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## MCISD 2010 Homecoming Queen, Alyx Smith



## Homecoming 2010 honors ex-students and teachers

Special presentation to former football coach legend

By Carol Campbell

About 130 ex-students representing the Motley County Ex-student and Teachers Association met at the high school gym on Saturday, September 18, 2010, following a Stafford family catered barbeque with all the trimmings.

The Homecoming Committee recognized the Earliest Graduate, Earliest Teacher, and the graduate who traveled the most miles, followed by a musical trip down memory lane; including a special guest appearance of a graduate with an unusual talent, and a surprise appearance of country-western icon, Patsy Cline. The group crowned a new Homecoming Queen and King; and a Special Recognition Presentation honored a former

teacher, administrator, and Matador football legend.

The program began with an invocation by Motley County ISD Superintendent Dr. Andrew Seigrist. Ron Bailey (Class of 1959), co-president of the association for Homecoming 2010, welcomed the exes and other guests, giving a special thanks to the school for supporting the 2010 Homecoming Committee.

Past president of the association and board member Tom Edwards (Class of 1960) read the Memorial List, calling the names of 109 graduates that have died since 2008. "This is the saddest part of our program," Edwards said. "We need to pause in reflection as we memorialize our classmates and teachers that have died since 2008."

Carol Campbell (Class of

1961) then read the minutes from the 2008 Homecoming, followed by a drawing for a \$100 Master Card, raffled at the registration. Proceeds (\$189.00) from the raffle will go to benefit the repair and renovation of the historic 1891 MC jail. Glenda (McWilliams) Groves, Abilene, (Class of 1957) held the winning ticket. "I would like to thank all the exes for supporting the renovation of the jail," Campbell said.

Motley County Judge Ed. D. Smith (Class of 1960) serving as Master of Ceremonies, read a humorous poem on the hazards of meeting with your fellow classmates once every 10 years - from the first reunion "trying so hard to impress;" to the 50<sup>th</sup> reunion, "the mood was informal, a whole lot more normal; By this time we had all gone to pot."

Smith then presented certificates of special recognition: The Earliest Graduate award went to Lucretia Estes Campbell (Class of 1936). She remembered her Class Motto of 74 years ago: "Good, Better, Best; Never Let It Rest; 'Til the Good is Better; And the Better's Best." Opal Johnson (1956) received the Earliest Teacher award. Traveling the greatest distance award went to Bobby Harp (Class of 1945) of Maui, Hawaii, and his son, Scott Harp, who traveled with his father from Tokyo, Japan.

Ron Bailey then announced classes having reunions with the Class of 1990 meeting at the VFW Hunting Lodge for

## Commissioner's Court adopts resolution in support of preferred transmission line route

32.3 miles of new transmission lines; calculated cost \$1.672 million per mile

By Carol Campbell and Jennifer Lawler

The Motley County Commissioner's Court met September 13, 2010, in regular session, with a full quorum, covering an 18-item agenda including a discussion of preferred routes of transmission lines to be located in Briscoe, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, and Motley counties; and a presentation by Curtis Parrish, Attorney, with the Law Offices of Trey Poage, Lubbock, on 2011 redistricting.

The court considered the recently published preferred route by Sharyland Utilities for the construction of a new 345 kilovolt transmission line to be located in Briscoe, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, and Motley Counties. The estimated cost of Sharyland's preferred route is more than \$146 million.

County Attorney Tom Edwards explained that the Motley County portion of Sharyland's preferred route would run east for approximately 9.3 miles from the southeast corner of Floyd County just inside the Motley County line before turning south to connect to the new Dickens County substation.

He also informed the court that Electric Transmission Texas (ETT) had just filed its preferred route for a new transmission line from the Dickens County substation to a new substation located in Foard County (printed in last week's Tribune) which

included approximately 23 miles of new transmission lines in Motley County, which would zigzag north into Motley County from the Dickens substation and then parallel the east-west existing 345-kV Southwestern Public Service (SPS) line, heading east all the way across Motley County and into Cottle County.

Edwards stated that he calculated these two preferred routes would approximate 32.3 miles of new transmission lines in Motley County, and at the calculated cost of these lines at \$1.672 million per mile (if constructed in Motley County) would add approximately \$54 million to the county's existing \$86 million dollar taxable tax base.

Edwards also informed the court that Xcel Energy/Southwestern Public Service (SPS) had just released proposed alternative routes for a new SPS transmission line from the TUCO Substation outside of Abernathy to Oklahoma where Interstate 40 crosses into Oklahoma; and that a number of the proposed alternate routes run across the northwest part of Motley County. Additionally, Edwards informed the court that Cross Texas Transmission Company may yet locate some of its east-west transmission line from Silverton to Childress in Motley County.

Edwards was asked by Commissioner Alexander what the court should do. In response, Edwards explained to the court "that it could do nothing or align with disgruntled effected landowners, ignoring the best interest of the county as a whole," adding, "and we would probably lose it all."

Edwards stated that the best and smartest thing to do would be to "intervene in each PUC proceeding (possibility four) to have a voice at the table when the final decisions are made," adding, "and also to have county personnel monitor daily each separate PUC proceeding."

Since the county has no personnel to monitor, or the funds to pay for intervention, he suggested the best option would be to adopt resolutions in support of the various preferred routes for transmission lines in Motley County, and then convey those to the PUC.

The court voted unanimously to provide a resolution to Sharyland Utilities in support of its preferred route. The court will consider a resolution on ETT preferred route at the next Commissioners Court meeting on Tuesday, October 12, 2010.

"I hope that affected landowners support these preferred routes, because it is in the best interest of the county as a whole," Edwards said. "It might finally one day get this county out of poverty and lower everyone's taxes."

A presentation on 2011 redistricting by Curtis Parrish, Attorney, with the Law Offices of Trey Poage, Lubbock, informed the court of professional services needed to meet

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## Northfield Homecoming set for October 2

Jazz musician to host jamboree to benefit Northfield Cemetery Trust Fund

By Carol Campbell

Through the years, Billy Paul and Betty Simpson have seen a lot of changes in the Northfield community, located in the north eastern-most corner of Motley County - smack dab in the middle of nowhere, you might say.

From any way you cut it, it is 27 miles from the county seat in Matador, Texas; 22 miles from the intersections of County Road 94-East and 656-West to Turkey, Texas; and about 30 miles to Childress, Texas, on CR-94E to US Hwy 83.

Billy Paul and Betty grew up in Northfield, experiencing the changes from a thriving farming and ranching metropolis with a school, cotton gin, two

grocery stores, a blacksmith shop, and three churches, to a tiny community of five families and 18 souls.

The little white chapel at Roaring Springs Ranch was moved from Northfield in the late 1970s, and is the last still-standing historical core of this once thriving community. But two things haven't changed over the years: Community Pride and Homecoming -- Northfield style.

The 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Northfield Homecoming is planned for Saturday, October 2, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. at the Matador Senior Citizens Building. Betty and Billy Paul have never missed a Homecoming, starting in 1962. "We had over 265 people that registered that first year," Betty said. This year

Betty has sent out 192 invitations.

But Northfield Homecoming is not the only passion of the Simpson's, albeit essentially intertwined with saving the early-day historic cemetery at Northfield. "The first grave at the cemetery was in the early 1900s," she said. Every year at homecoming, current and former residents donate funds for the cemetery, she said.

