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Senior Citizens Site Committee hosts ice cream supper



The annual all-you-can-eat Ice Cream Supper was hosted by the Senior Citizens Site Committee on Saturday, August 6. A large crowd enjoyed ice cream and cake; and entertainment by Gerald Pipkin and Friends. This group has been donating time and talent to the annual fundraiser for the Senior Citizens for four years. Pictured (L to R) are: Pat Seigler, guitar; Kelly Keltz bass guitar and vocals; Brant Bearden on drums; Steve Burrus on vocals; Gerald Pipkin on keyboard; and Billy Donaldson, guitarist and vocals. photo by Carol Campbell

Roaring Springs Lions Club News

The Roaring Springs Lions Club met on Thursday, August 4, 2011 at the Travelers Inn for their monthly meeting.

Fifteen members and three guests were present for a chicken fried steak lunch.

Carol Campbell gave a very informative program about the Motley County Jail restoration as well as outlining the vision

and mission of the Texas Plains Trail Region, whose objective is to help develop cultural heritage and natural resources through promotion and education. She mentioned that the Giant Arrow will be placed in Pioneer Park in Matador on Wednesday, August 10th. Formal dedication will be held October 15, 2011.

Twenty-six boxes of food were

distributed this month. The RS Lions in conjunction with the Food Bank of Lubbock provide the food.

Six Lions went to Hackberry Creek Care Center after the meeting to provide entertainment for fourteen residents. The Bingo game was a great success and everyone won some quarters.



Cat Ward, Keitha Hill and daughters, Avery, Haven, and Harbor recently joined Whitney Henderson to run two miles into Brownfield to show their support for Henderson, who is running across America. Henderson is raising money for Souls4Soles, which provides shoes for needy children. Leaving Florida beaches in mid-June, Henderson plans to arrive on California beaches on Labor Day, becoming the youngest woman to run coast-to-coast, by covering 20-30 miles per day. To follow her on Facebook, go to Dare to Move; see Whitney run across America.

photo by Randy Jones

USDA Reminds Producers of Closing Date for Noninsurable Crops

Motley County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Amy Hackler, urges producers who want to purchase coverage through the Noninsurable Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) to do so before the sales closing date of September 1, 2011.

NAP provides financial assistance to producers of noninsurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory or prevented planting occur due to normal disasters.

"Purchasing a crop insurance policy is an easy way for producers to practice risk management," said Hackler. "This year alone has proved that natural disasters can directly affect the profitability and recovery of agricultural operations," she said.

The following crops have a NAP application closing date of Sept. 1, 2011: All Small Grains (Wheat, Oats, Barley, Rye & Triticale), Beets, Broccoli, Brussels Sprouts, Cabbage, Canola, Cauliflower, Garlic,

Sod Grass, Greens, Herbs, Kohlrabi, Leeks, Lettuce, Onions, Radishes, Strawberries, Turnips and Value Loss Crops (Christmas Trees, Crustaceans, Fin Fish, & flowers).

In order to meet eligibility requirements for NAP, crops must be noninsurable, commercially-produced agricultural commodity crops for which the catastrophic risk protection level of crop insurance is not available. If the Risk Management Agency (RMA) offers coverage for a crop in the county, then NAP cover-

age is not available for that crop.

In the event of a natural disaster, NAP covers the amount of loss greater than 50 percent of the expected production based on the approved yield and reported acreage.

Eligible producers can apply for coverage using form CCC-471, Application for Coverage. Producers must file the application and service fee by the Sept. 1st deadline. The service fee is the lesser of \$250 per crop or \$750 per producer per administrative county, not to exceed a total of \$1,875 for a producer with farming interests in multiple counties.

For more information on sales closing dates and NAP, contact the Motley County FSA office at 806-347-2263.

Matador Ranch recognized

Kissimmee, Fla. - For 21 years, the Environmental Stewardship Award Program has recognized U.S. cattle producers for outstanding stewardship and conservation practices. Six diverse cattle operations including Matador Ranch were recognized as regional Environmental Stewardship Award winners August 2, 2011, at the 2011 Cattle Industry Summer Conference in Kissimmee, Fla.

The six operations will now compete for the national Environmental Stewardship Award, which will be announced in February 2012 during the annual Cattle Industry Convention and Trade Show in Nashville, Tenn.

Sponsored by Dow AgroSciences; the U.S. Department of

Agriculture's (USDA) Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS); the US Fish and Wildlife Service; the National Cattlemen's Foundation (NCF); and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA), the ESAP program recognizes cattle operations that use superior conservation practices to sustain the land for future generations. Candidates are judged on management of water, wildlife, vegetation, soil, as well as the nominee's leadership and the sustainability of his or her business as a whole. The ESAP award program is administered by NCF and NCBA.

