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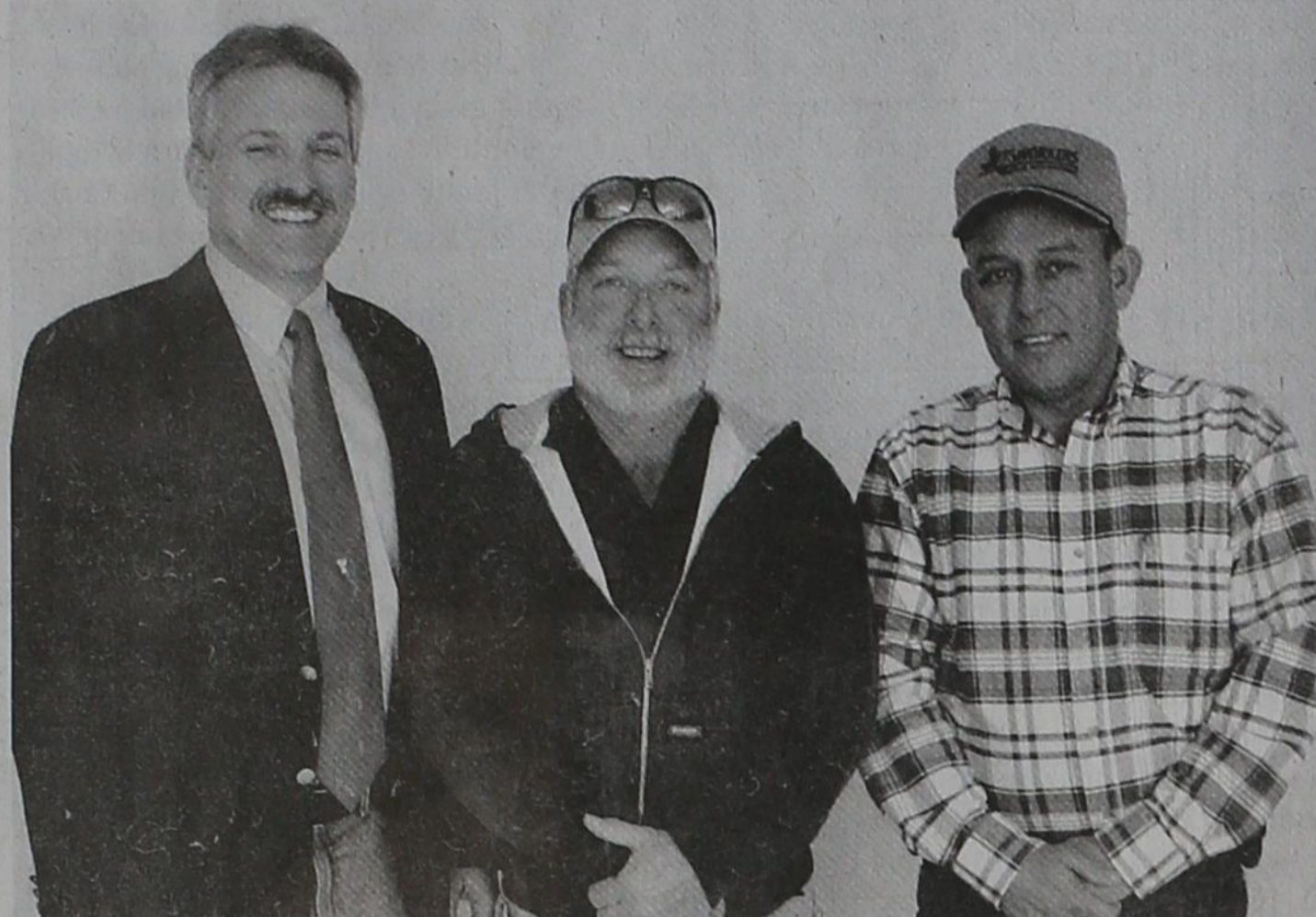
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Service Awards Presented to TxDot Employees



L to R, Marty Smith, Childress District Engineer, Gary Simpson, Motley County Maintenance and Ben Kautz, Motley County Maintenance Supervisor. Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently presented service awards to employees. Marty Smith, Childress District Engineer presented an award to: Gary Simpson, Motley County Maintenance for 10 years of dedicated service to TxDOT

Commissioner's Court approves county historical report

Jail interior renovation update presented

By Carol Campbell
 Motley County Tribune

The Motley County Commissioner's Court met February 13, 2012, in regular session, covering a 12-item agenda including a jail renovation update, approval of a bid proposal for a lot at County Lake Estates, a historical commission report, and a presentation by Dianne Washington, CPA, on the Financial Audit for 2009.

Attending were Commissioners Franklin Jameson, Roy Gene Stephens, Donnie Turner, and Russell Alexander with County Judge Jim Meador presiding. Also in attendance were Deputy Clerk D'anna Russell, County Attorney Tom Edwards, Tax Assessor and Collector Elaine Hart, and County Treasurer Eva Barkley. Guest of the court was Ed D. Smith, Co-chair of the Friends of the Historic Motley County Jail.

In the first item of business, Elaine Hart addressed the court to approve the purchase of a new computer and printer for the Tax Assessor's office. The court voted 5-0 to replace this equipment. In addition, Hart also reported that as of February 13, the collection tax rate is at 92.3 percent.

An informational briefing by Carol Campbell, Chair of the Friends of the Historic Motley County Jail, included a handout "priority list" for

the interior restoration of the jail, recently approved by the 12-member jail board. The detailed list includes a plan to expose the gallows on the first floor. "The jail board wants to reconfigure the interior as close as possible to 1891 when the jail was built," Campbell said, adding, "Which will include taking out the current kitchen cabinets and sink." A possible donation by the Motley County Museum will include an early-day Hoosier Cabinet and iron cook stove for the kitchen. Research is currently being conducted by the board examining other restored jails. Campbell invited the Court for a "walk-through" at the jail to discuss the interior plans.

A bid proposal for Lot 100 at the County Lake Estates in Motley County was opened by Deputy Clerk Russell. The court voted unanimously to accept the bid of \$750.00 by Troy Swinney of Lubbock, Texas, for the resale property.

A report submitted to the court by Marisue Potts, chair of the Motley County Historical Commission, outlined in detail the significant work and progress that the commission has accomplished during the past year through the Texas Archeological Society Steward Network, the Quanah Parker Trail of the Texas Plains Trail Region, and other notable initiatives including the placement of a granite monument

on the grave of Ridge Great-house and plans to mark graves at the Old Whiteflat Cemetery. (A copy of her report can be found in the Writing Community).

During a short break, a jail tour was conducted for feedback on the interior restoration of the jail. Attending the "walk-through" at the jail were Commissioner Roy Gene Stephens, Deputy Clerk D'anna Russell, Judge Jim Meador, Ed D. Smith and Carol Campbell.

After reconvening, Dianne Washington, CPA, presented the Financial Audit for the county for 2009. In 2009, the county's net worth was \$1,055,309 of which \$628,000 was invested in equipment; \$300,602 in restricted funds for other purposes; and unrestricted funds of \$236,043.

"All precincts ended up in good shape," Washington said, adding, "taxes were not raised, but we still came up with a positive balance in all funds."

Washington also complimented the court on the "flow of internal control over financial reporting." The Commissioners' Court has "done a very good job" of monitoring precinct expenses, she said. The court voted 5-0 to accept the 2009 audit. According to Washington, the 2010 audit will be presented at Commissioner's Court in March, 2012.

Matador City Council Selects Band for Centennial Celebration

By Linda Roy
 Motley County Tribune

CPR (Country Pop Rock) Band of Midland was chosen as the headliner for the Matador Centennial Celebration June 8-10 during the Matador City Council meeting Thursday, February 9.

The band was among those presented by Centennial Entertainment Committee Chair Ryan Martin, and the council voted unanimously for their selection. The CPR Band will perform Saturday night of the celebration.

Council members voted to dedicate \$10,000 of the proceeds from the City Hotel Occupancy Tax to fund the Centennial Celebration, and public donations will be solicited in upcoming mail-outs promoting the event and also asking for suggestions regarding the celebration. The Centennial planning committee will meet again before the first of March.

In other business, the City Council passed a resolution for an Order of Election for Saturday, May 12. The election will be in the City Hall. Up for election will be the position of mayor and the council seats currently held by Nathan Shannon and Chuck Ream.

The council was notified of the ranking of applications for the South Plains Community Action HOME Reconstruction Program facilitated in conjunction with Matador,

Roaring Springs, and Motley County. The next stage in the process involves a site visit to each residence to evaluate needed repairs.

Each of the three entities is eligible for five home reconstructions. However, only four qualifying applications were received from Roaring Springs and three from Motley County. The goal is for the grant to be fully utilized throughout the county. Mayor Pat Smith urges residents to take advantage of this opportunity to improve their homes. The deadline to apply has been extended to accommodate additional applicants. Call City Secretary Debra Scott at 347-2255 about applying for the grant.

The top ranking applications at this point in the process are Saragosa Ramirez, Nona Long, John Nipp, and Bennie Meredith of Roaring Springs; Larry Henderson, Thomas Tilson, and Joe Guerrero, all for Motley County; Alvin and Jan Martin, Teresa Patterson, Roger Flory, Clara Mangram, and Zerline Lee, all of Matador.

Scott reported that interest earned on city of Matador CDs was \$4,250.75 in 2011 and \$378.90 in 2010.

Water Superintendent Steve Barton reported that the city uses public funds to repair broken water valves when residents use city water meters to cut off water to their residences. Only city employees are authorized to operate

city-owned meter boxes. In addition, when residents take it upon themselves to cut off water at the city meter, their neighbors are often affected and inconvenienced. The council discussed the problem, and it was stated that the problem would be alleviated if all residents had individual water shut-off to their property. Currently, many property owners have this, but several do not.

