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Merry Christmas

Motley County Parent's Club sponsors book fair



MCISD 4th grade students in Mrs. Ballard's class peruse books for sale during the "Scholastic Book Fair." Pictured L-R Kylee Jones, Kade Wampler, Kenzie Clary, and Joley Braly photo by Walter Taylor

Matador City Council tables Senior Citizen funding request

The Matador City Council met in regular session on Thursday, December 13, 2012 in the meeting room of the City Hall on Dundee Street in Matador. Council members Alvin Alexander, Bobby Klodginski, Betty Roberts, and Shane Jones were present and Rodney Williams was absent. Also present were

City Secretary Debra Scott and City Superintendent Steve Barton. Guests were Larry Vogt and Laverne Zabielski from the Motley County Tribune and Kathy Cruz from the Hood County News. Mayor Pat Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and the Mayor gave the invocation.

Steve Barton's report mentioned the water table was not recovering as expected and that rain was needed to bring the table up. He also talked about the need for scales at the landfill. There was discussion around his mention of his attendance at the Motley County Commissioners meet
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MCISD receives Good Annual Audit Report

By Larry Vogt
 Motley County Tribune

The Motley County Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session on December 10, 2012 in the meeting room of the school. Present were board members Don Baxter, Lewis Drum, Crawford Mason, Rachelle Davis, Lee Jones, and Tina Brooks. Also present were Superintendent William Cochran, Chief Financial Officer Denise Ford, Principal Gary Waitman, and Larry Vogt from the Motley County Tribune, and Blaine Smith, representative of Davis Kinard & Company, PC.

Chairman Don Baxter called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and Lewis Drum delivered the invocation. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read and the fi-

nancial report was also approved as given.

Next on the agenda was a presentation by Mr. Smith, representing Davis Kinard & Company, PC, the firm that has done the annual audit for Motley County ISD. This report was for the school year that ended August of 2012. In his opening remarks, Mr. Smith stated that there were no significant findings, there were no difficulties in performing the audit, and that there were no disagreements with the management of the school. He then went over the audit package and explained each section as it occurred in the booklet. He explained that the financial statement showed that the MCISD was in good financial shape and congratulated Mr. Cochran and Denise Ford for their work in managing the finances of

the school. (A copy of the financial statement can be viewed on page three of this newspaper.)

The Board approved the audit report and went on to the next item, which was the discussion of custodial supplies. After a short report from Mr. Cochran concerning the lack of bids on custodial supplies and his conversation with representatives of Wagner Supply the board voted to approve them as the purveyor of custodial supplies.

The Superintendent handed out the Superintendent Appraisal Report forms, which are to be filled out by the board members by the January meeting.

The report from Principal Waitman showed the enrollment holding steady at 188 with a 95% attendance rate for the month, which was down a slight bit
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Granny's Tea Party to be held December 23

The Annual Library fundraiser, Granny's Tea Party, will be held Sunday, December 23, at Hotel Matador from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m.

Young ladies will not want to miss this gala event. Girls are urged to dress up in Granny's old hats, dresses, shoes and jewelry and enjoy an afternoon of tea and h'ors d'oeuvres in the beautiful atmosphere at the historic hotel. This is the 21st year for the tea party which is a fundraiser for the Children's section of the library.

Tickets are \$8.00 per girl with 100% of the proceeds going to the Library. For reservations call Marilyn Hicks at the hotel, 347-2939.

Roaring Springs City Council meets

By Larry Vogt
 Motley County Tribune

The Roaring Springs City Council met in regular monthly session on December 10, 2012 in the meeting room of the City Hall on Broadway in Roaring Springs. Mayor Corky Marshall called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. All council members were present: P. K. Green, Kelly Keltz, Timmy Brooks, James McKleskey, and Alex Crowder. Also attending were City Secretary Tina Brooks and City Superintendent Robert Osborne. Alex Crowder gave the invocation and P. K. Green led the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes were ac-

cepted as read and the bills were accepted and paid. The council went into closed session and emerged to reconvene to entertain a motion concerning the Christmas bonuses. James McKleskey moved and Kelly Keltz seconded the motion to give the employees equal bonuses. The motion passed with a unanimous positive vote.

In other business the council voted to publish a notice for bids on three items that are currently in the now vacant supply building. Tina Brooks informed the council that she now has a notary license and can perform those duties. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

New members appointed to MMI board

By Laverne Zabielski
 Motley County Tribune

At the December 13, 2012 Matador City Council meeting the council accepted the resignation of Roy Hobbs, approved the appointments of Libby Cruz, Lee Hurt and Ronnie Vandiver to the Market Matador, Inc.(MMI) board.

According to the Articles of Incorporation, Market Matador was established "for the purpose of administration for one or more programs, including programs for making loans and grants of public money and providing personnel and services of the municipality to promote state and local economic de-

velopment, and to stimulate business and commercial activity in the municipality."

The challenges facing the new board will be to have it's 501 c 4 status reinstated in order that it may continue to accept donated lots; continue acquiring adjoining lots which could be sold for industrial purposes; research abandon lots to determine ownership; and offer lots with an expressed interest up for bid.

Prior to offering lots for bids many lots sold for \$30 to \$100. As a result of the last bid some lots were sold for \$400.

A list of all lots currently owned by MMI are in section 2, page 12.

Reporter Coach coaches MCT publishers

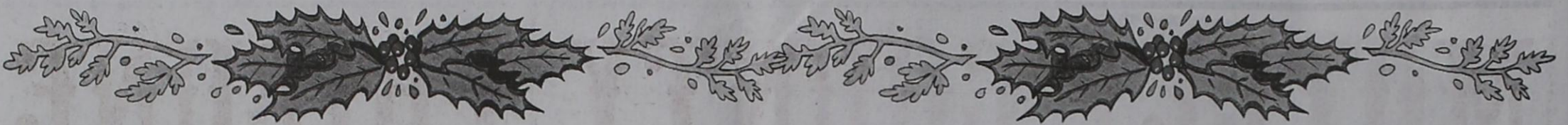
Kathy Cruz, a staff writer for the Hood County News and a consultant with The Texas Center for Community Journalism at Texas Christian University visited Motley County Tribune staff this week to assist them in developing interviewing and writing skills. They conducted interviews with citizens regarding the Motley County Senior Citizen Center.

Two prominent questions begin addressed are what is the role of the MCSC, and, as a non-profit organization, does the center provide services that are in competition with other for profit businesses in Matador.

The story will run in the first or second week of 2013.

Only 5 Days 'til Christmas





Foothill Country

Connections

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



By Larry Vogt

By now, the holiday spirit has entered even the busiest of us. The church program at the Matador First Baptist Church had a huge cast of youngsters playing lambs, shepherds, wise men, angels, and Joseph and Mary. The young actors sang the songs and spoke their parts, showing that the director, Carla Meador, spent a lot of time learning all the parts. Not only does the pageant of Nativity scenes have a strong spiritual message, the experience of performance has positive feelings also.

The late night shopping is behind us although there are

folks who will be buying presents at the last minute, and of course, I will be one of them, as I remember that I forgot this person or that. Every year seems to be different in the respect that presents are made or purchased according to random inspirations.

The tragedies that strike at this time of year are especially hard to process. We have a difficult time coming to terms with seemingly senseless acts of violence that occur, even at a distance. We hold the folks of Newtown, Connecticut in our hearts as they go through the terrible agony of picking up the pieces and moving on. I have driven through that town and remember it as a quiet, peaceful place with nice trees and quaint buildings. To try to imagine the aftermath of an event such as what happened last Friday is beyond my current ability. To quote the famous song: "Sleep, in heavenly peace."

There were a few of you that we could not reach regarding your Christmas greeting in this week's paper. We have gone ahead and included one for you. If you didn't want one, please leave us message at the office and we won't bill you.

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ing. The discussion centered around the possibility that the City of Matador may have to be part of a group of cities that are having paving jobs done at the same time to cut costs. There was also a mention of a way to raise revenue for the street repairs to come from a charge for the mowing that the City does during the summers.