"The sustainability and economic success of the U.S. cattle industry is dependent on healthy land and resources. And re-

sponsibly using and conserving resources is a priority for U.S. cattlemen and women," John Wallace, a representative from Dow AgroSciences said. "All cattlemen, not just the six recognized last night, take pride in their conservation practices. But the six regional winners have demonstrated a commitment to innovative practices and should be commended for their efforts."

The six regional winners are The Masonic Village, Elizabethtown, Pa.; Daigle Farms, Ragley, La.; Matador Ranch, Matador Texas; M/M Feedlot, Parma Idaho; Della Ranches and the Tanner Family of Grouse Creek, Grouse Creek, Utah; and the Center of the Nation Cattle Company, Newell, S.D.

Court votes to place the sale of alcoholic beverages on November ballot

By Carol Campbell
Motley County Tribune

The Motley County Commissioner's Court met August 8, 2011, in regular session, covering an 11-item agenda, including approval to place a local option election to legalize alcoholic beverages on the November ballot.

Attending were Commissioners Franklin Jameson, Roy Gene Stephens, Donnie Turner, and Russell Alexander with County Judge Jim Meador presiding. Also in attendance were District and County Clerk Kate Hurt, County Attorney Tom Edwards, Sheriff Chris Spence; and guests Ronnie Vandiver and Larry Hoyle.

In Open Forum, three speakers addressed the court. Ronnie Vandiver invited the Commissioner's to help serve beans and cornbread at the annual library fundraiser to kick off Motley-Dickens Old Settlers Reunion. The Friends of the Library sponsor the popular annual event set for Thursday, August 25, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Library annex. County officials are invited each year to participate.

Larry Hoyle informed the court of the resignation of Mary Ann Potts as Librarian at the Motley County Library. "The board has selected Carla Meador

as the new librarian, to begin on August 16," Hoyle said.

Also, in Open Forum, Carol Campbell gave the commissioner's a brief update on the restoration at the jail. Green Construction is completing the repair and replacement of the windows. This work will be followed by the replacement of the doors, she said.

Motley County Clerk Kate Hurt informed the court that Voter Registrar official Elaine Hart had certified 130 names out of 137 registered voters who signed a petition to request a local option election to legalize the sale of alcoholic beverages, including mixed drinks. "Precincts 1, 5, and 6, with residents within the city limits, were eligible to sign the petition," Hurt said.

In other business, The Court approved adding two additional fees to the Sheriff's Office. A \$5.00 fee for fingerprinting was added; and to cover the expense of printing offense and accident reports, another \$5.00 fee was added. The Sheriff's Office has about 15 other fees that can be collected, including notices and other service fees. The department is well below the average collected in surrounding counties, Sheriff Spence said.

In a discussion about budget issues for 2011-2012 budget years, Judge Meador said that

evaluation rates in the county went up, lowering the effective tax rate from .69811 to .69197.

The Commissioner's asked for a discussion on moving money from the General Fund to the Precincts. "It is out of balance," Commissioner Franklin said. "There is no need to have \$323,000 in General Fund when we have one precinct broke." Commissioner Franklin was referring to Precinct 4 that currently has a budget of \$917.00 to finish out the fiscal year, ending September 30.

Treasurer Eva Barkley said she had transferred about \$24,000 from the Precincts to the General Fund in August, 2002; which was paid back to the Precincts in November, 2002. However, she said, in 2003 about \$14,000 from each Precinct was transferred, and that money had not been paid back to the Precincts. This will be remedied in the future, she said.

As of the end of June, 2011, there was \$150,000 in Certificates of Deposit; and the rest of the money is invested with TextSTAR, an investment pool that earns interest. "This money will be paid down to finish out the budget year," Barkley said. Commissioner Stephens is concerned about the county equipment. "The Precincts are down to nothing," he said.

Foothill Country

Connections

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By Larry Vogt

Some people give me strange looks when I say I prefer to travel by land rather than by airplane. If we had train service or bus service that could get a person from one place to another in a somewhat timely way and reasonably priced, that is the way I would travel. I am aware that to travel by personal automobile is actually way less cost effective than to travel by air, but, I want to see the territory I am traversing.

Traveling by air is fine if you need to get somewhere fast. But the convenience of traveling faster than if you went by land is just about all you get as far as I am concerned. I suppose I am not fond of airports and the enhanced security measures do not make me feel any safer or relaxed while waiting the sometimes many hours necessary to travel say 1000 or more miles. If one

were to add up all the time traveling to and from your departure airport and then adding the waiting in the terminal and sometimes waiting on the tarmac for the flight to commence, one might find that they could have traveled several hundred miles and, in my case, the time spent would be much more enjoyable.

