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## Stamp Cancellation event hosted by TPTR and Postal Office



Texas Plains Trail Region in partnership with the US Post Office in Matador, hosted history students and their teachers, local residents, and TPTR board members at a stamp cancellation event at the local Postal Office in Matador on October 6, 2010. Pictured (L to R, front) are: Former past-president of TPTR Delores Mosser, former TPTR board member and Motley County Historical Commission chair Marisue Potts-Powell, board member Holle Humphries, event sponsor Susie Starnes, and Motley County board member Carol Campbell. Standing (back row) are: Tai Kreidler, Deputy Director of the TTU Southwest Collection Library; Charles Starnes, event sponsor; and TPTR Executive Director Deborah Sue McDonald.

By Carol Campbell Motley County Tribune

On Wednesday, October 6, the Motley County Stamp Cancellation Project, sponsored by the Texas Plains Trail Region in partnership with the US Post Office in Matador, hosted twenty-nine 4th and 7th grade history students and their teachers from MCISD. The Postal Office was opened up to the students, residents, and guests where Postmaster Carol Taylor and assistant Rachelle Davis sold post cards and commemorative envelopes stamped with the logo of Texas Plains Trail Region and a Matador, Motley County, 2010 cancellation logo. The stamp and collectable envelopes will be available at the Post Office for 30 days.

This is the 40<sup>th</sup> Post Office visited by TPTR board officials, and according to Regional Executive Director Deborah Sue McDonald, this is the first time the group has been allowed "behind the scenes" at a local post office. "We started in Armstrong County, and have now traveled the region to 40 different towns," she said. The group has been traveling to a different city every week for the past 40

weeks. "We have 12 to go," she including the former past presi-

In a lively dialogue, Ms. Mc-Donald asked the students history questions, for example: "How many counties are in the State of Texas?" Answers ranged from 40 to 154, with a winning student hitting the mark at 254 counties. Each correct answer earned the student a key chain or a deck of playing cards. This special deck of cards from TPTR serves as a guide to help visitors find their way to some of this region's attractions, McDonald said. The cards highlight the 52 counties in the region, with information on the back of each card addressing important landmarks and facts of each county. There are 10 regions in the state of Texas. The Texas Plains Trail Region is the largest region with about 50,000 square miles.

Postmaster Taylor and Ms. Davis in partnership with the Farm Bureau furnished refreshments, serving cookies, pumpkin bread, and spiced tea to students and guests. Farm Bureau donated juice and holders to the students.

In addition to the Regional Executive Director Deborah Sue McDonald, attending were board members of the TPTR,

dent of the association Delores Mosser, Lubbock, and board members Holle Humphries, Charles Starnes, and new board member, local resident Carol Campbell.

Also attending were event sponsors Susie and Charles Starnes, owners of Pakmail, a shipping company in Plainview; and Tai Kreidler, Deputy Director of the Texas Tech University, Southwest Collection Library, Lubbock; and chair of the Motley County Historical Commission, Marisue Potts-Powell.

TPTR provided the teachers with resources for the students, including the Official Roadmap of the Texas Plains Trial Region, along with a travel guide. These guides are published and provided by the Texas Historical Commission, a leader in implementing and promoting heritage tourism efforts in Texas.

Following the Stamp Cancellation program, the group traveled to Roaring Springs for lunch at the Windmill Café, followed by a visit to Matador Ranch Lodge, and tours of Motley County Museum and Hotel Matador.

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## Hackberry Creek Care Center to host First Annual Health Fair

By Carla Meador Motley County Tribune

Come One – Come All to the First Annual Hackberry Creek Health Fair! The big event will kick off at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, October 14. Hackberry Creek Care Center is located at 805 Harrison in Matador.

Flu Shots will be available for only \$10 each. In addition to the shots, several booths will be set up providing important information, gifts and medical tests such as blood sugar and blood pressure. A free hot dog supper will given.

Some of the booths on hand at the Fair will include the American Diabetes Association, American Cancer Society, Allegiance Behavioral Health, Susan G. Komen Foundation, Hackberry Creek Physical Therapy Department and Activity Department, Motley County 4-H Club, Motley County Emergency Medical Service, Motley County Home Ec. Department, Accolade Home Care, Calvert Home Health, and Familia Dental. There will also be information available from

be served and a door prize will be the American Heart Association. Hackberry will also supply a handout with valuable 'health

Plans are to make the Hackberry Health Fair an annual event with the goal of supplying the residents of this area with important medical information, a chance to receive their flu shots and other medical tests and of course the fun of a get-together in a 'fair' atmosphere.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. You are sure to receive a warm welcome and enjoy a fun evening.

## **Association Announces** 2010-2011 West Texas A&M Scholarship Recipients

AMARILLO, TEXAS Scholarships awarded by Panhandle-Plains Land Bank for 2010-2011 were announced at the Agriculture Awards Day, September 11, 2010, on the campus of West Texas A&M University. Panhandle-Plains Land Bank makes an annual donation of \$4,000 to the WTAMU Foundation. Scholarships are to be given to existing students in the College of Agriculture, who graduated from high school in our service territory. Students are chosen by a committee from within the College of Agriculture. This year's recipients are: Kayla Shayne Kelley, Ashton Renee Cates, and Cydney Jordyn Friemel.

Ms. Kelley is a Junior, Agriculture Media and Communications major. Her parents are Kevin and Vanessa Kelley of Quitaque. She is a member of the Agricultural Ambassador group and works as editor and officer in various campus organizations. She has written articles and worked in the electronic media for various agriculture publications. Kayla's plans after graduation focus on the field of agriculture communications where she can work to share the true story of American agriculture.

Ms. Cates is a Junior Agriculture Education major from Canadian. Her parents are Lance and Dayla Cates. She is an officer in Collegiate FFA and is an Agriculture Ambassador for the college. Her future plans are to remain in the Panhandle educating folks about agriculture through the Texas AgriLife Extension ser-

Ms. Friemel is also a Junior. She is a Finance major with a minor in Agri Business. Her

parents are James and Melanie Friemel from Vega. While her roots are firmly on the farm, commodities trading may well be her future. Beginning as an intern less than a year ago, Cydney is currently a certified commodity broker for Brock Thompson Trading, LLC. Now fully licensed, she is working to build her customer base. Future plans include graduate school, perhaps an MBA from Chicago University.

All are excellent students with a strong grade point who have exhibited superior effort in and outside of the classroom. The association is proud of these individuals and wishes them well as they continue their studies. We are indeed fortunate to have West Texas A&M University in our area. This is the third year for the association's scholarship program.



Congratulating the 2010-2011 Scholarship winners are on the left; Cory Bruce, Vice President Panhandle-Plains Land Bank, Cydney Friemel, Ashton Cates, and Kayla Kelley.

## Co-host of "Cowboy Church" on RFDtv, Susie McEntire to perform in Quitaque

By Dianne Washington Motley County Tribune

The First United Methodist Church in Quitaque is sponsoring Susie McEntire in concert Tuesday, October 19, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Susie is co-host of "Cowboy Church" on RFDtv. She brings Jesus Christ to her audience in a down to earth, country style. Everyone is welcome to come, enjoy the music and fellowship and visit with Susie. There will be a love offering to help Ms. McEntire continue her music ministry. Refreshments will be served following the concert.