Betty is the driving force behind an all-volunteer effort at the historic cemetery, setting up a Northfield Cemetery Trust Fund. She guards the trust fund judiciously, always looking for a way to add to the trust, and only spends the interest earned for maintenance, she said.

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## Ex-students name Homecoming Queen and King



Deanie (Lynn) Edwards



Bobby Harp

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# Foothill Country

## Connections

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



By Laverne Zabielski

There are blessings to growing up in a large family. One is that there are lots of siblings to share the responsibilities for caring for parents. When my brother Steve visited last month he was able to spend meaningful hours with our mother at Hackberry Creek Care Center. I want to share some of his thoughts and observations.

"Michael, Grace, and my visit here with Mom in Texas has been incredible. Mom is so beautiful with a smile that radiates so much love and contentment it is almost too much to take in without feeling unworthy. Her eyes are so bright and at eighty three she hardly has a wrinkle on her face. It seems as if she is transcending her earthly bonds right before our very eyes.

She is so delicate, her hands so soft and warm, and when she moves her head, arms, hands, or fingers she does so as if she is being careful not to disturb a perfection only she can perceive all around her. And her now very small

voice and laugh are so sweet and pure they make the heart swell with joy just to hear.

All three of us have been able to feed Mom and she is eating and drinking much more now. Today, August 27, is the day Dad passed away four years ago. Bev just called to say she is going up to see Mom so we will be going up to see her again right now. No one who has the means to make it here should miss this opportunity to be with Mom at this miraculous time in her life. It is as if her body is receding and her soul is emerging and what a gentle loving soul it is!

PS: Bev has relocated to Roaring Springs for the time being just to be with Mom every day. This has been a huge blessing for Mom since Bev sits there for hours talking to Mom when she is awake, making sure interesting TV is on for her, feeding her throughout the day, rubbing Mom's feet regularly which Mom clearly enjoys very much, and adjusting Mom's position in the bed often so as to help her be as comfortable as possible throughout the day. In other words Bev has been absolutely awesome and I am sure I speak for everyone when I say, "Thank you, Bev! You are being so much like the One you love and adore on high that I am certain He has already taken notice and will bless you greatly for providing such a loving and selfless ministry to His precious Grace Laverne at this, her most vulnerable and helpless time in life."

# WRITING COMMUNITY

## Quanah Parker, His Spirit Lives On

By Tu-Tseena (Black Wolf) aka Paul Davis, Abilene, Texas, 1999

Editor's note: Paul Davis is an adopted son of Baldwin Parker Jr. He was on the program at the Cowboy Symposium.

Quanah Parker, as near as we can see, Was born around 1852, at least prior to '53. His mother, Cynthia Ann, a captive girl was she; His father, Peta Nocona, a hunter, a warrior, a true Comanche.

Not much is known about Quanah's life before 1875. But as history tells us now, his goals were to see his people survive.

Quanah's Comanches were known as Lords of the South Plains; They escaped the threats from the cavalry time and time again.

Quanah led his people through winter's cold and summer's smelting heat, Chasing after the buffalo herds, that provided them with meat. High up on a mountainside or in the valley far below, When Quanah raised his hand, his people were ready to go.

The Quahada band of Comanches was led by our Grandfather's hand. They controlled Komancheria, a Spanish name given to the land.

Anyone daring to enter there was met with a fierce attack. At first the aim was not to kill, but merely drive them back.

Quanah had gathered some warriors, even some from another tribe.

He asked for their help to stop some buffalo hunters if with him they would ride.

To a Texas panhandle town they would go, a place called Adobe Walls.

It was here that Quanah's horse would be shot, causing him to stumble and fall.

It was June, the twenty-seventh in eighteen seventy-four, And Quanah led the warriors out like so many times before. At Adobe Walls the buffalo hunters really ranted and raved About the thousands of buffalo they killed, not caring if even one was saved.

While traveling to Adobe Walls, a memorial song was sung Because they knew for some of the warriors the bells of heaven would be rung.

As they charged the walls at dawn that day, the battle was not very long,

But as Quanah rode his horse in circles, all the warriors sang his medicine song.

Quanah took cover behind the horse as on the ground he lay. Rescued by a comrade, he will live another day.

Carried by Comanche ponies that were always swift in flight, Again the warriors of Quanah's band escaped into the night.

Eschiti, the medicine man, assured them his war paint was bullet proof,

But early in battle several Indians were killed, rendering the point to be a spoof.

The Medicine Man's explanation was, someone killed a skunk for meat.

He said that act rendered the paint useless and led to the Indians' defeat.

The ride back to the village was long and tiresome with many a heavy heart.

The range and accuracy of the buffalo rifles had them beaten from the very start.

This time the memorial song held sadness, but still was sung with honor and pride.

The sorrow was not for a lost battle, but for the brothers who bled and died.

Many of the settlers who came said they were only passing through,

But a short time later the U.S. Government sent the cavalry dressed in blue.

Their orders were to take the Comanches any way they can, And take them to Oklahoma to live on reservation land.

Many times they tried and many times they failed.

They found themselves hungry, cold and tired, as again they lost Quanah's trail.

Another time Quanah showed them, he was quite a smart old scamp.

He stampeded a herd of buffalo through the middle of Mackenzie's camp.

A severe drought from June to September kept the Quahada ponies poor.

At last Colonel Mackenzie's scouts found the Palo Duro's door. Most of the Indian ponies were killed, over one thousand in all,

But Quanah and the Comanches escaped on foot up the canyon wall.

After escaping the Palo Duro with very few horses to ride, The people were suffering badly from the bitter cold outside.

No way to run the buffalo down, which provided them meat, To save his people now, it was surrender or suffer defeat.

Being the kind of man he was, Quanah prayed and asked for help;

He looked up and saw a circling bird, then heard the eagle's squeal.

The sound he heard was the eagle's voice, loud and clear and shrill.

This was the sign he was looking for: to take his people and go to Ft. Sill.

After he came to the reservation, the Government quickly learned,

That Quanah had many Comanche traits that had not yet been spurned.

Standing tall against Indian agents, Quanah just could not be moved,

Until at last demands for his people, the agents finally approved.

"Too many wives," the agents said. "That's one thing you've done."

Quanah simply said, "That's fine. Now you go tell 'em which one."

History does not tell us what action the agents took, But I'll wager that they had second thoughts after seeing Quanah's look.

The Government asked Quanah to convince his people to walk the white man's road.

They assured him if he would just do that they would help him carry the load.

So Quanah traded his buckskins for a watch with gold chain, a suit and felt hat of black,

But his hair was still braided and the two long braids were worn down the center of his back.

Quanah lived his life with one foot on the white man's road and the other on the old Comanche trail.

He continued this way, even to the end, as a sickness made his body grow frail.

He served as judge in Indian courts, and to his Comanche people as a Chief.

Either way he could still help his people when they were stricken with trouble and grief.

As a businessman Quanah took the horse by the reins.

He made investments in horses, cattle, land and trains.

But even with the success and some failures too, he didn't let his life get grim.

He still had his goals set on helping others, who might have been less fortunate than him.

Quanah became a great leader of religion in the Native American Church.

The Government tried to ban the peyote but it always disappeared during the search.

