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equipment grant to local video project



Accepting a \$500.00 check in behalf of the Friends of the Historic Motley County Jail is Carol Campbell, Chair. Ron Bailey, board member, serves on a 13-county council for Four Winds Resource Conservation and Development program.

serving on a 13-county council for Four Winds Resource Conservation and Development area (RC&D), recently awarded a \$500.00 matched grant to the Motley County Historic Jail video project. Accepting the award in behalf of the Friends of the Historic Motley County Jail was Carol Campbell.

The 50-50 matched grant was used to purchase video equipment to be installed in the historic jail as a play-back system for self-tours. The video

Ron Bailey, board member documentary will focus on the ral communities, Bailey said. history and unique landmarks of Motley County; and earlyday sheriffs that served the county from the late 1800s to the turn of the century.

> "Rural community devel- ative solution." opment encompasses a wide range of approaches and ac- and Development (RC&D) is tivities that aim to improve the a unique program under the welfare and livelihoods of people living in rural areas," Bailey

Four Winds, as a branch of community development, pays attention to social issues in ru-

"With a shrinking economy, Motley County is attempting to revitalize their economy through tourism," he said, adding, "The video project is a cre-

Resource Conservation USDA and led by local volunteer councils that provide a way for people to work together to promote local economies and improve the quality of life in rural communities.

RC&D council awards Transmission line upgrade is "done deal"

TxDOT to let bids in October for US 70 west

By Carol Campbell Motley County Tribune

The Motley County Commissioner's Court met July 11, 2011, in regular session, covering a 13-item agenda including an update on transmission line upgrades in Motley County.

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 Ben Kautz, TxDOT; and guest Beth Ware, wife of Deputy Sheriff Chad Ware.

"The Electric Transmission of Texas (ETT) consortium of AEP is completing a transmission line upgrade from Matador to Paducah - it's a done deal," County Attorney Tom Edwards said. According to Edwards, this will include 18.12 miles of lines in the county at an estimated cost of \$807,000 per mile, totaling about \$14.5 million.

Last month in Commissioner's Court, Edwards said if the Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) line is constructed, it could place about 30 miles of transmission lines

in Motley County. "The SPS line is also possible in the county - but currently, these negotiations are too delicate to comment on," Edwards added. However, "if all landowners pull together for the benefit of the county,

then we may have a shot at securing these lines."

In other business, Commissioner Turner announced the pending completion of the Flomot Water Project. The new system will be checked for nitrates on Wednesday, July 13, followed by a state audit of the project toward the end of the month, Turner said.

Ben Kautz, TxDOT, announced the completion of all bridge work in Motley County. He also announced that TxDOT has about 500 square-yards of salvage base left over from the project. He offered the base to the county for bridge approaches. Applying the base to the bridge approaches will save the bridges from "beating out on the ends," Commissioner Stephens said.

Kautz also said that bids to surface US Highway 70/62 west from the city limits will be announced in October, 2011. "It has been seven years since the road from the city limits of Matador west to the Floyd county line has been surfaced," he said. Additionally, he said, TxDOT is mowing a full width of grass on both sides of the road to "hopefully, help prevent fires." On behalf of the court, Judge Meador complimented TxDOT on their response and hard work in Motley County during the fires. "We appreciate the response of TxDOT to the fire dangers in the county," he said.

Last month, the court accepted a housing grant in the amount of \$415,000 for 15 new homes in Motley County - five new homes in the City of Matador; five in the City of Roaring Springs; and five new homes in the county proper. The county advertised for a coordinator for the project, receiving two applications. Following a debate on the merits of selecting a local applicant as opposed to a consultant hired out-of-county, the court voted 3-2 to select the South Plains Community Action Association (SPCAA) application for the home reconstruction project.

Casting the dissenting votes were Commissioners Jameson and Alexander. The other applicant was community service activist Marilynn Hicks, Matador. "I would like to keep the job in the county," Commissioner Jameson said.

"These grants are a nightmare to administer," Judge Meador countered. "I just feel like we should go with a proven association that has the staff to help administer the project."

Several months ago, the court voted to pay the state rate on per diem and travel for county employees. In a vote of 4-for, and one against, the court voted to change the Travel Reimbursement policy from the state rate of 55.5 cents per mile to 45 cents per mile. Judge Meador cast the dissenting vote.

Commissioner's Court meets the second Monday of every month at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, first floor of the courthouse. The next meeting is set for August 8, 2011.

FSA County Committee Nominations Started June 15, End August 1st

Motley County USDA Farm she said. Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Amy Hackler, announced that county committee election nominations began June 15, 2011. Farmers, ranchers and landowners are encouraged to nominate farmer and rancher candidates to serve on their local FSA county committee by the August 1, 2011 deadline.

Elected county committee members serve a three-year term and are responsible for date. To become a nominee, making decisions on FSA disaster, conservation, commodity, and price support programs, as well as other important federal farm program issues.

"County committee members are a valuable asset because they are local producers who participate in FSA programs themselves and have a direct connection to farmers and ranchers in the community," said Hackler. "I would like to see a high level of participation in this year's nomination and election process,'

Producers may nominate themselves or others as candidates. Organizations that represent minority and women farmers and ranchers may also nominate candidates. Nominees must participate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area (LAA) in which the person is a candieligible individuals must sign form FSA-669A. The form and more information about county committee elections are available online at: www. fsa.usda.gov/elections.

