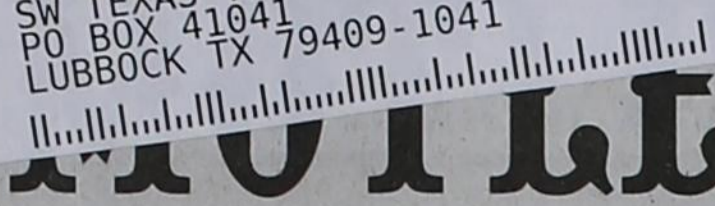


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Motley 4-H Members Compete in 2012 Texas Major Stock Shows

Seventeen youth from the Motley 4-H Club traveled the state of Texas to compete in major stock shows. These youth represented the Motley 4-H club as they participated in the Sandhills Stock Show in Odessa, Fort Worth Stock Show, San Antonio Stock Show, San Angelo Stock Show and the Houston Stock Show.

Participating in the Sandhills Stock Show with goats were Cassidy and Carley Turner. At the Fort Worth Stock Show: Avery Wright, Carley Turner and Sam Ware showed goats; Seth Baxter and Cassidy Turner showed goats and lambs; Danielle Gwinn showed lambs; and Dode Gleghorn, Chloe Gleghorn, Autumn Perryman and Colton Martin showed steers. Seth placed sixth with his goat. Danielle Gwinn also competed in the lamb show at the San Antonio Stock Show. In San Angelo: Natalie Jameson, Em-

ily Jameson, Sage Guerrero, Tatum Guerrero, Bryson Elliott, Reagan Elliott and Shelby Elliott competed in the gilt show; Carley Turner competed in the goat show, Danielle Gwinn competed in the lamb show and Cassidy Turner compete in the goat and lamb show. Cassidy placed sixth with her lamb. At the Houston Livestock Show: Danielle Gwinn competed in the lamb show; Seth Baxter competed in the goat and lamb show; and Chloe Gleghorn, Dode Gleghorn and Autumn Perryman competed in the steer show. Seth placed 13th with his goat and 20th with his lamb.

Combined, these 4-H members and parents traveled over 5,000 miles to compete on the state level at major stock shows. Congratulations to these seventeen individuals on a job well done and for representing the Motley 4-H Club in a respectable manner.



Picture L to R – Back row – Dode Gleghorn, Shelby Elliott, Natalie Jameson, Bryson Elliott, Avery Wright, Reagan Elliott. Front Row – Emily Jameson, Colton Martin, Autumn Perryman, Chloe Gleghorn, Cassidy Turner, Sage Guerrero, Tatum Guerrero, and Carley Turner.

Motley County ISD Board Meets Attendance at 97.7%

The Motley County ISD Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, March 20, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. in a regular scheduled board meeting. All board members were present. Also present were William Cochran, Tim Hill, Denise Ford and Chuck Ream.

An Invocation was given by JD Russell. No one was present for Open Forum.

Items for board action included approval of the minutes and expenditures for February 13, 2012. No action was taken on the building and grounds improvement.

In other action items, a motion by Lee Jones, seconded by Don Baxter to approve the 2012-2013 school calendar was approved by unanimous vote.

A motion by Tina Brooks, seconded by Lee Jones, to approve the electronic textbook transmission form was approved by unanimous vote. The electronic textbook transmission form is simply the means by which the school orders textbooks.

A motion by Don Baxter, seconded by JD Russell to approve Update 93 carried by

unanimous vote. The Update is a booklet that comes out about twice a year to update the school board policy booklet.

A motion by Don Baxter, seconded by Gilbert Guerrero to approve the Tax Re-Sale Property carried by unanimous vote.

Principal Tim Hill reported enrollment of 184 with 97.7 percent attendance.

During the Superintendent's Report, Mr. Cochran reported that he will be attending the final PUC hearing in Austin on April 12th to discuss the transmission lines to be located in Motley County. He also reported that there will not be a school board election this year, as the two incumbents were the only ones to file for the three year positions. Mr. Cochran also reported that the state was giving school districts the option of not counting the EOC as 15 percent of the student's grade this year and that MCISD would be applying for the waiver not to count it this year. The next board meeting will be on April 10, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

Sheriff Spence Announces New Deputy for Motley County

Sheriff Chris Spence announces the resignation of Chad Ware as Deputy Sheriff of Motley County, effective March 25, 2012. Ware has taken a new position at the Childress Police Department as a patrol officer.

"I would like to announce the new Sheriff's Department Deputy - Jayson Fry from Flomot," Spence said. Deputy Fry started on March 26, 2012. He is married and has four children.

"Deputy Fry has 11 years experience in law enforcement and is certified through the Texas Commission of Law Enforcement Standards and Education," Spence said.

Centennial Planning Committee Meets Super celebration in the works

By Carol Campbell
 Motley County Tribune

The Matador Birthday Party is taking shape as the planning committee gears-up for an "all-out, super duper, mark your calendar event" on June 8-10, 2012. The group met Tuesday, March 20, at the Senior Citizens building. (Correction: the planning group will not be meeting on March 30).

A final plan will be announced, but it appears that downtown Matador will be swarming with activities and events designed to entertain and educate.

One new event announced by Douglas Campbell is the Motorcycle Trivia Ride event. Imagine motorcycles from all over converging on Matador to begin a trivia ride in our county to include answering pre-ar-

ranged questions that can only be found on historical markers located in the county. There are cash prizes for the adventuresome. (All you weekend warriors that love a good ride in the country, head to Matador on June 9).

Ben and Dvonna Grundy will chair a BBQ cook-off, and the Senior Citizens will host space for booths to benefit the senior citizens program.

The Masonic Lodge will sponsor a Friday Fish Fry on June 8, 2012, at the Senior Citizens Building. They will be announcing their "Community Builder Award" from the stage on the square that evening.

Look for "10 Reasons to Visit Matador" that will begin in this issue, showcasing first the Foothill's Saturday Night event. Each week, a new "reason" will be highlighted with a picture.

But who needs a reason? This will be an event to remember, so if you miss a great time for no reason at all – it will be 2112 before you can experience this one again!

In the works: Outdoor movies, re-enactors (shootouts at the courthouse and jail); a quilt and art show, demonstrations, film, and more. Mark your calendar for June 8-10, 2012.

To reserve a vendor booth call Marilyn Hicks at 806-347-2939; to volunteer for this important event, please call Dianne Washington at 347-2636 or Debra Scott at City Hall, at 347-2255. Your input is welcomed and vital to a great celebration. Don't forget the next planning meeting for 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 3, at the Senior Citizens Building.

Transportation Improvement Meetings Scheduled

CHILDRESS -The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) in the Childress District has scheduled two meetings at which citizens from the area are invited to discuss needs for transportation improvements in the 13 county Childress District. Under discussion will be the proposed Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the years 2013-2016. The TIP is a financially constrained listing of projects planned for construction in the district.

