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Large attendance for Homecoming



Pictured is David Stafford and Barbara Waybourn West, registering at the recent Homecoming Ex-students and Teachers Association meeting on September 18, 2010. One hundred fifty-seven ex-students and family members traveled from one foreign country and eight states to celebrate reunions with classmates and friends.

photo by Carol Campbell

nia; Doris Cooper Corkins, and Jan Barton Hamilton, Colorado; Clyde and Sue Lancaster, Arizona; Charlotte Johnson Sweet and family from Arkansas; James Garth, New Mexico; and, Carl and Ranae Thompson, Utah.

Exes living in Lubbock who were in attendance were: Gerald and Penni Pipkin, Harry and Fran Campbell, J. D. Payne, Rosemary Shanks Webb, Harry Hamilton, Don Keith, and James and Earle Brooks Price.

Amarillo exes attending were: Dahl and Delores Clower, W. F. McCaghren, David and Marilyn Rattan, Alvin and Nadyne Lynn, Jimmy and Barbara Waybourn West, Ronnie and Paula Pallmeyer Welling, Roddy and Leveta Klinnert, Cheryl Stegall Gipson, and Linda Manning Loper.

Attending from Plainview were: Pete Chambliss, Linda Chambliss Tiffin, Don and June Spray Wason, and, Doc and Mary Helen Stephens Cross.

Local residents present from Matador, Roaring Springs, Flomot, Northfield, and Afton included: Charlie and Opal Johnson, Dorothy Henderson Day, Bobby and Jeannie Watson Williams, Herb and Evelyn Shelton Smallwood, Marge Edwards, Jim Watson, Rodger Evans, Mae Martin Thomas, Carla

Meredith Meador, Debra Garrison Scott, Brittany Moore, Tom and Deanie Lynn Edwards, Carol Campbell, Deb Stockton Spray, Ed D. and Pat Smith;

James Bearden, Guy Campbell, David Stafford, Stan and Dorothy Traweek Hanesworth, Roy and Frances Hobbs, Lucretia Estes Campbell, Stan and June Barton Levell, Ron and Kay Rattan Bailey, Judy Hart Renfro, Pat Briscoe Warren, Ellis and Leona Martin Terry, June Pope Moss, Winifred Estes Darsey, Mary Murphy Jones, Garland and Judy Murphy Cartwright, Kelly and Penni Marshall Keltz, Kenny and Olivia Campbell Barton, Bundy and Dixie Campbell;

Kim Fletcher, Tina Cummings Brooks, Robert Cooper, Darrell and Brenda Wason Cruse, Betty Davis Simpson, and Robin Darsey.

Traveling "home" from other parts of Texas were: Aylene Dees Taylor, Savoy; Kent and Melba Gray, Robert Lee; Bill and Karen Crenshaw, Happy; James and Gladys Springer McDonald, North Richland Hills; Gail McWilliams King, Frisco; Murrell and Belle Latimer, Flower Mound; Wilburn Terry, OnAlaska, Walter and Kay Phillips Skinner, Quitaque; Norman Spray, Bedford;

Sue McCaghren Scott, Pal
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MCISD cheerleaders reach for the sky



Cheerleaders, Kyla Simpson, Alyx Smith and Leanne Jameson, toss Macie Marshall into the air at a combined High School and Jr High pep rally.
photo by Walter Taylor

By Ron Bailey

One hundred fifty-seven Matador/Motley County ex-students and family members made their way "back home" to Matador to celebrate Homecoming on September 17-18, 2010. They came from one foreign country, Japan,

and eight different States including Texas, New Mexico, Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, California, Utah, and Hawaii.

Coming all the way from Japan was Scott Harp, who joined his father, Bob Harp from Hawaii. John Shanks, and, Donald and Alice Locke Cobbs, represented Califor-

Motley County ISD a Community Project, Now and Then



Pictured is Charlie and Opal Johnson accepting a golden football award from Homecoming co-president Ron Bailey for Johnson's outstanding football success during the late '50s and early '60s.
photo by Carol Campbell

Editor's Note: A special presentation by Homecoming 2010 co-president Ron Bailey to Charlie Johnson, former history teacher, principal, football coach, and superintendent, highlighted his long career with Matador/Motley County.

"Coach Johnson never lost a district game," Bailey said, adding, "he won six district championships in a row, four bi-district games; and three regional games, which was as high as the team could advance in Class B, 11-man football in the 1950s and

early '60s," he said. The 1960 team and 1962 team under the leadership of Johnson were undefeated, Bailey said. Johnson retired as superintendent in 1986. He was presented with a gold football with a plaque, followed by an emotional, heart-

warming, finally humorous "thank you" to the ex-students. Johnson graciously recognized "the man who was always there for me," Coach Jake Edwards, who "sent it all my way," he said.

The following article is a reprint from the *Amarillo Daily News*, Thursday Morning, November 12, 1964.

Matadors' Football Record Is a Community Project

By Tommy Bryant

Football at Matador is a community affair

From town citizen to football coach to football player, success is an old story.

Matador High School has been district champion eight times since 1954, bi-district winner seven times and six years has captured the regional title. Class B teams play only to the regional level, so six times the Matadors have advanced as far as rules will allow.

Since 1954, the Matadors own a 98-18-4 record against all competition. Class A and AA teams have handed Matador 13 of the 18 defeats.

Playing against Class B foes, the Matadors have rolled up a 78-5-2 mark, while scoring 36.7

points per game and allowing 8.7. Against all comers, Matador has scored 32 points per game and given up 10.5.

Only three times since 1954 has Matador been shut out. Crowell blanked the Matadors in 1954. Turkey turned the trick in 1958 and Paducah shut them out in 1959.

Ray Hopkins, now coach at Perryton, was guiding the Matadors when they won the regional championship in 1954. He left after the 1955 season and C. D. Bradshaw coached for three years.

Charles Johnson, Matador High School principal has been head coach since 1959. He is seeking his sixth consecutive district championship. The Matadors have a 6-0-1 record for the year and stand 1-0 in

District 6-B.

Johnson's overall record is 53-8-3. He has a 41-4-2 mark against Class B teams, including three regional championships. The last loss to a Class B team came in Nov. of 1961.

Football success usually is the result of superior material or superior coaching, or both. Johnson says he certainly isn't a superior coach. In fact, he has tried several times to resign his position to devote full time to his principals' duties. The town's citizens won't hear of Charlie leaving his football post.

The Matador coach points to factors other than his coaching for success.

"Good football players help win about as much as anything," says modest Charlie.

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Foothill Country

Connections

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



By Laverne Zabielski

This year Motley County citizens will have an opportunity to elect their sheriff. This is the time to be thinking about what qualifications a sheriff must have. Experience is important, as well as integrity. The sheriff is someone you expect to respect your confidentiality.

There are three candidates;

incumbent, Chris Spence, Robert Fisk and Devon Ballard.

We will be asking these candidates the following questions:

Tell us something about yourself and family.

What experience do you have that you feel qualifies you to be elected sheriff?

What experience do you have dealing with youth and the law?

In dealing with drug and alcohol abuse, especially with youth, what do you believe is more important: treatment and rehabilitation or incarceration?

Candidates want to talk about their ideas for Motley County. Be sure to take this time and ask questions.

