 will also be awarded. The names of the scholarship winners will be announced at a later date.

Once again it will be the pleasure of Mr. James Titus and The Titus Foundation Board to invite scholarship recipients to be guests at a special luncheon to be held before graduation. All of the thirteen senior students, as well as any of the continuing college students who are available, will be feted. Mr. Cochran will provide the details as they become avail-

The yearly meeting of the Titus Foundation was called to order by Dr. Cathy Morton at the Rolling Plains Shared Services Building in Matador, Texas. A roll call of members indicated the following were present: Dr. Cathy Morton, President of the board; Ed Fritz, Treasurer of the board and financial advisor; William Cochran, Motley County School Superintendent; Jim Meador, Motley County Judge; Corky Marshall, Mayor, Roaring Springs; Pat Smith, Matador Mayor; David Stafford, MC-ISD School Board President; and Marisue Potts, Memberat-large and Board Secretary. Absent was Mr. James Titus and Russell Alexander, Motley County Commissioner.

Financial Advisor Ed Fritz revealed that the Titus educational distributions have benefited Motley County students and teachers to the tune of \$60,509.36 to this date. He presented an informative financial report with

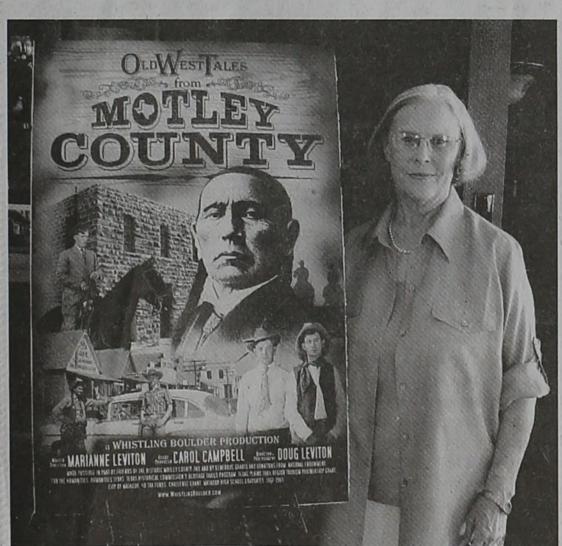
an overview of investments held with the Southwest Bank of Fort Worth, Trusts and Investments. He provided information on the declines and advances of the investments since the beginning balance of \$500,000 in July 10, 2008. Despite several major meltdowns, including Lehman Brothers and the crisis in Greece, the fund showed the net gain after distributions to be \$15,468.47.

He provided a breakdown of investments in Equity Mutual Funds, Fixed Income Mutual Funds, and Money Market Funds which allow the yearly distributions of scholarships and teachers mini-grants without selling off or divesting the other funds. In addition, he provided a comparison study using the Titus funds and performance. Benchmark At 17.9% the total portfolio of the Titus investments exceeded the Benchmark total of 15.5%.

Applications for the Titus Foundation Teachers Minigrants will be funded on a priority basis up to \$14,000 and possibly more if all the scholarship monies are not utilized by the eligible students. The wish list of the teachers covered items such as workbooks, games, diagnostic tests, playground equipment, library organizers and book shelves, a math conference, RTI intervention kits, and a projector and drop down screen for the gym/auditorium.

Mr. Titus was unable to attend the meeting this year due to the failing health of his wife. He always enjoys returning to Motley County where he grew up on a sandy land farm, survived the Great Depression, and 'graduated from Matador High School in 1940. No stranger to hard work as an employee of Lockheed manufacturing and later as a concrete contractor, James Titus loved to buy run down farms and make them into something special with his DC6 Caterpillar. Perhaps that is a thread in his vision of "benefiting the children of Motley County for years to come." Once again he has an opportunity to make something special.

Large Crowd Enjoys Video Premiere



Whistling Boulder, Inc. donates posters for premiere

Pictured is Carol Campbell with a movie poster donated by Whistling Boulder, Inc. for the Video Documentary Premiere. The poster was used at Hotel Matador for decoration, and also at the annex to advertise the event.

By Carol Campbell Motley County Tribune

A video premiere featuring "Old West Tales from Motley County" was screened by more than 80 residents and out-oftown guests on Saturday, May 5,

2012. Hotel Matador hosted an extravagant party as guests crowded the beautiful landmark for tapas, drinks, and visiting. The serving table was decorated with two turquoise glittered boots overflowing with bright silk flow-

ers and resting on tulle net then layered with stacked trays of bitesized goodies.

The menu consisted of pulled pork "sliders," fajita chicken flatbread with guacamole, bacon-wrapped smokies, jalapeños stuffed with cream cheese, tortilla rollups, bite-size quiche, sausage balls, chicken bits with honey mustard sauce, vegetable tray, assorted nuts, and brownies, lemon bars, and mini cheesecakes served with red and white wine, coffee, and sparkling peach strolled down the block to the Motley County Library Annex that was miraculously transformed into the old Rogue Theatre, courtesy of Frances Hobbs and Edwards. Deanie Operated by Pete and Dick Dirickson and others for three decades from the 1930s to the 1960s, the Rogue provided not only entertainment in the pre- and post-World War II era but lasting memories for local residents.

The group then

Two bright red Rogue Theatre signs hung in the twin window entrance flanked by a large poster, courtesy of Whistling Boulder, announcing the video.

tured two generations of Deputy Sheriff Ed D. Smith's family with the face of Quanah Parker's portrait looming large in front of a cowboy on horseback in front of the historic jail. Other marquee "Coming Attractions" featured Outtakes from the documentary consisting of scenes from the production phase of the documentary project.

The entrance door was covered in black paper to keep out all light for optimal viewing and upon entering the unmistaken aroma of freshly popped popcorn was reminiscent of times past. Judy Cartwright popped corn in the Matador FNB popper to the delight of the crowd. A center aisle facing west in the annex with seats on both sides of the aisle, faced a large 8-foot screen. Every seat was full, with standing room only.

The Annex walls were covered in over-sized Rogue Theatre tickets. An old Rogue Theatre Playbill from 1961 where the Saturday night movie starred Audie Murphy in "Battle at Bloody Beach' in Cinemascope was displayed Original theatre tickets were displayed on the walls - ticket cost? 14 cents. These historic tickets were salvaged by local historian Ron Bailey when the building was demolished in the 1970s. The elaborate decorations of outtakes and memorabilia were created by Deanie Edwards.

The first order of business included a drawing for a signed Hotel Matador cookbook, courtesy of the Russell family; and a DVD of the film to be screened.

Following special thanks to the The poster fea- many residents that made this event possible, recognition of funders were announced. Deborah Sue McDonald, Executive Director of the Texas Plains Trail attended; and Sue Shore, Austin, Program Director for the Texas Heritage Trails Program. Local resident Judy Renfro, representing the City of Matador, 4-B Tax Board, was also recognized. Other funders included Humanities Texas, National Endowment for the Arts, a Challenge Grant by Matador Exes from 1961-1965; and donations from Friends of the Historic Motley County Jail.

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Heat record broken; drought continues in April

By Earlyne Jameson Motley County Tribune

A heat record was broken April 26 in Motley County registering 108 degrees. A storm alert was issued April 30 leaving only a light rain and hail. Motley County did not experience heavy hail damage that other South Plains towns reported.