"It is important that the county committee reflects the demographics and agricultural interests of the community these individuals represent,' Hackler said. "I strongly encourage all producers, including women, minority and beginning farmers and ranchers to participate in the nominacontinued on page 4

RS City Council welcomes new city secretary

The Roaring Springs City Council met in Regular Session June 11, 2011, in the City Hall conference room. Those in attendance were: Mayor Corky Marshall, Council members P K Green, James Mc Cleskey, Timmy Brooks, Perry Gulledge and Alex Crowder; Water Manager Robert Osborn, Zella Palmer, and the new City Secretary Lisa Perryman.

The June 13, 2011, regular city council meeting minutes were approved. The financial report was approved and bills approved to be paid.

Mayor Marshall welcomed Lisa Perryman, City Secretary, to her first council meeting.

Perry Gulledge was appointed to serve as board member for the Appraisal District.

The Council unanimously adopted a Proclamation to recognize all military who received "The Purple Heart."

The Council unanimously voted to appoint Teofilo Flores as the consultant for the SPCA Grant since they initialized getting the city the grant.

Two bids were turned in for the RV Park with a Pat Smith bid of \$575.00 and Kennith Marshall bid of \$520.00. The Council voted unanimously to decline both bids, voting to re-address at a later date and possibly re-advertise with a minimum set bid.

Mayor Marshall will be contacting the city's attorney for revision in our city's ordinance on property maintenance to enforce cleanup.

Foothills Saturday Night set for August 20

Mark your calendar for Saturday, August 20, and plan to attend the Motley County Chamber Foothill Saturday Night downtown extravagan-

"Motley County's Got Talent" will showcase local talent beginning at 6:30 p.m. to kick off the night's entertainment, and door prizes will be given away throughout the evening.

The 108 E. Broadway Band featuring Chad and Casey Maines will follow with music for dancing or just for listening. Nephews of the famous Maines brothers, the band plays a variety of music and has performed professionally for several years throughout the area.

Dine on homemade barbeque sandwiches, chips, a drink and a delicious dessert, and there will be "misters"

and fans to help everyone "keep their cool."

Vendors will be offering their wares from booths lining the sidewalk on Main Street. To reserve a booth location, please contact Linda Roy 806/347-2600 or 347-2939. There is no cost for a booth to chamber members; others will be charged \$10.

A popular annual event, Foothills Saturday Night provides the area with festivities reminiscent of a Saturday night in days gone by when everyone gathered for the week's shopping and to visit with friends and neighbors. The Motley County Chamber hosts this event in lieu of a traditional Chamber Banquet.

So polish your dancing shoes, grab a lawn chair, and come on to downtown Matador for fun under the stars!

Foothill Country Connections

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



By Laverne Zabielski

Learning to do the math is our new assignment for money management. For us that starts with knowing exactly how much it costs to travel. We have an envelope that we keep in the car. Whenever we make a trip we calculate the cost and put the cash in the envelope. Then, when we buy gas that is the cash we use. The money that is leftover is used for repairs. Like the \$1200 recently needed to fix the air conditioner.

Based on the price of gas, according to the IRS Travel Reimbursement policy, it costs 55.5 cents per mile. I appreciate that they did the research on this since I want the maximum amount of deductions at the

end of the year when we file our taxes. However, it is a hard fact to face when I calculate the cost every time I drive.

Recently I needed a new iron. I wanted a professional one since I use it frequently and want plenty of high powered steam. I knew I could get it at Lowes but there isn't one where I live. That meant I would have to drive 40 miles to the next large town. When I got home I did the math. Eighty miles round trip at 55 cents per mile meant I had to put \$44 in our travel envelope. Add that to the \$92 price of a professional iron meant my true investment was \$136!

Even now, whenever we are in Matador we calculate even the smallest trips. We used to travel back and forth frequently to Roaring Springs. Now we know that each round trip costs

Oh my. I forgot to buy cream while I was shopping. It's 12 miles to town meaning that cream would cost me \$13. Better do without. I'll get it later.

WRITING COMMUNITY

Searching for Doan's Crossing By Marisue Potts

Tucked somewhere back in the sand hills of the Red River Valley is a small adobe house, preserved since 1881 when Doan's Store could completely outfit the trail drives with supplies, Winchesters, cartridges, "sow bosums," and even a Stetson. Then thousands of longhorns were gathered into pens and corrals and road branded for the trip or rested on the flat before attempting to cross the treacherous quick sand of an eternally fickle water course. Doan's Crossing, the "jumping off place," was the last bit of civilization the cowboys would see until they hit the Kansas border. Ahead were many physical challenges, hostile Indians and Anglo desperados, dangerous water crossings, and stampedes.

It was July 7, a year to the day since my husband Ralph Powell had passed away. I was feeling a bit melancholy, missing him, when I took my granddaughter to meet her father half-way between Matador and Southlake. Emma and I had spent several days together doing what she had told her dad, Richard, we were going to do, "ride horses, look for rocks and pick up bones" (....as well as feathers, wildflowers, snake skins, armadillo parts, and a few other treasures). At eight years of age, she amazed me with her knowledge of prairies, native grasses, and habitat. Southlake is doing a great job on teaching conservation awareness.

On the return trip home I

detoured at Vernon, headed not for a destination that Ralph and I had enjoyed together on our many adventures, but to a place we had only talked about. On my way to the Red River on Highway 283, I was drawn by its name to the tiny cemetery of Fargo, located between a field and a pasture. The 111 degree heat was stifling so I didn't tarry long among those granite tablets of history.

However, just down the road was a small roadside park where red granite marker had its own version of history. Pete Ackley had erected the marker and claimed (wrongly, I learned later) that this was the Chisholm Trail and drovers had sent some 6 million cattle up the trail to markets in Kansas. At least I was on the right track. Doan's Crossing must be

Not to be misled from the adventure of discovery by On-Star or Global Positioning Systems, I turned off on a side road that looked promising. After all, this was the way I had found the Cynthia Ann Parker recapture marker near Old Margaret. Nothing beats that "eureka" moment of discovery. I passed by the neat little village of Fargo and continued east past wheat stubble, irrigation pivots, and fields broken by groves of trees. As I approached a junction with houses on either side, I was ready to admit defeat.