The first meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m., Monday, April 16, 2012 at the Texas Department of Transportation District Office at 7599 US 287, Childress, TX

The second meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at the Guthrie

Community Center on US 83 in Guthrie, Texas.

Both the TxDOT Childress District Office and the Guthrie Community Center are handicap accessible.

Interested individuals from Briscoe, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Dickens, King, Donley, Foard, Hall, Hardeman, Knox, Motley and Wheeler counties are invited to participate in any of the meetings.

A copy of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) can be viewed and discussed at the Munday Area Office on SH 222 in Munday, TX and the Childress Area Office at 7599 US 287 in Childress, TX.

Your attendance at any of these meetings is greatly appreciated and your input is welcomed.

4-H Club and TPTR Sponsors Aluminum Can Collection 52 DAYS, 52 COUNTIES

Fifty-two is the magic number! Beginning April 1, 2012, and continuing through May, 22, 2012, the Texas Plains Trail Region and District 1, 2, and 3 of the AgriLIFE 4-H Extension are partnering in an "aluminum can" collection that spans a 52-County area for 52 days.

The two groups are asking for your help in a community service project that will not only clean up our counties, but also assist in building a Texas Plains Trail Grant Fund that will be offered to communities within the region for innovative and educational programs, event planning, city beautification projects, website and brochure development, and other special needs.

Together we CAN all make

a difference in the region, one CAN at a time. Contact Deborah Sue McDonald, Executive Director at 806-231-3479 or txplains-trail@yahoo.com for more information, or your county AgriLIFE Extension Agent Ryan Martin at 806-347-2733. Drop-off for the cans in Matador will be announced next week.

The Texas Plains Trail Region (TPTR) is a nonprofit 501 (c) 3 organization, governed by a 25-member Board of Directors, committed to promoting the region, its history, attractions, and events as a premier heritage tourism destination in the 52-Counties of the region; and to foster historic preservation in the region. For more information check out the website on www.TexasPlainsTrail.com.

First Baptist, Matador choir to present "O What a Savior" on Easter Sunday

By Elaine Risser
 Motley County Tribune

First Baptist Church, Matador, invites everyone in the community to attend morning worship services on Easter Sunday, April 8, to hear the choir presentation of the cantata, O What a Savior. The focus of the presentation, through a mix of contemporary mu-

sic and well known hymns, will be the life of Christ, as seen through His ministry, crucifixion, and resurrection, and what that all means to us today.

Morning worship begins at 11:00 am, and everyone is also invited to attend Sunday School at 10:00 am, with Bible study classes available for all age levels.

Foothill Country

Connections

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



By Laverne Zabielski

There are many ways that readers can have their voice heard in the **MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE**. The most common is by sending a press release regarding news you would like to see covered.

In Writing Community, we offer opportunities for personal narratives in the form of fiction, non-fiction, poetry and photographs.

Opinion Editorials allow for personal statements regarding a particular topic or event.

Letters to the Editor are for citizens to personally respond to community events or stories in the paper.

Paid Political ads allow for statements regarding a political stand.

Our goal is to encourage dialogue and we strive to publish everything sent to us on a particular subject at least once. Since we are a small paper, we cannot always publish items that continue to address the same issue unless they are a part ongoing community conversations.

With an election coming up we want to encourage citizens and candidates to write about their ideas, opinions and their vision of the future of Motley County. We are not, however, interested in publishing anyone's criticism of another citizen or candidate.

Thanks, this week, to Brooke Barton, Chris Spence, Elaine Risser, Carol Campbell, Ryan Martin, Monta Marshall, Earlyne Jameson, Marilyn Hicks, Winifred Darsey, Carla Meador, Ron Bailey, Tim Hill, Walter Taylor and Barbara Seal for providing us with the news and photos that keep the Motley County Tribune a hyper local newspaper.

WRITING COMMUNITY

From World War I Veteran to Motley County Sheriff

By Ron Bailey

The 12th Sheriff of Motley County was Sterling Price. Price was born in Coryell County, Texas on January 5, 1887. He moved to Motley County with his widowed Mother and siblings around 1910. They farmed east of Four Corners near Whiteflat.

The United States entered World War 1 in 1917. Price enlisted and was inducted into the Army on February 22, 1918. He served in France and was honorably discharged in 1919. His discharge papers said that he had gray eyes, dark complexion, and was five feet and eleven inches in height.

Upon returning to Motley County after the war, he continued to farm. He married Miss Ina Curl, a school teacher, and they had three children, Frank, Mary, and Betty. He was elected Motley County Sheriff in 1929.

The Matador Tribune of January 7, 1932, had the following headline:

Four Corners Store Entered by Thieves in Midnight Robbery

"Gaining entrance through a back window and later unlocking the door from the inside, thieves entered the store owned by George Simms located at Four Corners, about

eight miles north of Matador, sometime after midnight Monday night and removed merchandise to the estimated value of eighty dollars. Investigation by Sheriff Sterling Price and Deputy W. F. Bishop early Tuesday morning showed that a car had been parked in the highway and the merchandise, consisting of flour, bacon, and all the smoking tobacco in the store had been carried to it. The officers found in a small out-building a short distance from the store, 12 sacks of flour, four pieces of bacon, candy, and some dried fruit, which the intruders possibly intended to return for later. To date, no arrests have been made".

There is not a subsequent newspaper known to be available, so, we don't know if they caught the thieves or not.

Later, there was a man in Matador causing trouble. Sheriff Price was called. When Price arrived, the man had a gun and he shot the Sheriff's hat off. Price promptly disarmed the man and he became an immediate guest of the Motley County Jailhouse.

After Price served four years as Motley County Sheriff, he returned to farming. His last farm was located two miles east of Matador on McDonald Creek. Sterling Price died November 17, 1976. He is buried in the East Mound Cemetery next to his wife, Ina.



Photo courtesy of James "Pup" Price

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"SOME ADJUSTMENT IS REQUIRED."



Pilots cannot fly an airplane from one city to another without making some adjustments to the base course. The reasons for this are varied and complex. Winds aloft and wind direction and air density all have to be factored into the course corrections.

The same is also true of our life's journey.. We must make

course adjustments as we are faced with each new challenge this life sets before us. Often we hold on to some old perceptions (course) with a death grip. We sometimes maintain a course through fear of the "new". New experiences are often challenging and difficult to deal with when they come into in our lives. But like the airplane, a new course heading is sometimes what is necessary.

The Apostle Paul helps us to make the necessary adjustments by telling us in Philippians 3: 13-14 "...But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal..." Here is Paul's example of overcoming former perceptions and being unafraid to accept new challenges or course corrections. As with Paul, so we also learn how to maintain sight of the goal.

Jesus has promised that He would be with us. Therefore we have the grandest Pilot to supervise the course corrections and a God who has declared, "Never will I leave you: never will I forsake you." (Hebrews 13: 5).