More moisture is needed for planting crops. Non-irrigated winter wheat has been declared a loss. Pastures and

rangeland improved somewhat with sprinkles of rain. Livestock is in fair condition with supplemental feeding, however, strong hot winds are not helping the drought situa-

Total April 2012 moisture reported by Motley County National Weather Service Volunteers: Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs 0.52; Ronnie Bailey, Matador 0.35; Betty Simpson, Northfield 0.55; Lawrence Allen; Whiteflat 0.25; and Clois Shorter, Flomot 0.42.

Foothill Country

Connections

Community, Diversity, Art When you have history, you have pride.



By Larry Vogt

My Mother taught me tolerance by example. When I started school in the first grade, I walked to school every morning and even though it was only three blocks from home it seemed like a long way. Another problem was the crazy lady in the haunted house. I had to walk right past her house and pray that she did not come out and scare me. Sure enough, one day she was out on her porch and told me in a spooky voice to "go on home." Indeed, I ran home as fast as I could. From then on I walked an extra three blocks to avoid going past her house.

I suppose my mom found out about my avoidance and the next Sunday she and I walked to church and purposely walked by the scary house. As luck would have it the dreaded woman was outside in her garden and Mom simply greeted her in the usual fashion and she and the lady exchanged the usual pleasantries and we arrived at church safe and sound.

On the way back home Mom explained the woman's behavior and told me that there was a tragedy in the family back in the 1930's and the woman had not been exactly right in her mind since then. I gradually got to know about the various characters whose questionable behavior might affect me but the lesson from the walk to church let me know that the folks in the town sort of looked after their own and as long as I didn't bother them they probably wouldn't bother

Mom has been gone since 1994 but I think of her often and wish all the mothers in my life a Happy Mothers' Day and truly appreciate all the things they constantly teach us by example.

Bark for Life Set for Saturday

The Bark for Life in Matador is set for Saturday, May 12, at the City Park. Sign-up starts at 9:00 a.m. The walk begins at 10:00 a.m. If you sign up on the day of the walk, the fee is \$15.00. Bark for Life honors the caregiving qualities of canine companions and is a shorter version of a regular relay.

"People ask me why I relay," Pam Newman said. "I relay because I want to be a part of something bigger than the town I live in no matter where that is."

"Relay for Life is an overnight event which celebrates survivors, remembers loved ones, and brings together millions of people to raise money to help prevent cancer, save lives, and diminish suffering from this horrific disease," Newman said, adding, "As well as raising awareness of cancer preventions, early detection, treatment, and patient support. Relay brings people together from all walks of life with the common goal of eliminating cancer. No matter who you are if you can walk you can make a difference. '

"If **c**ancer has touched someone you know or even a family member it doesn't matter if you are two or 92. It touched my family's life in 2006 as some of you well know," Newman said, "and by the grace of God our son Shane was healed!

"When I spoke to Kathy Blanco one day sitting in front of the football field, she wanted to do a Relay walk with me; I never knew how much this organization did for patients with cancer. I called the 1-800-ACS-2345 number and they introduced me to Kathy Oaks out of the ACS office in Lubbock and we had a meeting and Kathy and I said, "Let's do it." At that time there were a lot of people in Matador, Roaring Springs and surrounding communities that were fighting this awful disease.

"That day in June when all of the teams came out and walked for a cure was one of the most memorable nights of my life. We had people from Matador, Roaring Springs, Spur, and Jayton all on the same football field walking for the same reason," Newman said.

Come out and support Bark for Life in the City Park on Saturday, May 12, 2012.

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WRITING COMMUNITY

Remembering Matador on its 100th Birthday

Editor's Note:

Geney (Spray) Stan is the daughter of Jack and Rosa Spray, lifetime residents of Motley County. Rosa, daughter of Edward Dixon Smith and the former Sarah Elizabeth Pledger, moved with her family to Whiteflat in 1917. Jack, son of John Wesley Spray and the former Eliza Elizabeth Thomas, moved to Whiteflat with his family in 1918. Jack and Rosa married on Oct. 26, 1929 and spent the rest of their lives in the area, purchasing in 1947 the farm where they resided until their deaths. They reared five children: Norman Glenn Spray, Melvin Lee (Sleepy) Spray, Billy Jack Spray, Geney Stan and Melba Ann Rosser.

(From someone who can remember when this special spot on the map was only 40 years old)

By Geney (Spray) Stan

Preface: I wrote this little "essay" in honor of Matador's looth birthday, thinking the assignment was Matador itself. I didn't realize until later that I might have included my memories of Motley County and our special country community there, perhaps a lucky circumstance, for had I immersed myself in those happy recollections, I might never have emerged. I'd still be writing happy remembrances! And, in fact, there are special people I must mention, neighbors and friends near and dear, before I unleash the pictures that have come to my mind as a child in "town". (I do recall plenty about Matador itself, and these longago images are happy too.)

Perhaps even more vivid in my imagination and memory than the town square of Matador is the dirt road "square" (or circle) traveled near, but south and west of "downtown" Whiteflat. Every single home on those dusty old roads held neighbors akin to family members. "Why you couldn't pay me to live in one of them big old cities," my father used to say, "where people don't even know their neighbors or help each other or nothing else. Why phooey!"

Once in 1972, while Daddy was recovering from cataract surgery, fretfully hoping to hire his cotton stripping done, Alfred Cooper appeared with a different plan in his pocket. He had spoken to others, and the next day, neighbors gathered with their strippers and trailers, managing the season's job in a fell swoop. Our neighbors were our loved ones, as surely as our family, and often we gathered in one home or another for visiting and games of "42" or "84" - and the absolute best homemade, mouth-watering goodies in the world!

I can still name every family on that circle of our community when I was a child, and each still has a home in my heart. Just as we turned west off of Highway 70, coming home from Matador, to the east was the Tilson place. As a child I remember Tom and Stella Tilson living there. I thought it pretty amazing, after I started school and attended "magic shows" in the auditorium, that the famous "Magician" and "His Helper" lived so near us! Later, I remember his son, W. R. and wife Naomi, living there, and then just Naomi and her dog, Blackie, before they moved to town many years later. Down the westward road, there were the Bob Martins, the Henry L. Martins, the Stuart Dixons, the Alfred Coopers; first the Woody Slovers, the Billy Ray Slovers, the Coyt Carliles, the C. R. Brandons and then the R.A. Staffords; us, the Sprays, the Guy Kimbells, the Virgil Coopers, the Karl Coopers, and on over the top, the Snow Crenshaws (home of my high school sweetheart), and back down, the Scott Robbinses and the Marvin Dixons. The fellowship and good will of this community, which I enjoyed so long ago, still lifts my thoughts and makes my spirit light.

Though only almost nine when I lost my grandmother Smith, I do remember her home in the Whiteflat community and festive family gatherings there. I sensed my mother's excitement when she prepared her contribution for the occasion (maybe a chocolate cake with caramel icing and pecans on top!) and I was ever so excited too. We'd pile in our old car, and it really was a bit like "over the hills and through the woods, to Grandma's house we go."

Once Mother had instructed me to get off the school bus at the corner and walk the short distance to Grandma's house. Mother would pick me up later. When I arrived, poor Grandma, in her eighties then and hard of hearing, was in her kitchen poking around in the old pie safe (now in my home.) She had no idea I was anywhere around. I sneaked behind and grabbed her, saying "Boo! Grandma! Boo!" Poor dear jumped for the sky. And then, though she should have given me a good spanking, we both laughed and laughed.