The council then voted for approval of the minutes of the previous meeting. The council then went into closed session to discuss Christmas bonuses and upon reconvening of the open meeting there was a motion by Alvin Alexander to set the bonuses at \$650 per full time employee and \$150 per part time employee. Shane Jones seconded the motion and it carried with a unanimous vote.

The next item on the agenda concerned dogcatcher options. Mayor Smith read a letter from the City of Floydada that described a possible contract that specified \$10 per day per dog with \$40 or more for disposition by adoption or euthanasia. There was discussion about how the dogs would be transported to Floydada and how many days

a dog owner would have and how much they would have to pay for the retrieval of their pet. Roberts moved to table the issue until more information could be obtained and Alexander seconded which followed with a vote of four to zero in favor of tabling the issue.

Next there was discussion of the appointment of board members for Market Matador with the result of Roberts making a motion to appoint Lee Hurt, Ronnie Vandiver, and Libbie Cruse to the Market Matador board. The motion was seconded by Klodginski and carried by a vote of four to zero.

The next item on the agenda concerned funding for the Motley County Senior Citizens' Center. Mayor Pat Smith circulated a letter from City Attorney Tom Hamilton. The letter stated that the MCSC furnishes noon meals to senior citizens and the general public five days per week; the food used to prepare the meals is federally subsidized food and other food purchased by the MCSC on the open market; and employees are hired by the organization to prepare the meals fur-

nished to senior citizens and the general public. The letter concluded: "Consequently, the City cannot use tax revenue to pay the Senior Citizens Organization funds to furnish noon meals to the general public. The City's use of tax revenue for this purpose would not be legal."

After all council members had a chance to read the letter, there was discussion concerning the use of tax revenues to support this organization. Klodginski made a motion to provide the Center with water, sewer, and garbage service. Jones expressed concern if that was legal. Mayor Pat Smith pointed out that it was still revenue. "If you start giving free water to one, how do you distinguish another such as churches?" Smith asked.

Klodginski asked why there were funds for the jail, library and fire department. Smith answered that it was because they came from different funds. 4A money is set for a specific uses such as industry. 4B money is to improve the community in such a way that would make the town more appealing for people to move to. Hotel Motel tax revenue is for promoting tourism and events such as the centennial.

The library and fire department receive money because there are no other for profit businesses that offer the same services. Jones suggested funding only a portion of the delivered meals to shut-ins part of the Senior Citizens services.

Alexander talked about the conflict between non-profits and businesses. He asked the director's salary, which Klodginski could not answer. Alexander suggested MCSC provide more information regarding their financial status and needs.

Roberts considered Hamilton's letter an opinion and asked, "Where is the law that says that the council can or cannot provide support." She then seconded Klodginski's motion for the city to provide water, sewer and garbage service. Further discussion culminated in Roberts rescinding her second and making a new motion to table the issue so more information could be researched regarding the legality with the matter.

Next item was to approve and pay bills, followed by a financial report from Debra Scott that revealed that funds were at normal levels for the time of year. The meeting was then adjourned.

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because of illness. He then gave a few highlights of the UIL. The elementary team won the art contest and the music memory contest and placed fourth overall. The junior high team placed fifth overall and the full results will be published later with an award ceremony sometime in January.

The Superintendent's report mentioned the Christmas party for December 20, at 6:30 pm. Mr. Cochran recognized the high school

girl's cross-country team, which placed third in the District that qualified them for regional competition. The high school football team was recognized for making it to the quarterfinal game.

The boy's basketball team was to be in a tourney at Hart for the coming weekend and those results are listed elsewhere in this edition. After concluding business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Letter to the Editor

As I sit here at my desk in my office with my Bigfoot at my feet, I wonder what kind of coward would shoot an innocent cat who wanted nothing more than to love and to be loved. Two weeks ago Bigfoot was shot and left to die and we found him under the hedge at our church. He had a broken right leg and a shattered right shoulder. The wounds were so bad that the vet

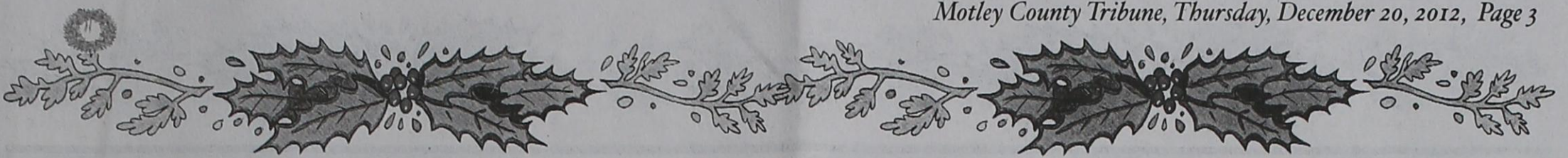
had to amputate the right leg and shoulder and now lies here at my feet wondering why he can't jump up into my lap. To the Coward who shot him, he will never again be able to climb a tree or catch mice, but you failed in your sick attempt to kill him, because he lives. You're a failure!

Pastor Bill Manney
FUMC, Matador Texas

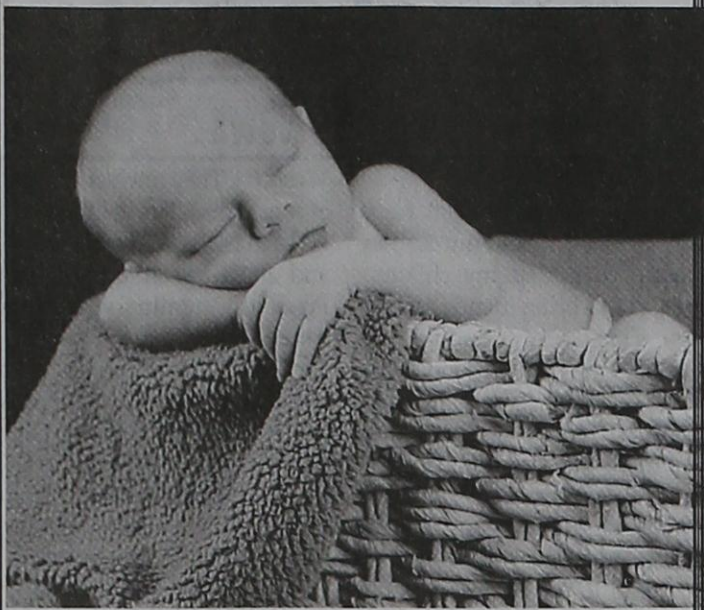
Motley County Shining Stars



Gingerbread houses decorated by Mrs. Tanya Multer's first grade class. Front row L to R, Bryer Davis, Eric Gonzalez, Paisley Marburger, Brock Taylor, Bubba Quilimaco, Justin McCleskey, and Cade Martin. Back Row L-R, Jolie Gressett, Navach Martin, Anabel Guzman, Olivia Fowler, Emory Rains, Marily Mandujano, Krystin Ferguson, and Scout Braly.
photo by Walter Taylor



Birth Announcement



Strauss Reinhardt Pfeiffer, son of Russ and Cassie Campbell Pfeiffer was born Tuesday, October 30, 2012 at 2:55 p.m. Strauss weighed in at 8 lb and 2 oz and was 19 3/4" long. His maternal grandparents are Douglas and Janie Campbell of Matador and great grandmother, Joyce Campbell also of Matador. Paternal grandparents are Iris and Bill Pinchak and Ed and Becky Pfeiffer all of Vernon, TX. Other great grands are Dan and Nancy Hagood of Lubbock and Gerrie Protz of Del Rio, TX. Uncle Wes Pfeiffer and aunts Kittie Campbell and Memori Jackson and many other family members are proud to welcome him to this world.

MCISD Basketball

In girls basketball this week there were three games. On Tuesday December 11 the varsity team played Jayton and lost with a score of 61 - 26. On Friday December 14 the junior varsity lost a game to Spur 58 - 12. Also on Friday the varsity team played Spur and fell short by a score of 50 - 29.

Coach Johnston said, "They are coming along quite rapidly; things are starting to make a little more sense to them as what we are trying to accomplish, we are getting there."

