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New Ordinance to take effect April 1

Roaring Springs City Council passes Substandard Building Ordinance

The Roaring Springs City Council voted unanimously to adopt a Substandard Building Ordinance, No. 219-01, when they met for their regular meeting, Monday, February 19. This ordinance will allow the City to clean up lots which are not being maintained by the owner, buildings or houses that are considered a hazard. The City will try to make contact with the owner of such property and if they do not make necessary clean-up or improvements, the City will do

it, and charge the owner for the work. This ordinance will be imposed beginning April 1, 2001. Citizens wishing to examine the ordinance may do so at City Hall, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, Monday through Friday.

Council members approved the minutes for the January 8 meeting and bills were reviewed and approved to be paid.

Council also discussed the County Trapper fee. Council mem-

bers will decide if they will help pay the trapper's salary, but would like to obtain more information before making a decision, and tabled this matter until their next meeting.

Council went into closed session.

Attending this meeting were Mayor Joey Thacker, and council members, Corky Marshall, Veinta Sedgwick, Gary Simpson, Kelly Keltz, City Secretary Zella Palmer and water manager, Robert Osborn.

Filing begins for May municipal elections

Municipal elections will be held in Motley County on Saturday, May 5. Filing dates, which began on Tuesday, February 20, will continue through March 21.

Those wishing to file for a place on the Roaring Springs City Council may do so at City Hall, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, Monday through Friday. Those wishing to file for a place on the Matador City Council may do so at City Hall during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Candidates for School Board should file for a place on the ballot

with Judy Woolsey at the Superintendent's office at Motley County ISD. Those wishing to file for a place on the Hospital Board may do so with Bettye Stevens, at the Superintendent's office at school.

There are three places available on the Roaring Springs City Council, those currently held by James Adams, Kelly Keltz and Venita Sedgwick.

There are also three places on the Matador City Council, those now being held by Jimmy Watson, Doyle Rose and James "Tootie" Meador.

Motley County School Board will

have two places up for election, now held by Jeff Thacker and Bill Luckett.

The Motley County Hospital Board will have two places available, currently held by Charley Johnson and Deb Jones.

Early voting will begin on April 18 and continue through May 1.

The polls will be open on Saturday, May 5, 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Voters will cast their votes in Roaring Springs at the Depot; in Matador at the Courthouse; Flomot, the Community Center; and Northfield, the Cemetery building.

Commissioners meet in special session

New Courthouse roof will cost more

The Motley County Commissions Court met in special session Monday, February 19, 2001. During their last regular session, the court voted to accept the bid of \$13,860.00 from Parsley's Sheet Metal & Roofing Co., Pampa, Texas, to replace the roof of the courthouse. The roof of the courthouse has an area that is low and forms a lake area on the roof. This problem must be eliminated before

the roof can be installed effectively.

A motion was made by Commissioner Turner and seconded by Commissioner Davis to accept the option to add tapered insulation to create positive drainage to four (4) drains at the cost of \$8,600.00. The total cost of roof replacement will be \$22,460.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fletcher and seconded by Commissioner Davis to pay for the roof project as follows: \$5,000.00 from County Clerk's fees and \$4,232.50 from each precinct. This motion passed unanimously.

PTO will host Pajama Reading Party

The Motley County PTO will host a pajama reading party March 2 from 7:00 until 10:00 p.m. Students and parents are encouraged to meet at the school gym for an opening session on the "Importance of Reading" and then enjoy a fun night listening to *Minnie and Moo go to the Moon*, *Pumpkin Soup*, *Bill Pickett-Rodeo Riding Cowboy*, *Harry Potter* (4th - 7th grades only), *Safari* and various other stories. A free reading time will also be provided for families to sit down and read together.

All participants must come dressed in their PJ's — pillows and blankets are welcome. A "Best Pajamas" prize will be awarded as well as door prizes throughout the evening. More information will be sent home with students. The main target of the party is PK-7th grades. All older students and parents of these students are asked to volunteer to help make this night a huge success. Any child (school age or not) is invited to participate. A child under PK age must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Release forms must be signed for all children that will not be accompanied by a parent or guardian. The forms will be sent home and available the night of the party. Make plans now to attend this fun evening!

Lions Show set for March 5

The Annual Matador Lions Club Show will be presented on Monday, March 5, at 7:00 p.m., at the Motley County High School Gymnasium.

Local Lions Club members will again stage their hilarious (not to mention, funny) impersonation extravaganza.

Watch for more details soon!

Area Gins complete ginning season

All the cotton has been stripped and ginned in Motley County and another harvest season has come to an end. Gin totals are as follows:

Red Ball Gin, Roaring Springs: Ginning completed February 6; total bales ginned, 1,715.

Flomot Gin, Flomot: Not complete; total to date, 1,167.

ADM Paymaster Gin, Quitaque: Ginning completed February 8; total bales ginned, 5,587.