Actually all the roads about led to homes of friends and neighbors, including the Tom Edwards and Lonzo Lynn families. Even farther France and Eugenia Barton lived, also Wilson and Sybil Barton, and the famous rattlesnake hunter Bill Slover and Ethel, and the Malcolm Jamesons. Les Terry and his wife Majo, who was already like one of the family from years when the Spray family lived on her grandmother Russell's place, lived for a while on the Frank Erion ranch with great hay barns and wonderful hills behind their home where Wilburn, Roseanne, Melba and I loved to play, the same hills where my mother and her siblings had loved to play when they roamed a few miles from the Smith home just down the road.

The Watkins family lived in Whiteflat for a while, also for a while, a Cooper family, both with daughters as my classmates. There were the Matneys (who operated the little store after the Dixons). The school bus stopped at the little store for all of us kids to hop off and purchase a coke or candy or some treat. I remember once asking Mrs. Dixon for a nickel's worth of grapes. She smiled and kindly explained that I could get so few grapes for a nickel that I'd do better with a candy bar or pop, so I reluctantly gave up my exotic treat for the usual Hershey bar or maybe Royal Crown cola.

There were the Caseys, the Perkins, the Murphys, the Carlisles, the Rattans, the McWilliams, the Wilkersons, Skeet and Earlyne Jameson, the C. D. Garrisons, Malcolm and Ida Morris (the post office), Al and Dora Watson. Clovis and Addie were grandparents of Linda Kay Rattan (now Bailey), and Addie and Mother were girlhood friends; similar connections often surfaced.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

After reading your editorial in the April 22, 2012, Motley County Tribune, it comes to mind that some of the citizens of Matador might possibly construe some of the seven-item recommendations from the Matador City Council to the Market Matador, Inc. (MMI) Board as an accusation of inappropriate behavior by the MMI Board.

We would like to inform the citizens of Matador that we have never, nor do we ever intend to make any decision that is not in the best interest of the City of Matador and its inhabitants.

Hopefully, having cleared the air as to the intentions of MMI Board, we would like to give an explanation of the thought processes on recent decisions by the Board that have brought this incident to light. Following are the recommendations (reprinted), followed by the response of the 5-member Market Matador board:

Market Matador shall no longer purchase, trade for, or take lots someone wishes to donate unless they have a clear plan to get the lots back on the tax roll in a reasonable time period. (6 months).

Item # 1 Response: The only lots that MMI has purchased was lots owned by a person in Houston, which the then Mayor of Matador traveled to Houston and made the purchase himself. We have always made it a policy not to accept the gift of lots on which taxes were being paid unless we had an immediate sale planned.

Market Matador should make sure that no back taxes are owed on property they own and pay the taxes if there are any.

Item #2 Response: Market Matador, Inc. is a 501-c-3 (tax free) Corporation, we do not pay taxes.

Market Matador shall sell lots, (other than lots for the "in-

dustrial park"), to persons interested in buying lots that Market Matador owns without restrictions and as quickly as possible.

Item #3 Response: MMI did refuse sale of lots to two individuals because of the intentions of one individual to install a less than desirable building on the lots; and because the other individual owns several lots within two blocks of the Courthouse that have, for a number of years, been in rundown condition with unsightly matter around them, creating an unattractive west-bound approach to downtown Matador.

The Board is aware that the City of Matador has ordinances and is supposed to enforce them, but to our knowledge, there has been no enforcement of these ordinances. Therefore, we, as a Board, felt that we should do the best we could in making decisions that would be in the best interest of our community by keeping it neat and clean as possible. Please be assured that at no time were these decisions made to create a problem for any person, or with any animosity toward any person, but were made with only the best interest of the City of Matador in mind.

Market Matador should place lots up for public auction in order to place them back on the tax roll unless someone is already interested in the lots.

Item #4 Response: The original instructions of the Mayor and City Council when MMI was created in the year 2000 was to hold the lots we owned, which were scattered around Matador, and attempt to acquire adjoining lots to create a desirable amount of property (Example: four lots or more that join each other would be a more marketable product than one single lot). This arrangement might entice someone to purchase and improve the lots so that the tax base would receive greater benefits. So, the direction of this recommendation would seem to defeat the purpose of the original idea.

Market Matador shall report to the City plans for any lots they wish to acquire prior to acquiring the lots. Item #5 Response: MMI

Item #5 Response: MMI Board has not ever before had instructions to consult the City Council before making any decisions, but as we are governed by the City Council, we will be happy to seek the approval of the City Council before acquiring any lots.

Market Matador is a subsidiary of the City of Matador and should try to act in accordance with what the City Council expects. Putting these lots back on the tax roll is in the best interest of the city, MCISD, the county and the Hospital District.

Item #6 Response: The Board of MMI is fully aware that we are governed by the City Council, and have always complied with the instructions set out for us by the Mayor and City Council in the year 2000. Since then, little, if any contact with the City Council has been made until a short time ago when it became a priority of our present Mayor to get all lots owned by MMI back on the tax roll.

Most, if not all, of the lots owned by MMI (by the way, they were purchased and given to MMI in the years 2000 and 2001) are valued at \$200.00 or less. If valued at \$200.00 a lot would increase the city's annual tax base by \$1.00, the Motley County ISD by \$2.34, the County of Motley by \$1.30, Gateway Groundwater by \$.02; and the Motley County Hospital District by \$.21.

As a board, we feel that the loss of this amount of tax while seeking the opportunity to sell these lots to someone who would put a structure on them and create a larger amount of tax is sufficient reason not to auction them off, but to sell them as individuals

seek to purchase for a specific purpose.

Market Matador board members should not use their position on the board for personal gain or prejudice against anyone wanting to purchase lots.

Item #7 Response: As a

Item #7 Response: As a board, Market Matador, Inc., would like to assure the City Council and the citizens of Matador that there has never been, nor will ever be, a situation where any of the Board members has used, or will use, their position for personal gain; or for any prejudice against any person attempting to purchase lots. All decisions made were fair and honest with only the well-being of the city in mind.

Also, as a Board, we would like to say to the City Council that we are greatly disappointed that the Council might conceive that we, individuals appointed by the Council, might degrade ourselves by committing an injustice such as is inferred by this recommendation.

This summary concerning the MMI Board and the recommendations by the present Mayor and City Council to that board is specifically designed to inform the Citizens of Matador as to the conduct and the thought process used by the Board in making the decisions of the past few months that seem to have stirred the ire of some of our City officials.

Indeed, it could be construed that the actions of the Mayor and some of the City Council to attempt to remove two of the original Board members might suggest that they could be using their positions to inflict personal prejudice on some of the MMI Board members.

Thank you for printing this letter which we as a Board hope will enlighten the residents of Matador to the actions of the MMI Board, The City Council and the Mayor of the City of Matador.

Board Members of Market Matador, Inc.

Roaring Springs Lions Club Meets

By Monta Marshall Motley County Tribune

The Roaring Springs Lions met on Thursday, May 3, 2012, at the Windmill Café for their regular meeting. Lion Wes Campbell presided over the meeting in the absence of both the president, Floyd Carter and vice president, Tommie Jo Cruse. There were nine members and seven guests present.

Guest Speaker was Justin Weaver, Maintenance Co-coordinator for Co-operative Weather Observers for the National Weather Service. Mr. Weaver presented Lion Buzz Thacker a Ben Franklin award for 55 years of record keeping for the Na-

tional Weather Service. The Ben Franklin award is the reward for the longest service presented by the Lubbock district of National Weather Service. Lion Thacker was also commended for donating the land for the NOA weather tower that transmits area weather every 5 minutes directly to the weather station in Lubbock. Buzz was also presented with a letter of appreciation from John L. Hayes, director of the National Weather Service.