Then looming at the corner was a gigantic red granite marker. On it were brands

and the sixty-one names of ranchers or ranches that had driven cattle through Doan's Crossing. Giants of the industry, names like Goodnight and Adair, John Blocker, the Eddleman Brothers, Richard King, Masterson, Littlefield, C.C. Slaughter, Waggoner, and Burnett.

Under a grove of trees, with its back to a sheltering sandhill was the small adobe store. Here, at this very spot, C. F. Doan watched the first herds go up the trail in 1879 and he kept a tally of how many crossed that year, 100,000 head of cattle! In 1881 when the adobe was built, 301,000 cattle paused here before crossing the Red over into Indian Territory. As Andy Adams wrote in The Log of a Cowboy, the Red River was "a terror to trail drivers." The river claimed its own tariff, and cowboys who drowned were buried nearby as Adams noted in his

A new marker was emblazoned with the words "The Great Western Trail" in red letters on a white wooden post. It was dedicated at Doan's Crossing in 2004 as the first of many to mark the trail from Bandera, Texas, to Dodge City, Kansas. The Great Western Trail, not as popularly known as the Chisholm Trail, actually started at the tip of Texas at Brownsville, clipped San Antonio and Bandera, then near Ft. Griffin split, with the off-shoot Potter-Bacon Trail going to Matador and Kit Carson, Colorado. At Doan's Crossing, the Great Western Trail headed to Clinton and Woodward, Oklahoma, before hitting Dodge City. It continued for two thousand miles and was in use for 12 years.

Despite what the Ackley marker claimed, the Chisholm Trail crossed at Red River Station, Texas, and continued on to Enid, Oklahoma, and Wichita, Kansas or branched to Abilene, Kansas. The Jesse Chisum Trail did not cross into Texas but went from Ft. Sumner to Kit Carson and beyond. Ackley had his own ax to grind evidently.

After spending some time reflecting and soaking up my history imaginings of Doan's Crossing, I drove away from the this special place toward the super highway crossing on 283. I knew Ralph would have gotten a kick out of being here with me, just as much as being at Red River Station and Old Spanish Fort. When on the dirt road I encountered a second Great Western Trail marker, I couldn't help but utter a little "Eureka, we found it." History's fun. Go discover it!

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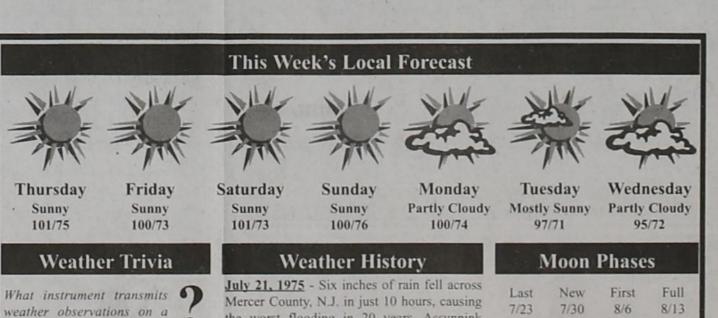
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New Driver's License Law ... **Unintended Consequences?**

By Peter Malof

SAN ANTONIO, Texas - A new law that ties citizenship and immigration status to issuance of a Texas driver's license could cause harmful unintended consequences, according to its critics. It requires the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to ask for proof of citizenship or legal status from anyone seeking new or renewed Texas driver's licenses.

After failing to make it through the Legislature on its own, the provision was inserted into SB 1, the school finance bill that passed both chambers this week. Supporters claim it is necessary for national security.

Luis Figueroa, an attorney with the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF), says it does alleviate some of his organization's

long-standing concerns, such as magnify the consequences of allowing certain temporary visa holders to obtain licenses. But he warns that immigration issues are too complex to leave to the DPS clerks who will be charged with enforcement.

"They're the judge and jury. There's no appeal process; there's no complaint process. There's no immigration attorney to be able determine whether someone is getting the appropriate license."

He says the law needs to be fixed to ensure that a qualified driver can't be denied a license because of non-typical immigration status. He also wants assurances that new databases won't be abused, and that the added difficulty in obtaining a license doesn't hamper anyone's access to services and benefits.

In addition, Figueroa predicts the new procedures will

another newly-passed measure - a photo identification law that imposes some of the strictest voting requirements in the nation. A loss of driving privileges could amount to a simultaneous loss of voting privileges - further disenfranchising the state's most vulnerable citizens, he notes.

"People who don't have driver's licenses are often the most vulnerable. People who are poor. Students. The elderly. These are always the people we should be trying to ensure that their rights are protected, not taking their rights away."

He says even Texans who can easily produce their birth certificates or passports should be concerned about the law for their own safety - since he predicts it will lead to more unlicensed drivers on the road without liability insurance.