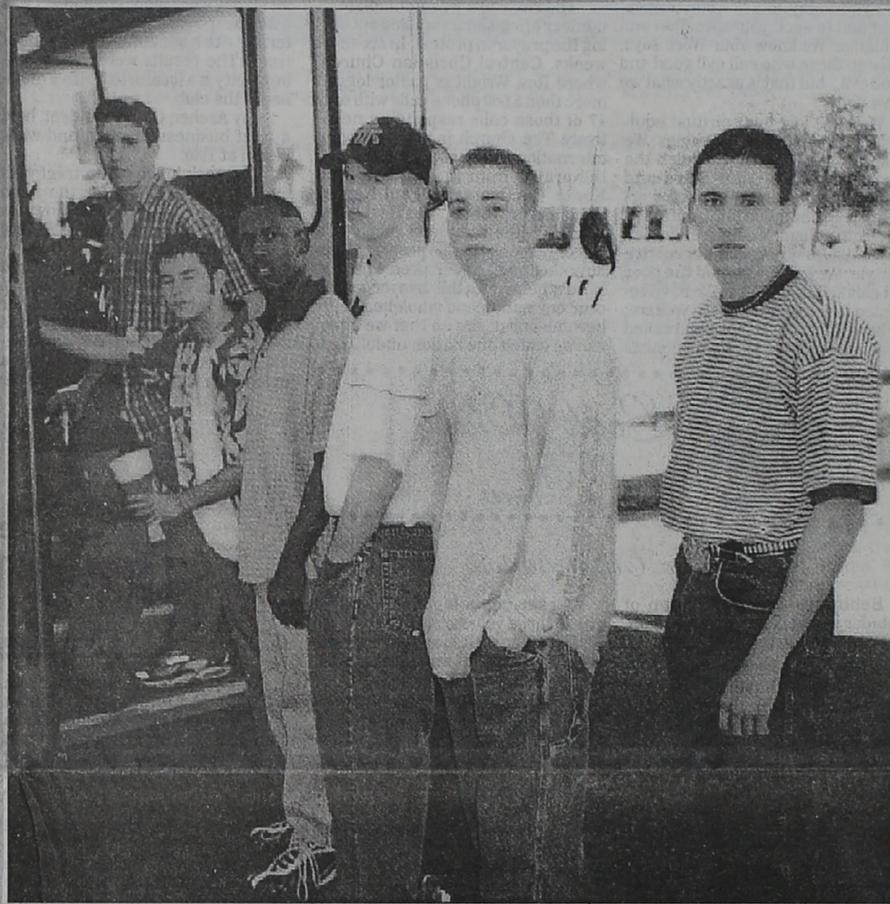
Motley County FFA and 4-H members are gearing up for the 61st annual Junior Livestock Show which will be held on Saturday, March 10, at the Motley County Livestock Show Barn. The Livestock Show is sponsored each year by local volunteers to provide an opportunity for 4-H and FFA members to exhibit their livestock projects. By caring and feeding their livestock throughout the feeding period, youth have the opportunity to learn responsibilities and increase their knowledge of the livestock industry.

During this year's Show, there will be 2 steers, 44 hogs, 13 lambs, and 12 rabbits exhibited. In addition, a Pee Wee Swine Showmanship Show

will be held for youth under the age of 9 years and not in the third grade.

Anyone living in Motley County, owning land in Motley County, or youth eligible for the Junior Livestock Show may show heifer. Anyone planning to show a pen of heifers must notify the Junior Livestock Show Association by Friday, March 5. Heifers must be 12 to 18 months of age at show time. Heifers will be shown in a pen of three (3) format. Animals will be identified by number and placed in a pen. They will not be shown at halter or weighed. There will be a \$10.00 entry fee per pen of heifers. All heifers must be in place by 10:00 a.m. Heifer classes will include English, Exotic, and Cross-

Boarding for Bi-District



Senior Matadors boarded the bus for Bi-District competition, Tuesday afternoon. They are pictured from left to right, Ben Ridgley, Brandon Lee, Jermaine Hendrix, Chris Paul, Casey Lawrence, and Manager Scott Jones. The Tuesday night game turned out to be the last for the Senior team members, as they lost an upsetting game to Whitharral, 56-49, to complete the 2000-01 basketball season for Motley County. Complete details of the game will be printed in next week's paper.

Matadors' season ends with Bi-District loss to Whitharral

The Motley County Matadors ended their season, Tuesday night, February 20, after a very exciting, close, and hard fought battle against Whitharral for the Bi-District title. When the game was over the score was 56-49. A complete report of the game will be printed in next week's paper.

The Matadors competed in a practice game Tuesday, February 13, with Lorenzo. Although the Matadors were defeated 107 - 77, Coach Ridgley stated, "This was a good game for us. We learned we can score a play with a State Ranked team (#2). We also saw a lot of our mistakes."

Jermaine Hendrix led in scoring with 18 points. Clint Cooper added 16; Chris Paul, 11; Benjamin Ridgley, 13; Tony Salazar, 9; Casey Lawrence, 6; Ysef Alvarado, 4. Chris Paul led in rebounding with 12.

Chris was 100% with freethrows, Benjamin Ridgley and Tony Salazar were 75%.

The Matadors participated in a practice tournament on Saturday, February 17, at Burkburnett. The Matadors came out on top against Chillicothe. The final score was 86-62.

Coach Ridgley said, "The Matadors played hard and won. We must

shoot freethrows better. Thanks to all who came and watched."

Jermaine Hendrix led in scoring putting in 28 points. Casey Lawrence added 15; Clint Cooper, 13; Brandon Lee, 12; Tony Salazar, 6; Benjamin Ridgley, 6; Brad Baxter, 4 and Ysef Alvarado, 2.

Clint Cooper led in rebounding with 18. Casey Lawrence grabbed 7; Jermaine Hendrix, 4; Ysef Alvarado, 3; and Tony Salazar, 2.

Clint was 83% with freethrows. Jermaine was 5 for 10 for 50%. Casey had 6 assists and 3 steals. Tony Salazar also had 3 steals.

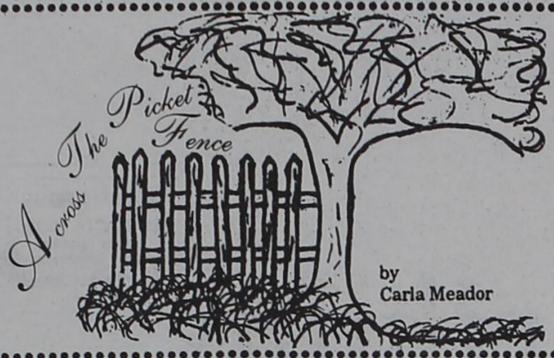
FFA and 4-H members gear up for 61st Annual Livestock Show

mium Auction. Anyone interested in the gift certificates may contact a Motley County 4-H or FFA member and/or a director of the Motley County Junior Livestock Show Association. Anyone interested in making donations to the Livestock Show Association should contact one of the directors of the Motley County Extension office by calling (806) 347-

2733. Directors for this year's show are Craig Turner, Bruce Lefevre, Tommy Gleghorn, J.D. Russell, Mark Seigler and David Stafford.