Buzz Thacker thanked them for the award and the letter and said, "It was amazing to get an award for what he liked to do."

Alvin Alexander was elected

as vice president for the coming year. He will take office in June.

It was announced that Dan Pope, director of the Crippled Children's Camp in Kerrville will be the guest speaker for June. Buzz Thacker said the ring or necklace to be raffled off should be here within two weeks. Tickets will be sold during Matador's centennial celebration.

Lion Alex Crowder reported that there were two less food baskets being distributed. Randall Reeve requested that he be taken off the list because of his diabetic diet prohibited from eating the food distributed. Jo Dell Rice has gone to Arizona for an extended time and won't be needing food parcels.



Happy Mother's Day from the Windmill Café

A Buffet will be served and there will be something special for the Mothers from 11-2

1 ime to Donate Pop Tabs

By Kathy Gillespie Motley County Tribune

The National Honor Society wishes to remind you that they will be counting pop tabs on Thursday, May 17th. All donations are greatly appreciated by the local NHS and, most importantly, by Ronald McDonald House.

Please continue to save your pop tabs even after you make this year's donation. The NHS will collect them again during the 2012 - 2013 school year.

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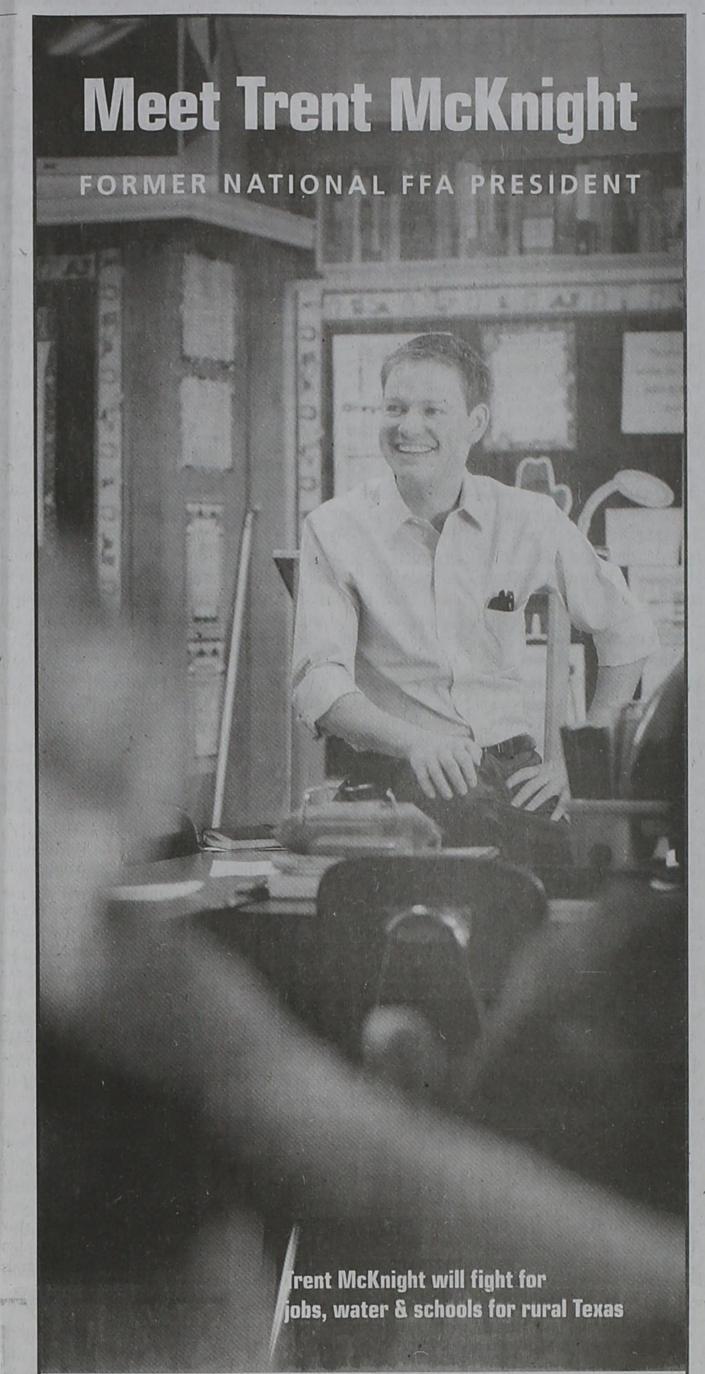
Our Lord Jesus certainly understood the importance of prayer. Prayer is the way in which we communicate with our heavenly Father Prayer needs to be recognized as something that is necessary for each of us in our daily lives.

It is prayer that gives us the strength not to be squeezed into the world's mold and its ungodly set of values. It is the power of a faithful prayer which enables Christians to grow through transformation as Paul speaks of it in Romans 12:2. We find our Lord pray ing even before the light of the new day in Mark 1:35. This was in preparation for the activities of the coming day.

In our reading of the book of Luke we find Jesus spent the entire night praying before selecting His men that would become the Apostles. Prayer was important for these were to be the men entrusted to take the Gospel to the world.

If Jesus Christ, God's own Son, felt such a need for prayer to be a part of His life shouldn't it be in ours? We need to be like those early disciples of Jesus who said, "Lord teach us to pray." (Luke 11:1). We need to set aside a time apar from our busy schedules to pray. Only good could come from it.

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



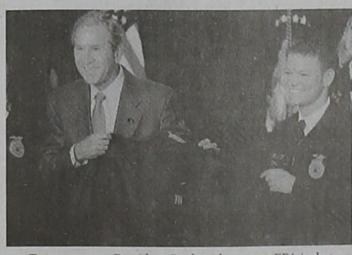
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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News By Monta Marshall

On a personal note

I haven't reported on Dixie Dog's progress in a while. She is getting some better at minding except for loving to play 'catch me if you can'. She is really learning a lot of things - she loves to play ball. She nudges us on the leg if we ignore her too long when she wants to play. She is extremely fast and can streak through the house like greased lightning. Fortunately she is staying outside in the backyard most of the time; outside, she plays ball by herself tossing it around with her mouth.

In the community

Mayor Corky Marshall attended a Texas Municipal League meeting in Lubbock on Thursday. The meeting was to establish rules for grant applications that are received.

The Highway 70 garage sales were successful. There were several sales here in the city limits. Alex Crowder reported that there was a lot of sales and activity all along the 70 mile strip. I met people from Quitaque, Guthrie, Amarillo, Lubbock and even Fort Lori Alexander lived. Worth who came to shop.

Nine folks met Sunday afternoon to play and sing at the Full Gospel Church. The goal is to get enough people interested in playing and singing to soon have regular Gospel Oprys here in Roaring Springs. All musicians and gospel singers are welcome to come join the Blest Grass Opry singers. On Sunday afternoons the time is 3:00 p.m. at the Full Gospel Church to gather and have fun playing and singing.

There will not be a practice session this coming Sunday as it is Mother's Day. Hopefully enough will come that we can have several quartets, trios and

The Roaring Springs Volunteers bake sale was very successful. Thank you to those who baked for the sale. The goodies sold quickly. Thanks to everyone who donated items for sale.

