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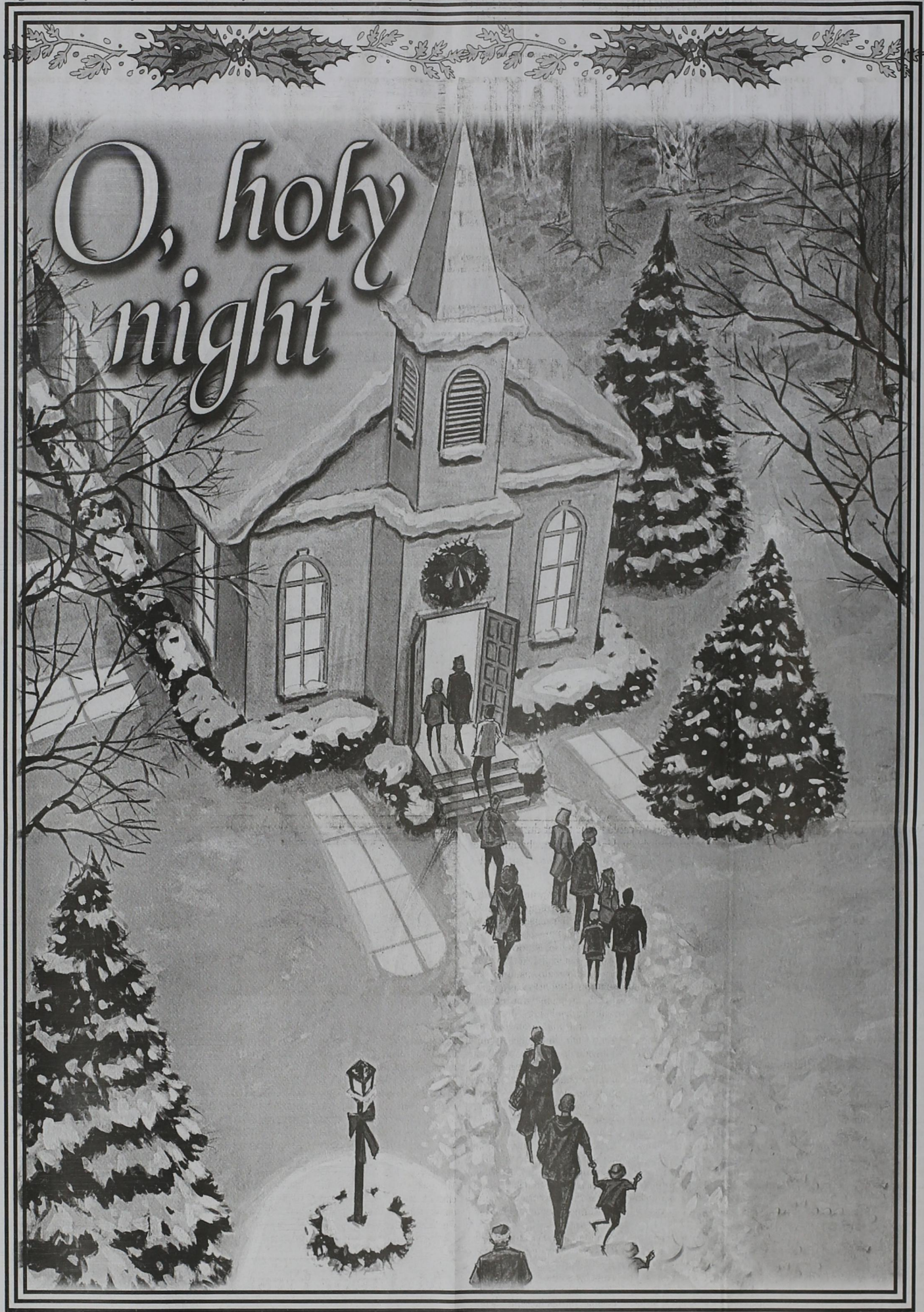
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“GLORY
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HIGHEST...”

LUKE 2:14



MERRY CHRISTMAS



As we celebrate the miracle of his birth, let us extend our heartfelt Christmas blessing to you

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Roaring Springs

Our Lady of Quadalupe
Catholic Church

First Baptist Church,
Roaring Springs

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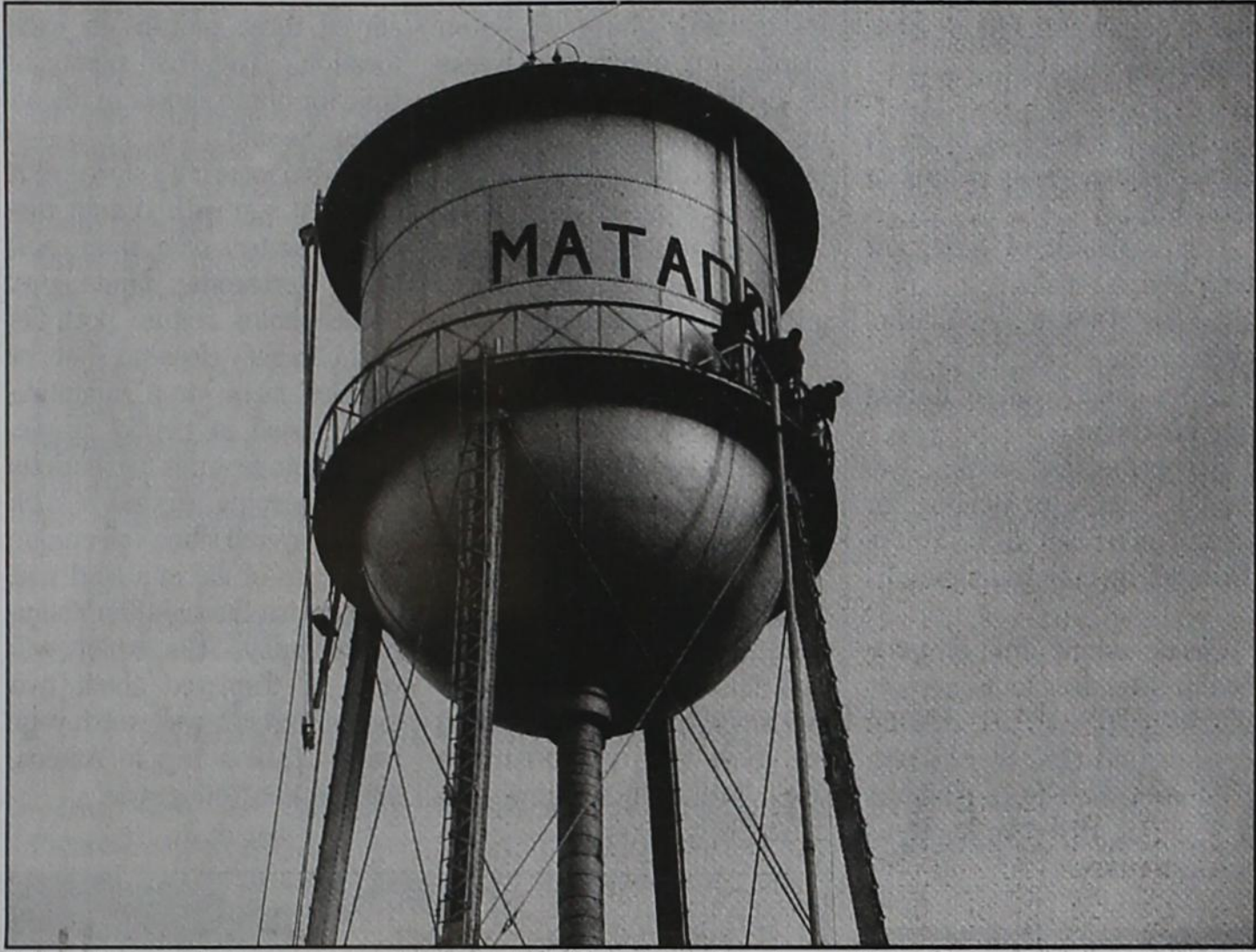


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City Water Tower gets new paint job



Water Tower Maintenance, Inc. workers ferry supplies by cable to the tower during recent repairs. The interior and exterior of the tower was refurbished in November, changing the color from silver grey to white. photo by Carol Campbell

By Carol Campbell

The Matador City Council met at 6:30 p.m. December 10, at City Hall with a quorum consisting of Mayor Pat Smith and Councilmen Pat Seigler, Shane Jones, Alvin Alexander, and Chuck Ream. Also in attendance were City Secretary Debra Scott and City Superintendent Steve Barton. Councilwoman Kay Bailey was absent. No one spoke in Open Forum.

In opening comments, Mayor Pat Smith recognized the accomplishment of Joel Guerrero who recently completed week-long classes in Lubbock to earn Class D Water Operator status. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) requires that public water maintenance be conducted by licensed operators.

City Superintendent Steve Barton reported that Water Tower Maintenance, Inc. had completed painting the interior and exterior of the water tower. A decision was made to change the color from silver to white, consisting of a coat of primer as well as paint, Barton said. The additional coats of paint will make the tower exterior less prone to deterioration due to weather. In a council meeting last May, the council discussed having "State Football Champions 2007" emboldened on the water tower to honor the accomplishment of the Motley

County Matadors. The low bid of \$22,678 was presented by Water Tower Maintenance, Inc. with the cost of additional lettering on the tower from \$2,000 to \$5,000. The letters would be about 2-foot tall in vinyl. At present, adding lettering on the tower is still pending.

City Secretary Debra Scott reported that the insurance reimbursement on the fire damage to the Gonzales property on north Main Street was still pending. The property, specifically a carport, received fire damage during clean-up of the Skaggs property located directly south of the Gonzales property. Scott said the insurance company has not received all the information they needed from the adjuster in order to complete the settlement.

The Council has been reviewing an example Investment Policy for the City. This action item was tabled by a motion from Chuck Ream, seconded by Shane Jones. "We need a policy in effect before we renew banking policies next fall," Debra Scott said, adding, "then the policy will need to be reviewed yearly."

In the City Secretary Report, Scott reported that following contact with the State Comptroller's office, the City may qualify for more than \$20,000 for City Hall repair. According to Scott, the Comptroller's Office said a lot of cit-

ies did not apply for the funds, making more money available for cities that need major repairs. Scott received a new window bid of \$8,000 for 14 windows upstairs, and \$3,400 for windows downstairs. An additional \$8,600 was quoted for adding foam to the interior walls for insulation.

In addition, according to Scott, the insurance reimbursement on the recent hail damage was \$8,911.00. There is an average of about \$1,300 that can be used for "some type of interior repair," Scott said. The council then discussed using the additional funds to repair the ceiling and/or floors of the upstairs apartment above City Hall. Councilman Chuck Ream asked the Secretary to obtain an estimate and report back to full council.

In the Financial Report, the City Secretary reported that the Water Works Fund on income was about 67 percent. "I am real pleased with the efficiency of our landfill," Scott said.

In other business, employee bonuses were discussed, and a motion was made by Councilman Pat Seigler to raise the bonuses from \$250.00 to \$300.00. This motion passed unanimously.

According to Mayor Pat Smith, items for future consideration will include the City Budget for 2011 and reappointment of the boards that serve the city.

Commissioners Court appoints district board members

Court needs to fill Emergency Management Coordinator position

The Commissioner's Court met in regular session on December 14, 2009, at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioner's Courtroom. Following a recess at 10:00 a.m. for a Christmas Brunch, the court reconvened to cover 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 and Sheriff Michael Crutchley.

The court appointed Marisue Potts-Powell and Bill Luckett from Motley County to serve on a district board

for the Gateway Groundwater Conservation District (GGCD). Motley County joined Childress, Hardeman, Foard, and Cottle Counties to become a district with similar water concerns. The first meeting of GGCD will be in January, Judge Smith said.