Consideration was given to charging property owners who break a value during unauthorized utilization of the city meter box the \$100 it takes to repair a broken water value on their subsequent water bill. Superintendent Barton also suggested that the council consider charging a \$50 service call when residents call to have their water cut off at a city meter outside of regular working hours. Barton said that a resolution requiring all residents to install a water cut-off valve at their location would alleviate the problem. The city council decided to study the situation further and took no action on the issue.

The council also took no action on the issue of purchasing a city trash truck. However, they will ask Caprock Waste to pick up garbage more frequently at locations that generate more trash than can be adequately disposed of with only the Monday and Thursday collection, such as the

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USDA Invites Minority Producers to Join USDA Minority Farm Register

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) invites minority farmers and ranchers in Motley County and across the nation to voluntarily join the USDA Minority Farm Register to receive information and opportunities from USDA agencies.

"The new Minority Farm Register is an outreach tool to reach underserved farmers and ranchers who are not currently enrolled in USDA loan, farm or conservation programs," said Motley County FSA county executive director. "The Register is a shared outreach list that will help USDA, community-based organizations and minority-serving educational institutions to communicate with minority farmers and ranchers."

By joining the Register, minority producers may receive outreach materials, newsletters,

and program announcements from USDA agencies. They may also receive information and assistance from other USDA-approved outreach partners, such as community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, and minority-serving educational institutions. USDA will carefully control access to and use of the Register.

Individuals wishing to join the Register must sign and date a form that provides their name and address. Providing phone numbers, e-mail address, race, ethnicity, gender and farm or ranch location will be voluntary, although the additional information increases the producer's opportunities for receiving timely assistance. The Register pamphlet with the registration form is available at the Motley County USDA Service Center or from approved USDA outreach partners.

Completed forms may be mailed to: USDA Minority Farm Register, USDA Stop Code 0503, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250. FSA and USDA's Office of Advocacy and Outreach are jointly administering the Register.

Registration forms are available in Spanish (AD-2035SP) and English (AD-2035) on the FSA web site (www.fsa.usda.gov) under "Forms".

An individual may remove his or her name from the Register by writing to the Minority Farm Register, USDA Stop Code 0503, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250.

For more information, please contact the Farm Service Agency, STOP 0503, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-0503 (Call 1-866-538-2610; Fax: 1-866-302-1760; E-mail: MSDA@USDA.gov).

Foothill Country

Connections

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



By Larry Vogt

When I was a mere lad of 20, I took a young woman to see an Ingmar Bergman movie called "Wild Strawberries." The movie was in Swedish and I was gradually introduced to the world of "art" films and the discussions that the movies provoked. I was so fascinated by the plot of the film, which involved the memories, and dreams of an elderly doctor who is going on a journey to receive an award for his lifetime of work.

While I appreciated the story, I could not identify with the main character. He was so much older than I, and, well, I was not ever going to become that old. I had no idea what was going to become of my life, but I knew that I would

never get that ancient. Of course, years go by, and then one day I looked in the mirror and I had become that elderly man in the film. Not exactly, mind you, but the wrinkles and white hair, the other processes that come with aging, one ages and one changes, and it all is inevitable. These bodies were not meant to last forever on this earth.

So it is with great joy that I look forward to seeing my children and grandchildren, and feel joy in my heart for those of you who live close enough to family members to see them on a frequent basis. So as we look at the pictures in this edition of the Tribune, it does our hearts good to see all the young faces and remember when the children were young, and how cute they were, then come the grandchildren, and they are so beautiful we can do nothing but burst with pride. We may have come a long way since we were 20 years old, but if we have grandchildren we can enjoy our remaining time watching them grow and prosper.

WRITING COMMUNITY

Editor's Note: This report is required by the Texas Historical commission to be given by the county historical commission to the Commissioners Court. This was presented in open court on February 13, 2012.

County residents who serve on the Motley County Historical Commission are: Marisue Potts, Earlyne Jameson, Ruby McGuire, Dorothy Hanesworth, Joy Archer, Barbara Armstrong, Betty Moore, Joan Patton, Ron Bailey, Lucretia Campbell, and Carol Campbell.

By Marisue Potts

As chairman of the Motley County Historical Commission, a member of the Texas Archeological Society steward network and the Quannah Parker Trail committee of the Texas Plains Trail, I have had the opportunity to establish relationships with descendants of Quannah Parker who have been most generous in sharing their cultural traditions and gracious in learning about their history as recorded by the white man. At one particular meeting of the QPT, a Comanche gentleman said, "We are learning about our heritage from all of you." Obviously we are learning just as much from them on brain tanning, cooking techniques, religious practices and linguistics.

Photographs of the Comanche presence in Motley County are posted on the Quannah Parker Trail website. The subjects were an item of interest, as was a display of photos taken during the missionary period on the reservation, in a visit to the Motley County Historical Museum by tribe members here for the arrow dedi-

cation at the Motley County Jail. As required by the QPT committee, a survey of historical accounts of the region offered information on some formerly unknown campsites of the Comanches. Timely documentation and Carol Campbell's influence meant that Matador received one of the first Giant Arrows that designate the Quannah Parker Trail. Thus far, over 27 21-foot arrows have been placed in the Upper and Lower Panhandle region to draw attention to the colorful history of the Comanches and Quannah Parker, in particular, with many more planned in the near future to cover all 52 counties in the region.

After receiving an inquiry about The Old Whiteflat Cemetery, I found the site was in great disrepair with some of the few remaining stones lying on the ground. Plans are being made to mark the site with a metal sign and list the known graves, fence the area now open to cattle plunder, and record the site.

The TAS workshop held in Austin for help in GPS positioning proved beneficial in recording the locations of two little known family cemeteries in Bastrop County prior to the summer's wildfire. Some of those Burleson graves dated 1840 when Texas was a Republic. The information received will facilitate the recording of historical sites and culturally sensitive locations.

Re-enactors of the Red River War who set up at the dedication ceremonies for the buffalo at Caprock Canyons State Park were a repository of knowledge and authentic equipment, offering an opportunity to compare information and artifacts related to various Pease River sites

and buffalo processing camps of prehistoric and historic Native Americans.

The internet has brought many inquiries for county history information on TeePee City, Old Whiteflat Cemetery, Bob's Oil Well, and various cowboys like Jube McCanne who once worked for the Matadors. The museum's files are indispensable for this type of research.

It has been my privilege to assist Carol Campbell with research and location of museum photographs as she works toward the restoration of the Motley County Jail and the video documentary on our county's history.

The Motley County Historical Commission, the Daughters of the Confederacy, and the South Plains Genealogical Society went together to place a granite monument on the grave of Ridge Greathouse who died on the Matador Ranch in 1902. Greathouse, a prairie dog poisoner and skunk skinner for the Matadors, had a colorful history as a Southern sympathizer and was involved with the "Chapman Affair of 1872," a scheme to outfit a schooner as a privateer to steal gold from the Union and re-direct it to the Confederacy to buy badly needed arms and supplies. His story has attracted much attention and will be presented at the West Texas Historical Association meeting in Alpine in March, 2012.

Our county historical commission and our history museum neither received funding nor ask for it in carrying out our projects. A conservative estimate of the hours I have donated in matters relating to the county historical commission, TASN, QPT and heritage tourism is 224 hours and 2,402 miles.

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Motley County School, Chillierz, and Allsups. They also discussed the possibility of positioning additional dumpsters at sites such as these.

A public hearing for the proposed 2012-2013 city budget was set for Thursday, March 8, at 6 p.m. at City Hall after the proposed budget was studied, discussed, and amended by the council. Projected general fund income from all sources for that fiscal year, including taxes set at the roll back rate, is \$167,850.00.

Copies of the proposed budget are available at the City Hall.

Barton asked the council to consider the replacement of the city's 1997 pickup and to install a service utility bed with a tool box on the other truck used by the water works department. He further asked that a trailer be purchased to transport the city backhoe, which is currently driven to needed locations. No action was taken on the requests.

Attending the meeting

were Mayor Pat Smith, City Secretary Scott, Water Superintendent Barton, and council members Shane Jones, Alvin Alexander, and Bobby Klodjinski. Absent were council members Chuck Ream and Nathan Shannon. Also present were Linda Roy and Ryan Martin.

The next regularly schedule city council meeting will be Thursday, March 8, following the proposed budget public hearing at 6:30 p.m.

Send Centennial stories for Matador's 100th birthday to: Matador10012@yahoo.com or mail to Dianne Washington P.O. Box 6, Matador, TX 79244.

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Motley County Shining Stars

MCISD seniors, Jon Osborn, Braden Mason, Lexi Osborn, Chris Brooks, Aaron Rogers, and Mark Quintero were recognized Friday night in their final home game against Jayton. We have enjoyed watching them represent our school during their high school years and want to wish them the very best of luck in the future.



Women's Health Symposium February 25th

Childress Women's League will host its annual Women's Health Symposium on Saturday, February 25 at the CRMC Francis T Smith Education Center from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$10.00 and include lunch.

This year's speakers include; Dr. Brandon Harshe, Chiropractor who will speak on the benefits of chiropractic services. He practices in Childress and is located in downtown Childress on Commerce Street. Larissa Henderson, Biofeedback Specialist and associated with ISPA of Childress. Larissa will speak on the balance of the body and how to achieve this balance. She will also provide a demonstration of her biofeedback. Dr. Dan Babbel, Orthopedic Surgeon and Hand Specialist will speak on bone health and osteoporosis. Dr. Babbel is associated with United Regional Medical Center in continued on page 4



The Lady Mavs won Consolation at the District Tournament at Guthrie this weekend. Pictured above are: (back row) Autumn Woolsey, Thalia Mendoza, and Thalia Quilimaco. Front row) Sage Guerrero, Mattie Brooks, Kaylee Woolsey, Avery Wright, and Natalie Jameson. Not pictured are Hannah Mason and Leigha Talamantez. Congratulations Lady Mavs!!!