The Windmill Café was a busy place all day serving busy shoppers. A special thank you to Perry and Deanette Gullege and Christy Ward for overseeing the Volunteer's booth - without them the Volunteers would not have had a booth.

The Crowder's granddaughter and family, Amber and Robert Hale and their little boys, Shandy and Noble of Midland came this weekend and helped Alex work on the house that Alex and Jo's son, Buddy Crowder will be moving into after school is out. Buddy is retiring from teaching in the Lubbock ISD system and will be moving into the house on Third Street where Russell and

Congratulations to Buzz Thacker, who received the Ben Franklin Award for 55 years of weather reporting from the National Weather Service.

Don't forget to vote on Saturday in the city election at the Roaring Springs Community Center. The mayor's position and two city councilmen will be voted on. Lonnie Perryman and incumbent, Corky Marshall are in the race for mayor. The councilmen are unopposed. Happy Mother's Day!

Flomot News By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

We join countless children here and elsewhere in wishing deserving Moms everywhere a very Happy Mother's Day. They have earned it!

Community News

Roger and Doris Vinson met friends, Keith and Regi Gross of Weatherford in Lubbock recently and enjoyed a week of entertainment. The couples continued to Amarillo in their motor homes and the following week enjoyed dining at the Texan Restaurant and touring Palo Duro Canyon. They were impressed with every type of vehicle at the R.V. Museum. They returned to their respective homes Tuesday after their two weeks vacation trip.

Clois and Kathy Shorter visited overnight Wednesday at Lake Kiowa with daughter and family, Christi and Dwain Milam, Emily and Haley. They continued to Fort Worth and attended the performance of the Gaither Choral Concert Friday and Saturday nights held at the Fort Worth Convention Center. They enjoyed other entertainment before returning home Sunday.

Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton joined Mrs. Lou Burleson and friends of Floydada Saturday in Matador for lunch and the Highway 70 sales.

Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay visited from Friday until Sunday in Clifton with daughter and family, Lori and Kevon Kleibrink, Kyler and Karlee. They enjoyed playoff basketball games in which Kyler and teammates played against Crawford during the week-

Mrs. Carolyn Ewing of Matador visited Sunday with Wilburn Martin and son, Dr. David Martin.

Donnie Rogers accompanied his mother, Mrs. B. Rogers to Lubbock Monday for a medical appointment. They visited Mrs. Ronnie (Lou) Rogers before returning

Justin Calvert and daughter, B.B. of Dumas visited the weekend with grandmother, Mrs. Mary Jo-Calvert and uncle, Glen Calvert.

Mother honored at Do Gooders' Club meeting

The Do Gooders' Club met Tuesday afternoon, May 1st at the Community Center in Flomot.

Mrs. Waydetta Clay conducted the business meeting. Mrs. Anna Beth Clay read the minutes that were approved. They were reminded that Mrs. Lou Burleson of Floydada would be the featured guest at their monthly meeting, Tuesday, June 5th at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Center in Flomot. She will present an entertaining skit "Mollie Blair, The Circus Queen." The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend. The club's quilt, "Lost Socks," will be on display, however since it is not completed, they will not sell tickets for it at this time.

Refreshments will be served. Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse, hostess, presided at a table laid with a yellow cloth. In honor of Mother's Day, she had a photograph of her mother, the late Dona Browning, placed next to a beautiful flower arrangement of colorful spring flowers. She served cheese balls, cracker and chips, pecan brownies and cupcakes with peach fruit punch.

Mrs. Suzie Shannon's name was drawn for the hostess gift, the centerpiece flower arrangement. Others attending were Mesdames Connie Franks, Erma Washington, Waydetta Clay, Doris Vinson, Anna Beth Clay, Tommie Jo Cruse, Mary Jo Calvert and Kathy Shorter.

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Matador News

By Marilynn Hicks

I have a peach tree that is so laden that I have had to prop up the branches and just hope it will keep the fruit until it ripens some more. All of the trees are bursting with fruit - a busy canning season ahead.

There was no place to park in downtown Matador on Saturday night. Over 100 people attended the reception and premiere of the Motley County Video. It was an amazing combination of people from the county - young and old, families, and groups. The planning committee for the event was Deanie Edwards, Frances Hobbs, Judy Renfro, Carol Campbell, Elaine Hart, Nell Berryman, Kay Bailey, Linda Roy and Marilynn Hicks. Each person contributed her favorite tapas to serve the attendees. In addition, Frances and Deanie decorated the Library Annex to resemble a movie theater, complete with popcorn and posters. I didn't get to see the video, but I listened to people as they exited and know that it was wonderful. I look forward to getting my copy. Marianne and Doug Leviton were off after breakfast this morning to shoot some more footage. Carol has done a wonderful job

of writing grants and spearheading further documentation of our colorful history.

I also think that the Highway 70 Garage Sale was better attended this year than last. The Motley County garage sale online listed several places for merchandise in addition to the sites Shane had mapped. I saw some treasures but resisted the urge to buy, but I saw several pickups loaded with goodies.

One of the guests in town for the video premier was Susan Shore with the Texas Historical Commission who lives in Austin. Deborah Sue McDonald from Vega who is Executive Director of the Texas Plains Trails, and one Plains Trails Board Member Tamera Julian from Canadian also attended the

Don and Nicky Clower and daughter Melissa stayed over Saturday night. Don's father, Ervin Clower, is a graduate of Matador High School. Don and Nicky both work for Responsive Education Solutions, a charter school with campuses in several cities. He is a CPA, and she is a textbook and curriculum custodian. They reported that their schools are doing well academically and financially and are expanding their scope each year.

Dear Roaring Springs Citizens:

Two weeks ago I wrote an article about the accomplishments that I along with a good city council, city manager and city secretary have accomplished during the years I have served as mayor of Roaring Springs.

I also wrote about what we have in the planning stages and that I would be honored to continue to see these plans come to fruition as your mayor.

I plan to present another proposal for a \$275,000.00 grant. Last week I attended a meeting with the Grant Works in Lubbock. I will be meeting again in July to present the proposal to finish work on the city sewer, rework some of the manholes, some sewer lines and needed street repairs.

I am currently working with the council to get the former Graham Supply building sold and a general store opened there.

If I have not asked you personally to vote for me, I am asking you now. We do not need a change in leadership until these projects are completed.

Please remember to come out to the Roaring Springs Community Center on Saturday, May 12th and vote for me that I may finish what I have started.

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Reason #6 to Visit Matador

The Motley County Museum is a hidden treasure in Matador, located on Dundee Street, west downtown Matador. Exhibits are housed in the historic Traweek Hospital with 17 rooms. The exhibits are dedicated to a particular theme, for example, Matador Ranch cowboys, Indian artifacts, a music room, WWII memorabilia, and historic photographs - the museum is a must-see worthwhile stop – Visitors Welcome.

This Week's Local Forecast



Friday

73/55



Saturday

Partly Cloudy

77/56



Sunday

80/57

Weather History

Mostly Sunny



Monday

Mostly Sunny

79/55



Tuesday Mostly Sunny 76/54

Partly Cloudy 73/51

Weather Trivia

Answer: Ombrophobia is the fear of rain.

Partly Cloudy Mostly Cloudy

Thursday

76/55

What is ombrophobia?

May 10, 1987 - Jamestown, N.D. soared to a record high of 96 degrees. Thunderstorms along the central Gulf Coast deluged Lillian, Ala. with 14.5 inches of rain and nearby Perdido Key, Fla. with 12.8 inches of rain.