Texas Public School Advocates Already Regrouping for **Next Battle**

for public education funding is far from over, according to several hundred school advocates from across the state who gath-Save Texas Schools, which was created during the past legislative session as lawmakers were proposing billions of dollars of education cuts to help balance the state budget. Jason Sabo, an Austin public school parent and a volunteer for Save Texas Schools, says the message going forward is "Get ready!" Families, he says, need to brace not only for the impact of a \$4 billion

AUSTIN, Texas - The fight shortfall to schools, but also for additional cuts if the next legislature doesn't fix structural budget problems. "Get ready for the 2012 elections, because public ered in Austin this weekend. school parents and people who The conference was organized are concerned about public eduby the grassroots organization cation will have a louder voice in 2012 than they have ever had in the history of this state.' Sabo expects to see hundreds of house parties in the next few months hosted by concerned parents trying to mobilize their communities into supporting pro-public-education candidates - regardless of party." Podcast and entire story avail-

About 75 guests enjoyed wine, hors d'ouvres, visiting and all-you-can-eat Italian food buf-

fet at the Windmill Café Customer Appreciation Night on July 16, 2011, followed by a

country Western dance with Kevin Rainwater singing all the old favorites. Pictured (L to

R) are the owners and staff of the Windmill Café: Sabrina Osborn, Louanne Silva, Lexi

Gulledge, Deannette Gulledge, Perry Gulledge, Kristi Ward, and Ruby Smith.

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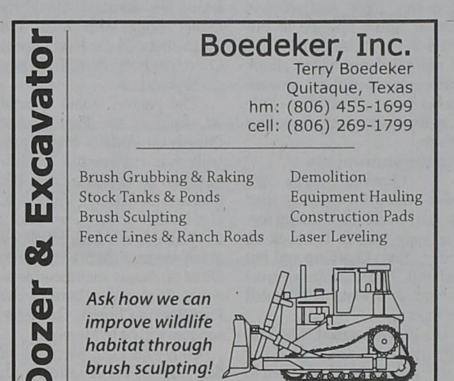
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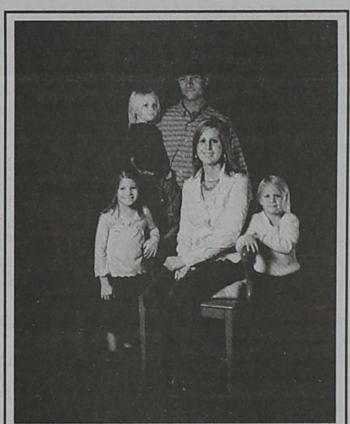
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With the coming this 4th of July 2011, we recall the words of Beth Pratt, "America breaks the mold on religion, showing more in common with poorer countries than with the wealthy nations of the world." I believe she is correct. I also believe one of the reasons for this is because we as

Americans understand freedom. Freedom has a sweet flavor that once it is tasted nothing less will do. In our defense of our freedom we have fought to insure the right of the individual to worship. This Freedom must be close-

ly watched. There are some who seek to strip it from us. John Adams, one of America's great men once said, "Posterity, you will never know how much it has cost my generation to preserve your freedom. I hope you will make good use of it." In the main, we have understood and appreciated those of Mister Adams stripe. Someone has written, "What we attain too cheaply, we esteem too lightly; it is dearness only that gives everything its valve." It is a matter of Freedom! Gad

The God of heaven knows how to put a price upon that which is good and it would be sad indeed if such a precious freedom is lost in trivia. Our freedom to assemble to worship our God can be easily lost in just one careless generation. We can purpose to be at the worship assembly this coming Lord's Day and by our very presence, we are declaring our understanding of our precious freedoms. Freedoms dearly paid for by our nations finest. Without question, our God has been good to us. God has blessed America far beyond any expectation. Freedom does indeed have a sweet flavor!

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

NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News By Monta Marshall

On a personal note

Were you a Lil' Abner comics fan? I loved it but find I am forgetting some of the characters. There was character that ran the skunk works and always had wavy lines around him indicating that he stunk. Can anyone remember his name? I asked a well read and respected scholar about this at lunch Sunday at the café. He couldn't remember but we reminisced about Senator Foghorn and the little guy who always had a dark cloud over his head. My expert friend said his name was Joe Bittle something or another. Was the senator Foghorn or Leghorn? Maybe Senator Leghorn was in Looney Tunes and Merry Melodies. What brought up this interesting topic was we had another skunk episode at our house and I wanted to tell Corky he reminded me of the skunk works guy but couldn't remember his name. He did have little wavy lines emanating from him for sure!

In the community

Charlotte Havis Andrews who grew up here died this past week. Her funeral services were held in Lubbock on Friday. Both Charlotte and her husband, Jackie Andrews grew up here. J. N. Fletcher attended her funeral.

Lea Peacock called. She said Billy was doing pretty good but that he got confused and tried to leave the Veteran's Home where he is a resident. For his safety, Bill is now wearing a bracelet that alarms the staff when he tries to leave. Lea is still in Palacious, Texas, with her son and daughter-in-law, Pat and Sharon Peacock.

Lea attended a Masonic Lodge open installation at the Masonic Lodge in Blessing, Texas. Pat was installed as a Senior Warden. She was surprised to meet Andrew Seigrist, former Motley County School superintendent there. Andrew was elected Tiler in the ceremony.

Edith Daniell had surgery on Monday of last week. She has been hospitalized at the Covenant Women's Hospital all last week. Hopefully she will be able to come home on Monday or Tuesday.

Greg and Suzanne Middleton were guests at the First Baptist Church on Sunday. Greg filled the pulpit. They were from Canyon, Texas.

Bobby Fletcher was here for the weekend. He and his son Peyton came from Arlington to see about Bobby's home. Bobby is doing much better and hopes to return to Roaring Springs to stay soon. Bobby's health has improved greatly in the last few months.

Abbi Watson daughter of Kim Hand Watson and Duane Watson spent the week with Mozelle Hand last week. Mozelle really enjoyed having her visit.