According to Judge Smith, continued on page 8

TxDot drivers compete in annual Truck Rodeo



Left to right: Shawn Elliott, Jerry Jones, Gary Simpson and Terry Simpson

CHILDRESS – The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently held their annual Truck Rodeo at the TxDOT District Office facility in Childress. Each of our highly-trained truck operators take part in this yearly show of driving skills as a fun way to measure themselves against their fellow employees, and as a way to sharpen their driving skills. This makes them more safe and efficient drivers when they are out on state highways serving the traveling public.

Drivers competed in several

obstacle course-style maneuvers. They were scored on how proficient they are in making it through the course. The drivers with the top scores made it to our district "Rodeo," and the top-two winners there went on to the state-wide competition.

Shawn Elliott, Jerry Jones, Gary Simpson and Terry Simpson were the high scoring individuals for the Motley County Maintenance section and competed in the district rodeo finals. Shawn Elliott had one of the top two high scores for the district drive-off and earned a

trip to Austin to compete in the State Truck Rodeo finals where he placed 17th overall.

"Our truck drivers are the best in the state and they prove it on a daily basis as they serve motorists within TxDOT's Childress District," said Terry Keener, Childress District Engineer. "Shawn did a great job at state and TxDOT Childress District is very proud of him for his efforts."

TxDOT's mission is to work cooperatively to provide safe, effective and efficient movement of people and goods.

Matador First Baptist Church to present Christmas program

The First Baptist Church of Matador will present their annual Christmas programs on Sunday, December 20.

The adult choir will present a Cantata Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. "It's The Most Wonderful Time of the Year," is a beautiful melody of song portraying the story of Christmas. The adult choir is under the direction of Donna Hoyle. After the Cantata a pot-luck lunch will be held.

The Children's Choir, under the direction of Carla Meador, will present "The Unopened Gift" Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. The play will feature children of the area as they tell the story of Christmas through drama and song. A finger-food fellowship will be held after the presentation.

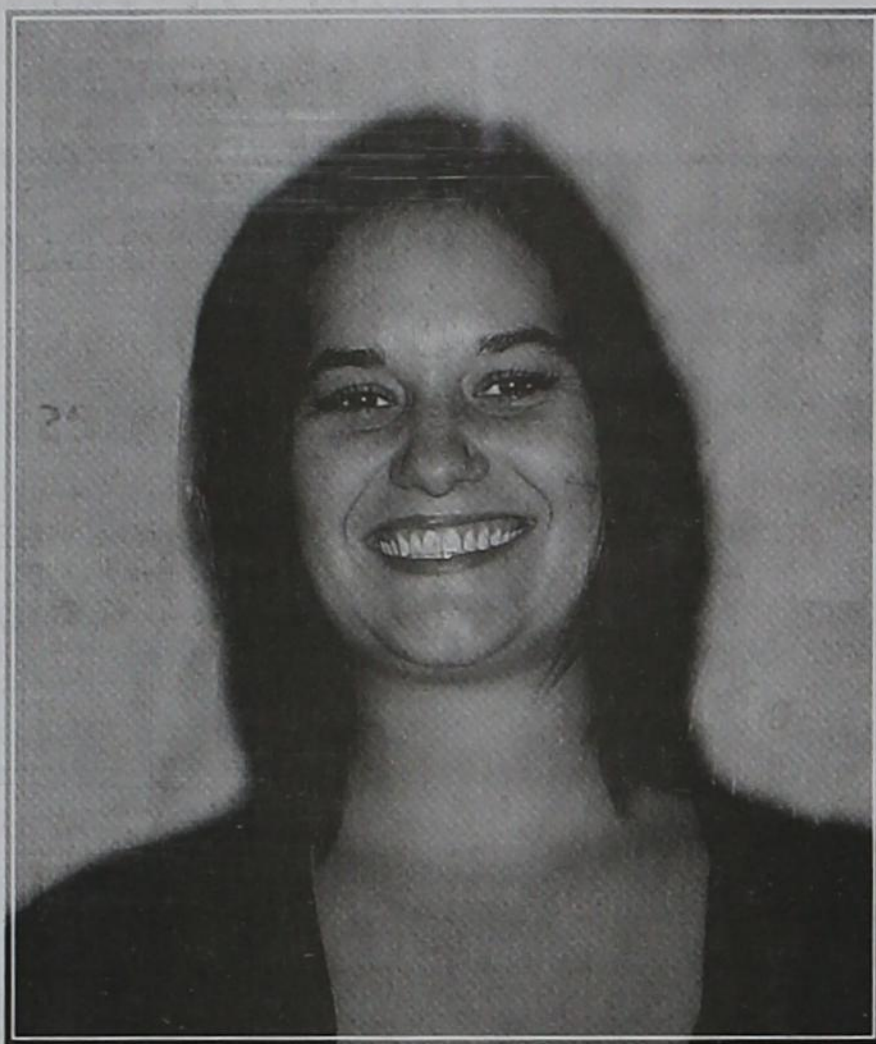
Everyone is invited and welcome to attend both performances. These wonderful Christmas presentations are sure to bring a blessing to all who attend

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Foothill Country Connections

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We love you, Jennifer and we're going to miss you!

With this edition of the Tribune we bid farewell to our office manager, Jennifer Lawler, who is leaving the area to pursue career goals in the Ft. Worth area.

In her capacity as office manager, Jennifer was responsible for managing the circulation of the newspaper. That task involves updating the subscription data base records, pulling up the subscription due list, sending out reminder cards, and getting the newspapers to the newsstands.

The other part of circulation

is the application of mail labels, completion of the postal report, and getting the papers sorted and delivered to the post office.

She also handled the office traffic, typed copy, scanned documents, handled feedback from readers, monitored the incoming mail, filled out a weekly cash receipts journal, and completed a deposit to our local bank.

We wish you the best in your upcoming adventures, Jennifer, and many thanks for a job well done.

Laverne and Larry

Got Questions? Suggestions? Call us anytime
Larry 859-351-8099 Laverne 859-576-4625

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Doctor Yourself... With Water

By Rainbow Vogt, PhD

Healthy Living for a Healthy Planet

We've all heard it. Drink more water. But how seriously do we take that advice? And how often do we look to water first when we're feeling out of sorts, sick, or learn we have a disease. Let's take a closer look.

Water is the main ingredient in our body. If we think about our body as a machine, it's composed mostly of water (over 70%). To run optimally, we need to fuel up our bodies with plenty of water every day, starting first thing in the morning (before coffee!).

While water is our most important nutrient, our body reacts different to water than any other food or drink. So although there might be some water content in the food and drinks we consume, they are no substitute for water (including juice). In fact, caffeinated beverages actually dehydrate us by causing us to excrete more fluid than we consumed. This means that if we consume caffeinated beverages (coffee, tea, soda, energy drinks), we need to make sure to make up for that water loss with extra water consumption.

Unfortunately, water is often contaminated with chemicals in this industrial age. It is important to filter water before we drink it to avoid consuming microbes, pesticides, metals, chlorine, fluoride, and

other toxins. Think bottled water is free from these contaminants? Think again. Water bottled in plastic may have all of the above plus plastic, which disrupts our hormonal and reproductive systems. The bottled water industry is also environmentally harmful due to the resources used during extraction, bottling, transportation, and waste. All of these are great reasons to choose tap water and use a safe reusable water bottle made of stainless steel or glass.

This season, as we indulge in holiday goodies, remember to drink plenty of water. For optimal hydration, consume about half your weight in ounces of water per day or follow these guidelines:

About 2 glasses of water (1 glass=8 ounces) on waking in morning.

1 to 2 glasses of water 1/2 hour before meals.

1 glass of water 2-1/2 hours after a meal.

Other plain water during day as needed.

Recommended book: "Water: For Health, for Healing, for Life: You're Not Sick, You're Thirsty!" by F. Batmanghelidj

Please email any of your health questions to doctoryourself@gmail.com. This column provides strategies for human and environmental wellness and is not meant to serve as medical advice.

Ken Young featured in Greek Photography Exhibit



Zella Palmer and Ken Young discuss a photo in his exhibit entitled, Passing Moments: A Greek Idyll. The photo exhibit highlights photos taken during the 2004 Olympic games in Athens, Greece.

Friends of the Motley County Library hosted a photography exhibit by Ken Young, Roaring Springs, on Sunday, December 13, entitled, Passing Moments: A Greek Idyll.

About 35 residents attended the opening which will be on display for about two weeks in the library annex. This is a must see for anyone still trying to find that perfect Christmas gift. Prints are for sale for \$25.00, normally \$75.00 in the city, Ken said, adding, "I like to give the local folks that support me a break."

His work was compiled at the 2004 Summer Olympics when he and his wife Dinah spent three months in Athens, Greece. "Dinah and I ran a team of people for Minute Maid, producing drinks for all the athletes at the games," Ken said. His team worked the cafeteria at Olympic Village, serving more than 55,000 meals a day. "You can imagine how

much Power Aide and apple juice it took," he said.

The Young's have worked three Olympic games for Minute Maid, consisting of games in Sydney, Australia, Salt Lake City, Utah, and Athens. They stayed three months in each location. They had plenty of time for photo shoots in the off hours, he said.

Ken's photos tell a story - shot in bright sun with vibrant turquoise water, blue skies, and stark terracotta landscapes. Some photos feature portraits of the locals - close-up shots of chiseled faces; or a mountain goat, posed in perfect frame. One photo features two curious goats, peeping around a rock wall of layered stone - all unique portrayals of life in a land that we can visit through Ken Young photography. This exhibit will only be displayed about two weeks, and it is well worth your time. Take a trip to Athens, Greece, Ken Young style.

Open attendance to a Bible Study about "Preparing for Jesus" at 10:00 each Sunday. Everyone welcome.

Bring your Bible. Matador Assembly of God
www.opendoorstochrist.org




Dorothy Russell takes her first ride on a Harley motorcycle when a group of riders from Houston were in Matador recently.

We would like to say Thank You to the Motley County Fire Department for their quick response to the grass fire that nearly got our house on Sunday. A special Thank you goes out to our wonderful family, friends and neighbors that came by to help, without everyone coming together as a community it could have been very tragic. It is a blessing to live in a town that cares so much. May God bless each and every one of you. Thank you so much.

Jeromy, Danika, Natalie and Emily Jameson

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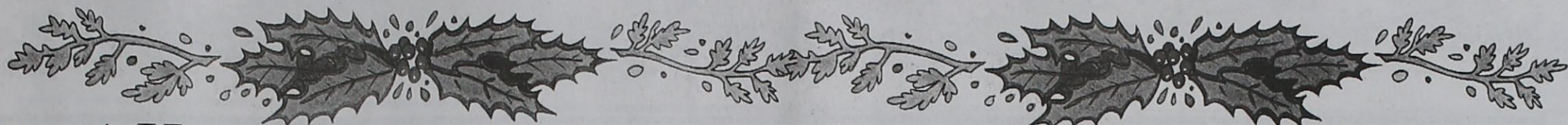
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Matador Variety

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4-H members compete in District 3 Food Show



Back Row Left to Right: Caitlan Seagriest, Jaci Zingerman, Alexis Osborn, Carley Turner, and Samuel Charette. Front Row: Dode Gleghorn, Kaylee Woolsey, Mattie Brooks, Cassidy Turner, Chloe Gleghorn. Not pictured Seth Baxter photo by Jen Charette

By D'anna Russell

Motley County 4-H members recently competed in the Rolling Plains District 3 Food Show held at Wilbarger Auditorium in Vernon, Texas. District 3 is made up of 24 counties. The youth competed in Junior, Intermediate, and Senior categories. Motley had 11 youth participate.