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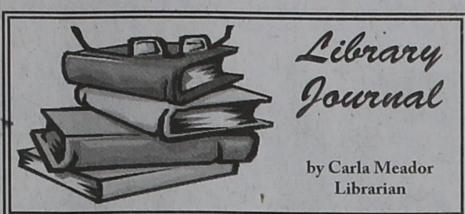
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The Friends of the Library met last Thursday, May 3, for their quarterly meeting. The Summer Reading Program was the main topic of discussion. I will soon be sending forms to school for students to sign up to participate. If you do not get a form and would like to make sure your child or grandchild is included please call me at 347-2717 or stop by. We are hoping to have a big crowd of curious kids for our program. The theme of this year's event is "Get A Clue at the Library". There are lots of 'clues' to be obtained at the Library! The program will be held each Monday morning in June, 10-11:30 a.m. More information will be announced as the time nears.

We have several new DVD's on our shelves this week including The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn – Part 1, 20 Great Westerns: Heroes & Bandits, Dolphin Tale, We Bought a Zoo, Miss Potter, The Touch, Touching Horses, and Your Love Never Fails.

We also have some new books in our Juvenile section including The Adventures of Pippi Longstocking, Mr. Popper's Penguins and The Borrowers. These three great classic tales are stories which will never get old!

Made possible by our Tocker Grant we also have two wonderful volume sets to add to our Juvenile section, but these books will be great for all ages. We have a six volume set, My Guide to the Constitution, including The Constitution, The Bill of Rights, The Executive Branch, The Legislative Branch, The Power of the States, and The Judicial Branch. We also have a six volume set, Physical Science Projects for Kids, including Forces and Motion, Electricity and Magnetism, Matter, Sound, Light and Optics, and Chemistry. All of these great books supply an abundance of important information. The Constitution books provide a detailed explanation of each title listed above. The Science books supply information about each title and subject listed in addition to directions for projects to try at home.

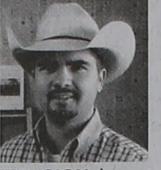
We are so appreciative to the Tocker Foundation for the grant funds making it possible for our Library to purchase these awesome books. Our patrons are also enjoying the two new Dell laptop computers the Tocker Grant

made possible. Speaking of Grants, our library has also been awarded a Books for Children Grant from the Libri Foundation. This grant is a matching grant at a 2-to-1 ratio. Our Friends of the Library are donating \$350, thus with the grant we will be able to purchase \$1,050 worth of children's books. I am so excited about this award. We appreciate the Libri Foundation and their generosity!

We thank Bob and Wanda Kilmer for their donation in memory of Sandra File. We also thank Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Maines of Lubbock and Matador for their donation of two beautiful wing-back chairs for our Library. They fit perfectly and our patrons are already taking advantage of being able to read in style and comfort.

The Motley County Library would not be able to operate without grants, donations and memorials. We cannot express how much we appreciate the support of those who make donations and pay their dues for the Friends of the Library membership. We know there are many successful former Motley County residents who still have a great love and admiration for this area. If you're one of those fortunate people and are looking for a place to make a donation, we will gratefully accept it at our Library. You will not only be contributing to the operation of our Library but also to the entire county, as we serve a great need to our area residents. Our library is open only 23 hours per week, but during that time an average of 125 patrons visit and make use of our wonderful facility. We are truly one of the busiest places in town and proud of it! We are delighted to be able to provide internet, offer excellent books and movies for check-out, sponsor children's activities and other programs. Thank you for making the Motley County Library a remarkably prominent place for our community and county!

County Agent's News



by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent

Two community resource and economic development workshops scheduled May 21-22

AMARILLO - The Texas AgriLife Extension Service office in Potter County will have two days of community resource and economic development programming - one on growing a small business and another on generating income

with a small rural business. Both workshops, scheduled May 21 and May 22, will begin with registration at 8 a.m. and conclude at 4:30 p.m. at the Amarillo College Business and Industry Center, 1314 S. Polk Street, Room 111 Auditorium, said Brandon Boughen, AgriLife Extension agent in Potter County.

Dr. Greg Clary, AgriLife Extension economist from College Station, will be presenting both seminars, Boughen said. Registration for one day of programming is \$40 or \$75 for both. The fee includes all materials, refreshments and lunch.

Participants will need to sign up and pay online through Amarillo College's continuing education site, https://econnect. actx.edu/AC/eservices?TOKE NIDX=207094695&type=M& constituency=WBCE&pid=CO RE-WBCE. On the site, click the "Register and Pay for Continuing Education Classes" link. On the next screen, type "CRED" in the subject area. Participants must enter all information and pay at that time to register.

"If they register for the first day and later decide they want to attend the second day as well, they can sign up for it at the continuing education office on May 21," Boughen said.

"Facing the Challenges of Growing a Small Business" will be on May 21, with the following topics: - Ingredients of a Healthy Business.

- Building on a Solid Foundation.

Planning for Success. - Turning Challenges into Op-

portunities

- Alternative Sound Growth Strategies

- Bootstrapping and Capitalizing Growth.

- E-commerce as a Tool for

Growth. - Possible Exit or Succession

Strategies.

This workshop is designed primarily for those who are already in business or are in the early stages of starting a business, Boughen said. However,

those with a solid concept for a business will benefit greatly from information presented and discussed.

"Generating Income with Rural Property and Natural Resources" on May 22 will feature the following topics:

- Generating and Evaluating Ideas and Opportunities.
- Planning for Success.
- Managing Operations is Key to Success.
- Bootstrap Marketing. - Accounting and Financial
- Management Tell the Story. - Sources of Information and

Assistance: Internet Offers Valuable Tools.

- Handling Successes...Failures. This workshop suggests a variety of enterprises that are appropriate for individuals with smaller acreages, as well as current farmers and ranchers, Boughen said. The workshop will include suggested criteria for evaluating the feasibility of potential ventures and many of the important components of business plans for natural

resource-based businesses. The success of agribusinesses often hinges on the effectiveness of selected marketing programs in generating revenue to meet financial goals, he said. This workshop includes discussions of which marketing functions are most critical and explores how small businesses can accomplish them on a shoestring budget.

The 'D-word' is being whispered in parts of the state, shouted in others

COLLEGE STATION Though the overall percentage of the state is under moderate to extreme drought has continually dropped since September 2011, producers are beginning to worry that 2012 could be a repeat performance, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel.

Producers continued to harvest cool-season forages for hay. Most were storing the hay, concerned 2012 might be a repeat of 2011 drought, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service county agent reports.

In many areas, drought recovery continued, according to this week's reports by AgriLife Extension county agents. Producers were harvesting winter forages and small grains for hay to replace hay stocks depleted in



"Yeah, we jist got over one drought and now we're gittin' ready fer another one!"

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By Ace Reid

2011. Corn was being planted. Cotton farmers were either preparing to or starting planting, and farm ponds and stock tanks were filling up.

These signs of recovery, however, were confined mostly to the eastern half of the state, according to the reports and the U.S. Drought Monitor. Draw an imaginary line Wichita Falls through Forth Worth and south to Houston, and every county west of that line continued to suffer one stage of drought or another. Large swathes of Far West Texas have yet to come out of the extreme drought that started in 2011.

And even in counties where there has been substantial rains, there was concern that the reprieve will be short-lived.