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

Thank You

We would like to express our heartfelt thank you to each one of you who remembered us at the loss of our sweet Mother and Grandmother. The prayers, calls, cards, flowers, food and memorials were each such a comfort to us. A special thank you to the ladies who prepared and served such a wonderful meal to our family.

The church service and message delivered by Bro. Mike Crowley and Mike Fowler were a blessing to us and to the life of our Mother. May God bless each of you.

Kenny & Olivia Barton and family
Roy & Joanie Stephens and family

RETRO NEWS

Matador Tribune
January 8, 1953

Playing at the Rogue Theater, Matador, Texas
January 8 & 9
Alan Ladd, Deborah Kerr, Charles Boyer, Corinne Calvet, in *Thunder in the East*

TRAIL DUST
By DOUGLAS MEADOR



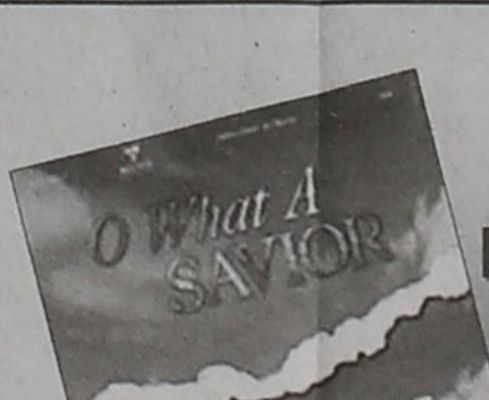
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January 8, 1953

Dim trails, like the lost years, fade under a jungle of brush, and powerful blades cut into the countenance of the earth.

Change is everywhere, as a sudden snow falling in a garden of the past. And the old cowboy is gone, his small spurs jingling on the prairies of eternity. His memories echoed with the clatter of moving herds, bawling cattle and rumble of chuckwagons crossing rocky hills.

He nursed a healthy skepticism for anything associated with progress and expected the automobile to finally prove a failure.

Once when he was in the seat of the ranch pickup he warned the driver not to go farther in reverse, lest the exel taps loosen and allow the wheels to fall off.