Motley County Extension Agent, Lonnie Jenschke said, "Everyone is invited to attend the Show and Youth Premium Auction to help support the youth of Motley County."

Congratulations Lady Matadors and Matadors on a great basketball season!



My column this week comes from the Internet. A lot of you may have received this particular piece of e-mail, but for those who have not, I thought it was just too good not to print.

Forget Separation of Church and State

An interesting prayer was given in Kansas at the opening session of their Senate. It seems prayer still upsets people. When Minister Joe Wright was asked to open the new session of the Kansas Senate, everyone was expecting the usual generalities, but this is what they heard:

"Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask Your forgiveness and to seek Your direction and guidance. We know Your Word says, 'Woe to those who call evil good and good evil,' but that is exactly what we have done.

We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and reversed our values. We confess that: We have ridiculed the absolute truth of Your Word and called it Pluralism; We have worshipped other gods and called it multiculturalism; We have endorsed perversion and called it alternative lifestyle; We have exploited the poor and called it the lottery; We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare; We have killed our unborn and called it choice; We have shot abortionists

and called it justifiable. We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building self-esteem; We have abused power and called it politics; We have coveted our neighbor's possessions and called it ambition; We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it freedom of expression; We have ridiculed the time-honored values of our forefathers and called it enlightenment. Search us, Oh God, and know our hearts today; cleanse us from every sin and set us free. Guide and bless these men and women who have been sent to direct us to the center of Your Will. Amen."

The response was immediate. A number of legislators walked out during the prayer in protest. In six short weeks, Central Christian Church, where Rev. Wright is pastor logged more than 5,000 phone calls with only 47 of those calls responding negatively. The church is now receiving international requests for copies of the prayer from India, Africa and Korea. Commentator Paul Harvey aired this prayer on "The Rest of the Story" on the radio and received a larger response to this program than any other he had ever aired. With the Lord's help, may this prayer sweep over our nation and wholeheartedly become our desire so that we again can be called one nation under God.



Look Who's New

Tucker Cris Barton

Bobby and Brooke Barton of Matador would like to announce the arrival of their son, Tucker Cris.

Tucker was born February 3, 2001 at 9:41 a.m. at University Medical Center in Lubbock. He weighed 5 pounds 11 ounces and was 19 1/2" long.

Tucker has a big sister, Katie, who is three years old.

Grandparents are Fred and Mellane Parson and Steve and Beverly Barton of Matador.

Great-grandparents are Bud Barton of Matador and Sue Parson of Lubbock.

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"Think On These Things"

The Apostle Paul wrote in Philippians 4:8 and said, "Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable -- if anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think about such things."

The key idea for now is that we are literally "keep on thinking as well as keep on doing". God expects us to think. He wants us to be educated in His word through our thinking and meditating on it. It involves centering our minds and continually centering our minds on such things that we enjoy the blessing of what God has promised.

Christians need to be challenged to think about God's word and upon the meaning of it for their individual lives. We're not to just gather facts about, nor simply have it told to us; we're to think on it. Engage and employ our own mental faculties.

Not thinking means not growing. Not wanting to be introduced to new things and deeper things in the Scriptures will leave us spiritually malnourished. You can't make people think, it's true. But God expects you to think. It's easy to tell who does the thinking: just look at how they are growing spiritually.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

Radio Programs K-96FM

Bible Study - 10 a.m.

Worship - 9 a.m.



Arts & Crafts Club members learn oil painting techniques

The Motley County Arts & Crafts Club met February 5 for their regular meeting. The program, on oil painting taught by Betty Bostick, was an all-day workshop. The subject was a landscape with a grist mill and waterfall with a beautiful background of trees. The results were very pleasing. Betty is a local artist, also a member of the club.

Joy Archer, Club President, held a brief business meeting and work began at 1:30.

The sack lunch was a treat with everyone's favorites for the noon hour. Billie Koon brought brownies with candles for those celebrating February birthdays.

Billie Koon and Betty Simpson were hostesses for the refreshments. The tea table was decorated for Valentine's Day. The centerpiece was a large red candle on a pink tablecloth adorned with cherubs, also a gold chain with angels entwined the

decor. Tissue Angels displayed on easels with Happy Valentine's Day completed the enchanting table.

However our club flags were flown at half-mast. Death claimed our dear and beloved member, Winifred Lee. She was very dear to all. Her help and loyal friendship will be remembered and missed by all.

Members present were Joy Archer, Kathryn Russell, Billie Koon, Dorothy Knight, Joyce Meredith, Lana Copp, Nan Lumpkin, Sharon Allen, Lorene Lancaster, Donald Letkeman, Gerry Jones, Lois Campbell, Shirley Smith, Vee Gordon, Leola McKelvey, Betty Simpson, and Winifred Darsey.

The focal point of the day was a beautiful crocheted angel made by Linda Ruhl.

Shirley Smith and Joyce Meredith will be instructors for the March meeting, teaching a class on making window toppers.



Library Notes

by Suzanne Abbott

New books in the library include *On Bear Mountain* by Deborah Smith. This is a novel about children of an artist in rural Georgia. At last Lilian Jackson Braun has a new book out, *The Cat Who Smelled a Rat*, featuring Jim Quilligan. Luanne Rice has a new book called *Dream Country*. This novel is set in Wyoming and deals with families.

We have a new book by Catherine Cookson, *Kate Hannigan's Girl*. We also have John Grisham's *A Painted House* which is a departure from his usual courtroom stories. This book is loosely based on Grisham's own boyhood on a struggling cotton farm in Arkansas.

Non-fiction books include a new decorating book, *Decorating Inside and Out*. This book has many colored photographs with how-to instructions. The library also has Stephen Ambrose's new book on the men who built the railroads, *Nothing Like It in the World*. For the children, we have an early-reader chapter book called *Iris and Walter*.