Juniors: Carley Turner-Breads and Cereal, 1st; Caitlan Seagriest-Fruit and Vegetable, 4th; Dode Gleghorn-Main Dish, 5th; Chloe Gleghorn-Dessert,

5th.

Intermediates: Mattie Brooks-Main Dish, Samuel Charette-Dessert, Cassidy Turner-Fruits and Vegetables, 5th; Kaylee Woolsey-Nutritious Snack, 5th; Seth Baxter-Educational Presentation on The Difference Between Mutton and Lamb. He was awarded a certificate of completion.

Seniors: Jaci Zingerman-Main Dish and Alexis Osborn-Fruit and Vegetables.

In the Food and Nutrition Project, 4-H'ers learn the importance of including foods for

each of the basic food groups from the food guide pyramid in their daily diet. They learn the principles of nutrition as they relate to health, physical fitness, and appearance, as well as acquiring and demonstrating skills in planning, purchasing, preparing, and serving tasty, attractive, and nutritious meals and snacks.

4-H is the youth development and leadership program of the Texas Agrilife Extension Service, a part of the Texas A&M System. These kids did a great job representing Motley County.

Catholic Church to hold holiday mass

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic church will have two holiday masses in December. The Christmas eve mass will be on December 24 at 5:00 pm at the church. This is a holy day of obligation and the theme is the

Celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. The New Year's Eve mass will be on December 31 at 5:00 pm at the church. This also is a holy day of obligation and the theme is the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

LOVE

You are invited ...
It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year
Christmas Cantata, 11:00 a.m.

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Sunday, December 20
First Baptist Church, Matador

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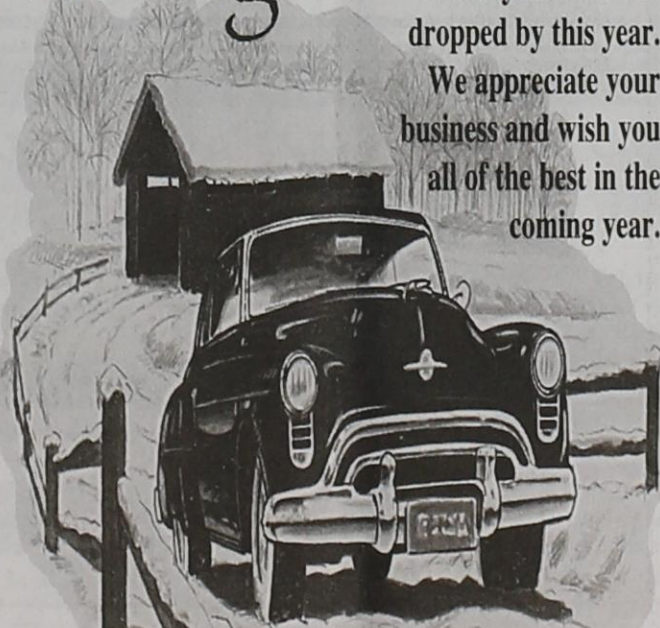
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In the New Testament accounts of our Lord's entering into this world we see our heavenly Father's unique plan began to unfold. The Bible tells us that the child that was laid in the manger had a purpose. The purpose of His coming was determined before He arrived. Later we read that

Jesus understood His purpose even at a young age. Which was to be about His Father's business. That business was redemption and its price.

In all of the scriptures there is never a hint of a lack of harmony in the will of the Godhead for the redemption of mankind. It would only taken only one cry from the suffering Son and the response of heaven would have been terrible indeed. But no cry came, only "not my will but thine be done". Then following that dreadful night, the Cross became history and the child of the manger achieved the eternal purpose.

For the apostle Paul tells us, "the word of the cross is to those who are perishing foolishness, but unto us who are being saved it is the power of God". Calvin Miller, in his book, "Once upon a Tree", explains the cross as "...the tangible, historical evidence that God loves us. It does not say why God loves us, but it does answer 'How much?' It

all began for us with a new born child laid in a manger.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

BIBLE STUDY 10:00 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m.



NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

The high wind last week and some blowing dust reminded me about living in an older house with windows that didn't stop much dirt. It was nearly Christmas and we had a booger of a sandstorm. The Christmas tree was near the window and collected such a lot of dirt that I had to take the decorations off, dust them and then set the tree icicles and all outside and hose it down to wash off the dust. Then it smelled like an evergreen tree again.

Littlefield had the kind of sandstorm I mentioned last week. My son, Kevin had traveled to Hereford, Friona and Muleshoe on health department business and returned to Lubbock via Littlefield. Pray that we have rain so we don't have to experience those days this coming year. I have many stories about sandstorms in Motley County in former days. With CRP and irrigation maybe the land here will not travel in the wind like that again.

Dorothy Thacker, who is now Dorothy Willer of Galesburg, IL sent her yearly memorial to the Lions Club for upkeep on the Veterans Memorial. Her husband was M/Sgt G. B. Thacker who served in World War II and was killed in a plane crash during the war. Memorial gifts are so appreciated and important because there are expenses in keeping the Veterans Memorial in top shape. Flags have to be replaced about twice yearly; the large light bulbs for the spotlights that light the flags are expensive; water and grounds upkeep all add up.

Peyton Fletcher of the Metroplex visited his dad, Bobby Fletcher this weekend and attended church services at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning. Bobby is now at his home in Roaring Springs after being hospitalized and then being at Hackberry Creek Care Center for re-hab.

Remember the Angel Tree at the Windmill Café. About nine names were added this past week.

The winner of the shotgun raffled by the Roaring Springs Volunteers is due in Roaring Springs this afternoon to receive his prize. He is Buddy Williams of Marion, AR. His wife is accompanying him.

Ken Young's photographs that he made when he and Dinah worked at the Olympics in Greece is displayed at the Motley County Library Annex. On Sunday afternoon, Ken and Dinah gave interesting little anecdotes about many of the pictures. They told us that the sky and water were actually the intense blue of the photographs. Ken's photographs are not merely pictures, they are art! He has a wonderful eye for color, proportion, and interesting vignettes. His landscapes made me feel I was there seeing them for myself. The pictures will be displayed through January 1. The pictures are for sale and would make a lovely Christmas present. They are \$25.00 each and if you buy more than one, they are \$20.00 each. There was also a sneak preview of a book of the Mott Creek Ranch. Ken did the photography for this beautiful book.

Those attending the art show from Roaring Springs were: Zella Palmer, Pearl Patten, Walter and Jo Trammell; Diane Carter, Kenneth Ashley, Suzanne Abbott, Lyn Montgomery, P. K. Green, Mike Mach, Pennie Kline and Corky and Monta Marshall.

The Christmas Cantata was held at the First Baptist Church on Sunday morning.

If you are spending Christmas alone this year, plan to be a part of the guests for the Christmas Dinner provided at the First United Methodist Church at 12:30 p.m. on Christmas day. There will be the traditional turkey and all the trimmings feast. For further information see the ad in this week's paper or contact Alex and Jo Crowder at 348-7336.

Louise Perryman is now a resident of Hackberry Creek Care Center having been moved there from the Floydada Rehabilitation Center. She enjoys visiting with her friends.

Santa's elves are busy in several places seeing that no one is forgotten on Christmas. Churches, the Lions Club, The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers and the staff and patrons of the Windmill Café are among the elves.

Donny and Birdie Howell are not doing very well. Donny is a former pastor of the First Baptist Church he served here in Roaring Springs two different times. He is in a nursing home in Olton, TX. Birdie is at their home in Plainview. She has suffered a broken hip this year.

J. T. Swim fell recently but did not break any bones so he was able to stay at home.

The Full Gospel Church will be having a special Christmas Program on Sunday, morning December 20th. There will be special music and the children have prepared a program. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy this with them.

The First United Methodist is collecting toys and clothes for the Sammy Baugh Children's Home in Jayton. This home is for children removed from their home by the Child Protective Services for their safety or because parents are in crisis. They are often removed so quickly they haven't any of their belongings. What things they receive at the Home they are allowed to keep. There is always a need for clothes and personal care items as well as toys.

Ruby Hipp is improving slowly. She is getting stronger and able to stand and move around a little if she can hold on to something. Dot tells me she is still interested in what is going on and would enjoy visits. She is in Heritage Oaks Nursing and Rehab Center at 53rd Street and University in Lubbock.

Several have been ill with upper respiratory and bronchitis infections lately. Both the Abbots and Dillard's have been ill.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

When I was eight years old, my father would come home from his job as sheriff of Big Spring, Texas, and tell us about a TV in the display window at Hilburn Appliance. We had heard about this, but we had never seen this marvelous machine.

The wait to see the TV was unbearable, but finally mother let us accompany her to town. Hilburn Appliance was right next to the grocer, so while mom shopped, we three boys ran next door to gaze at Hilburn's window.

It did not take us long to find the TV. Mr. Hilburn had turned it on and the scene we saw showed the ocean. We watched in awe as the waves tumbled and crashed together. After a while though we got bored.

Mr. Hilburn eventually came outside and asked, "What on earth are you boys doing?" We looked at him proudly and said, "We are watching TV." He started to laugh and said, "Why don't you boys come inside and I'll turn on a TV for you? You have been watching

a washing machine."

Jere and Scott Banerki of Houston are visiting this week with Tim and Melissa Kendall, Jerey, and Jacob and Linda and Travis Kendall.

Jerry and Sandra Barclay visited in Borger, Sunday with son and family, Cody and Mandy Barclay, Ashton and Lane.

Mrs. Brenda Cruse and mother, Mrs. Marihelen Watson of Matador visited in Snyder, Saturday with Charla and Bennie Maracle, Kaycee and Ian Schaffer and son, Kason. They celebrated Kason's first birthday. Other guests were Shahala and Allen Holscher and Kinley of Roscoe.

Donnie Rogers accompanied his mother, Mrs. B. Rogers to Amarillo Friday for a medical appointment.

Lynn and Judy Stark were in Abilene recently to meet their new granddaughter, Mackenzie, daughter of Erin and Wes Stark. Wes is a pilot at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene.

Wilburn Martin was in Amarillo, Monday for a medical appointment.

Matador News

Betty Simpson attended the Division 1 state football game at Abilene on Saturday December 12, between Garden City and Strawn. Garden City Bearkats won the game 122 to 82. Her granddaughter, Katy Multer is the Bearkat mascot. Cory Multer, a student at Texas A&M, and Amy Multer, a student at Texas Tech joined the family at Abilene to cheer their Bearkats on to their state title win.

Warren Multer is at Northfield for a few days attending to business.

Billy Paul Simpson is waiting for an appointment to do more radiation.

Marilynn and Randy Hicks attended the Trans-Siberian Orchestra Winter Concert in Lubbock December 10. Randy then went hunting in Breckenridge over the weekend.

Mary and Michael Minichino of Coppell traveled to Lubbock to attend the Trans-Siberian Orchestra Concert as well. They stayed at Hotel Matador both going to the concert and when returning home.

Jon Nelson of Elk Point, South Dakota, spent the night in Matador Sunday on his way to Houston escorting an oversized load. It was 49 degrees in Matador

while he was here, but it was six degrees in Elk Point, with a wind chill of -minus 13 degrees.

The Matador Red Hatters enjoyed a Christmas brunch at Hotel Matador last Tuesday.

Among those hunting in the county this week are Howard Britain of Tyler, Jim Schmidt of Corsicana, and William Prince and Garland Head, both of Argyle. Jim retired a couple of years ago as a banker in Granbury. He was then accepted as a candidate for game warden and is the oldest candidate ever to successfully complete that training. He is now a game warden for Navarro County.

Also hunting are Ron Stutes of Fort Worth and his son Karsten, a student at Texas A&M University.