I want to see the way the landscapes change, I want to see the many weather patterns that emerge as the roadway unfolds before you. I like starting out from Ft Worth, for instance, and watching the transformation of the landscape. The journey takes you through some wonderful scenery as you reach the Western part of Texas. The journey is really full of differences if you travel from Eastern Texas, like Longview or Tyler, to Matador, Texas. It is the difference in the landscape and the way the sky literally opens up that is very pleasing and for me, makes the miles traveled much more enjoyable than if I experienced the inside of an airplane cabin for hours. Driving requires some concentration and tenacity, but if you like to experience what your eyes tell you from the ground, the miles traveled are earned and enjoyed.

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Greenbelt golfers compete in Memphis

By Tina Brooks
Motley County Tribune

Motley County Greenbelt Golf has come to a close. Golfers played the season ending tournament July 9th in Memphis, Texas. Once again the heat was over a hundred and the fairway grass cracking under foot but that did not stop these dedicated golfers.

Motley County continued to shine for the last tournament of the year. Placing in the Memphis tournament in the K-3rd grade girls Kenzie Clary brings home first with Jayda Jameson 2nd, Sierra Jameson and Bryson Elliott placing 4th in the 4th and 5th girls and boys division. 6th, 7th and 8th Mattie Brooks and Caleb Clary medal 3rd. High School Boys has Christian Brooks bringing home 1st place.

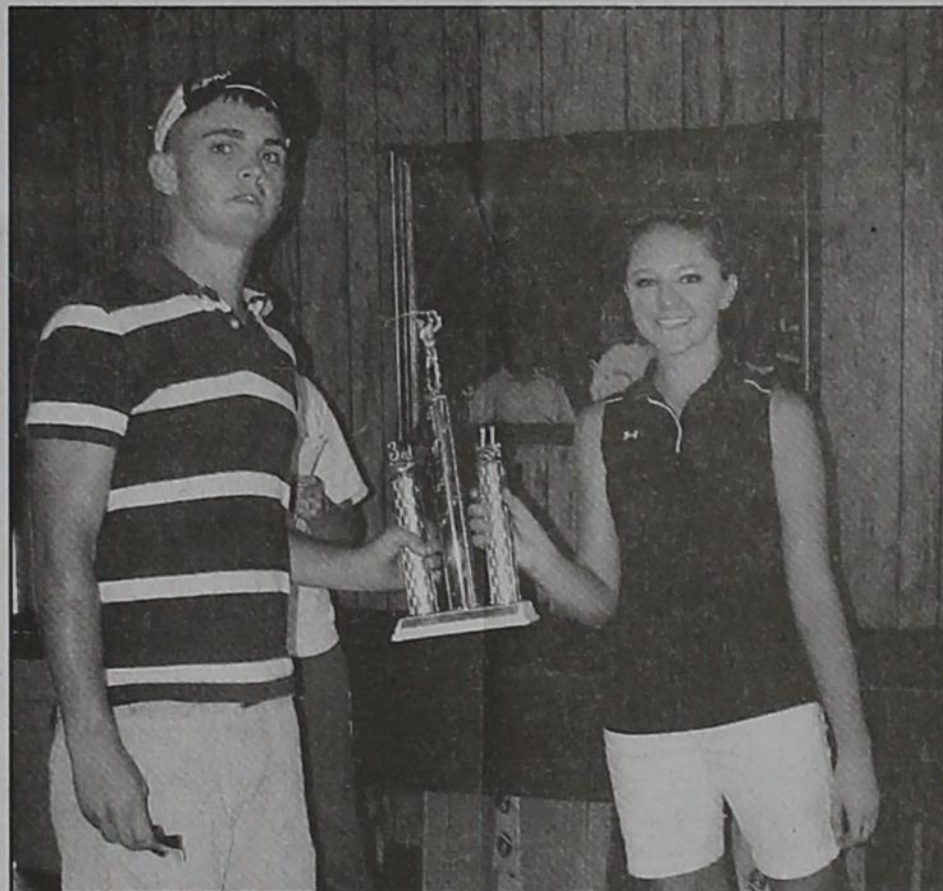
Players have to compete in at least four tournaments to qualify for Year End Over All Trophies. Points are accumulated and the top 3 individuals in each division are awarded a trophy. During the year any ties are decided either by a playoff or on the card, but for the end of the year if two players tie they both receive a trophy for their hard work. Trophy recipient for Motley County are Kenzie Clary daughter of Conway and Lacy Clary and Jayda Jameson granddaughter of Franklin and Susan Jameson tie for 1st in the K-3rd grade girls. In the 4th and 5th grade girls Sierra Jameson granddaughter of Franklin and Susan Jameson receives the 2nd place trophy. Bryson Elliott son of Shawn and Shonda Elliott brings home the 1st place trophy. In the 6th, 7th and 8th grade boys Caleb Clary receives



Placing in the Memphis tournament in the K-3rd grade girls: Kenzie Clary brings home first with Jayda Jameson, 2nd, and Sierra Jameson and Bryson Elliott placing 4th in the 4th and 5th girls and boys division. Pictured L-R, Sierra Jameson, Kenzie Clary, Jayda Jameson, and Bryson Elliott.
photo by Tina Brooks

the 2nd place trophy with his brother close behind bringing home the 3rd place trophy. Caleb and Mickey are the sons of Conway and Lacy Clary. Christian Brooks son of Timmy and Tina Brooks rounds out this talented bunch in the high school boys with the 3rd place trophy.