"That 'D' word - drought - is being whispered in many corners around the county," said David Winkler, AgriLife Extension agent for Bosque County, southwest of Fort Worth. "No one wants to say it out loud, but it is in the back of our minds as we watch plants on shallow soils turn brown from lack of water. It has been 30 days since our last significant rain event."

"It is looking like Bermuda grass was damaged in the drought and stands will be affected after winter growth is removed," said Randy Reeves, AgriLife Extension agent for Harrison County, north of Longview. "Conditions are getting dry again; most of the rain that we received last week and the week before was north of here."

"We have missed the last few recent rain chances, and producers have become weary that the spring rains have halted," said David Groschke, AgriLife Extension agent for Limestone County, east of Waco. "There is a lot of hay being rolled up and stored in anticipation of a hot and dry summer. Temperatures were already in the mid 90s by the end of last week."

"Temps hit 100 - 104 on Wednesday - this week and it's only April!" said Arlan Gentry, AgriLife Extension agent for Ward County, north of Fort Stockton. "Mesquite and weeds are only green stuff in pastures. All grass is old, dead, dormant, dry, etc. The drought is still here. Producers are still feeding what few cattle are left in the county."

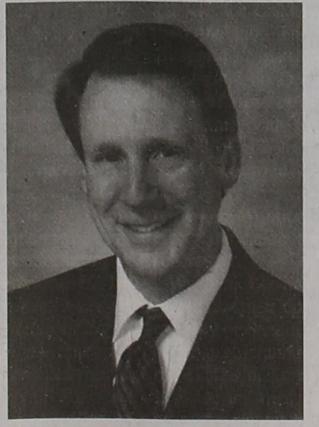
More information on the current Texas drought and wildfire alerts can be found on the AgriLife Extension Agricultural Drought Task Force website http://agrilife.tamu.edu/ drought/.

AgriLife Extension district reporters compiled the following

summaries for April 23-30: Panhandle: Record-breaking temperatures were reported in many parts of the region. Soilmoisture levels were from very short to adequate with most counties reporting very short to short. Many producers were waiting for more moisture before planting corn. Wheat was in from very poor to excellent condition, with most counties reporting poor to fair. Some counties reported that wheat was starting to become stressed due to lack of moisture. Some producers treated irrigated wheat for rust. Cotton growers began planting on irrigated ground. Rangeland and pastures were improving. Cattle were in good condition. Fly and other insect populations increased.

Texas AgriLife Exten-

sion and Syngenta Seeds announces their annual collaborative Wheat Field Day to be held on Thursday, May 17th at the Syngenta Cereals Breeding facility in Lockett, TX. Registration will begin at 9:00 AM. Field tours will include discussions of new wheat varieties lead by Dr. Allen Fritz, Professor and Wheat Research Leader at Kansas State University. Haydee Laza, Associate Plant Scientist with Syngenta Seeds will discuss Integrated Forage/Grain Production Systems With Wheat and Triticale. A team consisting of Mr. Rob Borchardt, Mr. Robbie Long and Mr. Brent Besler will visit with attendees about Optimized Wheat Management Systems. The keynote speaker for the day, Dr. Allen Fritz, will present "Holistic Wheat Decision Systems" during his noon presentation. A catered lunch will be provided. Sponsor for the Field Day include Texas AgriLife Extension, Syngenta Seeds, DuPont Crop Protection and Winfield Solutions. Three continuing education units will be available.



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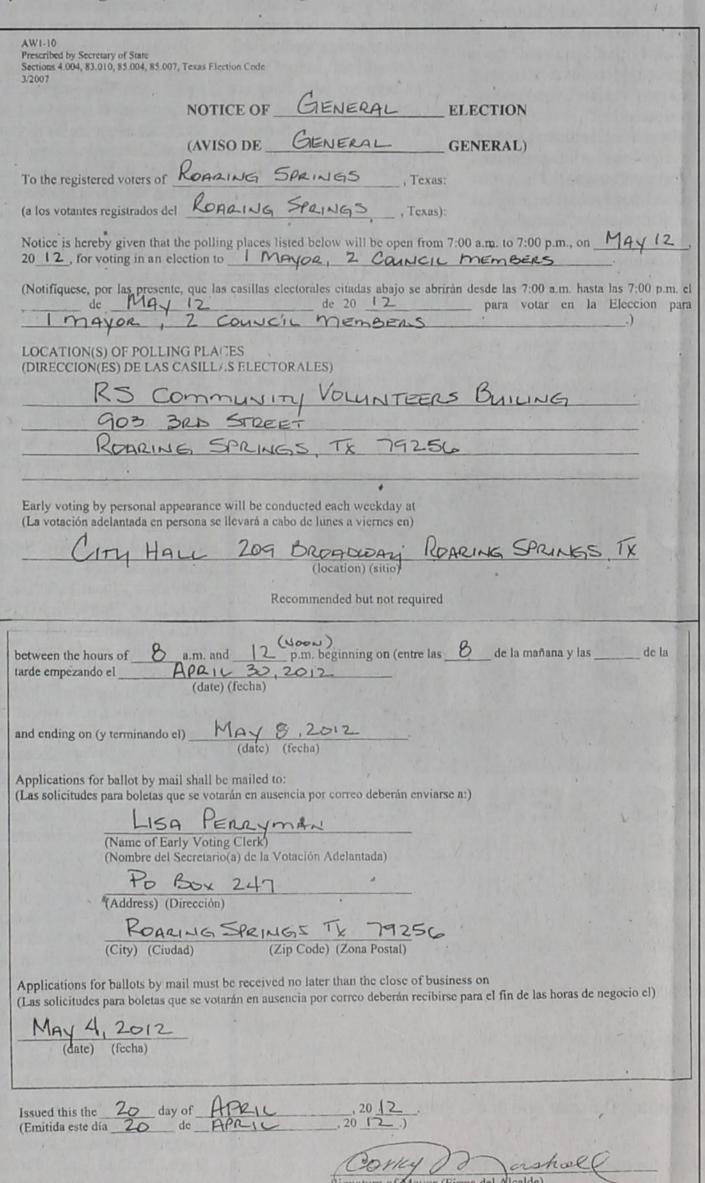
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Teenage friends from the Faith Fellowship church in Matador were willing to learn more about God during Friday night's Casting Crowns concert at United Spirit Arena in Lubbock. Over 3,000 people crowded around the arena-floor stage for an evening of contemporary Christian music.



Hotel Matador scene of video premiere party Pictured is Rusty White, Plainview, Dink Wilson, Quanah, and Dwight Clowers, Clovis, N.M., at Hotel Matador for the Video Premiere Party. Dink was available early that day for filming at the jail with Whistling Boulder, Inc.



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Crowd attends video premiere

More than 80 people attended the screening party and premiere of West Texas Tales: from Motley County at the Library Annex on Saturday, May 5, 2012. The seven-chapter: films were produced by Whistling Boulder, Inc.

Large Crowd Enjoys Video Premiere continued from page one

Chair of the Friends of the Historic Motley County Jail Carol Campbell gave a brief history of the project. "I worked with Bob Brandon on the possibility of a video documentary for Motley County in 2008."

Bob was a native son, Class of 1964, and the son of Lillie and R.L. Brandon, former residents of Matador. He was a nationally-recognized photographer and producer with more than 30 years experience in video projects. Bob died unexpectedly in December, 2009, but not before he began filming "Life in the Jail" with Geneva Wilson. The current husband and wife team of Marianne and Doug Leviton worked closely with Bob and understood his passion for his hometown. They picked up the reins, and finished the documentary chapters in his honor.