WRITING COMMUNITY

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

October 16, 2010

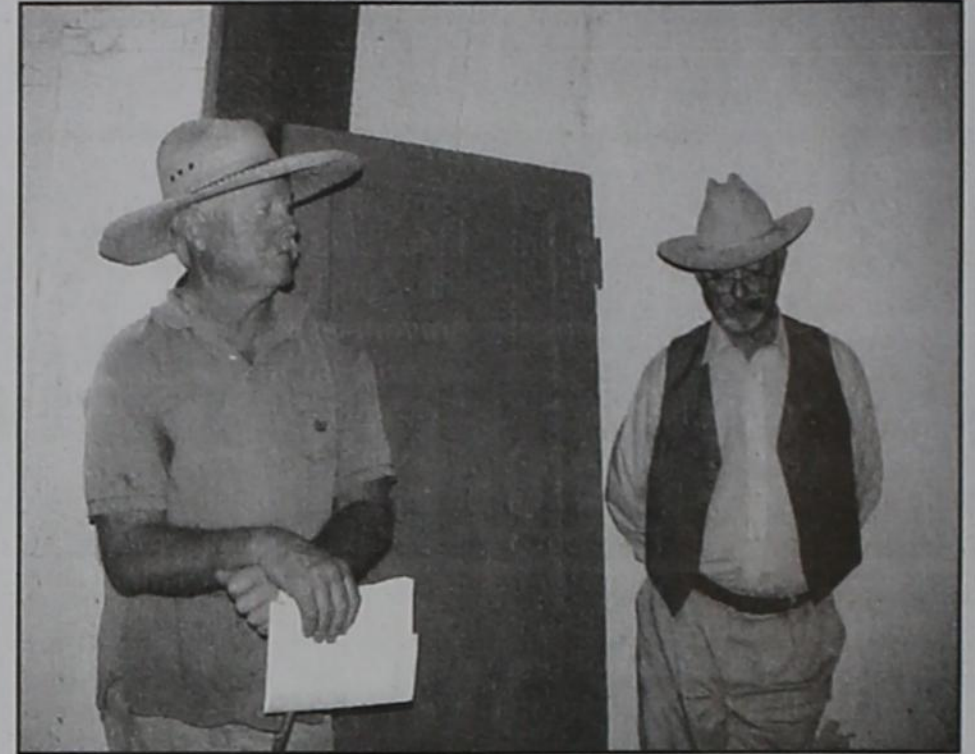
Editor's Note: The historical accuracy of this character has never been proven, but the legend lives on. Excerpts were taken from "Cow Country" by Tanner Laine, Pioneer Book Publishers, Inc., Hereford, Texas, 1969; and "Of such as These, A History of Motley County," Eleanor Mitchell Traweek, 1973). This character will be featured in the upcoming historic jail and cemetery tour, sponsored by the Friends of the Historic Motley County Jail on October 16, 2010.

until I made my escape. "Some people think I am just a figment of some writer's imagination, but I'm here to tell you that I was real; and I was a prisoner in this here jail back in them early days, about 1890, or thereabouts, they say. Right off, you need to know that I was wrongly accused of murder. I was an innocent man. I got the draw on a cowpoke from the Jingle Bob who was drunk and pulled a gun on me one Saturday night. It was self-defense, pure and simple.

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

"My name is "Digger" Dansby, and I had the longest incarceration in the Motley County Jail that was "never" recorded. That was a little joke, you might say. But if you don't believe me, look at these here slash marks on the wall, one slash for every day I was here, and then count 'em. Yep, I nearly rotted in this here jail

"But the judge and jury saw different, and they sentenced me to hang. I would've had the distinction of being the first one to try out them hanging gallows at the old jail. I had to look at them gallows every day, waitin' to meet my maker. I was on death row for more than a year, and I can tell you that works on a man's mind. But I got work and two squares a day . . . well, really, I wouldn't call them squares. I got beef jerky for dinner and something between a biscuit for supper. On special days,



Jesse Perkins (left), a "witcher" in real life, will play the part of Digger Dansby at the jail on the night of the tour. A dress rehearsal September 25 held at the jail, followed by a hayride to the cemetery, included 10 of the 13 volunteers who will play historical characters at the event on October 16, 2010. photo by Carol Campbell

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Opinion Editorial

America's Bounty

It's officially fall – the time of year when the weather starts to cool, leaves begin to change and, for America's farmers, harvest is in full-swing.

For the 98 percent of American's who are not directly involved in the agriculture industry, the 24/7 life of a farmer or rancher may go unnoticed.

But, if you are reading this article, thank a tree producer for the paper and a soybean producer for the ink. If you are enjoying a cup of coffee, glass of milk, a bite to eat while you read, thank a farmer or rancher. When you dress for work or play – you guessed it – thank the 2.2 million Americans involved in production agriculture.

It's because of these individuals that we enjoy the basic necessities of life – food, clothing and shelter – in abundance and at a lower percentage of our expendable income than anywhere else in the world.

Nowhere, but in the United States, is such a wide variety of food available to everyday consumers. It's important to consider the farmers, ranch-

ers and growers who work day in and day out to produce a plentiful, safe, affordable supply of food, fiber and fuel.

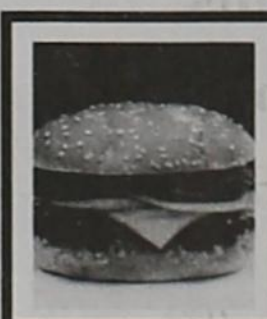
To bring the perspective closer to home, Motley County's 229 farms comprised of 574,812 acres of land produce agriculture products with a market value of more than \$16 Million contributing significantly to the county's economic infrastructure. Farms and ranches in Motley County produce Cotton, Livestock, Wheat for Grain, Wheat for Grazing, and Haygrazer.

So this week, as you visit the grocery store, a restaurant, farmer's market or sit down to a meal with family and friends, I ask that you join my colleagues and me at the U.S. Department of Agriculture in thanking America's farmers and ranchers. I'm certain they will be grateful to know that their fellow citizens appreciate their role in making America a truly great nation.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy A. Hackler
County Executive Director
Motley County Farm
Service Agency

The Basic Necessities of Life



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Clothing

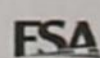


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like holidays, I got chili and beans.

"On my best days, the settlers would slip me a biscuit to show their appreciation for finding water on their God-forsaken land. Ya' see, I was a "witcher;" and for the unenlightened, that is a gift from my father and his father before him. I can find water on the desert.

"Yes siree, give me a forked willow or peach tree branch, and I can find water every single time. Now, I have to cut my own branch, and it needs to be fresh. Not just any ol' branch will do. You need a Y-shaped willow branch, a salt cedar branch will work just fine, and the length has to be just right.

"The two ends on the forked side are held one in each hand with the stem of the Y pointin' straight ahead. Then I walk slowly over the place where I suspect water is hiding under the ground, and my branch dips and twitches when it finds water. Like I said, it's a gift.

"Since I was the only one in the county that could find water, I was in high demand by the settlers moving into these parts by the droves. They was stakin' claims all over the place and building them awful dugouts. I got a reputation, so the sheriff kept postponing my hangin' while the sod-busters just kept on comin'.

"I don't know the exact

year, but Motley County was bustling with activity. Joe Beckham, the first sheriff and tax collector for the county was cleaning up the town, arresting his former buddies from the Matador Ranch for getting' drunk and shootin' up the town on Saturday night. I felt like shootin' those fool drunk cowboys myself. When they started sobering up the next day they was madder than hell. This was a wild place back then. Course, I didn't kill nobody 'cept in self defense, but if I did, I would shoot a stinkin' drunk cowboy any day.

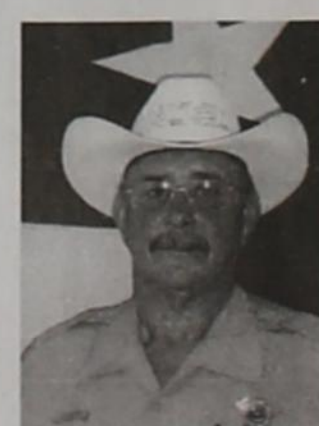
"Anyways, Joe's deputy's kept lettin' me out of jail to find water for one settler or another. I was in high demand back then. I guess you could say I was Motley County Jail's first jail "trustee."