In boys' basketball, the team traveled to Hart for a tournament this last weekend. In their first game the junior varsity played Hart and won with a score of 82 - 35. In the second game the varsity played Hart and lost with a score of 50 - 46. In their third game the varsity team out scored Amherst to win 70 - 45.

Coach Cochran said, "The boys played well for not having much practice just coming off of football season. We missed a lot of shots on the inside but time will take care of that with more practice."

Thank You

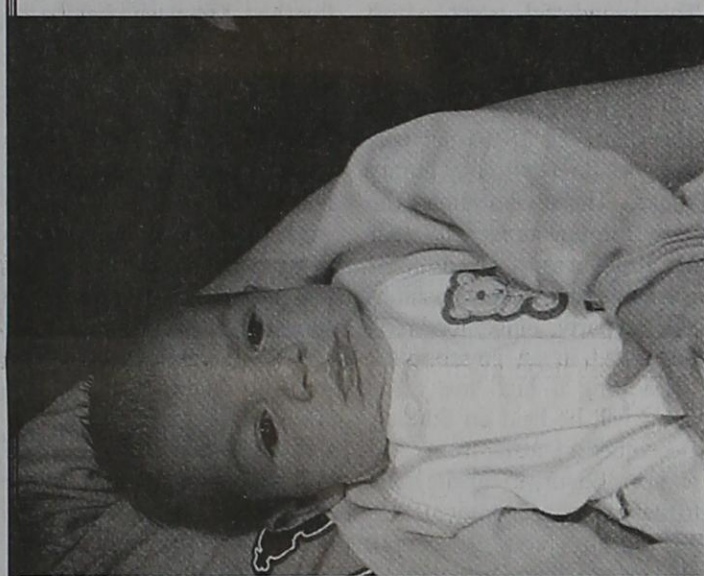
Words can not express the gratitude we feel toward the people of Motley County for their caring and kindness this past two years while Truitt was ill. We know your cards and visits were such bright spots for both of us. Bro. Bill was special support for us the entire time. God Bless him and our church family.

Truitt was ready to go, and you've made it so much easier for the family and me. The food brought to the house and the church was wonderful. Thanks also for the plants and beautiful arrangements.

We thank those who visited and Truitt would have been pleased for those who attended either service. We love and appreciate all you did for us. God bless each of you and Merry Christmas.

Chelsea Read
Debbie and Malcom Terry
Victor Read
Scott Read
And grand kids

Birth Announcement



Angelo and Kristi Salinas are proud to announce the birth of Austin Frank Salinas. Austin was born December 9, 2012 at 9:56 a.m. at Medical City in Dallas, TX. He weighed 7 lbs., 7 oz. and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Rodney and Glenda Williams of Matador, Martin and Maria Rodriguez and Manuel Salinas of Carrollton, TX. Great grandparents are Jim and Wanda Stockton and Bessie Jean Williams and the late Pete Williams of Matador, Manuel and Elisa Salinas of Carrollton and the late Ignacio and Josephina Avila of Sahuayo Michoacan Mexico. He has a proud big brother, Kingston Garrett Salinas.

Correction

Noah Guerrero, lead guitar, was left out of the list of Red Dirt Devils in last weeks paper. This new talented local band consists of Noah Guerrero, lead guitar, Parker Meredith on bass guitar, Conner Mason on acoustic guitar and vocals, Jonah Meredith on rhythm guitar; and James Jameson on drums.

Granny's Tea Party



Sunday, December 23

2:00 ~ 4:00 p.m.

Hotel Matador

1115 Main St.

Young Ladies dress in Granny's old hats, dresses, jewelry & enjoy an afternoon holiday party

Tickets ~ \$8.00 each
For reservations call Marilyn Hicks
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100% of proceeds go to the Motley County Library Children's Section

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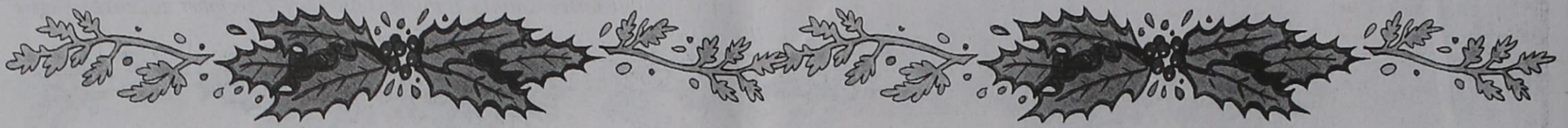
Merry Christmas

Remember Thacker Jewelry For your Christmas shopping! Specials throughout the store

MOTLEY COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Year Ended August 31, 2012

Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	313 SSA IDEA, Part B Formula	437 SSA Special Education	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES					
5700 Local and intermediate sources	\$ 1,165,268	\$ -	\$ 259,829	\$ 21,479	\$ 1,446,576
5800 State program revenues	1,073,194	-	8,089	3,391	1,084,674
5900 Federal program revenues	-	353,487	-	287,649	641,136
5020 Total revenues	2,238,462	353,487	267,918	312,519	3,172,386
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
0011 Instruction	929,594	350,754	90,995	172,048	1,543,391
0012 Instructional resources and media services	3,407	-	-	-	3,407
0013 Curriculum and instructional staff development	4,603	-	-	3,200	7,803
0021 Instructional leadership	-	1,526	147,937	3,884	153,347
0023 School leadership	93,501	-	-	-	93,501
0031 Guidance, counseling, and evaluation services	1,996	1,207	9,732	-	12,935
0033 Health services	1,238	-	-	-	1,238
0034 Student transportation	124,621	-	-	-	124,621
0035 Food service	-	-	-	119,360	119,360
0036 Extracurricular activities	101,789	-	-	-	101,789
0041 General administration	245,774	-	-	-	245,774
0051 Plant maintenance and operations	355,586	-	19,254	-	374,840
0053 Data processing services	79,928	-	-	-	79,928
Intergovernmental:					
0093 Payments to fiscal agent/member districts of SSA	81,084	-	-	10,794	91,878
0099 Other intergovernmental charges	38,225	-	-	-	38,225
6030 Total expenditures	2,061,346	353,487	267,918	309,286	2,992,037
1100 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	177,116	-	-	3,233	180,349
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
7912 Sale of real and personal property	2,118	-	-	-	2,118
7080 Total other financing sources (uses)	2,118	-	-	-	2,118
1200 Net change in fund balances	179,234	-	-	3,233	182,467
0100 Fund balance - September 1 (beginning)	1,962,170	-	-	20,415	1,982,585
1300 Prior period adjustment	5,486	-	-	-	5,486
3000 Fund balance - August 31 (ending)	\$ 2,146,890	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,648	\$ 2,170,538

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.



NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

Several folks from Roaring Springs attended the 'Journey to Bethlehem' play held on Sunday evening at the First Baptist Church in Matador. Some had children or grandchildren in the play. Some of the least ones were little lambs. As little lambs will do, they gamboled all over the sanctuary during the play to the distress of some of the parents! To me they were the most fun; surely the shepherd's lambs were so gleeful to be at the stable with Baby Jesus.

At the First Baptist Church, Matador's morning service, the Christmas cantata SILENT NIGHT, a forty-five minute message in song was sung by the choir. Corky and I sang in the cantata. My daughter, Katie and family from Lockney came. I teased my grandson, Sean, because he napped during the program. I told him he should have acted like I did when I came to see him in Christmas programs when he was little and oohed and aahed. He asked to be excused as he just finished exams at Texas Tech on Friday and ushered at the graduation on Saturday. He said he needed the rest! They stayed for the Christmas fellowship luncheon.

Angelica Meredith paid a surprise visit to her grandparents, Joe Glenn and Joyce Meredith on Thursday, December 6th. She came to hear her brother Jonah and cousin, Parker Meredith play during Matador's late night shopping. She made a quick trip, as she had to be back in school

at Angelo State University in San Angelo on Friday. She enjoyed seeing her family and friends.

J. T. Swim is back at Lockney Health and Rehabilitation Center in Lockney after a brief stay at Covenant Hospital in Plainview. He is doing well.