The Leviton's made three trips from Boulder, Colorado, to Matador to film, consisting of one pre-production trip in late November, early December of 2010; another pre-production trip June 8-13, 2011; and a pro-



Filmmakers speak at premiere

Pictured is Doug Leviton, cameraman, and Director Marianne Leviton, speaking to the crowd at the Library Annex. This husband and wife team from Boulder, CO, has made four trips to Motley County to film the video documentary, capture oral histories and compelling fire stories, and to present the final movie for the residents of Motley County.

duction trip in August 20-27, at the jail; and Case Drum, son 2011. In addition to filming for the project, the production team also conducted numerous oral histories, including compelling fire stories from the Fire of 2011. They covered everything Motley County from Foothills Saturday Night, Old Settlers Reunion, Matador Ranch Cowboy Reunion, to a re-enactment on the founding of Matador by local residents.

This is their fourth trip to Motley County to film. The filming schedule included interviews with Ron Bailey and Ronnie Vandiver on the historic Boy Scout Hut; James Bearden at C.D.Bird Ranch; Dink Wilson

of Lauren and Lewis Drum, who portrayed Dink Wilson when he was 8-years-old at the jail.

The movies included seven chapters, consisting of the Top 10 Reasons to Visit Motley County; Quanah Parker, the Last Chief of the Comanche; Quanah Parker Modern View (uncut); Ties to the Land (H.H. Campbell story); Cowboy Ingenuity (re-enactment); Lawlessness to Order; and the Haunted Jail.

To get your name on a list for a copy of the movies, please contact Carol Campbell at 806-347-2221. Cost of the DVD will be: \$20.00.

MCISD Social Studies Class Previews "Old West Tales from Motley County"

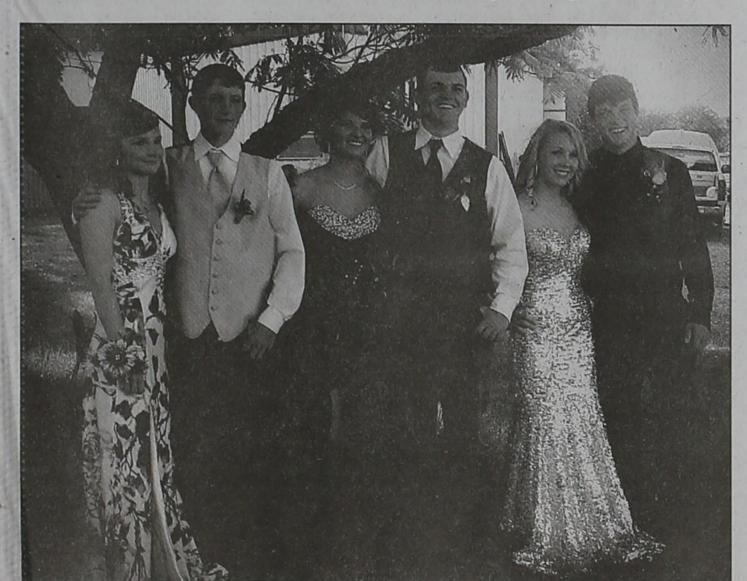


On Wednesday, May 2, 11 students from Coach Richards' Social Studies Class were treated to a Sneak Preview of "Old West Tales from Motley County," a 5-chapter video documentary that will be used as a play-back system at the historic jail. The class is currently studying Texas History. The students enjoyed cookies and cold water while they filled out a 3-question questionnaire regarding the educational and entertainment value of the film. Feedback from the students will be submitted to funders as a requirement of the evaluation phase of the project. Following the film review, the students toured the jail, courtesy of Carol Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. MCHS



Christian Brooks, Augy Chavez, Jonathon Osborn,
Katherine Faulks and Lexi Osborn photo by Walter Taylor



Left to right; Taylor Tomlinson, from Lubbock, Reagan Elliott, Shelby Fuston, from Silverton, Christian Brooks, Kendell Byars, from Memphis and Britt Simpson.

Photo by Shonda Elliott



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SATURDAY, MAY 12TH
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DIVISIONS:

- · 4TH/5TH Grade Boys & Girls Teams
- · Jr High Boys & Girls Teams
- · High School Boys & Girls Teams
- Alumni Teams (anyone over age 18)

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 - 8:00am-Late Registration/Coffee & Donuts
 - 8:30am Opening Ceremony
 - 9:00am-First Games Begin
 - Two game guarantee
 - FEES:
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*Proceeds will go to MC Lady Mats for Team Camp at West Texas A&M this summer. Please complete the attached registration form along with check payable to: MC Lady Mat Basketball. Bring by MC main office or mail to: Lady Mats Po Box 310 Matador, TX. 79244. Due by May 10th for \$40 fee.

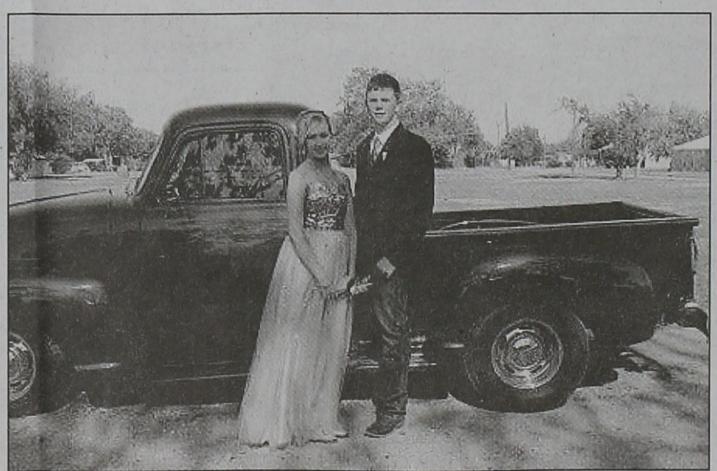
Registration form and tournament rules can be found at www.motleyco.org under: Parents and Students tab.

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- Hospital Bd meets in the back of the ambu-9 lance barn, 7am
- Matador City Council 10
- National D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything and 12 Read) Day! 2:00 p.m.
- Teen Leader Lab Registration closes on 4-H 14 Connect
- Commissioners' Court 14
- Roaring Springs City Council 14
- Supper for Seniors, Church of Christ
 - MCISD Board Meeting

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Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Contract 6241-45-001 for ON CALL STRIPING in CHILDRESS County, etc will be opened on June 06, 2012 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$1,902,199.20.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 39989

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office(s)

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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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NO. 2612

ESTATE OF

IN THE COUNTY COURT

STANLEY DYSON HANESWORTH,

DECEASED

MOTLEY COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF

THE ESTATE OF STANLEY DYSON HANESWORTH, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Stanley Dyson Hanesworth, Deceased, were granted to Dorothy Traweek Hanesworth on the 17th day of April, 2012, by the County Court of Motley County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby requested to present same to Dorothy Traweek Hanesworth within the time prescribed by law. The post office address for these purposes is:

Estate of Stanley Dyson Hanesworth, Deceased c/o Crenshaw, Dupree & Milam, L.L.P. P. O. Box 1499 Lubbock, Texas 79408-1499

ack McCutchin, Jr., Attorney for Do Traweek Hanesworth, Independent Executrix of the Estate of Stanley Dyson Hanesworth, Deceased



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