Quanah spoke to the white preachers and told them, "You need to take another look,

Because the things we get from our meeting in the tee-pee are the same as you get from your book."

In a long hard search to locate his mother's remains, He found them buried in East Texas, a long way from the plains.

With very little help from most folks around, Quanah finally obtained permission to have them removed from the ground.

Cynthia Ann's remains and those of Prairie Flower Were re-interred in Oklahoma where they remain this very hour.

Quanah lived a remarkable life, from the plains to the reservation,

From a half-breed boy orphaned before his teens to the chief of the Comanche Nation.

While death took his mother and father, his brother and sister too,

When burdened with heartaches that life had dealt him, it was his faith that helped him pull through,

Now so many years ago, the days have passed us by.

Each year we gather at their monument and look up towards the sky.

We sing, we talk, then we bow our heads and pray.

We ask for strength and guidance that we might join them there one day.

Our Grandfather's spirit watches over us down here upon the land.

He waits for us to join him as he holds to Jesus' hand.

In February of 1911 Quanah was laid to rest.

All the Comanche Nation knew that he had given his very best. And today you can stand in front of Star House, the building that was Quanah's home.

From the things you see and the feelings you'll get, you will know that His Spirit Lives On.

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## Quanah Parker Society includes museum in presentation at Cowboy Symposium



Barbara Armstrong, Marisue Potts Powell and Marie-Louise Leibe-Harkort, holding the Pendleton Blanket Marisue won after presenting the history of Quanah's visits to Motley County, during the Comanche program at the 2010

By Marisue Potts Powell

topic, which I will share with you.

### Quanah in Motley County

Quanah Parker left many tracks in Motley County and the surrounding region.

We know that he was here by tradition, the stories told us by our elders; by historical sites and place names; by recorded encounters with explorers, Comancheros, buffalo hunters, and military thrusts; photographs and newspaper accounts, and archeological explorations of cultural features left behind.

Spring water gushing from the rocks and rushing over a waterfall gave Roaring Springs its name. Located above the falls was a sandstone ledge with many grinding holes in

the bedrock, while below was the wide river valley of the South Pease, large enough to accommodate many lodges and large horse herds. Tradition says this was a favorite campground of the Quohadis, the Antelope band, when Cynthia Ann Parker was recaptured after years of living with the Native Americans.

TeePee City was so named for the long cottonwood poles, some still standing when the buffalo hunters arrived, that were abandoned on the flat between the Middle Pease and South Pease, also known as the Tongue River for the multitudes of buffalo that died of Black Tongue disease along its banks.

Quitaque was a name used to describe a territory, a river, landmarks called "peaks", and a town. The name is shrouded in mystery but tradition offers this explanation. When Col. Mackenzie and the Fourth Cavalry were unsuccessfully pursuing the Comanches through the caprock breaks, the Indians pulled a trick on them by scattering horse manure along the trails to lead them astray. When asked by what name is the area known, Mackenzie was told "Quitaque" or horse manure.

We know from written accounts that The People, as they called themselves, were known as The Enemy or Comanche to outsiders who recorded encounters with the fierce warriors. Before he was led on a humiliating chase in 1871, Mackenzie wrote that there was no better country, in the winter, better adapted



Baldwin "Buster Parker" Jr., 91, grandson of Quanah Parker, and Anna Tamakarah, 93, who was raised by Quanah's 6th wife, enjoy the photos recording Quanah Parker's visits to Motley County.

## HACKBERRY HAPPENINGS

BY CARLA MEADOR, MARKETING DIRECTOR

We are so excited to announce that we are in the process of planning our FIRST ANNUAL HACKBERRY CREEK HEALTH FAIR, set for Thursday, October 14. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. and continue until 7:30-8:00. We will be offering Flu Shots on a first come, first serve basis at only \$10 per shot. That's a real bargain considering they cost \$35 at some pharmacies or clinics.

We will have several booths set up at the Health Fair, including the Diabetes Education Center which will offer free Blood Sugar checks, our local EMT service offering free blood pressure checks, the Motley County 4-H Club Food and Nutrition with healthy eating tips, and information regarding cancer and tobacco use, the Motley County ISD Home Ec. Dept., offering healthy recipes, our Rehab Department will offer tips on exercise, our Activity Department will offer tips on activities for the elderly. These are just a few of the great things being offered at our Health Fair.

A free hot dog supper will be served for everyone, free gifts, and a door prize will be given. Be sure to watch for more information and make plans now to attend our First Annual Hackberry Health Fair!

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We are saddened this week by the loss of Lewis Blevins. Lewis had been a resident at the Center since March of this year. He was a long-time resident of Motley County, and worked as a farmer and rancher for many years. Lewis, known by his friends as "Luke", cared for his mother for many years until her death at the age of 102. Lewis was a kind and caring man and he

will be greatly missed at the Center. We offer our prayers and sympathy to his family.

### Sr. Health Tips What Is Dementia?

Dementia is a general term that refers to a progressive decline in intellectual ability characterized by memory loss, impaired judgment, deterioration of abstract thinking and language and personality changes. Symptoms appear gradually so that it may take months or even years before a diagnosis is made.

Dementia should not be confused with age-associated memory impairment, which is a clinical term that refers to the normal forgetfulness that is expected with age (for example, having difficulty recalling a name). Dementia, by contrast, involves problems in multiple areas of cognition (thinking) and results in serious impairment.

Dementia can be irreversible or reversible, but most cases of dementia are irreversible. The most common cause of irreversible dementia is Alzheimer's disease, which is responsible for about 65 percent of dementia cases. Vascular disease is also a primary cause of irreversible dementia.

Reversible dementia is caused by a number of potentially treatable conditions, which include depression, alcohol abuse, vitamin B12 deficiency, thyroid disease, and side effects of medication. However, despite its label, reversible memory loss is often only partially restored.

- Symptoms of Dementia
- Memory loss
  - Language impairments
  - Difficulty with learning and retaining new information.
  - Difficulty handling

- complex tasks.
- Impaired judgment.
  - Getting lost or disoriented in familiar places.
  - Personality changes, such as becoming more irritable or less responsive than usual.

What Causes Dementia?

- The cause of Alzheimer's disease is unknown.
- Reduced blood flow to the brain often resulting from a series of tiny strokes (known as infarcts), causes vascular dementia; other causes include chronic high blood pressure, diabetes, or coronary heart disease.
- Another irreversible dementia, dementia with Lewey bodies, is caused by abnormal structures within nerve cells that are distributed throughout the brain.

Pick's disease is the main cause of frontotemporal dementia, which include Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, and Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease.

Reversible dementias have a number of causes, including alcohol abuse, infections, such as AIDS or neurosyphilis brain tumors, and reactions to certain medications.

We will continue this subject next week with the Prevention and Diagnosis of Dementia.

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**SILENCE SOMETIMES IS A GOOD THING**



Silence is an indispensable part of any spiritual development. We need to be quiet in the presence of God. Consider the prophet Elijah who stayed still long enough amid the noise of life, (the wind, earthquakes and fire), to finally recognize the quiet whisper of God. Read of this in I Kings 19: 10-13.