The annual Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Matador for both the Roaring Springs and Matador congregations.

I visited with Pearl Patten by phone this morning. She is doing well and misses her friends at Roaring Springs and Matador. Her address is: Pearl Patten, Raider Ranch; 6548 43rd St; Apt 2116; Lubbock, TX 79407.

Kenneth Ashley is doing well and hopes to be coming home in the spring. He is with his family in California after surgery on his leg.

Kelly and Pennie Keltz attended a Christmas pageant at the Christian Life Assembly of God in Lubbock on Sunday; their granddaughter Kirbi Johnson was in the pageant. They enjoyed visiting Jared, Kandi and little Harper too.

Roaring Springs residents, J. N. Fletcher, Corky and Monta Marshall attended the open house hosted by Larry Vogt and Laverne Zabielski at the Motley County Tribune office. Larry entertained with music on the guitar. He graciously played Christmas Carols and those attending enjoyed singing along with him.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Earlyne Jameson suffered a heart attack last week and has subsequently had some stents inserted. She is recovering from the events at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

THANKS TO ALL OUR MOTLEY CO. FRIENDS WHO SUPPORTED US WHEN OUR CAT WAS INJURED. WE LOVE YOU ALL.
BILL AND ARLYCE MANNEY

Attorney General Abbott Calls for School Districts to Review Their School Safety Plans, Says 78 School Districts in Texas Are Not Compliant with School Safety Measures

Texas School Safety Center reports that 38 school districts in Texas did not report their school safety plan,

AUSTIN - In the wake of the Connecticut school shooting, Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott today urged school districts across Texas to review their safety plans and implored districts that have not submitted their school safety plans to make doing so a priority. The Texas School Safety Center reports that of the 1,025 public school districts that are required by law to submit their safety audits, 38 did not do so and another 40 reported but did not meet full compliance.

"Proper preparedness and safety in our schools is not just an exercise, it will save lives when seconds count," said Attorney General Abbott, who is a

board member of the Texas School Safety Center. "While we are saddened by the tragedy in Newtown, we can't let another second tick by without getting school districts prepared to encounter the same type of situation in our state. My office will continue working with the Texas School Safety Center to ensure that every school district across this state has an effective school safety plan in place."

Editors note. Mr Cochran, MCISD Superintendent stated that students participate in a lock down drill two times a year. Lights are out and children are moved away from doors and windows and all doors are locked

Matador News

By Marilyn Hicks

One of the things that I appreciate most about my current residence is that my children feel free to bring friends for visits. This week, our son Kevin brought his work friend Matt with him for some hunting. Matt is DPS in Austin. I met Matt at the law enforcement awards last spring and enjoyed broadening our acquaintance. Lara, Adrian, Jaxon and Isabel came in to see Santa, work on hunting stands, and shop in the children's store in the library. And then this afternoon, Jason showed up to deliver some equipment and spend an evening in a hunting blind. How much better can it get?

I can't let any more time go by without acknowledging the prompt and professional action of our local EMS who transported Randy to Lubbock the first of last week. We are blessed to have these professionals in our community. Those who responded and made the trip with us were Seven Alexander, Pat Smith, Tony Rose, and Anthony. All is well with Randy.....

We are on the countdown to Granny's Tea Party which will be held at the Hotel this year. This wonderful event which was started by Joyce and Janie Campbell helps to support the children's section of the library. The charge of \$8.00 per person goes directly to buy library books. Those who attend the party are encouraged to wear hat and gloves as well as other garments suitable for a fashionable tea party. Finger foods will be served in an environment duplicating a high tea. The event will be held on Sunday, December 23, 2012, from 2:00 to 4:00. Be sure to call the hotel to make your reservations (806-347-2939).

Lucy and Greg Cain married in Houston on December 1 and then traveled to Matador for their wedding trip. During their three day stay here they toured the area, concentrating on the Caprock Canyons area. Think about it...their choice was either New Orleans or Matador, and they chose us.

Jeff Braselton and Randy Richey welcomed friends to hunt with them last week, and they were gracious enough to stay at the hotel. The guests were Jay and Travis Dreibelbis from Magnolia, Texas, Joseph Hartsfield from Humble, Texas, and Bruce Bernhoft from Conroe, Texas. Jeff's wife, Debbie, made some wonderful welcome baskets for these friends and business associates.

We also had hunters at the hotel who were hosted by Mark

Wason. They included Craig Stone from North Richland Hills, Mark Samsill from Keller, and Joe Gressett from Hurst. Previously hunting with Mark were Jim Germany from Ely, Nevada, Dusty Keppner from Lund, Nevada, Bob Kilpack from Taylorsville, Utah, Greg Cannell from American Falls, Idaho, Corey Glennon, from Echo, Nevada, Adam Taylor, and Ray Kilpack from Taylorsville, Utah. These are business friends many of whom work in the copper mining industry.

Rosalie and Wendle Gray drove with and helped move the Blackwell family into the former Koon home. They are friends from Roswell, New Mexico. Wendle worked on the Delta Launch program before retirement. This is the project which put most of the GPW satellites in place.

Geraldine Key was registered in the nursing home in Childress after which she suffered a stroke which has left her with some paralysis. Don't know more details at this time.

June Moss treated Dennis and Marsha Shoemaker from Bellevue, Texas to breakfast last Sunday at the Hotel after they had visited with her for the weekend.. Marsha is her granddaughter.

Billy Breedlove and sons, Ben and Will, all of Lubbock were a part of a group which hunts will Bill Luckett and family. Billy works at Texas Tech and also owns a s company. He says that there they are fixing to start some new student housing out on the triangle of land across from Covenant. Ben and Will are Texas Tech students; Ben is in a pre-dental program and Will is studying finance. In the same hunting group were Brent and Blake Hoffman, also from Lubbock. Brent is a banker and Blake is a college student.

Boone and Lindsay Cooper made the drive out on Friday night during all of the wind. They said it was a little scary coming in from Scroggins.

Newlyweds Joseph and Aimee Garcia stayed at the hotel for their wedding trip. They married on the 10th in Lubbock and arrived around midnight. A friend had arranged for a fruit and champagne tray to be waiting in their room. Joseph is an aspiring artist and Aimee is studying Russian and psychology at Texas Tech. We wish them the best in their new adventure.

Bigfoot - the Methodist church cat - is home from the hospital, recovering nicely, and receiving visitors by appointment.

Finally have the heater on.



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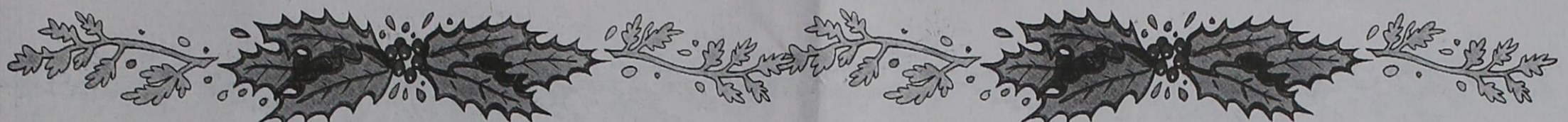

The Motley County Tribune Winner of a night at the Hotel Matador is Deli-licious Grill!!!!

Christmas Day Dinner will be held at the Roaring Springs Community Center on Christmas Day at noon.



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Library Journal
by Carla Meador Librarian

December has flown by and before we can say Candy Cane, Christmas will be here! Just a few more days! If you have a reader on your list, don't forget our BOOK SALE. We still have a great selection of books. Some are new and would make wonderful Christmas gifts!

DPS Trooper, Chad Overton, did the drawing for our Kindle Fire last Friday, Dec. 14. I wanted to make sure I had someone not connected to the Library do the drawing with a witness, Ms. Terry Long, present. The lucky winner is Grant Potts. Congratulations Grant! A big thanks to everyone who purchased tickets and supported this fundraiser.