Susie McEntire comes from a musical family. Her older sister is Reba McEntire. Her older brother is PaKe McEntire. Raised on a ranch on Oklahoma, Susie began singing as a teenager with her brother Pake and her sister Reba as the "Singing McEntires". Susie started touring with her now country superstar sister Reba in 1980 after graduating from Oklahoma State University.

In 1984, Susie submitted to God's calling to sing Christian music. Susie directed her talents to the country gospel side of American Roots music. Susie often talks about her early Christian experiences during her concerts. She combines her wealth of songs with inspiring life stories. credits her Grandma Smith as the person who influenced her most for Christ. Grandma Smith was her babysitter while Susie's siblings were in school. Through Grandma Smith's influence Susie recognized what Christianity was all about.

Susie and her family traveled the country, but verbal and mental abuse took their toll on her marriage. After twenty five years of marriage

Susie made the choice to do what was best for her children and herself. To help others in the same situation Susie signed to be a spokesperson for the Community Learning Council, Inc. CLC is a nonprofit organization focusing on education to help prevent and stop domestic abuse.

Then a causal meeting in Oregon became a great causal friendship that turned into a marriage. December, 2009 Susie married Mark Eaton. Together Susie and Mark bring a partnership to their events. Mark joins Susie on stage to say a few words. His Seattle accent brings a great reaction from the audience. With her husband or as a solo act, Susie McEntire just keeps getting better.

Come out for a wonderful evening of music and fellowship. For more information contact Wayde Clay or Jerry Beck.

## Foothill Country

## Connections

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



By Laverne Zabielski

It's an interesting coincidence that "A Night at the Historic Motley County Jail" and the profiles for the candidates for sheriff are both featured in this weeks' paper. While the sheriffs of the past were holding outlaws at bay, the sheriff of today has a much different challenge. He may become one of the most important adults the children of Motley County will encounter.

And this interaction can alter the entire course of their life.

Parents do their best to teach their children the right thing to do, to make healthy decisions and to know where temptations live. The sheriff is often the enforcer. The sheriff is the ultimated manifestation of the fact that it takes a village to raise a child.

My greatest wish while I was raising my children was that parents would truly work together when children faced dangerous situations.

For youth, jail is not the answer. They are not outlaws in the wild west. My wish for Motley County is that a sheriff is elected who knows how to identify troubled youth and knows ways to get the school, the kids, the parents, their church and the community to work together to get these kids back on the right path.



"A Night at the Historic MC Jail and East Mound Cemetery Tour"

will feature a jail tour to meet the first sheriff of Motley County turned outlaw, Digger Dansby, an escaped convict, and the Crazy Lady. Don't forget to bring a lawn chair to the jail for the re-enactment shootout with the Windy Ridge Posse. For the "faint of heart" that do not want to ride the trailer, the tour will begin at the East Mound Cemetery Rock Arches about 7:00 p.m. This is a walking tour only. No automobiles will be allowed inside the cemetery. The East Mound Cemetery Tour will feature 10 "residents," highlighting six past sheriffs of Motley County; a district judge who served at the Joe Beckham trial introducing a Matador Ranch cowboy that was murdered in the early 1800s; the builder of the jail; the widow of the Sheriff George Cook, gunned down by Joe Beckham; and a Texas



WANTED: Jared "Desperado" White, pictured behind the bars in the historic 1891 Motley County jail. Jared will perform the character of Joseph P. Beckham, first sheriff of Motley County, turned outlaw at the jail event on Saturday. He is a member of the Windy Ridge Posse, Plainview, a re-enactment group from Plainview who will "re-tell" the story of Motley County's early beginnings at "A Night at the Historic MC Jail and East Mound Cemetery Tour."

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Saturday
October 16

Ranger.

Food Venue Begins
5:00 p.m. at Pioneer Park
Ongoing Jail Tours
5:00 p.m. (Groups of 10-12)
Photo Behind bars
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Windy Ridge Posse 6:00 p.m. (re-enactment) Hayride Trailers Load 6:30 p.m. Hayride Trailers Unload

7:00 p.m. at Rock Arches

Cemetery Tour Begins 7:00 p.m. (approximate) Cemetery Tour Ends 8:00 p.m. (approximate) Hayride Trailer Return 8:30 p.m. (approximate)

#### Pink-out Rally and Football Game to Promote Cancer Awareness

By Charli Bigham Motley County Tribune

On October 22, 2010, Motley County ISD will promote Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The Varsity Cheerleaders request that persons attending the Pep Rally on Friday wear some type of pink apparel to help show support for this just cause.

Motley County ISD classes
Pre-kindergarten – 12<sup>th</sup> will be
collecting donations in their
classrooms from October 11-October 29. The winners will be
announced November 1, 2010,
and the class to collect the most
money during that time will be
awarded a homemade ice cream
and brownie party.

At the Motley County versus Silverton football game at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, October 22, the theme will continue with various activities. At the concession stand pink snow cones will be sold. There will also be a table set up by

the concession stand selling pink Breast Cancer Awareness bracelets and pink cupcakes for \$1.00 each. Also for sale will be chances on cakes that will be raffled off at half time and these cakes will be displayed on that table.

At half-time there will be a football Pass and Field Goal competition for age groups: 5-11, 12-14, and ages 15 through adults. Tickets may be purchased for \$1.00 each to put your name into the drawing for the contest. Individuals may purchase as many tickets as they wish to go into the drawing since all proceeds will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Five participants will be selected for each age group.

For more information or questions on any of these activities please call Charli Bigham at (806) 789-3484 or Brittany Moore at (806) 789-2062.

#### RS Lions Club hears CASA speaker

By Corky Marshall Motley County Tribune

The Roaring Springs Lions Club met at the Windmill Café on Thursday, October 7, 2010, for their regular monthly meeting.

There were 11 members and two guests present. Guest, Andrew Seigrist, Motley County ISD Superintendent was inducted as a new member. Andrew holds a dual membership. He is also a member of the Matador Lions.

Janis Lawrence, Executive Director of CASA, (court appointed special advocates); an organization of volunteer advocates for children who are being abused or neglected was the guest speaker. Janis is the director for CASA in Childress, Cottle and Motley counties.

Janis emphasized the need of

adults who are willing to go to the aid of 'at risk' children in our area. Volunteers should be willing to commit to at least one year of their time; be able to interview a variety of sources; remain objective in recommendations; be able to communicate orally and in writing; be mature in dealing with emotional situations; be willing to demonstrate sensitivity to cultural and ethnic differences; be willing to go through an in-depth training program; be able to pass and extensive background check and be over the age of 21. If anyone is interested in being involved in helping children in this way they may call toll-free to 1-877-894-2272 to locate a program near you.

Six Lions went to Hackberry Creek Care Center to hold bingo games for the residents. Eleven residents participated and won quarters for Bingo!

