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## Motley County under blizzard conditions



A birdhouse from the collection of Lucretia Estes Campbell is topped with snow, surrounded by a cedar tree whose branches, laden with heavy snow, swing to the ground. Matador received about two- to three-inches of snow on Monday, February 25, 2013

photo by Carol Campbell

By Carol Campbell  
Motley County Tribune

Severe weather warnings from the National Weather Service well in advance hit the mark and Motley County received much needed moisture beginning about midnight, February 25, 2013.

At press time, the county has received about two-inches of snow. But travel dangers west of Matador stranded at least two motorists and white-out conditions made the roads impassable, according to Sheriff Chris Spence.

"So far, no accidents," Spence said. "But I did have to send a tow for two stranded motorists on US 70, right over the Motley County line into Floyd County - both slipping into the barrow ditch."

Traveling west the conditions worsen considerably, Spence said. However, downtown Matador is open for business - but not business as usual.

The Post Office, bank, City Hall, a short-staffed courthouse, and Lowe's Grocery

Store were open, as well as Matador Farm and Ranch Supply, Chillerez, Allsup's, and Billie Deans Restaurant. Downtown restaurants were closed.

Employees at Matador Farm and Ranch Supply are "doing inventory" but "it's pretty quiet here," Rodney Williams said. The bank is open with "really slow traffic," Stacia Baxter reported.

Mayor Pat Smith, owner of Billie Deans at the Highway 70s crossroad said that his employee Amanda Ashley, who delivers the A-J in Matador, traveling about 20 miles per hour, spent 1-1/2 hours on the road picking up the paper at Floydada. Delivery, although not on an early morning schedule, was nonetheless accomplished by this dedicated citizen. Smith is also a volunteer for ambulance duty, but no accidents or other emergencies are reported.

According to *MC Tribune* reporter Earlyene Jameson, Flomot and Whiteflat have passable roads, but blowing snow may cause a drift prob-

lem for ranchers. "Usually we don't get this much moisture in February," Jameson said, adding, "So this is fabulous."

Jameson reported that Clois Shorter, Flomot's National Weather Service volunteer, said that the roads are still passable, and the area is not reporting any electrical outages. Lawrence Allen, NWS volunteer from Whiteflat said the road to Matador was still open, but the wind is causing a snow drift problem.

Ranchers have been supplementing cattle for some time, but drifting snow presents a special challenge to area ranchers. Marisue Potts at Mott Creek Ranch is feeding her cattle and looking for two pregnant mother cows. Calves like to come in the snow, she said.

Motley County ISD is closed but there will be no frolicking in the snow for youngsters. Fifty mile-an-hour north winds, horizontal and drifting snow would discourage the most dedicated from venturing outside.

## Motley County FSA announces 45th general sign-up for the Conservation Reserve Program

Motley County Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Amy Hackler announced today that FSA will conduct a four-week Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) general sign-up beginning May 20 and ending on June 14.

"It continues to be our goal to ensure that we use CRP to address our most critical resource issues" said Hackler. "In 2012, Texas experienced the worst drought in 60 years. CRP protected environmentally sensitive lands from washing or blowing away. It gave ranchers extra grazing land when they needed it. I expect there will be strong competition to enroll or re-enroll acres into CRP, so I urge Motley County producers to maximize their environmental benefits and make sure their offers are cost-effective."

In addition to erosion

control, CRP provides significant water quality benefits including reduced nutrients and sediment loadings and adverse consequences associated with floods as well as expanded and enhanced wildlife habitat.

Currently, about 27 million acres are enrolled in CRP nationwide; more than 3 million of these acres are enrolled in Texas. CRP is a voluntary program available to agricultural producers to help them safeguard environmentally sensitive land. Producers enrolled in CRP plant long-term, resource-conserving covers to improve the quality of water, control soil erosion and enhance wildlife habitat. Contracts on an estimated 3.3 million acres of CRP nationwide are set to expire on Sept. 30, 2013, and more than 362,000 of those expiring acres are in Texas. Producers with ex-

piring contracts or producers with environmentally sensitive land are encouraged to evaluate their options under CRP.

Motley County currently has 26,267.60 acres enrolled in CRP and 1409.40 of those acres are set to expire on Sept. 30, 2013.

Producers that are accepted in the sign-up can receive cost-share assistance for planting covers and receive an annual rental payment for the length of the contract (10-15 years). Producers also are encouraged to look into CRP's other enrollment opportunities offered on a continuous, non-competitive, sign-up basis. Continuous sign-ups often provide additional financial assistance. Those sign-up dates will be announced later.

For more information on CRP and other FSA programs, visit your local FSA office or [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov).

## MCISD students hear program on alcohol awareness and drunk driving prevention

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service conducted a program at Motley County schools on January 30. The presentation to the Jr. High and Sr. High students focused on both alcohol awareness and drunk driving prevention. County Extension Agent Ryan Martin and Trooper Overton helped with the program.

The program is called Watch UR BAC (blood alcohol concentration) and it brought in tools that were used by the students in

hands on activities. These included the DWI prevention simulator that is used to demonstrate the effect of alcohol on driving skills. Through a video game atmosphere, drivers experience obstacles and hazards to simulate those that someone might encounter if they drove under the influence. Fatal Vision© goggles, which distort vision, are worn by the driver during the simulation experience to duplicate the effect of alcohol on one's vision. A pedal