"On one of those outings in Cottle County, I happened to look up from down in the well and my eyes fastened on a rope, pulley and frame that already had been provided for the well. I looked up, and I knew what my fate was going to be. I climbed out of that well jumped on my horse and made tracks, as they used to say.

"Yep, walked right off. They didn't notice for a good while, and when they did, I was long gone. I kept traveling west until Texas was long gone. I found a new life, a new name, and lots of wells to dig. I had the gift, no doubt about it.

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MCISD a Community Project

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In recent years, such players as Frank Thrasher (West Texas State), Richard Stafford (Texas Tech), Dayton Graham (West Texas State) Gale Stafford (TCU) and Alvin Lynn (West Texas State) have earned college scholarships.

This season, Johnson has several good individual players. Richard Campbell, 6-1-1/2, 212-pound fullback is probably the top college prospect. Several Southwest Conference schools already have made inquiries as to his ability.

There are factors outside of Matador High School which help.

Forrest Campbell is one of many citizens who give freely of his time in helping the football team. Forrest's job is to keep statistics of each game and send a report of the team's complete statistics to area newspapers each week.

"Lions Club members take some of the lead off the school by taking tickets at the game and selling programs," says Campbell. "Members of the club drive the players to out of town games. By using six to eight cars instead of a school bus, travel can be faster and easier on the players."

Campbell pointed out that the club members make every effort to help the team without interfering with the schools or Coach Johnson's running of the team.

The Matador VFW chapter also helps with football and runs the summer baseball program. Campbell says that Johnson

puts the shoe on the other foot in the summer by doing the dirty work in the baseball program, such as cutting weeds around the field.

Hopkins, Johnson and Campbell give a great deal of credit for the football success on the high school level to elementary school principal Jake Edwards.

Edwards, who has been coaching grade school football in Matador since 1950, not only is skilled in teaching fundamentals, but makes the game fun for his youngsters.

Matador, a ranching community, has a stable population. The seven seniors on this year's football team started to school together in the first grade.

Johnson doesn't have a football factory.

"The kids either want to play the game, or I don't let them." He says. "None of the boys are pressured into playing. Nine of the 27 boys in high school don't play football."

Johnson says that the Matadors don't leave any games on the practice field. He believes that a team is either ready after Wednesday for a Friday game, or it won't be ready. The Matadors drill for two hours Monday through Wednesday, but Thursday's drill lasts only one hour, counting the time needed for changing in and out of uniforms.

"Our boys are accustomed to winning" says Johnson. "It's a sort of pride. It's easier to keep winning than to start."

Home-coming

Continued from page one

Pohl Limmer, Snyder; Andy Fish and family, Tyler; Glenda Lynn Martin, Dumas; Gail Lynn Noland, Gainesville; Lonnie and Mary Ann Lynn, Childress; Grant Johnson, Canyon, Rocky and Carolyn Perkins Lucas, Ransom Canyon; Glynda McWilliams Groves, Abilene; Annette McWilliams Wilkerson, Kemp; Ouida McWilliams Moore, Georgetown; Mary Tipton Crider, Odessa; Max Barton, Trophy Club; McElton and Jerri Brooks Skaggs, Palo Pinto; Mary Ann Woosley Edwards, Tahoka; Grady Phillips, Quitaque; Cherri Barton Karr, Whitney; Lynda Elliott Fogerson, Anson; Roger and Laura Jacobs Wallace, Midland;

Cindy Johnson Riggins and family, Vernon; Terry and Toni Thomas Keltz, Brady; Jim, Elena, and Jasmine Irwin, San Antonio; Glen Moss, Seymour; Mark Thompson, Crystal City; Joanne Darsey Stevens, Dallas, Kenneth Davis, Pottsboro; Dorothy Wason Schweitzer, Floydada; and, Albert Cook, Vernon.

If your name is not on this list, please let us know. We want to include everyone who was here sharing in this special time together.

HACKBERRY HAPPENINGS

BY CARLA MEADOR, MARKETING DIRECTOR

Hackberry will host a Family Council Meeting, Saturday, October 2, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The family council meeting is a time for family members, volunteers and others concerned with Hackberry and its residents to come together and discuss concerns and work for resolutions and improvements.

Family Councils play a crucial role in voicing concerns, requesting improvements, supporting new family members and residents and supporting facility efforts to work for high quality of care and life in the facility.

Hackberry Creek Care Center prides itself in the quality of care provided for our residents, our wonderful facility, and the loving and caring staff we have. We encourage family members to become an active part of the Council and attend these meetings. Refreshments will be served.

We are excited about the things going on at Hackberry. On Tuesday a group of residents and staff traveled to Lubbock to attend the South Plains Fair. The residents enjoy the fair, seeing the items on display in the merchant buildings and the yummy fair food. Each resident had a staff member to aid them in 'rolling' around the fairgrounds. What a wonderful day for a "fiesta" as Mrs. Leal put it. We agree, Mrs. Leal. A fun "fiesta" for all!

We are continuing plans for our upcoming Health Fair to be held Thursday, October 14. Don't forget to put this

event on your calendar. You will not want to miss it. Flu Shots, blood sugar checks, blood pressure checks, gifts, valuable information and a hot dog supper are just part of the great things planned for our First Annual Hackberry Health Fair. The Fair will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Another fun thing we are planning for our Hackberry residents is a "Circus Day". We haven't set the date yet, but are tentatively planning it for sometime around the end of October. All kinds of games and good food are planned for our residents to have a great fun-filled day.

SENIOR HEALTH TIPS Dementia

(continued from last week)

Prevention of Dementia:

Lifestyle measures, such as weight control and exercise, may help forestall the development of vascular dementia; however, most types of irreversible dementia are not preventable.

Drinking alcohol in moderation and eating a balanced diet may help prevent some reversible forms of dementia.

Diagnosis of Dementia:

Diagnosis is based on patient history (including information from family members) and clinical evaluation. Tests of mental status, including reasoning ability, short-term memory and handling complex tasks, are also given.

Blood tests are used

to identify potentially reversible causes of dementia.

How to Treat Dementia:

for reversible dementia, a physician may alter a patient's medication regimen to remove any medications that may be causing symptoms.

Underlying disorders, such as depression or vitamin B12 deficiency, that may cause reversible dementia should be treated.

The drugs donepezil or rivastigmine improve cognition in about 30 percent to 60 percent of patients with mild to moderate dementia.

Most types of dementia are incurable, and the goal of treatment is supportive care, which includes counseling, day care, home health care, and in-patient nursing facilities.

When to Call a Doctor:

Consult a doctor if you or a family member shows an increasing decline in cognitive abilities or if a person with dementia has a sudden deterioration in their level of functioning.

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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

On a personal note

How nice to wake up to cool weather. It really revs one up and gives energy to start new projects; I'm not saying my projects will ever be finished because I am a good starter but not so good a finisher! I do have a whole list of 'need to's' however.

From the community

Annette Hollinsworth called this morning to report that she and Pam Newman had attended the Summit Relay For Life event held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel near DFW International Airport. There were Relay For Life representatives from all over the United States including Alaska and Hawaii. Pam Newman was honored by being chosen one of two Heroes of Hope for the Panhandle Region. The Panhandle Region covers all of the panhandle, the south plains and the rolling plains of Texas.

Congratulations to Pam and thank you for all you have done for the American Cancer Society in Motley County and this region.

Annette Hollinsworth went from the meeting to Grapevine to visit her daughter Pamela and her grandchildren, Katie and Will. She returned to Roaring Springs on Monday.

Ralph Roming attended the wedding of his grandson, Taylor Allen in Amarillo on Saturday.