Granny's Tea Party will be held this Sunday, December 23 at Hotel Matador. Marilyn Hicks, Lindy Roy, Caron Perkins and Dorothy Russell will be hostesses for this holiday event. The party was established by Mrs. Joyce Campbell 21 years ago when her granddaughters were little girls, as a fundraiser for the Library's Children's section. Mrs. Campbell decided to step down this year and the Russell sisters graciously took over. The Library ex-

tends a big thank you to Mrs. Campbell for all her years of dedication for this fundraiser. We also thank Hotel Matador for stepping in.

Young ladies are urged to dress in their "granny's" old hats, gloves, dresses and jewelry and enjoy the festive holiday party. Tickets are only \$8.00 per girl and reservations may be made by calling Marilyn Hicks at 347-2939. All proceeds will go to the Library to purchase books for the children's section.

We also still have some 2012 Texas State Capitol ornaments for sale. These beautiful collector's ornaments are only \$18 each and make great gifts.

New books on our shelves this week include *To Hell or the Pecos* by Patrick Dearen, *The Black Box* by Michael Connelly, and *A Question of Identity* by Susan Hill.

New DVD's include *The Lincoln Lawyer*, *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* and *Yes, Virginia*.

The Library will be closed Monday, Dec. 24 and Tuesday, Dec. 25. We will open for our regular hours on Wednesday, Dec. 26, at 1:00. Merry Christmas!

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



AgriLife Research scientist: Soil-water profile key to wheat root system, drought survivability

AMARILLO - Without soil moisture, roots don't develop and grow. Without a strong root system, a crop cannot survive in a drought year, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Research crop stress physiologist in Amarillo.

While most producers realize water is the most important limiting factor affecting wheat production in semi-arid areas such as the High Plains, Dr. Qingwu Xue said the past two years of drought have emphasized the key role of soil water availability at planting time.

"With the erratic seasonal rainfall, soil water storage - the water available in the soil at planting time - is very critical for a successful crop," Xue said. "A dryland farmer's first important decision must be to determine if there is sufficient soil water in the profile to plant."

This year is a prime example, he said. In late September, a 2-inch rain fell across much of the Panhandle and many wheat producers got excited.

"But if they didn't have an existing storage of water in the soil, that 2-inch rain is having a hard time carrying the crop to the next rainfall, which still hasn't come as of mid-December."

Long-term field research at Bushland and in western Kansas demonstrated that wheat yields are closely tied to seasonal evapotranspiration, which is determined by soil water storage, seasonal rainfall and irrigation, Xue said.

"If you don't have a good soil-water profile at plant-

ing, and you are a dryland farmer, you may need to just not plant, or wait for more moisture," Xue said. "You may be better off letting the profile fill up for the next crop."

He said the difference between water storage during a three-month fallow period and an 11-month fallow period can be tremendous in a dry period.

Xue said if wheat producers were at the end of a longer fallow period and had the soil moisture, then the second part of the equation is how to effectively use the soil moisture. In this case, a healthy and strong root system plays an important role for water use also.

Many management tools can help wheat plants develop a good root system, such as planting date, seeding rates, row spacing, fertilization and variety selection, he said.

When selecting a variety, seedling vigor will be important, Xue said. His studies have shown that vigorous seedling growth not only led to good forage production but also to good root production - both necessary to take a crop to either grazing or grain harvest.

"We've found that if a variety is vigorous under a well-watered system, it is likely going to be vigorous under drought-stressed conditions," he said.

"So it doesn't matter if the producer wants to use his wheat for a dual purpose of grazing and grain or just grain, the vigorous seedling growth is necessary to get through dry periods."

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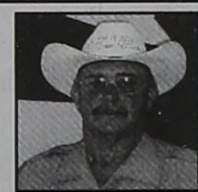
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 - 0 Assist Outside Agency
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In all of the scriptures there is never a hint of a lack of harmony in the will of the Godhead for the redemption of mankind. It would only taken only one cry from the suffering Son and the response of heaven would have been terrible indeed. But no cry came, only "not my will but thine be done". Then following that dreadful night, the Cross became history and the child of the manger achieved the eternal purpose.

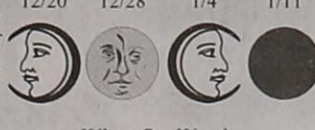
For the apostle Paul tells us, "the word of the cross is to those who are perishing foolishness, but unto us who are being saved it is the power of God". Calvin Miller, in his book, "Once upon a Tree", explains the cross as "...the tangible, historical evidence that God loves us. It does not say why God loves us, but it does answer 'How much?' It all began for us with a new born child laid in a manger.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ
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This Week's Local Forecast

						
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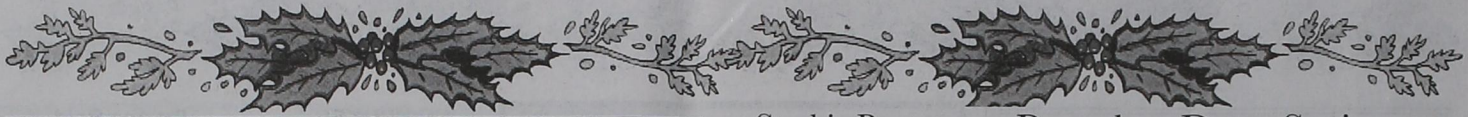
Weather Trivia	Weather History	Moon Phases
What year was the costliest drought in U.S. history?	Dec. 20, 1836 - A famous cold wave occurred in central Illinois. A cold front with 70 mph winds swept through at noon, dropping the temperature from 40 degrees to near zero in a matter of minutes. Many settlers froze to death. Folklore told of chickens frozen in their tracks.	First 12/20 Full 12/28 Last 1/4 New 1/11



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Goen & Goen Inc is proud to announce that Stachia Baxter will be working for the insurance agency on Tuesdays. Elaine LaBau-me, who has been manning the office for about a year, has decided to go back into retirement.

Along with the change in employees, Goen & Goen will also be changing locations. Effective January 8th (they will be closed January 1st) Goen & Goen will have their office at 710 Bailey in Matador. This is in the Dianne Washington CPA office building.

Please come by and welcome Stachia to Goen & Goen on any Tuesday.

**Rep-elect Drew Springer
announces townhall
forum in Matador**

MUENSTER, TEXAS – Today, Rep-Elect Drew Springer announced a town-hall forum in Matador, TX., on December 20.

The forum in Matador will be one of 22 stops on the Rep-Elect's two day district-wide tour. At the forum, Springer will discuss the upcoming legislative session and introduce his staff to the citizens of HD-68.

The Texas Legislature meets for only 140 days every two years. The next session, convenes on January 8 and will last until the end of May. These town hall forums will be an excellent opportunity for citizens to

learn about the legislative process and how they can be involved to ensure their voice is heard.

"I think it is important for elected officials to interact with their constituents on a regular basis," said Springer. "Getting feedback from the citizens of HD-68 will help me legislate in a way that better represents the diverse needs of our district."

Springer will host his townhall discussion between 8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. on December 20 at the Motley County Courthouse in the District Courtroom, located at 701 Main and Dundee – Matador, TX 79244.