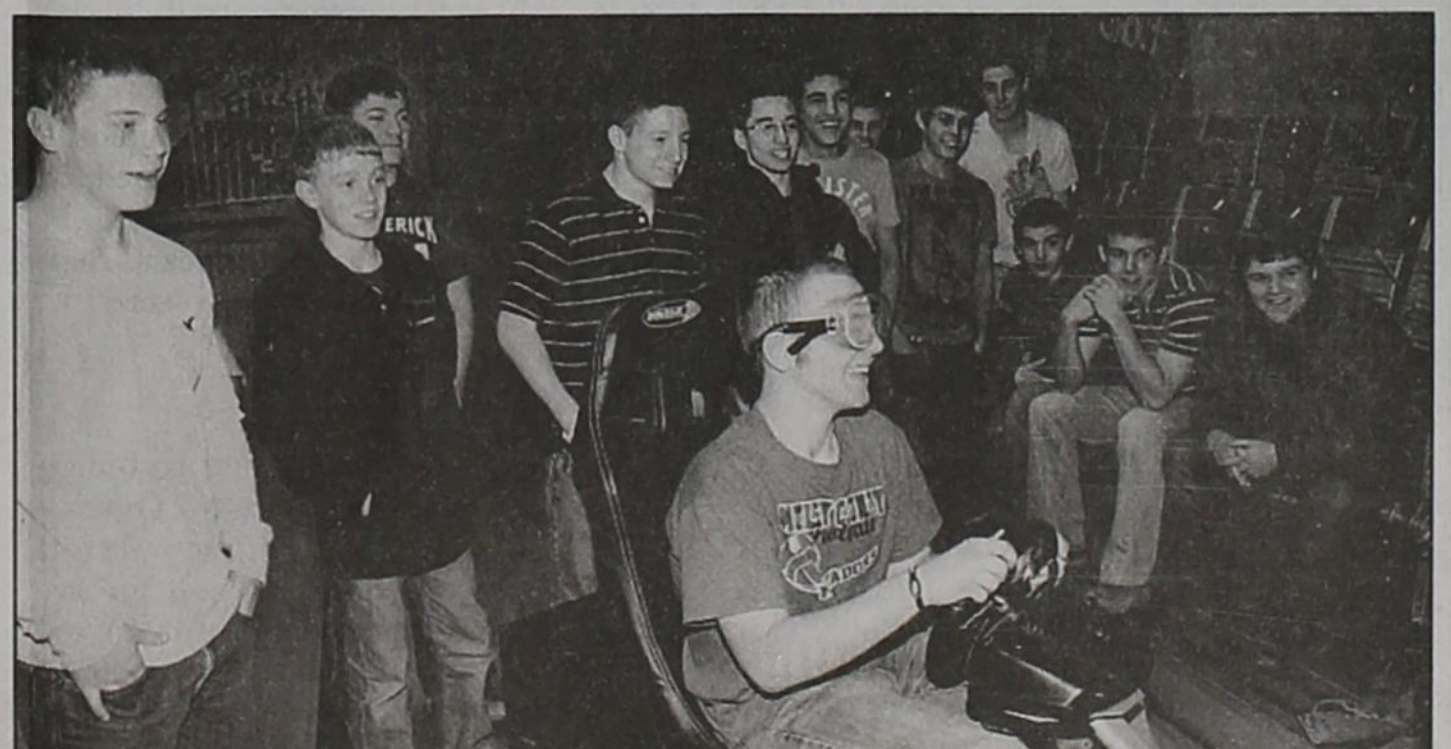
car that the students drove while wearing the goggles, also gave them a glimpse at the dangers of impaired driving.

"The students seemed to enjoy participating in these hands on activities," said Ryan Martin. "They even asked the Watch UR BAC folks to come back again next year."

The program has a Facebook page (Watch UR Bac) and a Twitter account (@WatchURBAC). Their website can be found at [watchurbac.tamu.edu](http://watchurbac.tamu.edu).



Snow covered the walks and grounds of the Motley County courthouse in downtown Matador on Monday, February 25, 2013. The courthouse was partially staffed due to snow conditions, drifting snow, and high winds. Other downtown businesses that opened were the Post Office, Matador Branch, FNBS, Lowes, Matador Variety, and Motley Farm and Ranch Supply.



Matthew Faulks is operating the driving simulator while wearing fatal vision goggles. Other students looking on are l-r Braden Bigham, Bryce Brady, Bryant Taylor, Ransom Braly, Michael Martin, Marcus Ortiz, Dillon McCleskey, Noah Guerrero, Tanner Bearden, Austin Taylor, and Jacob Woolsey. Photo by Walter Taylor. More photos on page 4

# Foothill Country Connections

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



By Laverne Zabielski

Dialogue, dialogue, dialogue. What ultimately defines what it means to be an American is our freedom to have civil dialogue about the many issues that are divisive.

I commend citizens in Roaring Springs for organizing a Town Hall Meeting for the purpose of discussing gun control, the national debt and many of the issues raised in President Obama's State of the Union address.

The fact that it is advertised as a Town Hall meeting implies that it is open to the public with an expectation that those with diverse opinions will be present. It implies that the format is

not one of "speaking to the choir," it is speaking to many voices.

That's what makes living in America so great. I cringe when I hear news that civil dialogue is crushed in other countries.

It requires courage to take the risk of speaking up. Risk taking is good, however. It builds character.

Once when I was teaching a poetry class to a group of low income women struggling to get a high school diploma they questioned why learn poetry. I answered, because it teaches you to get what's on the inside out. When they questioned why go to a poetry reading at the university and read their poems, I answered, because it teaches you to take a risk, stand up and say what you think. You will survive, I clarified. And they did.

The issues presented at the Town Hall meeting are not unique to Motley County. This week in Opinion Editorials Joe Anthony writes about his experiences in Kentucky.



Ellerod of Key West, Florida, a Yorkshire Terrier living with Danielle Wittler, daughter of Don Wittler and Laverne Zabielski searches for Dogtags in the **MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE**. photo by Rodney McClean

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# Getting more Texas wind power on the grid

John Michaelson

AUSTIN, Texas - There is a treasure trove of renewable energy in the U.S., but the obstacles and barriers to getting it on the grid are many. Johnathan Hladik, energy policy advocate with the Center for Rural Affairs (CFRA), said the biggest hurdle right now is the lack of high voltage transmission lines. Adding to that infrastructure would allow for the use of more renewable resources, he said, while helping with rural economic development.

"There is so much oppor-

tunity associated with increased property tax paid by wind-turbine owners and by those building transmission lines, with the actual construction jobs associated with both the wind turbines and the transmission lines," he explained. "We're looking at a good way to rejuvenate a lot of our smaller communities."

Currently, less than 1 percent of the country's transmission lines with the greatest capacity are located in the states with the most wind-energy potential.

The problem, Hladik pointed out, is that when

lines were built historically, they focused on one big power plant, serving one large municipal area, while smaller lines were put up in rural areas.

"This old model led to a situation where the only high-capacity transmission lines in the United States, quite literally, are located in areas of very high population density," he said "which are the exact opposite areas of where our wind resources are most robust."

As for Texas in particular, Hladik said the wind energy potential is very rich.

"There's been so much

effort to really develop the wind resources in Texas and a lot of that has been successful," he said, "but they're running into serious brick walls at this point with that transmission bottleneck, with not having enough transmission to tap those resources."

Electricity generation from renewable energy resources in the U.S. is currently at about 10 percent of the total. That is expected to grow to 15 percent over the next 20 years.

More information is available at [www.cfra.org](http://www.cfra.org).