The Le Carte Bridge Club met at Hotel Matador Tuesday for a holiday luncheon and to enjoy a few hands of bridge.

The Motley County Arts and Crafts Club had a gift exchange and a Christmas luncheon at Hotel Matador last Monday, followed by a lively Bingo game.

Mrs. R.C. (Callie) Giesecke is a patient at the Mangold Hospital in Lockney suffering with mini strokes.

Green Family Reunion on November 28th

By Elwanda Green Simmons

Forrest Faulkner passed away on October 8th, he was a cousin to Jack Greens children. His children, Megan, Damon, and Kevin of Austin. His sister Betty and husband Wayne of Leesburg Florida were all here to spread his ashes on Eastmound Cemetery, as per his request.

Richard (Jiggs) Green passed away in UMC in Lubbock, he was a resident of Hackberry Care Center, a long time resident of Plainview and Matador. He was buried the 28th of November. His son Randy and wife Marla from Plano, and daughter Cindy of Bowie were in attendance.

Family members called, emailed and all were ready for the reunion, or so we thought. Then, Jim Green was taken to UMC on the morning of the 22nd with pneumonia and chest pains. He had triple bypass surgery on November 24, his and Donna's anniversary. He had big plans to come to the reunion, as we all did, but canceled that. He is doing great, getting restless.

You might think after all of this we would be ready to toss in the towel, well not us, we were more determined than ever to get together and see all the ones we hadn't seen in 21 years. The last reunion was when Grandma Green was alive, that was 1984. We only had five of the original Greens left and dad being 92, we weren't sure just how many more Thanksgiving reunions we were going to be given.

Surviving members are Jack, Bessie Jean, Juanita, Don (Doodle) and Pat. Jack lives at Hackberry Care Center, Bess in Matador, Juanita in Tyler, Don in Floydada, and Pat in New Home. We had 90 people sign in, no telling how many didn't. I have been over everything and writing down all I could remember. All the love and so much food, like Tom said, "We can stay till Wednesday and not run out of food." But we had people

that had to get back home to go to work and kids back in school, as bad as we hated it we had to clean up and go home. I know all the local people remember most of the Green's but here is a list of ones that were here:

Elwanda and Gordon Simmons, Rodney and Glenda Williams, Billy and Ashly Green, Terry and Rhonda Miller, Britany Moore, Edna Ruth Green, Hal, Kellie Martin, Bessie J Williams, all from Matador.

Chris Green, Bradley Paschal, Gary, Lisa and Hayden Simmons, Ryan and Brittny Moore, Lindsey Westbrook, all from Lubbock.

Virginia Green, Steve Green and daughter, all from Amarillo.

Jolie, Autero and Anya Sanchez, Tim and Dorothy Green, all from Austin.

David Green, Sunray, Juanita Pritchett, Tyler, Brenda Carson and daughter, Flint, Leah, and Jason Calhoun, Henderson, Robby, Sherre and children, Chad Green and son, Don and Carolyn Green, Floydada.

Tom and Julie Green, Corey and Nicole Green, Midland.

Randy and Marla Green, Plano, Johnny Pritchett Benton, Arkansas.

Jana Mitchell, Irvin, Pat and Suetta Green, New Home, Joan and Joe Ed Helms, Quitaque, Tom, Sharla and Jody Miller, Tulia, Mike, Robin Green and children, Wolforth. Dale and Elsie Maxwell, Dimmitt, Vanna Bookout, Norman, OK. Larry and Annette Simmons, Elk City OK.

Keith and Sherry Paschal, Tahoka.

If anyone has been left off, please forgive me after all there was a lot of people to remember. A wonderful time was had by all. After all the tears, came laughter, we had lots of stories, food, companionship, catching up on 25 years.

Lots of love left in this Green bunch.

Grandma and Grandpa would be proud of what they started, DONCHA THINK?

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

6:00 P.M.

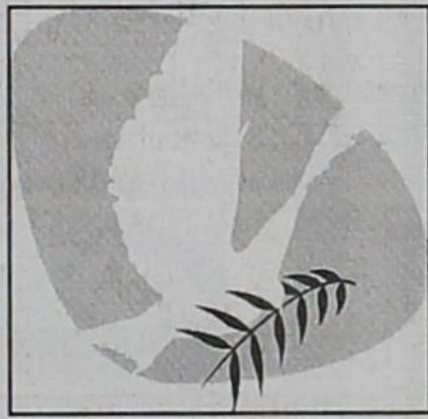
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This Week's Local Forecast

Thursday Mostly Sunny 62/33	Friday Mostly Sunny 49/23	Saturday Mostly Sunny 45/23	Sunday Mostly Sunny 42/21	Monday Mostly Sunny 45/24	Tuesday Sunny 50/28	Wednesday Mostly Sunny 49/28

Weather Trivia

Are tornadoes unique to the United States?
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Answer: No, but three out of four tornadoes are spawned in the United States.

Weather History

Dec. 17, 1987 - A storm in the southwestern U.S. brought heavy rain and heavy snow to parts of California, Nevada, Arizona, Utah and New Mexico. Charleston, NV was blanketed with 12 inches of snow. Lake Havasu City, AZ was drenched with 2.26 inches of rain.

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Hackberry Happenings

From the Desk of John Vunk

Great News: HCCC census is on the rise and at this time I would like to thank all the employees at the center for all their hard work and for the love and care they show our residents each and every day.

The community can be very proud of Hackberry Creek Care Center because it is truly one of the best care centers I have had the privilege to work for. I also would like to thank the community for their support and for all those that volunteer their time at the center.

Reminder: The resident Christmas Party and Buffet Dinner will be held on Friday December 18, at 5:00 p.m.

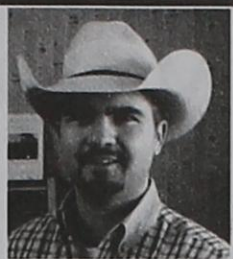
Please come and enjoy this special occasion with the residents and staff at HCCC.

We welcome the following new residents to the HCCC family: Louise Perryman, Thelma Fawler, Helen Emert, and Nelda Bray.

Now that our census is increasing we are taking applications for the following positions: LVN's, full time and PRN; Weekend RN; CNA's, full time and PRN; MDS Coordinator; and Medication Aide.

Please come and fill out an application and join our family.

County Agent's News



by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent

Disease may play role in quail decline

SAN ANGELO – Disease may be playing a role in the demise of Texas quail, said a Texas AgriLife Extension Service expert.

"Quail season has been disappointing," said Dr. Dale Rollins, AgriLife Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo. "By Texas standards, wild quail hunting has been sub-par since 2006, and I'm wondering if disease might not be part of the puzzle. Certainly, it's probably not the key reason, but I'm starting to suspect it may be a contributing factor."

Rollins said coccidiosis (malady caused by parasitic protozoans of the digestive system) is often blamed, but exactly what disease might be behind the drop in quail populations, or even if there is a disease contributing to the problem, is currently unknown. He said there are other potential threats, including West Nile Virus, avian influenza, avian cholera and avian tuberculosis that may be factors.

Sick quail don't last long before something eats them, so disease surveillance in wild quail is a tough proposition, according to Rollins.

"I've always been intrigued by the possible role disease plays in quail dynamics," Rollins said. "When you think about it, the birds offer a perfect biological fuse for disease spread among the population. They are social birds, and when a covey dwindles to less than about six birds, they go join another covey."

"Blue quail used to be common over areas as far east as Throckmorton, but they disappeared over much of their range in 1988; December 1988 to be exact in my opinion. While hunting in Crockett County that December, I dressed several birds with spotted livers, but didn't think much of it. I just took some photographs and discarded the birds. Within months, blue quail had vanished as far west as the Pecos River. I can't explain such a die-off except by some mystery disease. Suffice it to say my antennae are up for sick quail now."

Rollins asks quail hunters to be on the lookout for sick quail this season. If birds taken are too light for their size or if a green discharge from the vent is spotted, he said it would be worth noting. He said to pay special attention to whether the liver has white or yellow nodules in it which are signs of a bacterial infection.

If disease is suspected, Rollins asks hunters to place the bird in a plastic zipper-type bag, refrigerate it and call him as soon as possible at 325-653-4576 or 325-776-2615.

Rollins is also the director of the 4,700-acre Rolling Plains Quail Research Ranch at Roby. He said they are currently live-trapping quail at the ranch for leg-banding to support a radio telemetry project. At the same time, they also are collecting samples for disease and parasite testing.

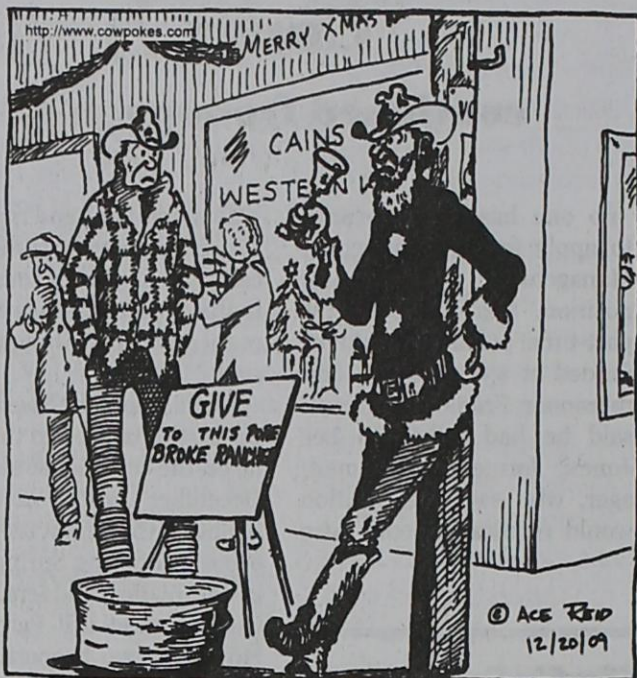
"We'll submit about 200 samples for screening of viral, bacterial and parasitic diseases," he said. "These data will help us better understand whether various diseases really are a factor."

"A separate research project on eye worms and intestinal parasites was started in September in collaboration with the Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Research Institute. Preliminary testing from quail collected on the research ranch last winter showed parasite infestation in the eyes, which may be noteworthy. When you're a bobwhite, you live on the edge as it is; any debilitating factor like worms under your eyelids can't be good."

"At the research ranch, we're seeking to unravel just what's happened to bobwhites and blue quail across much of the Rolling Plains," he said. "We've adopted a philosophy of 'leave no stone unturned.' So, we're investigating some heretofore

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By Ace Reid



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overlooked agents, namely disease and parasites to see if they possibly are playing a more than minor role in the demise of Texas quail."

Precautions for Animal Owners during Cold Weather

With winter setting in, there are a few simple precautions that you should take in order to protect your animals.

Make sure your animal has plenty of warm bedding. For livestock use hay, wood shavings, or straw. For pets use old blankets, store bought pet beds and if possible, put them up for the night in a covered area and offer a safe heat source.

Provide fresh water daily. In the winter time, people tend to neglect watering their animals

due to colder weather. In the mornings, supply animals with fresh water and on days that temperatures do not rise above the freezing level, it is necessary to check water supplies throughout the day to make sure ice has not formed, blocking the water supply.

Provide your animal with plenty of food. Since food is a source of energy for animals, it is necessary during colder months for animals to have plenty of food to produce body heat in order to survive.

Animals immune systems can become weak during the winter months, so if your animal starts showing signs of sickness, contact your local veterinarian or county Extension agent as soon as possible.