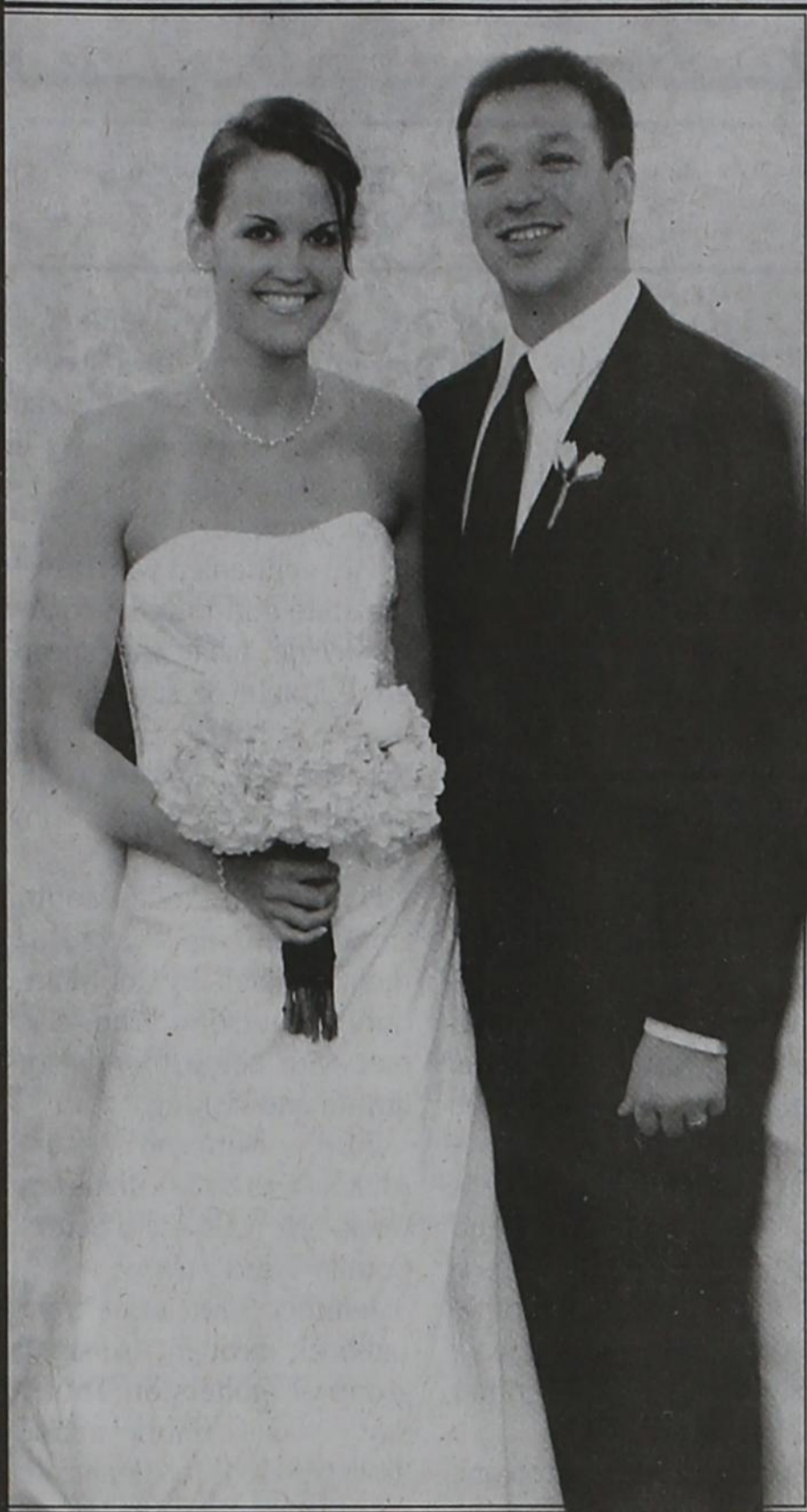
First Baptist Church Matador

Easter cantata

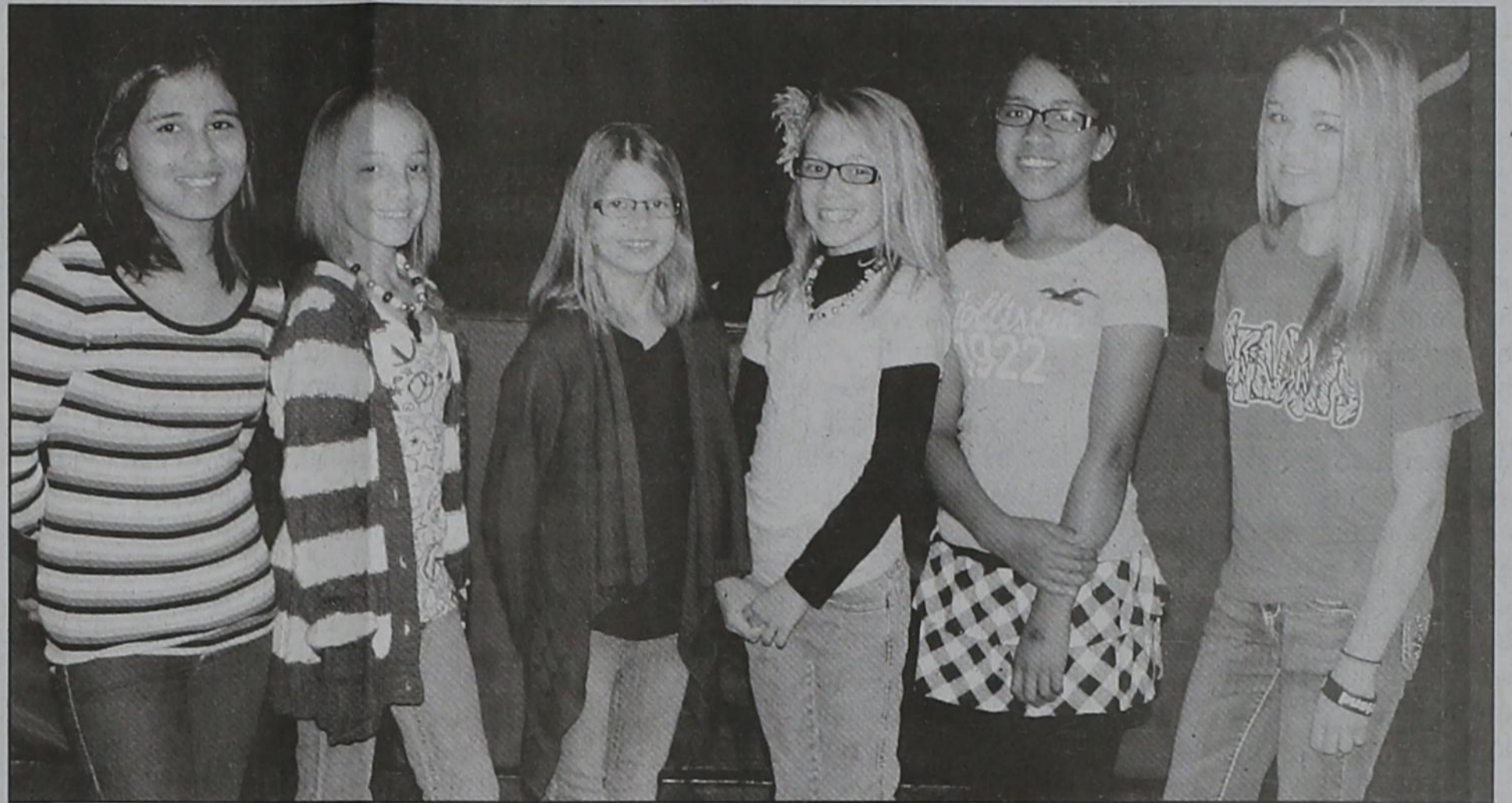
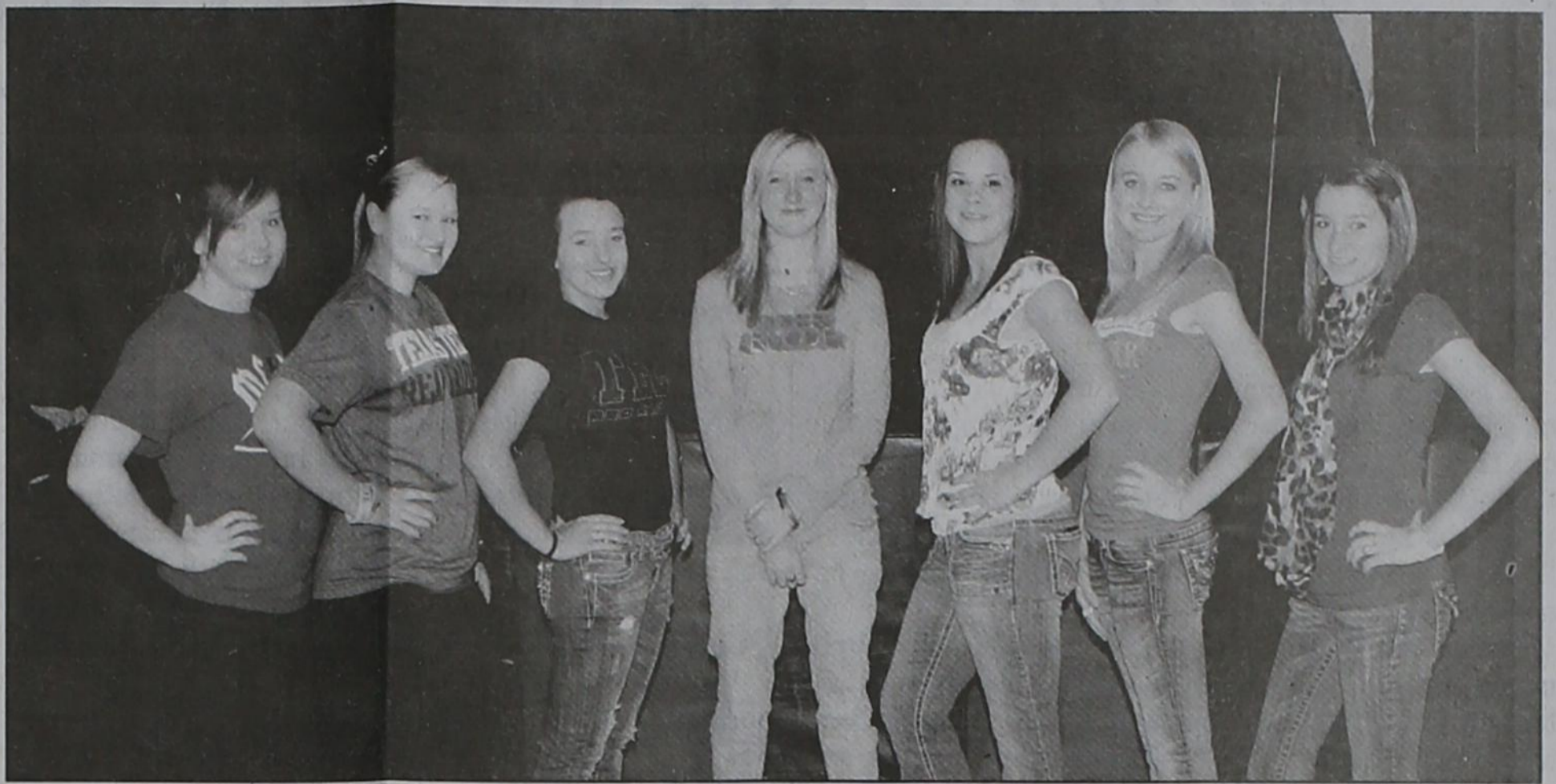
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2012-2013 MCISD Cheerleaders

Wedding Announcement



Alyssa Marie Gregory and Danny John Saltigerald were married on January 28, 2012 at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Lexington, Kentucky. DJ is the son of *Motley County Tribune* publishers, Laverne Zabielski and Larry Vogt, and David Saltigerald of Lexington, Kentucky. Alyssa is the daughter of Mrs. Thomas C. Gregory Jr. of Lexington, Kentucky. After a honeymoon in Key West, Florida, where they also visited DJ's sister, Danielle Wittler, the Saltigerals are at home in Lexington.