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

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

**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

### On a personal note

A few yellow leaves are falling; fall and cooler weather can't be far away. I really enjoy seeing our country side draped in yellows, rust, dusty purple, ecru, shades of light pink, crimson and the dark green of the cedars. We may not have the color New England or the Rocky Mountains have but it is spectacular and glorious anyway. It seems our area is a little jewel of a place especially when you drop off the caprock. What a change of scenery! The plains are beautiful too with their lush crops when it rains but not as colorful. I think the grasslands on the plains are lovely; it is a shame the mesquite have almost covered it.

### In the community

George and Melba Gray of Robert Lee, Texas, visited Shelia Lefevre this weekend. George attended the Matador School Reunion; he was a graduate of the class of 1959. Melba is Sheila's sister.

Mary Anne Wright of Canadian, Texas, visited her friends, Don and Billie Stuckey. She came on Saturday and stayed until Monday.

Several Matador School alumni stayed at the Traveler's Inn this past weekend. Mary (Tipton) Crider of Odessa was a guest. This was her 70<sup>th</sup> class reunion. She was accompanied by her daughter, Dale Nance.

Will Terry of Onalaska, Texas, and his cousin Ronnie; and Doris Corkins of Denver, Colorado, were also guests in town for the Matador's school reunion.

Other guests at the hotel this week have been two brothers, Thomas and David McDonald of San Antonio and Austin. They were in town on business.

Glennard and Edith Daniell went to Buffalo Gap, Texas, for Edith's family Gillentine's reunion on Saturday. Edith thought this was their 40<sup>th</sup> reunion. They said the reunion was good but she felt it was hotter in Buffalo Gap than here!

Vince Taylor's family visited him over the weekend: his dad and mother, Frank and Jimmie Taylor of Paducah; daughter, Chevonne Taylor,

Kevin Smith and his grandbaby, Oakley Redd Smith; his sister and family, Chad and Jody Piper and twins, Aden and Cord of Paducah; other guests were J. N. Fletcher; Kim Fletcher, Brett Fletcher; Boyd and Laura Long. They enjoyed a cook-out lunch on Sunday.

Jaden Reiger of Spur visited his grandmother, Dana and Ross Graham. His great grandparents are: Bennie D. and Devonne Dillard and Kenneth and Barbara Marvel of Roaring Springs. Jaden attended church with Dana on Sunday and was treated to a fishing trip on Sunday afternoon. Jaden is now 10 years old!

I reported that J. T. and Imogene Swim's 71<sup>st</sup> anniversary party was to be on Sunday afternoon when it was on Saturday afternoon at the Golden Age Nursing Home in Lubbock. I apologize for the error; nonetheless, J. T. reported that they had a great party. J. R., their son from Abilene was unable to come as he was in the hospital.

Imogene's sister, Donalita Hawkins and her daughter Darla Pease came; several family members were not well enough to attend. J. T. reported that Imogene was able to really enjoy the party and that she looked real pretty and had fun. He had talked to her this morning and she was still feeling well. Gina Shannon and her mother, Mrs. Eubanks and sister, D'lynn of Farwell served refreshments.

Bill Leonard has had a few days off and has been at home here in Roaring Springs.

Visiting Bill and Mozelle Hand this week were: Donny Jackson of Matador; on Saturday, Bill's daughter Trudy Hand came; and on Sunday, Kelly and Mary Hand of Lubbock were guests.

Kenneth Abbott was feted with a red velvet birthday cake and ice cream prepared by Edith Daniell at the Travelers Inn on Tuesday afternoon. Attending were: Floyd and Diane Carter; Alex and Jo Crowder; Buzz and Tince Thacker; Don Stuckey; Pearl Patten, Zella Palmer, Chig Gwinn, Donna Kennedy, Glennard Daniell, Ralph Roming and Corky Marshall.

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

### Overheard

Sometimes, I'll watch a movie that I watched when I was younger and suddenly realize I had no idea what the heck was going on when I first saw it!

### Home from the hospital

Everett Shorter returned home this week from the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock where he had medical cardiac treatment. He is recuperating in the home of his son and wife, Clois and Kathy Shorter.

Keane, Lacy and Reese Cruse of Gillett, Wyoming, visited the weekend with his parents, Brenda and Darrell Cruse.

Mrs. Julie Edwards, Jaxon, Laney, Walker and Parker Carson of Turkey and Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay enjoyed the Panhandle Homecoming and football game in which Tanner Clay played Friday night. They visited the family of Tanner, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clay, Kelsey and Sarah.

Donnie Rogers accompanied his mother, Mrs. B. Rogers to Silverton Monday for a medical appointment.

Wilburn Martin visited in South Plains Tuesday with his sister in law, Mrs. Wanda Lane. He attended to business in Lockney.

Mrs. Kathy Mulder of South Plains, Mrs. Kathy Shorter and Mrs. Anna Beth Clay attended the Beth Moore simulcast event in Matador Saturday held at the First Baptist Church.

Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton was in Silverton, Thursday, under treatment for shingles.

Mrs. Beverly Vinson is on the sick list. Her son and wife, Roger and Doris Vinson are helping with her medical arrangements.

Ruth and Orville Lee attended the business in Plainview during the weekend.

Visiting during the weekend with Connie and Coy Franks were sons, Cory Franks and Cary Franks and wife, Mary of Idalou. Cary and Cory attended their MCHS 20<sup>th</sup> class reunion held at the former VFW building in Matador.

Mrs. Gwen Mandrell and daughter, Peyton of Lubbock visited the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert and brother, Glen Calvert.

## Motley County Schools lower tax rate

Motley County school board members lowered the effective tax rate from \$1.17 to \$1.1513 in their annual budget meeting on August 30, 2010.

Superintendent Dr. Andrew Seigrist said "with the increase in our property values, we were able to lower our effective tax rate and still maintain the necessary funding levels to support the education of our students."

School administration and school board members have been working on the budget since March, 2010, when the board took a preliminary look at the budget for the 2010-2011 school year, Sei-

grist said, adding, "the budget process for Motley County Schools is a long and careful process that examines the revenues and expenditures for the entire school year."

"As county property values are assessed, we take a fresh look at the budget and how changes will impact the education of our students," Seigrist said. "We are constantly making adjustments to our budget throughout the budget process. Our budget for 2010-2011 was not final until the August 30, 2010, board meeting when the school board adopted and approved the budget."

## Matadors lose Homecoming game

The Matadors faced the Paducah Dragons for Homecoming last Friday night and fell short on the scoreboard, 44-74.

"I am very proud of our boys for competing with another top 20 ranked team in Division I," Coach Bigham said, adding, "and being able to see improvement and success throughout the game."

"We arguably have the toughest preseason schedule in the state due to our past accomplishments. Our motto for this football program is: to be the best you must beat the best."

"We would like to thank all the people and families that help make our program successful -- from the painters and sign makers to the hun-

dreds of supporters that help make Motley County proud, Coach Bigham said.

The next football game will be at Follett on September 24, 2010, with the junior high game starting at 4:00 p.m. and the Varsity following at 6:30 p.m.

Statistics for the Matador-Paducah game are: Osborn, 23 carries, 2 touchdowns, and 186 yards rushing; Taylor, 16 carries, one touchdown, and 80 yards rushing; Chavez, 12 carries, two touchdowns and 86 yards rushing; Martin, one reception for a touchdown; and Flores, 4-6 extra points. Chavez, McCleskey, and Simpson all had a fumble recovery.