Obituary

Martha Rae Hill

Born August 26, 1934 in Matador, TX and passed away October 22, 2009 at home in Seattle, WA with family by her side. She was preceded in death by her husband of 44 years, Frank M. Hill and is survived by her mother Cora Hall; brother Albert Hall; daughters Deborah LeDahl and Cindy Becker; son Mark Hill and 4 grandchildren. A memorial service was held Friday, Oct 30, 2009.



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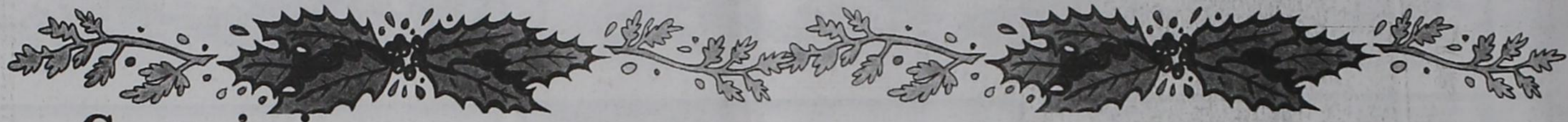
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Commissioners Court

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no one has come forward to apply for the Emergency Management Coordinator position. It is anticipated the part-time position would be funded at \$3,000.00. Commissioner Franklin Jameson said he had talked to Lee Jones, former EMC manager, who said the position would require someone who

is available to attend meetings and participate in conference calls. "If anyone is interested in this position, please contact me at 347-2334," Judge Smith said.

There were four Sheriff Sale properties offered to the public on the courthouse steps on December 1, 2009. According to Sheriff Crutchley, two properties in Roaring Springs sold to the highest bidders, Perry Gullledge and Bill Perryman. However, two properties did not sell, consisting of a property in Country Lake Estates in Roaring Springs, and property in the southeast quadrant of Block 140, located at the intersections of Lariat and Somerville Streets, Matador. As a continuance of the tax sale on the courthouse steps, these properties became eligible for bid. Judge Smith received one sealed bid from Ronald Gene Bailey on Lots 13, 14, 15, 16, Block 140, City of Matador. The bid was opened in court. The court voted unanimously to accept the bid of \$305.00. Lot number 165 in Country Lake Estates, Roaring Springs, received four sealed bids which were opened in court. The court voted unanimously to accept the highest bid of \$400.00 from Robert H. Wiley. Other bidders were Lynn Montgomery, Kelly Keltz, and Perry Gullledge.

In other business, the court unanimously approved a 2010 Holiday Schedule for employees. Employees of Motley County will receive 14 days of paid leave for holidays.

The next meeting of Commissioners Court is set for January 11, 2010.

Motley County Football Honors

All-district

1st Team Offense
New Comer of the Year – Juan Flores
Tight End – Dayne Butler
Wide Receiving – Andrew Martin
Running Back – Jonathon Osborn
Full Back – Augustine Chavez
Special Teams Player – Andrew Martin

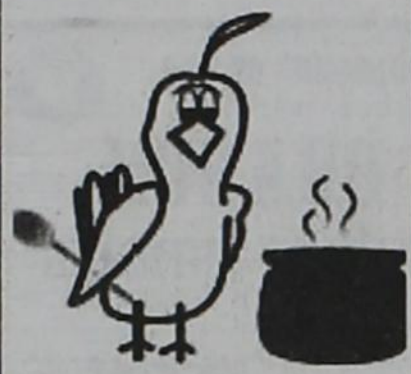
1st Team Defense
MVP – Augustine Chavez
Nose Guard – Colby McCleskey
Line Backers – Jonathon Osborn
Safeties – Andrew Martin
2nd Team Offense
Center – Justin Newman
Quarter Back – Austin Taylor
Kicker – Juan Flores
2nd Team Defense
Defensive Line – Andrew Martin
Line Backer – Austin Taylor

All-Region

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Wide Receiving – Andrew Martin
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6am - 9am

11am - 2pm

5pm - 8pm

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6am - 2pm

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7am - 2pm

Friday Night

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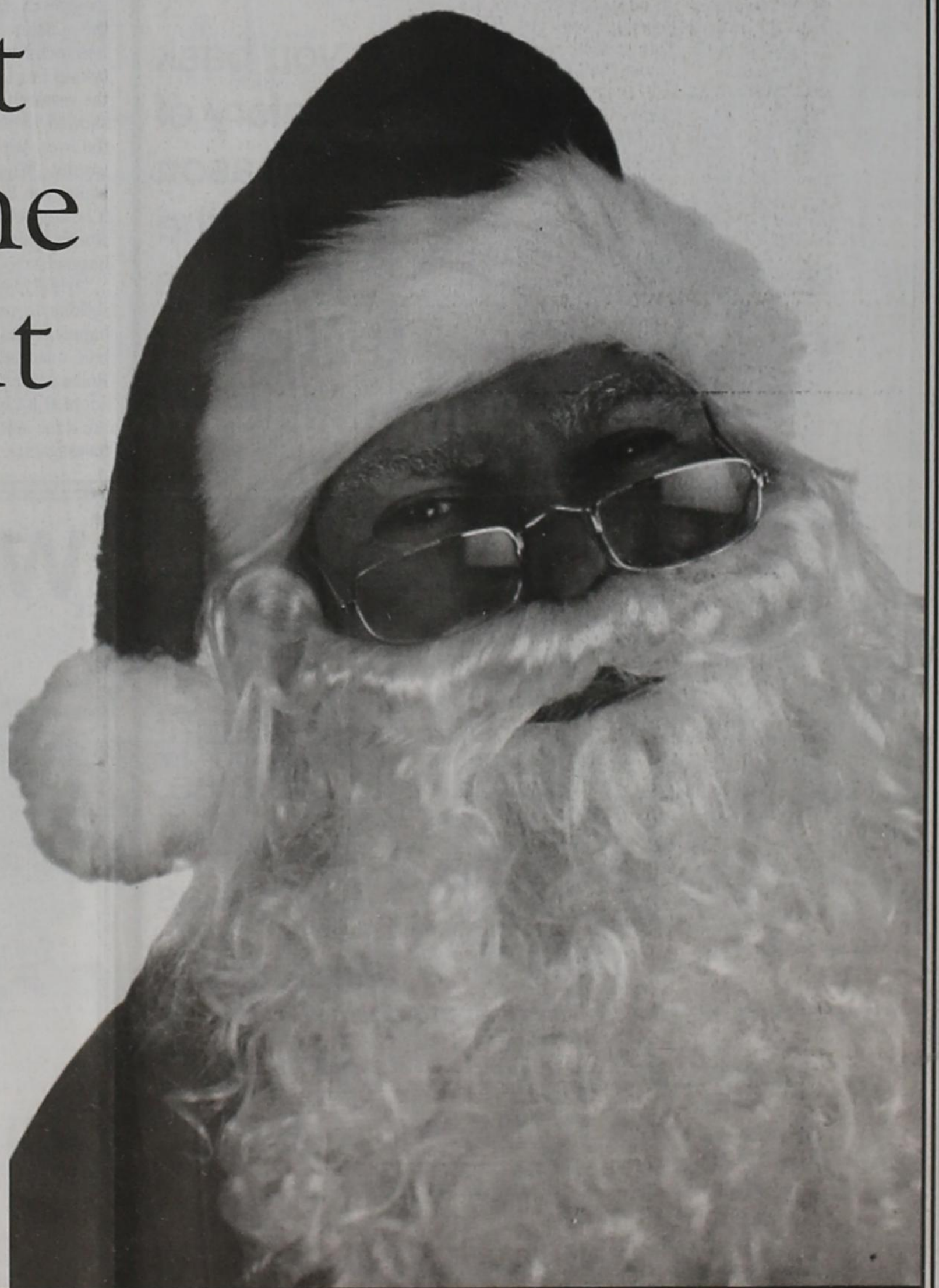
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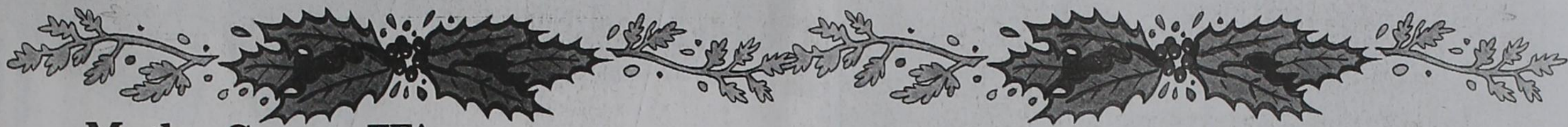


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Motley County FFA Chapter attend Greenbelt District Banquet



Members of the Motley County FFA Chapter attended the Greenbelt District Banquet held in Childress on December 7th. District Sentinel Keyan Kautz of the Motley County Chapter assisted in opening the meeting along with the other District Officers, and assisted in the recognition of winning teams from the District Leadership Development Events. Voting delegates Utah Falcon and Lexi Osborn assisted in choosing the winning talent team which was from the Paducah chapter. Other chapter members attending the banquet were Jaci Zingerman and Austin Taylor. Pictured (L-R) Utah Falcon, Jaci Zingerman, Lexi Osborn, Keyan Kautz, Austin Taylor.




Christmas Eve Service
 First United Methodist Church
 of Matador
 6 p.m.


Obituary

Robert "Bob" Brandon died Wednesday, December 9, 2009, while visiting his daughter Ellie Brandon in New York City.

Bob grew up in Matador. He was a graduate of Matador High School, Class of 1964, and former regional champion football player for the Matador Matadors. He was the son of Lillie and R.L. Brandon, former residents of Matador.

Bob was the owner of Brandon Productions in Denver, and a nationally-recognized photographer and producer with more than 30 years experience in video projects.

Executive Producer Marianne Leviton, Denver, said a memorial service will be held in Denver in early January. Born on July 29, 1946, Brandon is survived by three children. His daughter Kristi Ortiz is a physician's assistant in Houston. A son, Ron Brandon, lives in Oxford, NY, and his daughter Ellie Brandon lives in New York.

Bob was involved in a video documentary

project for the historic 1891 Motley County Jail. He had filmed in part in September while attending his class reunion, capturing the oral and visual history of the jail.

"I am deeply saddened to learn of the death of Bob Brandon," Carol Campbell said. "Bob loved Matador, loved his work, and will be greatly missed."

"I would like you to know how much it meant to Bob to be working on the Matador documentary," Leviton said. "Planning on going back to his home town and doing the documentary was a real joy for him."

Bob was also involved in a kidney disease documentary, known as the Take Hope Project. "It will mean a lot to Bob that we finish this very important piece," Leviton said. "The goals are to help people to prevent the disease (kidney) and to encourage organ donation." Tax deductible donations for the Kidney Disease documentary can be made at www.TakeHopeProject.org.


Thank You

To the small town with a big heart. Again we want to thank you so much for all you have done for our family. Thanks for the cards, flowers, visitation, prayers, food, etc. Please know your kindness during this hard time has meant so much to our family. We would like to also give a special thanks to Nathan Shannon Funeral Home and his staff for a job well done.