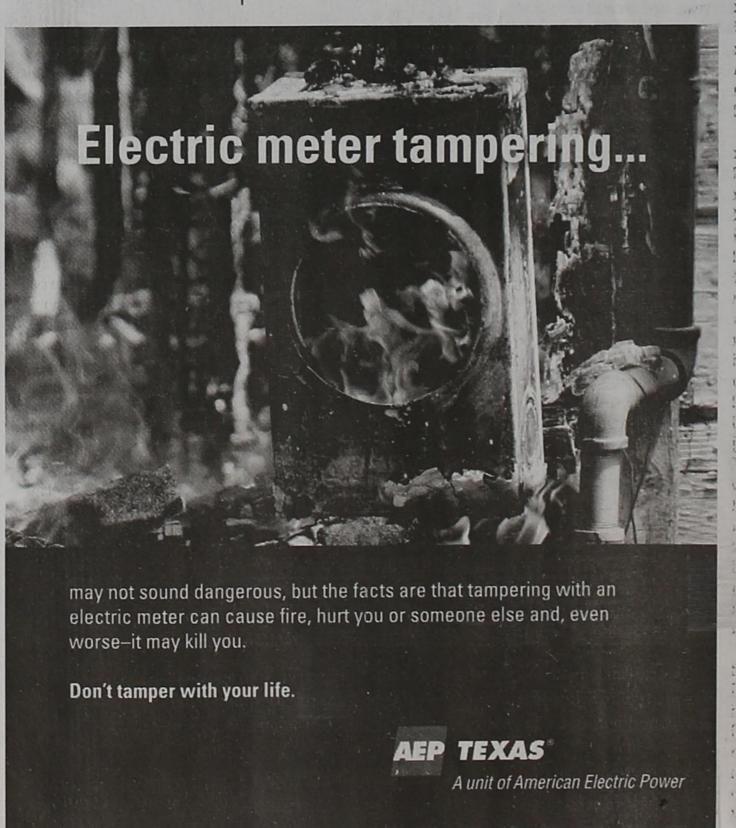
#### Letter to Editor

Dear Editor,

In re the Thursday, Oct. 7, 2010, issue's article "Let's not allow politicians and their allies to get away with misleading the voters in this election":

To begin with, no one should be basing their vote on political ads. Sound bites of that sort are geared to emotions and not facts. Secondly, while the facts of any political story should be checked and evaluated for accuracy, one should be very cautious of what "fact checkers" they go to, since the majority of "fact checkers" are biased and just as likely to distort the truth as political ads are. The two mentioned in the article, FactCheck.org and Politifact. com, both demonstrate reliably Liberal left-wing bias. I would recommend, as a balance, mrc.org (look for their bias alerts) and newsbusters. org.

Pina Sturdivant



## **Sheriff Candidate Profiles**

#### **Devin Ballard**

My interest in becoming Sheriff stems from the idea of being able to represent and serve a county I am proud to call home. My wife and I fell in love with this community when we moved here three years ago. My wife recently became the 2nd grade teacher for Motley County ISD and grew up in Andrews, TX. I have family scattered all over the West Texas area so we felt blessed to have the opportunity to move to Motley County.

I have my associate's degree in Ranch and Feedlot Operations from Clarendon College and I am currently finishing my bachelor's degree in Political Science with an emphasis in Criminal Justice from West Texas A&M University online. My career for the past five years has required me to manage wild life ranches and travel to various locations to represent a multimillion-dollar land corporation. Meeting new people and becoming involved in the local communities along the way has strengthened my public relation skills, which I have found is a must while in the public eye. This skill has helped me in countless situations such as my time spent in Southeastern Oklahoma where illegal activities occurred on and near my ranch often. While in Oklahoma, I became a Reserve Deputy to protect my employers' assets and aided in several theft, hunting, and trespassing cases. I have also organized and managed several youth hunts, promoting Jesus Christ and the great outdoors to underprivileged kids.

The duties of a Sheriff would come natural to me due to my family background. Growing up with a grandfather and father who are both Texas Game Wardens, has allowed me to witness firsthand how a law enforcement officer conducts himself. Throughout my youth, I spent many hours alongside both of them as they performed the duties of a Texas Game Warden, all the while teaching me important lessons in life and law enforcement. I have assisted my father in several undercover operations, DWIs, BWIs and illegal



fishing and hunting cases.

My goal for Motley County is to be more active in the community and work with other departments and law enforcement to deal with the county's problems. If elected, I will work with churches, schools, and other agencies to keep our youth out of trouble. I will represent and serve Motley County with professionalism, integrity, and loyalty. I feel that I am well suited to serve here, a place where a handshake and a look in the eye still exists, a place that I am passionate about caused by the closeness of the community.



#### HACKBERRYHAPPENINGS

BY CARLA MEADOR, MARKETING DIRECTOR

We are excited at Hackberry! The time has arrived for our First Annual Health Fair. Don't forget to make plans to attend. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, October 14 and continue until about 7:30 or so. We will offer flu shots for only \$10 each. Several organizations will be on hand with valuable health information. We will also have a drawing for a great door prize! Free hot dogs, free balloons and lots of fun!

You can sure tell it's Fall at Hackberry. We have been busy decorating the Center for the season. We were fortunate enough to have two Pumpkin growers in Floydada donate pumpkins to the Center. A big thank you to Assiter Pumpkins and to Memori Jackson and Janie Campbell for delivering the pumpkins. Also, a big thank you to Amado Morales in Floydada for the jumbo pumpkins. We really appreciate all of you for your generosity.

Hackberry family members met Saturday, October 2 for a Family Council Meeting. Thirteen members, one visitor and one resident attended. Members discussed several items and elected new officers as follows: Cherri Karr, President; Wayland Moore, Vice President; and Myrna Stephens, Secretary. Dalh Clower recommended levels. and Dwight Clower resigned their positions as President and Vice President/Secretary. These two men have been such a benefit to Hackberry and the Family Council; everything they have done is so appreciated.

Members of the Council wanted to express their appreciation to employees of Hackberry who work to care for their loved ones. And, they wanted to express their special appreciation to Melissa Kendall, Housekeeping Director and her staff for the excellent job they do in keeping the Center so nice and clean.

We would like to remind you of our Out-Patient Rehab and Out-Patient Lab services. Please remember our excellent Rehab department if in ing canned tuna, vegetables need of physical therapy for yourself or a loved one. We offer physical, speech and occupational therapy with an exceptional staff of therapists.

Our blood lab services are available for your convenience. Please call Amy or Cindy at 806-347-2942 for more information.

#### SENIOR HEALTH TIPS 5 Ways to Cut Back on Salt

Nearly one third of adult Americans have high blood pressure, and salty diets may be partly to blame. On average, Americans consume 3,400 to 4,000 milligrams (mg) of sodium (one of salt's main components) a day. The recommended daily intake is much lower - 2,300 mg per day at most and much less for many of us.

Processed foods, which supply 75 to 80 percent of the salt in the American diet, may be the prime culprit in our excessive salt consumption. Even those foods we do not traditionally think of as salty, such as bread, cereal, and canned beans may push us well past that reduced-fat foods, such

help you reduce the salt in your diet:

1.Know your daily recommendations: When shopping, look for foods that have less than 10 percent of your daily sodium allowance per serving. For example, if you are allowed 1,500 mg daily, choose a food with no more than 150 mg of sodium per serving. And, remember, food labels are based on a 2,300-mg per day sodium diet, but the daily recommendations for older adults, blacks and people with

hypertension is much lower

(no more than 1,500 mg per day) so be ready to calculate according to your personal recommended allowance.