## OPINION EDITORIALS

### Cultivating Big Dreams on a Small Scale Microloan Gains Popular Footing; Answers Need for Faster, Easier Credit

Dear Editor,

Throughout my tenure as Acting State Executive Director for the Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA), I have met several small and beginning farmers and ranchers, military veterans and disadvantaged producers interested in making a living in production agriculture. For many, the high cost of purchasing land and equipment can be prohibitive, compelling newcomers and those struggling against odds to take risks to finance their dreams by relying on credit cards and personal loans with high interest rates. I am keenly aware, too, that the average age of our farmers and ranchers is increasing. I am concerned about where the next generation of farmers and ranchers will come from.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture understands the needs of these small, beginning and specialty crop producers. Through the Farm Service Agency's (FSA) Farm

Loan Programs division, the department responded to their needs by developing a new microloan program that will provide up to \$35,000 to help bolster these producers during their start-up years. Likewise, it will assist small, established producers who find themselves in extenuating financial circumstances.

Microloans are like other operating loans. They can be used to purchase livestock, equipment, feed, seed, fertilizer and related supplies. And here's a real benefit when compared to those credit cards and personal loans; the current interest rate for a microloan is 1.125%.

It is imperative that we use solutions like the microloan to provide access to credit to those just starting out or those producing on a smaller scale in order to grow American agriculture. It's important because Agriculture can provide new jobs that will build our economy and ensure a safe and affordable food supply at home and abroad. In addition, these loans keep people living in our rural communities, sending their children to our local schools and doing business in our local shops.

But here is how microloans are unlike traditional FSA loans. Applying for them is a simpler, more flexible pro-

cess. By reducing the application form from 17 pages to eight and modifying requirements for experience, it's easy and far more convenient for both our customers and our employees.

Although some production experience is necessary, there are many producers who may not meet the managerial requirements for traditional loans but may be eligible for a microloan. FSA will consider an applicant's small business experience, experience with a self-guided apprenticeship and specialized education to meet the prerequisite.

As the country moves toward more local food sources and joins the farm-to-table movement, there is an increasing number of people going back to the farm and selling their products through farmers markets and community supported agriculture. Microloans are perfect for those who want to grow niche crops to sell directly to ethnic markets, farmers markets or consumers.

Young future farmers and ranchers also will benefit. Prospects that previously used an FSA Youth Loan to finance an agricultural endeavor, successfully repaid the debt and are of the "age of majority" according to state law, are eligible for microloans. The

microloan graduates producers to a new level and further prepares them for larger FSA operating loans or commercial loans through the FSA Guaranteed Loan Program.

By expanding access to credit, FSA continues to help grow the industry on which our country was built — Agriculture. Through FSA, more than 128,000 loans totaling \$18 billion have been issued. The number of loans to beginning farmers and ranchers has increased from 11,000 in 2008 to 15,000 in 2011. More than 40 percent of USDA's farm loans now go to beginning farmers, while lending to socially disadvantaged producers has increased nearly 50 percent since 2008.

At FSA, we aim for ways to help farmers and ranchers achieve their dreams, to be part of the American population that feeds the world whether they are large-scale or small-scale operations. By supporting America's growers, we help all Americans. We provide a secure, low-cost food supply and make a major contribution to the U.S. economy. And we do these things while nourishing millions.

Respectfully submitted,  
James B. Douglass  
State Executive Director  
USDA - Farm Service Agency

### Guns and Eastern Kentucky

Editor's note:

A tense custody exchange of a toddler resulted in the death of three people. The accused shooter, the father of the toddler, admitted to having purchased the gun hours before. He opened fire on the vehicle containing the mother of the child, her uncle, and the uncle's twelve year old daughter, sitting in the back seat.

Two of Joseph G. Anthony's four books are centered on eastern Kentucky where he taught for several years. He is originally from New Jersey.

By Joe Anthony

I made my first post-interview visit to Hazard Community College, a place where I would teach English for five years, on a Saturday in August, 1980. The building was closed, of course. But I noticed a couple of cars circling so I stopped one and asked for information. The kids inside laughed at me. They were just cruising. Hazard Community College's parking lot served as a kind of Sunset Strip for teenagers in 1980.

That same parking lot hit

the front pages yesterday, but not for the innocent pastime of cruising. Three people, including a twelve year old girl, were shot down. The young man arrested said that he had "snapped." He had gone to the child's mother, one of the victims. He had bought the gun he used about five hours before the shooting.

Guns and Eastern Kentucky: this tragedy just leaps out to embrace the stereotype. But is it fair?

About thirty five years ago I had a colleague/friend who went to meet her estranged husband in a park in Brooklyn. She thought the open setting would be safer. She brought one of their sons with her. Her husband shot the boy, his wife, and then himself.

I guess he snapped. So these things can happen anywhere. Yet that's not the whole story. New York State's gun death rate is about 5.1 per hundred thousand. Kentucky's at 13.1 is almost three times New York's. I don't know what Eastern Kentucky's gun death rate is, but I suspect it's higher.

Why? When I lived in Eastern Kentucky, the old lady next door to me in the country had a big pistol, but she was a sweet

lady who smiled widely when she saw me. The fellow who sold me liquor—Perry was the only wet county around— had a pistol openly strapped to his hip, but he couldn't have been friendlier. The teenagers I stopped in Hazard Community College's parking lot probably had guns in the car, but they weren't threatening. The people I knew in Eastern Kentucky weren't some stereotypical gun-toting yahoos. They were friendly and often sweet, men and women. I sometimes wondered if I was the only person living out in the county without a gun, but I never really worried about my safety or that of my young family.