Warm Regards

The Pitts, Sims, and Campbell Family

Jesus Christ, ruler of everything



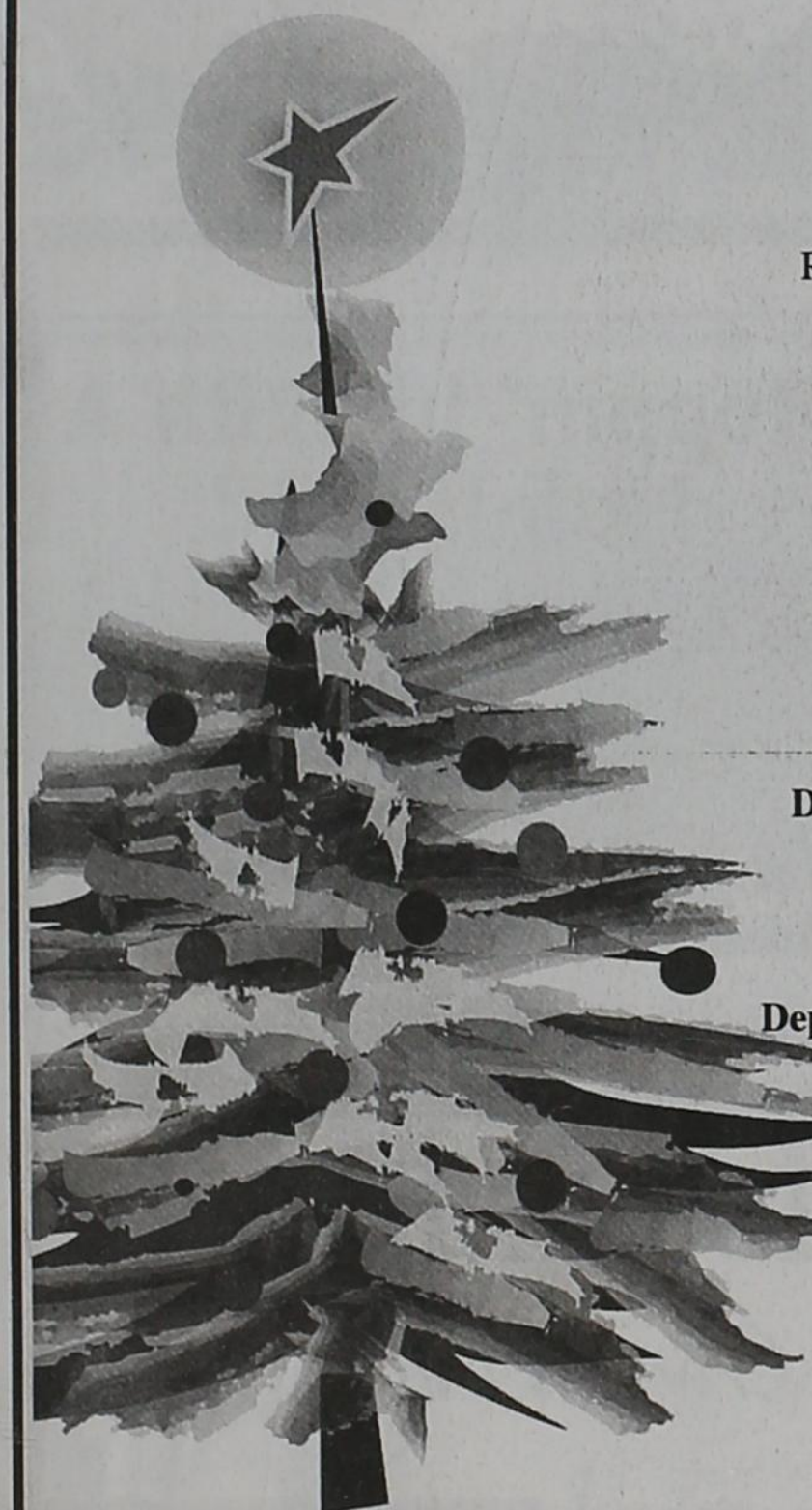
May the wonder of His birth and the anticipation of His return fill you with hope every day.

And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Matthew 2:6 (KJV)

Shannon Family Funeral Home

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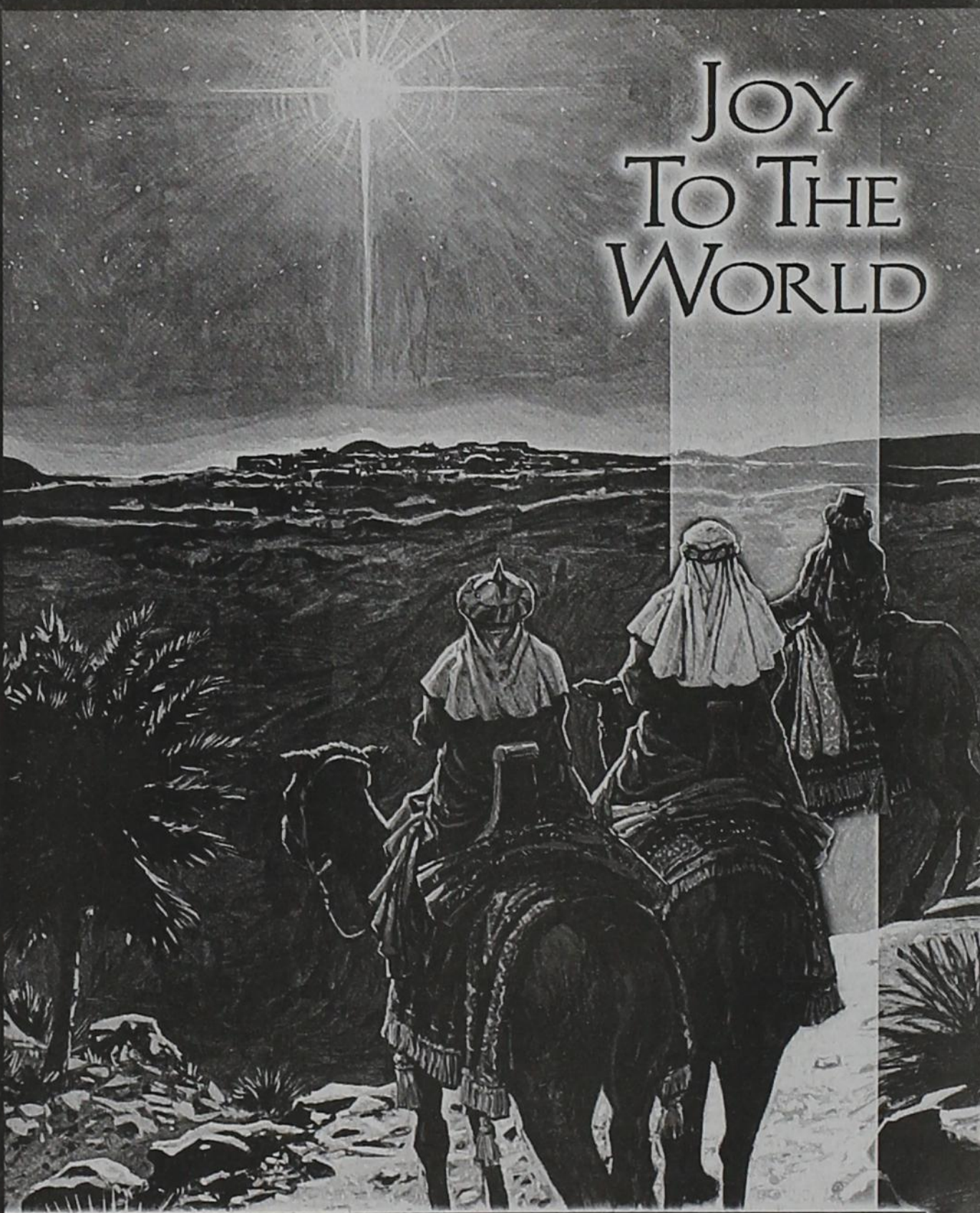


Greetings

In the joyous Christmas spirit, we extend our greetings to those whose friendship we value so much.

- Judge**
Ed D. Smith
- County Commissioners**
Roy Gene Stephens, Precinct 1
Donnie Turner, Precinct 2
Franklin Jameson, Precinct 3
Russell Alexander, Precinct 4
- Motley County Sheriff**
Michael K. Crutchley
- Deputy**
Chris Spence
- Tax Assessor/Collector**
Elaine Hart
- Deputy Tax Assessor/Collector**
Sherry Rose
- County and District Clerk**
Kate Hurt
- Deputy County and District Clerk**
D'anna Russell
- Justice of the Peace**
Libby Cruse
- County Treasurer**
Eva Barkley
- County Attorney**
Tom Edwards
- County Agent**
Ryan Martin
- Road Maintenance**
David Taylor, Precinct 1
Billy Farley, Precinct 2
Richard Thomas, Precinct 3
Dean Osborn, Precinct 4
- County Appraiser**
Brenda Osborn
- DPS Trooper**
Chad Overton
- Game Warden**
Matthew Cruse
- Courthouse Maintenance**
Larry Markham

JOY TO THE WORLD



WISHING YOU A HAPPY AND BLESSED HOLIDAY.

May the joy of Christmas and the magic of the season live in our hearts all year around.

Merry Christmas

The City of Roaring Springs

Dear Santa

Dear Santa Pre K Class

Dear Santa, Motley County Pre K students have been good this year. We are writing to you as a class project.

Tylee Carclay is asking for a desk, cell phone, school stuff, Barbie and baby things with a special pink cowgirl hat for her.

Kyler Beshirs would like a Wii and a Bucking Bull.

Marissa Chaez is asking for a Barbie doll and clothes. She would like clothes, shoes and makeup for herself.

Brock Fowler is asking for boots, BB gun, deer target and Toy Story characters - Buzzlightyear and Woody.

Joe Daniel Guerrero would like a loader, BB gun, deer hunting things and boots.

Reese Marshall is asking for her own Santa Claus and Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer, Barbie and clothes, Barbie car and a play cell phone.

Brogan Rankin would like 2 new ropes, bucking bull, Wii, and a BB gun with a scope and deer targets.

Naveah Salazar is asking for a High School Musical book, a Barbie with clothes and a Wii.

Trinity Ward would like a Barbie doll, Barbie bed,

Barbie clothes and her own grown up clothes to match Barbie.

Santa we have quite a list for you. We hope that we might receive some of our wishes. Have a safe journey!

Hugs and Kisses
Mrs. Parks
Motley Co. Pre K

P.S. Milk and cookies will be waiting for you!!

Dear Santa Kindergarten

Tyge Flowers wants a BBgun

Nadia Chavez would like a doctor thing
Demitric Sims wants Pants and a monster truck

Jace Martin said he wants an Ipod for Christmas and two army trucks

Nikolaus Delacruz wants a robot and a trampoline, cookies, and a computer

Kason Degan wants a air soft gun and a reindeer

Andrew Stafford wants a ramp for my dirt bike

Jackson Rains would like a Toy Story bike with training wheels, a football Wii thing, race track and town, and cars, even the race cars

Wyatt Perryman wants an A&M football blanket

Andrew Moore wants a DS

Tyne Marshall wants a cell phone, some American doll clothes and some more shoes and a computer

Ashton Quilimaco wants a four-wheeler and a race track, and a clipboard and a DSI, and a Ipod and a monster truck, not a real one, and an igloo and paper, chalk, a dinosaur

Trace Osborn wants a nerf gun, Nintendo DS games
Kyler Barton- ?

Dear Santa 1st Grade

Dear Santa
I would irt bike. And wii.
And wii Moreo and sonick.
Thanks
Kade

Dear Santa
I would like gi jo head corder and sune gu is with it.
Thank you
Case Drum

Dear Santa
I would like a DS
Thank you luv Keygen Woolsey

Dear Santa Claus
I would like a flat screen TV. Thank you, Merry Christmas Santa Claus
Colton Ryen Martin

Dear Santa,
I would like a dog.
Thank you Dallas

Dear Santa
I would like Zelda Spirit Traker, gi joe stuff and Nintendo DS.

Thank you Prescott

Dear Santa
I would like a wii and a tin-doaw DIS and a dedi Thank you Krys'ta Guerrero.