2. Rinse canned foods: Rinsand other foods can help wash away salt. For example, a half cup of canned beans contains about 350 to 500 mg of sodium. Draining and rinsing beans will cut that by about one third. Other options: Look for low-sodium beans (and rinse those, too) or use dry beans, which have negligible sodium.

3.Eat in (or speak up when dining out): A recent report by the Center for Science in the Public Interest found that a single meal at a chain restaurant can have three to five days' worth of sodium for people trying to limit salt intake. Ask the chef not to use salt or MSG (a salty food additive) and request sauces on the side.

4. Choose fresh foods when possible: Food processing almost always boosts sodium. For example, a medium plain baked potato contains about 20 mg of sodium, while a medium serving of french fries has almost 10 times that.

5.When buying packaged foods, read labels to compare the sodium content of different brands. Remember as low-fat cheese, often have Here are some tips that can more sodium than the regular versions.

> Notice: Information printed in these Health Tips should in no way take the place of your physician's advice.

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#### **Robert Fisk**

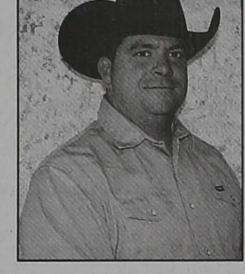
I am 35 years of age. I have been married to Christie Pierce Fisk for 15 years. We have four children Brendan 11, Dereck 8, Aidan 4, and Colter 2. We have lived in Motley County since August 2001 after I exited active duty military service. I have been in the reserves for nine years with total service of 15 years. I have served six tours of combat service in Iraq from 2003 to present. I am currently a subcontractor for Rose Construction.

During my past military service I have attended training and certification in the following areas: Ranger school, Sniper school, Scout radio and telephone operator school, armor school, advanced weaponry school, Primary leadership and Development course, Basic Non-commissioned Officer Course, Advanced Noncommissioned Officers Course; and numerous other schools and courses that I feel gives me the tactical, technical and leadership qualities to be elected sheriff.

After exiting military service in 2001 I was awarded the opportunity to be the senior drill instructor at the Parent Adolescent Center in Floydada, Texas. I was trained and certified by the state of Texas as a drill instructor in the juvenile judicial system.

1. My first goal for our county is to eliminate the growth and to bring awareness of the drug usage and abuse that has infiltrated into our communities. Our children are our future and we need to protect them from this influence that can destroy their future as well as ours.

2. My second goal for our



county would be to have the Sheriff's Office interact with the residents of the county to support and get involved with crime prevention.

3. My third and final goal for Motley County would be to bring a higher level of moral ethics such as loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal courage.



#### **Chris Spence**

I have four children, Bobby, Randall, Christie, and Elicia. I have six grandchildren. I lost my beloved wife, Linda, on December 23, 2004 to cancer. I was born and raised in Waco, Texas, and lived and worked in Fort Worth, Texas, before moving to Matador. I served in the United States Army National Guard for 22 years and retired as a Staff Sergeant. I am a Christian and attend church regularly. I purchased a home here and hope to spend the rest of my years in Motley County.

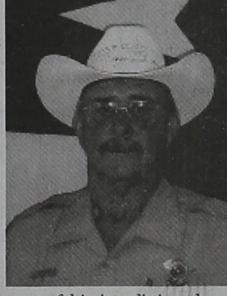
I have 29 years experience as a Texas Peace Office: I hold a Master Certificate, the highest certificate a peace office in the State of Texas can earn. I have been a Deputy Sheriff, Chief of Police, Deputy Constable, and Sheriff. I have successfully investigated a wide variety of crimes including traffic violations, theft, burglary, vandalism, narcotic violations, and murder (including infanticide). I have been featured in True Detective magazine on a major murder case in McGregor, Texas. I have dealt with the Anti-Government group called the Republic of Texas, a radical separatist organization in South Texas. As Chief of Police I created budgets and secured grants for the department. I also ran a department with ten employees.

I hold an Associate's Degree from Central Texas College. I have an instructor's certificate issued by the State of Texas and have been a teacher at two universities teaching law enforcement classes. I have met with representatives of Central Plains Center, our regional Mental Health/Mental Retardation service center, regarding available assistance to the sheriff's office in matters such as criminal activity caused by substance abuse and/ or mental health problems.

I have tried to get to know the kids here in Motley County and belong to several organizations whose purpose is to help young people. I firmly believe and teach that it is easier to stay out of trouble than to get out of trouble. As juveniles we have all made mistakes but hopefully learn from them. I do not like to incarcerate young people on minor charges. My philosophy is for me and my deputy to be a highly visible deterrent to mischief by patrolling areas where young people congregate.

Just recently I worked with the Juvenile Probation Office when juveniles damaged property. They were not incarcerated, but had to make restitution for the damages and were placed on probation with community services. I also work with Child Protective Services in matters related to child abuse and neglect, and I am aware of the services available through Central Plains Center for youth with substance abuse and/or mental health issues, including suicide preven-

As with every peace officer we strive to "Protect and Serve." Currently my major concern is the drug activity we have in this county, and one of my goals as Sheriff is to aggressively address this problem. I believe there are drugs coming in from the larger cities in West Texas, and also drugs going through the county on our highways. Past intelligence has revealed that drug traffickers are avoiding major highways and Interstates because the police have become very



successful in interdicting drugs and currency. Large amounts of drugs come up from the Mexican state of Tamaulipas via Highway 83 (which passes through Guthrie and Paducah) and onto other small, east-west roads.

I am trying to make the Sheriff's Department a more professional office. We recently redesigned our emblems and went into uniforms to make our department more professional in appearance. This was accomplished at a small cost to the county, with the help of the cities of Matador and Roaring Springs.

I will make every effort to be as frugal as I possibly can with Motley County tax dollars. Just recently I hired Deputy Chad Ware after he had completed the Law Enforcement Academy. According to South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG) this saved the county an estimated cost of \$6,736 for education and mileage to train a new officer. I also was able to purchase a new vehicle under a grant which cost the county only approximately \$50.00 over and above the grant amount.

As Sheriff I am on call 24/7 for our citizens and I will always be looking out for the safety and protection of the citizens of Motley County.

#### **Matadors** Win Big **Over Follett** Bulldogs, 74-24

By Charli Bigham Motley County Tribune

The varsity football game last Friday, October 8, ended by the mercy rule early in the third quarter. "All I have to say is that our tough preseason is starting to pay off," said Coach Bigham.

"The boys played well on both sides of the ball," he said. "We took control of the game early by being physical and never looking back. This was a much needed win before we

go into our open week." "The coaching staff would like to thank all the people involved who help support our football program," Coach Bigham said. "I would like to personally thank Anna Ortiz for her famous breakfast burritos that she and her family sent with the team and cheerleaders for the long Follett trip."

The next game will be a home game against Silverton on October 22, 2010. "This will also be a night for all the fans to come out to support us and Breast Cancer Awareness month by wearing pink to the game," he said. "The theme for the entire day will be pink and during half time there will be games to enter and participate in that will benefit the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Tickets for a chance to play will be \$1.00 per chance."

Coach Bigham encourages "everyone to come out and support the Matadors and our pink effort."

## MOTLEY COUNTY HOURS

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#### ""FAITH AND CONFLICT"



Faith identifies one as a child of God. In that identity comes conflict with the enemies of the Almighty. There will be times of conflict. In those times, men and women of faith experience a very unique comfort from God.