One of the new projects of the Friends of the Library is to present to each Motley County newborn a soft, cloth story book. These will be

ready to present soon. The Friends of the Library want all Motley County children to become life-time readers and would like to present the newborn children in the county with one of their first books. If you know of a newborn in Motley County, please call the library.

New faces at the library on Mondays: Kathryn Russell will be working with Betty Moore every other Monday, and on the alternate Mondays, Lea Peacock will be working with Jo Scott. If these four ladies had not volunteered to give up their Monday afternoons, the library would not be open on Mondays. A great big thank you to Betty Moore, Kathryn Russell, Jo Scott, and Lea Peacock.

We are having some mini-workshops on how to work at the library. We really appreciate the ladies who have taken this training and who have indicated that they would be willing to work in the library on days that I cannot be here. We have one training day left. That day is February 27 at 2:00 p.m. at the library. If you would like to help out sometime, please come to this training session. If you cannot make it on February 27, call me and we can arrange another time.

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Former resident honored with Excellence in Teaching Award



Charlotte Richardson

Mountain View College Awards Committee recently named Charlotte Richardson, Fine Arts Division, as recipient of its 2000-01 Excellence in Teaching Award for Adjunct Faculty. Other nominees for the award were from the English, Developmental Studies and Math Divisions.

Richardson states that her teaching philosophy developed gradually from her own education, primarily in her home, as a child, and from her grade school and high school experiences as a student in Matador, Texas, where she grew up.

"I believe that all subjects are interrelated. I want the formal part of education to be disciplined and pleasurable. It always was so for me.

"Professionally, I am a studio artist. Also, I teach drawing, design, and painting to beginning artists, as well as art theory to non-art majors. Or should I say, my students teach themselves, as I instruct them? Both making art and teaching art necessitate activity, not passivity. Along with a passion for the subject being taught, I believe that a teacher must have a love for the subject being taught and a love for students, so that students are empowered in their work. Teachers must provide tools for discovery, then offer a means by which those tools can be used," Richardson said. "I teach as I was taught."

The awards ceremony and reception for faculty and staff was held on February 14, at Mountain View, one of the seven Dallas County Community College District colleges. Each of the seven colleges selects one adjunct instructor to receive an Excellence in Teaching Award for Adjunct Faculty. Nominations for faculty and support staff recognition came from the faculty Deans of each division. One of the seven honorees will be selected as the District-wide recipient at the Faculty and Administrative Conference Day in March.

Richardson is the former Charlotte Campbell, daughter of Mrs. R.E. (Lucretia) Campbell, Jr., of Matador.

Family & Consumer news

by Mozelle Montano, Extension Agent, Family & Consumer Sciences



HAZARDS AROUND THE HOME

Home fires kill more than 3,600 people every year and injure nearly 20,000 more. The devastation that can occur with a dryer fire is one you will never forget. What can we do to make our homes more safe and easier to get out of in case of fire, says Mozelle Montano, Extension Agent; first is to analyze the hazards and know those which we can pinpoint and as we become more aware, be more careful.

Careless smokers. The leading fatal fire scenario is a smoldering cigarette dropped on upholstered furniture, or bedding. Check the trash cans too, fires can start when people dump ashtrays into the trash.

Putting combustibles next to heat sources. When the water heater is near the washer and dryer, people get behind on their laundry, clothes pile up, and a fire starts. All combustibles should be at least 3 feet away from any heat source.

Leaving cooking unattended. If you must leave the room while cooking, set a timer. But never leave a pan of cooking grease even for a minute.

Candle fires are a growing problem, accounting for more than 2 percent of home fires in 1997. Never leave a lighted candle unattended, or make sure they are in a safe glass holder.

Dirty Dryers. The clothes dryer is commonly involved in house fires the usual cause is lint buildup in the dryer or in the vent to the outside. Check your lint filter after each load and check the vent hose regularly for lint accumulation.

Forgetting to unplug or turnoff

something. Always check to be sure that everything is unplugged, or turned off.

Fireplace flare-ups. Use only seasoned wood for heat, and be sure to place ashes in a closed metal container well away from the house.

Kids and Matches. Keep matches and lighters in one place, away from children, and tell them not to use matches.

Outlet overload. Have an electrician install additional outlets if you need them. Don't keep putting off the inevitable. Do it today!

Mixing fumes and flames. Paint thinners, gasoline, turpentine and other flammable liquids produce invisible vapors that drift low and can be ignited by a small spark, even at a distance.

Store flammable liquids and solvents in metal containers, preferably outside the home, and use them only in well-ventilated areas

Christmas tree catastrophes. Each year 500 Christmas tree fires in the U.S. claim 14 lives, often because of short circuits or ground faults. Make sure you do not go to bed with the tree plugged in or still illuminated.

By watching out for the above hazards and having a plan for getting everyone out will cut the number of deaths greatly. Draw up a floor plan, labeling a primary and a secondary exit, agree on a meeting place. Teach children not to hide, and practice your fire drill so it is a handy guide to getting out, even when everyone is upset and disoriented.

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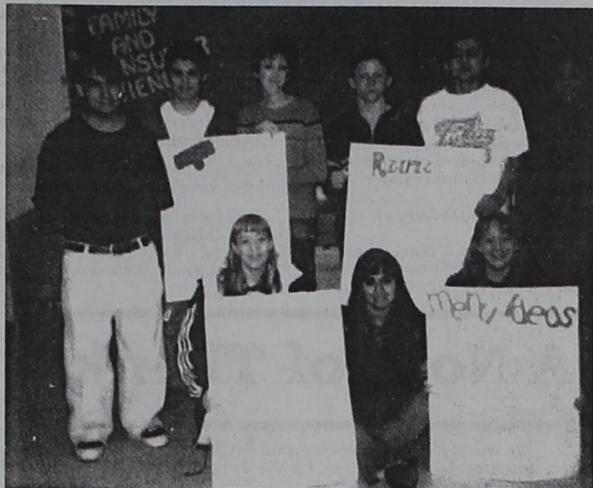
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Motley County School News



What's there to eat? This age old question is often asked during mealtime. Solutions for this dilemma can be answered on the menu and recipe posters that were created by the Motley County Family and Consumer Sciences students. The students created the menus to aid meal planners in their search for nutritious menu ideas. Students used the information that they gained from classroom experiences as a guide for their menu and recipe creations. The menu and recipe posters are displayed at Lowe's Grocery in Matador. The energetic Motley County ninth graders are pictured left to right (back) Juan Flores, Baltazar Flores, Shea Rose, Quinten Rose, Lorenzo Salazar and Sylvia Martinez; (front) Charli Ream, Susana Mendoza, and Mandi Ream. Their teacher (not pictured) is Mrs. Jan Jones.