Others playing in the Memphis tournament were Wyatt Hackler, Eli Marshall, Shelby Elliott and Braden Mason. Each one of these players worked hard and during play met new people and had fun!



Kenley Maddox from Memphis hands Christian Brooks a 1st place trophy for the High School Boys division.
photo by Tina Brooks



In the 6th, 7th and 8th grade boys division in the Memphis tournament Mickey Clary, on the left, received 3rd place trophy and Caleb Clary, received the 2nd place trophy.
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Foothills Saturday Night, Matador, August 20

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South Plains Assn. of SWCDS to Meet

TEMPLE, TX (August 8, 2011)-- The South Plains Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SPASWCDS) will meet August 17, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the PYCO Industries located at 2901 Ave. A in Lubbock.

The featured program speaker is Mark Schwartz, President and General Manager of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative. Schwartz will talk about the Cooperative as well as its operation of a wind generation farm.

Golden Spread Electric Cooperative provides wholesale electric service to 16 electric distribution cooperatives who serve 260,000 member-consumers in 24 percent of Texas which includes the Panhandle, South Plains and Edwards Plateau regions as well as in the Oklahoma Panhandle and in Southwestern Kansas.

Representatives from the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts, and the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service will update SWCD directors on state and national soil and water conservation programs and issues during the business session.

Twenty-four soil and water conservation districts in the South Plains region of the state are members of the SPASWCDS. Counties which the SWCDS serve include Bailey,

Lamb, Hale Floyd, Motley, Cottle, Hardeman, Foard, Cochran, Hockley, Lubbock, Crosby, Dickens, King, Yoakum, Terry, Lynn, Garza, Kent, Stonewall, Gaines, Dawson, Borden, Scurry and Fisher.



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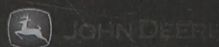
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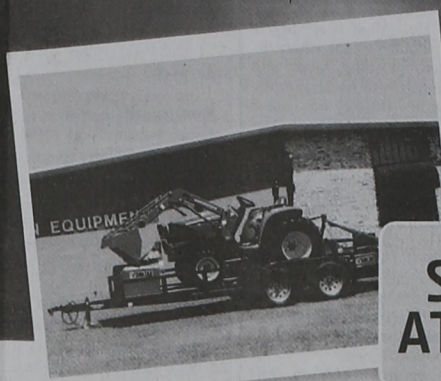
All ages invited- we welcome everyone for meal and service!

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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News By Monta Marshall

On a personal note

Our plans changed so I am home earlier than I expected from Galveston. My granddaughter, Kelsea had problems with her blood sugar and had to cut her Biology Engineering Camp stay short. She did get to do some neat things and visit the buoyancy lab at NASA, go out and net fish in the gulf and learn about their habitats. Her mom and I did learn what Biology Engineering was!

We enjoyed Galveston, visiting family near Bryan, Texas, and a shopping trip in Weatherford, Texas, on the way home. We also visited the Market there and purchased watermelon and other fresh farm grown produce.

The drought was evidenced everywhere we went except south of Houston it was lush and green. It didn't rain on us at all as we expected as we were traveling when the tropical storm was predicted.

In the community

On Friday, about 20 members of the community held a prayer meeting at the flagpole in the park for our country and for rain.

Remember the Windmill Café will be closed until August 16th. The Gulleddges are taking a much needed vacation visiting family and fishing.

Harley Alsop returned on August 31st from a long visit in Tennessee with all his family. He visited his granddaughter, Kristen and his new baby

granddaughter in Whiteside, TN. He visited the Pilgrims Pride Poultry plant where he worked for many years and had lunch with his former co-workers. On his way home he stopped in Scottsboro, Alabama, and visited Dean and Debbie Johnson, the parents of Deanne Gulleddge. Harley was vacationing most of the month of July. He left on July 3rd. He said it wasn't all vacation; he did lots of mowing and maintenance jobs for his family while there.

On July 31st the First Baptist Church enjoyed their 5th Sunday potluck lunch.