Faith that is tried and proven rejoices in its strength. The conviction of a Christian is renewed when faith has led to overcoming trials. We as Christians must prepare and train in dealing with conflicts. The Bible states that "faith comes by hearing the word of God." Being more than just familiar with the Bible will help us through the times of conflict.

There might be some who that view a life of faith as mundane or uninteresting. But practicing Christianity will bring about conflict. It always has and it will continue to do so. The Christian lifestyle is far from mundane.

Christians soon learn that there is a daily conflict. Why is this? Because right and wrong are always in conflict and that struggle goes on every day. Christian people know that the successful outcome of faith results in glory to our God. Through our faith comes the ability to overcome whatever may be the conflict.

**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

In the community

On Monday night, October 4, 2010, Margie Payne was tak-

en to the hospital in Crosbyton and air lifted on to the Heart Hospital in Lubbock. She returned home on Saturday. She is feeling much better.

Ginning season began on Monday October 4 here in Roaring Springs with three cotton modules being brought to the gin. Bill Luckett was the grower of the first two modules and Chancy Cruse of Clarendon was the grower of the third module. I have noticed several fields already harvested between here and Lubbock and many that have been defoliated.

Last Thursday, Janis Lawrence was the special guest at the monthly Lions Club Meeting at the Windmill Café. She brought a very informative message about abused or neglected children whose cases have to be handled in a civil court. She represented Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for children.

James and Pat Palmer of Eureka, Kansas recently bought the Joyce Smith home. James and Pat enjoyed spending several days here. Joining them for lunch on Sunday were Johnny and Tammy Palmer of Lubbock and Bob, Tricia and Shanna Spikes of Rotan, Texas, and Zella Palmer.

Audrey Jones fell and fractured her pelvis and after a short stay in the hospital in Lubbock was released and is taking rehabilitation treatments at Hackberry Creek Care Center. Her nephew, Duane Parr, checked on her and was able to get her house opened for the Motley County EMS. She was taken to Crosbyton and later transferred to Lubbock. Her niece, Joyce Meredith says she is doing

well. Roaring Springs has three new citizens. Walter Prewitt recently moved here from Florida. Walter's grandfather Bell was an early settler here. Walter lives on Argyle Street.

Steve Buckhannon and his mother Nancy Bowen are the other new residents. Nancy is the aunt of Bobby and Georgia Witcher and the sister of Miller Marshall of Spur.

On Friday evening, November 26, "An Evening with Santa" will be held in Roaring Springs. There will be crafts and train rides for the children. The name of the winner of the shotgun that the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers raffled will be drawn that evening. Of other interest, the drawing for the diamond ring that the Lions Club is raffling will be in mid-December. If you haven't bought tickets for either item now is a good time to do so.

The dates for the up-coming revival at the First Baptist Church of Roaring Springs will be November 7-November 11, 2010. Robert Malcom of Western Heritage Fellowship in Hale Center will be doing the preaching with interim pastor, Kelly Warren leading the song service. Next week there will be an ad in the paper listing the meeting times.

On Saturday, Ken and Suzanne Abbott and friends attended the Secretariat, a movie about a race horse. Secretariat won the Triple Crown in the early 1970's. The Triple Crown is given to the horse and owner who won the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness

and the Belmont horse races in one racing season.

The Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry with Franklin Graham is beginning. The pick-up date for filled shoeboxes for needy children the world over is the week of November 15-November 22, 2010. The drop off center for filled boxes from our area will be at the First Baptist Church in Floydada. They will be open from 8:30 - 5:00 p.m. and 8:30 - 1:00 p.m. on November 22. First Baptist Church in Roaring Springs will be participating and boxes may be dropped off there. We will be delivering to Floydada on November 18.

Ralph Roming attended two baseball games at the Texas Tech Red Raiders' baseball field over the weekend to see his grandson, Coby Roming of Canyon participate in a league of elite baseball players. These teams are made up of high school and junior college baseball players. The games are for the purpose of trying out before scouts from major universities and colleges. Coby's group played against teams from Clarendon Jr. College and New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell. Coby played three times but Ralph only saw the two named. Scores were not posted but Coby will be going on to Phoenix this week to play before scouts there. There will be 75 teams playing before scouts in Phoenix in 200 baseball games. Scouts will be choosing players to qualify for scholarships from prestigious schools from all over the United States. While in Lubbock, Ralph visited and attended the games with his daughter, Dian Allen and daughter-in-law Anna Beth.

Billie Stuckey returned from Flower Mound on Sunday. Billie had been keeping Leandra's older kids in school and to their various activities while Leandra took care of the new baby girl, Ella Maye. Don left to get her on Thursday. En route Don stopped in Wichita Falls to check on Mike Jones and his son, Andy Paul Jones who was seriously injured in an accident a few weeks ago. Andy Paul is now in a rehabilitation unit there and doing Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson Overheard

Most of us look at success in the same positive way. It is how we deal with our failures that determine what we get out of life.

#### **Community visits**

Visiting Mrs. B. Rogers from Sunday until Tuesday of last week was her cousin, Mrs. Alma Carter and sons, Terry and Randy Carter of Garland. Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay visited from Friday until Sunday of last week in Clifton with daughter and family, Lori and Kevon Kleibrink, Kyler and Karlee. They enjoyed the football game in which Kyler played Friday night and celebrated his 16th birthday Sunday before returning home.

Mrs. Michael (Lori) Starkey of Canyon accompanied Nada and Jack Starkey to Dallas Tuesday. After Nada had extensive medical tests at the Baylor University Hospital,

she had surgery on Thursday. The biopsy on the removed tumor returned A-Okay. They returned to their respective homes, Friday.

Mrs. Lance (Sherryll) Barclay and children, Kayla and Colton of Meadow visited Saturday and Sunday with Sandra and Jerry Barclay.

Donnie Rogers and mother, Mrs. B. Rogers met his daughter, Natalie Rogers of Williamsburg, Virginia at the Lubbock Airport Saturday morning. En route to Flomot, they visited in Kalgary with Donna Sue and Stanley Degan. Natalie will visit until Wednesday.

Wilburn Martin visited in South Plains Tuesday with Mrs. Wanda Lane and attended to business in Lockney.

Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay met daughter and family, Lori and Kevon Kleibrink, Kyler and Karlee of Clifton in Breckenridge Friday night and attended Kyler's football game.

#### Do Gooders Club reports busy fall agenda

By Earlyne Jameson Motley County Tribune

The Do Gooders Club met Tuesday afternoon, October 5, 2010, for their monthly meeting at the Community Center in Flomot.Mrs. Doris Vinson conducted the business meeting in the absence of Mrs. Waydetta Clay who had a medical checkup for recent cataract eye surgery. Mrs. Anna Beth Clay read the minutes that were approved.

The club's monthly meeting will be postponed to Wednesday, November 3 due to the political election being held Tuesday, November 2. They will meet again at the Center Friday, November 5, to make final preparations for the club's annual Bazaar, Saturday, November 6. It will be held from 9 a.m. to 4p.m. Booths are available for \$15.00. They discussed the 2011 Flomot Homecoming Butterfly designed quilt.

Hostess Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert received continuous complaints for her décor and refreshments. She presided at a table laid with a red and white gingham cloth with one of her beautiful crocheted scarves in the center. The centerpiece was a community cookie jar brightened with red tissue wrapped around and a silver bouquet encircling the neck filled with delicious cookies.