SCHOOL MENU

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Breakfast: Cinnamon Rolls, Applesauce, Milk.
Lunch: Soft Taco, Lettuce, Tomato, Spanish Rice, Chips, Salsa, Orange, Milk.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Breakfast: Cereal, Buttered Toast, Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Santa Fe Chicken Soup, Ham & Cheese Sandwiches, Lettuce, Tomato, Crackers, Fruit Salad, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

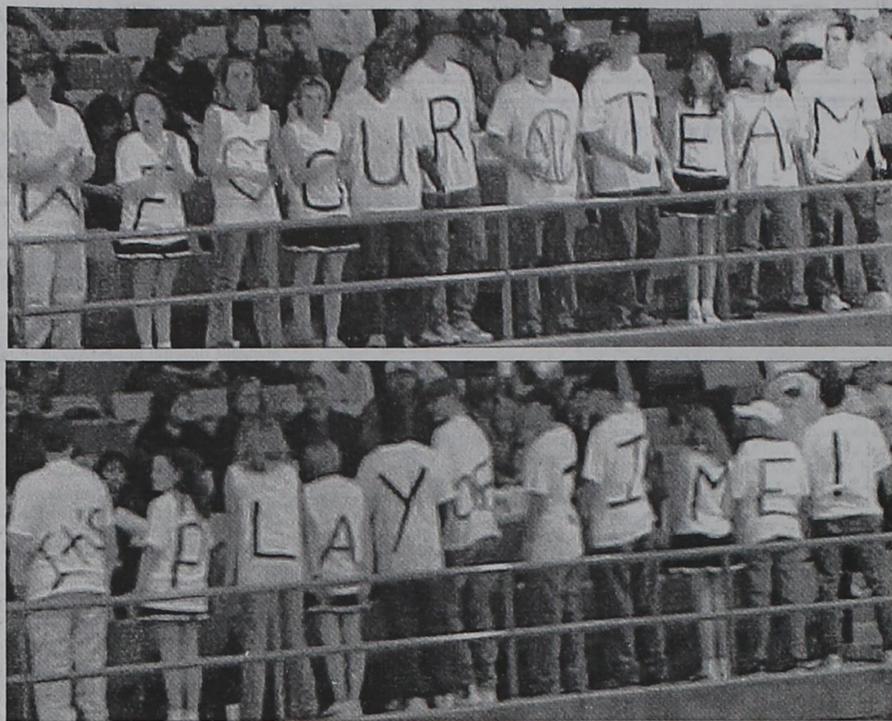
Breakfast: Biscuits, Bacon & Eggs, Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Pigs in Blankets, Tater Tots, Pickle Spears, Ranch Beans, Treat, Milk.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

Breakfast: Cereal, Buttered Toast, Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Steak Fingers, Potatoes, Gravy, Corn Salad, Dessert, Hot Rolls, Honey, Milk.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

Breakfast: Sausage, Biscuit, Gravy, Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Potato Chips, Peach Cup, Milk.



WE LOVE OUR TEAM! That's what these tee-shirts of Motley County Lady Matador fans read in support of the Ladies for their last game. The back of the shirts read "It's Play-off Time."

Kasey Parks named to Dean's List

Kasey Parks, a Senior Sports/Exercise Sciences major at West Texas A&M University at Canyon was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2000 semester. Students must achieve a GPA between 3.25 and 3.85 with a minimum

of 12 undergraduate hours to be named to this list.

Kasey is a graduate of Motley County High School and the daughter of Harold and Barbara Parks of Roaring Springs.

Powerlifters kick-off new season with successful meet

The Motley County Powerlifting team traveled to Clarendon Saturday, February 17. Due to conflicts with boy's basketball and illness, only five of the nine lifters were able to attend. These five, however, did an excellent job!

Two boys and three girls participated. Lorenzo Salazar was in the 114 pound weight class, and Brandon

Moore was in the 198 pound weight class. Brenda Gillespie was in the 105 pound weight class. Rabeca Morris and Ashley Stevens were both in the 132 pound weight class.

Brandon failed to attain a qualifying squat which meant he could not participate in the bench press and the dead lift. The other lifters posted qualifying totals as follows:

- Lorenzo: Squat, 225; Bench, 125; Deadlift, 235; for a total of 585.
 - Ashley: Squat, 220; Bench, 100; Deadlift, 220; for a total of 540.
 - Rabeca: Squat, 190; Bench, 110; Deadlift, 220; for a total of 520.
 - Brenda: Squat, 190; Bench, 80; Deadlift, 210; for a total of 480.
- All four of the lifters placed in their respective weight classes. Lorenzo was fifth, Rabeca was fourth, Ashley was third, and Brenda was first. Additionally, the girls team placed fourth overall. The athletes

went to the meet determined to succeed, and they did. As well as placing in the Clarendon Meet, the three girls have apparently qualified for the regional meet. Lorenzo is only five pounds away from qualifying in the boys' division.

There is only one more weekend remaining for the lifters to post qualifying totals for regional competition. Our team will participate in the meet at Floydada next Saturday, February 24. After all of the totals from next week's meets are posted, our athletes will know for sure whether or not they have qualified.