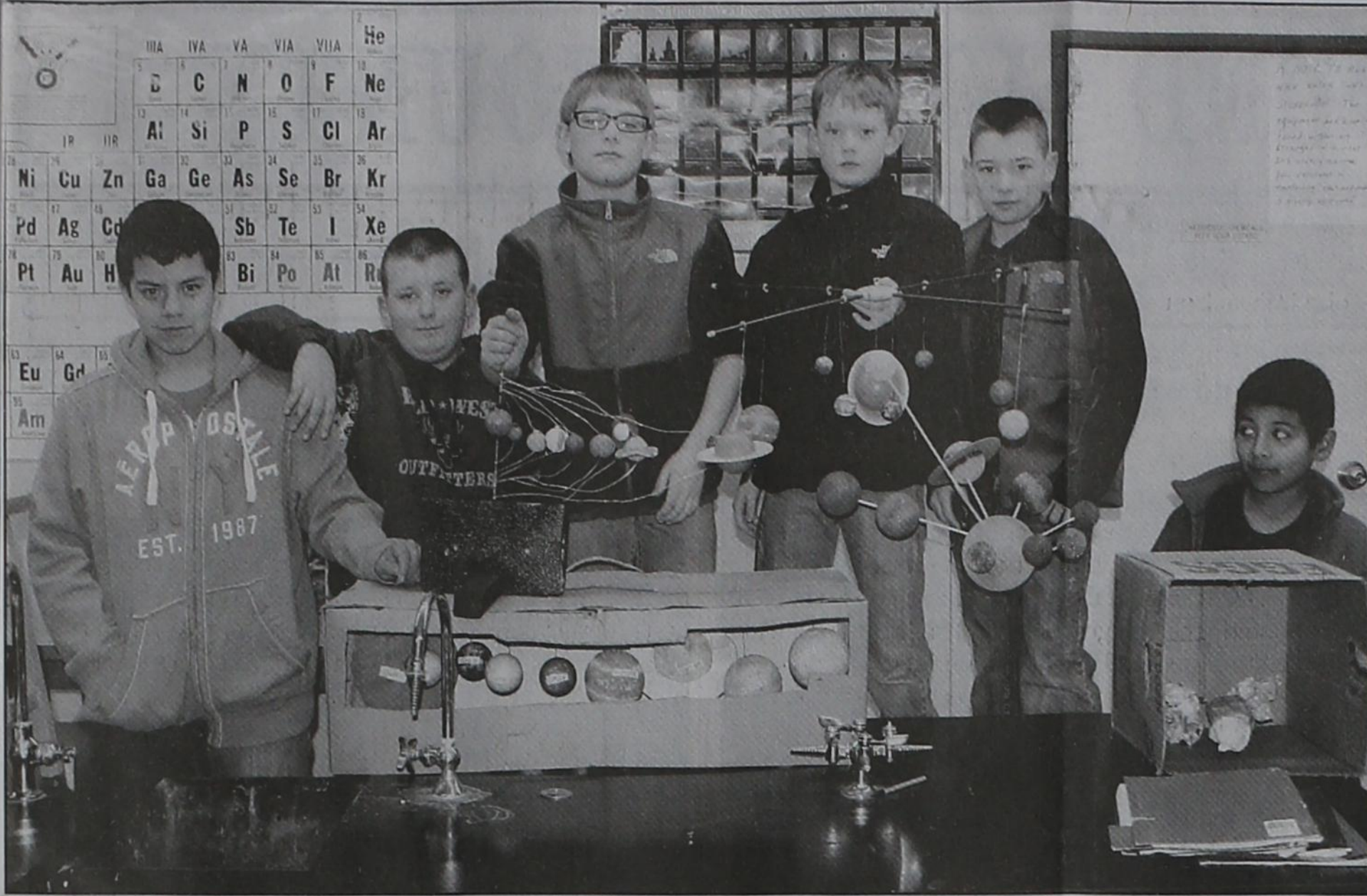
I certainly couldn't have said the same when I lived in Manhattan in the 1970s. In Manhattan, I once literally had a gun put to my head as I was ordered to open a safe. Yet Manhattan is now one of the safest cities in the country. And Hazard? Well, not so much.

Again: why? Too big a question for me to attempt, but here's one stab at an answer. The young man who bought that gun five hours before his tense visitation exchange may or may not have intended to use it. That's for the courts to decide. But he did, I venture,

buy into a Kentucky, and certainly an Eastern Kentucky, concept: that guns are a part of the solution to any trouble. My old lady neighbor and the liquor store guy would say that guns were just part of their security. But when that security is everyone's security, it somehow makes us all less safe.

The country is debating gun control again. I'm a bit on the fence. I realized back in the eighties that the attitude towards guns as much geographical was philosophical. There's a great urban/rural divide and for good reasons. I do believe new controls on assault weapons and types of ammunition as well as better background checks are sensible and would help. Fewer people would die if we enacted new rules. But I don't think they will get to the heart of the problem.

The heart of the problem lies with that idea that guns are a part of the solution. They almost never are. If we changed our hearts and our minds about that idea, many, many fewer people would be killed. I bet that young man wishes now that he hadn't had his "solution" handy when he snapped. I know that the grieving relatives of the victims certainly do.



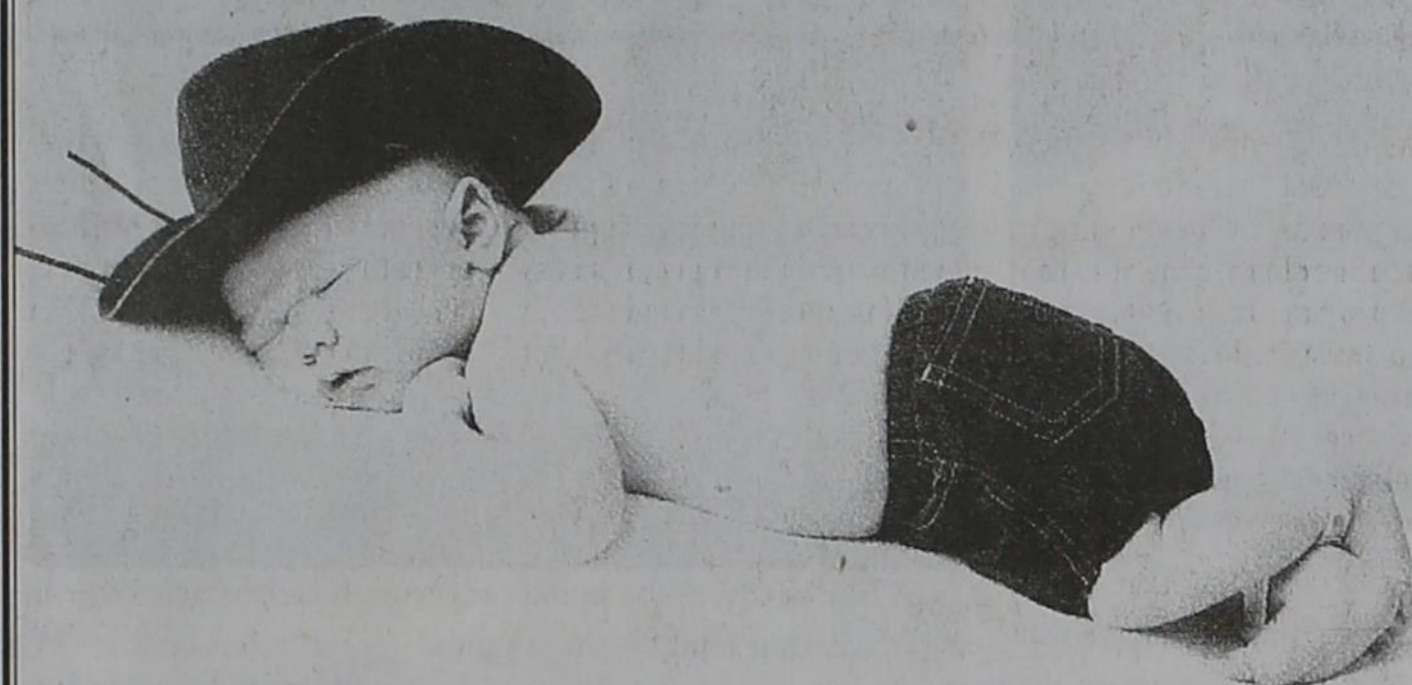
Mrs. Cooper's sixth grade boys in science class, and their solar system project. Pictured from left to right are Jonathan Flores, Cameron Stafford, Ethan Mason, Logan Jones, Kyler Degan, and Leon Quilimaco. photo by Walter Taylor