This was the hostess gift that

Mrs. Anna Beth Clay was pleased to have won when her name was drawn.

Mrs. Calvert had a Mississippi Mud cake and an Angel Food cake with strawberries and whipped cream to honor the birthdays of Mrs. Erma Washington and Mrs. Tommie Joe Cruse. Adding to the refreshments were crackers, vegetables and dips, and brownies served with peach tea and fruit punch.

Those attending were Mesdames Barbara Payne, Suzie Shannon, Doris Vinson, Anna Beth Clay, Tommie Jo Cruse, Erma Washington, Mary Jo Calvert, Kathy Shorter and Connie Franks.

By Winifred Darsey

Motley County Arts and Crafts Club met October 4, 2010, at the Senior Citizens Center at 10 o'clock for its regular meeting.

Club President Nova Dale Turner held a brief business meeting and introduced the instructor for the workshop.

Mr. Jim Roberts was the instructor for a class of working with nylon rope. It was a very interesting to view an amazing display of perfection by making something attractive and useful out of nylon rope. This is the type of rope used

by ranchers.

The club dined at noon with the senior's on a delicious meal of Mexican food. The meal was enjoyed by every-

Members present were: Dorothy Knight, Bonnie Vandiver, Vee Gordon, Nova Dale Turner, Linda Ruhr, Loretta Thompson, and Winifred Darsey.

Mrs. Joyce Meredith will teach a class on Christmas Angels for the November meeting.

See you there!



By Earlyne Jameson Motley County Tribune

Flomot will sponsor a Fall Bazaar, Saturday, November 6, at 9:00 a.m., continuing until 4:00 p.m. at the Community Center in Flomot. A large variety of arts and clothing, crafts, leather works, paintings, flea market items, food and jewelry will be available to the public. A concession stand will be serving sandwiches, taco soup, dessert goodies, soft drinks mot Community Center.

and iced tea during the day. Booths are available for \$ 15.00. For more informa-The Do Gooders Club of tion contact Kathy Shorter at 806-469-5279 or Anna Beth Clay at 806-469-5249. All members of the club are selling chances for \$1.00 or six tickets for \$ 5.00 on the Little Farm Boy designed quilt. The name of the winner will be drawn at the Bazaar and does not have to be present to win. All profits from the Bazaar and chances sold will be used for improvements at the Flo-

# Corvettes stop in Roaring Springs



Pictured is the National Corvette Restore Society, Texas Chapter, on their yearly road-trip, taking the Texas Plains Trail from south to north. The group stopped over in Roaring Springs for a delicious lunch at the Windmill Cafe with owners Deanette and Perry Gulledge. The club goes to Albuquerque, New Mexico for the Corvette Show. In the group is President of the Club, John Lejsal of Pearland, Texas. photo by Barbara Armstrong

This Week's Local Forecast

Sunday

## **ELECT** CHRIS SPENCE SHERIFF



I was deeply honored to be appointed Sheriff of Motley County, following the resignation of the former Sheriff.

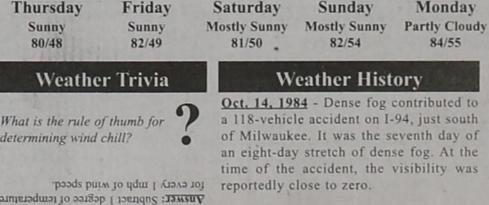
In my 29 years in Texas Law Enforcement, I have been a Deputy Sheriff, Chief of Police, Deputy Constable, and Sheriff.

I have received the Basic certificate. Intermediate certificate, Advanced certificate, Instructor certificate and the highest peace officer certification from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education, a Master Certificate (requiring 20 years service and continued training). I also served with the Texas (Army) National Guard, retiring as Staff Sergeant after 22 years of service.

In my 3 years in Motley County, I hope and trust that I have earned your confidence and support, and would appreciate your vote in the upcoming election, in order that I may serve more.

Your vote and influence are appreciated

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# Notes from the Library

By Mary Ann Potts

There's a little cold nip in the air in the evening and early morning that makes you want to curl up with a good book and a hot cup of coffee. Well I have just the place to go to get that good book! The library's new releases have just arrived awaiting to curl up with you.

Harlan Coben's 4th novel of the Myron Bolitar series, Back **Spin**, is now available. This thriller probes the disappearance of a teenager and finds the family's darkest secrets about to explode. And James Patterson is back, this time with an adult mystery thriller, Don't Blink. A New York steakhouse becomes famous because of three reasons: the food, the clientele, and now, an unbelievable murder of an infamous mob lawyer. Here's another suspense read by Robert B. Parker, *Painted* Ladies. Spencer, a security expert, is hired by an art scholar for protection during a ransom exchange. What could go possibly wrong?! And our last mystery is Danielle Steel's Legacy. A century-spanning novel weaving the lives of two women, one, a modern day writer working for Boston University, the other, a daring young eighteenth century Sioux Indian. How do these two lives intersect and why? Let's change the scenery a bit to cattle rustling Texas days with Elmer Kelton's **Texas Standoff**. The two biggest cattlemen in the area are blaming each other for mysterious cattle killings and stealings, but the rangers suspect there's another culprit in the mix. And to get you in the mood for the fast approaching holiday season there's,

Call Me Mrs. Miracle by Debbie Macomber. This is definitely a book you snuggle up with on a cold morning with a cup of hot cocoa in hand. Just let Mrs. Miracle warm your heart by mixing in a little romance for spice. And for our more serious readers there's Stephen Mansfield's and David A. Holland's The Faith and Values of Sarah Palin. Holland and Mansfield give an extensive view of Palin's faith and how it defines her and what it means for American politics and culture.

We have just received the last book of the Hunger Games Trilogy, Mockingjay, by Suzanne Collins for our young adult readers. Now that Katniss has survived two "Hunger Games" all should be safe, but they're not! No one is safe not her family, friends or the people of District 12. Will there be another "game" and who will finally Win?! We will soon find out.

We had a boisterous brown bag book discussion of Half Broke Horses by Jeanette Walls last Thursday, Oct. 7th. We not only reminisced about what our mothers and grandmothers endured during the early 20th century but what an incredible woman Lily Casey Smith was and that she was born a century too early. If you missed our last discussion, don't worry we are sure to have another in the near future. Because not only did we talk about Half Broke Horses but about all the others we want to read and recommend to others.

Lastly, on Oct. 19th the library will have new winter hours: Mon. 2 - 5 p.m., Tu-Th 12 - 5 p.m. and Fri. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.



Participants in the book discussion on October 7, 2010 of Half Broke Horses by Jeanette Walls. Standing L-R: Betty Moore, Marihelen Wason, PK Green, Marisue Powell, and Suzanne Abbott. Seated L to R: Lyn Montgomery (holding book), Freida Burns, and Joanie Stephens. Not Pictured: Mary Ann Potts.

#### First Six Weeks honor roll students to be recognized

Motley County ISD will recognize the first six weeks honor roll students by calling out their name during the High School football game on Friday, October 22nd. During time outs, dead balls, and at half time, different grade levels will be announced along with the names of students from that grade who made the A and AB honor roll. The game will start at 7:30 and Motley County will be playing Silverton.