Buzz and Tince Thacker attended the birthday party of Tince's great granddaughter, Campbell Terry. Campbell's first birthday was held at her home in Slaton on Saturday. Attending were: Campbell's grandparents, Gordon and Lou Ann Terry of Post, great-grandparents, Tince and Buzz Thacker of Roaring Springs, mother, Mandy Terry, uncles and aunts, Justin and Amanda Terry and Todd Terry of the Austin area. Cousins attending were: Everest, Sawyer, Kyle, Audra and Beau. On Sunday, the Terry family along with Buzz and Tince attended the First Baptist Church in Post where Todd was guest preacher.

The Audrey Jones funeral was held at the First Baptist Church on Friday. Mrs. Jones body was transported to California to be buried next to her husband in Merced, California. Her brother-in-law, Joe Martin of Wellington, Texas, officiated at the service. There were about 68 or 70 family members present at her service here at the First Baptist Church. Graveside services will be in Merced.

Cody and Leah Meredith of San Angelo, Texas, visited with his parents, Joe Glenn and Joyce Meredith over the week-

Carla Meador, Sherry Rose and Joyce Meredith took their grandchildren camping at the Springs Ranch for four days last week. This was their eighth annual camp- out at the Springs. Their mothers and fathers visited the camp for supper a few times

Angelica Meredith returned home to San Angelo with her parents after spending much of the summer here with her grandparents and cousins.

Corky and Monta Marshall attended the funeral of the uncle of Monta's daughter-in-law in Lubbock on Friday. They also visited Edith Daniell at a Lakeside Covenant Hospital.

Flomot News By Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

I have beautiful, considerate and loving friends. By their association, the lack of rain, our nation's economic situation and other problems we encounter are easier to bear with these rewarding friendships.

Baby Shower

A baby shower was given for Mrs. Kevin (Keri) Sehon of Wolfforth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter of Flomot, Saturday, at the Hillcrest Country Club in Lubbock. Family members attending were her mother, Mrs. Kathy Shorter and Mrs. Anna Beth Clay of Flomot, Mrs. Christi Milam of Lake Kiowa, Mrs. Judy Cox of Spring and Mrs. Marian Rhodes of Plano.

More community news

Connie and Coy Franks and her mother, Mrs. Erma Washington visited in Idalou last Sunday with Amy and Cory Franks, Hudson and Heston. They accompanied home their daughter, Madison, who visited here the past week.

Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay attended the funeral services of R.G. Morris, 86, held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at the United Methodist Church in Petersburg. Other relatives of Matador attending were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Turner, Mrs. Carolyn Ewing and Mrs. Nova Turner.

Mrs. Sandra Barclay and mother, Mrs. Erma Washington, attended "seven-on-seven" football games in Plainview Friday where grandsons, Ashton and Lane Barclay of Borger, played. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Cody Barclay of Borger.

Linda and Travis Kendall visited this week in Midland with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cory Kendall. Their sons, Connor and Chancey, returned home with them to visit.

BALANCE

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Jack and Nada Starkey met daughter, Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis in Amarillo, Friday and returned to her home in Fritch to visit the weekend.

Mrs. Brenda Cruse, her mother, Mrs. Marihelen Wason of Matador and sister, Mrs. Charla Marricle of Snyder were in Abilene Thursday and enjoyed shopping and entertainment. They returned to their respective homes Friday.

Emily and Haley Milam of Lake Kiowa and Brian Sehon of Wolfforth visited the week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter. Mrs. Christi Milam of Lake Kiowa visited overnight Thursday with them and visited overnight Friday in Wolfforth with sister, Mrs. Keri Sehon and husband, Kevin. Visiting them and L.E. Shorter Friday and Saturday were his sister, Mrs. Judy Cox of Spring, Texas, and daughter in law, Mrs. Marian Rhodes of Plano, Texas.

Celebrates Birthday

Mrs. Gwen Mandrell of Lubbock whose birthday is Monday, July 18, was honored Sunday with a family luncheon in the home of her mother, Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert. She was presented a birthday cake, gifts, cards, best wishes and a chorus of Happy Birthday.

Those enjoying the celebration were her family, husband, Tim Mandrell and daughter, Peyton of Lubbock; Alvia Jo Calvert of Dumas, Ashley Calvert and Brent of Amarillo, Chris Calvert, Sherrlyn and Dan Foster, Dustin and Elise Reed and Hayleigh of Lubbock and brother, Glen Calvert of Flomot.

FSA County Committee Nominations continued from page one

tion and election process," she said.

County committees are comprised of three to five members elected by local producers. All newly elected county committee members and alternates will take office January 2, 2012.

Nomination forms must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by close of business on August 1, 2011.

For more information about county committees, please contact the Motley County FSA office at 806-347-2263 or visit www.fsa.usda.gov.

Matador News By Marilynn Hicks

Two Day Rug Hooking Workshop

I have never seen as much creativity in fabric as displayed this weekend at a retreat at Hotel Matador-sponsored by Rachael's Fine Fabrics. Twelve women created rugs from strips of gorgeous wool fabric. In addition to hooking, they had beautiful appliqués and original design,

handmade baskets.

Attending from Lubbock were Barbara Harris, Jean Waufle, Rhonda Maines, Carley Maines, and Kim Shook. From Wichita Falls were Susan Myers, Gay Williams, and Lanelle Malone. Pat Nelson from Floydada, Sheila Schindler from Mesquite, Redgie Knight from Amarillo, and Kathy Irwin from Idalou completed the group.

They have scheduled two more workshops for the spring and fall of next year.

Visitors in Town

Last week John and Mary Greist from Franklin, North Carolina stopped on the way to their daughter's wedding in Colorado. Even though they just happened upon our community, they were very interested in its history and took an evening tour around town and East Mound Cemetery. They were impressed with the care shown at the cemetery.