Goal set by National Congress of American Indians

The National Congress of American Indians every year releases its "State of Indian Nations," an alternative prospect for the Congress reported during the week of the State of the Union.

This has become an important exercise for many reasons. As NCAI President Jefferson Keel says, "Tribal nations are its first governments - one of three sovereigns recognized in the United States Constitution. And our America is a place where each member of the American family of governments contributes to a prosperous future." (Full text of speech is here.)

That outline of how the world should be - at least from the point of view of tribes - is consistent and straightforward:

The United States made promises to American Indians through solemn treaties. Those deals carry the force of Constitutional law (something that seems to be missed from those calling for a return to Constitutional principles).

Keel's message was before a Washington, D.C., audience at the Newseum but it was also streamed on the Internet before interested people, students in schools, and tribal leaders. It represents a moment when technology can create an instant connection across Indian Country so that ideas can be shared, debated and, possibly, executed.

One of those ideas is lofty: Turn out Native American voters in record-breaking numbers.

"We know it can be done," Keel said. "For instance, on the Fort Belknap Reservation in Montana, turnout rates are regularly over 80 percent. A survey of seniors at UCLA showed that Native young people participate at rates higher than any other group of students. This is especially important because almost half a million Native youth will be eligible to vote for the first time in the next four years."

There is a record of success to build on here. The upset election of Sen. Lisa Murkowski in

Alaska was because of Alaska Native organization, money - and votes.

Keel also called on Congress to make it easier for tribal governments to be successful, removing obstacles to success. This is a message that ought to make sense to all. Indeed, NCAI's top legislative priority is fixing the confusing Carcieri decision by the Supreme Court (which affects the governance of Indian lands).

But the broader issue is what Keel described as "the old way of doing things." He said, "the Swinomish Tribe, in Washington state, saw this first hand. The tribe had worked out a deal with Wal-Mart for a big new store on the reservation. This was a great deal - a million dollars a year in lease revenue for the Tribe, and new jobs for tribal members and people throughout the community. As with every lease

on Indian lands, the federal government needed to approve it. The process took more than a year and by the time it was approved economic conditions had changed and Wal-Mart had made other plans."

Any conversation in Washington, D.C., these days is also about money - and significant federal spending cuts. Keel said, "the Budget Control Act poses great risks. The act requires Congress to cap discretionary spending for the next ten years. Much of the funding that fulfills the federal trust responsibility is categorized - wrongly, in our view - as domestic discretionary spending. The trust responsibility is not a discretionary choice. It is not a line item. It is a solemn agreement that has been sustained over hundreds of years."

Keel called on Congress to hold tribal programs harmless. continued on page 5

"IMPUTED RIGHTEOUSNESS."



Be it man or a woman, none cannot make themselves to be righteous in the sight of God. In speaking of this the Bible says in Romans 3: 10, "There is none righteous, no, not one." That being so, then where can we find the righteousness we need? For the Bible tells us

that without it we will not see God.

The blood of Jesus is where righteousness is found for us. Sometimes we are inclined to forget such a thing. We often get very busy doing church work and start feeling that after all we are pretty good people and maybe we are. But our righteousness in God's eyes, comes through our relationship with Jesus. No matter how long we may have been Christians or how much good we may have done on this earth, it is not going to impress God. Only the righteousness found in His Christ is impressive. Take a moment and read Luke 17: 10.

God is impressed with only one thing. That is our close and enduring relationship with His Son. We are justified by God's grace through faith in Jesus. In Jesus is where we are found to be righteous. It is given to us or imputed. Therefore, let us be obedient to our Lord as we live in His marvelous grace. That has a nice sound to it, "don't you think?"

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

Centennial Celebration Venue Has Something for Everyone

Matador's town square will come to life with a huge birthday party June 8-10 as the city celebrates its 100th year.

With activities beginning at 6 p.m. Friday, June 8, local and area bands will take the stage and entertain guests as they shop with vendors, enjoy the local cuisine, engage in a serious game of dominos, try their hand at washer-pitching, visit an art exhibit, or watch the kids play on giant inflatable toys.

The fun will get off to an early start the next day with a huge parade beginning at 10 a.m. featuring historic floats, antique cars, horses, and who knows what else. Commemo-

rative items will be available for purchase. Reenactments of days-gone-by will be at the historic jail, and Lou Burleson will be performing her portrayals of famous people in the Motley County courtroom.

And if that's not enough, the CRP (Country Rock Pop) Band of Midland will get everyone singing and dancing in the streets Saturday night.

(Now don't tell, but there is a rumor that country star and local son Trent Willmon just might make a guest appearance.)

Door prizes will sweeten the pot, and if we can get a little rain, there might even be fireworks!

Wait! It's not over on Saturday. Sunday services will be held the old fashioned way with dinner on the ground and spirited preaching. Both gospel music and a little Christian contemporary are sure to move you, and after church—the celebrating starts again. We'll probably wind down about 5 that afternoon.

Hey, if you have an idea about how to make this the best birthday party in a hundred years, let us know! Call Debra Scott at the city, 347-2255.

Don't miss a minute of it! After all, it only comes around every 100 years, and we're betting you won't be here for the next one!

Open-House Style Public Meeting Texas Rural Transportation Plan 2035

CHILDRESS - The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, will host an open-house style public meeting for the development of the Texas Rural Transportation Plan 2035. This plan will identify the transportation needs for all modes in rural Texas through 2035. In addition, the plan will include a prioritized list of highway projects that will allow TxDOT to focus its limited planning funds on the most needed highway projects.

The purpose of this meeting is to present the criteria and process used to evaluate the highway projects, the findings for the non-highway modes, and to solicit comments and input to aid in the further development of the plan. Information will be available for viewing at the meetings including exhibits and handouts about the status and results of the study. Representatives from TxDOT will be in attendance to discuss the development of the plan and answer questions. Forms will be provided for submitting written comments.

The open-house style public meeting in the Childress District area will be held on March 6, 2012, from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at: Childress City Auditorium (Room A)

Information regarding additional meeting locations throughout the state can be found at www.txdot.gov, key word: rural plan 2035 or by calling the project's toll-free information line at 1-855-TX-RURAL (1-855-897-8725).

For those unable to attend the open-house style public meeting, written comments can be submitted on the project website at: www.txdot.gov, key word: transportation plan 2035; by email at: TPP_txtranplan@dot.state.tx.us; or by mail to: Peggy Thurin, P.E., Project Manager, Texas Rural Transportation Plan 2035, 4544 Post Oak Place, Suite 224, Houston, Texas, 77027.

Persons with special communication or accommodation needs may call Barbara Seal (940.937.7288) for assistance. Requests should be made no later than three days prior to the meeting. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate needs.

NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

On a personal note

I enjoyed the beautiful snow but was glad that I did not have to get out in it. It is really melting fast this morning since the sun came out. Everyone is thankful for the moisture and the children enjoyed playing in the snow; they were elated to have a couple of hours reprieve due to the school being delayed.

Dixie did not know what to think about the snow; being so short legged, she was more than belly deep. She continues to be busy doing anything she can think of - she surprised herself chasing Lil' Toot and in her excitement jumped up on the couch for the first time.

In the community

A drawing was held for the Yaldiz 20 gauge over and under shotgun that was raffled by the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers last Saturday evening. Steven Braselton of Roaring Springs was the winner. Christi Ward drew the winning ticket.

Pearl Patten visited her hometown on Wednesday. She enjoyed visiting with her friends and checking on her home. Her son, Willie Palmer of Lovington brought her.

Lisa Simpson was taken by ambulance on Thursday to UMC hospital in Lubbock. She stayed overnight. She was released on Friday. She is planning to be back at work today.

Lorine Jordan is recuperating from her fall that broke her arm and hurt her back. The change in weather really affects the pain level in all injuries even very old injuries. She reported that she had really been uncomfortable the last couple of days. Me too!

Don and Billie Stuckey were in Flower Mound, Texas, to see their grandson in a school play. While they were there they celebrated their 42nd anniversary. They also went to Oklahoma City to attend a professional bull rider's event. They returned home on Sun-

day just ahead of the snow.

Buzz and Tince Thacker attended the funeral of Tince's uncle, Lynn Perdue in Slaton. Mr. Perdue was a 91-year-old veteran and a railroad man. He was the youngest brother of Tince's mother.

Donna Kennedy is at home after an extended stay in Ferris, Oklahoma, with her daughter, Mariann Cannon. Donna went before Thanksgiving and decided to stay on for Christmas. Just after Christmas she was hospitalized with pneumonia. Mariann insisted she stay until she was sure her mom would be all right to drive home and be okay at home. Donna said her doctor released her a lot earlier than Mariann!

Buzz Thacker reported that we officially had five inches of snow amounting to 48/100ths inch or moisture.

I have a correction to last week's news. The Disciple-Now youth event, 'Pause: Learning to Seek God' was not sponsored by area churches. It was sponsored by First Baptist Church in Matador. The concert was held at the Full Gospel Church on Friday evening. I omitted one band, the Cheyenne Band. Leigh Penrod reported that the concert was very special and the bands had the set up and tear down work down to a science. She was very impressed at how smoothly they accomplished setting up and taking down the props and equipment needed for the concert. The attendance was light due to ballgames and Dickens County Stock Show, but it made for a special time to enjoy and have personal contact with the band members. Other activities took place at FBC Matador on Saturday and Sunday. Including band members and a few adults the attendance was about 50.