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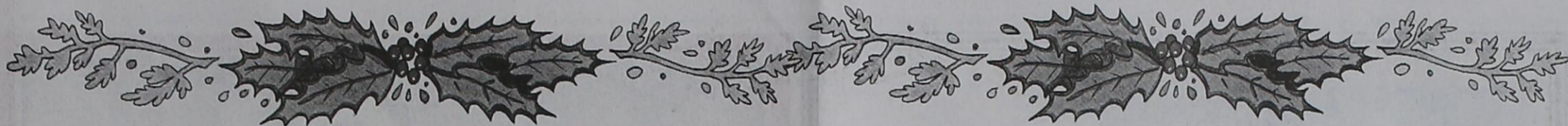
We had a wonderful year, and for that, we can't thank you enough. Your support has been tremendous. Best wishes for a jolly Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

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O holy night

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December

- 18 High School GT Field Trip (Tech Law School)
Lady Mats @ Paducah @ 6:30 p.m.
Matadors @ Paducah @ 8:00 p.m.20
Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
- 21 Early Out @ 12:20 p.m.
Lady Mats vs. Aspermont @ 6:30 p.m.
Matador vs. Aspermont @ 8:00 p.m.
- 21 AA Meeting, 7p.m. Prayer Chapel behind
First Baptist Church, Matador
- 25 Christmas Day Dinner, Roaring Springs
Community Center on Christmas Day at noon.
- 28 AA Meeting, 7p.m. Prayer Chapel behind
First Baptist Church, Matador

January

- 1 Matador Lions
- 3 Roaring Springs Lions
- 4 AA Meeting, 7p.m. Prayer Chapel behind
First Baptist Church, Matador
- 9 Hospital Bd meets in the back of the ambu-
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- 10 Matador City Council

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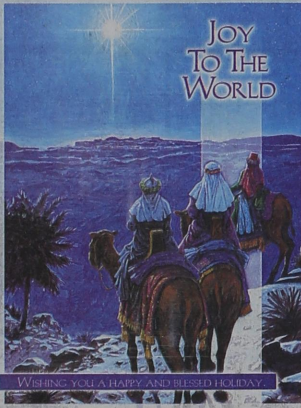
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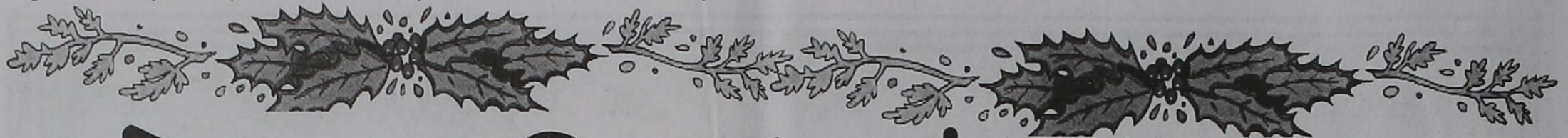
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Dear Santa Letters

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Dear Santa,
I want a toy gun, snow-man toy, toy clock, spider man toy.
I love you Santa,
Karmelo Guzman

Dear Santa,
I love you, would you please bring me a baby, a pony, clothes and a flashlight.
Leyla Quilimaco

Dear Santa,
I would love to have a Barbie flashlight, rainbow pony, I pod touch and a kitty cat. How is the reindeer, p.s. love you Santa Claus.
Love Desiree Flores

Dear Santa,
I would like a baby doll, pasfire, pampers, I pod, Makeup, Pajamas, for a baby doll. How are Dancer, Prancer, Doner, Vixen, Comet, Cupit, Dasher, Blixen doing?
Love Mia Silva

Dear Santa I would like a Barbie flashlight, Barbie doll, toy cat, stuffed toy and prince and the popstar movie, and a Santa Clause movie.
Love you Santa Clase,
Bently Marburger

Dear Santa,
How is the North Pole?
I would like new cars, a new monster truck, a new computer and shoes.
I love You
Chance Ward
P.S. New DS

Dear Santa
I would like a poney, Barbie dolls, princesses, a real baby cat and I pod touch
How are the raindeer?
Shondi Gwinn

Dear Santa,
I want a spiderman mask, a spiderman suit and a Ben 10 watch and a remote control monster truck
How are you doing?
Colter Fisk

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be a good boy I would like a video game, a monster truck, basketball and goal and hat.
Love you
Paul Ortiz
PS New Shoes

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am trying to be good. I would like a toy bear clock, a Teddy bear, a monster truck and a play kitchen for my sister and me.
Love you,
Chris
PS Clothes and Shoes

Dear Santa,
I want a train, little guys, paint balls, flash light.
I love you Santa
Noah Martin

Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a bow and arrow, a kitty cat, a cat bed, and that's it
Love
Breann Brady

Dear Santa,
I want a Nook, a rock tumbler, a book, an Xbox 360 with a Mario game and Cars game. Can I have a Santa game, too? And a big giant punching bag, you know the ones with the stuffing in them. I want a block center, a Christmas tree, a pickup with some horses in a trailer and a barn, a dumpster truck.
Love,
Aidan Fisk

Dear Santa,
I want an Xbox 360, a rocket pack an iphone 360, and a Christmas tree, a motorcycle, and a four wheeler, and some blocks, and last I want actually two more things- a tennis court and a ping pong table. I forgot something else, a bow and arrow gun and an ipod.
Love
Tailor Green

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle, an Ipod 360, and an air-pack and a fire-pack, a real jet. I forgot something else, an Xbox 300.
Love
Trent Barclay

Dear Santa,
I want a horse, makeup, nails, and a real car
Love Brianna Silva
Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle, ipod 360, and a smart phone 360, an xbox 360, a fire pack, a real car, a real airplane and a motorcycle and that's all.
Love
Trevor Barclay

Dear Santa,
I want presents, pajama pants
Love
Raylee Martin

Dear Santa,
I want an ipad, and a Barbie dream house, and make-up and a cat.
Love
Reagan Davis

Dear Santa,
I want make-up, dress, a book, a birthday cake, an ipod, and an eraser, a car, a letter book, triangle party things- hat's and that's everything.
Love
Vanessa Flores

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie dream house, a fake horse just a playful one. Let me think.... A bow and arrow, shiny rocks or that thing that makes shiny rocks, make-up, and a cat. A new net, my other ones broke, and think that's all.
Love
Bailea Lawrence

Dear Santa, I want nail polish, nail polish and nail polish, make-up, sparkly stuff, lip gloss and eye shadow, mascara, lip stick, glitter, a dress, and nails, a new car, and that's all.
Love
Zoey Buckner

Dear Santa,
I want nail polish and lip stick, and make-up.
Love
Joleigh Darsey

First Grade

Dear Santa
How are you and the Raindeer? I like snow. We had a little bit of snow in Matador. Please bring me a new Barby. Im going to leave you some cookies.
Love Marily 1st grade
Merry Christmas Mrs. Santa.

Dear Santa,
How are you and the elves doing? Is it prity at the North pole had a little snow. Plees breing me a noow TeTee bar.
Love,
Scout 1st grade

Dear Santa,
How are you doing with the reindeer? It must be cold up there. Ples bring me hilles and a new game for my nintindowe.
Love Krystin
1st grade

Dear Santa
How are you doing? Is it cold at the North pole? We had a little snow in Matador. Please bring me a little pool and a brave doll.
Love
Emory Rains 1st grade

Dear Santa
How are you and Mrs. Claus? I like snow Please bring me a laptop and new forck tractor. I am going to be at my house.
Love,
Cade Martin

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Is it snowing to the North Pole? We had a little Snow in Matador. Please bring me a 4 wheler. I am going to be at my moms house.
Love
Justin 1st grade

Dear Santa, How are you doing Mrs. Claus? How are the elves doing Santa? We had a little snow in Matador. Please bring me a some makup and a ipod. I will leave you milk and cookies.
Love,
Nevaeh Martin 1st grade

Dear Santa
How are you doing? Is it cold at the North Pole? We had a little snow in Matador. Please bring me a Barbie and some roller skates. First, Im going to be at my house, then my Omas.
Love
Olivia Fowler
1st grade

Dear Santa
How are you and Mrs Clas Is it snowy at the Northpole? We had a little snow. Please bring me a babby doll and the babby set. I think that Im going to my Gremus on Christmas. I like you Santa.
Love
Jolie Gressett

Dear Santa
How are you doing? How big is your Wrck sop W had snow Plis will you bring me a Shot gun and a x Box 360 with hunting games.
Love
Bryer Davis