Laura Berrios, her grandson, Aidan, and mother, Sue, stayed over on the trip from Utah to San Antonio. They drove to Matador from Littleton, Colorado and were glad to have completed one more leg on their journey home.

Attending the Flomot Homecoming and staying at the hotel were sisters Joy Lacy and Vinita Hrncir from Amarillo. They also visited with their mother who is a resident at Hackberry Creek Care Center.

Nancy Williams, Janice Wesley, and Gloria Mitchell from New Jersey visited Matador for the second year as a part of an ongoing tour of different parts of the country. This time, we were the stopping place on the way to Arizona. They said they would be back next year.

Cotton Ploesser and Vernon Dutton came to pick up a horse, visit with friends and spend the night at the hotel. They are business partners from Rocksprings, Texas and are frequently in the community.

Several employees from the Matador Ranch attended the Caprock Ranchers Horse Sale in Clarendon this past weekend. Attending were Bob Kilmer, J D Russell, Tim Washington, Gilbert Guerrero, Casey Maines, and Mickey Beshirs. Some of the wives were able to accompany them on the trip; comments indicated a successful trip and sale. Also attending were Colton Russell, Nicole Harkey, and Brad Baxter.

Locals on the Go

Douglas and Janie Campbell have made a mission trip to Honduras. I am sure they will have some interesting and inspiring stories to tell.

Dorothy Russell attended the 98th birthday celebration for her aunt, Thelma Hinson, in Crosbyton. The event was hosted by Mrs. Hinson's grandchildren. She is a resident in an assisted living apartment in Crosbyton where she has set up a room for quilting and is teaching the staff this art form. Accompanying Dorothy to the party were daughters Marilynn and Linda. Mrs. Hinson is also the great -aunt of local resident, Ronnie Cox.

Les and Kim Woolsey and children, Jacob and Kaylee, got out of the heat by taking a vacation to visit with her brother and his family in the northern part of the United States.

Randy and Marilynn Hicks visited with two of their children last week. In Cedar Park they were able to see grandson Jacob play in two baseball games. He is the son of Kevin and Kim Hicks. Jacy Hicks was also home from Tarleton for the summer and joined them for an evening out. They then came back through Abilene where son Jason, wife Kim, and daughters Hannah and Hailey have recently moved. Jason has accepted a position on staff at Hendrix Memorial Hospital as a part of an anesthesiology

Happenings and Comments

Plans are underway for the third annual Foothills Saturday Night to be held the 20th of August. One of the features will be a "Motley County Has Talent Show". If you would like to be a part of the show or would like for me to contact someone that you think might be a welcome addition to the venue, just call the Hotel Matador and leave a message if we are out. Vendors for the event are also being recruited. If you want to have a table, contact Linda Roy at 347-2939 after 6:00 in the evening.

We will have a group of school principals from Plainview having a retreat this Wednesday and Thursday. I know you will make them welcome as you see them on the street.

I am going to try to get this writing done in time for the paper which means that it will probably be composed on Sunday night. Please let me know if you have news that you would like to have included.



Pictured above, twelve women created rugs from strips of gorgeous wool fabric during a retreat at Hotel Matador sponsored by Rachael's Fine Fabrics. In addition to hooking, they had beautiful appliqués and original design, handmade baskets.

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MOTLEY COUNTY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM APRIL 1, 2011 TO JUNE 30, 2011

FUND		BALANCE		RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS			
	Já	anuary 1, 2011						M
GENERAL FUND Operating	\$	33,914.37	\$	86,414.38	\$	109,453.70	\$	
GENERAL FUND - Investment	\$	216,000.00		3	\$	55,000.00	\$	
SPECIAL FUND	\$	138.80	\$	2,874.02	\$	2,312.55	\$	
SPECIAL FUND - Investment	\$	15,700.00			\$	500.00	\$	
ROAD & BRIDGE # 1 Operating	\$	1,042.88	5	11,188.03	\$	10,897.63	\$	
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2,350.00 1,385.55 ROAD & BRIDGE # 2 Operating 16,406.42 \$ 1,163.25 \$ 4,750.00 12,750.00 8,000.00 \$ R+B # 2 - Investment \$ 1,055.63 14,591.58 \$ 14,528.53 \$ 992.58 ROAD & BRIDGE # 3 Operating 28,400.00 34,700.00 6,300.00 \$ R+B # 3 - Investment 911.83 20,251.53 \$ ROAD & BRIDGE # 4 Operating 1,669.45 19,493.91 \$ 5,799.00 \$ 1.00 5,800.00 R+B # 4 - Investment 10.00 10.00 LATERAL ROAD 7,700.00 \$ 21,791.02 29,485.08 \$ 5.94 \$ LATERAL RD - Invest TexSTAR \$ 4,017.09 \$ 3,780.00 \$ 1,547.68 1,310.59 \$ CAPITAL ACQUISITION 68,405.00 64,455.00 \$ 10,200.00 \$ 6,250.00 \$ **INVESTMENT - TexSTAR** 75.59 305.62 Interest - TexSTAR 230.03 \$ 545.34 216,720.78 Invest-CD - VISTA BANK 12mos 216,175.44 \$ 100,800.37 100,546.72 \$ 253.65 Invest-CD - VISTA BANK 12mos

COUNTY FUNDS TOTAL

STATE COURT COSTS
LIBRARY

LIBRARY \$ 9,874.97 \$ 2,790.55 \$ 4,442.73 \$
HOT CHECK \$ 3,066.44 \$ 130.18 \$ 96.89 \$

TOTALS \$ 754,456.53 \$ 181,972.48 \$ 287,334.57 \$

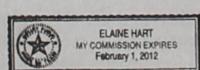
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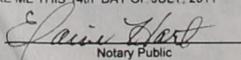
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BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, ON THIS DAY PERSONALLY APPEARED EVA BARKLEY, MOTLEY COUNTY TREASURER, WHO BEING SWORN, AND UPON OATH, SAYS THAT THE WITHIN AND FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

12,763.50 \$

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 14th DAY OF JULY, 2011





EVA POLITICEY
EVA BARKLEY, COUNTY TREASURER

12,615.59 \$

Obituaries

Nancy Tsagaris

Nancy Tsagaris, 74, beloved wife, sister and aunt passed away on July 7, 2011, after a lengthy and courageous fight. with cancer.