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## County Agent's News

by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent



3rd Annual Motley 4-H **Benefit Concert and** Cook-off a Huge Success

On Saturday, October 2, 2010 the Motley 4-H Club hosted a Lonestar BBQ Sanctioned Cook-off and concert. The day was full of activities beginning with the cook-off judging at 11:00 am, a sanctioned washer pitching contest at noon and concerts starting at 5:00 pm with The Sandbillies, Southern Crossing and Trent Willmon.

On Friday, October 1, 2010 participants began pulling into the Old Settlers Grounds in Roaring Springs to try their luck at the Motley 4-H Lonestar BBQ Sanctioned Cook-Off. Eleven teams entered the competition which consisted of three categories including beans, half a chicken, pork spare ribs and brisket. Teams competing were: Clay Cooper - Matador, Tim Shannon - Matador, Joey White - Plainview, Jackie Jones

- Childress, Dalby Correctional Facility Grilling Teams 1 and 2 - Post, Royce Williams - Paradise, TX, Darrell McIntyre -Childress, Britt Pierce - Matador, Randy Wadley - Childress, and Clayt Bridge - Afton.

The cook-off judging began Saturday morning at 11:00 am with beans, chicken, ribs then brisket. Winners were; Brisket: 1st place - Clay Cooper, 2nd place - Tim Shannon, 3rd place Joey White. Ribs: 1st place -Joey White, 2nd place - Jackie Jones, and 3rd place - Britt Pierce. Chicken: 1st place - Britt Pierce, 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Joey White, and 3rd place - Royce Williams. Beans: 1st place - Larry Bond, 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Darrell McIntyre, and 3rd place - Randy Wadley. The Grand Champion Cook was Joey White and Reserve Champion was Britt Pierce.

In conjunction with the benefit concert and cook-off, the District 3 4-H Council held their Gold Star Recognition Event and Leadership Day. Youth from across District 3 came to the Roaring Springs Community Center to participate in sessions including Science, Engineering & Technology, Dancing, and Parliamentary Procedure. District 3 4-H Gold Star winners were recognized at this event and Trent Willmon gave an encouraging speech to attendees about how important 4-H is and the influence it had on his life.

The Motley 4-H Club would like to thank everyone that came out to this event and supported the 4-H club. We would also

like to thank all the volunteers that helped judge, set up, clean up and work the event.

**Texas Depart**ment of Agriculture Announces Statewide County Challenge to **Tackle Costly Feral Hog** Problem

ARLINGTON With as many

as 2 million feral hogs causing millions of dollars in urban and rural property damage

across the Lone Star State each year, the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) today challenged all 254 Texas counties to step up efforts to curb the ongoing problem and decrease the state's feral hog population.

Today in Arlington, which has been seriously impacted by feral hogs, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples read a proclamation declaring October "Hog Out Month - Get the Hog Outta Texas! Wild, feral hogs are causing tremendous damage across the landscape of Texas," Commissioner Staples said. "All Texas landowners are encouraged to step up and do their part to reduce the number of feral hogs and protect our state from further damage during Hog Out Month."

Commissioner Staples kicked off a county challenge to reduce the number of hogs by legal means. The challenge, which has recruited nearly 60 counties so far, will run through Oct. 31. A grant will be given to the counties with the most hogs removed. More details about the county challenge for Hog Out Month - Get the Hog Outta Texas! can be found at www.TexasAgriculture.gov under Most Popular Links.

"Not only are feral hogs a costly nuisance to agricultural operations and wildlife habitats, but they are increasingly finding their way into urban areas and destroying residents' yards, public parks and golf courses," Commissioner Staples said. "On my ranch in East Texas, I have eliminated a number of hogs and I am asking Texans around the state to step up and join the county challenge to learn about feral hogs and how best to legally hunt and trap them in their area. These hogs, which number in the millions and are capable of breeding twice a year, wreak havoc on property and also can pose a health threat to humans through disease and automobile accidents."

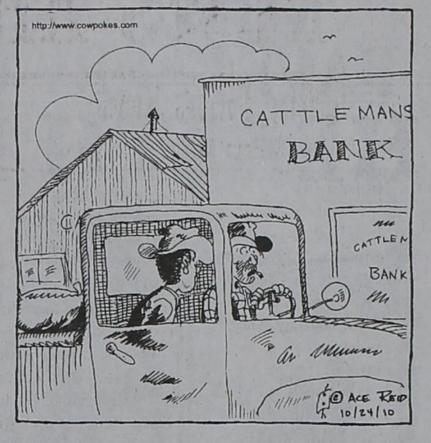
TDA works with the Texas AgriLife Extension Service to reduce the number of feral hogs in Texas, and in turn, save Texas landowners millions of dollars. Participants in educational programs on feral hog management reported a savings of \$1.7 million in the past year. Additionally, feral hog management efforts in just five months in 2010 resulted in further savcontinued on page 6



Motley 4-H Cook-off Reserve Champion - Britt Pierce

#### **COWPOKES** ®

By Ace Reid



"That bank is full of them ole' devalued dollars, I believe I'll go in and see if it's any easier to get some of 'em!"

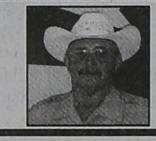
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#### Sheriff's Desk by Chris Spence

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ARRESTS: demeanor, 1; Felony, o. PAPER SERVED: District Court, 1; County Court, 0;

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Papers, o; Bailiff for Court, 3.

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ings, 18; Funeral escorts,1. CASES UNDER IN-**VESTIGATION:** Cases under investigations, o; old cases still under investigation: Allen But-

ler Gravel Pit and Cruelty to Ani-

Note: If you see someone acting with suspicious criminal behavior in our county, please contact the Sheriff's Office. I am on call 24/7 for the citizens of Motley County. For after-hours and holidays, please call the Sheriff's Office phone number, and it will be forwarded to my cell phone number. I still have the same number by calling

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Motley 4-H Cook-off Grand Champion - Joey White