On Saturday evening, August 6th, 17 family members and friends surprised Travis McPherson with a birthday party hosted by his children: Kevin, Kim, Maura and Phoebe McPherson of Austin; Steve and Kim Quinn of Amarillo, Damon and Dylan Cloyd of Midland, Texas, at the home of Zella Palmer. Those attending other than those already mentioned were: Alex and Jo Crowder, Ken and Suzanne Abbott, Corky Marshall, George and Sammy Breakbill of Crosbyton and Zella Palmer. Everyone enjoyed a delicious dinner and then went to the Travelers Inn Bed and Breakfast for a wonderfully delicious birthday cake prepared by Edith Daniell.

The worn United States and Texas flags have been replaced in the Frank Mitchell Memorial Park in Roaring Springs.

The Do Gooders' Club Continue with community center projects

The Do Gooders' Club of Flomot met Tuesday afternoon, August 2 at the Community Center in Flomot. Mrs. Waydetta Clay conducted the business session. Mrs. Anna Beth Clay read the minutes and gave a financial report that was approved.

The Club has accomplished many improvements inside the Center. They are now initiating the project of having the outside of the Community Center painted.

Mrs. Kathy Shorter, hostess, presided at a table laid with a beige cloth. The cen-

terpiece was a large vase filled with beautiful fresh yellow and white summertime flowers that gave the Center a sweet aroma. She served peach lemonade and assorted cookies on a colorful designed service.

Those attending were Mesdames Connie Franks, Erma Washington, Waydetta Clay, Anna Beth Clay, Tommie Jo Cruse, Kathy Shorter and Mary Jo Calvert. Mrs. Franks was pleased when her name was drawn for the hostess gift, a jeweled brooch, ballpoint pen and pad set.

Flomot News By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

I try to end each day saying, "I'm glad I did" rather than "I wish I had."

Community News

Lane Barclay and friend, Thea Gippe of Borger visited his grandparents, Jerry and Sandra Barclay Sunday.

Ruth and Orville Lee attended to business in Plainview Saturday. Visiting them Sunday morning were son and wife, Joey and Brenda Lee of Clarendon. Ruth and Orville visited Sunday afternoon in Turkey in the home of daughter and family, Teresa and Tom Heck and Kacee. Other guests were Kellan Roberts and daughter, Ad-die and friend, Page Drackley of Clarendon.

Mrs. Marilee Cooper of Borger visited Saturday with her

father, Wilburn Martin. They visited in Lockney with Mrs. Wanda Lane who is on the sick list.

Jack Starkey was at his home in Flomot Saturday checking on things. He has been in Amarillo with his wife, Nada Starkey, who had major surgery Wednesday at the Northwest Hospital in Amarillo. At newstime, she was still hospitalized.

Mrs. Janice Hughes visited in Floydada Sunday with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hughes, Reagan and Brody.

Kathy and Clois Shorter were at the Covenant Lakeside Hospital Friday to welcome their new baby granddaughter and to be with her family, Keri and Kevin Sehon and son, Brian. Kathy went to Wolfforth Sunday and will visit the Sehon family this week.

High Dollar Crop Loss in Motley County

David Anderson, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, said this was the year farmers would have done well with strong global demand and tight supplies for commodities like cotton, wheat and beef, however the weather did not cooperate! The drought continued in Motley County in July with high winds, temperatures in the triple digits and nothing but light periodical rain showers across the county. The period of October through July was the driest on record. Dryland crops have failed due to extreme lingering heat and humidity causing

the county to feel like a steam bath!

Pastures and rangeland are in poor condition with no grazing available in most areas. Cattlemen are struggling with dwindling water and hay supplies and are traveling to Livestock Auction Sales with cows and calves.

Motley County National Weather Service Volunteers report July 2011 total rainfall: Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs 1.33 inches; Ronnie Bailey, Matador 0.33; Betty Simpson, Northfield 1.66 inches; Lawrence Allen, Whiteflat. 00 and Clois Shorter, Flomot 0.67.

Matador News

By Marilyn Hicks

Do you remember the chicken salad at Stanley Pharmacy? Can you just image sitting in one of their booths enjoying one for lunch? Well, you can have one once again. Margaret and James Stanley will be selling containers of the chicken salad at the Foothills Saturday Night celebration on August 20th. There are still some places for other vendors. If you want to join those who will set up along Main Street, call 347-2939.

Several are also lining up to take part in the Motley County Has Talent Show, but we would like to showcase even more talented people. Let us know about anyone we need to also contact 347-2939.

Macie Woodside is staying at the hotel while conducting a mini-camp for cheerleaders at Motley County School. The event portends fall almost as much as football practice. Speaking of football, in all of this heat, the Motley County Matadors are starting two-a-day practices. Their first outing will be in the Hico Tournament. I have no doubt that they will have a memorable season.

The Matador Ranch was recognized with a National Stewardship Award in Florida. Traveling to accept the award were Bob and Wanda Kilmer and John Douglas and D Russell. Kim and Les Woolsey and Shane Taylor will be joining Bob and Wanda this week at the Deer Breeders Association in San Antonio. It is amazing how the hunting business is evolving.