There were perfect tire tracks making two touching hearts this morning in the snow across the street. A little valentine serendipity don't you think? Happy Valentine's Day tomorrow!

Trash to Treasure ladies' luncheon to feature music from area churches

All women of the area are reminded to attend and bring their friends to the upcoming 'Trash to Treasure Ladies' Salad Luncheon this Saturday, February 18, at 12:00 noon at First Baptist Church, Matador.

Trash to Treasure, a musical focus on God's redemptive work within us, will feature music presented by several area churches. The theme is based on Psalm 51:10, "Create

in me a clean heart, O God."

Guests who would like to bring a salad are encouraged to do so, but this is not required. Also, women attending as a group are asked to bring one salad for every two or three women in the group.

The event is hosted annually by the Women on Mission of the church's WMU.

For more information, call Doris Moore (347-2875).

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

Affection, devotion, passion, tenderness, ardor and commitment - the list goes on - yet there really is not the perfect synonym for love. The word "love" stands on its own. To say it is to say something that no other word in our language can say. Valentine's Day is an acknowledgment of our need to give and receive love. "I love you" is not said enough!

Community News

Visiting the weekend with Connie and Coy Franks was Hudson, Madison and Heston and Cary and Mary Franks of Idalou.

Mary Hughes of Sublette, Kansas, visited two weeks with Mrs. Janice Hughes, returning home Wednesday. Visiting her during the weekend were sons, Roger and Rickey Hughes of Floydada.

Joey Lee of Clarendon visited Thursday with his parents, Ruth and Orville Lee.

Mrs. Debbie Arrington of Canadian and her mother, Mrs. Waydetta Clay and Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton of Flomot visited Wilburn Martin Wednesday.

Mrs. Jackie Davis of Fritch visited Saturday and Sunday and Michael Starkey of Canyon visited from Sunday until Wednesday with their parents, Nada and Jack Starkey.

Clois and Kathy Shorter have visited in Lockney during the week with his father, Everett Shorter who is taking rehabilitation treatments. He is reported to be improving.

Valentine Décor Featured At Do Gooders' Club Meeting

The Do Gooders' Club of Flomot met Tuesday afternoon, February 7, 2012,

at the Community Center observing Valentine's Day.

Mrs. Waydetta Clay conducted the election of officers of the club for 2012. The following were elected to serve: Mrs. Waydetta Clay, president; Mrs. Connie Franks, vice president; Mrs. Anna Beth Clay, secretary and treasurer, and reporter, Mrs. Kathy Shorter. They voted to meet Tuesday afternoon, February 14, 2012, at the Center to choose fabric for 2012 club quilt which is an unusual and pretty pattern, "Lost Socks". They discussed plans for the coming year.

After the business meeting adjourned, hostess Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert presided at a table of colorful Valentine appointments. The table was laid with a white lace cloth and centered with a large ivy plant intermingled with silk red roses. Adding to the lovely décor, encircling the centerpiece was a bright red fluff of tulle. She served pigs-in-a-blanket with dips, strawberry cake, pink fruit punch and coffee.

Mrs. Calvert presented each member a red chocolate heart. Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse was pleased when her name was drawn for the hostess gift, the beautiful centerpiece.

Those attending were Mesdames Erma Washington, Connie Franks, Mary Jo Calvert, Tommie Jo Cruse, Anna Beth Clay, Waydetta Clay and Kathy Shorter.

Beautiful Snow

After no rain in January and looking through "WOES colored glasses" the four inches of snow in northern Motley County Sunday, February 12, was a beautiful sight to see! We are at the stage where we are thankful for any kind of moisture!

Matador News

By Marilyn Hicks

I love the sound of snow gently falling on a hushed landscape. I don't love to drive in the snow. I came in from Lara and Adrian's in Canyon just ahead of most of the snow fall on Sunday morning. I did have to drive very slowly from Tulia to Floydada; scary when no one on the road has control.

The beautiful white stuff brought a mélange of stranded drivers to the Hotel, however. Jack Braun brought his wife to see our town and to finish reading the book on Sweitzer saddles that we have. He is from Canada so the snow didn't even give him a second thought.

Dr. Steve Vanosdale was stranded as he traveled from Vernon back to Lubbock where he is a chiropractor. Marcel Monroe and Mario Palomo are students at Wayland Baptist and were not able to return there from Vernon where they spent the weekend with family. Robert Rumph, director of Federal Programs in Pampa, could not reach home and joined the overnight group.

In addition to the snow,

Tino and Margarita Garcia from Floydada had a flat; they definitely thought they had no luck whatsoever. Daniel and Delphina Perez from Plainview couldn't brave the road home. The most long distance stranded couple were Steven and Ariel Sanchez who were traveling from Monclair, California, to Tyler to attend the funeral service for her grandmother. They were redirected from a closed I-40 and were attempting to connect to I-20 and that brought them through here. Although I am sure they did not make the 10:00 service in Tyler on Monday, they were safe, and I think the grandmother would have appreciated that fact.

Ken Young hosted a gathering Saturday morning to explain his new business. He served tea and samples of products. The tea was the perfect thing for a cold morning. By the time you read this it will be warm again....

Mrs. Opal Johnson had knee replacement surgery Monday February 6, 2012, in Lubbock and her sister Mrs. Georgia LaFever of El Paso is visiting her during her recuperation.

Senior Citizen Center News

The Motley County Senior Citizen's Center gratefully acknowledges the following Memorial donations received by the Center:

In Memory of Ann Seigler: Marion Woodruff, Billy Paul and Betty Simpson, Ron and Kay Bailey

In Memory of Billie Hopkins:

Richard and Dorothy Turner In Memory of Butch Hughes:

Ray Baxter In Memory of Stan Hanesworth:

Larry and Donna Hoyle, Charlie and Opal Johnson, Ellis and Leona Terry, Joel Dean and Debra Spray, Ed D. and Pat Smith, Dave and Tommye Keith, Mary Jones, Bill

and Arlyce Manney, Thomas Williams, Norma Marrs, Joan Patton, Raynita Murphy, Geraldine Key, Eva Barkley, Judy Renfro, Ron and Kay Bailey, Leo and Joyce Archer, Howard and Carolyn Limmer, Dr. Frank C. Traweek, and, The Hamilton Family

The Citizen's Center also wants to thank all the merchants and others who donated the prizes for the Bingo Night benefit. The Center could not operate as effectively without the donations received from the good folks of Motley County, and surrounding area. Memorials and donations can be sent to: Senior Citizen's Center, P. O. Box 184, Matador, Texas 79244.

New FSA Assistance for Beginning Farmers and Ranchers

(College Station, TX - Feb. 13, 2012) - The USDA Farm Service Agency is working harder than ever to assist new farmers and ranchers to succeed. Acting Texas FSA Executive Director James B. Douglass recently unveiled a new Land Contract Guarantee Program and several other tools designed to help beginning farmers and ranchers build the foundation for a successful career in agriculture.

"New farmers face many challenges, like obtaining land for example," said Douglass. "FSA is going to provide new options to help them to work through this challenging start-up issue." Peak land values, tight commercial credit, minimal credit history and less collateral make it difficult for new and smaller farmers in Texas to get a commercial business loan right now.

The Land Contract Guarantee Program provides a new approach for landowners willing to sell and finance a land purchase to a beginning or socially disadvantaged farmer. The national program offers

two options, one that guarantees up to three annual installment payments on the contract and one that guarantees 90% of the unpaid principal of the contract. Guarantees can be used in the purchase of land for up to \$500,000.

"Texas farmers represent all walks of life, a wide variety of ethnic backgrounds, and all different ages," notes Douglass. "This new program will work well for beginning and minority growers in our state and we encourage producers to visit with us to see if they qualify and how it could fit their needs," he said.

Find FSA loan information, disaster assistance programs and other helpful programs at www.fsa.usda.gov.

Another new change to the agency's lending rules for new producers is to allow more flexibility in the minimum experience requirement. Under the new rule, FSA loan officers are now allowed to consider all prior farming experience, including on-the-job training and formal education

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HAPPY VALENTINES DAY

Make reservations for Valentine dinner at the Windmill Café on February 14

Steak and shrimp with dessert

Call 806-348-7256 or 806-269-1262



Women's Health Symposium

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who will share their stories about breast cancer. Each of these women have a dramatic story to tell and you won't want to miss this.

As well, several vendors will be set up to give you, the woman a different shopping experience. Some are educational and some are just plain fun.

Tickets may be purchased by any Childress Women's League member or at the Chamber of Commerce in Childress.

This Week's Local Forecast

Thursday Sunny 54/30	Friday Mostly Sunny 56/33	Saturday Mostly Sunny 58/33	Sunday Sunny 65/37	Monday Sunny 66/39	Tuesday Partly Cloudy 66/42	Wednesday Mostly Sunny 68/41

Weather Trivia

What is a column of hail that falls from a single thunderstorm cell called?

Answer: Hailshaft

Weather History

Feb. 16, 1989 - A surge of arctic air produced all-time record high barometric pressure readings of 31.08 inches at Duluth, Minn., 30.97 inches at Chicago and 30.94 inches at South Bend, Indiana. Unseasonably warm weather prevailed across the southeastern United States.