Leading tacklers for Friday's game were Flores, Simpson and Chavez with 31 Cut Blocks.

## Matador News

### Memories Renewed at 1970 MHS Reunion

**Motto: "Friends are the flowers in the garden of life."**

The 1970 Matador High School graduating class observed their 40<sup>th</sup> class reunion following the 2010 Homecoming program, September 18, 2010.

The reunion was hosted by class members, Brenda Wason Cruse and husband, Darrell Cruse of Flomot in the home of Brenda's mother, Mrs. Marihelen Wason in Matador.

Refreshments were served and classmates enjoyed renewing memories and recalling episodes in which they were involved when attending high school, recalling a fun filled time.

Twelve of the living 17 class members attending ( Patti Edwards Lane is the only deceased class member) were Gail Lynn Nolan of Gainesville, Laura Jacobs Wallace of Midland, Mary Ann Woosley Edwards, of Tahoka, Albert Cook of Vernon, Ronnie Welling of Amarillo, Glen Moss of Seymour, Debra Stockton Spray, Mary Baker Marshall, Loretta Thompson and Frances Martin Taylor all of Mata-

dor. Also attending was Debra Garrison Scott of Matador of MHS class of 1971.

### Hospital stays and visits

Charles Johnson had cataract eye surgery Tuesday, September 14, in Lubbock.

Mrs. Marihelen Wason was a recent patient for four days at the Mangold Hospital in Lockney. She is reported to be doing fine.

Clay and Melinda Jameson returned home Monday night from Creede, Colorado, where they vacationed this past month at their leased home.

### El Carte Bridge Club resumes play

The El Carte Bridge Club resumed fall play with a brunch at Hotel Matador on Tuesday, September 14, 2010.

Enjoying a gourmet brunch of cantaloupe sorbet, sausage wrapped in bacon, eggs fritata with swiss cheese, biscuits, and coffee and peach tea, were: Kay Bailey, Winifred Darsey, Marian Woodruff, Dixie Campbell, Joanie Stephens, Di-Ann Campbell, Mary Jones, Carol Campbell, and Marihelen Wason. Marian Woodruff was hostess, Kay Bailey and Dixie Campbell were co-hostesses.

## RS City Council adopts proposed tax rate

The Roaring Springs City Council held a public meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room, September 13, 2010, to receive any questions or comments about the budget for the fiscal year 2010-2011. Attending were: Mayor Corky Marshall, Council members, P.K. Green, Perry Gullede, Alex Crowder; and City Secretary Zella Palmer. There was no public opposition or comments presented. The meeting closed at 6:30 p.m.

The Roaring Springs City Council met in regular session September 13, 2010. Attending were: Mayor Corky Marshall, and Council members Alex Crowder, James McCleskey, Perry Gullede, P.K. Green, City Secretary Zella Palmer, and Water Manager Robert Osborn.

The Council voted unanimously to adopt the proposed tax rate of .61810 per \$100 evaluation for the year 2010. Further, the council adopted Ordinance Number 09132010 to make the rate effective.

City Secretary Zella Palmer presented the 2010 budget to

council for review. The budget passed by a vote of three for, with one member abstaining.

The August 9, 2010, regular council meeting minutes were approved by unanimous vote; the special council meeting minutes of August 16, 2010, were also approved. The August financial report was approved, and bills approved to be paid.

Mayor Marshall reported that a Court Appointed Special Advocate(CASA) representative from Childress was in the city office discussing the work of the organization, and stated they would like for someone to volunteer to serve on the board.

Several repairs need to be done at the Community Center, but due to the lack of funds, council voted to wait until next Spring to do the work.

The City of Matador has expressed interest in purchasing the outside restrooms at the RS Community Center. Council voted unanimously to set the price for the building, as it stands, at \$1000.00, and the City of Matador move the building.

On Friday, September 24th, Motley County ISD will have an early release at 12:20. This is due to the travel distance to the football games at Follett that night. The Junior High game will start at 4:00 and the High School game will start at 6:30.

### This Week's Local Forecast

Thursday T-storms 84/64	Friday Partly Cloudy 83/63	Saturday Partly Cloudy 83/61	Sunday Mostly Sunny 81/58	Monday Partly Cloudy 83/59	Tuesday Mostly Sunny 86/64	Wednesday Partly Cloudy 84/61

### Weather Trivia

What are Dust Devils?



ANSWER: Small whirlwinds of dust that form in dry areas like deserts.

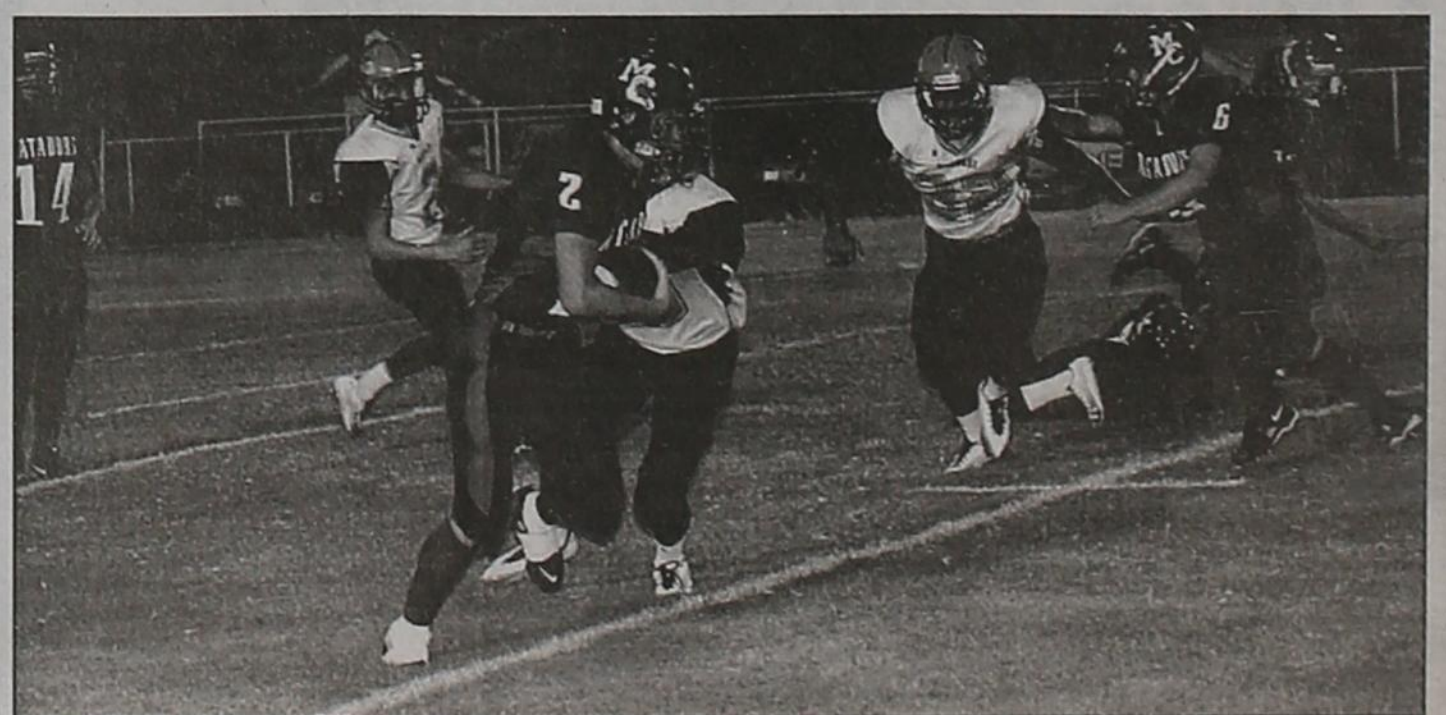
### Weather History

Sept. 23, 1983 - A thunderstorm caused a timber blowdown in the Kaibab National Forest north of the Grand Canyon. Two hundred acres were completely destroyed and scattered destruction occurred across another 3,300 acres.