## Engagement Announcement



Billy and Lori Campbell are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming wedding of their son Britt Paul Campbell to Ashley Nicole Feik. Britt is the grandson of Joyce Campbell and the late Kirby Campbell of Matador, Texas. Ashley is the daughter of John and Rita Feik of San Antonio, Texas. The bride elect will graduate with her Doctorate of Pharmacy from the University of the Incarnate Word in May. The groom will graduate with his Masters in Petroleum Geology from TCU in May as well. The couple will exchange vows on May 18, 2013 at the Yacht Club at Horseshoe Bay Resort in Horseshoe Bay, Texas.

## Birth Announcement



Ben Lee Bradford was born in Lubbock Covenant Hospital on January 30, 2013. He weighed 9lbs 1oz, and was 21" long. Proud parents are Shad and Anna Bradford of Spur. Grandparents are Ronny and Linda Bradford of Spur, and Polly Campbell of Dougherty. Great grandmother is Betty Campbell of Dougherty Community.

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**FINAL DEADLINE: MONDAY NOON**

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Chamber Home Show

Mark your calendars for Saturday April 6, 2013 for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Chamber of Commerce Home Show in Childress, Texas. This year's theme is "Spring Into Action"! "It is shaping up to be a great Home Show and we are looking forward to a full day of shopping, fun, giveaways and of course, great food!", stated Susan Leary, Director of the Chamber.

If you are a business or vendor and are interested in a booth at this year's Home Show, contact the Chamber of Commerce in Childress and visit with them on how you too can be a part of a great day. Sales opportunities, networking, new client base and shopping yourself are just some of the ways you will benefit from the Childress Home Show.

Contact Susan Leary, 940-937-2567 or [c\\_commerce@att.net](mailto:c_commerce@att.net) You may also visit our facebook page at childress-chamber.

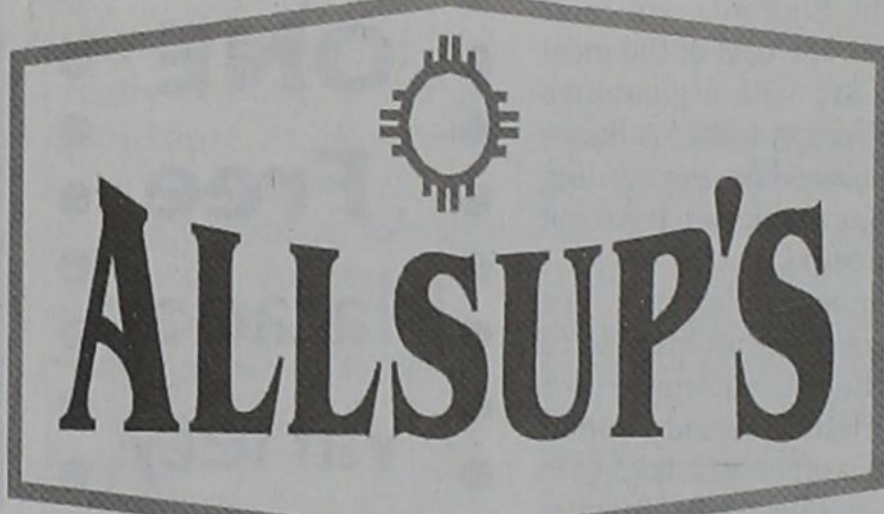
Hope to see many of you in attendance for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Chamber Home Show on April 6. Be watching for more information in the very near future. And did I say the admission is FREE????

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# NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

## Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

### On a personal note

Have you looked outside this morning? It is so pretty. We haven't the wind the predicted; it is piled up on the limbs.

By 7:30 this morning the official numbers for Roaring Springs were three inches of snow and .17 inch of moisture. Looks like the kids will be reveling in the snow later. Since there are no children on our block I haven't seen a snowman yet. Where there is an area protected from the wind; the trees are beautiful white silhouettes. Where there are pecans still on the trees from my window they look as big as golf balls! I am sure out in the open it is not as pleasant sight and likely there will be large snow drifts.

Those of us who can remember the drought of the '50s can't recall it being due to any global warming, ozone pollution or any other cause to blame mankind. The Lord God is in control of the universe and instead of figuring this or that is causing the drought we are in, I believe we should all be praying to God to send abundant rains.

### In the community

The Roaring Springs Alumni met last Monday evening. Present were: Devonne Dillard, Vee Gordon, Allie Gwinn, Buzz and Tince Thacker, Gordon Harmon, J. N. Fletcher, Corky and Monta Marshall, Susan Gahr and Alex Crowder. As plans weren't made for the RS Centennial, Susan and Alex did not stay. June 22 is the date; the Staffords will cater the meal; the cost of the meal will be \$12 with a guarantee of feeding 175 folks. A dance was discussed for the evening but so far musicians have not been secured.

Devonne, Allie and Vee will go over the mailing list to make changes and make up a flyer or letter to send alumni. Gordon's office will take care of the mailing. Be making plans!

Glennard and Edith Daniell will reopen the Travelers Inn on March 2! We are so excited to have them ready

to have rooms for our visitors and bring in more people. The coffee drinkers are ready to move back to the hotel for their daily meetings. The Daniells will be ready to make reservations for the school reunion and the Centennial Celebration. Thursday the Daniells will be going into Lubbock to restock on needed items.