Don Stuckey returned

home on Sunday from Flower Mound, Texas. He and Billie have been there for the birth of their newest grandchild, Ella Maye Harris. The baby and her mother Leandra Harris are both doing fine. This is the Stuckey's third grandchild. Billie is staying over a few more days to do the grandma thing, though she is Gram not Grandma!

Kenneth Ashley returned home last Thursday. He flew home from California accompanied by his son, Larry Ashley and granddaughter, Julie Ann. They visited with family members here before returning to California on Saturday afternoon. Kenneth said he was glad to be home to Roaring Springs where he can get out and drive and enjoy the beautiful country side.

The First Baptist Church plans to hold a revival for November 7th through November 10th. Brother Robert Malcomb, pastor of Western Heritage Fellowship in Hale Center will be preaching. Our interim pastor, Kelly Warren will lead the singing.

Annette Hollinsworth said the Motley County Relay For Life group will be meeting sometime in October to appoint new committee members. Anyone interested in being involved with Motley County Relay Life is welcome to come and become a part of this vital group. It's fun and does so much for our community's cancer patients. I will report the exact date and place for this meeting when it is set.

Overheard

A friendship can weather most things and thrive on thin soil; it needs a little mulch of letters, phone calls and small silly presents every so often, just to save it from drying out completely!

Martin family reunion

The descendants of John Martin and Patricia Hill Martin who moved to Texas in 1830 and then traveled in covered wagons to northwest Motley County in 1891, held their annual reunion Saturday afternoon, September 25, at the Community Center in Flomot. Historical stories were related. Old family photographs were passed around helping members to remember or find out who were in the pictures!

They enjoyed snacks and around 6:00 p.m., Diane and Seab Washington who hosted the reunion, served hamburgers with all the trimmings.

Those attending were Jim Martin of Brownfield, Jody James of Floydada, Eldon and Gwen Martin of Lubbock, Dwayne and Delores Martin of Petersburg, Kay and Leo Phillips, Earl and Alice Fay McDonough and Chris Phillips of Plainview, Travis and Linda Kendall, Wilburn Martin and

Tim and Melissa Kendall, Jere and Jacob of Flomot.

Coy Franks and Connie Franks visited in Idalou Saturday with sons and families, Cary and Mary Franks, Cory and Amy Franks, Madison, Hudson and Heston. The families enjoyed attending a Flag Football game held in Lubbock in which Hudson competed.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse of Turkey visited Mrs. B. Rogers, Sunday and brought a savory lunch for them.

Visiting the weekend with Jack and Nada Starkey were Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis and Michael and Virginia Davis of Fritch.

Visitors Sunday of Ruth and Orville Lee were son and wife, Joey and Brenda Lee of Clarendon.

Mrs. Kathy Shorter visited from Thursday until Saturday at Lake Kiowa with granddaughters, Emily and Haley Milam. Their parents, Christie and Dwain Milam were in Houston where he attended a Superintendent Faculty Seminar.

Pepper Jones of Austin has been in Flomot attending to his agricultural interests. He visited in Quitaque with his mother and husband, Ann and Buster Chadwick.

Matador News

Mrs. Leo (Joy) Archer is a patient at Mangold Hospital in Lockney. She was listed in serious condition at news time.

Russell Tippin, grandson of former resident Joanne Dickson, was recently named Chief Executive Officer of the Permian Regional Medical Center in Andrews, Texas. Tippin is a graduate of Howard Payne University in Brownwood with a business degree and later attained his master's degree in business administration and health care administration. Russell and his wife, Lisa, and children, Tucker, 6, and Macy Rose, 5, will move to Andrews from Fort Stockton, where he managed the hospital there for several years. (Andrews County News, Thursday, September 9, 2010, Vol. 76, No. 203)

Gail Lynn Noland was a guest of Tom and Deanie Edwards for the homecoming weekend and Glenda Martin was a guest of Judy Renfro.

Tom Edwards picked Marguerite Edwards up from Hackberry Creek Care Center and brought her to homecoming registration so she could visit with old friends and former students. Marguerite will be 97 next month.

Tom Edwards was in Lubbock most of last week. He had emergency surgery to repair a detached retina. This will require him being down for about two weeks. He will return this week for post-op

checkup.

The class of 1960 had a wonderful 50th reunion. Andy Fish, a classmate from Tyler, Texas, returned to Matador to the reunion for the first time since graduation and the class was delighted to see him. His son, Richard accompanied him and his daughter, Lissie, and her husband arrived on Friday evening to join us also. We were so glad to meet all of them. Friday at noon some of the class members met at Sr. Citizens for lunch and at Jan Hamilton's for pre-game visiting, attended football game until halftime, and then on to Ed D and Pat Smith's for an evening of visiting, picture taking and reminiscing. Alice Faye Locke-Cobbs, who left Matador after the fourth grade, returned from California to join the class for the first time. Hal Dean Hines, a former classmate from Sunnyvale, Texas, joined us for the first time. Roddy Klinnert and Dahl Clower, former classmates from Amarillo, also joined us. The class enjoyed an afternoon gathering at the Sr. Citizen's building hosted by the class of 1959. Kay and Ronald Bailey hosted a Saturday evening gathering for the class and Tom and Deanie Edwards and Frances Hobbs (honorary class member) hosted a breakfast Sunday morning at the Library Annex before everyone had to leave.

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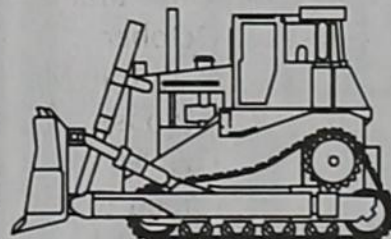
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Five of the seven Lynn children that attended the reunion this year. Back Row: Daphene (Deanie) Lynn Edwards, Gail (Lynn) Noland, Gainesville, Glenda (Lynn) Martin, Dumas. Front Row: Alvin Lynn, Dumas, and Lonnie Lynn, Childress.

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By Mary Ann Potts

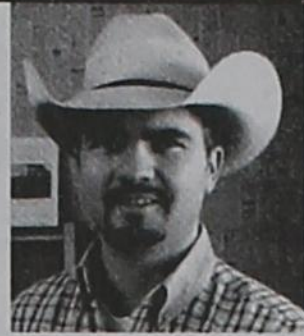
Boy, do we have books! We are receiving a steady stream of new books every week and this week is no exception.

For our "grown-up" readers there's Francine Rivers who has returned with a full-length novel, *Her Mother's Hope*, an epic two-book saga which explores the complicated relationships between mothers and daughters over several generations. And then there's *The Thorn* by Beverly Lewis book one of her Rose Trilogy. This storyline revolves around two Amish sisters, one who married an outsider and the other who is unsure of her own heart. Lastly, we have *Twilight's Serenade* by Tracie Peterson. This is book three of the Song of Alaska series which makes a young woman, Britta, face a difficult choice. Does she choose the love of her life or her great

love of music?

For our younger generation we have a great stormy, rainy night read, *Spooky Texas Tales* by Tim Tingle and Doc Moore. This book will make you and a buddy huddle under the blankets with a flashlight to read about the mysterious Tailybone, ugly Hairy Man and scary La Lechuzza. Don't forget to have a bowl of popcorn with you when you crawl under those blankets! Our next new kid arrival and early enough to get into the spirit of the upcoming holiday season is *The Littlest Cowboy's Christmas* by Michael Chandler. And let me tell you this is not only a great Christmas story but a true experience of the author. He even includes a CD of the special guest he meets. This is definitely a must read for your little ones!

County Agent's News



by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent

AgriLife economist: Cotton demand, supply leading to price rally

By: Blair Fannin, 979-845-2259

Contact(s): Dr. John Robinson, 979-845-8011, jrcr@tamu.edu

COLLEGE STATION – Tight supplies and speculative investment money entering the commodities market have fueled cotton prices, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service economist.