Dear Santa
I would like a now barber.
Thank you
Sydnie McCoy

Dear Santa
I would like a now tv for miy room and a lipstro.
Luv Tansy Pollard

Dear Santa
I want a dol hats. I want a jres up thows. I want a jump rop. I want a babey bitey. I luv you mommy.
Alexis Daniell

Dear Santa

I would lik bey. for christmam. I would lik flat screen. I would lik junie B First grader Jingle Bells Batma Smells! Cps. So Does May. Thank you
Isabella Quilimaco

Dear Santa
I would like a DS and a horse Junie B First Grader. Jingle Bells Batman Smells!ps so Does May.
Thank you Kenzie Clary

Dear Santa
I would like a make up and real horse and a utiedo DSi and a BarBe hosme and a Track TrBook and a first book and a horse book and cat book dog book I would like a log budrfliy and a play toy roodoff.
Thank you merr cresmes
Love Alize Salazar

Dear Santa
I want a remote control car.
Thank you
Braeden

Dear Santa i would like a flat screen tv and a wii Junie B first grader jingle Bells Batman smells ps so Does may.
Thank you Kylee Jones

Dear Santa
Iw would like a we game and a DS. I would rile won't a lepsr and lots of a game and a 2 fish anda swimin bo anda frosty the snowsame and a stor anda play Rod-doffsannnd .

Thank you
Gabriel Rivera
Dear Santa I would like jewelry makeup And another stuffed animal hors. A Junie B. First Grader Jingle Bells Batman smells! (P.S. So Does May) Book. And a slay bell. Barbie. Scittles Instead of emenem's pleas.
Thank you Love Sophia Merry Ciristmas!

Dear Santa
I would like clthes and faek horse and Junie B Jingle Bells Batman smells! (P.S. So Does May) and scidlso.
Thank you
Ryley Everett

Dear Santa 2nd Grade

Dear Santa
You are my hero and at the end of this paper you'll see a gift that's very nice, but right now I would like a kitty, pom poms, puppy,

It's Lookin' A Lot Like Christmas

Here's hoping you enjoy every minute of it!

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Stoppin' In With A Holiday Hi!

May the magic of the season fill your heart and home with joy.

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Reflections of the Season

Hebrews 11.6
Without faith it is impossible to please him for he who comes to God must believe that he is; and that he is a rewarder of who diligently seek him.

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Our Wish For You

We wish all our friends, near and far, all the magic and wonder that is Christmas
May you have many merry days to come.



Letters

crayon maker, American girl, Nintendo i , million bucks, drum set, guitar, microphone, keyboard, but most of all I want to be like you. I want to be magic and that's the really nice gift. If you can't bring them I am fine with it.
Emma Hackler

Dear Santa
I want a porrot, dsi, red ryder BB gun, for weeler, digital camera, horse.
Emily

Dear Santa
I want a laptop, American Girl doll/clothes, puppies, webkinzs, red bone hound, pompoms, crown, cell phone, I pod touch, red ryder BB gun, kittens, glitter pig/ Autumn in brown PoCo blue.
Autumn Perryman

Dear Santa
I would like a baby real parrot. An a air conditionar. And a medium trampoline. And a big dog. And a bunch of bouncy balls. And a million dollars. And a real pocket knife. And a camra with lots of film.
Nelly Bly

Dear Santa
I would like some more American girl stuff? I would like a Nintendo ds, I would like some pompoms, I would like puppies. I would like some new webkin. I would like a gun. I would like a fishing pole. I would like a dollhouse. I would like a klok. I would like a blakit. I would like a new laptop. I would like a bear.
Cambrie Marshall

Dear Santa
I would like some Magic Tree House books. I would also like some books about the ocean, rainforest, land scapes and animals. In would like two pet hamster. I would also like a pink red ryder BB gun. I would like a pink digital camera. I would like a lap top.
Jaylee

Dear Santa
I wan't some spurs, boots, pom poms and a medium trampoline. I wan't a f wheeler, fishing pole.
Emma Cruse

Dear Santa
I want to have a Nintendo Dsi and a spurs. A house. 2 pet hamsters. So cats. A redbone hound. Pomerian. Miniature schnouzer. Want more water, fishing pole. To see santa, red ryder.
Tatum

Dear Santa
Will you get me a pocket rocket. And more golden retrievers. And some ar-pows. Please a cell phone. A full wheeler.
Dawson

Dear Santa
Remote control car. Nintendo. Drum set. Trampoline. Pocket rocket. Battle moter. Four wheeler and fishing pole.
Matthew Moncreif

Dear Santa
I want a drum set, pom poms, stuffed puppy, million dollrs, Nintendo ds, a crayon maker, playdo maker, guitar, I want a bump bed.

Zowie

Dear Santa
I would a Battle motr, drumset, bebe gun, nintendo ds, pocket rocket, football, key board, maker phoe, guitar, soccer ball, pig, dog, cat, book, machine gun, bazakooa, 4 wheeler, fishing pole dirt bike. Horse, chichuha, red ryder, phone, motor cycle.
Dereck

Dear Santa

3rd Grade Letters
Dear Santa,
You are one of my faviorite persons. All I want for Christmas is a dird bike that comes with fule and 4 extra wheels 2 with spikes, a pocket rocket with 2 extra wheels. Do you like peanut bridle? I do. My faviorite part about Christmas is Jesus's birthday. When is your birthday? My birthday is April 19. I was born in 2001. When were you born? I love getting presents. I can not wait until yo come. You seem not so far away but you are. P.S I also want a good Christmas, and a real desk, with a laptop. Please leave a Pic. I also want my Dad to have a good birthday.
Ethan Mason

Dear Santa
For Christmas I'm going to want a lot of stuf but you do not have to bring all I want but first I'm going to ask you some questions. I was wondering how you are doing and not just you your friends to? How is it over their? Also how many

children are being good and how many are not being good? Now I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I going to want a ipod toch, laptop, phone, DS, DSI. Also this is biggest thing I want is for the wether to change until my dad and my grampa are done working to go to Mexico because I realy want to go to see my gradma and grampa.
Rebecca

Dear Santa
For Christmas I want to see my dad and my family and I want a Lots of toys and games.
Joseph

Dear Santa
How are you and the rain deers doing, I think all of you are doing fine. For Christmas I want a new Jhon deere Tractor poster? My baby sister want's a new shirt, warm pants, and a hat? My dad want's a new toy truck? Can you please, please, please get these stuff for my family? I put milk and cookies for you. My adres is Jonathon 124 P.O. Box Flomot Tx.
Jonathon Flores

Dear Santa
For Christmas I want some new boots. I also want a Nintendo DSI. How are your reindeer? For Christmas can I have more American Girl clothes? I also want some littlest pet shop stuff. Can I please have some decorations for my room. Could I have some new jewelry and makeup? I also want a new marker

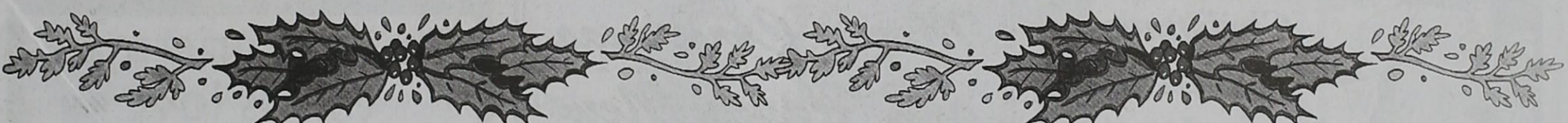
board to play school with. Can I have new clothes? I want some because I'm growing out of all of mine.
Rivers Marshall

Dear Santa
I want a DSI, DS, moder scketer and a good Christmas. I want a lot of games for my game boy DSI DS to. I really want a electric scooter, dirt bick with extra four wheels. How is Rodoff is he doing fin wwell I am doing fin. Santa what is your elfs name are they doing fin. Right me back
Leon Quilimaco


Dear Santa
How are you doing in the north pole and how are your raindeer expecily rodough. Santa I want a Nintendo DSI fore Christmas and a razor pocket rocket what I realy want is a fore wheeler. Santa I am going to leave you icecream in the freezer can you give my step brother and sister a good Christmas and leave me a note. How is mrs. Clause I hope she is ok am I on the notty or nice list I hope I am on the nice list a big thing I want is a Ipod shuffle.
Kyler Degan

Dear Santa
This year I have ben good. How have you ben do ing? How have Rodulf do ing? How have your elvs do ing? This is what I want for Christmas a XXOOX, my dad's truk to be ficut, my flat screen tv, my hole family to come, A dog, my for wiler to be fiks, and snow. I have been doing good.

Are you for my kookes and milk? Also for Christmas to have net hand riting, to see you to prov my coson Loron Rong that you rily are trow. For the last thang I want my mom to have a good yard.
Tadly Pollard




Many kind thanks



We had a wonderful year, and for that, we can't thank you enough. Your support has been tremendous. Best wishes for a jolly Christmas and a prosperous New Year.


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Travelers' Inn



I want for

Dear Santa
 1. I want my mom and family to have a great Christmas. 2. I would like a baby alive doll and toy cat. Can I be a reindeer. 3. I love my mom to Santal Right me a latter back to Trinity.
 Trinity Seward

Dear Santa
 I no that your Elfs have been working hard so. I want you to tell your raindeers I said hi, the other, All I want for Christmas is for all my family to have a great Christmas and no one gets hurt. You are the best Santa. I am thankful for all what you have done for us. We do not have a chimney but I will leave the door unlocked so when you come. I will make you cookies when you come. Do you have any baby trained raindeers? Have I been nice or bad? Is Mrs. Cluse making you lots of cookies? What are all your favorit colors? What is your favorit football team? My is the Matadors!!!
 Alycia Silva

Dear Santa
 How are you doing? Do you like hot choclete or milk? Do you want homemade brownise or cookies? I have been good this year. If you don't

mind I would like a nice Christmas with my family and some long earring. When you are delivering presents I hope you are careful and don't fallout of the sleigh. May I please have some books to read. Can I have a play horse that looks like Cowboy. Are you and Mrs. Claus doing good? Is it ok if I don't get the things I want because I am just thankful for what I have. How are your reindeer doing? I hope you and Mrs. Claus have a very good Christmas this year. Please write back to me.
 Have a very good Christmas,
 Carley Turner

Dear Santa
 I still want to see your reindeer. And this year I want to get a ipod shuffle, football, lots of books, and a bell. What kind of cookies do you want? What kind of milk do you want chocolate, white, or pink? Oh I forgot. And I also want to have the best Christmas ever with my family.
 Cameron Stafford

Dear Santa
 Want i want for Christmas is a Dsi and Electrick scooter. And i hope i have been good these year. Santa you

been these year have you been sad or happy. I've been happy because i got a new fon and there is one more thing i want is a 22.
 Logan Jones

Dear Santa
 Her is my wish list for this Christmas. I would like for Christmas is an Ipod touch and if you can't bring it I would like a dirt bike. I hope your reindeer are not sick. I hope you are having a good time at the north pole. Is Mrs. Claus doing well? I hope. I didn't wish a lot because my mom said that it will take up all of the room in your big bag. Oh and I almost forgot merry Christmas Santal What color is your slay? I think it is part red and part what? How deep is is the snow at the north pole. We did not have any snow at my house and that stink's. I was so mad and sad. Love
 Tucker Barton

Dear Santa
 Hi how are you doing today. I want you to come to vist my house. Do you know who I am my name is Mercy. I won't to see you when you come. I hop my family has a good Christmas. And I would like babby shroler with 5 seats and 5 dolls and

that is all for this year. No I forgot I won't to have a I pod. You could please get me it please please please if you do I will de so happy as I could be but I would prodle cry because I am happy. Bey I hope you could right back to me please thank you but if you don't that's ok.
 Mercy Klebahn

Dear Santa
 I would like to ask you some questions how many raindeer do you have? I am I on the bad list or good list? I would like a four wheel and a stroller with 3 sets and 3 baby dulls that are boys. I hope you have a good Christmas and I hope I have good Christmas. I like your brade it is white and fluff.
 Jacie Taylor