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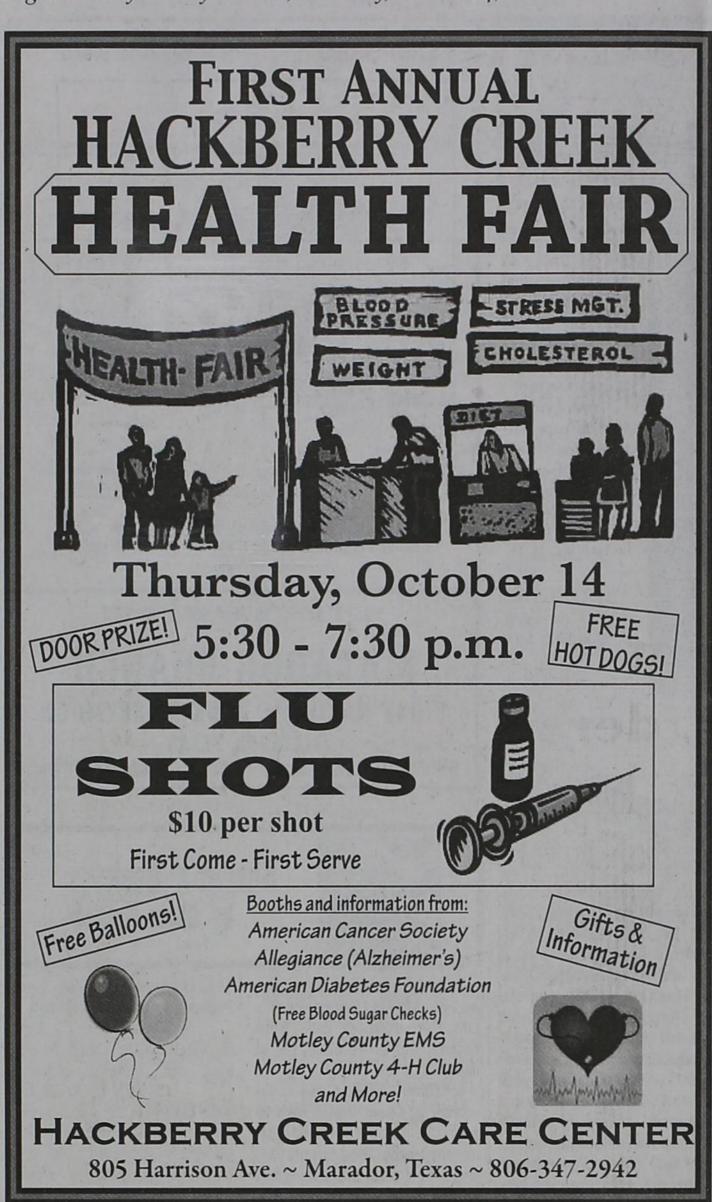
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## County Agent News continued from page 5

ings of \$1.58 million in damages averted, reflecting a conservative estimated return of \$20 in savings for every \$1 invested.

According to Billy Higginbotham, Texas AgriLife Extension Wildlife Specialist, feral hog damage can be successfully managed and significantly reduced. Through vigilance and by working together, both urban and rural landowners can initiate efforts at first signs of feral hog damage, thereby making a noticeable difference.

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service provides landowners information on the best feral hog management practices available. Landowners are encouraged to call their local AgriLife Extension Agent for information on feral hog control measures.

For questions regarding your local county's participation in this the statewide county challenge, contact your county of-

#### Texas Feral Hog Facts (source: Texas AgriLife Extension Service)

Feral hogs cause an estimated \$400 million in damages annually.

There are an estimated 2 million feral hogs in Texas. Feral hogs are predators of lambs, kid goats, baby calves, newborn fawns and ground-nesting birds, and compete for food and space with many native species of wildlife.

Feral hogs commonly destroy urban yards, parks and golf courses, as well as rangeland, pastures, crops, fencing, wildlife feeders and other property. Additionally, they contribute to E. Coli and other diseases in Texas streams,

ponds and watersheds.

Vehicle collisions with feral hogs cause an estimated \$1,200 in damage per collision, and create safety hazards for those involved.

#### **Motley County Taking Part** in TDA Feral **Hog Abatement Grant Program**

The Texas Department of Agriculture has implemented the Feral Hog Abatement Program in which counties compete for grant money.

The program is designed to encourage counties across the state to make a concentrated and coordinated effort to reduce the feral hog population and damage caused by these animals during the month of October 2010.

Participating counties will be required to document the following results for the period of October 1, 2010 through October 31, 2010:

Number of feral hogs taken in the county, as certified by the

Number of participants at a

TDA-approved educational program about feral hogs Number of acres in the county

that landowners will commit, in writing, to allow access by county trappers or Wildlife Service Specialists for the purpose of removing feral hogs.

Based on the criteria above, awards will be made in the form of a grant that the county will be able to use on feral hog abatement related expenditures during the 2011 calendar year. Awards will be made as follows: The highest scoring county will be awarded \$25,000; the second highest will be awarded \$15,000; and the third highest

will be awarded \$10,000. Additionally, the county that has the largest contiguous tract of land that owners will permit approved trappers to access will be guaranteed to have WS Specialists conduct removal services. A project manager has been appointed, Mr. James Gillespie will assume the duties of manager. It will be his responsibility to certify kills in Motley County.

In order to certify hogs killed, a "drop bucket" will be placed at Matador Motor for area residents. If you kill a hog in the month of October, cut the tail off and drop it in the bucket. For every hog removed, Motley County will be awarded 1/2 point. If you trap hogs for removal, contact Mr. Gillespie to certify the number of hogs removed.

As a part of the Hog Abatement Program, Texas AgriLife Extension and Texas Department of Agriculture will host an educational meeting on October 26, 2010 at the Motley County Library Annex Building. Speakers will include Rick Gilliam, Texas Department of Agriculture and Ryan Martin, Texas AgriLife Extension Service.

The educational program is a very important part of the Abatement Program as number of attendees weighs heavily on the overall results for the contest. "We need everyone to come out to the educational program so to get the most possible points," said Ryan Martin. A total of 2 CEU's will be offered at the program along with a catered meal. For more information, contact the Motley County Extension Office at 806-347-2733 or Mr. James Gillespie at 806-269-2214.

# Devin J. Ballard for Motley County Sheriff



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Most of you know that I am a write-in candidate. If you have any questions or if assistance is needed to use the electronic ballot machines, do not be afraid to ask.

Remember that early voting starts Monday, October 18th and ends four days before election day which is November 2nd.

## Texas FFA officers visit

By Jim Cooper Motley County Tribune

Texas FFA President Mason Parish of Caney Creek FFA Chapter, First Vice-President Daylon Koster of Cedar Park FFA Chapter, and Vice-President Gavin Luckett of the Valley FFA Chapter visited Motley County High School on Monday October 4th. The officers gave an outstanding presentation to grades 8 - 12 on the importance of keeping a positive attitude in school, at home, and on the job. The President and First Vice-President will spend the year traveling and meeting with school groups, business and industry leaders, representatives of foreign governments, and state and national lawmakers to promote FFA and Texas Agriculture.



Pictured with the Texas FFA Ford F-150 which will travel approximately 150,000 miles this year carrying the State Officers are the 2010-2011 Motley County FFA Officers; (L-R) Christian Brooks, Daylon Koster, Braden Mason, Gavin Luckett, Lexi Osborn, Jaci Zingerman, Mason Parish, Leanne Jameson, and Keyan Kautz.

## Stamp Cancellation event attended by 4th and 7th graders



Pictured with Regional Executive Director of TPTR Deborah Sue McDonald and postal employees Rachelle Davis and Carol Taylor are the 4th and 7th grade history students at Motley County ISD who attended the commemorative stamp cancellation event at the Postal Office in Matador on October 6, 2010. The event was hosted by Postmaster Carol Taylor and assistant Rachelle Davis.

## Early voting begins October 18 Election day November 2

## Making art at MCISD



Freshmen, Gaby Santos, Shayla Clay, Virginia Gutierrez Putting up decorations made in their art class for halloween on the teacher's doors. photo by Walter Taylor

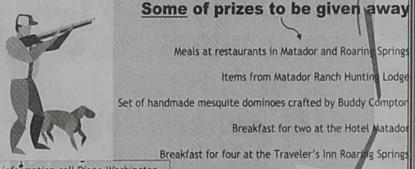
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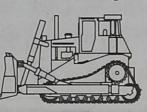
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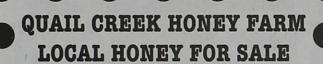
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