The Grundy family had a gathering over the weekend. Donna Grundy from Buda returned ashes of two loved ones

to Motley County on Thursday and was then joined by 47 family members in a celebration at Roaring Springs on Saturday. Those staying at the hotel were Donna, Paula and Robert Grundy, Jimmy Grundy, and Col-lin Grundy, all from the Austin area.

Alicia Smith and Latisha Lavrar visited with friends in Matador and Spur this past weekend.

Dale and Kellye Treadwell from Andrews were visitors and admirers of Pecos Ballard on Saturday. Dale is the father of Jessica Ballard and the proud grandfather of Pecos.

Riley and Tobi Abbott from Dickens married this week-end in Paducah and then spent Saturday evening at the Hotel Matador.

Lynn and Cynthia Brown from Hillsboro enjoyed a couple of days in Matador. This is their third visit to relax with us. They are retired school teachers and just like the atmosphere of this community.

Be sure and let me know when you do something interesting or have visitors.

Lucretia Campbell, Winifred Darsey, and Carol Campbell traveled to Midland on Monday, August 1, to attend a family wedding and check on a sick relative. Laura Jacobs Wallace was in ICU at Midland Hospital with a heart attack. Following stint surgery, she is recuperating at home. Linda Alexander Williams, daughter of Patti Pipkin Alexander and the late Vernard Alexander, married Steve Humphries at the Midland Bible Church on Monday, August 1, 2011. A reception for the couple was held in the home of Leslie and Lance Nix, Midland.

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Weather Trivia

Can tornadoes occur at any time of year?

? Yes

Weather History

Aug. 11, 1988 - Moisture from what remained of Tropical Storm Beryl resulted in torrential rains across eastern Texas. Twelve and a half inches of rain deluged Enterprise, Texas, which was more than the amount received there during the previous eight months.

Moon Phases

Full 8/13	Last 8/21	New 8/28	First 9/4
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The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
GENERAL FUND	183,948.11
GENERAL ACQUISITION	170,249.33
AUTO FUND	6,593.49

Schedule B - Current Year Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Interest To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Other Amounts To Be Paid	Total Payment
MOTOR GRADER PREC. #2	\$ 44,492.85	\$ 194.64	\$	\$ 44,687.49
<i>(expand as needed)</i>				
Total required for 2011 debt service	\$ 44,687.49			
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$ 44,687.49			
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$.00			
- Excess collections last year	\$.00			
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2011	\$ 44,687.49			
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect				
only % of its taxes in	\$.00			
= Total Debt Levy	\$ 44,687.49			

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at:

Insert address MOTLEY CO. TAX A/C OFFICE-COURTHOUSE
701 DUNDEE, MATADOR, TX 79244

Name of person preparing this notice ELAINE HART

Title MOTLEY COUNTY TAX A/C

Date prepared AUGUST 5, 2011

2011 Property Tax Rates in MOTLEY COUNTY

This notice concerns 2011 property tax rates for MOTLEY COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/ Bridge Fund
Last year's tax rate:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 608,167	\$	\$
Last year's debt taxes	\$	\$	\$
Last year's total taxes	\$ 608,167	\$	\$
Last year's tax base	\$ 87,116,242	\$	\$
Last year's total tax rate	\$.69811 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$ /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 607,806	\$	\$
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 87,836,472	\$	\$
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.69197 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$ /\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$.69197 /\$100		
<i>(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)</i>			
This year's rollback tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 607,806	\$	\$
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 87,836,472	\$	\$
= This year's effective rate	\$.74732 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$ /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.80710 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$ /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$.00050 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$ /\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$.74782 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$ /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$.74782 /\$100		

Notes from the Library

By Mary Ann Potts

Eleven New Arrivals on our shelves this week, too many to tell about but just enough to list: *Back of Beyond* by C. J. Box; the hardcover version of *Happy Birthday* by Danielle Steel; *Red* by Tiffany Hargrove, a homegrown Lubbock native; *Never Knowing*, the book version, by Chevy Stevens; Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child are back with *Cold Vengeance*; *Watch Me Die* by Erica Spindler; Julie Garwood with *Ideal Man*; and *A Question of Despair* by Maureen Carter. Included in our new arrivals this week, there are 2 true-to-life reads: *Seal Team Six* by Howard E. Wasdin and Stephen Templin, memoirs of an Elite Navy Seal Sniper; and *The Tin Drum* by Günter Grass, an autobiography of Oskar Matzerath, re-released so as not to forget the injustices the world endured