On Friday, March 9th Motley County ISD held junior high and high school cheerleader tryouts for the 2012-2013 school year. College cheerleaders from Wayland Baptist University judged the contestants. The junior high cheerleaders pictured above are as follows (left to right): Samantha Quilimaco, Esperanza Talamantez, Rivers Marshall, Jacie Taylor, Alycia Silva and Autumn Woolsey. The High School Varsity Cheerleaders for next year are pictured in top photo as follows (left to right): Sabra Pope, Katie Barton, Catherine Ward, Shelby Elliott (Mascot), Mattie Brooks, Natalie Jameson and Avery Wright. Both groups will be fund raising to help pay for uniforms and summer camps. Please help support our girls in representing Motley County ISD. photos by Walter Taylor

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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

On a personal note

It is sad to lose a family member. Such was the case last Thursday evening when Dahl Clower died after a valiant battle with cancer. Dahl was one of the planners and doers that kept the Marshall Reunion going for many years. I considered him my kin though he was really Corky's family.

It is a small world. Both Dahl and Dwight went to school with my McClaran brothers-in-law and one of my sister-in-laws in Plainview; knowing a few of the same people made it seem like I had known them forever. Dahl had a heart for Motley County and considered it his second home. Dahl will be missed by many.

My youngest granddaughter, Kenzie McClaran spent a few days with us. It is amazing how fast these grands and great grands are growing up. Kenzie will be nine the fourth of April so she fits in with Corky's greats very well. They had lots of fun playing together.

The red ants think it is spring. I saw a frog this morning so spring is not far away. I haven't seen any mesquites trying to leaf out though.

In the community

John and Connie Hindman are moving out to the country. They bought the Matt Washington's house. Their son Jeff will be moving in their home in town.

The Full Gospel Church had a visiting missionary family filling the pulpit on Sunday. They were Danny and Sue Janes; missionaries to South Africa. The Full Gospel Church has supported their effort several years. Pastor Jehromie Penrod attended an Emmanus Walk this weekend.

The Highway 70 seventy mile garage sale will be the Saturday May 5th. It's time to get busy finding things you want to put in the sale. The sale will be from Spur to Turkey.

There will be an April Roaring Springs Community Volunteer Meeting at the Windmill Café on Tuesday, April 10th at 5:30 p.m.

The Roaring Springs Lions will meet at 11:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 5th at the Windmill Café. Mr. Cochran, superintendent of Motley County ISD, will be the guest speaker.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

A teacher asked Johnnie to give her a sentence with " fascinate". His answer was, "I have ten buttons on my underwear, but I can only fasten eight."

Community News

Visiting Mrs. Aleda Ross during the spring holidays was granddaughter, Mrs. Aleda Elaine Catchleder of Kingwood and daughter, Mrs. Elisa Wigley of Lubbock.

Justin Calvert of Dumas visited overnight Friday with his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert and uncle, Glen Calvert.

Glen Calvert trapped four boar hogs and three sow pigs within five days in Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton's stacked hay.

Tylee, Trent and Trevor Barclay of Matador visited the weekend with grandparents, Jerry and Sandra Barclay.

Mrs. Judy Renfro of Matador visited her aunt, Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton Monday and they had lunch in Turkey. Dude visited in Floydada Thursday and had lunch with Mrs.

Marisue Potts and Mrs. Lou Burselson.

Wilburn Martin attended to business in Amarillo Saturday and continued to Borger and visited the weekend with daughter and husband, Marilee and Fred Cooper.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse of Turkey visited Mrs. B. Rogers Sunday and brought their lunch. Mrs. Rogers received word that her son-in-law, Stanley Degan of Kalgary had completed his chemo treatments and received a good diagnosis.

Ruth and Orville Lee visited in Turkey Sunday with daughter and family, Terecia and Tom Heck, Kaycee, Micah and Cody. Other guests were Kellan, Paige and Addie Roberts of Clarendon.

Brooke, daughter of Keri and Kevon Sehon of Wurford visited from Thursday until Saturday with grandparents, Clois and Kathy Shorter.

The Flomot Church of Christ had their fourth Sunday covered dish luncheon Sunday at the Community Center in Flomot.

Matador News

By Marilyn Hicks

At breakfast this morning I saw men in long shirts that are traditional African attire and heard them speaking a language that sounded like a fast, happy song. I saw little girls who are competing in a dance competition. Randy said that rounding them up for a day of competition was like putting the proverbial frogs in a wheelbarrow. I sat under the shadow of a polar bear (that had been to a taxidermist) and drank some great morning coffee. Sometimes we need to be in a new place to put everything in perspective. Life is good, and interesting, and constantly changing. Needless to say we are in Grapevine, at the Bass Pro Grapesy Suites, attending another SCI fundraiser.

The man in a booth on one side of us is selling hearing devices . . . think I will contract for one or two for our house. Across the aisle are some Cajun cooking products, a custom gun maker, and a group who have a stuffed feral hog with a cap. There is some new scent stuff that a lady said would kill the smell of animals and boys. Later I will see what is around the corner.

Mary Jones and grandchildren Ashley and John Jones traveled during spring break to Abilene, to the home of her daughter, Jana and son-in-law John Thacker. Once in Abilene, the family traveled to Lake Brownwood where they were joined by granddaughter Amy and her children Dane and Scout; and granddaughter Melanie and her children Berkley, Bechham, and Brenner. She returned to Matador Saturday afternoon.

Thanks to all of you who sent birthday wishes my way. I am blessed with wonderful friends and family.

The murder mystery at the hotel was a lot of fun. Everyone got into their parts and of course the guilty party was discovered . . . not, however, through our brilliant deductive reasoning. Deanie and Francis did an outstanding job of making sure we were all outfitted with appropriate attire for our parts. The sisters and I are going to have a weekend where guests will have a mystery

to solve, and of course any of you who want to stay with us for the evening can take part. We will make sure it is in the paper so you can reserve your spot.

Two gentlemen who travel the state and ride the roads to decide what the speed limit should be. Stayed with us two nights. They were Richard Mitchell from Tomball and Steve Taylor from McKinney.

Harold and Mollie Moffitt from Memphis celebrated their anniversary in Matador on Thursday. They also met with some friends for dinner and visiting.

Brad Simpson from Abilene was back with us last week. He works for Scurry County Wind Energy.