She was born in Spur, Texas, and grew up in Matador, Texas. A graduate of Texas Tech University, she later became employed by The Army Times in Washington, DC where she met her future husband, and in 1973 relocated to Landstuhl, Germany for three years. Together they traveled to many European countries and to Kenya. They moved to El Paso in 1976 where they have lived for 35 years.

She was predeceased by her parents, Earline Vaughn and Marvin Vaughn of Matador, Texas. She is survived by her husband, George Tsagaris; brother, Key Vaughn of Austin, Texas; nieces: Teresa Osborne, of Boston, Massachusetts and Tara Balandran of Austin, Texas; nephews:



Christopher Bowen of London, England, and Niall Bowen of Key West, Florida; great-nieces: Reagan Williams of Boston, Emily Balandran of Austin, Texas, and Nina Bowen of Key West, Florida; and great-nephews: James Balandran II of Austin, Texas, Camaron Balandran of Austin, Texas, and Shannon Williams of Boston, Massachusetts. She was a beacon of grace and love to everyone who knew her. Services and Interment were private at Fort Bliss National Cemetery.

Notes from the Library

By Mary Ann Potts

Oh My Goodness! There are so many new books arriving I can barely keep up stocking the shelves.

We have five new Audio Books for your choosing: Fern Michaels with Betrayal, Debt of Honor by Tom Clancy, Heather Graham's Heart of Evil, Now You See Her by James Patterson, and Quinn by Iris Johansen.

For our Elmer Kelton followers we have Elmer Kelton: Essays and Memories by Judy Alter and James Ward Lee. To continue to enrich our Non-Fiction section we have 4 new additions. Liberty Defined by Ron Paul, The Secret Knowledge by David Mamet, A Nation Like No Other by Newt Gingrich, and Dani's Story by Diane & Bernie Li-

For some summer porch reading we've received two new titles. Leslie Meier's English Tea Murder, and Summer **Rental** by Mary Kay Andrews.

I have many Thank You's to give to all who donated their

Tuesday Night Scramble

Brannon, Garland Cartwright,

Lee Hurt, Brad Jameson,

Jeannie Johnson, Jerry John-

son, Lee Jones, Tanner Keith,

Kelly Keltz, Kyla Simpson,

Tammy Simpson, and Jim

Watson. Closest to the pin

winner was Tanner Keith.

We had a three-way tie with a

score of four under par. The

winning team by a card play-

off was Mark Brannon, Tan-

ner Keith, and Kyla Simpson.

Second place went to Garland

Cartwright, Brad Jameson,

participants were:

by Cynthia Stafford

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time to Children's Story Time during June. A Big Thank You to our wonderful story tellers: Highway Patrolman Chad Overton, Game Warden Mark Collins, Earth Science Teacher Rick Day, and Matt Poole from Matador Wildlife Management Association for the Predators/ Reptile presentation on June 29th. Also to all the "`Friends of the Library" who work silently behind the scene to enhance the kids' experiences. And another little note of Thanks to Mr. Jim Cross and Kathy Gillespie for the bags of book donations we've received over the last week. The library receives many book donations, some anonymous, so please accept our sincere appreciation to everyone who contributes to our growing collection.

Hey Kids! There's 1 week left to turn in your Summer Reading Cards to have a chance to win a New Bike (K-2nd Grade), or Nintendo DSi (3rd-6th Grade). All completed reading cards must be turned in by Fri., July 29th at 2:00 p.m.

I would like to thank every-

one for supporting the Tues-

day Night Scrambles! We

have had many weeks of teams

with the same scores. I would

also like to remind everyone,

we have open scrambles and

more information, please call

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For the month of June, 2011,

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CASES: Cases, 4; cases solved,3; Cases under investigation, 1; amount lost to theft or burglary, \$4,800.00; Amount recovered, \$4,800.00; Motor vehicle accidents investigated, 4; Assaults, 1; Thefts, 0; Burglary, o; Burglary of Motor Vehicle, o; Unauthorized use of Motor Vehicle, 1; Criminal Mischief, o; Reckless Conduct, o; Disorderly Conduct, o; Livestock Calls, 18; Assist Citizens, 3; Assist outside agency, 3; Civil Standby, 0; Suspicious Person, 2; Found Property, o; Telephone Harassment, o; Family Disturbance, 1; Juvenile Runaways, 4; and Other, 2.

ARRESTS: Misdemeanor, 2; Felony, 0; TDC Transfer, 1. PAPER SERVED: District Court, 1; County Court, 0; JP Court, o; Out of County Court Papers, o; Bailiff for Court, 2. TRAFFIC: Traffic Citations,

11; Traffic Warnings, 11; Funeral escorts, o. TO THE CITIZENS OF

citizens and drove 5,472 patrol MOTLEY COUNTY: There are two scams going on in the county. Please disregard any telephone calls notifying you that a family member or friend has been arrested and needs bail bond money. An arrest was made in Roaring Springs of a person participating in this crime. Another scam is a telephone call from someone claiming they have received a ticket from New York City, and need money to pay the ticket. If you receive any bogus calls of this sort, please notify the Sheriff's office immediately.