Cotton on the futures market hit a 15-year high Sept. 20, trading more than \$1 a pound. "This has been a very unusual year," said Dr. John Robinson, AgriLife Extension cotton marketing economist. "We had good moisture conditions before the crop was planted in early 2010, particularly in Texas with more than half the crop planted."

Analysts were expecting an increase in planted acres and good yield projections heading into the new crop season, Robinson said.

"But then we've had an unprecedented price rally during a time when (there was) evident harvest-price pressure," he said.

From July up until September, Robinson said cotton prices have jumped 20 cents on the futures markets, partly driven by "speculative investments."

"Evidently that speculative money is being put into a number of commodities, but cotton appears to be a special selection for that speculative buying," he said.

There have been a lot of questions regarding world supply, which has had an effect on the cotton market, Robinson said.

"The domestic supply situ-

ation looks pretty good," he said. "This tight supply situation worldwide, coupled with a robust demand for cotton fiber and yarn, has led to extremely tight supply forecasts. You combine that with all of the other conditions and this is what has fueled this price rally."

Planted acres for Texas are 5.6 million with projected harvested acres at 5.4 million, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Texas Agricultural Statistics Service. Yields for the state are projected to be 8.8 million bales versus 4.6 million bales in 2009, according to the USDA. The projected yields for the 2010 Texas crop are more than double from 2009.

"The 8.8-million-bale crop is a very strong projection," Robinson said. "How this plays out all depends on the weather. West Texas has received exceptional soil moisture and in some areas received too much. What's needed out there is some nice, sunny and clear days to dry things up heading into October harvest. Those conditions could bump up harvest estimates."

Another aspect working in favor of cotton producers has been relatively stable petroleum prices, which kept input costs in check this growing season, Robinson said.

"Right now, oil prices certainly haven't gotten back up to \$100 to \$120 a barrel we saw three years ago," he said. "That aspect of it hasn't been bad, but cotton production is expensive related to pest and weed management. Overall, growers should be in a good situation if they get high prices for their product and can handle their input costs."

Mobile Mammogram Unit Coming to Matador

The Joe Arrington Cancer Center in Lubbock will be sending the mobile mammogram unit to Matador on Thursday, October 7. It will be located at the Motley County courthouse while in Matador. This is an opportunity for women to get a mammogram without having to travel a great distance. To schedule a mammogram, individuals can call 1-800-388-6266 or 806-725-6579.

Most health insurance policies will cover the cost a screening mammogram once a year. For individuals with Medicare Part B, it will cover the cost but there is a 20% co-pay. This is also limited to once a year. For any individual who may have a concern about the cost of the mammogram, they can call the numbers given above. There are funds available through government grants and other sources to help cover the cost. The Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure – Lubbock Affiliate provides funds to help women in their regional of which Motley County is a part of. If financial assistance is needed, Joe Arrington Cancer Center will need to be contacted as soon as possible.

The American Cancer Society and Susan G. Komen

for the Cure recommend that women over age 40 have an annual screening mammogram. October is designated as Breast Health Awareness Month. Finding breast cancer early can save lives. Some women feel a lump and will go to get a screening mammogram but a mammogram can detect a growth up to two years earlier than a growth one might feel. Clinical breast exams and being aware of changes in one's breast are important but the mammogram can detect changes earlier.

For women the chances of having breast cancer increases as they get older. Women who are older, living in rural areas, are less educated and have lower incomes tend to be the group with the greater number of deaths from breast cancer. The concern is that they are also the ones who do not get mammograms.

Motley County Texas AgriLife Extension and Susan G. Komen for the Cure – Lubbock Affiliate are working together with the Joe Arrington Cancer Center for this mobile mammogram opportunity. For questions, call Ryan Martin at 806-347-2733 or the Joe Arrington Cancer Center in Lubbock.

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By Ace Reid



"Now the front end of this ranch is black dirt and running water but back here it's just put together with odds and ends"

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Obituary

Lewis Blevins

Graveside services for Lewis "Luke" Blevins, 81, of Matador, were held Wednesday, September 22, 2010, at East Mound Cemetery in Matador. Officiating was Michael G. Crowley.

Mr. Blevins was born April 28, 1929, in Nolan County, Texas, to Harve Blevins and Iris Hoover. He passed from this life on September 20, 2010 after attaining the age of 81 years, 5 months and 19 days.

Lewis moved to Matador in 1939. He was a farmer and rancher for many years. Lewis also worked for the Boll Weevil program for a number of years. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

He is survived by Terry and Karen Rainbolt of Sweetwater, Texas, Paula and Phil Driggers of Austin, Texas, Stephen

and Susan Rainbolt of Abilene, Texas, Jim Rainbolt of Austin, Texas, Hal and Dianne Ray of Denton, Texas, George and Lauren Helm of Ft. Worth, Texas, Nikki and Tom Frydendall of Liberal, Kansas, Twanda and Merle Tully of Fredericksburg, Texas, Jodi and Steve Barrows of Keller, Texas, Kassi and Rob Skelly of Keller, Texas; a brother-in-law Walter Ray and wife Jane of Aubrey, Texas, and many great nieces, nephews and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother Harve and Iris Blevins; his brother Ray Blevins; two sisters Pauline Ray and Lois Rainbolt Cook; and one niece Clydene Helm.

Arrangements were under the direction of Shannon Funeral Home of Matador.

TxDOT to replace the Draw Creek Bridge on County Road 214

CHILDRESS - The Texas Department of Transportation is currently working on a project to replace the bridge and approaches at Draw Creek on County Road 214 in Motley County.

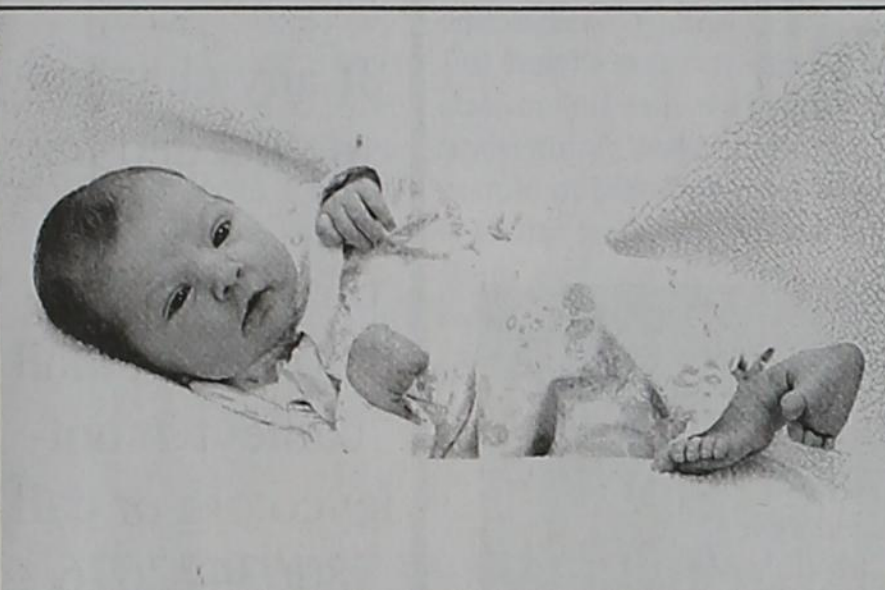
The contractor for this \$847,545.00 project is Earth Builders, L.P., of Decatur, TX. This contract is set for 128 working days.

This bridge will be built on its

current location. There will be a signed detour for the traveling public. Local traffic only will be allowed to use the contractor work road. However, the work road may be closed periodically for work related purposes.