### Moon Phases

Full	Last	New	First
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Jonathon Osborh, Junior, carries the ball during the Homecoming game last Friday night. photo by Walter Taylor

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# Notes from the Library

By Mary Ann Potts

The stars, sun and moon must have been aligned this week because I received two unexpected and wonderful visitors from Oklahoma. What's so special about these visitors you ask? Well, let me tell you. Mike Carrick and Donna Lindsay from Cache, Ok (pronounced cash) stopped in while on a whirlwind trip through part of west Texas visiting ranches pertaining to the history of Quanah Parker. They wanted to see where Quanah Parker stood when he made his speech in Matador, which was in front of a building that is now the First National Bank. Lindsay, along with dear friend Carrick, were soaking up as much information as possible because Donna Lindsay has the amazing job of giving tours of Quanah Parker's Star House located in Cache, Ok. She will tailor the tour to your liking making it as long or short as you want. You see, Donna Lindsay volunteers her time to researching and giving tours because of close family ties to the Parkers. And although she does not charge for the tour, a donation is greatly appreciated. Should you want to tour Quanah Parker's famous Star House, you may call Kathy Gipson Treadwell, owner of Star House, at 580/429-3420 to arrange a tour with Ms. Lindsey. Any advance notice is best to insure she is available when you're in town. But

that's not all, one of our new books in this week is *Empire of the Summer Moon* by S.C. Gwynne. This book recounts the rise and fall of the Comanches and the saga of Cynthia Ann Parker, the white woman, who was destined to become the mother of the greatest Comanche chief, Quanah Parker.

In addition, Nicholas Sparks has a new book out, *Safe Haven*, which centers around a young woman in a small N. C. town who keeps to herself. Her past is a secret so she's forced to hide her identity from a past that still haunts and terrifies her. Another book about secret pasts with the haunting fear of being found is *Running Scared* by Lisa Jackson. Young Kate must protect her son from someone who'll go to any lengths to claim him. And lastly, there's *Santa Fe Edge* by Stuart Woods. Six-foot-seven, Ed Eagle, an attorney has found that Santa Fe is a welcome retreat from the grit and crime of big cities. But looks can be deceiving and Ed has a way of attracting trouble.

A reminder that beginning Oct 1 through Nov. 19 the library will be accepting photos for our Amateur Photography Contest. The photos must be 8 X 10 for display in the annex. Please stop by the library to pick up a registration form with all the contest details. Have a Great Week taking pictures!

## Last Chance for Texans to Enter Hybrid Car Giveaway

(Austin, TX) - The deadline is just around the corner for entering the state's *Drive Clean Across Texas* online sweepstakes to win a 2010 Ford Fusion Hybrid. Texas drivers have until midnight this Sunday, September 26, to sign up to win the low-emission vehicle, which was donated by the Dallas Cowboys.

The contest, which kicked off on June 15, is part of the state's annual campaign to encourage drivers to take simple steps to improve air quality. Texas drivers who are at least 18 years old can sign up for a chance to win the car by visiting the campaign's website at [www.drivecleanacrosstexas.org](http://www.drivecleanacrosstexas.org). There, drivers can also pledge to do their part to reduce air pollution.

Besides saving money on gas, drivers who choose a low-emission vehicle, like a hybrid, are taking a big step to reduce tailpipe emissions that contribute to unhealthy air. Campaign officials with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality encourage motorists to make cost-saving, no-cost, and low-cost changes in their driving and vehicle maintenance behaviors to reduce air pollution.

"Each of us is part of the solution to continue to improve air quality in our state. Doing simple things like getting a tune-up and replacing dirty air filters improves gas mileage and reduces vehicle emissions," says Dianna Noble, TxDOT's Environmental Affairs Division Director.

The lucky grand-prize winner in this year's *Drive Clean* sweepstakes will be given the keys to the brand-new hybrid car at the Dallas Cowboys' Valley Ranch headquarters in a ceremony later this fall. Second and third place winners will receive tickets to a Dallas Cowboys home game. To get more tips on how to drive clean and to enter the Ford Fusion Hybrid sweepstakes, visit [www.drivecleanacrosstexas.org](http://www.drivecleanacrosstexas.org).

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By Ace Reid



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# Obituary

## Barbara Jameson

Graveside services for Barbara Jameson, 75, of Lake Kemp, were held Monday, September 20, 2010, at East Mound Cemetery in Matador. Arrangements were under the direction of Shannon Funeral Home of Matador.

Barbara was born December 31, 1934, in Matador, Texas, to Willard and Jimmie Young. She passed from this life on September 17, 2010, after attaining the age of 75 years, 8 months and 16 days. She is survived by her husband Bill Jameson; a daughter, Vicki Zarate and husband Ed of Lake Kemp; a son Eddie Jameson and wife Pam; one brother, Larry Young of Brownwood; one sister, Loretta Chapman of Lake Kemp; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Barbara married Billy Wayne Jameson in 1949 in Wichita Falls, Texas.



Carolyn (Pohl) Limmer decked out in a coveted 1959 leather-sleeved Matador football jacket (courtesy of Larry Hoyle) and Ed D. Smith in a 1950s fashionable felt fedora hat (Class of 1960) performed "Little Darlin'" with harmonizing ya-ya-ya background vocals. Ed D. spoke the lyrics of this classic Elvis hit, while Carolyn threatened to cut a "jitterbug rug" reminiscent of the '50s.

## Well-known Bible teacher Beth Moore challenges area women at Living Proof Live event in Matador

Women from at least 18 different churches, representing five denominations, came from 14 different area towns to be a part of the Beth Moore Living Proof Live simulcast hosted by First Baptist Church, Matador (FBCM), on Saturday, September 18.

The simulcast, which originated in Chicago, was streamed to 125,000 women in 596 locations around the world, including 5 army bases and 1 soup kitchen, Host sites represented 30 different denominations. Moore offered a challenge, based on Proverbs 31:27, for each person present to apply "The Law of Kindness" in her own life and in dealing with all difficult circumstances. Site Coordinator Dixie Campbell expressed appreciation to all the FBCM volunteers who helped make the event possible, and she also expressed thanks to everyone who attended.



Winning the Earliest Teacher award was Opal Johnson who began her teaching career in Matador in 1956.

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# Commissioner's Court adopts resolution continued from page one

Federal and State law.

According to Parrish, "all governing bodies in Texas that elect representatives from single member district/precincts are required by Federal and State law to reapportion those precincts based on the 2010 Census."

"Our law office is prepared to provide all the necessary professional services to assist the Commissioners Court in complying with the Federal and State requirements," Parrish said.