The powerlifters practice before school every morning with Coach Bowles. Evidently, the hard work has paid off, and hopefully all of them will be able to advance. Coach Bowles was very pleased with the effort and determination that these young people displayed at Clarendon.

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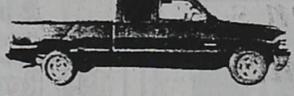
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#3454, White, Tan Cloth, 7 Pass. Seating, Front & Rear A/C
\$28,500
- 2,285 discount
\$26,215 Sale Price

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\$34,396
- 3,696 discount
\$30,700 Sale Price



2001 Silverado 1500 Short-Wide Bed PU
#1403, Onyx Black, Graphite Cloth, Cruise, Cassette, Tx-Ok Pkg.
\$16,940
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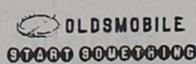
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News around the County

Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins

Miss Lula Swim returned Sunday evening from visiting in the home of her cousins, Bob and Wilma Alderson of McKinney. On the way down she had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Harris and Mrs. Opal Baum. Opal is Mrs. Lem Miller's sister and Jeannette is Mrs. Miller's niece. On Saturday night a group that were at Bob's went over to Hayes Community house to eat stew at their fund-raising supper. On Sunday morning Mr. and Mrs. Bob Alderson fixed a big breakfast and those enjoying the delicious meal were Mr. and Mrs. Ray McCallum of Bella Vista, Ark., Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McCallum of Farmersville, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wheeler of Plano, Mr. Ruby Miller of Celeste and her daughter, K.K. Miller of Dallas, Mrs. Elizabeth McCasling of McKinney and Miss Lula Swim.

On Sunday night Miss Swim visited with Mrs. June Gipson, former Roaring Springs resident.

Those enjoying coffee and refreshments Monday morning, at the Methodist Fellowship Hall, hosted by Miss Lula Swim, with help from Mrs. Joyce Smith, and Mrs. LaVoe Thacker, were Mr. Buzz Thacker, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Adams, Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Giesecke, Mr. and Mrs. Corky Marshall, Mrs. Mary Lumsden, Mrs. Zella Palmer, Mrs. Pearl Patten, Mrs. Grace Zabielski, Mrs. Ruby McGuire, Mr.

and Mrs. Dennis Letkeman, Mrs. Reba Sweeny, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Abbott, Mr. Walter Trammell, Mr. Dean McInroe and Mr. Alec Crowder.

Mr. J.R. Swim of Abilene spent Monday night with his aunt, Lula Swim. He accompanied her to Lubbock on Tuesday where she kept two doctor appointments.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Palmer of Matador, Miranda Palmer of Crowell, and Zella Palmer, went to Lubbock Sunday to visit with Dylan Adams, a patient in Covenant Children's Hospital after having his tonsils removed.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Largent of Lubbock visited with his mother Friday. They enjoyed lunch at LaNita's Cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Richie of Garland spent Saturday night with Odessa Mullins. They attended funeral services for their cousin, Blanch Gideon, Sunday. Others visiting were Rene and Al McCleskey of Tyler and Kathy Gideon and friend, Julie and son of San Angelo.

Visiting with Pearl Patten and having supper at LaNita's Cafe Friday night were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Burkes of Afton and Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Reagan and Bryce of Quitaque.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Patten drove to Lubbock Monday for Harry to keep a doctor's appointment.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Larry (Angelia) Clay returned home Friday from Lubbock following surgery Monday at the Covenant Medical Center.

Mrs. Wilburn (Trula) Martin was a patient from Wednesday until Friday at the Mangold Hospital in Lockney. With her during her hospitalization and since her return home other than her husband, Wilburn, were her sister, Mrs. Wanda Lane of Lockney, Mary Ellen Barton, Mrs. Leona Degan and Mr. and Mrs. M.C. Jones of Flomot.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee enjoyed the Jamboree in Abernathy Saturday night. The featured performer was the talented musician David Bradley of Branson, Missouri.

Cory, Janette, Chancy and Conner Kendall of Midland visited from Friday until Sunday with his parents, Linda and Travis Kendall.

Visiting the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay were grandchildren, Colton and Kayla, children of Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay of Lubbock.

Mrs. Kathy Shorter, daughter and grandson, Mrs. Keri Sehon and Brian of Ropesville attended the bridal shower honoring Cheryl Davis, Saturday, held in the home of Mrs. Joanie Barton Stevens

in Matador.

Mrs. Tommie Cruse, daughter and family, Derinda and Mark Patton, Thor, Tory, Teah and Tally of Silverton were in San Antonio from Monday until Friday to attend the Stock Show. Thor and Tory were recognized for their entries in the Show. They also enjoyed the tourist attractions.

Mrs. Kathryn Martin of Matador and Art Green visited in Spur, Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Josie Martin, at the Crescent Care Center. Mrs. Martin is under medical treatment for bronchitis.

Mary Ellen Barton visited during the week in Floydada with her sister, Mrs. Mollie Burleson who had medical treatment for pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey were in Amarillo, Monday for her a medical appointment. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Reid and in Canyon with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey.

Kathy and Clois Shorter enjoyed the Southern Gospel Music presentation Saturday night held at the First Baptist Church in Childress. The Greater Vision Trio, known for their original songs, and singing in Gaither Concerts, were the featured performers. Also attending from Matador were Anna and Frank Ortiz.

Whiteflat News

by Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

A jogger came upon a man lying with his ear to the ground. As he got closer, the jogger heard the man saying, "Green Ford pickup, male driver, dog in front seat, slick rear tires."

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Jack Samford of Afton accompanied Mrs. Juanita Cooper to Amarillo, Wednesday and on her return trip home Thursday. She visited Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Ken Dunnam and Kourtney and had a medical check up Thursday following her recent neck surgery. She received a good report. Mr. Samford visited in Canyon with daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ray King.