Moon Phases

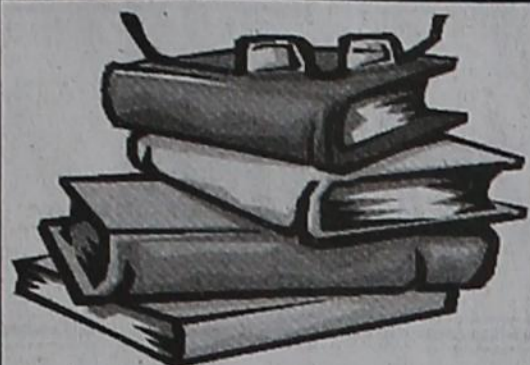
New 2/21	First 2/29	Full 3/8	Last 3/14
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Library Journal
by Carla Meador Librarian

I am happy to report that our 'Sweet Afternoon at the Library' held last Thursday was a huge success. There were 21 "sweet" and creative kids attending. Some beautiful handmade Valentine cards were created, two stories were read and refreshments were enjoyed. Thanks to Marihelen Wason and Suzanne Abbott for their help.

Thank you to everyone who have made donations for our Valentine fundraiser. Hearts with the names of some very special Valentines are displayed in our windows. Your donations for our various fundraisers are very important to the Library and are very much appreciated!

We thank Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson for their donation in memory of Ann Seigler. A book will be placed in the library with Mrs. Seigler's name on a plaque inside.

We thank Mrs. Doris Moore for her donation of the books *Erogon*, *Eldest*, *Brisinger* and *Inheritance*, by Christopher Paolini. This is a wonderful series and we are so glad to be able to add this series to our shelves. We also have *William and Kate A Royal Love Story* new to our shelves.

Also new to our shelves are some great donated DVD's, including *The Passion of the Christ*, donated by Misty Gray, and *kiss, kiss, bang, bang, V For Vendetta, Yellowbeard, Vanilla Sky* and a double feature *Detonator* and *Detonator II*, all donated by Steve Smith.

I promise I have many new

books on order which should arrive soon! There was a slight delay in the order for reasons unknown, but from all indications the books are on their way now. I know everyone will be excited to hear about them, so as soon as they arrive I will tell you all about them.

Fred Grant was the winner in our quote contest last week. The quote from last week was taken from *Robison Crusoe*. This week's quote comes from another classic.

"The queen frequently scolded me for my fearfulness. She used to ask me whether all the people of my kingdom were as cowardly as myself. The idea that I was a coward was mostly due to my fear of flies. Each of these was as large as a pigeon, and I had much trouble defending myself against them. Often, I would cut them in pieces with my knife as they flew past me. My skill at this feat was greatly admired."

If you think you know the name of the book this quote comes from, give me a call at 347-2717 or email motleycountylibrary@hotmail.com. You may be the winner!

If you're looking for something to do, stop by the Library. We have so much to offer. Shelves and shelves full of wonderful books - fiction, non-fiction, biographies, books on art, medicine, health, poetry and so many others. We also have a great selection of DVDs. Our hours are Monday, 2-5 pm; Tuesday - Thursday, 1-6 pm and Friday, 9 am - 2 pm.

County Agent's News
by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent



Rolling Plains Cotton Variety Meeting to be held February 14, 2012

A Rolling Plains Cotton Variety meeting will be held on February 14, 2012 beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Motley County Library Annex Building. This meeting will cover new cotton varieties and seed availability from DynaGrow, Bayer Crop-Science and Delta and Pine Land Company. Licensed Private Applicators will have the opportunity to obtain 3 CEU's which include one hour of Pesticide Laws and Regulations, one hour of IPM and one hour of general. The cost is \$10 per participant. Educational programs of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating. Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, services, or accommodation in order to participate in this meeting are encouraged to contact the Motley County Extension Office at (806) 347-2733 by February 12, 2012 for assistance.

Tax issues due to drought, wildfire destruction addressed in AgriLife Extension publication

AMARILLO - Extreme weather conditions in 2011 caused havoc for Texas agricultural producers with property damage and forced early livestock liquidations, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service specialist in Amarillo. Such unplanned events often create more revenue than usual in a given year, generating income tax issues, said DeDe Jones, AgriLife Extension risk management specialist in Amarillo and co-author of a newly released publication.

The publication, "Texas Panhandle Producers Face Tax Implications from Drought-Related Losses," will help producers walk through several scenarios as they sort through the many decisions they will face at tax time, Jones said.

"Wildfire and drought losses are subject to special tax treatments, and producers need to be aware of the implications," she said. "In a typical year, gain on property loss reimbursement or the sale of livestock is subject to taxes. However, additional options are available for those who experienced wildfire destruction or were forced to sell cattle due to extreme drought conditions."

Three tax alternatives apply to property insurance indemnities and cattle liquidations in excess of normal business practices, Jones said.

- IRS Forms 4684 and 4797 allow producers to postpone reimbursement gains for up to four years.

- IRS code 1033 pertains to draft, breeding or dairy animals that will be replaced within a given time period.

- IRS code 451 allows a one-year postponement in reporting sales proceeds on raised livestock.

Reporting casualty losses on IRS Forms 4684 and 4797 allow farmers and ranchers to defer any gains that result from insurance reimbursements for fire-

related losses associated with fences, equipment and other property, Jones said.

Producers have up to two years under normal circumstances and four years during times of disaster to utilize any money received for property restoration or replacement, she said.

The replacement period begins on the date their property was damaged, destroyed or stolen and ends two or four years following the first tax year in which the gain is realized, Jones said. The four-year option is available only to those located in a federally declared disaster area.

To be eligible for deferment, producers must attach a statement to their tax return indicating the date and details of their casualty, the amount of insurance or other reimbursement received, how the gain was calculated, and proof of a disaster declaration, she said.

Under the 1033 election, drought liquidations of breeding livestock are considered involuntary conversions of capital equipment, Jones said. Gains can be postponed for up to two years in typical circumstances and four years during times of disaster if animals are replaced. The county must be declared a disaster area.

All replacement cattle should be used for the same purpose as the livestock that was sold, she said. For example, beef cows must be replaced with beef cows. The taxpayer also has to show that adverse weather conditions caused the sale of more livestock than normal. Gain postponement is only allowed on those animals sold because of the unfavorable weather.

To be eligible for a 1033 election, producers must attach a statement to their tax return indicating the existence of an adverse weather-related condition, proof of a disaster declaration and documentation listing the amount of gain realized on liquidated cattle, Jones said. They should also show the amount and kind of livestock sold or exchanged, and estimate the number of animals typically sold or exchanged under normal weather conditions.

Section 451 allows cattle owners to postpone gains for one year on raised livestock only. To qualify for this election, taxpayers must show that their principal business is from farming or ranching and use the cash method of accounting, Jones said.

They should also demonstrate that the livestock would normally have been sold at a later date but were liquidated early due to drought, she said. Additionally, they must provide proof that the sale of livestock was caused by weather conditions from a region officially declared a disaster area.

The liquidation can take place before or after a disaster is declared as long as the same disaster caused the sale, Jones said. Income can be postponed only on those cattle liquidated as a result of weather-related causes. A copy of the publication, along with other drought resources, can be found at <http://agecoext.tamu.edu/drought>.

Producers are encouraged to contact a tax accountant to determine the selection that best fits their operation and business plan, Jones said.

COWPOKES® By Ace Reid



"Jake, after lookin' at your financial statement, I see you started out at the bottom and you've been goin' downhill ever since!"

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FSA News
By Amy Hackler

2011 Crop Year Final Loan Availability Dates for MAL and LDP Commodities

Requests for marketing assistance loans and loan deficiency payments shall be made by the final availability date for the respective commodities. When the final availability date falls on a non workday, the final date shall be extended to the next workday.

January 31, 2012 - Mohair, Peanuts, Unshorn Pelts and Wool

March 31, 2012 - Barley, Canola, Crambe, Flaxseed, Honey, Oats, Rapeseed, Wheat

May 31, 2012 - Cotton, Corn, Grain Sorghum, Rice, Safflower Seed, Soybeans, Sunflower Seed

CRP General Signup

The County office is currently taking appointments for signing up for the CRP General signup. Please call the FSA to set up this appointment.

NAP Production
If you have not turned in production for the 2011 Hay-grazer crop and you carry the NAP coverage on this crop you need to turn in production as soon as possible.

DCP Signup Period
Please call the FSA office to set up an appointment to sign up in the DCP program for 2012. There will be no advance payments made this year and all payments will be issued in October. With current staffing levels, we ask that you make an appointment so that we can better serve you with all your FSA business.

With General CRP signup happening between March 12 and April 6th, we anticipate taking no appointments for DCP signup during this time, so if you want to signup you will have to do it prior to March 12th or after April 6th. You have until June 1st to signup in the program.

Goal set by National Congress of American Indians continued from page 3

Otherwise tribal programs face cuts in the range of ten to fifteen percent across the board for the next decade. These budget actions "will threaten essential services and affect millions of native citizens throughout vast regions of rural America."

It's important to note about the mechanics of Budget Control Act that it's already the law. And unless Congress changes that law (an idea supported by those who fear deep cuts in military spending) then the money is already gone. The first rule of Congress is that it's easier to kill legislation than enact it. So any changes to the Budget Control Act will be extremely difficult.

But it seems to me there ought to ways to move some revenue designated for American Indians and Alaska Natives off of regular budget lines and into larger programs such as Medicaid. One way to do this is to treat Indian Country as a 51st state. Medicaid is expensive because of the complexity of managing 50 different systems (it's a state-federal partnership), but Indian health programs are paid for by the federal government, though the benefit rules are set by states. That makes no sense.

The federal budget may dominate the discourse from Washington these days, but constraints do not need to limit creativity.

Obituary

Ellen Wilson

Ellen Wilson, age 70, of Woodlawn, Arkansas, formerly of El Paso, Texas, was born and raised in El Paso by Daniel and Mary Spangler. Ellen died February 10, 2012.

Later in life, she and George relocated to Arkansas. She dearly loved and enjoyed the state. Ellen excelled at sewing, quilting, and cooking. She also was very successful as an Avon Manager in years past.