Population trends from the 2000 Census (1,426) to the 2009 Population Estimate (1,282) show a numerical change of 144 individuals, representing a decrease in population of 10.1 percent.

Traditional redistricting criteria consists of compactness, contiguity, communities of interest, use of existing election precincts, recognition of constituents incumbency, maintain the core of existing precincts, and use of natural boundaries.

The law office proposed to 1) determine whether redistricting of Motley County is necessary under federal or state law; 2) complete a proposed plan acceptable to the Commissioners Court and seek public input as appropriate; 3) assist the election officials to redraw election precinct lines; and 4) oversee the pre-clearance process for the Justice Department's review. The proposal required a \$5,000 retainer due October 1, 2010. The hourly rate

is \$250.00 for attorney time. "There is a retainer fee that needs to be paid, but it is refundable if all of the money is not used," Parrish said.

When asked by County Attorney Tom Edwards for the "absolute deadline that the court has to make a decision," Parrish indicated the deadline is November, 2010. No action was taken on this agenda item, and it was tabled until the next Commissioner's Court meeting.

In other business, the court approved two resolutions: 1) a 457 Deferred Compensation Plan for county employees and 2) a resolution authorizing a county grant of \$104.25 for home-delivered meals through the Texas Department of Agriculture, Tri-County Meals, Quitaque, Texas.

In an email message to the county judge from Dickens County Judge Lesa Arnold, an Interlocal Agreement approved by Dickens County Commissioner's Court on August 25, would allow all participating counties to join Dickens County in the Caprock Regional Public Defender Office (CRPDO).

The program would provide court-appointed counsel for indigent defendants in participating counties, hire a staff person to coordinate, and assign attorneys, assisted by third-year Texas Tech law students.

"The state established a benchmark for Indigent Defense in Motley County of

about \$4,900.00," Judge Smith said. "Anything over the benchmark is currently reimbursable by the state." In 2009-10, \$9,000 was budgeted for indigent defense, and the county has only spent \$3,817 to date, Smith said. The fiscal year ends September 30, 2010. Under the CRPDO plan you do not have to reach the \$4,900 benchmark before drawing state funds, Smith said.

"I do not like this idea at all," County Attorney Tom Edwards said. "If it aint broke, don't fix it," he said, adding, "It grabs me as the creation of another massive bureaucracy and will impinge upon the judge's power to appoint counsel for indigent defendants and potentially bog down our well-working system with law students," Edwards said. County Judge Elect Jim Meador agreed with the county attorney.

"I can see the good in this idea and the other points also, I just do not have all the information I need to make a decision," Commissioner Franklin Jameson said, and the other commissioners agreed. The item failed for lack of a motion.

In other business, according to Judge Smith, the City of Matador is in negotiations with the City of Roaring Springs for the purchase of restrooms at Roaring Springs Community Center. The court discussed the possibility of the county finding a place on county property to place the restrooms.

# Homecoming 2010 honors ex-students and teachers continued from page one

their 20<sup>th</sup> reunion; Class of 1970 (40 years) with 11 present out of a graduating class of 18; Class of 1960 celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> reunion with 14 attending out of a graduating class of 17; and Class of 1945 (65 years) had 10 of the remaining 12 members of their 26-member graduating class present. Mary Ola (Tipton) Criden (Class of 1940) of Odessa was recognized for her 70<sup>th</sup> year, post graduation.

Turning the program over for a musical walk down memory lane, Gerald Pipkin (Class of 1959) and Friends began with a resounding "Rock Around the Clock" of 1950's fame. The group included musicians Kelly Keltz and Billy Donaldson on guitars, a member of the original Hep Cats (Gerald Pipkin) of 1950s fame, and vocalists Penni Keltz and Kim Fletcher, Roaring Springs, along with former resident Sharon VanHoose, who performed about 15 classics from the 1950s-'60s eras.

Carolyn Pohl Limmer decked out in a coveted 1959 leather-sleeved Matador football jacket (courtesy of Larry Hoyle) and Ed D. Smith in a 1950s fashionable felt fedora hat (Class of 1960) entered stage left to "Little Darlin.'" With harmonizing ya-ya-ya background vocals, Ed D. spoke the lyrics of this classic Elvis hit, while Carolyn threatened to cut a "jitterbug rug" reminiscent of the '50s.

Special guest singer Steve Burrus, Lubbock, performed several Ronnie Millsap songs ("Lost in the '50s" and "It Was Almost Like a Song"); Billy Donaldson soloed with Elvis Presley's "The Wonder of You;" and Kelly Keltz sang "Night Life." The last number of the program, made popular by the Urban Cowboy era of the early '80s (hard-hat days and honky-tonk nights), was Mickey Gilley's "Girls Get Prettier at Closing Time." This lively rendition brought the audience to its feet which prompted an encore.

Ending the musical program was a hauntingly

beautiful rendition of "How Great Thou Art" with McElton Skaggs (Class of 1942) performing on harmonica. Skaggs, formerly of Whiteflatt, Texas, paid tribute to his best friend W. A. Rattan, who died in a tragic gun accident in his late 20s. Rattan was the father of Homecoming co-president Kay Rattan Bailey (Class of 1960) and David Rattan (Class of 1964).

Motley County has talent, Cowboy Poet and humorist Bill Crenshaw (Class of 1960), said. "Old Gerald Pipkin has still got it," he said with a grin. "I do too; I just forgot where I put it."

Crenshaw performed several poems ("written by a famous author, unknown") he deadpanned. The audience caught a humorous glimpse into "my first Beechnut chew;" followed by a story of a rancher who met up with a clueless Ag representative bent on "inspecting property" against the rancher's advice. He read a beautiful, original poem, "Below the Caprock," (featured in a future Writing Community). Crenshaw is a member of the Southwest Cowboy Poets Association of Amarillo, and author of two books of cowboy poetry.

The Homecoming crowd was then rewarded with a Special Visit from Patsy Cline, courtesy of Daphene (Deanie) Lynn Edwards (Class of 1960), performing a humorous on-stage pantomime of Patsy Cline's "She's Got You." Patsy sang, "I've got your picture, she's got you," displaying an 8 x 10 photo of her estranged love; "I've got the records," she pined, (pulling four 45 records from her ample bosom), "she's got you."

"I've got your class ring," Patsy sang, fetching a magnifying glass to prove it. She also fetched a tie, a scarf, two rear-view fuzzy mirror dice, ending with "I've got these little things," she sang, "she's got you." It took a while for the Master of Ceremonies to quit laughing so he could continue the program.

The association then took

nominations from the floor for Homecoming Queen and King. Deanie (Lynn) Edwards was elected Homecoming Queen; and Bobby Harp was voted Homecoming King.

In a short business meeting, the Nominating Committee recommended the current slate of Officers and Directors to be re-elected for the 2012 Homecoming. This motion passed unanimously.

Officers elected for 2012 are: Ron and Kay Bailey, co-presidents; Jim Watson (Class of 1955), vice president; Debra (Garrison) Scott (Class of 1971), treasurer; and Carol Campbell (Class of 1961), secretary.

Directors for 2012 are: Tom Edwards, Ed D. Smith, Carolyn (Pohl) Limmer, Barbara (Bird) Armstrong, Tina (Cummings) Brooks, Kevin Keltz, Nathan Shannon, and Britany Moore.