Jennifer Magers from Lubbock brought a small group of quilters on Thursday. These fabric artists first traveled to Benjamin and Paducah in search of material. They also found some fabric at our local Variety Store. They each brought a project to work on. The group included Michelle and Elizabeth Johnson. Elizabeth was officially on a field trip as a part of her home schooling. Linda Chapman completed the group. They do hand quilting but also let us know of a group in Lubbock who will put together quilts from tops that have been pieced. We are going to check that out.

The First United Methodist Church of Matador will have a Good Friday Evening worship service, 7:00 p.m. April 6th.

Weekend visitors in the home of Tom and Deanie Edwards were Glenda Martin, Dumas, Texas and Becky Shaw of Happy, Texas. The girls spent the weekend going through slides and photographs of past reunions of the Lynn Family. Deanie is doing a movie for the next reunion in Cleveland, Texas in June. They had fun looking at the family from the time they were toddlers to the present. They enjoyed eating at Main Street Café and The Windmill Café and touring familiar places throughout the town. They enjoyed a short visit with Herb and Evelyn Smallwood before Glenda and Becky had to return home.

Countdown to Centennial Celebration Ten Reasons To Visit Matador



Reason No. 10 to visit Matador: Foothills Saturday Night, sponsored by the Motley County Chamber of Commerce in August each year, is an event that attracts hundreds of residents and out-of-town guests to downtown Matador for live music, good food, and dancing in the streets. Pictured on stage is Carley Turner, daughter of Craig and Cathey Turner.

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Arts & Crafts

By Winifred Darsey

Motley County Arts and Crafts Club met for its regular meeting at the Senior Citizens Center on March 5, 2012.

Nova Dale Turner, Club President, called the club to order for a short business meeting. Plans were made for future programs and workshops.

Vee Gordon was in charge of the workshop for the lesson of the day, assisted by Joyce Meredith. It was a wonderful study on making mosaic angels.

The angels were made with a base of plywood with

paper glued to the surface and painted. The results were beautiful. Watch for these angels at the Fall Bazaar.

The club dined with the Senior Citizens and enjoyed the food!

Members present were Joy Archer, Ray Baxter, Vee Gordon, Joyce Meredith, Jane Neal, Jo Trammell, Nova Dale Turner, Loretta Thompson, and Winifred Darsey.

April's program will be a project using handkerchiefs.

See you there!

This Week's Local Forecast

Thursday Partly Cloudy 85/56	Friday Partly Cloudy 81/50	Saturday Mostly Sunny 80/47	Sunday Sunny 79/50	Monday Isolated T-storms 75/48	Tuesday Partly Cloudy 72/44	Wednesday Mostly Sunny 76/45

Weather Trivia

Which area is warmer, the North Pole or the South Pole?
ANSWER: The North Pole.

Weather History

March 29, 1987 - Thunderstorms spawned tornadoes in Mississippi, and produced high winds and heavy rain in Louisiana. Thunderstorm winds gusted to 92 mph at Houma, LA, and caused a million dollars damage in Terrebonne Parish.

Moon Phases

First 3/30	Full 4/6	Last 4/13	New 4/21
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Library Journal
by Carla Meador
Librarian

I am very proud to announce that our library has been notified that we will receive a Tocker Grant for over \$1700.00! We are so thankful to the Tocker Foundation for their generosity! The Tocker Foundation has a goal of promoting public libraries in communities of 12,000 or less. This was the first grant application I have ever written, so I am very excited for our Library! More information will be printed later.

We have several new books on our shelves, including Bleed For Me by Michael Robotham, Boundless Potential by Mark S. Walton, Cat's Claw by Susan Wittig Altart, Cinnamon Roll Murder by Joanne Fluke, City of Rocks by Michael Zimmer, Eyes of the Innocent by Brad Parks, Fall From Grace by Richard North Patterson, Force of Nature by C.J. Box, Girl Next Door by Brad Parks, Hush Now Don't You Cry by Rhys Bowen, Mockingjay by Suzanne Collins, Outlaws of the Brasada by Less Savage, Jr., Perfect Suspect by Margaret Coel, and Shedding Light on Murder by Patricia Driscoll.

New to our DVD shelves are Monster House, Rendition and Dejavu.

I would like to say thank you to Tom, Dick and Harry Hamilton and Jane Carter for their donation in memory of Berdean Straub of Nordland, WA. I would also like to thank Mr. Pat Seigler for his donation of books.

A "Reader's Recommendation" this week is Soft Target by Stephen Hunter. Hunter's hyper-drive, eighth-gear thriller chronicles the day when the unthinkable hap-

pens: twelve gunmen open fire in the mall corridors, driving the pack before them. Those on the upper floors take cover or get out any way they can; but within a few minutes the gunmen have herded more than a thousand hostages into the amusement park.

Ray Cruz, one of the heroes of Hunter's last best-seller, Dead Zero, is in the mall with his fiancée and her family. The retired Marine sniper thought he was done with stalking and killing—but among the trapped thousands, he's the only one with a plan and the guts to confront the self-proclaimed "Brigade Mumbai." Now all he needs is a gun.

FBI Sniper Dave McElroy has a gun. But positioned on the roof of the vast building, looking down through one of its thickly paned Great Lakes-shaped skylights, and without explosives or fuses—or the go-ahead from his superiors—he is effectively cut off from his targets and forced into the role of witness to the horror unfolding below.

Set during the four hours of the terrifying event, the story follows both hostages and gunmen, detailing the complex strategic police response, the full-press media saturation coverage, even the politics of SWAT as both the Minnesota State Police and the FBI struggle to control, confront, and ultimately defuse the crisis.

Everyone who has read this book has come back with great reviews and praise. It has certainly been a hit among our patrons. If this sounds like a read you would enjoy stop by the Library and check it out.

Our hours of operation are Monday, 2-5 p.m.; Tuesday - Thursday, 1-6 p.m. and Friday, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

County Agent's News
by Ryan Martin, AgriLIFE EXTENSION Agent



Forage, corn feed alternative for cattle may come from biodiesel industry

AMARILLO - Crude glycerin, a byproduct of biodiesel production, could be an economical ingredient in cattle diets, according to studies by Texas AgriLife Research and West Texas A&M University personnel.

Dr. Jim MacDonald, AgriLife Research beef cattle nutritionist in Amarillo, said during biodiesel production from sources such as cottonseed oil, glycerol is separated from fatty acids. The fatty acids become the biodiesel and the glycerol, combined with the impurities that remain, is a potential ingredient in livestock feed.

"Crude glycerin is usually priced at a discount relative to corn, so we wanted to look at replacing corn to evaluate at the energy value of the glycerin," MacDonald said. "Then the question became, what if you replace forage, which would be the case with stocker cattle?"

MacDonald said glycerin has good flowability in low temperatures, as opposed to molasses or other similar products, and is non-corrosive to feeding equipment - both traits making it attractive to the cattle feeding industry.

Additionally, glycerin is low in phosphorus, protein and sulfur, which can be concentrated in other dietary ingredients, he said.