Anna Daniell Buckner and Tyler were here to visit her grandparents, Glennard and Edith. They came on Monday and left on Wednesday to go to Duncan, OK to visit her mom, Becky Schmidt. Leslie Daniell left Saturday to return to OH to go back to trucking. He will be living in Brilliant, OH.

Buzz and Tince Thacker went to Post last week. They had lunch with Tince's daughter, LouAnne Terry and had a nice visit.

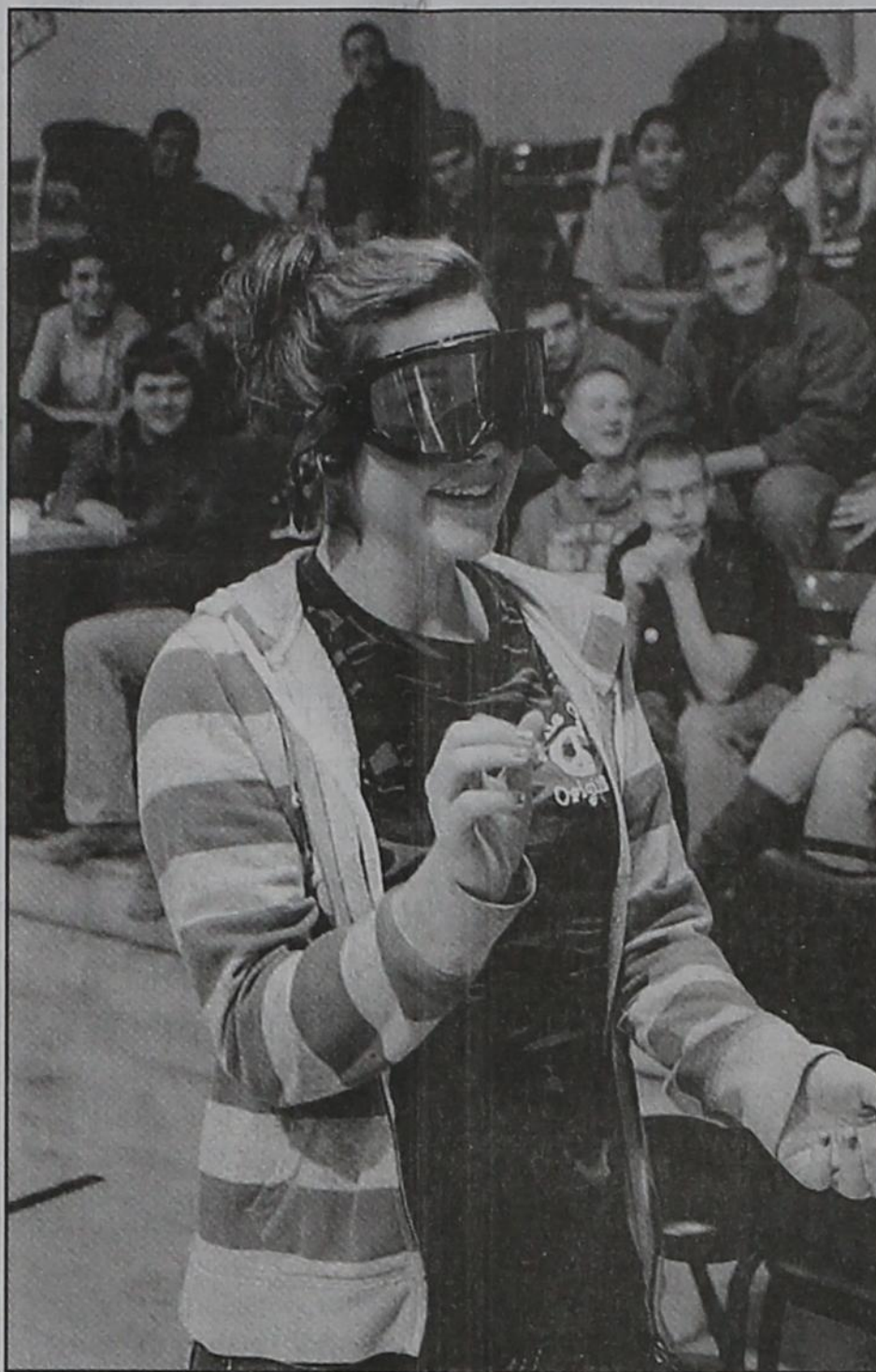
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## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

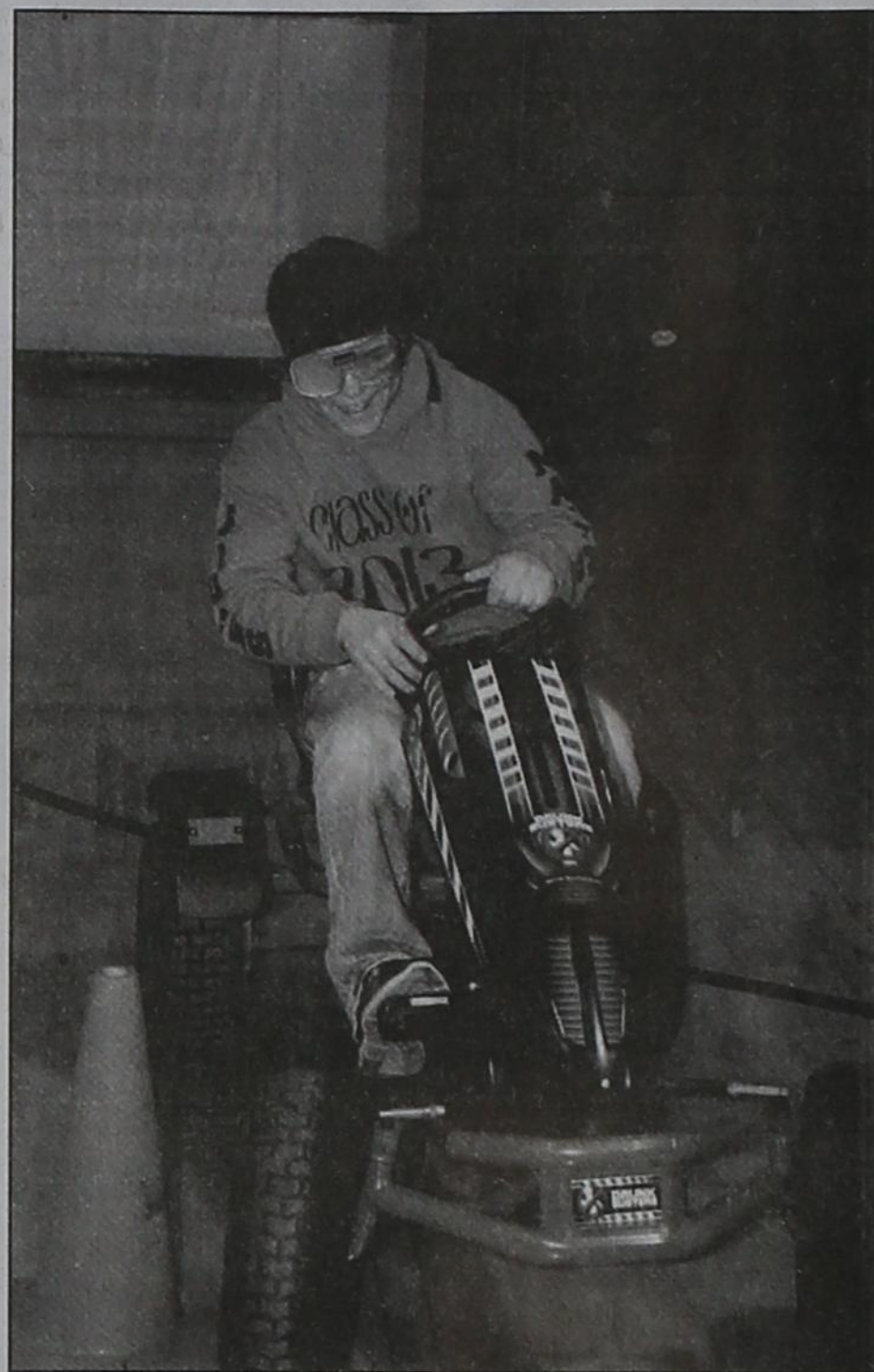
### Earlyne is snowed in today and will be back next week.