Dear Santa

4th grade

What I want for Christmas is new clothes, shoes, bike, and for my everybody to have a good Christmas, Santa, how is Mrs. Claus? Are the elves doing great? Santa you are very nice for what you are doing. I hope you have a great Christmas Santa, can you

give me some presents to the kids in the orphanage? Santa one more thing I want for Christmas is pencils, and paper, Santa, tell Mrs. Claus I said Hi Please take care of the reindeer, Santa, I am going to try to leave mil and cookies, You rock Santal
 Samantha Quilimaco

I want a wii, an xbox 360 with games. How are you doing, Santa? How are the elves doing? How is Mrs. Santa?
 Rumaldo Chavez

Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas is a Xbox 360 and a Big huge deer for Christmas, and a playstation game to play and some toys for Gizzmo and some blankets for the dog house and some books about army and for everybody to have a great Christmas.
 Michael Silva

Dear Santa, I want a 293 rifle and a puppy for Christmas. By the way how are Mrs. Santa Claus and the reindeer and the rest doing? Are they doing okay? Hope they are, and you. How are you doing? Your rock I hope you bring me everything I want. I

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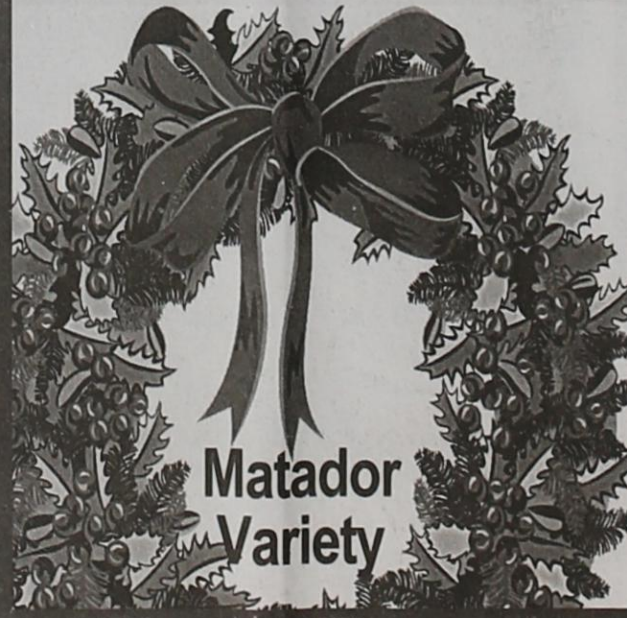
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SEASON'S GREETINGS

 And many happy days to follow. Thanks for stopping by and please come again.
 Windmill Cafe

Christmas is...

hope I get some real cool stuff. Thank You.
Bryson Elliott

I tried to be good this year. Santa this is what I need, I need a fourwheeler for Christmas so when my dad is not at the house, I can go and get the horses, and I can ride. I also want a DS for Christmas. Santa I hope you can bring the gifts.
Brody Rankin

I've been good for you. If I get a toy or a game for Christmas, I want an Xbox 360 or a play station 3. I hope the elves make me bocku gon. And wen you go through my chimney there will be cookies and milk. It will be on the stool. And tell the elves HI.
Armondo Chavez

All I want for Christmas is an Ipod pink, pink mod rocket scooter, how are Mrs. Clauases and the elves. Addie Guerrero

All I want for Christmas is a computer and an Ipod. Santa are the elves working on the toys?
Brendon

I would like a new Nintendo game and some new books. That's all I really want this

year. How are Mrs. Clause and the elfs, Write back. Dode

What I want for Christmas is a X Board, 22, Dallas Cowboys Jersey, and a dirt bike
Wyatt Hackler

I would like to have a soft pillow, wall clock, some stuffed animals, How are Mrs. Clause and the elves. Are they working hard? Have you checked the list twice?
Mikenna Ford

I would like a Nintendo DSI, a straghtner, rabbits, and a laptop. Before I finish this letter, How are Mrs. Clause and the elves?
Caitlin seigrist

This year I just want to have a great Christmas with my family and friends and I want to have my cousins Megan, and Garrett to have a great Christmas to be with their family and friends and God Bless You.
Gage Baker

Dear Santa 5th grade

How are you? Have you had any good cookies? What

I want is a Power Miners Lego commader drilling set and a set of these small building kits. There is 2 of them so get ready. Do you think you can handle that?
Grant Potts

How have you been doing this year? Good I hope. I've been doing good. Do you know what I want for Christmas? I want a computer and clothes, Nintendo games, Books and computer games. How is Mrs. Claus doing? How have the elves been doing? I wonder if this Christmas is going to be busier than last year? Are the reindeer ready for this year?
Autumn Woolsey

How are you? I hope you are on the right track in Christmas preparations. This year for Christmas I want Kirsten, an American Girl. This year my mom said we could only as for one thing, and I want that really bad. I really hope you have it in your sack. Lots of Xmas Joy,
Chloe Gleghorn

How are you? I am very good. For Christmas I would like a cellphone. I would also like some Nintendo games. I would also

like an Ipod touch. I think I have been a good girl. I hope that all the elves and raindeer and Mrs. Claus are good. But most of all I hope you are ok.
Sage Guerrero

I want a nice little Sibe-rian Husky, I also would like pencils, and pens and erasers. To spend Christmas with my relatives, LG chocolate Touch phone. My room to be made out of candy. Books, a BBgun, to be in a Indiana Jones movie.
Chris Ward

How are u? Is it cold up there. I would like a choco-late lab pre bread. Wii with games, Nintendo ds, and an Ipod. Thank you Santa Claus.
Ruby Klebahn

How are you? Is it cold at the North Pole? I bet Mrs. Claus baked some really good cookies this year. Well I guess I will tell you what I want now, I want a dell mini computer with a mouse and a case to go with it. And I want a zuzu pet.
Thank you Santa Claus.
Laury

How are you doing this year? I want a saddle, a

horse, and spurs. Merry Christmas.
Mickey Clary

A new Football game for my playstation 2 and Madden 2010 on psp, ps2 and also deep blu sea movie and a Michael Jackson cd every Jersey of Dallas Cowboys
Adrian

Merry Christmas Santa, How are you this year? I want a mini laptop that is pink or green, an Iphone, a new Ipod, and clothes.
Merry Christmas.
Thalia Mendoza

Please bring my 4th and 5th graders everything they've asked for. They have worked very hard on UIL, and they are being very good in class. Hope all is well at the North Pole, Hope to see you soon!
Mrs. Alexander



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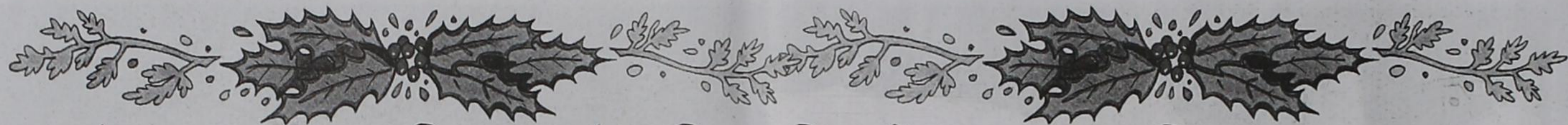
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Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house

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The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St Nicholas soon would be there.

The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads.
And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow
Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below.
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer.

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St Nick.

More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name!

"Now Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen!
On, Comet! On, Cupid! on, on Donner and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!
Now dash away! Dash away! Dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky.
So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of Toys, and St Nicholas too.

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot.
A bundle of Toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler, just opening his pack.

His eyes-how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow.

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook when he laughed, like a bowlful of jelly!

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself!
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

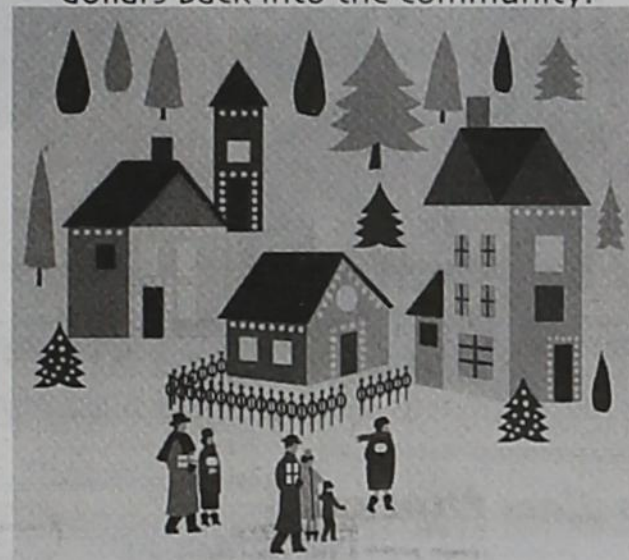
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings, then turned with a jerk.
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose!

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim, 'ere he drove out of sight,
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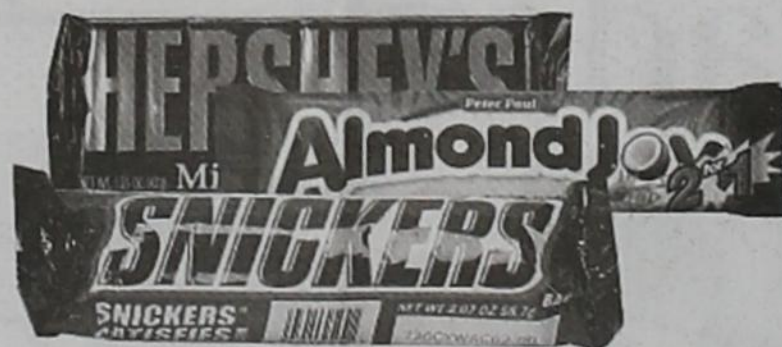


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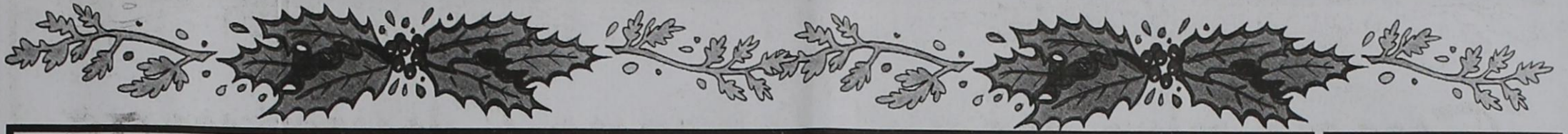
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December
 17 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
 19 Quality Counts Course - 9:30am multipurpose
 20 FBC, Matador, Christmas cantata, "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year," 11 am
 20 FBC, Matador, children's program, "The Unopened Gift," 7 pm
 21 MCISD School Board, 7:30pm
 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 6:00p.m. FUMC
 24 NO NEWSPAPER THIS WEEK

January
 1 Deadline for owning bucket calves for stock show
 5 Mat Lions
 7 RS Lions
 8-9 - Odessa Stock Show
 10 - Motley 4-H Club meeting at 4pm
 11 Comm CT
 11 RS City Council 2nd Mon
 12 RSCV
 13 Kids Praise
 13 Hospital Bd 7am
 14 M City Council
 18 - Rolling Plains Chemical Conference in Spur
 18 MCISD School Board, 7:30pm
 19 Mat Lions
 21 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm

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 Notice is hereby given that Original Letters Testamentary upon the estate of JAMES ARTHUR SIMPSON, Deceased, were issued to the undersigned on the 21st day of July, A.D., 2009, in the proceedings indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letters. All persons having claims against said estate which is being administered, in the county below named, are hereby required to present the same to me at the address below given, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law.
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