Last (but not least); a special presentation by 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.

Johnson 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.

To close the meeting, the group sang the Matador/Motley County school song, led by Carol Campbell.

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Pictured on the right, Traveling the Greatest Distance was Bobby Harp (Class of 1945) of Maui, Hawaii, accompanied by his son Scott Harp, who traveled with his father from Tokyo, Japan.



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Pictured is MC of Homecoming 2010 Ed D. Smith with the Earliest Graduate, Lucretia (Estes) Campbell, Class of 1936. There were 36 graduating members of this class.

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# Northfield Homecoming

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The Class of 1945 celebrated their 65th year post graduation with 10 members present out of the remaining 12 members of a 26-member graduating class. Pictured, standing (L to R) are: James Garth, Bobby Harp, June (Pope) Moss, Gladys (Springer) McDonald, and Dorothy (Henderson) Day. Seated, (L to R) are: Aylene (Dees) Taylor, Dorothy (Cox) Russell, and Leona (Martin) Terry. Not pictured, but attending were: Murell Latimer and Clyde Lancaster.



The Class of 1960 celebrated their 50th reunion with 14 attending out of a graduating class of 17. Several classmates attended school at Matador, but did not graduate. Pictured standing, back row (L to R) are: Ed D. Smith, Tom Edwards, Harry Hamilton, Dahl Clower, Billy Crenshaw, Mae Martin Thomas, and Andy Fish. Standing, front row are: Kay (Rattan) Bailey, Carolyn (Pohl) Limmer, Deanie (Lynn) Edwards, Alice (Locke) Cobbs, and Pete Chambliss. Not pictured, but attending the reunion were: Bundy Hal Campbell, Robin Darsey, Jimmy Irwin, Carl Thompson, Jan (Barton) Hamilton, Roddy Klinnert, and Hal Dean Hines. The two graduating members not in attendance were: Gary Pat Jenkins and Edna Ruth (Williamson) Mattern. Butch Renfro, Matador, is the only deceased member of the graduating class.

The trust fund interest income is used to hire workers to mow, purchase lawn mowers, chemicals (to keep the grass burrs from taking over), and spray for weeds. Only descendants or family of a descendent of Northfield can be buried at the historical site.

"When the attorney helped me set up the trust fund, he said that some big cities learn that country cemeteries don't charge for burial plots, and will move their indigent and 'unknowns' to rural plots. The trust helped protect the cemetery," Betty said.

A happenstance about three years ago at Bob Wills Day in Turkey, Texas, led Betty to add a jazz guitarist to the Homecoming list. Betty learned through a newspaper article that Joe Settlemier, who claims he played with Bob Wills for a short time, had roots in Northfield. In fact, his younger years were spent growing up in Northfield, where his father farmed with Billy Paul's father -- small world.

Betty was determined, and she finally made contact with Settlemier at a practice session at the Bob Wills celebration, and invited him to Homecoming. "He didn't come the first year," Betty said, "but attended the next year." Last year he offered to do a benefit for the Northfield Cemetery Trust Fund, she said.

Henry Baker with the Church of Western Swing in Turkey, Texas, said when Benny Barcia, longtime Texas Playboy guitarist, could no longer play due to ill health, "he told me he would send us a guitar player out to take his place."

"I asked him if Joe was as good as he was and he told me that when he had taught Ben-



Billy Paul and Betty Simpson have never missed a Northfield Homecoming, and this year is no exception. The 48th Annual Northfield Homecoming is planned for Saturday, October 2, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. at the Matador Senior Citizens Building.

photo by Carol Campbell

ny Jr. (his son) and Vince Gill all that he could, he sent them to Joe to learn more," Baker said.

Settlemier has been playing Bob Wills Day since 2003, and recently started a music school in Turkey. According to Baker, it "seems to be getting off to a good start." It is also rumored that Settlemier bought a retirement home in Turkey. Currently living in Blanchard, Oklahoma, he teaches at the Chickasha Junior College, conducting a Jazz Orchestra. He told Betty he likes the "peace and quiet" of a small town, finding that it aides the creative process -- no distractions. He has a new album out entitled, "Northfield Waltz."

The benefit has been set for October 16, at 2:00 p.m. at the Gem Theatre in downtown Turkey, Texas, featuring Joe Settlemier and Friends, including Rick Sudduth on fiddle; Brenda Sudduth, lead

vocals; Dwight Cook, steel guitar; Odis James, drums, and Lee Barlow, on bass guitar.

Motley County has never been short on talent, and a Northfield connection at the benefit will feature several guest artists, including Adele (Dobbins) Little, granddaughter of Sue Dobbins who worked in the Matador school cafeteria for many years; and Jada Prairie and Sierra Jameson, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jarrett Jameson, Tell, Texas; granddaughters of Franklin and Susan Jameson of Northfield; and great-granddaughters of Margie Payne of Roaring Springs.

Mark your calendars and make Gem Theatre an afternoon stop on October 16 to support the Northfield Cemetery Trust Fund. Marie Cruse is going to serve supper at the jamboree headquarters next to the theatre for only \$6.00 a plate, (menu to be announced), Betty said.

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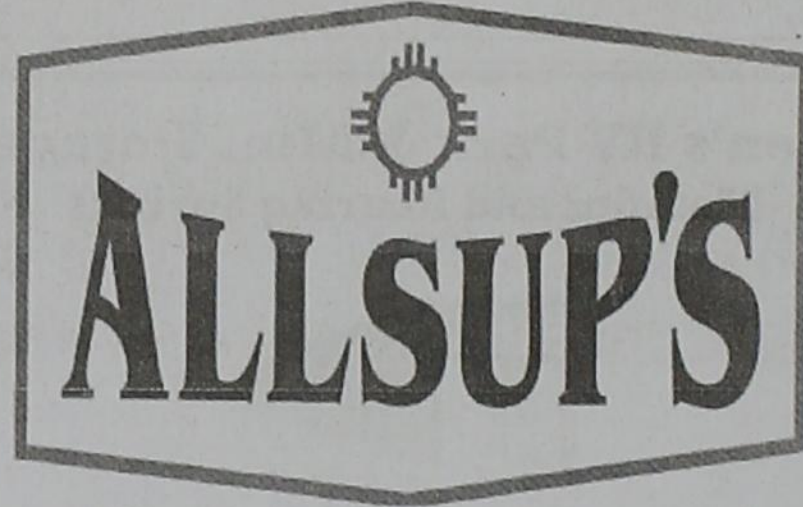
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#### September

- 24 Mavericks at Follett, 4 pm
- 24 Matadors at Follett, 7:30 pm
- 27 American Legion Post 337, 7 PM at the Motley County Senior Center.
- 30 Mavericks at Crowell, 5 pm

#### October

- 1 RS Lions
- 1 Matadors vs Crowell, 7:30
- 2 Northfield's 47th annual Homecoming, 10:00 am
- 5 Mat Lions
- 6 Kids Praise
- 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
- 11 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 Medicare Card, Cash/Check

#### Notice

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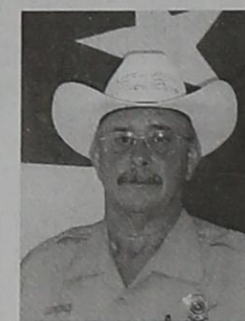
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