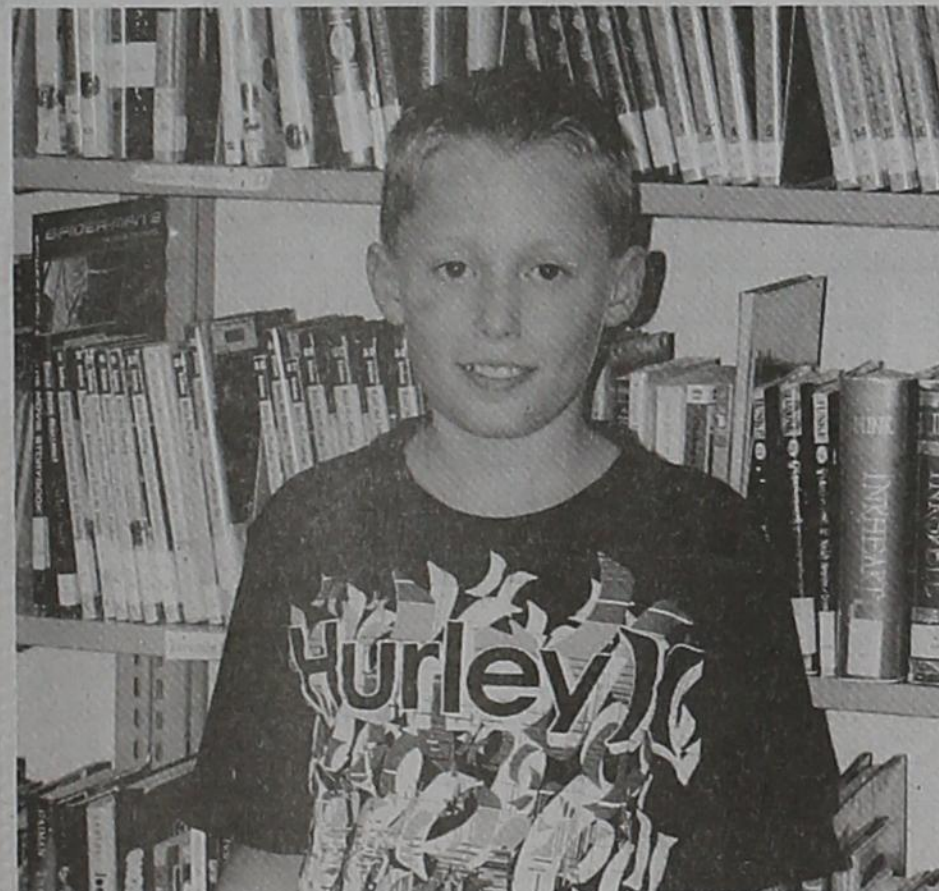
during WWII. And for our western fans, the library just received the DVD version of *True Grit*, starring Jeff Bridges, Matt Damon and Josh Brolin. Congratulations to our Summer Reading Program Winners for 2011! Lilly Burns, granddaughter of Clint and Fredia Burns of Matador, and Tyne Marshall, daughter of Brian and Nancy Marshall, also of Matador, each won a bicycle for the K-2nd grade group. And Wellington Moore, grandson of Wayland and Betty Moore of Matador, won a Nintendo Dsi with a \$40 gift card to purchase games for the 3rd-6th group. Everyone did a great job reading this summer. The library also recognizes Case Drum and Cheyenne Mount for reading 19 books, and Lauryn Bohn and Laura Burns for reading 20 books over the summer.



Lilly Burns, granddaughter of Clint and Fredia Burns of Matador, won a bicycle for the K-2nd grade group.



Tyne Marshall, daughter of Brian and Nancy Marshall, also of Matador, won a bicycle for the K-2nd grade group.



Wellington Moore, grandson of Wayland and Betty Moore of Matador, won a Nintendo Dsi with a \$40 gift card to purchase games for the 3rd-6th group.

From Our House to Yours

By Jan Schow

Hackberry Creek Care Center staff and residents send greetings to you and yours. We also want to share some of the exciting things that are going on at our home.

A horse named Dollar came to visit us last month. All the residents were able to get up close and personal with the horse by patting and feeding him carrots and other choice food. It brought back lots of memories of what each resident did with animals as they were growing up. We thank Kasey for giving us that great experience.

Watermelon feasts have been pretty common lately. Some of our friends dropped off watermelons for us to enjoy and we found some delicious ones on our own. Having our large area out front to gather under the shade and not worry about getting juice on the carpet has been great. Any time you see us out there—feel free to come join us. The more the merrier.

You may have already heard about our wheelchair races a couple of weeks ago. That was amazing. Our residents beat our staff nearly every race. We knew you would have a hard time believing such a thing so we have the pictures to prove it. This will probably not be the only time we race so you might be here to experience it, too. Not a single staff complained about being sore, but I think they all used muscles they hadn't called on in a long time. Our suggestion is for the staff to get in shape. Go Team!!