For more information: Call Barbara Seal, TxDOT Public Information Officer (940) 937-7288 or Gary Mizer, TxDOT Munday Area Engineer, 940-422-4350.

Birth Announcement



Scott and Laura Simmons of Friendswood announce the birth of their daughter, Ashley Marie Simmons, born August 11, 2010 at 3:16 AM at Clear Lake Regional Medical Center, Webster, Texas. She weighed 7 lb 9 oz and was 19 inches long.

Big Sister is Natalie Simmons, age 2. Grandparents are Nancy and Bill Barrow of Vernon (Nancy is the former Nancy Bond Traweck of Matador), the late Gary Simmons,

formerly of Ft. Worth, Cynthia Simmons of Ft. Worth and Bob Barrow of Galveston. Great-grandparents are the late Howard and Eleanor Traweck, long time Matador Residents, and Jim and Modell Stanfill of Arlington. Uncles are Brian Barrow, and Bryce Barrow of Ft. Worth, wife Susan and children Blake and Bailey.

CONGRATULATIONS,
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Matador Branch FNB Seymour presents award



Patsy Warren was presented a service pin for 35 years of employment with The Matador Branch FNB Seymour, Tuesday September 14, 2010 as the bank hosted its Employee Appreciation Dinner at the beautiful Hotel Matador. Pat began her banking career with First State Bank Matador June 23, 1975 and has been a trusted employee, friend and valued representative of the bank through the years. The dinner is an annual event for employees, officers, directors and their spouses. Roy Hobbs, VP of Matador Branch also presented Ronnie Davis with a 5 year director's pin and Olivia Osborn with a 5 year employment pin. Guests at this year's event were Gene D Adams, CEO of Baylor Bancshares and Darrell Adams, President of FNB Seymour, Roy and Frances Hobbs, Ronnie and Karen Davis, Patsy Warren, Joel Dean and Deb Spray, Richard and Darlene Thomas, Terry, Tammy and Korbyn Simpson, and Robert and Olivia Osborn. Pictured (L to R) are bank employees Darlene Thomas, Oliva Osborn, Pat Warren, Tammy Simpson, and Debra Spray. photo by Carol Campbell

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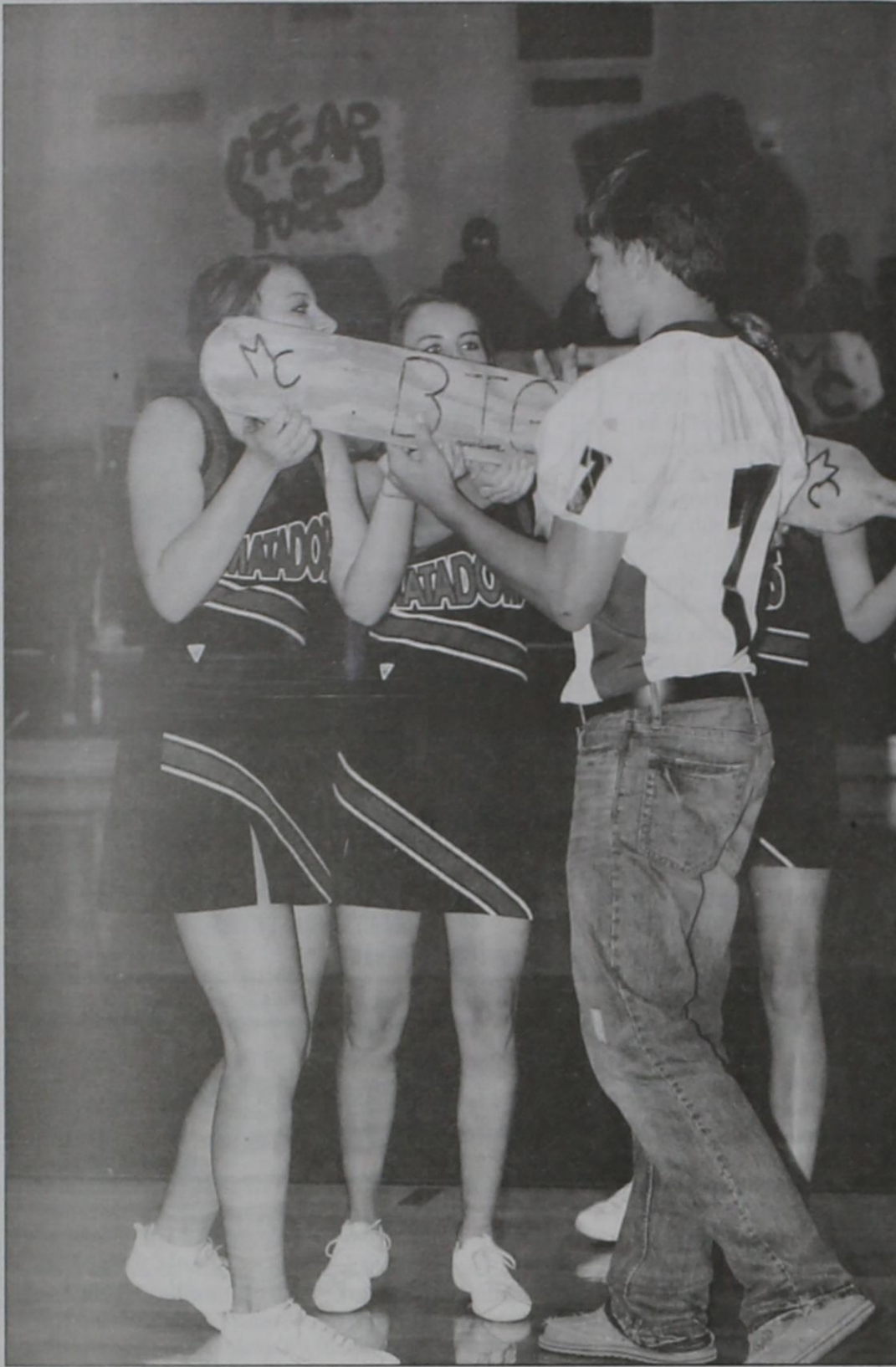
It is entirely possible to know a number of things about God, the Bible, and the Christian faith without loving God. A person might know the commandments of God, yet if that person does not love Him, he or she will never obey those commands.

Our Lord put it like this in John 14:15, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." That is being both very plain and simple. It is easily understandable.

When studied with an honest and sincere heart, it will never be possible to just give the Bible a quick glance. When studying the Bible, a person is forced to make a decision as to whether or not he or she will follow Jesus and do ask He commands.

To be sure, this is not a decision that one would make lightly. There is much involved. The cost is great. But so are the rewards. The reason one follows the Lord Jesus is love. It is from an undying love for the Lord that one lives for Him. We learn of Jesus from the Bible. But more than just learning let us also remember to love Him and to love one another fervently.