James and Darla Gwinn attended the Texhoma Farm Show Wednesday held in Wichita Falls.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Turner Friday night were children, Heather and Scott Blount of Abernathy and Cobey Turner, student at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Pat and Lynn Minton of Granbury visited from Friday until Monday with her mother, Mrs. Juanita Cooper. Other visitors in the Cooper home during the weekend were Arthur Harmon of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gordon of Matador, Jack Samford of Afton and Mrs. Linda Oliver of Dumont. Arthur Harmon is remaining to visit this week with Mrs. Cooper and in Matador with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gordon.

H.R. "Skeet" Jameson attended to business in Childress, Monday.

Matador News

Harold Gordon had recent back surgery at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. He is reported to be recovering just fine.

Mrs. Billie Koon had hand surgery Monday at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Lancaster were in Lubbock, Monday for him a medical appointment following recent knee surgery.

James Meador recently underwent open-heart surgery to replace aortic and mitral valves, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. He is now at home and recuperating well.

Richard and Sue Lancaster, Jordan and Christy of Breckenridge, Mrs. Leann Owens, Devin and Rex of Abilene visited her mother, Mrs. Grace Shelton at the Lockney Care Center, Sunday.

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Obituaries

Blanche "Billie" Gideon

Funeral services for Blanche "Billie" Gideon, 69, of San Angelo, Texas, were held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, February 18, 2001, at the First Baptist Church in Roaring Springs. Officiating was Rev. Royce Jennings, pastor. Interment was in Roaring Springs Cemetery under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador.

Mrs. Gideon died early Thursday, February 15, 2001, in San Angelo at her residence.

She was born January 17, 1932, in Roaring Springs.

She had been a resident of San Angelo since 1968. She worked as a sales clerk for many years. She was a Baptist.

Her survivors include a son, James Michael Hobbs of San Angelo; one daughter, Katherine Sue Gideon of San Angelo; one brother, Raymond Davis of Carlsbad, N.M.; two sisters, Dorothy Lee of Roaring Springs and Thelma Hughes of Oklaunion, Texas; one grandchild and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Steve Gideon.

Pallbearers were Albert Lee, Phil Davis, James McCleskey, Elwyn McCleskey, Willie McCleskey, Al McCleskey, Wyman McCleskey and Brent McCleskey.

A Note of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for the phone calls, food, visits, flowers and especially your prayers while James was in the hospital and since returning home.

James and Dorothy Meador

The family of Winifred Lee would like to thank you, not only for the kindness and generosity you showed us at her death, but more importantly for the love and kindness you showed Aunt Winifred daily. The people of Matador were very dear to her and we considered you here "second family." Thanks again for everything.

Carol Johnson and Beth Ann Mask

Dear friends,

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Farm and Ranch News



News from the County Agent

by Lonnie Jenschke, Motley County Agent

DEALING WITH HIGHER NITROGEN FERTILIZER PRICES

Fertilizer management is an important part of crop production more so now than ever. This is due in part to increasing costs for fertilizer materials, particularly nitrogen fertilizer. Natural gas is used as a feedstock in the production of anhydrous ammonia which is the starting point for production of most commercial nitrogen fertilizers. Natural gas serves as a source both for energy in the reaction and for the hydrogen that is combined with nitrogen (N) from the atmosphere to produce anhydrous ammonia (NH₃).

Over the past 10 years natural gas prices for North American ammonia producers have been around \$2.00 per million British thermal units (MMBtu), but the price climbed to over \$6.00 in late 2000 and could reach as high as \$8.00 per MMBtu. The demand for natural gas has increased due to cold winters and the greater interest nationally in cleaner burning alternatives to coal and fuel oils. Production of each ton of ammonia requires about 33.5 MMBtu of natural gas. At \$2.00 per MMBtu, the wholesale per ton cost for ammonia is about \$230 or \$0.14 per pound of N. In contrast, at \$8.00 per MMBtu, the cost for ammonia will be near \$400 per ton or about \$0.24 per pound of N. Other nitrogen fertilizers produced from anhydrous ammonia, such as urea and ammonium nitrate, require further processing for their production and will have a proportionately greater cost.

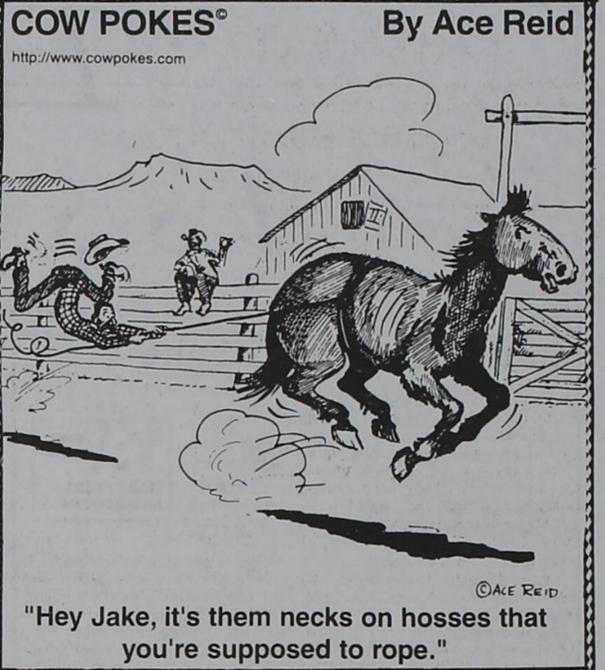
First, get a soil test. Routine soil testing will help identify what the fertilizer needs are for each field to achieve optimum growth and production of the planned crop at the expected yield goal. Cost savings achieved by applying just the required nutrients at the optimum rates will conserve input dollars.

Second, purchase fertilizer on a cost per pound of nutrient, not on a cost per ton. This can be calculated easily by dividing the pounds of N per ton of fertilizer material into the cost per ton. In the cost comparisons above, anhydrous ammonia is 82% N and thus contains 1640 pounds of nitrogen per ton (2000 x 0.82 = 1640). If the per ton product cost is \$230, then 230/1640 = \$0.14. Comparing the per pound cost for just those nutrients recommended by soil test can help in selection of the most economical fertilizer material.