While the researchers knew the physical and nutritional properties made crude glycerin an attractive carrier in liquid supplement programs, relatively little was known about its performance implications in growing or high-concentrate finishing diets for beef cattle.

For the past two years, MacDonald has teamed up with Dr. Mike Brown at West Texas A&M University to conduct four experiments designed to determine the value of feeding crude glycerin in beef growing and finishing diets.

The studies were funded by the Texas Department of Agriculture Food and Fibers Research Grant Program with the thought that cottonseed oil could be used for biodiesel production. Capturing the value of the byproduct is important to bioenergy plants, and "that's where we came in," MacDonald said.

Another portion of the study was funded by the Department of Transportation - Research and Innovative Technology Administration through the South Central Sun Grant program.

The studies were designed to determine the feeding value, optimal concentration and which dietary components were most optimally displaced by crude glycerin in growing diets, he said.

Within the studies, the researchers looked at two strategies: replace corn or replace some forage. In the studies replacing corn, the researchers saw an optimal inclusion between 2.5 percent and 7.5 percent glycerin, MacDonald said. At 10 percent inclusion, feed efficiency was reduced.

When forage was replaced in one study, they saw no change in average daily gain, but the cattle consumed less feed and so feed efficiency was improved, Brown said. The feed efficiency was improved when either 5 percent or 10 percent glycerin was fed. Another advantage is a less bulky ration as forage is replaced.

"I feel very comfortable using crude glycerin up to 7.5 percent of a diet," MacDonald said.

The researchers even tested for a possible negative impact

on fiber digestibility, but found none when the crude glycerin was fed at the low levels.

"We also saw an increase in microbial protein and a reduction in rumen ammonia," MacDonald said.

This information could lead to further studies, he said. In high-forage diets, often excess nitrogen is formed in the rumen, which is excreted as urea and volatilized into the atmosphere as ammonia. The crude glycerin may allow more of the nitrogen to be captured before it is excreted and, thus, reduce ammonia emissions of cattle grazing high quality forage.

"We also observed no negative impacts on animal health up to 10 percent inclusion in diets of newly received calves," MacDonald said.

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Texas AgriLife Extension to lead statewide cow herd rebuilding education initiative

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COLLEGE STATION - The Texas AgriLife Extension Service is beginning a statewide educational initiative focusing on rebuilding cattle herds within the state.

"For the past two decades, we have seen a continual decline in cattle numbers within the state," said Dr. Ron Gill, AgriLife Extension livestock specialist and associate department head for animal science at Texas A&M University in College Station.

"The historic drought of 2011 dramatically accentuated that trend.

The state's cattle industry and affiliated trade and service companies are the second largest economic driver in the state bringing in billions of dollars to the state economy. With the cow herd at such a critically low level, Texas will start to lose infrastructure if cow numbers do not increase soon."

A series of in-depth, educational programs will be held across the state throughout the month of April, Gill said. Programs are scheduled for Midland, Yoakum, Alice, Graham, Abilene and Athens. Registration is available online at <http://agriliferegistertamu.edu> (keyword: beef)

Program topics include: changes in lending policies that will impact availability of capital to reinvest in cattle; balancing forage recovery with cattle inventory recovery; systematic approach to evaluating options for securing replacement females; and developing a logical and systematic system to evaluate the worth of available replacement females.

The program sessions will also include discussions on such issues as herd health, biosecurity and creating strategic inventory flexibility into an operation.

Another critical area of concern is generational turnover, Gill said. The ongoing drought has been so severe that many producers have decided to not go back into the cattle industry, he said.

"It's important to long-term sustainability of the beef industry that we do not keep this range/pasture land out of cattle production," he said. "One special session will be devoted to the topic of how to develop a long-term relationship be-

COWPOKES By Ace Reid



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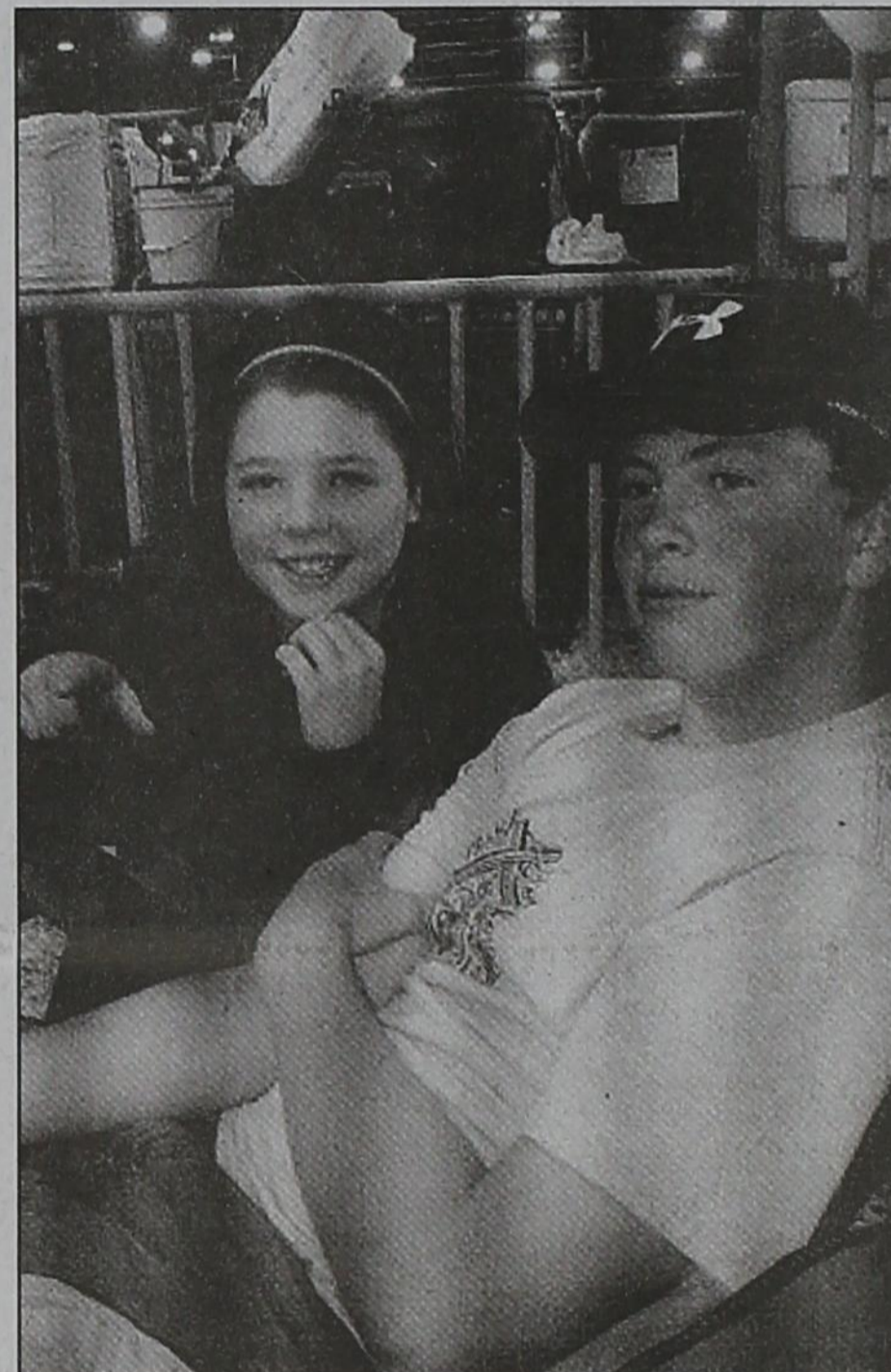
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tween landowners and land lessors."