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Austin Taylor receives the Big Hit Award for game at Chilicothe on September 10, 2010 photo by Walter Taylor



Juan Flores was the recipient of the Bit Hit Award for the Paducah game. In the background are (left to right) Gabby Silva, Mattie Brooks Catherine Ward and Katie Barton. Photo by Walter Taylor

MCISD says "thank you" to first responders

by Dr. Andrew Seigrist

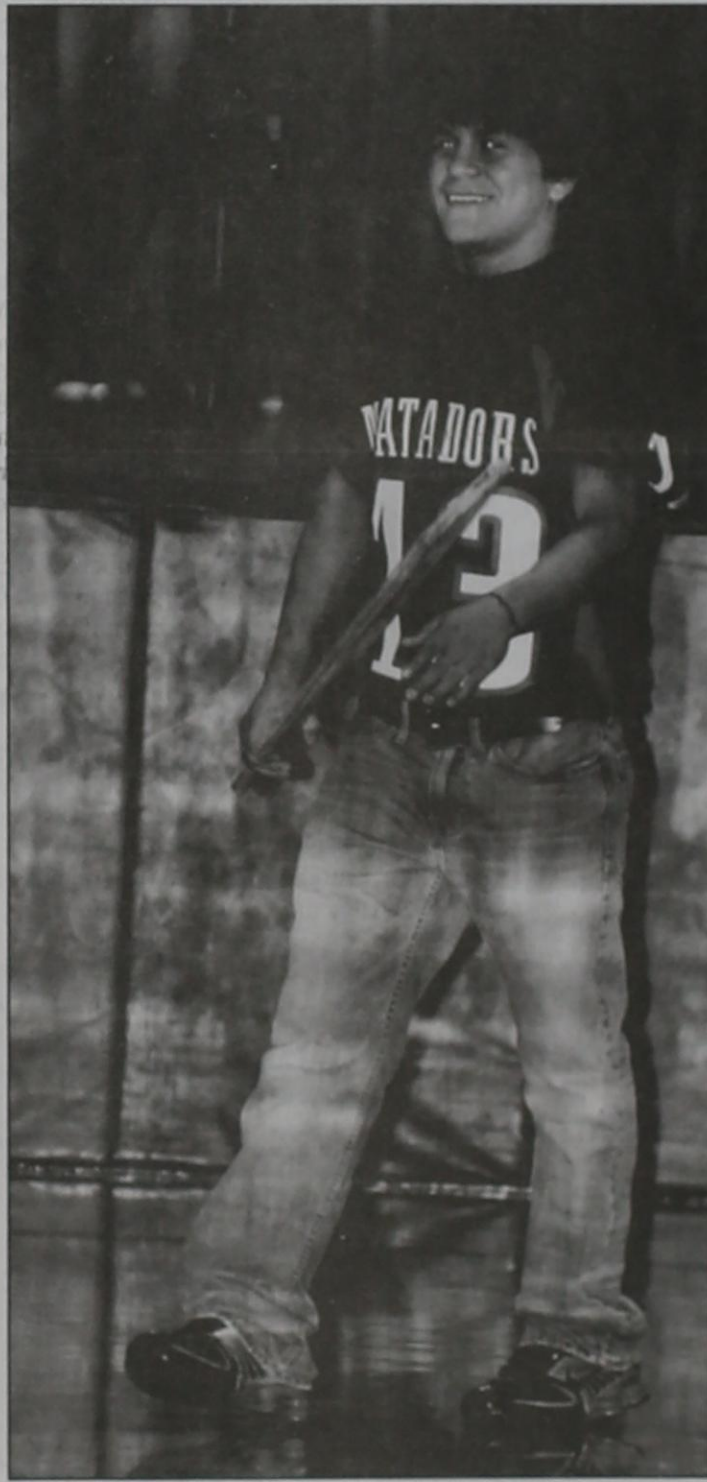
Life in a small town such as ours is typically, quiet, calm and peaceful with nervous moments few and far between. These are just a few of the glories of living in a small town.

Recently, one of our students had an anaphylactic reaction to an insect bite or sting. The reaction was quick and began to compromise the student's breathing. Quick reaction on the part of Mrs. Cathey Turner, Mr. William Cochran and substitute Francis Welling is a credit to turning this situation from chaos to order. The first aide and CPR training provided to school staff by EMT Seven Alexander, at the beginning of this school year, has proven

highly valuable in two cases now at the school.

Mrs. Turner quickly notified the central office staff that we needed an ambulance to respond. I called the ambulance emergency number and requested an ambulance for a student in respiratory distress. EMT Pat Smith responded immediately with the ambulance along with Sheriff Chris Spence. EMTs D'anna Russell and Tina Brooks also came to our rescue. The first responders of Motley County are heroes and we wanted to say a big "thank you" to them for their help and assistance. It helps my heart to know that such caring and qualified EMTs and law enforcement people are just a call away from helping in emergencies.

MC beat Crowell



Juan Flores receives the Big Hit award for his work in the Hico game. photo by Walter Taylor

Motley County sets date for Open House October 5th

Motley County ISD has moved the date for their Open House and Title I meeting to Tuesday, October 5th. It was originally scheduled for September 30th, but was moved due to the conflict with the Junior High football game at Crowell that night. The MCPC will have a meeting at 6:00 in the gymnasium on the same night as the Open House. The Open House will start at 6:30 with a Title I meeting in the gymnasium. After the Title I meeting, parents and visitors can visit classrooms and meet with teachers. Refreshments will be provided by the MCPC. There will still be an early release on September 30th at 12:20, so that teachers can set up parent conferences.

If any changes are needed for the birthday calendar please email cathey@motleyco.org or call 8063472676 ext 2430.

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Panhandle Tidbits

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By Lana Barnett

Some people define the Texas Panhandle as the upper twenty six counties of Texas, while others include Lubbock, Midland and even Wichita Falls. I have always confined it to the upper 26 but in the future will be including other areas that surround it. There is just too much good history and interesting places to not go beyond the borders. The next stories I will be compiling are good examples.

Two years ago on Father's Day, my husband and I decided to take a day trip. It was a trip to remember for several reasons. We left Tulia, traveled through Lockney, Floydada and on to Matador where we wanted to check on the progress of the restoration of Bob's Oil Well.

Matador has to be one of my favorite small towns. The atmosphere is true Texas. It has a world famous ranch, the Matador, and its history is something writers of the Texas frontier crave. In Motley County you don't have to create a story, it's already been created. All you have to do is find it and write it.

One of my favorites is the story of "Bob's Oil Well," the purpose of our visit on that Fathers Day.

Luther Bedford "Bob" Robertson, a native of Greenville, Texas and World War I veteran, moved to Matador in the 1920s. While working at a "filling" station, he decided to open his own business. To attract attention and make it visible to people coming into town, Bob built a wooden oil derrick over the station. He patented his design and in 1939 replaced the wooden derrick with one of steel that reached 84 feet in height and also included lights.

Bob was a gifted businessman and promoter and used every opportunity and means to promote "Bob's Oil Well" and attract customers. He kept a cage of live rattlesnakes for the amusement of visitors and from that initial attraction grew a zoo that included lions, monkeys, coyotes, a white buffalo and other animals.

Bob's dedication and flair for promotion (being the only station for miles didn't hurt) made his enterprise an outstanding success. He paid long haul truckers to place advertising signs at strategic

locations across the country noting the mileage to "Bob's Oil Well" in Matador, Texas. These signs became well known to the motoring public. As a result of his success, Bob added a café, a grocery store and a garage made of stone and petrified wood.

He was a true old time entrepreneur, cut out of the same hide as P.T. Barnum, and was possibly an inspiration to many along Route 66 who created their own rattlesnake ranches. He was truly a one man Chamber of Commerce attracting thousands to the little town on the Texas prairie.

After serving the public and entertaining tourists for twenty years, Bob Robertson died in 1947. Two weeks later a high wind toppled the derrick that was the trademark of "Bob's Oil Well." His widow, Olga, restored it two years later with even larger lights. The business eventually closed in the 1950s and today the once thriving business stands empty. Preservation Texas listed the roadside attraction as one of the most endangered places of 2004. But maybe not for long. The station and cafe are currently undergoing restoration. The people of Matador have been working hard on "Bob's Oil Well" and they now have the lights up on the tower and gas pumps installed.

Another landmark being restored in Matador is the old Motley County Jail. Shortly after the official establishment of the county in 1891, the Matador Land and Cattle Company reported the first fatal gun battle. The shooting occurred at the ranch when a Mr. McCloud shot Jeff Varner, the first man to be buried in the local cemetery. It is reported that this incident resulted in the speedy construction of the jail. The brown limestone that was used for the edifice was hauled in wagons from Salt Creek, five miles west of Matador. The early-day pioneer county officials hired two local contractors, and the new building was erected in record time to harbor criminals. The small structure was built on the banks of Ballard Creek, an old Indian Encampment.