Mattie Brooks is performing a mock sobriety test while wearing fatal vision goggles. Officer Chad Overton was on hand to perform the mock tests.

## Matador News

Many folks have stopped us to ask (the Methodist parsonage family) about the progress of Bigfoot, after his accident. We are happy to report that Bigfoot has adjusted very well to being three-footed. Thanks to you all for your concern.



Juan Florez drives the pedal car through an obstacle course while wearing fatal vision goggles.

### Wake up Wednesday

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### This Week's Local Forecast

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<b>Weather Trivia</b>	<b>Weather History</b>	<b>Moon Phases</b>			
Could global warming cause entire nations to disappear?	<b>Feb. 28, 1988</b> - Thunderstorms in California produced severe weather during the early morning hours. Strong thunderstorm winds, gusting to 74 mph, downed trees in the Sacramento area. Unseasonably mild weather prevailed in the northwestern United States.	Last 3/4	New 3/11	First 3/19	Full 3/27
<small>Answer: If sea levels rise, some island nations could submerge.</small>					

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

## YOU ARE INVITED TO A TOWN HALL MEETING

on

THURSDAY, MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup> 2013  
7:30 p.m.

ROARING SPRINGS  
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WE WILL DISCUSS:

**GUN CONTROL  
NATIONAL DEBT  
STATE OF THE UNION, ETC.**

LUBBOCK CO. JUDGE, TOM HEAD  
WILL BE THE GUEST MODERATOR

## We Extend To You This Invitation To Be With Us.

**Re: Gospel Meeting set for March 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

Place: Matador Church of Christ, Matador, Texas.

Carroll F. Sites of Higden, Arkansas has been with us many times and always brings us the best in Gospel Meetings. Please come and join with us in this series of lessons designed to strengthen our faith.

**THEME: "OLD PATHS FOR A NEW GENERATION."**

Sunday a.m. Class - 10:00 a.m. "Return To The Old Paths."

Sunday a.m. Worship - 11:00 a.m. "The Home As God Would Have It."

Sunday p.m. Worship - 6:00 p.m. "God's Spiritual Family."

Monday Evening - 7:00 p.m. "Salvation - God's Way."

Tuesday Evening - 7:00 p.m. "The Place Of Refuge."

Wednesday Evening - 7:00 pm. "You Can Be Certain."

There will be a Fellowship meal following the Sunday Morning Service. All are invited to join us in this time of food and fellowship.

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## Library Journal

by Carla Meador  
Librarian

I discovered a very interesting fact about public libraries recently. Do you know when the first library was established? Did you know that libraries have been around since classical Greece and Rome?

In the classical era when a person wished to borrow a book from a library, they had to have a copy of the book made first. They then kept the copy and returned the original book (scroll/document) to the library for safe-keeping.

An uncle of Julius Caesar had a library at Herculaneum not far from Pompeii - it was destroyed when a mud slide caused by the eruption of Vesuvius flowed over the site. Mount Vesuvius erupted in A.D. 79. Using modern photography made available by NASA the charred remains of the scrolls at the library are being slowly and painstakingly discovered.

Oh my goodness, wouldn't that be something to see? I thought this was a very interesting piece of history and wanted to share it.

Okay, back to the present...We have some new books on our shelves this week including *Alex Cross, Run* by James Patterson, *Airtight* by David Rosenfelt, and *Guilt* by Jonathan Kellerman.

We also have some new DVDs including *Beasts of the Southern Wild* and *Her Majesty, Mrs. Brown*.

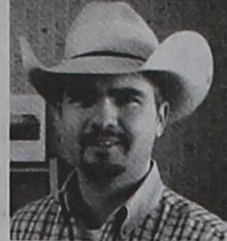
Be sure to come by and check out a copy of the

book to be featured at our upcoming Noon Book Review. Friends of the Library will host the event April 12. Discussion about the book and lunch will be enjoyed. The book for review will be *Until Tuesday* by Luis Carolos Montalvan. The Library has four copies available for check-out. The book tells the story of a wounded warrior and the Golden Retriever who saved him.

Our featured book this week is *Watching The Dark* by Peter Robinson. A decorated detective inspector is murdered on the tranquil grounds of the St. Peter's Police Treatment Centre, shot through the heart with a crossbow arrow, and compromising photographs are discovered in his room. Detective Chief Inspector Alan Banks is well aware that he must handle the highly sensitive - and dangerously explosive - investigation with the utmost discretion. As Banks digs deeper into the life and career of the victim, a decorated cop and recent widower named Bill Quinn, he comes to believe that Quinn's murder may be linked to an unsolved missing persons case. As evidence in each investigation mounts, Banks realizes the two are linked - and that solving them may put even more lives, including his own, in jeopardy.

Library hours 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, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent

### 2013 Motley County Jr. Livestock Show

A big "Thank You" goes out to everyone that donated to the Motley County Jr. Livestock Show. Without these donations, the Jr. Livestock Show would not be such a huge success.