Gill said there are a large number of young men and women that want to go into ranching, but do not have the capital or the experience in some cases to start an operation.

"Developing partnerships with family members or others in the community will allow a new generation of ranchers to emerge during this recovery process," he said. "We will address this issue and the challenges that lie ahead."

The program sessions will also discuss additional uncertainty with both weather patterns and intentions of state beef producers following the devastating 2011 drought, Gill said.

"Recent surveys indicate that as many as 25 percent of producers who have sold cattle due to drought do not intend to go back into beef production and another 10 percent to 15 percent indicate they may seek alternative livestock enterprises if they do go back into production."

Gill said whether this property is taken out and put into real estate development, recreational or wildlife use or sits idle, it "will have long-term implications on the future of the Texas beef cattle industry."

Other factors such as competing land use, economics, drought and availability of financing have all contributed to decline in livestock inventories, he said.

"However, the Texas livestock industry is not solely

dependent upon the livestock produced within the state," Gill said. "The stocker and finishing phases depend upon inventory that comes from a large geographical area."

In particular, Gill said the supply of calves from the southeastern states and Mexico are critical to supplying inventory to support the grazing of warm season forages during spring and summer programs and winter annuals during the fall and winter grazing cycle.

"These cattle, along with the calves they produce within the state, supply the cattle feeding and packing industry primarily in the High Plains and South Texas regions," Gill said.

Further erosion in cattle inventories will result in loss of infrastructure within all of these sectors, he said.

"As world demand for proteins continues to increase, the need is for more beef cattle numbers and increasing supply of high quality protein to meet the increasing demand."

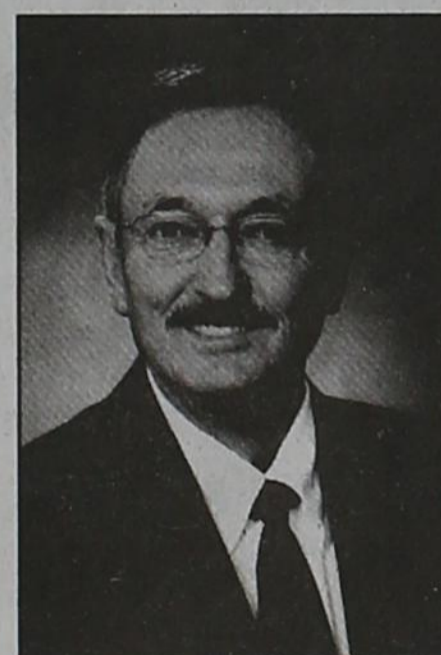
Gill said it's important that as herds are rebuilt, producers take into account the value and need for environmental adaptability of cows used to rebuild the cowherd. The educational programs offered will address this issue.

"Research information from the past on cow longevity, retained heterosis and ongoing work on cow efficiency will be invaluable to producers as cowherds are rebuilt," he said. "This type of information will be shared in the programs offered across the state."

Obituary

Dahl Clower

Dahl Clower, 70, of Amarillo, died Thursday, March 22, 2012. A memorial service was held March 25, 2012, at Boxwell Brothers Ivy Chapel in Amarillo, Texas, with Dr. Darin Davis officiating. Funeral Services were held Monday, March 26, 2012, at the First Baptist Church in Matador, Texas, with the Rev. Patrick Adair, pastor, officiating. Burial services were held at the East Mound Cemetery in Matador. Arrangements were conducted by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.



Dahl was the first of two boys born to Fred and Virgie Clower. He was born April 19, 1941, in Paducah, Texas. Home was Matador where he lived until the family moved to Plainview where he graduated from high school and later graduated from West Texas A&M University in Canyon in 1968. He was a devoted husband and father.

Wheeling and dealing on land and pickups were his hobby.

He loved his wife, children, and great-grandchildren with all his heart. Family always came first.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Treva; his mother and father; many aunts and uncles; and all were dear to him.

Survivors include his beloved wife, Delores; two sons, Kevin and wife Barbara, Dyron and wife Monti; seven grandchildren, Chase, Jordan, Jennifer and husband Jose, Caleb, Jadon, Isaac and Noah; and a brother, Dwight Clower and wife Krista; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be made to Motley County Senior Citizens, 625 Stewart St, Matador, TX 79244.

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March

29 Junior High District track meet: Silverton 3:30
 30 Varsity Track Meet: Silverton @ 3:30

April

1 4-H Kids in District 1, 2, and 3 that cover TPTR region will collect cans to benefit a grants program for projects in the Plains Trail Region. The Can Campaign runs through May 22.
 2 Motley County Arts and Crafts Club, Motley County Senior Citizen Center in Matador from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm.
 3 Matador Centennial Planning Committee, 5:30 p.m., Senior Citizens Building
 3 Matador Lions
 4 Kids Praise
 5 Roaring Springs Lions
 6 Good Friday Evening Worship Service, The First United Methodist Church of Matador, 7:00 p.m.
 7 The Whiteflat Reunion, Senior Citizens, Matador, covered dish luncheon.
 8 Easter Cantata, First Baptist Church, Matador, 11:00 am
 9 Commissioners' Court
 9 Roaring Springs City Council
 10 MCISD board meeting, 7:30 p.m.
 11 Hospital Bd meets in the back of the ambulance barn, 7am
 12 Matador City Council
 12 Matador Chapter of the Eastern Star, Floydada, Meal at 6:30pm, meeting at 7:30 pm
 16 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the years 2013-2016 meeting, 7:00 p.m., Texas Department of Transportation District Office, 7599 US 287, Childress.
 17 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the years 2013-2016 meeting, 7:00 p.m., Guthrie Community Center on US 83.
 17 Matador Lions
 19 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
 21 Motley County Republican Convention, Motley County Library Annex, 10:00 a.m.
 21 Meet Democratic Candidate for House District 68, 6:00 p.m., Hotel Matador
 27 Sneak Preview of MC Video Documentary, MCISD Social Studies Students, 10:00 a.m. Library Annex

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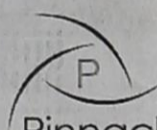
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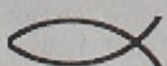
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