Ellen is survived by her husband of forty nine and a half years, George; three daughters, Erin Colleen Jones and husband, Jade of Matador, Texas, Deborah Christine Hawthorne and husband, Matt of El Paso, Texas, and Shilah Wilson of El Paso, Texas; grandchildren, Ashley and John Jones and Lillian Hawthorne. She is preceded



in death by her parents.

Family received friends from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 15, 2012, at Faith Fellowship Church in Matador, Texas. Funeral services followed at 2:00 p.m. with burial in East Mound Cemetery in Matador. Services were conducted by Zapata Funeral Home, Matador.

New FSA Assistance continued from page 4

when determining eligibility for FSA Farm Operating and Ownership Loans. To qualify for a Beginning Farmer and Rancher Loan from FSA, applicants must have a minimum level of agricultural experience, but not more than 10 years operating a farm or ranch.

Douglass also recommends that people considering a farming career should visit a new USDA website www.start2farm.gov to learn more about all USDA resources and

programs for beginning farmers and ranchers.

Texas FSA's support for Beginning and Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers is evident in the high level of minority and new farmer participation generated through staff outreach into the community. For more information about these and other USDA programs, you can always call or visit your nearest USDA Farm Service Agency office.

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Thank you so much to the business donors in Matador, Roaring Springs, Dickens, Spur, Quitaque, Paducah, Floydada and Turkey that gave to our Bingo fund raiser. Also to all that came and participated and brought soup, cornbread, and desserts. We have prizes left so we plan on having another one in the near future.
Motley County Senior Citizens Board and Site Committee

Please be my Valentine



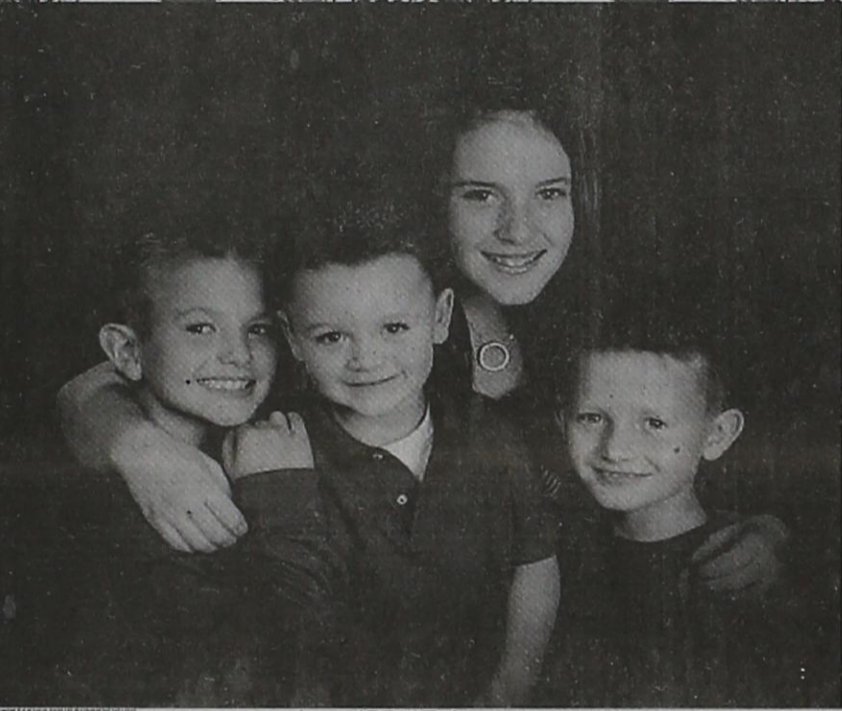
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Kaitlan Price, 14
Granddaughter
of Donna and Larry Hoyle
of Matador and
Cinda and Preston Givens of Spur
and daughter of Tonya and Heath
Givens of Spur and Keith Price
of Lubbock



Madison Givens, 8
Granddaughter of Donna and Larry Hoyle
of Matador and Cinda and Preston Givens
of Spur and daughter of Tonya and Heath
Givens of Spur.



We love you Allison, Matthew, Braeden, and Grayson



Chuck Logsdon, 8

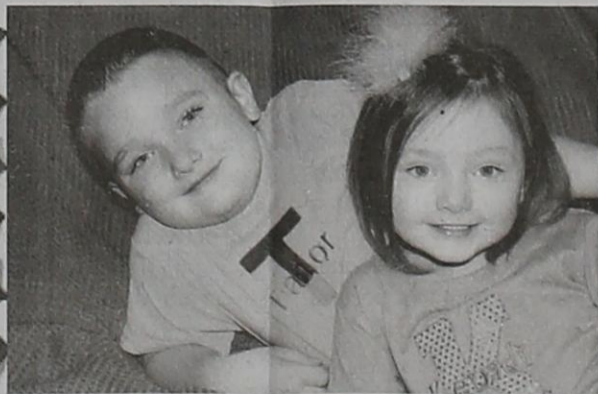
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of Matador and Cinda and Preston Givens
of Spur and daughter of
Tonya and Heath Givens of Spur.



Taylor Brasen Green, 5
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Children of Aaron and Randa Green
Grandchildren of Butch and Janice
McBee and Billy and Cindy Green



Brylii Kindyl Green 1 week old
Daughter of Aaron and Randa Green
Granddaughter of Butch and Janice McBee
and Billy and Cindy Green

Happy Valentine's Day

Love Love Love Love



Hadley Turner, 17 month son of
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Grandson of Johnney
and Carol Ann Turner- Lubbock
Bob and Wanda Kilmer, Matador



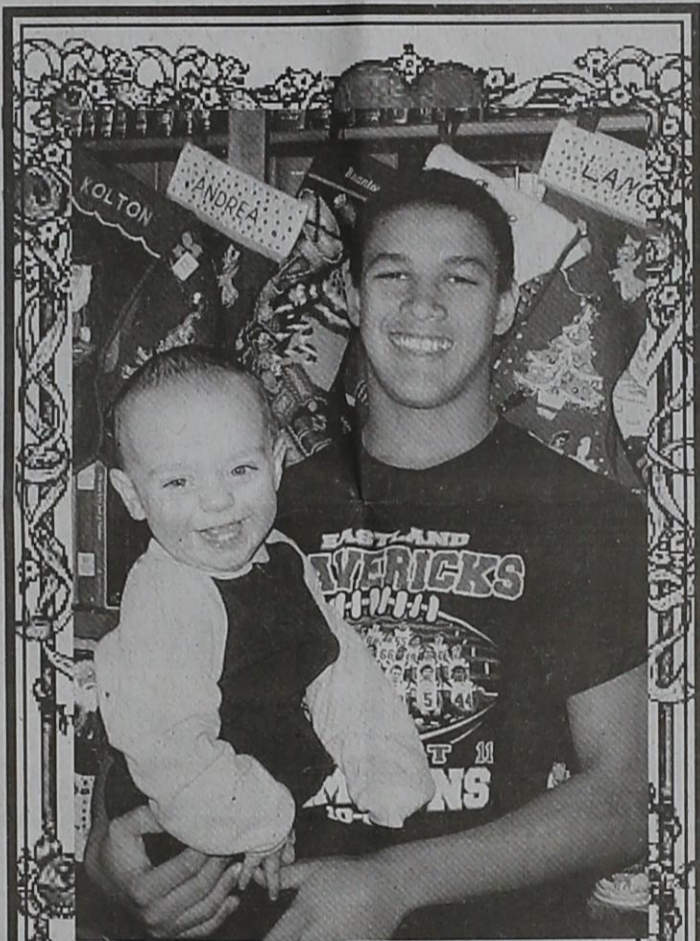
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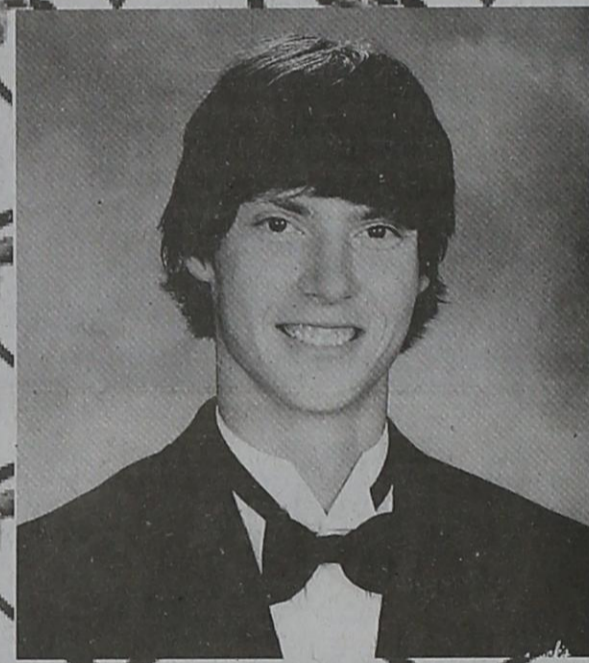
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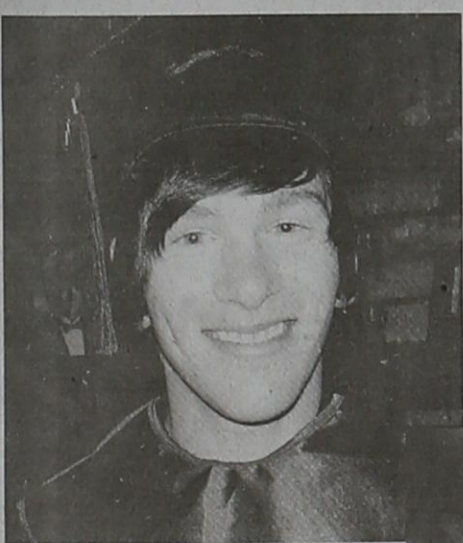
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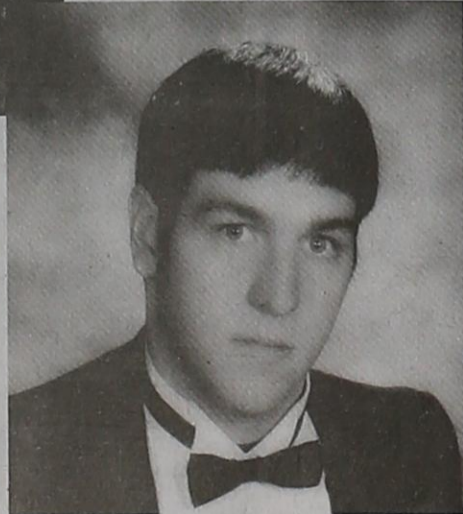
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Grandsons of Ron and Kay Bailey