> If you see anything suspicious or someone driving reckless, or receive a telephone call described above, please call the Sheriff Office at 806-347-2234, or Chief Deputy Ware 806-269-3588 or Trooper Overton 806-269-0192 or Sheriff Spence at 806-269-3577-

Thank you.

Linda Ruhl

Linda Ruhl, 59, passed July 16, 2011, to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. She was born to Gerald and Betty Wightman on July 11, 1952. She is survived by her husband Gordon Ruhl. They were married April 1, 1998; he remained her life partner for 22 years of engagement and 14 years of marriage.

She is survived by two daughters, Linda Aumiller, 38, and husband Scott of Matador, Texas; Becky Farr, 37, of Muskegon, Michigan; James Farr, 36, of Manhattan, Kansas. She is preceded in death by one brother, Ray Wightman; and survived by two sisters, Sue Deam of Crystal River, Florida, and Vida Ann Gusten of Matador, Texas; and two brothers, Danny Wightman of Muskegon, Michigan and Jer-Florida.

She is survived by a number of grandchildren, nieces and

nephews. Linda graduated high school and continued her education at Baker's College to obtain an Associates of Art Degree. She was employed with Billy Dean's Restaurant and Motel. She attended First Baptist Church in Matador, Texas. She was active in many aspects of the community. She was an assistant Girl Scout leader for troop #6231 in Matador for one and a half years. She was also a Girl Scout leader in Michigan for many years. She brought years of experience and ideas to the troop. She was active in helping with many church functions. She was always on hand when baking needed to be done. She also enjoyed attending the many school events and functions with her family in which her grandchilry Wightman of Crystal River, dren participated. She will be missed by numerous family and friends to whom she gave countless hours of love and time.

Charlotte Havis Andrews

Charlotte Havis Andrews of Lubbock departed this life on Tuesday, July, 12, 2011, at the age of 80. She was born March 23, 1931 in Roaring Springs to Herman and Amy Havis. She graduated high school from Roaring Springs in 1948, and Draughn's Business School in Lubbock in 1950. She married Jack Andrews also in 1950, while he was serving in the U.S. Army. In 1952, after being discharged, they lived in New Mexico and Texas and worked in the oil field. Charlotte worked for several automobile dealerships as bookkeeper and office manager. Then she began working in the oil field as an office manager for a pulling unit company. Charlotte was a member of Hillcrest Country Club where she played bridge and golf.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her son, Mike; and a sister, Carolyn Lane. Survivors include her husband Jack; daughter Don-



na Luckie and husband Gary; grandson, Derek; great granddaughter, Lindsey; sister, Barbara Robbins and many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends gathered to celebrate Charlotte's life July 13, 2011, at Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers, Lubbock. Services were held Friday, July 15, 2011, in Lake Ridge Chapel . with burial following in the City of Lubbock Cemetery next to her son. Memorials are suggested to a charity of your choice. To view Charlotte's memorial page, visit www.memorialdesigners.net.

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- 17-20 VBS at FBCM-- evening sessions for all kids, 3 yr thru 5th grade (completed)
- **Matador Lions**
- "Canada" Photo Slide Show Presentation by 23 Ken Young in Library Annex, 10: 00 a.m.
- 25-30 Ken Young Photo Exhibit in Library An-
- 29-30 Ken Young Portrait studio in Library Annex. Call Ken at 806/348-7330 for Appt.
- The Roaring Springs Full Gospel Church 31 Ladies Ministry, Lunch for the public in the Fellowship Hall

August

- **Matador Lions**
- **Roaring Springs Lions**
- Ice Cream Social fund raiser Senior Citizens Building, 6:00 pm Gerald Pipkin and FRIENDS

LEGAL NOTICE

Motley County ISD hereby serves notice that they are now taking bids on

PROPERTY INSURANCE GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE FLEET INSURANCE

- 1. Sealed proposals will be received in the Superintendent's office, P.o. Box 310, Matador, Texas 79244 until 4:00 p.m. August 4, 2011.
- 2. Each proposal received shall be in a sealed envelope plainly marked

PROPERTY INSURANCE, GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE/ERRORS & **OMISSION, FLEET INSURANCE**

- 3. Proposals will be awarded during the regular board meeting on August 8, 2011. Bids received after the 4:00 p.m. deadline will be returned to the bidder unopened.
- 4. Additional information may be obtained by contacting William Cochran at Motley County ISD (806) 347-2677.
- 5. Bidders may not withdraw their proposals after the closing time for submission of proposals.

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> DAVID STAFFORD, PRES./SCHOOLBOARD WILLIAM COCHRAN, SUPERINTENDENT **MOTLEY COUNTY ISD** P.O. BOX 310 **MATADOR, TEXAS 79244**

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Notice of Public Hearing on Motley Co. Appraisal DistBudget

will hold a public hearing on a pro-Motley Co. Appraisal Dist. posed budget for the 2011/2012 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on July 28,2011 6:30p.m at Motley Courthouse

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget.

51,917.00

The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.

0.00

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget.

(full-time equivalent)

(full-time equivalent)

The number of employees compensated under the current budget.

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Lubbock

Contract 6230-53-001 for REMOVE AND REPLACE SPEED LIMIT SIGNS - WESTERN in LUBBOCK County, etc will be opened on August 10, 2011 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$1,367,385.39.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 37088

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office(s)

Lubbock District District Engineer 135 Slaton Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771 Phone: 806-745-4411

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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