Our Family Night will be this Thursday, August 11. If you weren't here last month, you certainly missed some terrific fried chicken. I have

to tell you that Mildred was very tight-lipped about that recipe! But, she is going to top that great meal with: chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, black-eyed peas, salad and strawberry shortcake. Join us for a great time of fellowship. We will begin serving at 6:00 p.m. and really look forward to having a lot of you come join us. If you feel so inclined, we would love to have you sing, play an instrument, or tell some really good jokes. We'll have the microphone on and warmed up!

We have so many loyal volunteers who come and live up our lives. Roaring Springs Lions Club play a mean game of Bingo, Betty King makes our day with her Karaoke singing, and the Blue Grass Singers, the Browns and Johnsons sing all the good oldies. Every Friday, volunteers come to make our ladies' hair beautiful for the weekend and give any of the men haircuts should they need them. We will talk about more of our volunteers another time. Just know that you all are so appreciated. You give our residents great experiences. Thanks.

Our birthdays for this month are Johnnie Hood on August 2 and Helen Emert on the 25th. Our friends, the Red Hat Society, came to sponsor our birthday party and we all had a great time.

Well, by the time we visit again school will be starting. Can't believe summer is almost a thing of the past. You all come see us whenever you have a chance. We are so proud of our home and just love having company come to share it with. Talk with you later....

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By Ace Reid



"They say it's so dry that grass fires are startin' everywhere. I'm bettin' we're so short of grass we can't even start a fire!"

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Obituary

Bertha Rowena Jackson Hawk

Bertha Rowena Jackson Hawk, formerly of Jacksboro, Texas, and more recently of Justin, Texas, passed away July 29, 2011 in Justin, Texas. She was 98 years old. Rowena was born July 2, 1913 in Stephenville, Texas to James Andrew and Bertha Frances Wideman Jackson.

In 1924, the family moved to Matador, Texas. After graduating from Matador High School, Rowena worked in various offices in the Motley County courthouse. In 1940 she met and married Randal Ray Hawk of Dickens, Texas. In 1947 their only child, a daughter, was born.

Rowena was a loving wife and companion to her husband, a devoted mother to her daughter and son-in-law, and a doting grandmother to her two grandsons. Her devotion to her parents and siblings was demonstrated many times over the years, and she was loved by all. She was baptized at an early age and remained a faithful believer. She was a member of Southwest Baptist Church in Jacksboro.

Rowena was preceded in death by her husband Randal in 1995 after fifty-five years of marriage; her parents, Jim and Bertha Jackson; brothers, Edmond, Elmer, and Elmo



Jackson; sisters, Jewell Landrum, Lucille Gaines, and Elga Evans.

She is survived by her daughter Carolyn Brown and her husband Loyd of Argyle, Texas; grandsons, Gary and his wife Anita of Fort Worth, Texas, and Jason of Argyle, Texas; a brother, Jim Jackson of Amarillo, Texas; a sister, Janelle Shirley of Odessa, Texas, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services were held August 2, 2011, at Coker Funeral Home Chapel in Jacksboro, with Bro. Gary Zeitler of Southwest Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Jacksboro.

The family suggest memorial contributions be sent to Motley County East Mound Cemetery, P. O. Box 68, Matador, TX. 77244.

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The standard which Jesus gave us for Christian living will outshine anything this present world could offer. The world offers very little mercy, if any. Christians can, as we fulfill a need in being a "good neighbor."

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- August**
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 - 11 Matador Chapter of the Eastern Star, Floydada, Meal at 6:30pm, meeting at 7:30 pm
 - 16 Matador Lions
 - 20 Foothills Saturday Night, Matador
 - 22 First Day of School
 - 25 Old Settlers Parade, 10 am
 - 25 Old Folks Dance, 4pm & 8 pm
 - 25-28 Old Settlers, Roaring Springs
 - 26 Old Folks Dance, 5 -8:30 pm
 - 26 Kevin Rainwater and the Moonlighters, 9-11pm

Public Notice

The County of Motley will hold a public hearing at the County Courthouse on Monday August 15, 2011 at 5:05 pm, in regard to the Small Town Environmental Program Grant project that has recently been completed in Motley County.

This public hearing is being held to review the outcome of the water improvements in the Community of Flomot. The grant was used to address inadequate water pressure and excessive nitrate contaminants in the Flomot water system.

Citizens who wish to comment, but are unable to attend this hearing may submit their written comments to Jim Meador, County Judge, 701 Dundee Street, County Courthouse, Matador, TX 79244. Anyone needing additional information or special assistance may call Elena Quintanilla at South Plains Association of Governments at (806) 762-8721.

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 Contract 6227-14-001 for CRACK SEALING in DONLEY County, etc will be opened on September 09, 2011 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$477,053.80.

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