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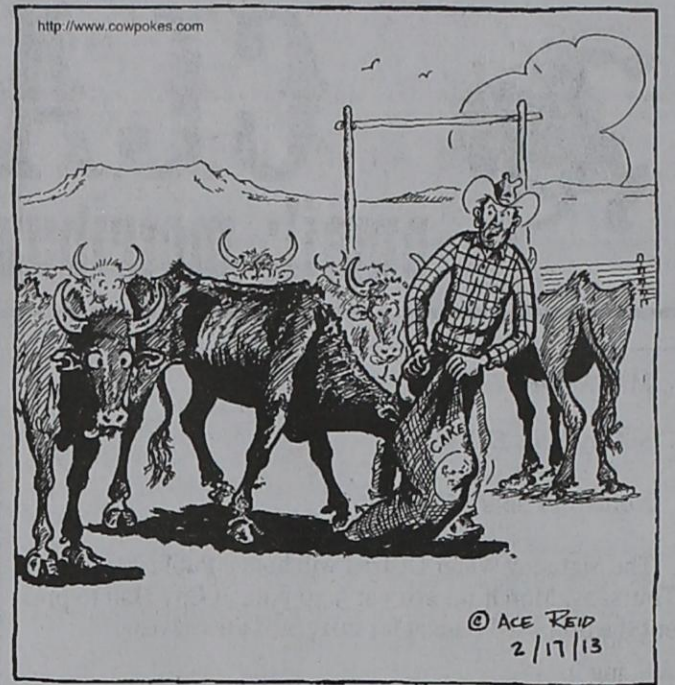
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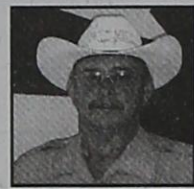
By Ace Reid



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## Sheriff's Desk by Chris Spence

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**CASES:** Cases, 5; cases solved, 3; Cases under investigation, 2; Amount Lost to Theft or Burglary, \$1,000.00; Amount Lost to Criminal Mischief, \$0.00; Amount Recovered, \$0.00; Motor vehicle accidents investigated, 1; Assaults, 0; Thefts, 2; Burglary, 0; Criminal Mischief, 0; Criminal Trespass, 0; Disorderly Conduct, 0; Family Disturbance, 1; Livestock Calls, 3; Assist Citizens, 0; Assist Outside Agency, 0; Motorist Assistance, 1; Civil Standby, 0; Suspicious Person, 0; Home & Business Alarms, 0; Welfare Concern, 0; CPS Case, 0; Traffic Hazard, 0; Pris-

oner Transport to TDCJ, 0; Cruelty to Animals, 0; Questionable Death, 2; Violation of Protective Order, 0; Possession and delivery of drugs to person under 18-years of age, 0; Estray, 0.

**ARRESTS:** Misdemeanor, 1; Felony, 0.

**PAPER SERVED:** District Court, 6; County Court, 0; JP Court, 1; Out of County Court Papers, 1; Bailiff for Court, 1.

**TRAFFIC:** Traffic Citations, 2; Traffic Warnings, 2; Funeral escorts, 2.

### TO THE CITIZENS OF MOTLEY COUNTY:

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Lacy Clary  
Motley County FFA  
Bill Armstrong

David and Cynthia for the briskets for the concession stand, JD and D'anna for the bucket calf plaques and the Motley County Farm Bureau for the ribbons and rosettes.

Donations were also made to the Motley County Jr. Livestock Show Memorial Herdsman Scholarship. These donations are listed as follows:

In memory of Don Cox by Steve and Linda Hess and Hal and Kellie Martin.

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In memory of Ross Bearden by Steve and Linda Hess and JD and D'anna Russell.

In memory of Billy Paul Simpson by JD and D'anna Russell and Hal and Kellie Martin.

In Memory of Truitt Read by Steve and Linda Hess and Hal and Kellie Martin.

If we have missed anyone's name that donated, we apologize. As you can see, we have several contributors to the stock show and it is hard to keep up with everyone that donates.

A special thank you goes out to Lowe's Pay N Save and the breakfast crew for the wonderful breakfast,

You're invited to a conversation with

## Congressman Mac Thornberry



Saturday, March 9, 2013

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Matador

For more information, please call 806-371-8844  
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### "Am I Made For Another World?"



We read in II Corinthians 5 that we as Christians have an identity crisis.

We find ourselves inhabiting a worldly, physical body with all of its imperfections and limitations. We know, somewhere in the back of our minds, that our time on this earth is limited.

And we also know that there is more to this life than what is seen with the eye.

It was C. S. Lewis who said, "If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another world."

The fact is that God made us for something more than just this earth... something much better than this earth. In reading II Corinthians 5 we find that our God "prepared us for this very purpose," i.e. to inhabit a "house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." Since we are a people who have a marvelous inheritance waiting for us in heaven, shouldn't we be a people of purpose. Can we be identified as, a "purposed people" who are seeking to be well pleasing unto God. Why not join us in worship this Lord's day as we examine God's eternal purpose for us?

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**MATADOR WATER DISTRICT**  
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Notice of Public Meeting

The Matador Water District will hold a Public Meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall to present the proposed budget for 2013/2014 fiscal year.

Debra Scott  
 City Secretary ct10

**CITY OF MATADOR**  
 MATADOR, TEXAS

Notice of Public Meeting

The City of Matador will hold a Public Meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2013 at 6:15 p.m. at City Hall to review the proposed budget for 2013/2014 fiscal year.

Debra Scott  
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Bid Notice

THE CITY OF MATADOR IS NOW ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS ON:

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Bids will be accepted at City Hall, 706 Dundee, P.O.Box 367, Matador, TX 79244 until 5:00 p.m. March 13, 2013.

Bids will be opened and publicly read at the 6:30 p.m. meeting of the Matador City Council on March 14, 2013 at City Hall, Matador, Tx. For further information please contact City Hall at the above address, or call (806) 347-2255.  
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**MOTLEY COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**NOTICE OF ELECTION**

Applications for a place on the ballot of the Motley County Independent School District Board of Trustees Election may be obtained from the Motley County ISD Superintendent's office, located at 1600 Bundy Street, Matador, TX.

The election will be held on May 11, 2013. Three positions of three year terms and one position of a one year unexpired term are to be filled on the Motley County ISD School Board.

The filing period will begin January 30, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. and end on March 1, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. During the filing period the Superintendent's office will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. Monday through Friday. ct7

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