Jason - Age 18
Son of
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Grandson of Ron and Kay Bailey



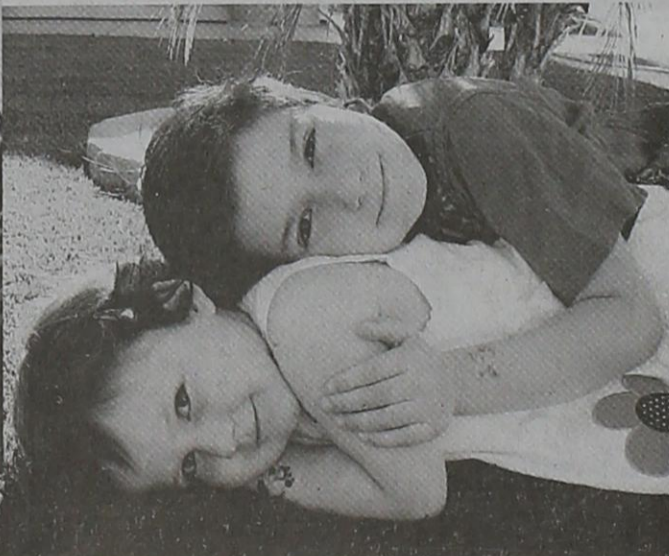
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Frank Collebrusco,
13, son of Susanna
Van Tassel and Nick
Collebrusco of Austin,
Texas. Grandparents
are Larry Vogt and
Laverne Zabielski,
publishers of the
Tribune, and Eloise
Van Tassel, of
Sebastopol, California.



Xavier and Isis Vortigern, 6 and
3, children of Steve and Sunshine
Vortigern. Grandparents are Larry
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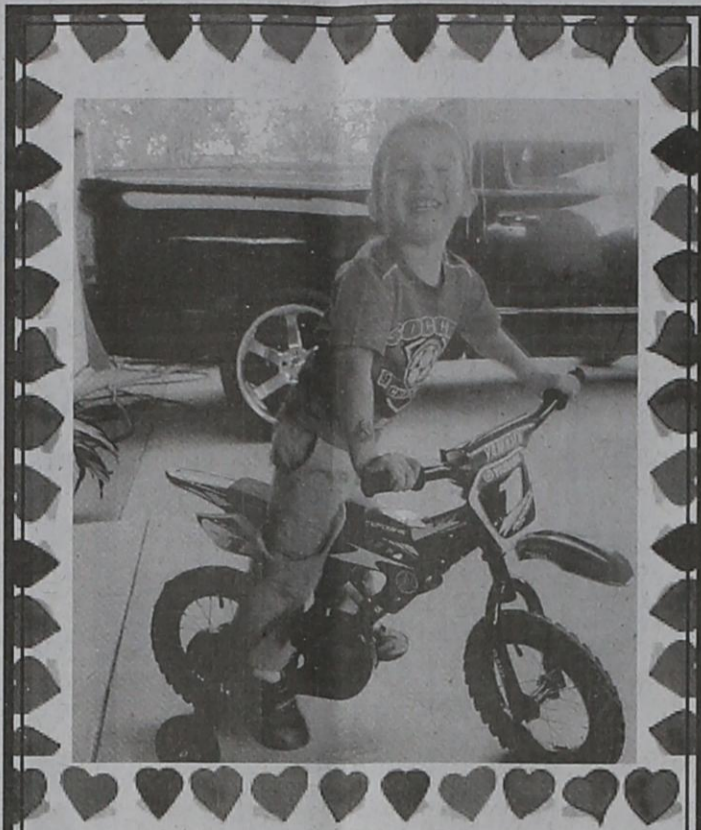
Grandchildren are a Delight!

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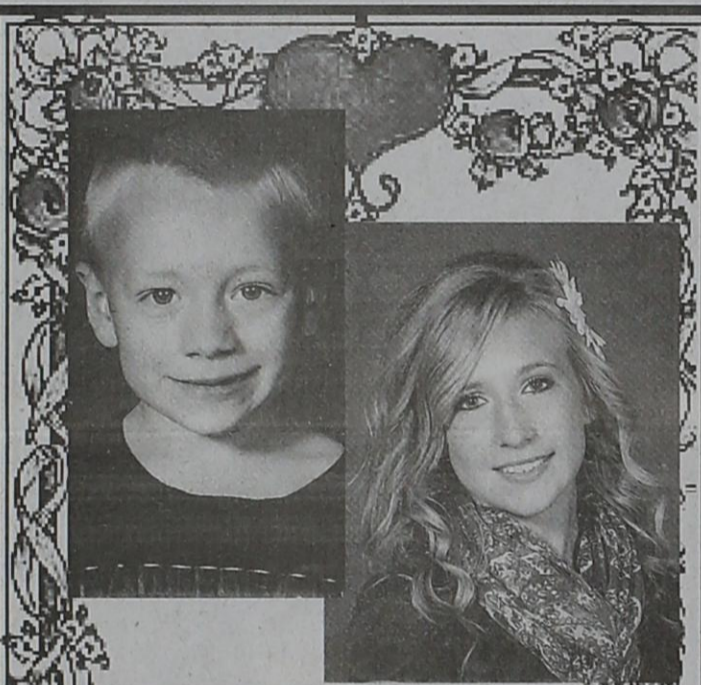
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Kingston Salinas.
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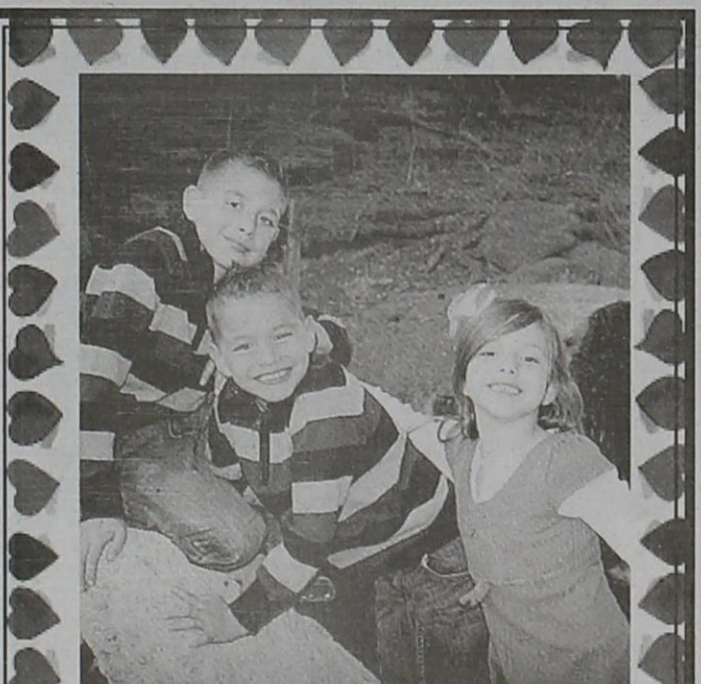
We love you!
Andrew and Callie Moore
Children of Rebecca and Brandon Moore



Brock Taylor, 5
Ashley Allred, 16
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Carol Taylor's
Precious
Valentines!