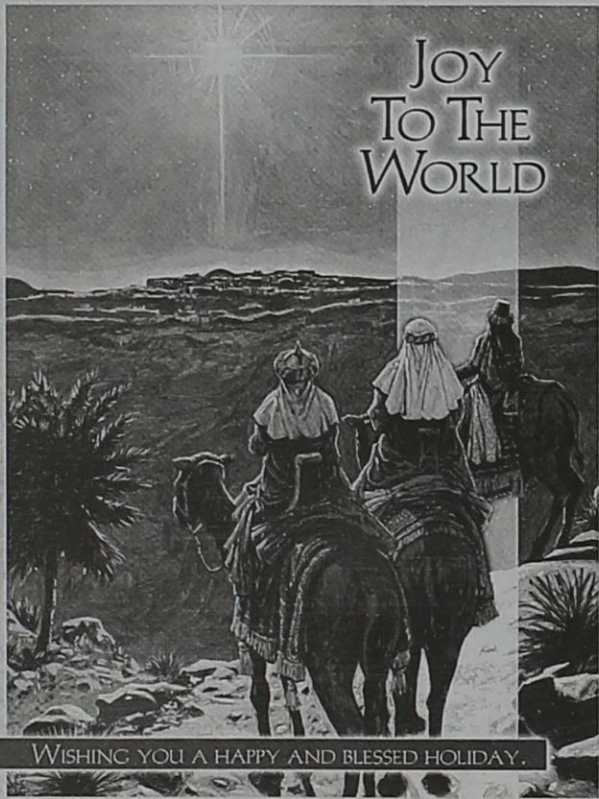
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How are you and Mrs Claus Is it snowing at the North Pole. We had a little snow in Matador. Please bring me a laptop. Im staying at home.
Love
Bubba

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I like snow. We had a little snow in Matador. Please bring me a new bike. I am going to my house.
Love
Anabel Guzman

Dear Santa
How are you and the elves? How big is your work shop? We had a little snow in Matador. Please bring me a pelet gun and a ornament. I am going to be at my house.
Love
Brock Taylor

Dear Santa
How are you doing today? I like the Northpole. We had a little snow in Matador. Please bring me Sosr Srfr and Brave Stuf. I will get sum cookes and for the reindeer sum kerits
Love
Paisley

May the joy of Christmas and the magic of the season live in our hearts all year around.



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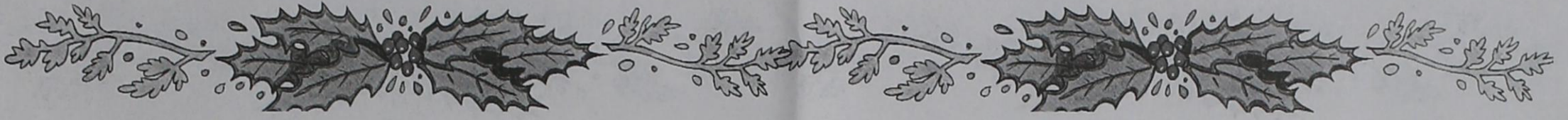
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Dear Santa Letters

Second grade

Dear Santa,
I would like an I-pad touch, a lamp for my room, a light up pillow and an cupcake Easy Bake. I will leave you cookies, I hope you like them.
Have a good trip.
Trinity Ward

Dear Santa,
I hope that your doing grat. I am glad that you are how are the ran deer. For Christmas this year I want a I pod tutch and army stve. And 14 army wii and a key board I want some toy cars and psp.
Love
Kyler Barton

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs Claus and the reindeer? I would like some new stuff for my bitty baby and some poka-dot pillows.
Reese Marshall

Dear Santa,
How are you? I would like a bumblebee weoponizer, football helmet, pads, a small trailer and an excavator, a backhoe, arcane and a scooper. I will name some reindeer.
Donner, Comet Vixon
Brock Fowler

Dear Santa,
Is all your raindeer ok? How is Mrs. Claus and paws doing? Are thay good? And I will leave you some milk and cookies on the table. For Christmas I want a ipod tuch and toy cars and a xbox 3 by some army gamer with it.
Joe Daniel Guerrero

Dear Santa
I hope everyone is very good, Santa, I will leave you cookies. Santa I want this for Christmas, a I phone. A Blak hat, a brown hat. A four wheeler a Roping dummy, a dask Boll
Love,
Ryder Gass

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a good Christmas. How is Dasher and Pranser? And comit and coopid and vixin Rood off Doner and Blixin and Mrs Claus? Is she doing? How are you? Sum milk and cookes will be left. All I wont is God, but I also wont a key board fone.
Brogan Rankin

Dear Santa
Are you fealing good today? I will leave you cookies for Christmas eve. I want an ipod and I paed and I want a new camera to.
Love
Tylee Barclay

Dear Santa
I want a wii U. I want a puppy. I want a ipod. Santa I what a big hounse. How is mrs. Claus doing? I want a cowgirl hat. I want a big club hounse. I want a xbox. I want a 3DS. I want in Supermario brothers.
Love
Journi Salazar

Dear Santa,
Santa how are the reindeer doing and Mrs Claus 2. Santa I have been good will you bring me a I pad, I phone, nerf gun, xbox. I will leave you brownies and cookies.
Love
Kyler Beshirs

Dear Santa
I am Lemmuell and I want a puppy , nintindo 3ds, XL, or PSP newsuper Mario brothers and a PSP Vista and a WII U
Love
Lemmuell Evans

Third grade

Dear Santa,
I would like to know how your doing? I want a xbox 360 kinnect. And 199cc Dirt bike. I want a NFLWilson football.
Jackson Rains

Hi Santa
How is your rein Deer? How is your wife? Is she doing good? I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas, I want a bow with arrows, a watch, Brave the movie and a Blue Ipod Touch.
Thank you!
Grace Marburger

Hey Santa
How are the elves and Mrs. Clause? I would like a Wii U a ripstick the color red and a Baylor Bears football helmet.
Sincerely,
Demitric Sims

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? How are your elves? Is there really a Mrs. Claus? I want a play station football games for xbox and connect seasonl.
Nikolaus Delacruz

Dear Santa,
How are your elves and reindeer? Here's what I want for Christmas a video game system, a Wii U, and some books.
Ashton Quilimaco

Dear Santa,
How are you today? I would like to have Halo reach also an Air soft gun too. How is Mrs. Clause? I would also really like an ipod touch screen, I've been wanting one for a long time. I've also been wanting Call of Duty Black Ops II.

Dear Santa,
I would like skylander toys, a laptop, and slime from Nickelodeon. P.S. how dos you do it so fast?
Dominick Maldonado

Dear Santa,
How is the elves, Mrs. Claus, Rudolph? I want a xbox 360, an Orgegon Jacket, Oregon Duck foot-ball, and a college Oregon football groves.
Love
Braxton Salazar

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I want Call of Duty black ops 2 for xbox 360. New xbox 360 controller. Call of duty Black ops for x box 360. I left you cookies and milk on the table for you. How are you doing Mrs. Claws? Is Rudolph doing good?
PS write one back please?
Kason Degan
Matador Texas

Hi Santa
how are you and Mrs. Claus? I'm good. How are your reindeer and elves? Is it very very cold up there at the North Pole? I want headphones and more xbox 360 games. I hope to see you on Christmas Eve!
Tyne Marshall

Dear Santa,
How are you today? How are the reindeer? Is Rudolph's nose still glowing? I only want 4 things a shot-gun, a rifle, football gloves, and football.
Andrew Stafford

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you reindeer? Mommy says I've been a good boy this year! I would like some boots like Brad's, and Seth's, a Leap Pad 2, and a Rock Star Mickey Mouse. Can you please make it snow? I will leave you some milk and cookies for your Nite, Nite snack.
Love
Blaize Baxter



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The Fourth Grade created two Acrostic poems

S-uper
A-awesome
N-Nickolaus
T-oys
A-t the North Pole


J- oy to the world
E- mmanuel
S- hepard
U-s He protects
S- ilent Night



The fifth grade created a Haiku and a Cinquain poem:


Haiku
Snowflake
Snowflakes glistening
Bright and sparkling as they fall
Beauty to behold

Cinquain
Rudolph
cherry-red nose, magical
dashing, prancing, flying
antlers, fur, hooves, harness
Reindeer



Billy Pat & Sharon Peacock at the NCR

Merry Christmas



May the blessings of the season be yours now and forever.
The Insurance Store


Wherever you go



May you remember that Christmas is a time for family, friends and home.