Third, consider alternative sources of nitrogen such as livestock manure or sewage sludge. Manures can be tested for their nutrient content as the Extension Soil, Water and Forage Testing Laboratory in College Station, or at various private laboratories. New EPA Class A sludge materials are available from several sources. These materials have been specially processed to remove potential pathogens and are required to meet specific limits for heavy metals. Class A materials have no site restrictions on where they may be applied, often have a guaranteed analysis to ensure value, and like manures, provide organic matter important for improving soil tilth. Be sure to make applications consistent with a current soil test recommendation to ensure that essential plant nutrients are applied at the proper rates. Over-application can lead to plant growth problems and be a threat to water quality.

Fourth, ensure that nutrients are applied at the optimum time for efficient uptake and use by the crop. Warm-season grasses should not be fertilized until the crop is actively growing, which generally does not occur until nighttime temperatures are consistently above 60F. For annual crops, fertilizer applications should be made as near the time of planting as possible to improve availability. premature nitrogen fertilizer application can lead to nutrient loss by leaching, runoff or volatilization. In addition, it can stimulate the growth of undesirable plants (weeds) that may compete with the crop and require additional inputs for control. Regardless of the crop, split applications of nitrogen can significantly improve the efficiency of nutrient uptake and ensure that fertilizer is available during periods of peak demand.

Finally, growers should evaluate the potential to modify their cropping system to reduce the need for supplemental fertilizer. Incorporation of legume crops into rotational cropping systems can improve soil quality and serve as a source of nitrogen. Legumes form symbiotic (mutually beneficial) relationships with certain soil microbes which live in their roots and enable the plants to fix nitrogen directly from the atmosphere. This nitrogen can be cycled into the following crop to reduce fertilizer requirements. Beef producers also may want to evaluate whether a rotational grazing system may be preferable.



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INDUSTRY WORKING TO BUILD POLICY CONSENSUS

Serving the best interests of an industry as diverse as cotton is never easy. For the National Cotton Council, making the difficult seem easy has been the cornerstone of its many past successes.

As the seven interest groups that make up the NCC again try to develop a single set of policy goals to help steer development of the next cotton program, the job of building consensus is requiring a little more work than first expected.

The sticking point now is the producer segment's desperate need for better downside protection through an increase in cotton's minimum loan rate. Merchants have been reluctant to fully support the idea citing concerns about potential increases on production in and out of the U.S.

In an effort to bring the two groups together producer representatives from the American Cotton Producers will meet with the American Cotton Shippers Association (ACSA) at the ACSA Board meeting February 26 in Washington, D.C.

The producer contingent attending the meeting will be composed of growers Mark Williams of Farwell, Hollis Isbell of Muscle Shoals, Alabama, and Bob McClendon of Leary, Georgia.

NCC staff members will also be on hand to provide detailed analysis of the proposed changes and possible effects on foreign and domestic plantings, exports, and prices.

The key point from the producer segment in this case is that the proposed increase in the loan floor wouldn't adversely affect a merchant or mills ability to buy U.S. cotton at competitive world prices. Since 1996 the use of a formula derived loan rate, operating as designed, would have provided effective loan rates from 53-60 cents.

The only difference now is the fact that the marketing loan has protected the ability of merchants and mills to obtain U.S. cotton at competitive world prices while legislatively imposed caps on the formula derived loan rate have prevented growers from receiving the additional support a higher loan rate would have provided.

They will also note that with a marketing loan the flow of cotton will remain uninterrupted and the loudest message communicated to foreign producers will be that U.S. cot-

ton producers will remain competitive players in the world market at every price level.

PCG is confident that a consensus will be reached within the NCC on this issue in the near future. PCG is also confident that before discussion about what needs to be included in the next Farm Bill is complete that the NCC will have developed a policy that not only supports the needs of producers, but also protects the interests of all other segments of the industry.

While long-term aspects of farm policy reform are important, the critical need at this time is authorization of additional economic assistance for producers in 2001.

To meet this critical need NCC continues to be strongly united in support of emergency aide to growers in 2001. Current NCC policy is aimed at implementing 2001 support at a level not less than the amount provided growers in 2000.

NCC is also encouraging the delivery of that support as quickly as possible to help producers obtain financing for the 2001 growing season.

NATURAL GAS FOCUS OF TEXAS HOUSE HEARING

Plains Cotton Growers President Ronnie Hopper, of Petersburg, delivered a rundown of the serious effects skyrocketing natural gas prices are having on Texas cotton producers at a hearing conducted by the Texas House of Representatives Committee on Energy Resources, February 7, in Austin.

Hopper noted that high energy prices will eventually affect every citizen in the State, but that the early casualties are typically people on fixed incomes and those that use significant amounts of energy and are unable to pass the additional cost on in the process of selling the commodity they produce.

Hopper highlighted the fact that cotton production on the Texas High Plains are historically flourished as a result of three factors working in their favor; good weather, good prices and affordable energy to produce their product.

Hopper explained that the rapid increase in energy costs for irrigation as well as increased costs for nitrogen fertilizer produced with natural gas and natural gas fired drying equipment for cotton gins threatens to essentially change the face of agriculture in one of the most productive growing regions in Texas.

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Early voting, by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at City Hall, 706 Dundee Ave., Matador, TX, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 18, 2001, and ending on May 1, 2001.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
 Linda Perryman
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 Matador, Texas 79244

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 27, 2001.

Issued this the 9th day of February, 2001.

Rodney Williams
 Mayor

NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

The City of Roaring Springs will hold a City Council Election on May 5, 2001. Applications will be accepted to fill (3) two-year terms for council members. February 19, 2001, will be the first day to accept applications for a place on the ballot. March 21, 2001, is the last day for accepting applications. Applications may be obtained and filled out at Roaring Springs City Hall during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, Monday through Friday. Ballot position drawing will be conducted at the Roaring Springs City Hall at 9 o'clock a.m. on March 23, 2001.

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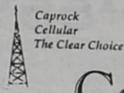
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