Grandchildren of Guy and DiAnn Campbell



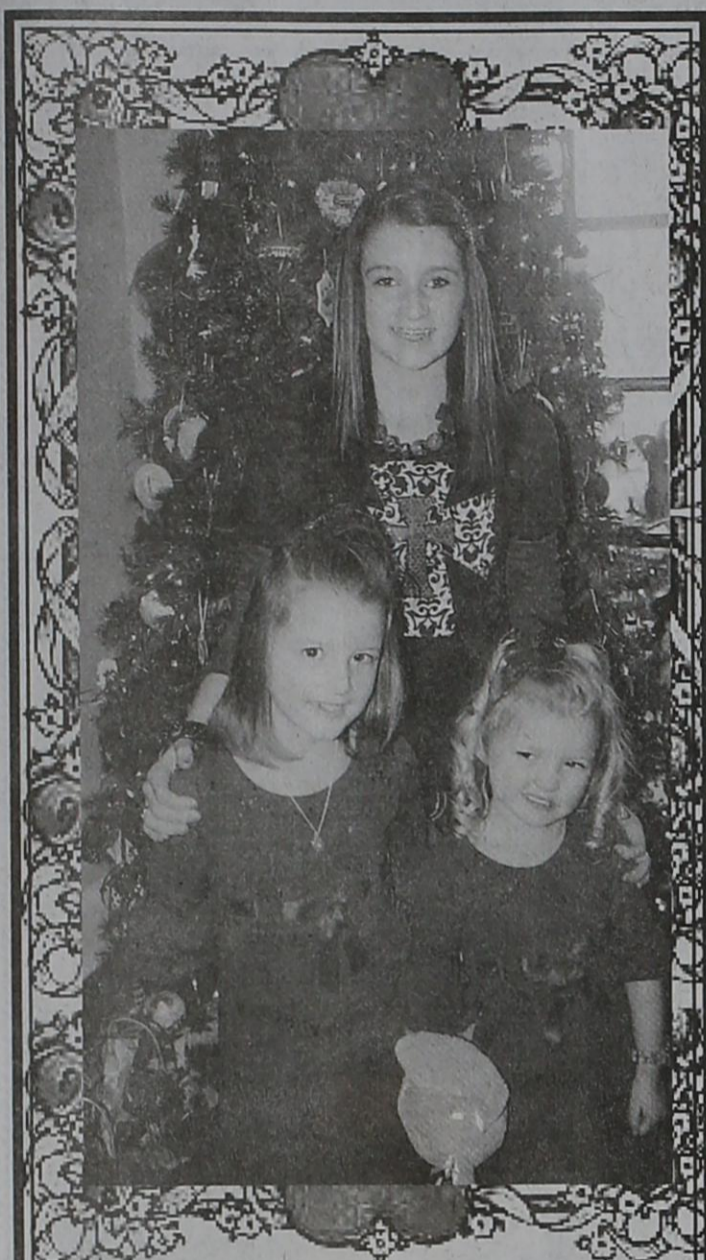
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Kids of Alex and Crystal Salazar
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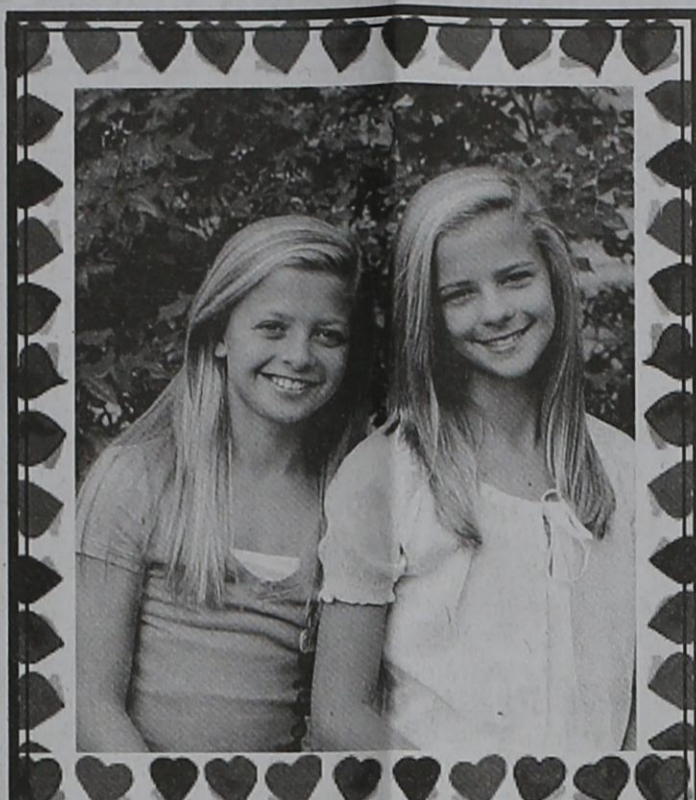
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and Brandon and Jill Webb of Andrews

Love Love Love Love

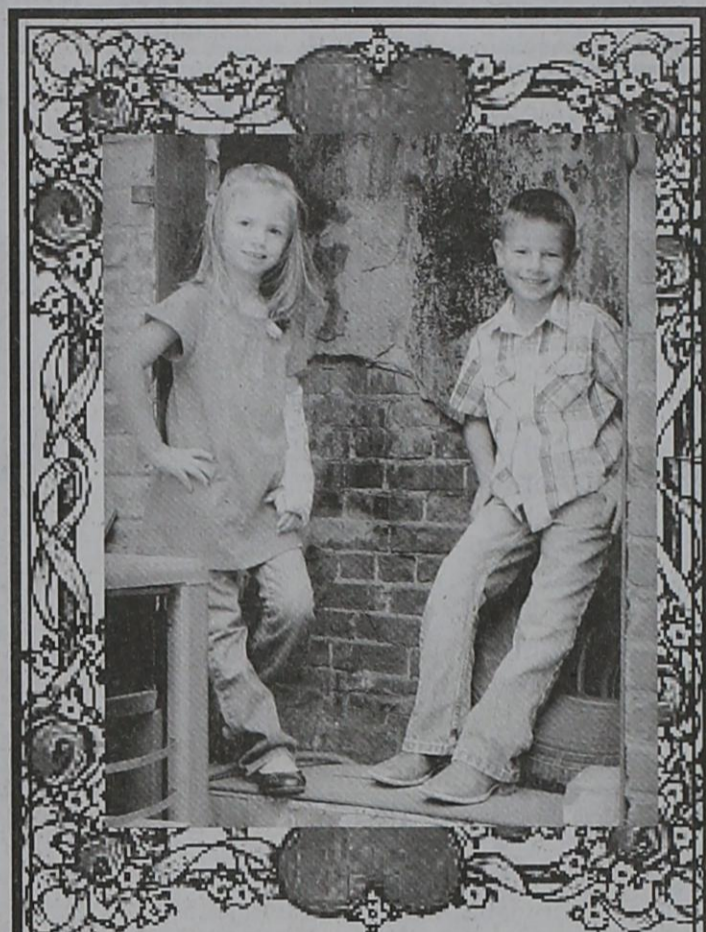
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Avery, Haven, and Harbor
We love our bunch of "Beths"
Gram & Pap



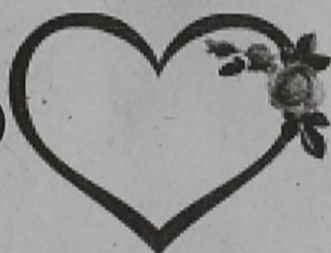
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and Irene Mzyk of San Antonio



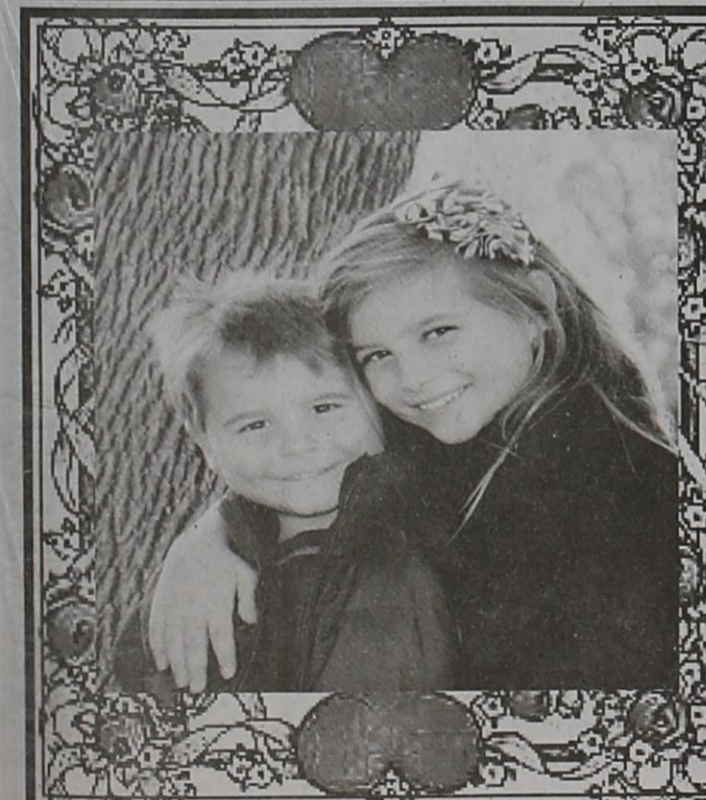
Reagan and Bryer Davis
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Brody and Rachelle Davis of Matador
Grandchildren of Judy Renfro of Matador and
Joe and Cheri Davis of Turkey



Harper Vivian and Dylan Ryburn Barton,
born on Oct. 21, 2011. Twin girls of Paul and
Jerre Barton of Round Rock. Grandchildren
of Kenny and Olivia Barton of Matador and
Gerald and Peggy Ryburn of Cedar Park.
Great grandchildren of Vivian Campbell
and Louise Barton.



Happy Valentine's Day to our girls
Paige, Zoe and Madilyn Barnes
Daughter and Granddaughters of Bobby and Jeanne Williams
Jeremiah 29:11



Riggs and Skylar
Horen
Children of
DJ and Paka Horen
of Plano
Grandchildren of
Kenny and Olivia
Barton
of Matador
and
Don and Pam Horen
of
Hartford, WI.
Great grandparents
are
Vivian Campbell
and
Louise Barton



MY OWN VALENTINE



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EVENTS CALENDAR

February

- 13 MCISD School Board meeting
- 16 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
- 18 Trash to Treasure Ladies' Salad Luncheon, First Baptist Church, Matador, 12 noon.
- 21 Matador Lions

March

- 5 Motley County Arts and Crafts Club, Motley County Senior Citizen Center in Matador from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm.
- 6 Matador Lions
- 7 Kids Praise
- 8 Roaring Springs Lions
- 8 Roaring Springs City Council
- 8 Matador Chapter of the Eastern Star, Floydada, Meal at 6:30pm, meeting at 7:30 pm
- 10 Cecil White & John Walker "Remembering The Masters" Chet Atkins & Floyd Cramer. An Evening of Instrumental Magic. Gem Theatre, Turkey, Texas, 7:00 PM
- 12 Commissioners' Court
- 12 Roaring Springs City Council
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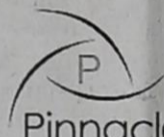
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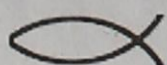
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