Main Street Cafe

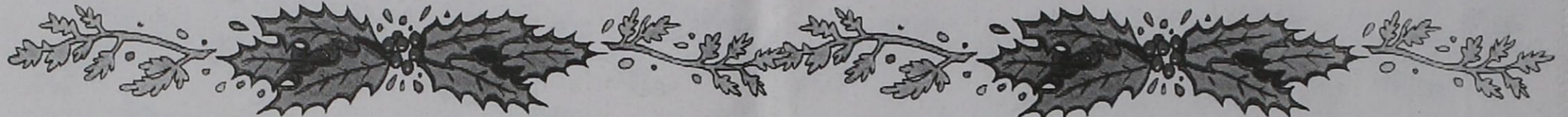
Jesus Christ, ruler of everything



May the wonder of His birth and the anticipation of His return fill you with hope every day.

And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Matthew 2:6 (KJV)

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Market Matador Inc. Lots and Assessed value

BLK: 1, LOT: 15	\$50	BLK: 54, LOT: 9-11,26	\$200
BLK: 4, LOT: 17, 18	\$100	BLK: 58, LOT: 12, 17, 18-21, 31	\$350
BLK: 4, LOT: 21,22	\$100	BLK: 59, LOT: 5,15	\$100
BLK: 5, LOT: 20	\$50	BLK: 59, LOT: 9, 10	\$100
BLK: 6, LOT: 4	\$50	BLK: 61, LOT: 24, 25, 26	\$150
BLK: 9, LOT: 16	\$50	BLK: 66, LOT: 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 27, 28	\$700
BLK:10, LOT: 4,12,UNDEV	\$100		
BLK: 11, LOT: 1-8, 10-17, 20-27, 29-32, 28	\$700	BLK: 72, LOT: 25	\$50
UNDEV LOTS		BLK: 75, LOT: 16	\$50
BLK: 11, LOT: 18,19	\$100	BLK: 80, LOT: 1-4	\$200
BLK: 13, LOT: 1-32	\$800	BLK: 80, LOT: 7,8,10,11,13,18	\$300
BLK: 14, LOT: 1, 3, 5, 6-11, 14-17, 20-27,29,30-32 25 LOTS	\$1,250	BLK: 80, LOT: 17	\$50
BLK: 16, LOT: 5	\$50	BLK: 81, LOT: 23, 28, 30 MATADOR	\$150
BLK: 16, LOT :12, 15, 18, 21	\$200	BLK: 81, LOT: 31	\$50
BLK:17, LOT: 3	\$50	BLK: 83, LOT: 17-19, 24	\$200
BLK:17, LOT :7	\$50	BLK: 84, LOT: 7, 23	\$250
BLK:18, LOT: 12-15, 17,18, 20, 21, 23, 26	\$500	BLK: 84, LOT: 26	\$130
MATADOR		BLK: 87, LOT: 10, 28	\$250
BLK: 19, LOT: 3	\$50	BLK: 89, LOT: 21	\$130
BLK: 20, LOT: 14	\$50	BLK: 92, LOT: 12	\$130
BLK: 28, LOT: 1,2,14,15,18,19,21,7 LOTS	\$350	BLK: 92, LOT: 16	\$130
BLK: 29, LOT: 11	\$50	BLK: 92, LOT: 24-26	\$380
BLK: 29, LOT: 14	\$50	BLK: 93, LOT: 7	\$130
BLK: 31, LOT: 1,3,10,12-19,21-32,23	\$1,150	BLK: 94, LOT: 2	\$50
LOTS		BLK: 96, LOT: 1,3,5,8,9,17,27	\$350
BLK: 31, LOT: 7	\$50	BLK: 97, LOT: 17, 20	\$100
BLK: 32, LOT: 1-22, 25, 26, 28-32, 29	\$730	BLK: 98, LOT: 2-6, 15,30	\$350
UNDEV, LOTS		BLK: 99, LOT: 9, 10	\$100
BLK: 35, LOT: 15, UNDEV	\$30	BLK: 99, LOT: 22, 25, 26	\$150
BLK: 35, LOT: 4,12,16, 32	\$100	BLK: 102, LOT: 7, 9, 16, 24, 30	\$400
4 UNDEV LOTS		BLK: 104, LOT: 17-18	\$520 IMP HS-\$250
BLK: 36, LOT: 1, 3, 4, 6, 8-16, 21, 22, 24, 26-30, 21 LOTS	1,050	LND HS- \$770 TOTAL MKT-\$770 ASSESED	
BLK: 37, LOT: 20	\$50	BLK: 105, LOT: 7	\$100
BLK: 37, LOT: 31	\$50	BLK: 105, LOT: 8	\$100
BLK: 39, LOT: 4,8,12	\$150	BLK: 108, LOT: 16, 24	\$380
BLK: 40, LOT: 21-23	\$300	BLK: 109, LOT: 4-7, 17, 18, 20-24, 27, 28	\$1,630
BLK: 42, LOT: 10,11	\$200	BLK: 123, LOT: 7	\$50
BLK: 46, LOT: 4-5	\$200	BLK: 123, LOT: 15,16	\$100
BLK: 46, LOT: 6	\$100	BLK: 123, LOT: 28	\$50
BLK: 52, LOT: 28,31	\$100	BLK: 125, LOT: 28	\$50
BLK: 53, LOT: 6,25	\$80	BLK: 138, S/2 OF 26-31	\$380
BLK: 54, LOT: 5	\$50	BLK: 141, LOT: 8	\$50
		BLK: 103, LOT: 8	\$50
		BLK: 44, LOT: 4	\$100
		BLK: 50, LOT:12	\$50
		BLK: 81, LOT: 15, 16	\$100
		BLK 1, LOT: 1-24	\$350

Sheriff Chris Spence attends Sheriffs' Association of Texas 2013 Newly Elected Sheriffs' School Training

Sheriff Chris Spence recently attended the Sheriffs' Association of Texas 2013 Newly Elected Sheriffs' School Training held in Austin, Texas December 10-14, 2012.

The Newly Elected Sheriffs' School is held every four years after the election time for new sheriffs and chief deputies, educating, training and preparing them for office. This year participants received training on a variety of topics including: Duties Responsibilities of the Sheriff, Critical Policy Liabilities for Sheriffs, Inmate Transportation, Open Records, Media Relations, Texas Department of Public Safety Resources, TDJC intake and Classification, Estray Law, Parole Warrants, Civil Warrants, Civil Process, Texas Commission on Jail Standard Regulations, Cold Case Review Team, Criminal Profiling, Evi-

dence and Property Room Liabilities, New Technology, Labor Laws and Ethics, and many more.

This seminar also allows them a comprehensive overview of the responsibilities of their new office and a chance to meet their peers to whom they can look to for support during the coming term.

The Sheriffs' Association of Texas (SAT) is a 501 (C) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to increasing the effectiveness of local law enforcement in Texas. Through the sup-

port of their members, SAT provides training, legal/technical information, and other critical resources to Peace Officers in Texas. SAT also offers scholarships to Peace Officers and their children who wish to continue their education. In addition, they honor Fallen Officers with their Lost Lawman Memorial. For further information on Sheriffs' Association of Texas and how to join as a member, visit www.txsheriffs.org or call (512) 445-5888

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Glittered Pig

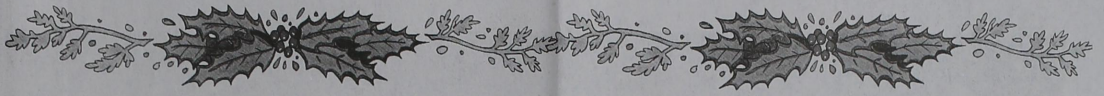
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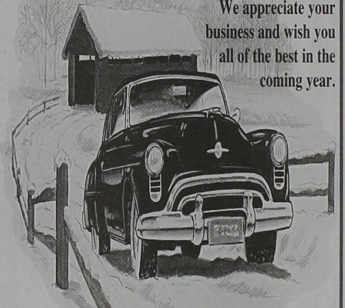


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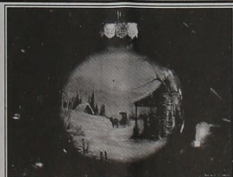
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Merry Christmas**



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and a Happy New Year
Julian Zabielski



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a good night.

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