The two-story structure had an office and living quarters for the jailer on first floor and two 4-men cells on the second floor; a private cell used to house the criminally insane until they could be removed to the state hospital. It also included a hanging gallows. The gallows were never

used, but probably should have been.

Historians report that Digger Danby narrowly escaped his date with the gallows by pure chance and opportunity, and by the fact that he was the best well "diviner" and digger in the county. While awaiting his fate at the gallows, he was allowed to leave the jail periodically to help the settlers dig their wells. Rumor has it that he disappeared one day while on such a mission and "deprived the jail of the only opportunity they had to boast of a hanging." Later, the trapdoor was sealed when the state prohibited hanging by local authorities.

The jail also had a "run-around" that opened onto the street. According to legend, the cowboys who had been thrown in jail for getting drunk and shooting up the town would call out "hello out there" to passersby in the hopes of getting a cigarette. A former resident related this tale to William Saroyan, an American author (1908-1981) who wrote a short one-act play in 1942 entitled: "Hello Out There." In 2005 a screenplay based on this work entitled, *The Lonesome Matador* was presented at the Sundance Film Festival.

The first four sheriffs of Motley County (1891-1894) died with their boots on. Sheriff Joe Beckham turned outlaw, murdered his predecessor, and was hunted down and killed by Texas Rangers in a gun battle at a dugout in Indian Territory in 1893. Thus began the early-day violent history of the county when disputes were settled by the Six Shooter.

Not long before our Fathers Day visit I had attended a Texas Plains Trail meeting at Matador that was held at Hotel Matador. After the meeting a friend, Judy Burlin, Clarendon Chamber of Commerce manager, and I took our own little tour of the Motley County Jail.

We climbed the narrow stairs and saw the building described above. It reminded me of another jail I had visited in the 1970s. The Old Mobeetie Jail was just as forlorn and in need of attention then as the Motley County Jail was when Judy and I took our tour. Today the Wheeler County landmark is beautifully restored and welcomes thousands of visitors each year.

Another thing to see in Matador is The Motley County Museum. It is housed in the old Traweek Hospital built in

1928 by Dr A.C. Traweek, the first medical doctor in the county. Exhibits include collection of clothing, home furnishings, tools, firearms, and photos depicting early ranch and farm life in the county. Special exhibit rooms feature early medical care, school items, Plains Indians artifacts, and a miniature of the city as it existed in the 1890s and the history of the Matador Land and Cattle Co.

A few miles outside of town is the Cottonwood Mott Line Camp, named for the stand or "motte" of trees which surrounded a natural spring. This was the site of a line camp as early as 1878 where Cowboys used the camp as a base from which to work, herding cattle and mending fences on the range. A log cabin, built by the free-ranging Jingle Bobs and shared with the Spur outfit, was headquartered on Hall Creek. Here was the site of two deadly gunfights, one over the singing of Yankee Doodle, and the other, a love triangle between a camp man's wife and a young cowboy.

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And the wonderful Hotel Matador where our Texas Plains Trail meeting was held is a crown jewel in downtown Matador. The hotel bills itself as an Historic Bed and Breakfast Inn where travelers will discover a quiet beauty and aura of genuine hospitality, reminiscent of its 1914 beginnings. The lunch we had at our meeting was worthy of a five star rating and it is all a family affair. Owned and operated by the Russell sisters, Marilyn, Linda and Caron and their mother Dorothy, all of whom make sure your stay at Hotel Matador one to remember.

Make Matador and Motley County one of your destinations, you'll be glad you did.

We left Matador that Father's Day afternoon headed for Medicine Mound where we met a woman who told a story and both will remain in my memory bank of Texas greats.

A special thank you to my friend Carolyn for help in compiling this story.

Post office officials to reveal Motley County's own stamp cancellation

Post office officials will reveal Motley County's own stamp cancellation at 11 a.m. Wednesday, October 6, at the Matador Post Office.

The Texas Plains Trail Region and the United States Postal Service are partnering for a special year-long stamp cancellation project. Each of the 52 counties in the Texas Plains Trail Region will be featured on a stamp cancellation this year.

Each Wednesday a new county stamp cancellation — in alphabetical order — will be revealed at the county seat post office. A complete list of the Texas Plains Trail counties and their respective stamp cancellation date can be found on the Texas Plains Trail Web site, www.texasplainstrail.com.

The project is the effort of Texas photographer Rick Vanderpool to connect the communities of the Panhandle. Vanderpool asked students in the Texas Plains Trail Region to draw a simple picture representing the Panhandle for use on an envelope cachet — a graphic that usually appears in the bottom left corner of the envelope.

The Plainview Daily Herald coordinated a contest for the artwork and judged the cachet entries, selecting a piece by 17-year-old Jaime Vaquera, a senior at Plainview High School, to appear on envelopes sold at each post office in the

Texas Plains Trail Region.

Vanderpool also invites each community to spotlight its youth's artwork by creating its own cachet.

"I want to see people in the region come up with as many opportunities to connect and form partnerships as they can," Vanderpool said. "I want youngsters to learn and grow from that experience. They know it's a big country out here, and sometimes they wonder who's over that next hill."

Texas Plains Trail officials will also be available to speak about the region's history and heritage with local fourth- and seventh-grade students or other local organizations.

Pak Mail, Plainview's premier packing, crating, freight, shipping and mailing center, is sponsoring a schedule of events for the stamp cancellation project each week in the Plainview Daily Herald.

The Texas Plains Trail Region is made up of 52 counties in the Texas Panhandle, stretching from the Oklahoma and New Mexico state lines and south to Big Spring. The Texas Historical Commission has also designated nine other heritage trail regions in Texas.

More information can be found at www.texasplainstrail.com or by contacting Texas Plains Trail Region Executive Director Deborah Sue McDonald at 806-231-3479 or txplainstrail@yahoo.com.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

September

30 Mavericks at Crowell, 5 pm

October

Oct. 1 - Nov. 19 Motley County Library Amateur Photography Contest.

- 1 RS Lions
- 1 Matadors vs Crowell, 7:30
- 2 Northfield's 47th annual Homecoming, 10:00 am
- 2 Hackberry Family Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- 5 Motley County ISD Open House, 6:30
- 5 Matador Lions
- 6 Kids Praise
- 6 TPTR Stamp Cancellation Project, Post Office, 11:00 a.m.
- 7 Book discussion, 12 noon in the Library Annex, **Half Broke Horses** by Jeanette Walls
- 7 Mavericks at Amherst, 5:00
- 8 Matadors vs Amherst, 7:30
- 12 Commissioners Court
- 11 RS City Council
- 11 HCCC Board
- 12 RSCV
- 13 Flu Shots, Matador Senior Citizens Center, 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Bring

Notice

Notice to banks, credit unions, and savings associations requesting the submission of applications for the performance of depository services.

The City of Matador is accepting bids on depository services. Bids should be submitted to Debra Scott, Municipal Investment Officer at the City of Matador, P.O. Box 367, Matador, Texas 79244 or at City Hall, 706 Dundee, Matador Texas by 5:00 p.m. on the 12th day of October 2010.

City Council will consider the selection of one or more depositories at the scheduled City Council meeting at City Hall, Matador, Texas on October 14, 2010 at 6:30p.m. ct39

Public Service Announcement

To the person or persons responsible for spreading rumors, half-truths, and lies about myself and the agriculture program here at Motley County School; if you really are simply ignorant of the facts please come see me and I will be glad to give you accurate information. If however, you are simply grinding an old axe and trying to stir up trouble, come see me face to face instead of talking behind my back.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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